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| **Warfarin** | • Regular blood tests needed (perhaps four per week, so expensive and inconvenient to manage)  
• Narrow therapeutic window  
• Interactions with many other drugs  
• Teratogenic to the developing embryo  
• Long half-life (so insensitive to need for a rapid change) |
| **LMWHs** | • Must be injected  
• Very low risk of heparin-induced thrombocytopenia |