

## Supplementary Materials

### **Inverse Association Between High-Density Lipoprotein Cholesterol and Adverse Outcomes Among Acute Ischemic Stroke Patients with Diabetes Mellitus**

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Supplementary Tables

Supplementary Table S1 Characteristics of Patients Included According to HDL-C Quintiles

Characteristics	Overall	HDL-C quintiles					P value
		Q1, <0.71 mmol/L	Q2, 0.71-0.83 mmol/L	Q3, 0.83-0.95 mmol/L	Q4, 0.95-1.11 mmol/L	Q5, ≥1.11 mmol/L	
<b>Patients, n</b>	3,824	757	712	792	780	783	
<b>SBP, mean (SD)</b>	152.53±22.18	151.65±21.87	150.05±22.10	153.00±20.92	152.72±22.32	154.99±23.39	<0.001
<b>DBP, mean (SD)</b>	87.59±13.00	87.52±12.65	87.41±12.88	87.68±13.06	87.47±12.72	87.84±13.66	0.969
<b>Medical history, n (%)</b>							
<b>History of dyslipidemia</b>	409 (10.70)	92 (12.15)	78 (10.96)	80 (10.10)	85 (10.90)	74 (9.45)	0.504
<b>Heart failure</b>	27 (0.71)	10 (1.32)	3 (0.42)	4 (0.51)	3 (0.38)	7 (0.89)	0.141
<b>Medication history, n (%)</b>							
<b>Antihypertensive agents</b>	1,944 (50.84)	394 (52.05)	335 (47.05)	418 (52.78)	383 (49.10)	414 (52.87)	0.093
<b>NIHSS on admission, n (%)</b>							0.634
<b>0-5</b>	2,677 (70.01)	529 (69.88)	504 (70.79)	563 (71.09)	543 (69.62)	538 (68.71)	
<b>6-15</b>	1,064 (27.82)	205 (27.08)	195 (27.39)	217 (27.40)	218 (27.95)	229 (29.25)	
<b>≥16</b>	83 (2.17)	23 (3.04)	13 (1.83)	12 (1.52)	19 (2.44)	16 (2.04)	
<b>Medication at discharge, n (%)</b>							
<b>Antihypertensive agents</b>	2,083 (54.63)	414 (54.98)	370 (52.11)	433 (54.67)	423 (54.37)	443 (56.79)	0.501

DBP, diastolic blood pressure; HDL-C, high-density lipoprotein cholesterol; IQR, interquartile range; NIHSS, National Institutes of Health Stroke Scale; SBP, systolic blood pressure.

**Supplementary Table S2 Hazard Ratios (95% CIs) for Risk of Adverse Outcomes According to Quintiles of HDL-C in Patients Included in This Study**

Outcome	HDL-C quintiles, mmol/L					P for trend	Each 1-mmol/L increase in HDL-C
	Q1, <0.71 mmol/L	Q2, 0.71-0.83 mmol/L	Q3, 0.83-0.95 mmol/L	Q4, 0.95-1.11 mmol/L	Q5, ≥1.11 mmol/L		
<b>6 months</b>							
<b>Recurrent stroke</b>							
<b>Recurrent ischemic stroke</b>							
Events, n (%)	75 (9.91)	66 (9.27)	64 (8.08)	61 (7.82)	60 (7.66)		
Incidence, per 1000 person-years	220.64	206.13	178.22	171.55	167.77		
Adjusted HR*	1.44 (1.02-2.03)	1.36 (0.95-1.94)	1.14 (0.80-1.63)	1.09 (0.76-1.56)	1.00	0.020	0.66 (0.44-0.98)
Adjusted HR†	1.54 (1.05-2.28)	1.46 (0.99-2.15)	1.20 (0.82-1.76)	1.06 (0.72-1.57)	1.00	0.010	0.56 (0.36-0.89)
<b>Recurrent hemorrhagic stroke</b>							
Events, n (%)	5 (0.66)	7 (0.98)	4 (0.51)	4 (0.51)	4 (0.51)		
Incidence, per 1000 person-years	13.76	20.37	10.50	10.64	10.64		
Adjusted HR*	1.17 (0.31-4.45)	1.76 (0.51-6.14)	0.92 (0.23-3.72)	0.95 (0.24-3.81)	1.00	0.557	1.20 (0.29-4.86)
Adjusted HR†	1.71 (0.33-8.74)	1.71 (0.33-8.92)	1.57 (0.32-7.64)	1.75 (0.35-8.66)	1.00	0.491	1.06 (0.24-4.71)
<b>MACEs</b>							
<b>Cardiovascular death</b>							
Events, n (%)	6 (0.79)	6 (0.84)	9 (1.14)	7 (0.90)	13 (1.66)		
Incidence, per 1000 person-years	16.43	17.41	23.59	18.58	34.48		
Adjusted HR*	0.52 (0.20-1.39)	0.57 (0.21-1.52)	0.74 (0.31-1.75)	0.58 (0.23-1.45)	1.00	0.179	2.19 (0.92-5.18)
Adjusted HR†	0.45 (0.11-1.87)	0.53 (0.13-2.20)	1.25 (0.44-3.53)	0.75 (0.24-2.39)	1.00	0.346	1.92 (0.57-6.45)
<b>Non-fatal stroke</b>							
Events, n (%)	40 (5.28)	30 (4.21)	22 (2.78)	25 (3.21)	28 (3.58)		
Incidence, per 1000 person-years	112.57	88.84	58.49	67.49	75.67		
Adjusted HR*	1.58 (0.97-2.59)	1.25 (0.74-2.11)	0.81 (0.46-1.42)	0.93 (0.54-1.59)	1.00	0.045	0.73 (0.40-1.33)

