

SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL

Timing and causes of death after endovascular thrombectomy in patients with acute ischemic stroke

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Table 1. The RECORD statement – checklist of items, extended from the STROBE statement, that should be reported in observational studies using routinely collected health data.

	Item No.	STROBE items	Location in manuscript where items are reported	RECORD items	Location in manuscript where items are reported
Title and abstract					
	1	(a) Indicate the study’s design with a commonly used term in the title or the abstract (b) Provide in the abstract an informative and balanced summary of what was done and what was found	Page 3, line 60	<p>RECORD 1.1: The type of data used should be specified in the title or abstract. When possible, the name of the databases used should be included.</p> <p>RECORD 1.2: If applicable, the geographic region and timeframe within which the study took place should be reported in the title or abstract.</p> <p>RECORD 1.3: If linkage between databases was conducted for the study, this should be clearly stated in the title or abstract.</p>	<p>Page 3, line 60</p> <p>Page 3, line 61</p> <p>n.a.</p>
Introduction					

Background rationale	2	Explain the scientific background and rationale for the investigation being reported	Page 5, line 93-97		
Objectives	3	State specific objectives, including any prespecified hypotheses	Page 5, line 97-100		
Methods					
Study Design	4	Present key elements of study design early in the paper	Page 6, line 103-106		
Setting	5	Describe the setting, locations, and relevant dates, including periods of recruitment, exposure, follow-up, and data collection	Page 6, line 103-112 and Page 6, line 120-155		

Participants	6	<p>(a) <i>Cohort study</i> - Give the eligibility criteria, and the sources and methods of selection of participants. Describe methods of follow-up</p> <p><i>Case-control study</i> - Give the eligibility criteria, and the sources and methods of case ascertainment and control selection. Give the rationale for the choice of cases and controls</p> <p><i>Cross-sectional study</i> - Give the eligibility criteria, and the sources and methods of selection of participants</p> <p>(b) <i>Cohort study</i> - For matched studies, give matching criteria and number of exposed and unexposed</p> <p><i>Case-control study</i> - For matched studies, give matching criteria and the number of controls per case</p>	Page 6, line 107-112	<p>RECORD 6.1: The methods of study population selection (such as codes or algorithms used to identify subjects) should be listed in detail. If this is not possible, an explanation should be provided.</p> <p>RECORD 6.2: Any validation studies of the codes or algorithms used to select the population should be referenced. If validation was conducted for this study and not published elsewhere, detailed methods and results should be provided.</p> <p>RECORD 6.3: If the study involved linkage of databases, consider use of a flow diagram or other graphical display to demonstrate the data linkage process, including the number of individuals with linked data at each stage.</p>	<p>Page 6, line 107-112</p> <p>n.a.</p> <p>n.a.</p>
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Variables	7	Clearly define all outcomes, exposures, predictors, potential confounders, and effect modifiers. Give diagnostic criteria, if applicable.	Page 7, line 139-155 and Page 6, line 120 through Page 7, line 136	RECORD 7.1: A complete list of codes and algorithms used to classify exposures, outcomes, confounders, and effect modifiers should be provided. If these cannot be reported, an explanation should be provided.	n.a.
Data sources/ measurement	8	For each variable of interest, give sources of data and details of methods of assessment (measurement). Describe comparability of assessment methods if there is more than one group	Page 7, line 139-155 and Page 6, line 120 through Page 7, line 136		

Bias	9	Describe any efforts to address potential sources of bias	Page 7, line 130-132 Page 8, line 164-165		
Study size	10	Explain how the study size was arrived at	Page 9 line 169-173 and Figure 1 of the Supplement		
Quantitative variables	11	Explain how quantitative variables were handled in the analyses. If applicable, describe which groupings were chosen, and why	n.a.		

