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Table 1. Baseline Characteristics of the Patients.*

Characteristic	Active Treatment (N=1933)	Placebo (N=1912)
Age — yr	83.6±3.2	83.5±3.1
Female sex — no. (%)	1174 (60.7)	1152 (60.3)
Blood pressure — mm Hg		
While sitting	173.0±8.4/90.8±8.5	173.0±8.6/90.8±8.5
While standing	168.0±11.0/88.7±9.3	167.9±11.1/88.6±9.3
Orthostatic hypotension — no. (%)†	152 (7.9)	169 (8.8)
Isolated systolic hypertension — no. (%)	625 (32.3)	623 (32.6)
Heart rate — beats/min	74.5±9.1	74.5±9.3
Cardiovascular history		
Cardiovascular disease — no. (%)	223 (11.5)	229 (12.0)
Hypertension — no. (%)	1737 (89.9)	1718 (89.9)
Antihypertensive treatment — no. (%)	1241 (64.2)	1245 (65.1)
Stroke — no. (%)	130 (6.7)	131 (6.9)
Myocardial infarction — no. (%)	59 (3.1)	62 (3.2)
Heart failure — no. (%)	56 (2.9)	55 (2.9)
Cardiovascular risk factors		
Current smoker — no. (%)	123 (6.4)	127 (6.6)
Diabetes — no. (%)‡	132 (6.8)	131 (6.9)
Total cholesterol — mmol/liter	5.3±1.1	5.3±1.1
High-density lipoprotein cholesterol — mmol/liter	1.35±0.38	1.35±0.37
Serum creatinine — μmol/liter	88.6±20.5	89.2±20.5
Uric acid — μmol/liter	280.4±79.3	279.0±81.3
Body-mass index§	24.7±3.8	24.7±3.5

* Plus-minus values are means ±SD. To convert values for cholesterol to milligrams per deciliter, divide by 0.02586; to convert values for uric acid to milligrams per deciliter, divide by 59.48; and to convert values for serum creatinine to milligrams per deciliter, divide by 88.4.

† Orthostatic hypotension is defined as a drop in systolic blood pressure of more than 20 mm Hg or a reduction in diastolic blood pressure of more than 10 mm Hg while standing.

‡ Diabetes is defined as reported diabetes, the receipt of antidiabetes treatment, or a random blood glucose measurement of more than 11.1 mmol per liter (200 mg per deciliter).

§ The body-mass index is the weight in kilograms divided by the square of the height in meters.

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