Outcome	HDL-C quintiles, mmol/L					P for trend	Each 1-mmol/L increase in HDL-C
	Q1, <0.71 mmol/L	Q2, 0.71-0.83 mmol/L	Q3, 0.83-0.95 mmol/L	Q4, 0.95-1.11 mmol/L	Q5, ≥1.11 mmol/L		
Adjusted HR†	1.60 (0.94-2.72)	1.27 (0.73-2.2)	0.80 (0.45-1.44)	0.90 (0.51-1.57)	1.00	0.055	0.72 (0.38-1.38)
<b>Non-fatal MI</b>							
Events, n (%)	3 (0.40)	1 (0.14)	4 (0.51)	1 (0.13)	0 (0.00)		
Incidence, per 1000 person-years	8.22	2.90	10.50	2.66	0		
Adjusted HR*	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.06 (0.01-0.89)
Adjusted HR†	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.07 (0.004-1.10)
<b>12 months</b>							
<b>Recurrent stroke</b>							
<b>Recurrent ischemic stroke</b>							
Events, n (%)	86 (11.36)	82 (11.52)	83 (10.48)	71 (9.10)	69 (8.81)		
Incidence, per 1000 person-years	129.26	131.16	117.71	101.68	98.40		
Adjusted HR*	1.44 (1.04-1.99)	1.47 (1.06-2.04)	1.29 (0.94-1.78)	1.10 (0.79-1.54)	1.00	0.007	0.66 (0.45-0.95)
Adjusted HR†	1.61 (1.12-2.31)	1.60 (1.12-2.29)	1.41 (1.00-2.00)	1.11 (0.77-1.59)	1.00	0.002	0.54 (0.35-0.81)
<b>Recurrent hemorrhagic stroke</b>							
Events, n (%)	8 (1.06)	9 (1.26)	5 (0.63)	6 (0.77)	7 (0.89)		
Incidence, per 1000 person-years	11.10	13.26	6.61	8.05	9.40		
Adjusted HR*	1.01 (0.36-2.83)	1.22 (0.45-3.33)	0.63 (0.20-1.99)	0.78 (0.26-2.33)	1.00	0.763	1.47 (0.48-4.47)
Adjusted HR†	1.30 (0.40-4.21)	1.15 (0.35-3.82)	0.95 (0.28-3.25)	1.12 (0.34-3.64)	1.00	0.627	1.32 (0.40-4.34)
<b>MACEs</b>							
<b>Cardiovascular death</b>							
Events, n (%)	8 (1.06)	7 (0.98)	13 (1.64)	8 (1.03)	19 (2.43)		
Incidence, per 1000 person-years	11.02	10.26	17.15	10.70	25.42		