Statistical methods	12	<p>(a) Describe all statistical methods, including those used to control for confounding (b) Describe any methods used to examine subgroups and interactions</p> <p>(c) Explain how missing data were addressed</p> <p>(d) <i>Cohort study</i> - If applicable, explain how loss to follow-up was addressed <i>Case-control study</i> - If applicable, explain how matching of cases and controls was addressed <i>Cross-sectional study</i> - If applicable, describe analytical methods taking account of sampling strategy</p> <p>(e) Describe any sensitivity analyses</p>	<p>Page 8, line 158-166</p> <p>Page 8, line 160-162</p> <p>Page 8, line 164-165</p>		
Data access and cleaning methods		..		RECORD 12.1: Authors should describe the extent to which the investigators had access to the database population used to create the study population.	n.a.

				RECORD 12.2: Authors should provide information on the data cleaning methods used in the study.	n.a.
Linkage		..		RECORD 12.3: State whether the study included person-level, institutional-level, or other data linkage across two or more databases. The methods of linkage and methods of linkage quality evaluation should be provided.	n.a.
Results					
Participants	13	(a) Report the numbers of individuals at each stage of the study (<i>e.g.</i> , numbers potentially eligible, examined for eligibility, confirmed eligible, included in the study, completing follow-up, and analysed) (b) Give reasons for nonparticipation at each stage. (c) Consider use of a flow diagram	Figure 1 of the Data Supplement	RECORD 13.1: Describe in detail the selection of the persons included in the study (<i>i.e.</i> , study population selection) including filtering based on data quality, data availability and linkage. The selection of included persons can be described in the text and/or by means of the study flow diagram.	Figure 1 of the Data Supplement

Descriptive data	14	<p>(a) Give characteristics of study participants (<i>e.g.</i>, demographic, clinical, social) and information on exposures and potential confounders</p> <p>(b) Indicate the number of participants with missing data for each variable of interest (c) <i>Cohort study</i> - summarise follow-up time (<i>e.g.</i>, average and total amount)</p>	<p>Page 12, Table 2 and Page 9 line 169-171</p> <p>Data supplement Table 3</p>		
Outcome data	15	<p><i>Cohort study</i> - Report numbers of outcome events or summary measures over time</p> <p><i>Case-control study</i> - Report numbers in each exposure</p>	<p>Page 9, line 171-173 and Table 1</p>		
		<p>category, or summary measures of exposure</p> <p><i>Cross-sectional study</i> - Report numbers of outcome events or summary measures</p>			

Main results	16	(a) Give unadjusted estimates and, if applicable, confounderadjusted estimates and their precision (e.g., 95% confidence interval). Make clear which confounders were adjusted for and why they were included (b) Report category boundaries when continuous variables were categorized (c) If relevant, consider translating estimates of relative risk into absolute risk for a meaningful time period	Page 19, line 234-241 and Table 4		
Other analyses	17	Report other analyses done— e.g., analyses of subgroups and interactions, and sensitivity analyses	Sensitivity analysis is found in the data supplement Table 2		
Discussion					
Key results	18	Summarise key results with reference to study objectives	Page 21, line 252-260		

Limitations	19	Discuss limitations of the study, taking into account sources of potential bias or imprecision. Discuss both direction and magnitude of any potential bias	Page 22, line 288-302	RECORD 19.1: Discuss the implications of using data that were not created or collected to answer the specific research question(s). Include discussion of misclassification bias, unmeasured confounding, missing data, and changing eligibility over time, as they pertain to the study being reported.	Page 22, line 288-302
Interpretation	20	Give a cautious overall interpretation of results considering objectives,	Page 24, line 304-309		
		limitations, multiplicity of analyses, results from similar studies, and other relevant evidence			
Generalisability	21	Discuss the generalisability (external validity) of the study results	n.a.		
Other Information					
Funding	22	Give the source of funding and the role of the funders for the present study and, if applicable,	Separate declarations document		

		for the original study on which the present article is based			
Accessibility of protocol, raw data, and programming code		..	n.a.	RECORD 22.1: Authors should provide information on how to access any supplemental information such as the study protocol, raw data, or programming code.	n.a.

