

SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIAL

Progression of cerebral infarction before and after thrombectomy is modified by pre-hospital pathways

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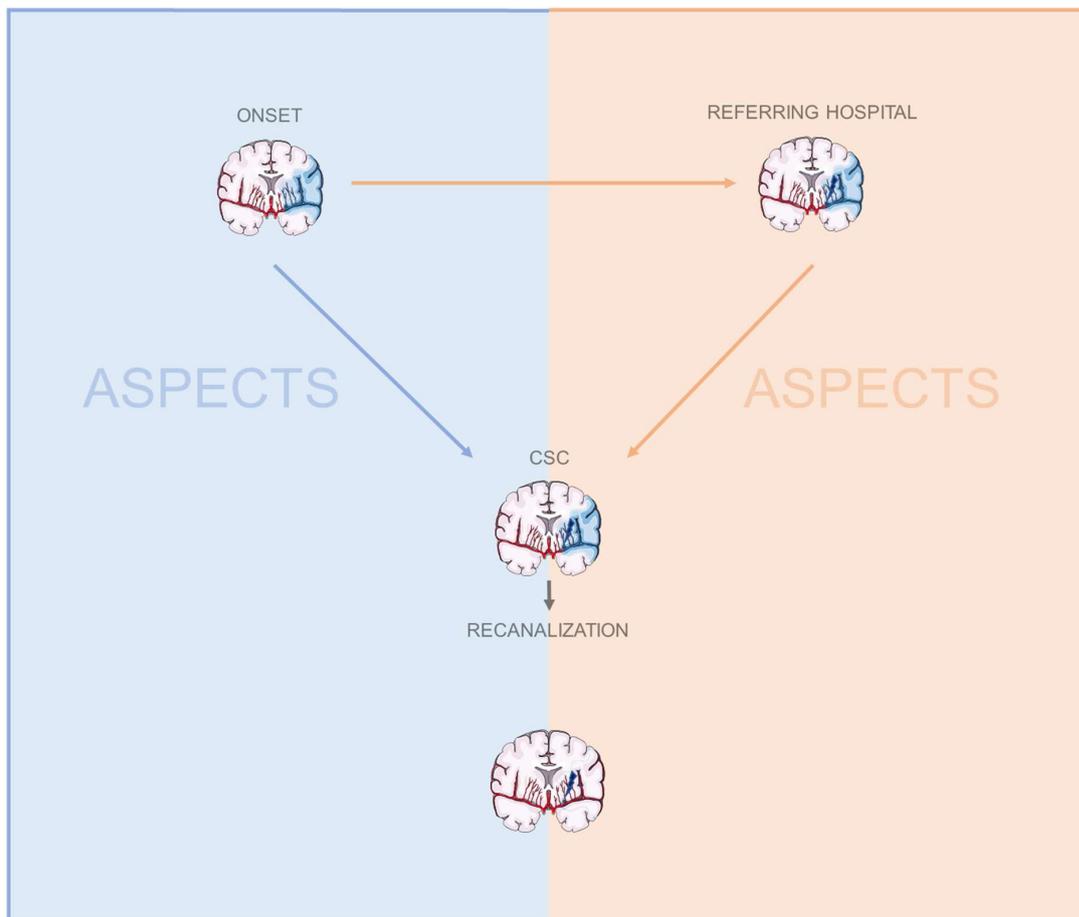
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Supplemental Figure 1: Treatment pathways for mechanical thrombectomy and the putative effect on infarct extent as assessed by ASPECTS.



Left panel, mothership pathway; Right panel, drip-and-ship pathway. ASPECTS, Alberta Stroke Program Early CT Score; CSC, comprehensive stroke center.

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Supplemental Table 1: ASPECTS according to the mothership and drip-and-ship treatment pathway for mechanical thrombectomy.

| | MS n=221 | DS n=314 | p |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------|
| ASPECTS-RH admission | - | 9 (8-10) | |
| ASPECTS-CSC admission | 9 (7-10) | 7 (6-9) | <0.0001 |
| ASPECTS-CSC FU | 7 (4-8) | 6 (3-7) | 0.001 |
| Δ -ASPECTS | 2 (0-3) | 3 (2-6) | <0.0001 |

ASPECTS, Alberta Stroke Program Early CT Score; MS, mothership; DS, drip-and-ship; RH, referring hospital; CSC, comprehensive stroke center; FU, follow-up.

