Background

- Two techniques of ischemic stroke (IS) management
  - Intravenous thrombolysis (IVT)
  - Mechanical thrombectomy (MT)

- Haemorrhagic transformation (HT) is a complication occurring in 30-40% of patients.

- A pharmacovigilance (PV) and/or medical device vigilance (MDV) report should be done if this side effect potentially involves drugs or medical devices.

Objectives

- To assess the percentage of HT after IS management with MT.
- To value declarations of MDV following HT post-MT.
- To draw a flowchart to help healthcare professionals better report side effects after IS management.

Materials and methods

- A retrospective study was done over the period from May to July 2020 including patients with MT after IS. Demographic data, clinical data and techniques of management were collected.
- A flowchart was drawing with Microsoft Visio software.

Results

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Conclusion and relevance

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