# Supplementary Appendix

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# SUPPLEMENTARY METHODS

#### Inclusion and exclusion criteria

#### **Inclusion criteria**

- 1. Age  $\geq 18$  years.
- 2. Out of hospital cardiac arrest of presumed cardiac cause.
- 3. Sustained return of spontaneous circulation (ROSC)<sup>#</sup>.
- 4. Unconsciousness (GCS <8) (patients not able to obey verbal commands) after sustained ROSC.

<sup>#</sup>Sustained ROSC: Sustained ROSC is when chest compressions have been not required for 20 consecutive minutes and signs of circulation persist

#### **Exclusion criteria**

- 1. Obvious or suspected pregnancy
- 2. Known bleeding diathesis (medically induced coagulopathy (e.g. warfarin, clopidogrel)

does not exclude the patient).

- 3. Suspected or confirmed acute intracranial bleeding
- 4. Suspected or confirmed acute stroke
- 5. Unwitnessed cardiac arrest with initial rhythm asystole
- 6. Known limitations in therapy and Do Not Resuscitate-order
- 7. Known disease making 180 days survival unlikely
- 8. Known pre-arrest Cerebral Performance Category 3 or 4
- 9. >4 hours (240 minutes) from ROSC to screening
- 10. Systolic blood pressure <80 mm Hg in spite of fluid loading/vasopressor and/or inotropic

medication/intra aortic balloon pump#

14. Temperature on admission <30°C.

# If the systolic blood pressure (SBP) was recovering during the inclusion window (220 minutes) the patient could be included. The standard definition of shock did not preclude inclusion: A systolic blood pressure<90mmHg for >30min or end-organ hypoperfusion (cool extremities, urine output<30ml/hour, heart rate <60 beats/min).

# **Neurological prognostication**

All patients in the trial were actively treated until a minimum 72 hours after the intervention period, i.e. 108 hours after start of treatment (end of phase 3), when neurological evaluation was done on patients not regaining consciousness. Exceptions from this rule were 1) patients with myoclonus status<sup>#</sup> in the first 24 hours after admission and a bilateral absence of N20-peak on median nerve somatosensory evoked potentials (SSEP), 2) patients who became brain dead due to cerebral herniation and 3) because of ethical reasons described below. External blinded physicians evaluated the patient at the end of phase 3 and made a statement on neurological prognosis. At that time-point, limitations in and withdrawal of therapy could be instituted by the treating physicians. The neurological evaluation was based on clinical neurological examination (including Glasgow Coma Scale (GCS), pupillary and corneal reflexes), SSEP and electroencephalogram (EEG). Biomarkers for brain damage were not used for operational prognostication.

Findings allowing for discontinuation of active intensive care:

- Brain death due to cerebral herniation.
- Severe myoclonus status<sup>#</sup> in the first 24 hours after admission and a bilateral absence of N20-peak on median nerve SSEP.
- Minimum 72 hours after the intervention period: persisting coma with a Glasgow Motor Score 1-2 and bilateral absence of N20-peak on median nerve SSEP.
- Minimum 72 hours after the end of the intervention period: persisting coma with a Glasgow Motor Score 1-2 and a treatment refractory status epilepticus\*.

\* Status epilepticus defined by EEG as sequences (>10 sec) of repetitive epileptiform discharges with an amplitude >50 $\mu$ V and a medium frequency  $\geq$ 1Hz, constituting >50% of a 30 minute period in a patient with or without clinical manifestations. Treatment refractory defined as unresponsive to treatment with propofol, midazolam or pentothal to a slow suppression burst pattern for 24 hours in combination with at least one intravenous antiepileptic substance (including valproate and/or fos-Phenytoin) in adequate dose for at least 24hours. Free use of further antiepileptic substances and combinations at the discretion of the attending physician.

Patients with Glasgow Motor Score 1-2 at 72 hours or later after the end of the intervention period who had retained N20-peak on the SSEP, or patients in hospitals where SSEP was not available, were re-examined daily and the limitations/withdrawal of intensive care considered if GCS-Motor did not improve and metabolic and pharmacological affection was ruled out. Recommendations and decisions on life sustaining treatment were recorded.