Outcome	HDL-C quintiles, mmol/L					P for trend	Each 1-mmol/L increase in HDL-C
	Q1, <0.71 mmol/L	Q2, 0.71-0.83 mmol/L	Q3, 0.83-0.95 mmol/L	Q4, 0.95-1.11 mmol/L	Q5, ≥1.11 mmol/L		
Adjusted HR*	0.43 (0.19-1.00)	0.41 (0.17-0.99)	0.68 (0.33-1.38)	0.42 (0.18-0.97)	1.00	0.034	2.50 (1.22-5.12)
Adjusted HR†	0.40 (0.14-1.18)	0.33 (0.10-1.06)	0.89 (0.40-2.02)	0.43 (0.16-1.15)	1.00	0.086	2.30 (0.88-5.98)
<b>Non-fatal stroke</b>							
Events, n (%)	53 (7.00)	49 (6.88)	41 (5.18)	37 (4.74)	37 (4.73)		
Incidence, per 1000 person-years	76.25	74.57	55.56	50.92	51.07		
Adjusted HR*	1.59 (1.04-2.44)	1.56 (1.01-2.41)	1.15 (0.73-1.79)	1.04 (0.66-1.64)	1.00	0.009	0.69 (0.42-1.14)
Adjusted HR†	1.74 (1.10-2.76)	1.64 (1.04-2.60)	1.22 (0.77-1.95)	1.01 (0.63-1.64)	1.00	0.004	0.60 (0.35-1.04)
<b>Non-fatal MI</b>							
Events, n (%)	3 (0.40)	2 (0.28)	5 (0.63)	2 (0.26)	0 (0.00)		
Incidence, per 1000 person-years	4.14	2.93	6.62	2.68	0		
Adjusted HR*	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.13 (0.01-1.32)
Adjusted HR†	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.14 (0.01-1.69)

HDL-C, high-density lipoprotein cholesterol; HR, hazard ratio; MACEs, major adverse cardiovascular events; MI, myocardial infarction.

\* model 1: age, sex

† model 2: age, sex, body mass index, smoking, drinking, hypertension, history of dyslipidemia, history of stroke, history of atrial fibrillation, history of coronary heart disease, medication history of antiplatelet agents, medication history of lipid-lowering drugs, low-density lipoprotein cholesterol, triglycerides, National Institutes of Health Stroke Scale on admission, TOAST, use of antiplatelet agents at discharge, use of anticoagulant agents at discharge, and use of statins at discharge.

**Supplementary Table S3 Sensitivity Analysis for the Association between HDL-C and Adverse Outcomes**

Outcomes	HDL-C quintiles, mmol/L					P for trend	Each 1-mmol/L increase in HDL-C
	Q1, <0.71 mmol/L	Q2, 0.71-0.83 mmol/L	Q3, 0.83-0.95 mmol/L	Q4, 0.95-1.11 mmol/L	Q5, ≥1.11 mmol/L		
<b>6 months</b>							
<b>Recurrent stroke</b>							
Events, n (%)	75 (10.33)	64 (9.41)	62 (8.39)	59 (8.17)	56 (7.87)		
Incidence, per 1000 person-years	230.90	208.84	185.23	178.28	171.77		
Adjusted HR*	1.44 (1.01-2.05)	1.32 (0.92-1.90)	1.14 (0.79-1.64)	1.10 (0.76-1.58)	1.00	0.025	0.72 (0.47-1.08)
Adjusted HR†	1.50 (1.02-2.21)	1.33 (0.89-1.98)	1.16 (0.78-1.71)	1.03 (0.69-1.53)	1.00	0.022	0.66 (0.42-1.05)
<b>MACEs</b>							
Events, n (%)	78 (10.74)	67 (9.85)	68 (9.20)	62 (8.59)	58 (8.15)		
Incidence, per 1000 person-years	240.19	218.63	203.46	187.44	177.91		
Adjusted HR*	1.45 (1.03-2.05)	1.34 (0.94-1.91)	1.21 (0.85-1.72)	1.11 (0.78-1.60)	1.00	0.020	0.69 (0.46-1.04)
Adjusted HR†	1.52 (1.04-2.22)	1.36 (0.92-2.00)	1.24 (0.85-1.81)	1.03 (0.70-1.51)	1.00	0.014	0.63 (0.40-0.99)
<b>12 months</b>							
<b>Recurrent stroke</b>							
Events, n (%)	89 (12.26)	80 (11.76)	81 (10.96)	69 (9.56)	68 (9.55)		
Incidence, per 1000 person-years	140.29	133.89	123.47	105.93	106.31		
Adjusted HR*	1.42 (1.03-1.95)	1.37 (0.98-1.90)	1.23 (0.89-1.70)	1.05 (0.75-1.48)	1.00	0.012	0.73 (0.50-1.07)
Adjusted HR†	1.53 (1.07-2.17)	1.40 (0.98-2.00)	1.29 (0.92-1.83)	1.02 (0.71-1.47)	1.00	0.006	0.65 (0.43-0.98)
<b>MACEs</b>							

