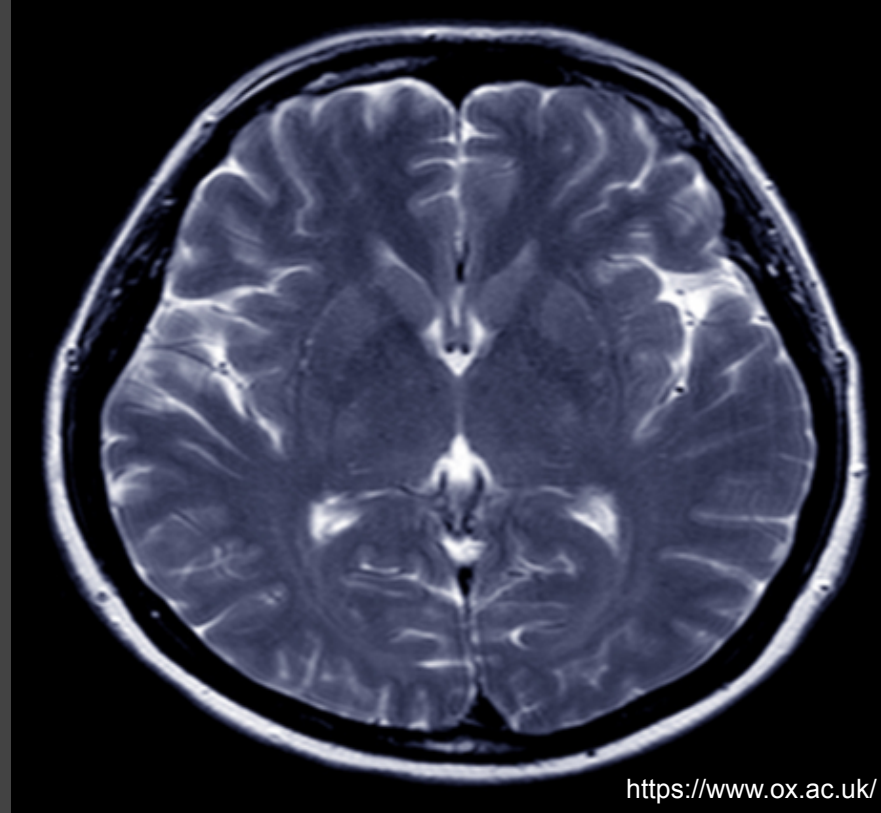


# AI decision support for medical triage

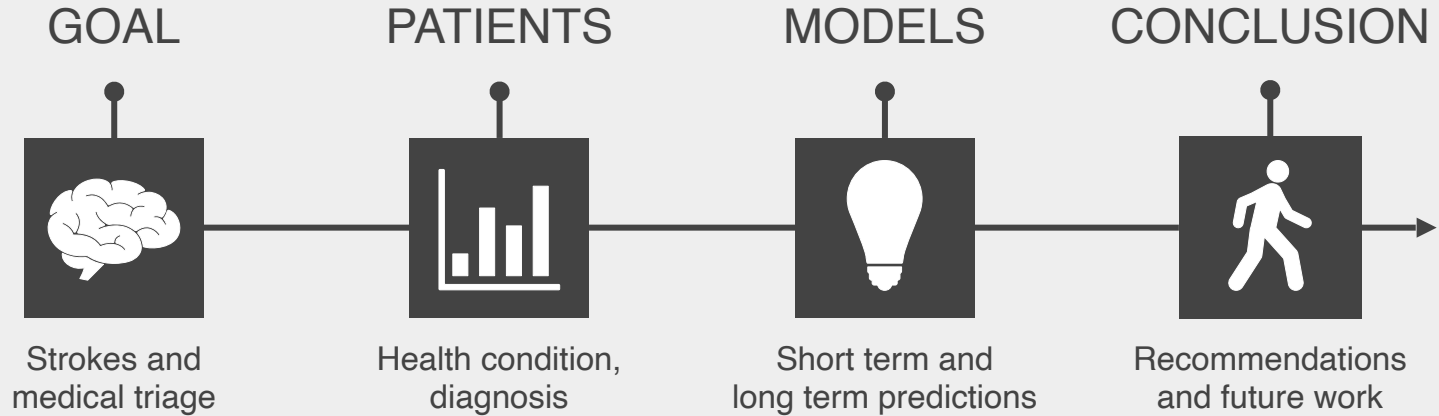
Predicting short and long term outcomes of stroke patients

