

Answering reviewers

Reviewer's code: 05660079

SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This is an interesting study of the efficacy of endovascular treatment and drug therapy alone in mild ischemic stroke patients with large infarct cores. The study is very well designed and the results are interesting. Methods are described in detail. The reviewer recommends to accept this manuscript after a minor editing.

Answer: Thank you very much for your comments. The manuscript was edited carefully according to the editor's comments.

Reviewer's code: 05824505

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Recent evidence on whether endovascular therapy should be recommended to patients with large artery occlusive disease are lacking. Although patients with acute ischemic stroke caused by anterior large vessel occlusion often prefer endovascular therapy which can increase recanalization rates and improve the clinical outcomes, controversy remains regarding whether acute ischemic stroke-large vessel occlusion patients need endovascular therapy. This study was designed to discuss the efficacy of endovascular therapy in patients with acute ischemic stroke-large vessel occlusion and large infarct cores. The study is performed well. The results are discussed with updated references. Minor comments: 1. A minor editing is required. 2. Subtitles should be added to the methods section. 3. The references should be edited according to the journal's guideline.

Answer: Thank you very much for your comments. (1) The manuscript has been edited carefully. (2) Subtitles were added to the methods section. (3) References have been updated.