Outcomes	HDL-C quintiles, mmol/L					P for trend	Each 1-mmol/L increase in HDL-C
	Q1, <0.71 mmol/L	Q2, 0.71-0.83 mmol/L	Q3, 0.83-0.95 mmol/L	Q4, 0.95-1.11 mmol/L	Q5, ≥1.11 mmol/L		
Events, n (%)	92 (12.67)	84 (12.35)	88 (11.91)	73 (10.11)	72 (10.11)		
Incidence, per 1000 person-years	145.27	140.63	134.75	112.25	112.57		
Adjusted HR*	1.37 (1.00-1.88)	1.34 (0.98-1.85)	1.26 (0.92-1.72)	1.05 (0.76-1.46)	1.00	0.017	0.73 (0.51-1.06)
Adjusted HR†	1.46 (1.03-2.06)	1.36 (0.96-1.93)	1.32 (0.94-1.84)	1.00 (0.70-1.42)	1.00	0.009	0.65 (0.44-0.98)

HDL-C, high-density lipoprotein cholesterol; MACEs, major adverse cardiovascular events.

\* model 1: age, sex

† model 2: age, sex, body mass index, smoking, drinking, hypertension, history of dyslipidemia, history of stroke, history of atrial fibrillation, history of coronary heart disease, medication history of antiplatelet agents, medication history of lipid-lowering drugs, low-density lipoprotein cholesterol, triglycerides, National Institutes of Health Stroke Scale on admission, TOAST, use of antiplatelet agents at discharge, use of anticoagulant agents at discharge, and use of statins at discharge.

**Supplementary Table S4 Multivariable Analysis of Association between Low Levels of HDL-C and Adverse Outcomes within 1 year Compared with Normal Levels of HDL-C**

	Events, n (%)	Model 1*: HR (95% CI)	P value	Model 2†: HR (95% CI)	P value
6 months					
Recurrent stroke	243 (9.52)	1.29 (1.02-1.63)	0.038	1.40 (1.07-1.82)	0.014
MACEs	259 (10.15)	1.33 (1.06-1.68)	0.016	1.45 (1.12-1.88)	0.005
12 months					
Recurrent stroke	299 (11.72)	1.34 (1.08-1.67)	0.008	1.47 (1.16-1.87)	0.002
MACEs	318 (12.46)	1.35 (1.09-1.67)	0.005	1.47 (1.17-1.86)	0.001

HDL-C, high-density lipoprotein cholesterol; MACEs, major adverse cardiovascular events.

\* model 1: age, sex

† model 2: age, sex, body mass index, smoking, drinking, hypertension, history of dyslipidemia, history of stroke, history of atrial fibrillation, history of coronary heart disease, medication history of antiplatelet agents, medication history of lipid-lowering drugs, low-density lipoprotein cholesterol, triglycerides, National Institutes of Health Stroke Scale on admission, TOAST, use of antiplatelet agents at discharge, use of anticoagulant agents at discharge, and use of statins at discharge.

Supplementary Table S5.1 Subgroup Analysis for the Association between HDL-C and Recurrent Stroke at 6 Months

