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eTICI: expanded Thrombolysis in Cerebral Infarction

EVT: endovascular thrombectomy, IVT: intravenous thrombolysis

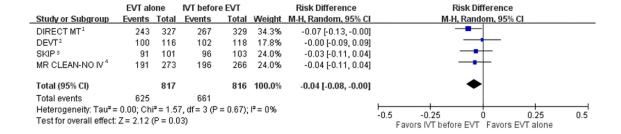
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eFigure 1 Risk of bias of included trials

	Random sequence generation (selection bias)	Allocation concealment (selection bias)	Blinding of participants / personnel (performance bias)	Blinding of outcome assessment (detection bias)	Incomplete outcome data (attrition bias)	Selective reporting (reporting bias)					
Thrombectomy alone vs Bridging therapy											
DIRECT-MT ¹	+	•	•	•	•	•					
DEVT ²	•	•	•	•	•	•					
SKIP ³	•	+	•	•	•	•					
MR CLEAN-NO IV 4	•	+	•	•	+	•					

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eFigure 3 Forest plot comparing EVT alone vs IVT before EVT for all-cause mortality

	EVT alone		IVT before EVT		Risk Difference		Risk Difference				
Study or Subgroup	Events	Total	Events	Total	Weight	M-H, Random, 95% CI		M-H, Ran	dom, 95% C	1	
DIRECT MT1	58	327	62	329	35.6%	-0.01 [-0.07, 0.05]		_	-		
DEVT ²	20	116	21	118	13.1%	-0.01 [-0.10, 0.09]		_	+		
SKIP ³	8	101	9	103	21.7%	-0.01 [-0.08, 0.07]		_	+		
MR CLEAN-NO IV⁴	56	273	42	266	29.6%	0.05 [-0.02, 0.11]			+		
Total (95% CI)		817		816	100.0%	0.01 [-0.03, 0.04]			•		
Total events	142		134								
Heterogeneity: Tau² = 0.00; Chi² = 2.06, df = 3 (P = 0.56); I² = 0%							-0.5	0.05	 		
Test for overall effect: Z = 0.42 (P = 0.68)								-0.25 Favors EV	-	0.25 T before	0.5 EVT

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