Active treatment could be withdrawn prior to 72 hours after the intervention period for ethical reasons (for instance: previously unknown information about disseminated end-stage cancer or refractory shock with end-stage multiorgan failure). However assumptions of a poor neurological function were not allowed be the sole reason for withdrawal of active treatment prior to 72 h after the intervention period (exception: brain death and early myoclonus status including a negative SSEP).

#### **Details of the intervention**

The intervention period of 36 hours commenced at the time of randomization. All patients were sedated, with sedation mandated in both groups until the end of the intervention period. The choices of sedatives, analgesics and neuromuscular blocking agents were at the discretion of the treating physician. Core body temperature was measured with a temperature probe in the urinary bladder, or with an esophageal or intravascular probe in patients with low urinary output.

The goal of the intervention was to achieve the allocated temperature as rapidly as possible using ice-cold fluids, ice-packs, and intravascular or surface temperature management devices at the discretion of the site. Patients with an initial body temperature between 30°C and 33°C were actively rewarmed to 33°C at a maximum rate of 0.5°C per hour in both groups. For patients allocated to the 36°C group, passive rewarming to 36°C was mandated in the range from 33°C to 36°C, after which controlled temperature management was commenced and continued throughout the intervention period. After 28 hours gradual rewarming to 37°C by 0.5°C per hour was commenced in both groups.

At 36 hours mandatory sedation was discontinued or tapered. After the intervention period the intention was to maintain the body temperature for unconscious patients below 37.5°C until 72 hours post-cardiac arrest, using fever control measures at the discretion of the sites. Concomitant intensive care, cardiological and neurological treatment followed standard practice.

#### Data collection and verification

Data for the primary outcome measure were obtained from national- or hospital registries, or from contacting patients, relatives, and general practitioners. Data for the neurological evaluation at 180-day follow up were obtained from an in-hospital visit, a visit of a trial investigator at the patients' residence or from telephone contact with patients, relatives, or general practitioners. The remaining secondary outcomes were obtained from direct observations during the hospital stay or from hospital registries. The primary outcome, temperature data, and eligibility criteria were verified source data in all patients. Pre-randomization characteristics, adverse events, and the secondary outcomes were verified with a random sample of at least 20% of the patients.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY RESULTS

#### Shivering and fever

There was no statistically significant difference between the two trial groups in the reported number of patients with shivering: 141 patients (30%) in the 33°C group and 156 (34%) patients in the 36°C group, P=0.20. The number of hours per day with a temperature >38°C on days 3 through 7 was similar in the 33°C group and the 36°C group (median 1, interquartile range 0-4 in both groups; P=0.77). The highest recorded temperature and the hours of temperature above 38°C on days 2 to 4 are depicted in the Supplementary Appendix, Table S6.