Subgroup	Events (%)	HDL-C quintiles, mmol/L					P for trend	P for interaction
		Q1, <0.71 mmol/L	Q2, 0.71-0.83 mmol/L	Q3, 0.83-0.95 mmol/L	Q4, 0.95-1.11 mmol/L	Q5, ≥1.11 mmol/L		
<b>Age</b>								
<65 years	171 (7.91)	1.43 (0.81-2.53)	1.40 (0.81-2.43)	1.20 (0.69-2.08)	1.06 (0.60-1.86)	1.00	0.131	0.960
≥65 years	173 (10.41)	1.80 (1.08-3.01)	1.63 (0.95-2.78)	1.18 (0.70-2.01)	1.12 (0.66-1.89)	1.00	0.015	
<b>Sex</b>								
Men	217 (8.62)	1.56 (0.94-2.59)	1.54 (0.93-2.55)	1.09 (0.64-1.85)	1.03 (0.60-1.77)	1.00	0.027	0.921
Women	127 (9.72)	1.52 (0.83-2.78)	1.33 (0.71-2.50)	1.43 (0.82-2.48)	1.15 (0.66-1.99)	1.00	0.133	
<b>Smoking</b>								
No	250 (9.32)	1.62 (1.05-2.50)	1.61 (1.04-2.47)	1.15 (0.74-1.77)	1.07 (0.69-1.65)	1.00	0.011	0.717
Yes	94 (8.22)	1.59 (0.71-3.53)	1.29 (0.57-2.90)	1.42 (0.65-3.10)	1.21 (0.54-2.72)	1.00	0.265	
<b>Drinking</b>								
No	287 (8.68)	1.44 (0.95-2.18)	1.43 (0.95-2.15)	1.10 (0.73-1.67)	1.08 (0.72-1.62)	1.00	0.044	0.923
Yes	57 (11.03)	2.68 (0.93-7.72)	2.27 (0.76-6.77)	2.15 (0.75-6.20)	1.24 (0.38-4.02)	1.00	0.036	
<b>Hypertension</b>								
No	21 (6.52)	0.22 (0.02-2.28)	1.28 (0.31-5.34)	0.69 (0.13-3.53)	0.99 (0.22-4.50)	1.00	0.420	0.517
Yes	323 (9.22)	1.71 (1.16-2.53)	1.53 (1.03-2.27)	1.25 (0.85-1.85)	1.13 (0.76-1.68)	1.00	0.003	
<b>NIHSS score on admission</b>								
0-4	147 (8.03)	2.19 (1.18-4.05)	1.85 (0.99-3.46)	1.64 (0.90-3.01)	1.74 (0.96-3.15)	1.00	0.017	0.325
≥4	197 (9.88)	1.31 (0.80-2.13)	1.35 (0.83-2.19)	1.01 (0.62-1.66)	0.83 (0.50-1.39)	1.00	0.118	
<b>Ischemic stroke subtype</b>								
Large-artery atherosclerosis	117 (11.05)	1.27 (0.63-2.55)	1.58 (0.81-3.07)	1.35 (0.70-2.63)	1.19 (0.60-2.37)	1.00	0.346	0.682
Cardiac	23 (10.85)	0.54 (0.12-2.53)	0.61 (0.10-3.60)	0.37 (0.07-1.82)	0.33 (0.07-1.50)	1.00	0.368	

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<b>embolism</b>							
<b>Small-vessel occlusion</b>	51 (5.91)	2.01 (0.69-5.84)	3.27 (1.20-8.88)	1.51 (0.52-4.35)	1.21 (0.40-3.68)	1.00	0.052
<b>Other</b>	153 (9.05)	2.03 (1.17-3.54)	1.34 (0.73-2.45)	1.27 (0.71-2.26)	1.25 (0.71-2.19)	1.00	0.018

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HDL-C, high-density lipoprotein cholesterol; NIHSS, National Institutes of Health Stroke Scale.

Supplementary Table S5.2 Subgroup Analysis for the Association between HDL-C and MACEs at 6 Months

Subgroup	Events (%)	HDL-C quintiles, mmol/L					P for trend	P for interaction
		Q1, <0.71 mmol/L	Q2, 0.71-0.83 mmol/L	Q3, 0.83-0.95 mmol/L	Q4, 0.95-1.11 mmol/L	Q5, ≥1.11 mmol/L		
<b>Age</b>								
<65 years	177 (8.19)	1.37 (0.78-2.38)	1.38 (0.81-2.35)	1.11 (0.65-1.89)	0.97 (0.56-1.69)	1.00	0.138	0.910
≥65 years	186 (11.19)	1.94 (1.17-3.21)	1.74 (1.03-2.95)	1.45 (0.88-2.40)	1.19 (0.71-1.98)	1.00	0.005	
<b>Sex</b>								
Men	231 (9.18)	1.57 (0.96-2.57)	1.53 (0.94-2.49)	1.14 (0.69-1.88)	0.95 (0.56-1.61)	1.00	0.014	0.851
Women	132 (10.10)	1.55 (0.85-2.83)	1.46 (0.79-2.69)	1.56 (0.91-2.67)	1.25 (0.73-2.13)	1.00	0.094	
<b>Smoking</b>								
No	263 (9.81)	1.66 (1.08-2.54)	1.72 (1.13-2.62)	1.20 (0.79-1.84)	1.09 (0.71-1.67)	1.00	0.005	0.505
Yes	100 (8.75)	1.55 (0.72-3.31)	1.15 (0.53-2.54)	1.46 (0.70-3.06)	1.08 (0.49-2.37)	1.00	0.253	
<b>Drinking</b>								
No	306 (9.25)	1.49 (0.99-2.22)	1.48 (0.99-2.21)	1.19 (0.80-1.77)	1.07 (0.72-1.59)	1.00	0.021	0.952
Yes	57 (11.03)	2.68 (0.93-7.72)	2.27 (0.76-6.77)	2.15 (0.75-6.20)	1.24 (0.38-4.02)	1.00	0.036	
<b>Hypertension</b>								
No	22 (6.83)	0.44 (0.07-2.88)	1.27 (0.31-5.18)	0.63 (0.13-3.19)	0.93 (0.20-4.23)	1.00	0.611	0.686
Yes	341 (9.74)	1.72 (1.17-2.51)	1.57 (1.07-2.31)	1.33 (0.91-1.94)	1.12 (0.76-1.65)	1.00	0.002	
<b>NIHSS score on admission</b>								
0-4	152 (8.30)	1.97 (1.09-3.56)	1.67 (0.91-3.05)	1.44 (0.80-2.60)	1.54 (0.87-2.74)	1.00	0.032	0.491
≥4	211 (10.59)	1.45 (0.90-2.34)	1.48 (0.92-2.38)	1.22 (0.76-1.95)	0.86 (0.52-1.43)	1.00	0.035	
<b>Ischemic stroke subtype</b>								
Large-artery atherosclerosis	125 (11.80)	1.23 (0.62-2.44)	1.62 (0.85-3.09)	1.49 (0.79-2.82)	1.26 (0.65-2.43)	1.00	0.376	0.460
Cardiac	23 (10.85)	0.54 (0.12-2.53)	0.61 (0.10-3.60)	0.37 (0.07-1.82)	0.33 (0.07-1.50)	1.00	0.368	

