Enhancing Surgical Outcomes: A Machine Learning Model to Anticipate Stroke After Hemiarch Surgery



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Introduction

- Although surgical and cerebral perfusion techniques have improved, postoperative stroke remains a devastating outcome after hemiarch surgery.
- With the development of machine learning comes the opportunity to better predict risk factors for postoperative morbidity.



Aim

 To better predict at risk patients, we developed a machine learning algorithm to assess preoperative and operative risk factors associated with postoperative stroke following hemiarch surgery.



Methods

- Retrospective review of all adult patients undergoing hemiarch surgery from June 2009 to October 2022 (n = 602).
- 64 input parameters were identified from the index hospitalization, including 24 demographic characteristics as well as 8 preoperative and 32 intraoperative variables.
- Patients were randomly divided into training (70%) and testing (30%) sets.
- Various eXtreme Gradient Boosting (XGBoost) models were constructed to predict postoperative stroke in the CTICU.
- Model performance was evaluated using accuracy, Brier score, and AUC-ROC.
- SHapley Additive exPlanation (SHAP) beeswarm plot was created to elucidate the impact of individual features on the predictions generated by the XGBoost model.



Results

- Postoperative stroke was noted in 31 patients (5.1%).
- The final XGBoost model demonstrated a cross-validation accuracy of 96% (also 96% on the testing set) and was wellcalibrated as evidenced by the low Brier score of 0.04.
- Final model performance:
 - Training Set: AUC-ROC 0.80
 - Testing Set: AUC-ROC 0.81



Results

- Increased risk of stroke:
 - Female sex
 - Older age
 - Reduced nadir bladder temperature
 - History of CT surgery

Gender	
Intraoperative # Cryo Units Transfused	
Age	
Nadir Bladder Temperature	• ••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••
Aortic Aneurysm	
Hx of CT Surgery	
HTN	
Pulmonary Disease	
BMI	•
Hx of CVA	•
Elective Aortic Surgery	
Intraoperative # PLT Units Transfused	
Intraoperative # FFP Units Transfused	**
Diabetes	•
Intraoperative # RBC Units Transfused	
Circulatory Arrest Time	
CAD	
Aortic Dissection with Malperfusion	
Aortic Valve Repair	
Sum of Other Features	•
	SHAP value (impact on model output)

Feature value

Results

- Decreased risk of stroke:
 - Aortic aneurysm without dissection
 - Lower BMI
 - Elective aortic surgery





<u>Conclusions</u>

- Our model demonstrated excellent accuracy in predicting postoperative stroke after hemiarch surgery.
- Reduced stroke occurrences at higher nadir bladder temperatures could imply improved myocardial protection with normothermic cardioplegia in certain patients undergoing aortic procedures.
- Further research using broad ML models:
 - Females at increased risk of stroke
 - Protective effect of aortic aneurysms without dissection (diminished inflammatory response from less extensive intraoperative tissue handling?)

Questions???