# Adjusted analyses, specific analysis populations, and subgroup analyses

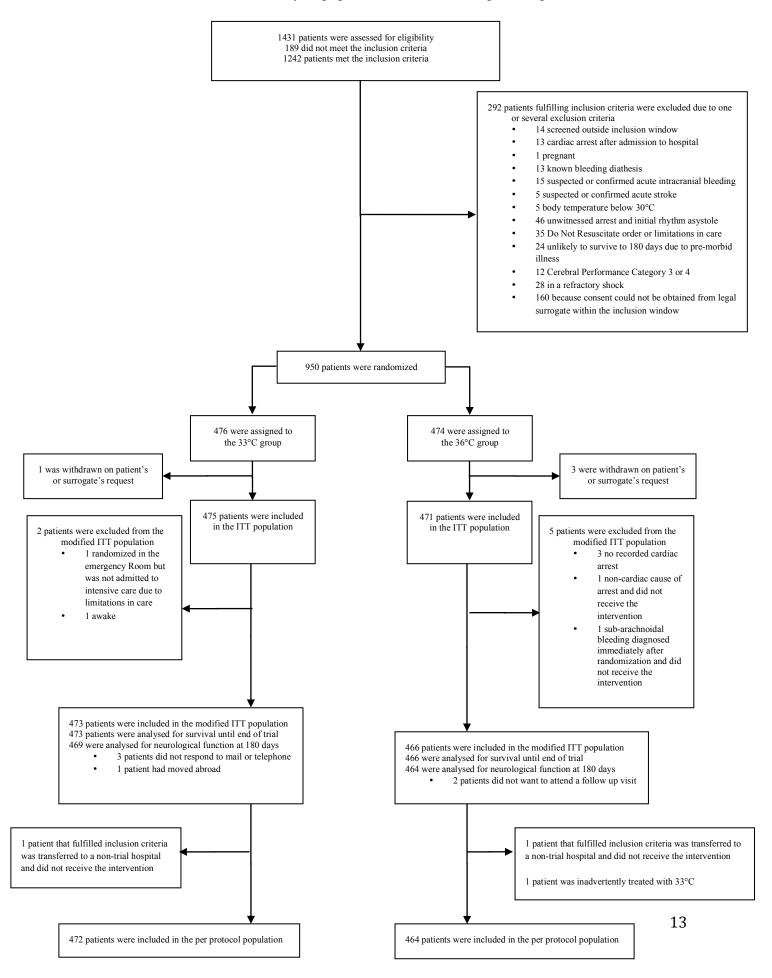
Similar results were obtained in the unadjusted analyses, and the analyses adjusted for stratification and design covariates (see Supplementary Appendix Tables S10 and S11). The effect of the intervention did not depend significantly on the binary variables defined by sex, age > 65 years, presence of initial shockable rhythm, time from cardiac arrest to return of spontaneous circulation above 25 minutes, and presence of shock at admission (Supplementary Appendix Figure S2).

The results for the primary outcome were also similar for the intention-to-treat and the perprotocol analysis populations. In the intention-to-treat analysis, there were 236 deaths in 475 patients (50%) in the 33°C group and 228 deaths in 471 patients (48%) in the 36°C group. In the per-protocol analysis, there were 235 deaths in 472 patients (50%) in the 33°C group and 224 deaths in 464 patients (48%) in the 36°C group.

# SUPPLEMENTARY FIGURES AND TABLES

#### Figure S1. CONSORT flow chart

Assessment, randomization, analysis populations, and follow-up of the patients in the TTM trial.



#### Figure S2. Hazard ratio of death, according to subgroup

The forest plot shows the hazard ratios for six predefined subgroups. The horizontal bars represent 95% confidence intervals. The events are the total events at end of trial. P values are for the tests of subgroup heterogeneity (tests of interactions). ROSC denotes return of spontaneous circulation. For unwitnessed cardiac arrests the time to ROSC was calculated form time of emergency call. Shock at admission was defined as a systolic blood pressure<90mmHg for >30min or end-organ hypoperfusion (cool extremities, urine output<30ml/hour, heart rate <60 beats/min).

Subgroup	Target 33 °C No. of events/Tot	Target 36 °C	Hazard Ratio 95% Cl	Hazard Ratio 95% Cl	Test of interaction
Age	No. of events/100	arno. or patients	3376 01	3378 01	P = 0.52
-	91/238	85/250	1 1 2 10 04 1 5 21		1 - 0.52
Less than or equal to 65 years	91/238 144/235	140/216	1.13 [0.84, 1.53]		
More than 65 years	144/235	140/210	1.01 [0.80, 1.28]		
Gender					P = 0.75
Female	47/80	55/98	1.14 [0.77, 1.69]		
Male	188/393	170/368	1.07 [0.87, 1.32]		
Time from cardiac arrest to R	OSC				P = 0.20
Less than or equal to 25 min	79/243	86/241	0.92 [0.68, 1.24]		
More than 25 min	156/230	138/224	1.20 [0.96, 1.50]		
Initial rhythm					P = 0.92
Non-shockable	82/98	74/88	1.08 [0.79, 1.48]		
Shockable	153/375	150/377	1.06 [0.84, 1.34]		
Shock at admission					P = 0.17
Not present	183/402	180/398	1.03 [0.83, 1.28]		
Present	52/70	44/67	1.35 [0.90, 2.03]		
Site category					P = 0.19
Two largest sites	50/110	40/108	1.33 [0.87, 2.03]		
Sites except two largest	185/363	185/358	1.02 [0.83, 1.25]		
TTM-Trial					
All patients	235/473	225/466	1.06 [0.89, 1.28]		
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				0.5 0.7 1 1.5	2
				0.5 0.7 1 1.5	۷

