

### Supplementary material

**Table S1** Baseline Characteristics of patients with and without follow-up.

	Patients with follow-up (n=104)	Patients without follow-up (n=125)	<i>P</i> value
Age, y (mean $\pm$ SD)	64.0 $\pm$ 9.8	60.6 $\pm$ 9.6	0.009*
Sex, female (%)	34 (32.7)	45 (36.0)	0.600
Education, y (median $\pm$ IQR)	8.5 $\pm$ 7.0	7.0 $\pm$ 8.0	0.465
BMI, kg/m <sup>2</sup> (mean $\pm$ SD)	24.4 $\pm$ 2.8	24.4 $\pm$ 3.1	0.924
Baseline NIHSS score (median $\pm$ IQR)	1.0 $\pm$ 2.0	1.0 $\pm$ 2.0	0.038*
Baseline MMSE score (median $\pm$ IQR)	27.5 $\pm$ 3.0	27.0 $\pm$ 3.0	0.097
Baseline MoCA score (mean $\pm$ SD)	22.0 $\pm$ 8.0	22.0 $\pm$ 6.0	0.385

SD, standard deviation; IQR, inter-quartile range; BMI, body mass index; NIHSS, National Institutes of Health Stroke Scale; MMSE, Mini-Mental State Examination; MoCA, Montreal Cognitive Assessment; \* $P < 0.05$ .