Reviewer's report

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The authors have appropriately addressed most of the requested points. However, point #11 should be completed (Minor Essential Revisions)

The response of the authors to this point should be summarized in the text. It is important to clarify how potential revascularization will be studied and classified. The Clot Burden score is not a common classification for recanalization, but for the clot length. Why investigators do not use TIMI score on CTA? These points should be addressed.

Level of interest: An article of outstanding merit and interest in its field

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Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:

'I declare that I have no competing interests'