

Table SI. Baseline characteristics of the two groups.

| Characteristic | Pulmonary thromboembolism (n=10) | Healthy controls (n=10) | P-value |
|--|----------------------------------|-------------------------|---------|
| Age; year, mean \pm SD | 78.80 \pm 8.00 | 81.60 \pm 7.73 | 0.4365 |
| Sex; male: Female | 6:4 | 5:5 | 0.9999 |
| Body mass index; kg/m ² , mean \pm SD | 26.08 \pm 2.83 | 26.86 \pm 2.39 | 0.5118 |