

Supplemental Figure 1. Flow chart of patient selection

Consecutive 166 patients who underwent mechanical thrombectomy for acute ischemic stroke were enrolled. Thrombus specimens were available for 112 patients. The exclusion criterion was the collection of thrombus material that was unsuitable for histopathological analyses (n = 4). A total of 108 patients were initially included in the study. Of these, 74 patients with cardioembolism were further analyzed in detail.