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Figure 1. Flowchart of patient inclusion

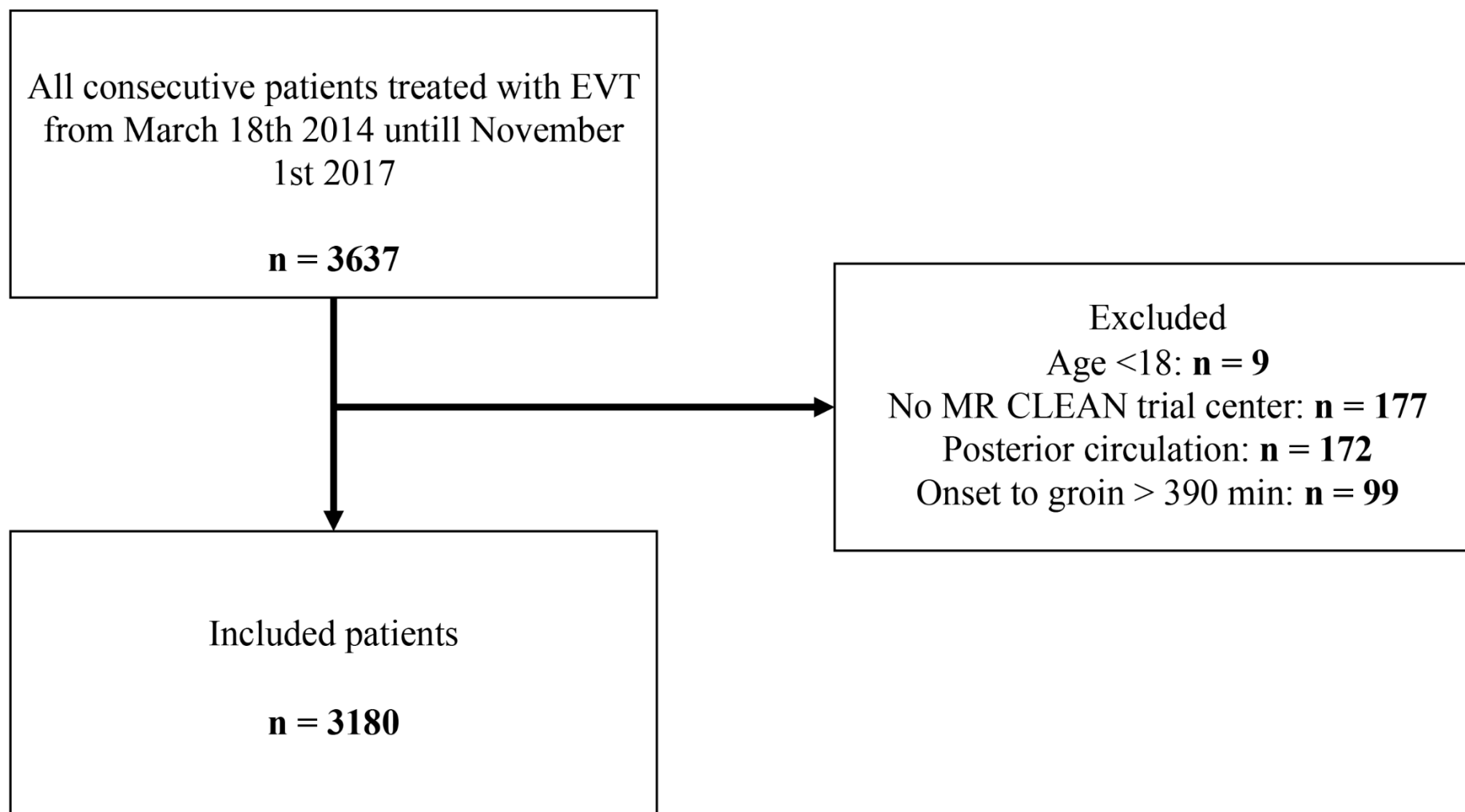
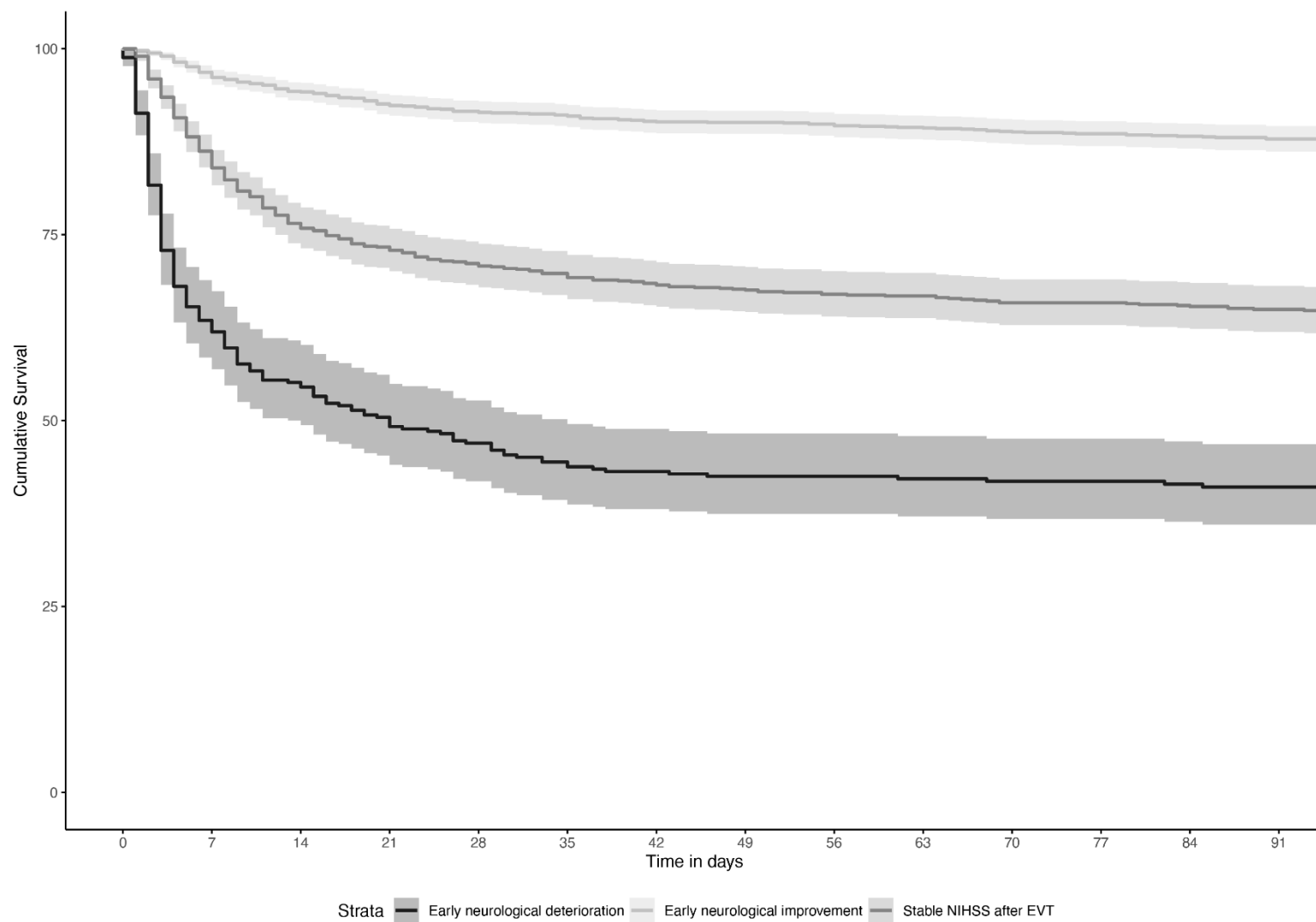