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# OVERVIEW





## STROKES

Ischaemic stroke:  
a blocked artery

Haemorrhagic stroke:  
leaking or bursting of a  
blood vessel

## MEDICAL TRIAGE

Sorting of patients due  
to the severity of their  
condition

Intention:  
Treating the sickest first



The aim of this project was to build models  
that predict

**the negative short term and**

**long term outcome,**

i.e. poor health condition or death,

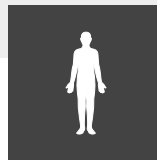
**of stroke patients.**

# International Stroke Trial (IST)



## WHEN & WHERE

In various countries from  
1991 to 1996

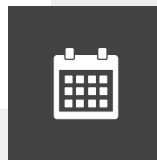


## WHO

Randomized group of patients that  
had a stroke within the last 48 hours

## WHAT

Administering heparin and/or  
aspirin shortly after stroke

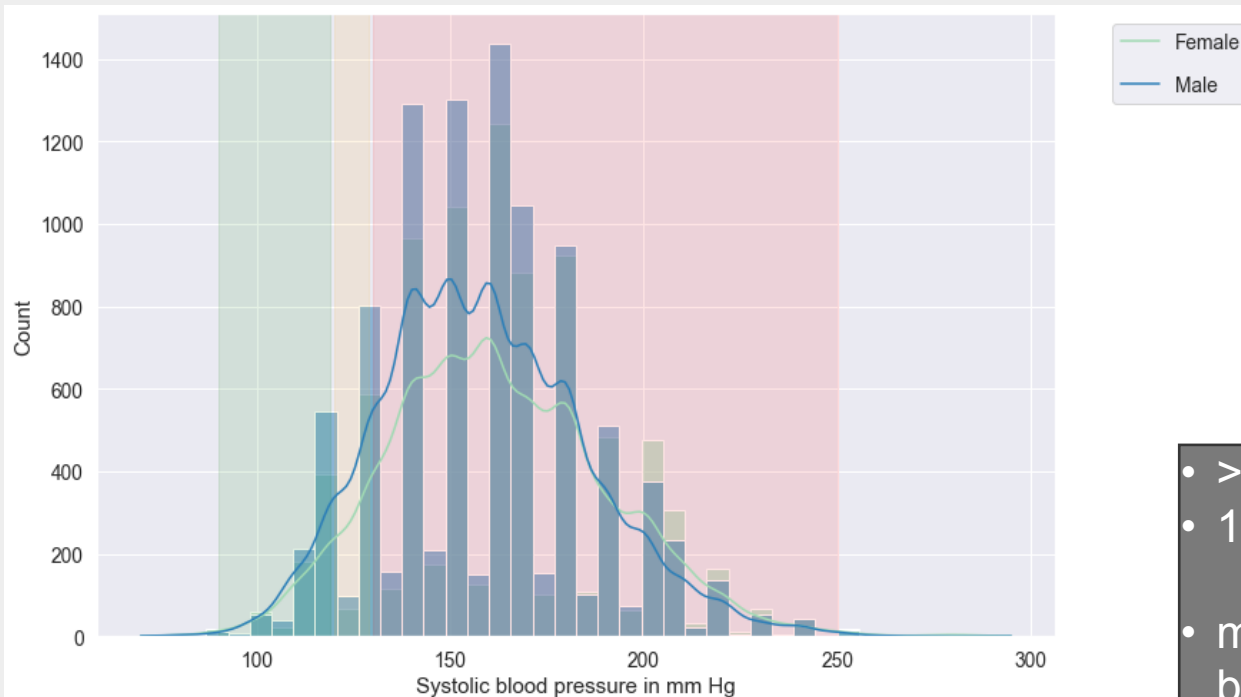


## WHEN AGAIN

14 days and 6 months  
after (first) stroke

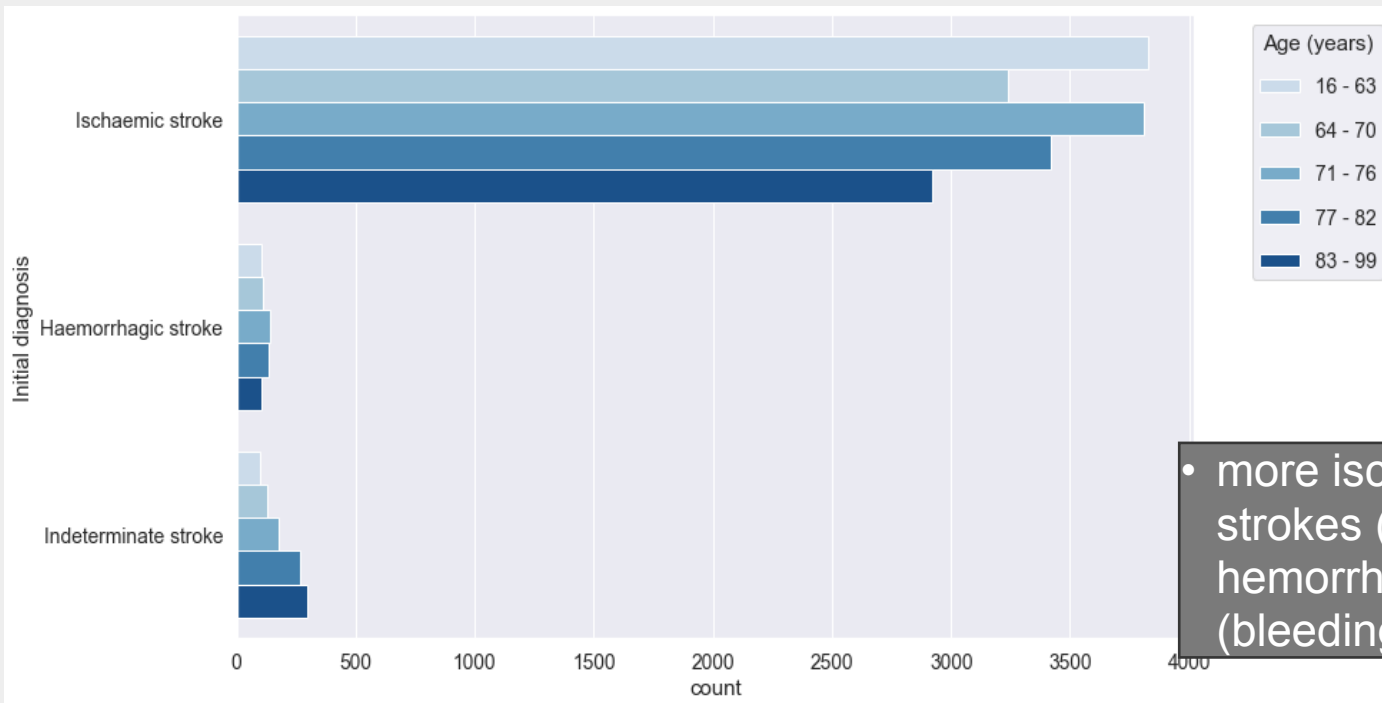


# PRE-RANDOMIZATION



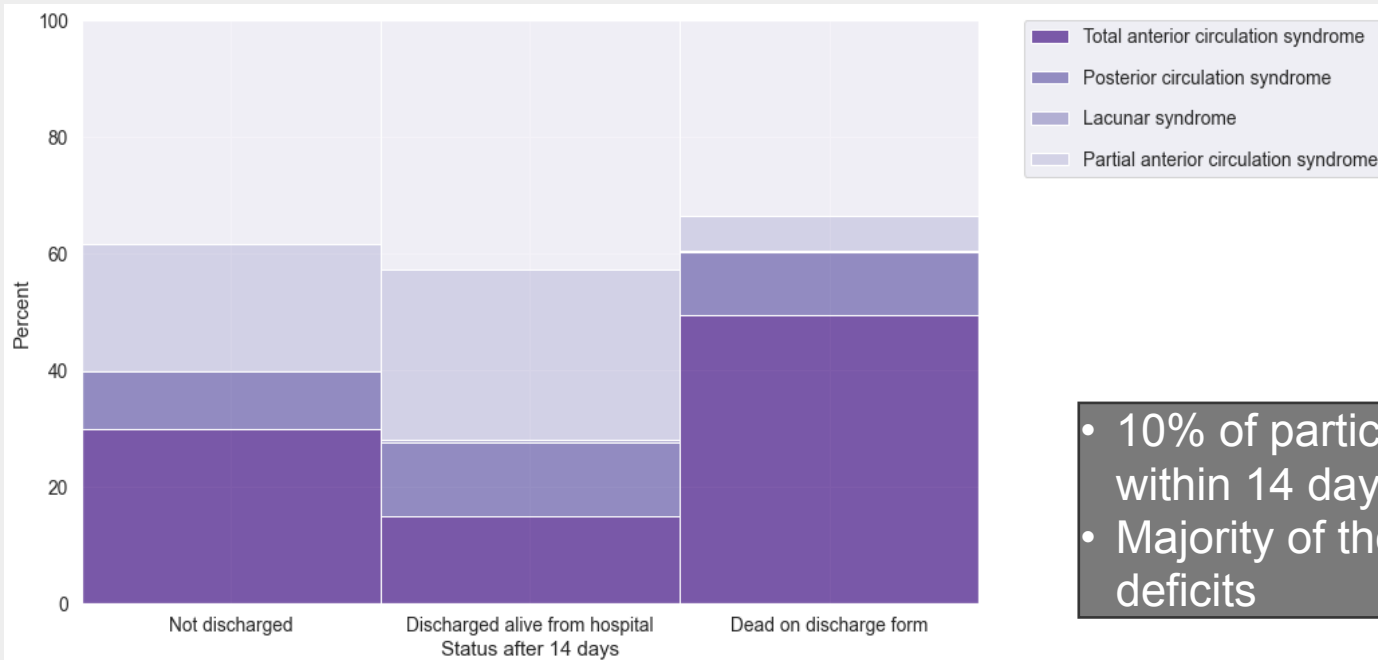
- > 19.000 patients
- 16 to 99 years old
- mostly high systolic blood pressure

# Participants



- more ischaemic strokes (blocking) than hemorrhagic strokes (bleeding)

