

## Introducing Focused Updates in Cerebrovascular Disease

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In this issue of *Stroke*, a new feature begins, Focused Updates in Cerebrovascular Disease. This will become a regular aspect of *Stroke* and be comprised several invited reviews that share a common underlying theme. In the first focused update coordinated by Dr Karen Furie, the theme is newer aspects of atrial fibrillation stroke. *Stroke* invited leading experts to contribute in-depth reviews on 4 aspects of atrial fibrillation and vexing issues that stroke physicians encounter on a daily basis, anticoagulation after intracerebral hemorrhage, approaches to detecting atrial fibrillation after cryptogenic stroke, how to best stratify stroke risk in patients with atrial fibrillation, and issues related to cerebral microbleeds in atrial fibrillation. For all of these topics, emerging information is provided that are of importance to both clinicians and researchers.

The next 2 Focused Updates are in preparation, one on advances in stem cells as they relate to stroke and the second on women and stroke. Another Focused Update at an earlier developmental stage will overview recent advances in stroke

risk factors and their management. *Stroke* will strive to publish 3 to 4 Focused Updates per year, and we are open to suggestions for future themes from our readers. Each Focused Update will be overseen by a member of the editorial team, who will coordinate with me to determine the topics to be covered and the authors who will be invited to write the reviews. The theme of a Focused Update can be either a clinical or basic science one. If you have suggestions for a Focused Update and would like to contribute to one of them, please contact the editorial office. We will consider your suggestions, but endeavor to choose suggestions that relate to areas with substantial recent advances and a broad appeal to our readers.

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