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<b>embolism</b>							
<b>Small-vessel occlusion</b>	54 (6.26)	1.97 (0.68-5.73)	3.66 (1.37-9.76)	1.66 (0.59-4.68)	1.21 (0.40-3.67)	1.00	0.040
<b>Other</b>	161 (9.53)	2.17 (1.27-3.70)	1.33 (0.74-2.42)	1.31 (0.75-2.29)	1.18 (0.67-2.05)	1.00	0.006

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HDL-C, high-density lipoprotein cholesterol; MACEs, major adverse cardiovascular events; NIHSS, National Institutes of Health Stroke Scale.

Supplementary Table S5.3 Subgroup Analysis for the Association between HDL-C and Recurrent Stroke at 12 Months

Subgroup	Events (%)	HDL-C quintiles, mmol/L					P for trend	P for interaction
		Q1, <0.71 mmol/L	Q2, 0.71-0.83 mmol/L	Q3, 0.83-0.95 mmol/L	Q4, 0.95-1.11 mmol/L	Q5, ≥1.11 mmol/L		
<b>Age</b>								
<65 years	206 (9.53)	1.50 (0.89-2.53)	1.50 (0.91-2.48)	1.25 (0.76-2.07)	1.18 (0.71-1.95)	1.00	0.077	0.948
≥65 years	212 (12.76)	1.72 (1.08-2.75)	1.64 (1.01-2.65)	1.37 (0.87-2.18)	1.05 (0.65-1.69)	1.00	0.008	
<b>Sex</b>								
Men	267 (10.61)	1.58 (1.01-2.49)	1.56 (1.00-2.45)	1.13 (0.71-1.81)	1.10 (0.68-1.76)	1.00	0.014	0.618
Women	151 (11.55)	1.56 (0.89-2.74)	1.44 (0.81-2.57)	1.69 (1.03-2.77)	1.08 (0.64-1.82)	1.00	0.052	
<b>Smoking</b>								
No	307 (11.45)	1.55 (1.04-2.30)	1.55 (1.05-2.29)	1.30 (0.89-1.89)	1.06 (0.71-1.56)	1.00	0.008	0.970
Yes	111 (9.71)	1.99 (0.93-4.25)	1.77 (0.83-3.78)	1.59 (0.74-3.42)	1.47 (0.68-3.20)	1.00	0.069	
<b>Drinking</b>								
No	354 (10.70)	1.52 (1.05-2.22)	1.48 (1.02-2.15)	1.26 (0.87-1.82)	1.13 (0.79-1.64)	1.00	0.012	0.899
Yes	64 (12.38)	2.30 (0.86-6.12)	2.39 (0.91-6.26)	2.04 (0.79-5.24)	0.99 (0.33-3.01)	1.00	0.032	
<b>Hypertension</b>								
No	25 (7.76)	0.18 (0.02-1.91)	1.75 (0.47-6.57)	0.56 (0.11-2.85)	1.18 (0.29-4.90)	1.00	0.464	0.232
Yes	393 (11.22)	1.73 (1.21-2.46)	1.54 (1.08-2.20)	1.38 (0.98-1.96)	1.13 (0.79-1.62)	1.00	<0.001	
<b>NIHSS score on admission</b>								
0-4	181 (9.89)	1.98 (1.14-3.41)	1.88 (1.09-3.24)	1.71 (1.01-2.89)	1.43 (0.83-2.44)	1.00	0.008	0.561
≥4	237 (11.89)	1.39 (0.89-2.19)	1.39 (0.89-2.18)	1.13 (0.72-1.77)	0.98 (0.62-1.56)	1.00	0.070	
<b>Ischemic stroke subtype</b>								
Large-artery atherosclerosis	140 (13.22)	1.37 (0.73-2.59)	1.78 (0.97-3.24)	1.51 (0.83-2.76)	1.25 (0.67-2.33)	1.00	0.175	0.640
Cardiac	29 (13.68)	0.87 (0.23-3.30)	0.53 (0.09-3.06)	0.79 (0.21-2.89)	0.29 (0.07-1.30)	1.00	0.866	