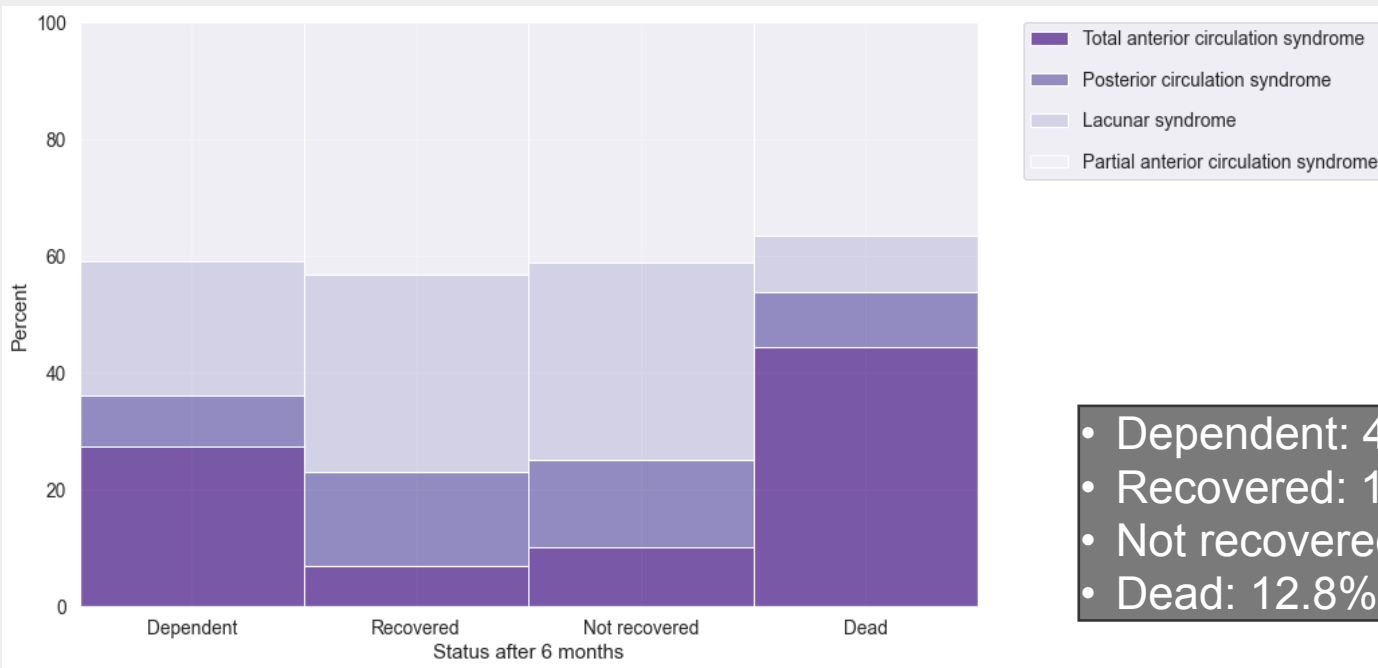
# Short term outcome



- 10% of participants died within 14 days
- Majority of those with severe deficits

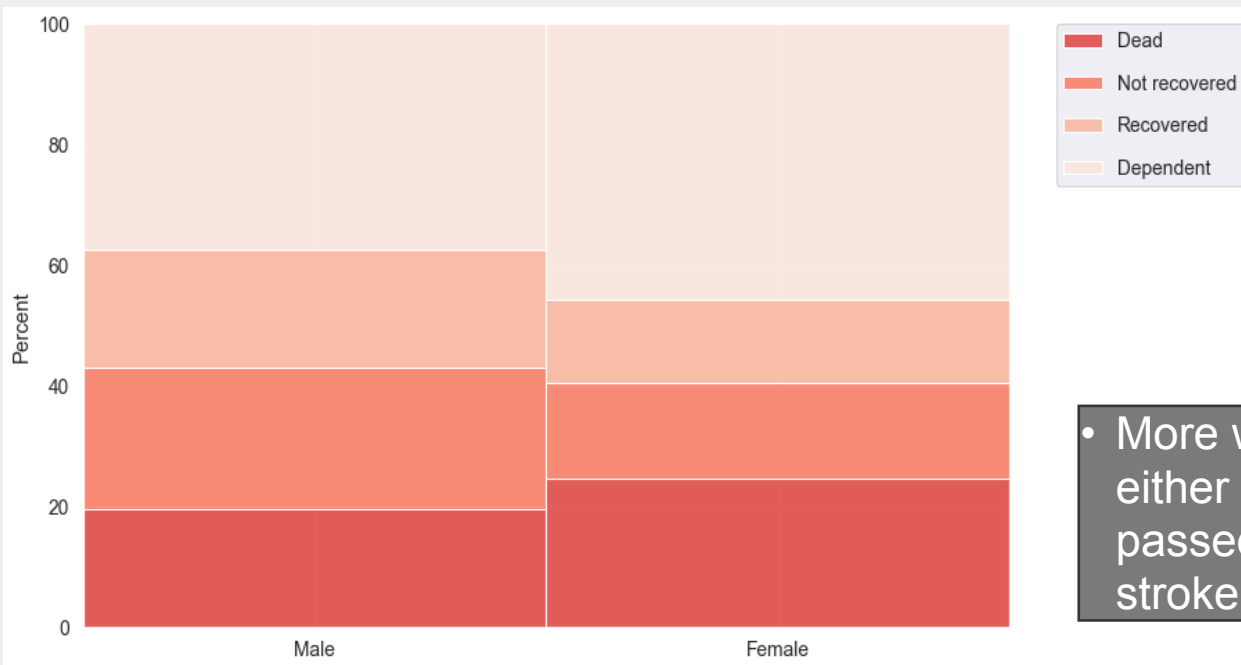


# 6 MONTHS FOLLOW UP



- Dependent: 46.2%
- Recovered: 19.0%
- Not recovered: 22.1%
- Dead: 12.8%

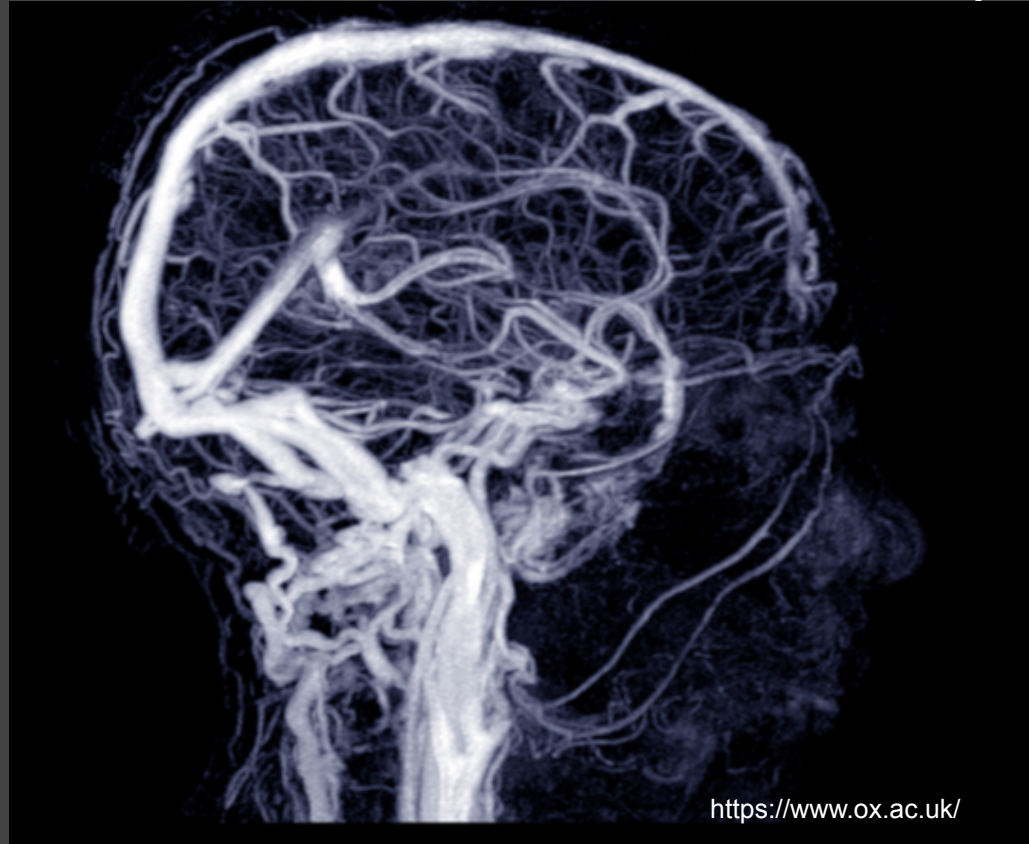
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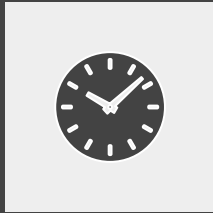
- More women than men are either dependent or have passed away (relation to stroke diagnosis)

