

Reviewer's report

Title: Effect of Pre-Stroke Use of ACE Inhibitors On Ischemic Stroke Severity

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General

The authors have improved their study and have answered all my comments.

Major Compulsory Revisions (that the author must respond to before a decision on publication can be reached)

Minor Essential Revisions (such as missing labels on figures, or the wrong use of a term, which the author can be trusted to correct)

Discretionary Revisions (which the author can choose to ignore)

I still believe that the arbitrary classification of stroke severity is useless. It would be useful to know how many patients were excluded from the study because MRI was not performed and what was the specific reason in each case (those with >24h, severe pre-stroke impairment, contraindications to MRI).

What next?: Accept after discretionary revisions

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests