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Mihalov, 2015, (89), Slovakia	Prospective cohort	Oct 2013- May 2014	I: stroke E: persistent severe aphasia or severe cognitive deficit, using antidepressants >6 months		67 (64)	HADS-A ≥8	6 m	17	Medium
Mutai, 2016, (91), Japan	Cross-sectional	Oct 2012- Nov 2013	I: ischaemic or haemorrhagic stroke E: Severe confusion, severe	101	74 (66)	HADS-A ≥11	2 w	26.8	Medium
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Ojagbemi, 2017, Cross-sectional (93), Nigeria	Not stated	the study outcomes, BI \leq 17, do not speak or understand Dutch, pre-stroke HAC \geq 1 I: stroke E: severe communication	391	57 (64)	HADS-A ≥11	1 m	19,7	Medium	
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Oosterveer, 2017, (95), Netherlands	Cross-sectional	2009-2011	I: stroke. E: pre-existing dementia, patients with terminal conditions	238	71 (55)	HADS-A ≥8	6 w	22.3	Medium
Parker, 2014, (96), Turkey	Cross-sectional	Jan 2010- Sep 2013	I: stroke E: recurrent stroke, stroke duration > 1 year, type 1 diabetics, aphasia	118	64 (36)	HADS-A >7		69.5	Low
Pedroso, 2015, (98), Brazil	Cross-sectional	Not stated	I: acute ischaemic stroke, >45 years E: haemorrhagic stroke, infectious or autoimmune diseases, MI, dementia, GCS <14, aphasia, recent neurosurgery	60	64 (70)	HADS-A >6	5.4 d	23.3	Medium
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Wu, 2015, (111), China	Cross-sectional	Oct 2013- Sep 2014	I: stroke onset < days, 18–80 years E: a decreased consciousness, cognitive dysfunction, aphasia, dysarthria, history of anxiety or other psychiatric disorder, previous stroke, CNS or physical diseases		63 (63)	HAMA >7	1 m	26.5	Medium
Yu, 2015, (112), Australia	Prospective cohort	Not stated	I: ischaemic stroke	182	76 (57)	HADS-A ≥8	2 w	22.5	Medium

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