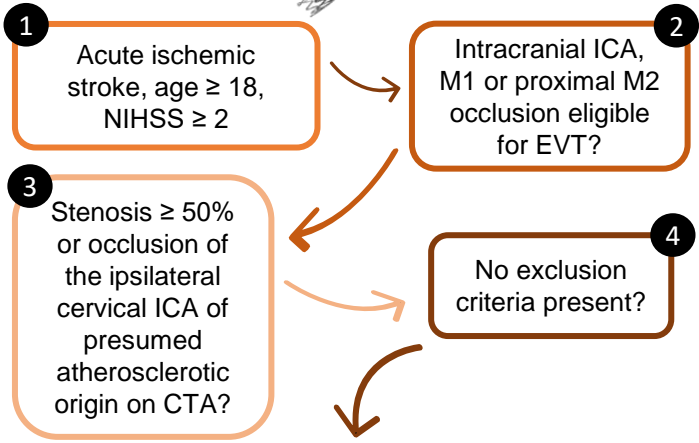


CASES



Randomization

Immediate CAS

NIHSS and brain NCCT/CTA 24H

NIHSS 5-7D

Deferred treatment

Telephone interview (mRS + EQ5D-5L) 90D
Ultrasound examination carotid artery 90D

5 Deferred informed consent

6 Complete eCRF (and SAE forms)

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INCLUSION CRITERIA

- Acute ischemic stroke due to proximal intracranial occlusion in the anterior circulation (intracranial ICA, M1, proximal M2) on the CT angiography
- Stenosis >50% according to the NASCET criteria or initial occlusion of the ipsilateral cervical carotid artery of presumed atherosclerotic origin on baseline CT angiography
- Eligible for EVT according to the guidelines: EVT within 6 hours of onset or EVT between 6-24 hours after onset based on perfusion CT imaging selection (conform current guidelines)
- Baseline National Institute of Health Stroke Scale (NIHSS) score ≥ 2
- Age >18 years
- Written informed consent (deferred consent)

EXCLUSION CRITERIA

- Any intracranial haemorrhage
- Cervical carotid artery stenosis or occlusion with other causes than presumed atherosclerosis (e.g. carotid artery dissection, floating thrombus, carotid web)
- Any exclusion criterion for EVT according to the guidelines
- Pre stroke disability (defined as a mRS score >2)
- Recent gastro-intestinal or urinary tract haemorrhage (<6 weeks)
- Recent severe head trauma (<6 weeks)
- Recent infarction on baseline brain CT in the same vascular territory (< 6 weeks)
- Known allergy to aspirin and/or clopidogrel
- Pregnancy

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