

**Appendix Figure 1. The Extended PFO-Associated Stroke Causal Likelihood (PASCAL) Classification System.**

Risk Grade	Features	Casual Relatedness	
		Low RoPE Score <sup>a</sup>	High RoPE Score <sup>a</sup>
Very high risk	PFO + straddling thrombus	Definite	Definite
High risk	BOTH of: 1A. PFO + ASA, <i>or</i> 1B. Large shunt PFO, <i>AND</i> 2. PE or DVT preceding index infarct	Probable	Highly Probable
Medium risk	ANY of: 1. PFO + ASA 2. Large shunt PFO	Possible	Probable
Low risk	Small shunt PFO without ASA	Unlikely	Possible

<sup>a</sup>The RoPE Score includes points for 5 age categories, cortical infarct, absence of hypertension, diabetes, prior stroke or transient ischemic attack, and smoking. A higher RoPE score ( $\geq 7$  points) increases probability of causal association.

ASA, atrial septal aneurysm; DVT, deep vein thrombosis; PE, pulmonary embolism; PFO indicates patent foramen ovale; RoPE, Risk of Paradoxical Embolism.