33 °C better  $\,$  36 °C better  $\,$ 

Table S1. Glasgow Coma Scale Motor score on admission*						
	33°C	36°C	Total			
Total no. patients	473	466	939			
GCS-M no. (%)						
GCS-M 1	248 (52)	243 (52)	491			
GCS-M 2	23 (5)	16 (3)	39			
GCS-M 3	25 (5)	20 (4)	45			
GCS-M 4	30 (6)	32 (7)	62			
GCS-M 5	12 (3)	12 (3)	23			
Sedation affecting GCS evaluation**	130 (27)	139 (30)	269			
Missing	5 (1)	4 (1)	9			

\*GCS denotes Glasgow Coma Scale, GCS-M denotes GCS-motor.

\*\*The patients that were sedated were mainly from tertiary hospitals with extended transfer from the scene of cardiac arrest. The evaluation of unconsciousness for randomization was based on the pre-sedation value (not reported here). The patients that were sedated on admission had similar proportions of initial rhythms and time from cardiac arrest to ROSC as the full cohort.

Day 1 to 3*								
	Da	y 1	Da	y 2	Da	y 3		
	33°C	36°C	33°C	36°C	33°C	36°C		
Observations	466	454	450	434	428	421		
SOFA-C								
0	55 (12)	65 (14)	41 (9)	70 (16)	65 (15)	113 (27)		
1	47 (10)	41 (9)	11(2)	20(5)	23 (5)	33 (8)		
2	59 (13)	45 (10)	52 (12)	43 (10)	53 (12)	45 (11)		
3	142 (30)	145 (32)	155 (34)	151 (35)	114 (27)	123 (29)		
4	163 (35)	158 (35)	191 (42)	150 (35)	173 (40)	107 (25)		

#### Table S2. Cardiovascular Sequential Organ Failure Assessment (SOFA) score

\*SOFA denotes Sequential Organ Failure Assessment, SOFA-C denotes the cardiovascular subcomponent of the SOFA score. SOFA-C=0 No need for inotrope or vasopressor, mean arterial pressure (MAP) > 70mmHg, SOFA-C=1 MAP < 70mmHg, SOFA-C=2 any dose of dobutamine or dopamine <5  $\mu$ g/kg/minute, SOFA-C=3 dopamine 5-15  $\mu$ g/kg/minute or epinephrine or nor-epinephrine <0.1  $\mu$ g/kg/minute, SOFA-C=4 dopamine >15  $\mu$ g/kg/minute or epinephrine or nor-epinephrine >0.1  $\mu$ g/kg/minute.

Table S3. Diagnostic procedures,	interventions and	service utilization	*
	33°C	36°C	Total
	473	466	939
On admission no. (%)			
СТ	150 (32)	165 (35)	315 (34)
Diagnostic procedures during			
ICU-stay no. (%)			
СТ	174 (38)	182 (39)	356 (38)
MRI	18 (4)	17 (4)	35 (4)
EEG	205 (43)	184 (39)	389 (41)
SSEP	107 (23)	91 (19)	198 (21)
Interventions during ICU-stay			
no. (%)			
Coronary angiography	299 (63)	289 (62)	588 (63)
PCI	198 (42)	212 (45)	410 (44)
CABG	5 (1)	5 (1)	10(1)
Thrombolysis	10 (2)	10 (2)	20 (2)
Time to intervention			
Hours from CA to angiography			
median [IQR]	2 [2-3]	2 [2-3]	2 [2-3]
Hours from CA to PCI		L - J	L - J
median [IQR]	2 [2-3]	2 [2-3]	2 [2-3]
Mechanical ventilation**			
Days receiving mechanical			
ventilation/days in ICU			
median [IQR]	0.83 [0.67-1.00]	0.76 [0.60-1.00]	0.80 [0.60-1.00]
Sedation			L 1
Days with sedation affecting			
neurological evaluation			
median [IQR]	2 [2-3]	2 [1-3]	2 [1-3]
Mechanical circulatory assist			
IABP no. (%)	78 (16)	62 (13)	140 (15)
Length of stay			
Hours from CA to ICU discharge			
median [IQR]	124 [71-201]	117 [74-190]	120 [73-195]
Days from CA to hospital			
discharge, median [IQR]	14 [8-24]	13 [8-24]	14 [8-24]

