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Figure: Clot length depends on the extent of pial collaterals and on angio-architecture (branching pattern) around the original clot. (A) Panel A depicts a typical ICA-MCA cerebral arterial tree. (C-F) Panel C-F show varying clot lengths according to variability in pial collateral status and angioarchitecture around original clot (B; legends). (C) Panel C depicts a short overall clot length with minimal stasis around original clot (blue) from good collaterals and efficient branching patterns. (D) Panel D depicts longer clot resulting from inefficient angio-architecture (see absence of branching arteries around original clot; dotted vessels) despite good collaterals. (E) Panel E shows a longer clot predominantly because of poor collaterals. (F) Panel F shows very long clots because of poor collaterals and inefficient angio-architecture (absence of branching arteries around original clot).

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