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<b>embolism</b>							
<b>Small-vessel occlusion</b>	69 (8.00)	1.08 (0.45-2.63)	1.95 (0.88-4.30)	1.07 (0.47-2.45)	1.06 (0.46-2.44)	1.00	0.433
<b>Other</b>	180 (10.65)	2.23 (1.33-3.74)	1.55 (0.89-2.70)	1.44 (0.85-2.45)	1.25 (0.74-2.13)	1.00	0.002

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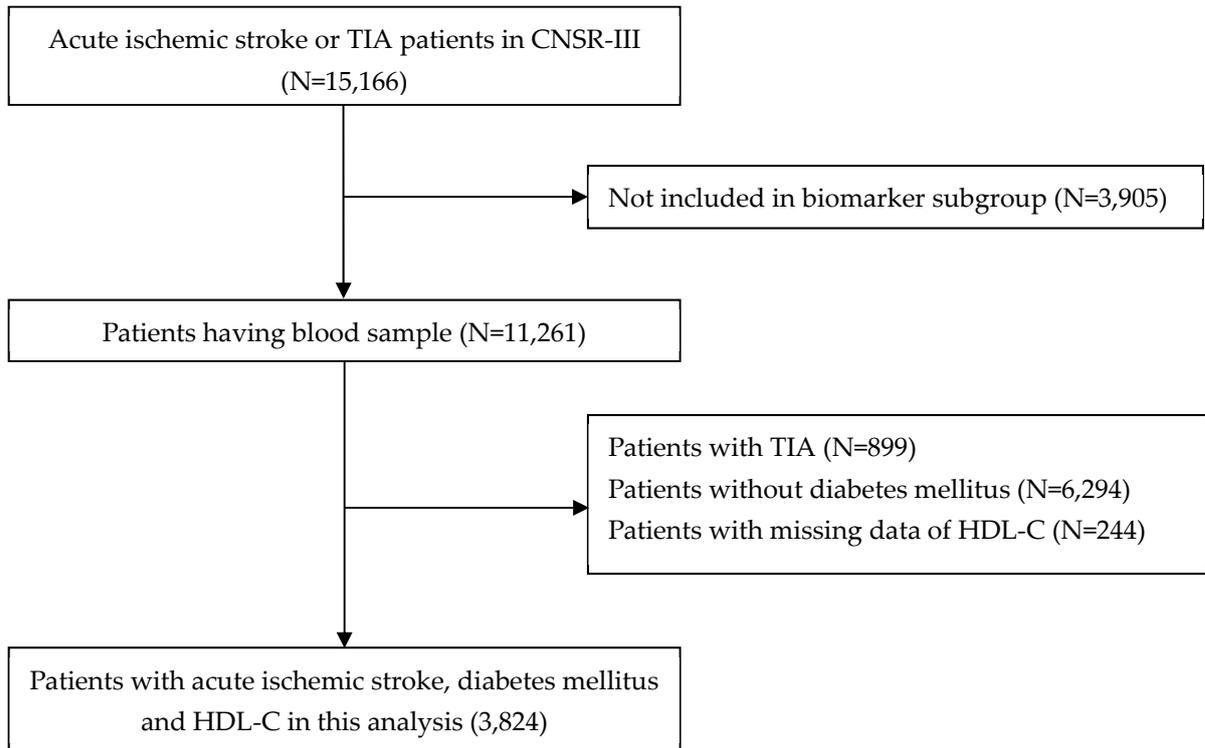
**Supplementary Table S5.4 Subgroup Analysis for the Association between HDL-C and MACEs at 12 Months**

