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Title: SYSTOLIC BLOOD PRESSURE AS A PREDICTOR OF TRANSIENT ISCHEMIC ATTACK/MINOR STROKE IN EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT PATIENTS UNDER AGE 80: A PROSPECTIVE COHORT STUDY

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Reviewer: Linxin Li

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I have previously reviewed an early version of this paper and the current version has addressed most of the concerns that were previously discussed.

One additional comment:

The authors used SBP and DBP as continuous variables and showed that in patients aged <60 and 60-79 years, SBP was associated with a significant increase in the odds of having TIA/MS by 18% and 23% per 10mmHg increase, respectively, after accounting for age and sex.

Given that in clinical practice, physicians are frequently faced with one single BP reading at ED. Therefore it might be worth also exploring SBP and DBP in categories - i.e. it would be interesting to know if there was an age-specific threshold for example.

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