^{||}Decline between baseline and postinterventional follow-up imaging.

Supplemental Table 2: Exploratory univariate regression analysis between recorded patient characteristics, interventional-, and logistic variables, and ASPECTS decline.

| Variable | B | SE | t | R² | p |
|--|----------|-----------|----------|----------------------|----------|
| Male sex | 0.392 | 0.249 | 1.573 | 0.005 | 0.117 |
| Age | -0.011 | 0.01 | -1.113 | 0.003 | 0.266 |
| Inter-facility transfer (drip-and-ship) | 1.514 | 0.242 | 6.249 | 0.077 | <0.0001 |
| Transport distance (ground bound) | 0.009 | 0.004 | 2.015 | 0.014 | 0.045 |
| Transfer time | 0.000096 | 0.002 | 0.005 | 0.0000001 | 0.996 |
| Air transport | 1.491 | 0.317 | 4.702 | 0.047 | <0.0001 |
| Baseline ASPECTS (initial imaging) | 0.168 | 0.085 | 1.983 | 0.008 | 0.048 |

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|-------------------------------|----------|---------|--------|----------|---------|
| Unknown time of symptom onset | -0.665 | 0.357 | -1.862 | 0.007 | 0.063 |
| NIHSS at CSC-presentation | 0.091 | 0.018 | 5.053 | 0.059 | <0.0001 |
| Systolic blood pressure | 0.005 | 0.005 | 1.001 | 0.003 | 0.3174 |
| Diastolic blood pressure | 0.014 | 0.009 | 1.654 | 0.008 | 0.099 |
| Heart rate | 0.005 | 0.007 | 0.731 | 0.002 | 0.465 |
| Hypertension | 0.289 | 0.334 | 0.866 | 0.002 | 0.387 |
| Diabetes mellitus | 0.387 | 0.301 | 1.286 | 0.004 | 0.199 |
| Hyperlipidemia | -0.187 | 0.272 | -0.686 | 0.001 | 0.493 |
| Atrial fibrillation | 0.409 | 0.255 | 1.602 | 0.006 | 0.11 |
| Smoking history | -0.349 | 0.263 | -1.332 | 0.004 | 0.184 |
| Antithrombotic medication | -0.169 | 0.254 | -0.666 | 0.00099 | 0.506 |
| Antihypertensive drugs | -0.038 | 0.297 | -0.129 | 0.000037 | 0.898 |
| IV alteplase | -0.118 | 0.252 | -0.47 | 0.00048 | 0.638 |
| Onset-to-puncture time | -0.00016 | 0.00091 | -0.171 | 0.000084 | 0.865 |
| M1 occlusion | -0.404 | 0.254 | -1.587 | 0.005 | 0.113 |
| M2 occlusion | -0.363 | 0.328 | -1.107 | 0.0026 | 0.269 |
| ICA occlusion | 0.746 | 0.252 | 2.963 | 0.018 | 0.003 |
| Stent-retrieval maneuvers | 0.357 | 0.069 | 5.151 | 0.063 | <0.0001 |
| mTICI | -0.861 | 0.163 | -5.297 | 0.064 | <0.0001 |
| Duration of MT procedure | 0.004 | 0.002 | 2.502 | 0.015 | 0.013 |
| Onset-to-recanalization time | 0.00137 | 0.00086 | 1.579 | 0.007 | 0.115 |
| Cervical ICA stenting | 0.322 | 0.3118 | 1.033 | 0.003 | 0.302 |

ASPECTS, Alberta Stroke Program Early CT Score; NIHSS, National Institutes of Health Stroke Scale; CSC, comprehensive stroke center; IV, intravenous; M1/M2,

middle cerebral artery segment; ICA, internal carotid artery; mTICI, modified treatment in cerebral ischemia scale.