Subgroup	Events (%)	HDL-C quintiles, mmol/L					P for trend	P for interaction
		Q1, <0.71 mmol/L	Q2, 0.71-0.83 mmol/L	Q3, 0.83-0.95 mmol/L	Q4, 0.95-1.11 mmol/L	Q5, ≥1.11 mmol/L		
<b>Age</b>								
<65 years	217 (10.04)	1.32 (0.80-2.19)	1.40 (0.87-2.25)	1.14 (0.71-1.84)	1.01 (0.62-1.66)	1.00	0.132	0.830
≥65 years	226 (13.60)	1.79 (1.13-2.83)	1.69 (1.05-2.71)	1.57 (1.01-2.45)	1.12 (0.70-1.79)	1.00	0.004	
<b>Sex</b>								
Men	288 (11.44)	1.48 (0.96-2.28)	1.48 (0.97-2.26)	1.16 (0.75-1.79)	0.98 (0.62-1.54)	1.00	0.017	0.687
Women	155 (11.86)	1.58 (0.90-2.77)	1.54 (0.87-2.72)	1.74 (1.06-2.84)	1.16 (0.69-1.93)	1.00	0.041	
<b>Smoking</b>								
No	324 (12.09)	1.52 (1.03-2.24)	1.61 (1.10-2.35)	1.31 (0.91-1.90)	1.06 (0.72-1.55)	1.00	0.007	0.915
Yes	119 (10.41)	1.71 (0.84-3.47)	1.42 (0.69-2.91)	1.55 (0.77-3.12)	1.19 (0.57-2.49)	1.00	0.113	
<b>Drinking</b>								
No	378 (11.43)	1.47 (1.02-2.11)	1.47 (1.02-2.10)	1.29 (0.91-1.83)	1.09 (0.76-1.56)	1.00	0.013	0.888
Yes	65 (12.57)	2.22 (0.83-5.90)	2.29 (0.88-5.99)	2.15 (0.85-5.46)	0.98 (0.33-2.96)	1.00	0.038	
<b>Hypertension</b>								
No	26 (8.07)	0.37 (0.06-2.37)	1.73 (0.47-6.39)	0.54 (0.11-2.66)	1.13 (0.27-4.66)	1.00	0.627	0.326
Yes	417 (11.91)	1.63 (1.16-2.30)	1.52 (1.07-2.15)	1.41 (1.01-1.97)	1.09 (0.77-1.54)	1.00	0.001	
<b>NIHSS score on admission</b>								
0-4	188 (10.27)	1.74 (1.03-2.95)	1.67 (0.99-2.82)	1.49 (0.90-2.47)	1.30 (0.78-2.17)	1.00	0.024	0.809
≥4	255 (12.79)	1.44 (0.92-2.23)	1.46 (0.94-2.26)	1.31 (0.86-2.01)	0.97 (0.62-1.52)	1.00	0.034	
<b>Ischemic stroke subtype</b>								
Large-artery	150 (14.16)	1.33 (0.71-2.48)	1.84 (1.02-3.30)	1.68 (0.94-2.99)	1.29 (0.71-2.37)	1.00	0.183	0.366

<b>atherosclerosis</b>							
<b>Cardiac embolism</b>	31 (14.62)	0.76 (0.20-2.80)	0.37 (0.06-2.16)	0.77 (0.22-2.67)	0.31 (0.08-1.24)	1.00	0.687
<b>Small-vessel occlusion</b>	72 (8.34)	1.07 (0.44-2.59)	2.15 (0.99-4.68)	1.15 (0.51-2.59)	1.05 (0.46-2.43)	1.00	0.365
<b>Other</b>	190 (11.24)	2.10 (1.29-3.44)	1.39 (0.81-2.37)	1.34 (0.80-2.23)	1.09 (0.65-1.82)	1.00	0.002

HDL-C, high-density lipoprotein cholesterol; MACEs, major adverse cardiovascular events; NIHSS, National Institutes of Health Stroke Scale.

## Supplementary Figure



**Figure S1 Flow Chart of the Study Population**

TIA, transient ischemic attack; CNSR-III, Third China National Stroke Registry; HDL-C, high-density lipoprotein cholesterol