# POOR HEALTH

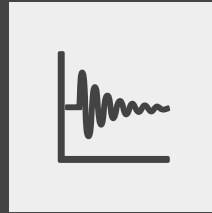
- Short term (14 days)
  - Dead
- Long term (6 months)
  - Not recovered, dependent, dead



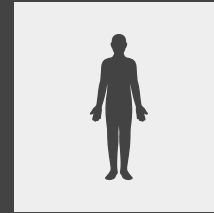
# FEATURES (short term)



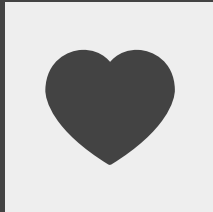
Age



Blood pressure

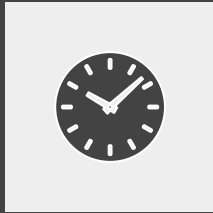


Deficits

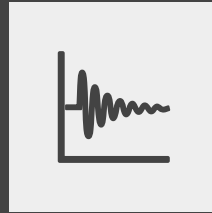


Arrhythmia

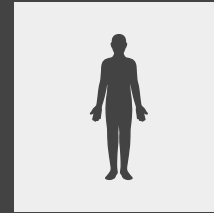
# FEATURES (long term)



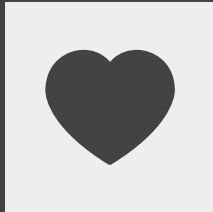
Age



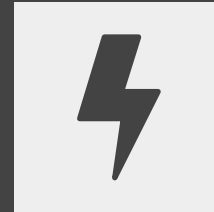
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Deficits



Arrhythmia



Recurrent Stroke

# EVALUATION METRIC



Identify patients with poor health condition

As few false negative identification as possible.



RECALL

(Sensitivity)

# ALGORITHMS



- Supervised Learning
  - Dummy Classifier
  - Logistic Regression
  - Decision Tree
  - Random Forest
  - Extra Tree
  - XGBoost
  - Support Vector Machines
- Unsupervised Learning
  - Principal Component Analysis
  - KMeans
  - MiniBatch KMeans
  - Agglomerative Clustering
  - DBSCAN
- Semi-supervised Learning
  - Gaussian Mixture

# MODELS



- Short term outcome (Logistic Regression)
  - 70% of patients that had poor health were correctly identified
- Long term outcome (Random Forest)
  - 89% of patients with poor health were correctly identified

Important features: age, blood pressure, dysphasia, hemianopia



# CONCLUSION



Dummy Classifier identified 50% of patients with poor health

## IMPROVEMENT BY MODEL SELECTION

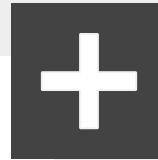
Short term model ➡ 20% more patients correctly identified

Long term model ➡ 39% more patients correctly identified

# LIMITATIONS & FUTURE

## ADD. FEATURES

Smoking, alcoholism,  
birth control medicine, obesity,  
genetic preposition, ethnicity

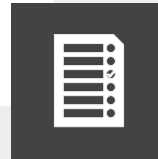
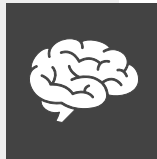


## DRAWBACK

False positives

## TREATMENT

International Stroke Trial 3,  
medication



## APPLICATION

What is needed?  
Ethical considerations!

# Your questions



EnHaHB/Stroke-Outcome