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## COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

It is a well written review-paper.

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This review summarizes current knowledge of LAA occlusion as an emerging alternative to chronic OAC therapy for patients at risk for embolic strokes. I have some questions: 1) In the Abstract and in the text the Authors refers to "non-valvular atrial fibrillation". They should provide adequate definition and reference. 2) The Authors should better clarify if the review apply only to "non-valvular atrial fibrillation" or also to other AF conditions. 3) Age, sex and race differences in left atrial appendage occlusion outcome should be outlined. 4) A table reporting pros, contra and uncertainty of left atrial appendage occlusion should be added.