Reviewer’s report

Title: Factors for Short-term Outcomes in Patients with a Minor Stroke: Results from China National Stroke Registry

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This was a prospective study of the clinical outcomes of 4669 patients with mild stroke (defined as NIHSS <4) in a period between 2007 to 2008.

I enjoyed reading the manuscript and the authors should be commended on undertaking an analysis of a sizable cohort of mild stroke patients in order to answer an important and relevant clinical question.

There are a few minor questions which will strengthen the message of the study:

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