Figure 2. Cumulative survival from day 1 to day 90 stratified by stroke severity after treatment



Abbreviations: NIHSS = national institute of health stroke scale, EVT = endovascular treatment

Table 2. Sensitivity analysis without imputed data

Predictors*	Odds Ratio (95% CI)
Age	1.06 (1.04-1.08)
Functional dependency [†]	1.87 (1.06-3.30)
Glucose at baseline	1.14 (1.05-1.23)
CRP at baseline	1.01 (1.00-1.02)
Absent collaterals	3.33 (1.40-7.90)
Collateral filling <50% of occluded area	2.37 (1.25-4.52)
History of diabetes	2.43 (1.38-4.28)
Previous use of APT	1.66 (1.01-2.75)
NIHSS at 24-48 hours	1.21 (1.17-1.25)

* all numbers are odds ratio's with corresponding 95% confidence interval

† modified Rankin scale (mRS) of 3 or higher at baseline

Abbreviations: CRP = c-reactive protein, APT = anti platelet therapy, NIHSS = national institute of health stroke scale

Table 3. Predictor values with a missing percentage of 5% or higher

Predictors*	Missing values n (%)
CRP	642 (20.2)
INR	597 (18.8)
In-hospital stroke	451 (14.2)
Glucose	367 (11.5)
NIHSS after 24-48 hours	327 (10.3)
Duration of procedure	283 (8.9)
Onset to end of procedure	204 (6.4)
Collateral score	202 (6.4)
General anesthesia	194 (6.1)
Occlusion site	187 (5.9)

Abbreviations: CRP = c-reactive protein, INR = international normalized ratio, NIHSS = national institute of health stroke scale

Supplemental table 4. Difference in determined causes of death between part 1 and part 2 of the registry

Cause*	All patients	Part 1	Part 2
		April 2014 - June 2016	June 2016 – November 2017
	n = 821	n= 378	n= 443
Pneumonia	215 (26.2)	87 (23.0)	128 (28.9)
Intracranial hemorrhage [†]	142 (17.3)	65 (17.2)	77 (17.4)
Withdrawal of life sustaining treatment	110 (13.4)	53 (14.0)	57 (12.9)
Space-occupying infarction	101 (12.3)	55 (14.6)	46 (10.4)
Stroke progression	56 (6.8)	25 (6.6)	31 (7.0)
Cardiac death	45 (5.5)	23 (6.1)	22 (5.0)
Recurrent ischemic stroke	29 (3.5)	14 (3.7)	15 (3.4)

Withholding artificial food	18 (2.2)	11 (2.9)	7 (1.6)
Infection, other	16 (1.9)	4 (1.1)	12 (2.7)
Cancer	15 (1.8)	6 (1.6)	9 (2.0)
Neurological deterioration e.c.i. ‡	15 (1.8)	6 (1.6)	9 (2.0)
Sudden death	14 (1.7)	5 (1.3)	9 (2.0)
Extracranial hemorrhage	11 (1.3)	6 (1.6)	5 (1.1)
Respiratory insufficiency, other	11 (1.3)	3 (0.8)	8 (1.8)
Urinary tract infection	10 (1.2)	9 (2.4)	1 (0.2)
Renal failure	4 (0.5)	1 (0.3)	3 (0.7)
Pulmonary embolism	3 (0.4)	1 (0.3)	2 (0.5)
Multi-organ failure	2 (0.2)	2 (0.5)	0 (0.0)
Endocarditis	1 (0.1)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.3)

Acute abdomen	1 (0.1)	1 (0.3)	0 (0.0)
Euthanasia	1 (0.1)	1 (0.3)	0 (0.0)
Status epilepticus	1 (0.1)	1 (0.3)	0 (0.0)

* all numbers are n (%) unless stated otherwise, † any type of symptomatic (NIHSS increase ≥ 4) intracranial hemorrhage (Heidelberg Bleeding Classification I, II or III), ‡ patients who died after new focal deficits or coma without an apparent cause in whom no imaging was performed

Abbreviations: e.c.i. = e causa ignota, COPD = chronic obstructive pulmonary disease

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