#### Table S3. Diagnostic procedures, interventions and service utilization

\* CT denotes computed tomography of the head, MRI-magnetic resonance imaging of the head, EEG-electroencephalogram, SSEP-somatosensory evoked potentials, PCI-percutaneous coronary intervention, CABG-coronary artery bypass grafting, CA-cardiac arrest, ICU-intensive care unit, IABP-intra aortic balloon pump, IQR-interquartile range. \*\*There were no significant differences between the groups except for days receiving mechanical ventilation/days in ICU (P=0.006).

#### Table S4. Protocol violations and no intervention received

Table S4. Protocol violations and no intervention received						
	33°C	36°C				
Transfer to another hospital*	1	1				
Received the wrong intervention*	0	1				
Died before start of intervention**,†	1	1				
Fulfilled inclusion criteria but never	1	1				
received intervention <sup>+</sup>						

\*Excluded from the modified intention to treat population; included in the per protocol population.

\*\*Died immediately after randomization.

†Included in the modified intention to treat population and in the per protocol population.

Table S5. Reasons for early rewarming in the 33°C-group	
Reason	No.
Arrhythmia (severe bradycardia, recurrent ventricular fibrillation,	
brady-tachy arrhythmia)	6
Severe circulatory instability	4
Bleeding	2
Uncontrolled lactate rise	2
Urgent coronary artery bypass grafting	1
No reason specified	1

#### Table S6. Development of fever

Table S6. Development of fever in the intervention groups day 2-4*							
	Day	Day 2		Day 3		ay 4	
Observations no.	89	898		865		765	
	33°C	36°C	33°C	36°C	33°C	36°C	
Hours of							
temperature>38°C							
median [IQR]	0 [0-0]	0 [0-0]	0 [0-1]	0 [0-1]	0 [0-3]	0 [0-3]	
Highest recorded	36,0	37,2	37,7	37,8	37,8	37,9	
temperature °C	(±1,5)	(±0.7)	$(\pm 0,5)$	(±0,6)	(±0,6)	(±0,7)	

\*Cumulated hours above a body temperature of 38°C and highest recorded body temperature day 2-4 for patients in the intensive care unit. Trial sites were asked to actively treat fever until at least 72 hours after cardiac arrest. IQR denotes interquartile range. Plus-minus values are mean± standard deviation.

Table S7. Withdrawal of life sustaining therapy day 1-7*							
	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 7
Total WLST no.	18	27	40	38	40	46	38
Brain dead	1	5	5	4	3	0	0
Neurological reasons	0	4	12	17	22	33	15
MOF and	23	32	31	25	13	5	6
hemodynamic failure							
Comorbidity	3	6	7	5	4	0	3
Ethical reason	2	5	7	14	10	13	4

#### Table S7. Reasons for withdrawal of life sustaining therapy

\*Withdrawal of life sustaining therapy of any reason (WLST) day 1 to 7 in the ICU. More than one reason could be registered for each patient. MOF denotes multi organ failure. Brain death was defined as having fulfilled criteria of brain death as per individual countries legislation. Neurological reasons were as defined in the trial protocol and above in this document. The risk of having a decision of withdrawal within the first 10 days did not differ between the groups: Hazard Ratio = 1.11 95%; CI 0.88-1.40, P=0.38. Median time to WLST of any reason was 5 days (interquartile range (IQR) 2-8) in the 33°C-group and 5 days (IQR 3-7) in the 36°C-group, (P=0.78)

#### Table S8. Neurological prognostication

Table S8. Neurological prognostication		1	1
	33°C	36°C	Total
Total no.	473	466	939
Prognostication performed no. (%)	172 (36)	148 (32)	320 (34)
Recommendation no. (%)			
Continue care	65 (38)	52 (35)	117 (37)
Do not escalate	32 (19)	24 (16)	56 (17)
Withdraw care	73 (42)	71 (48)	144 (45)
Recommendation not recorded	2	1	3
Hours from CA to prognostication			
median (IQR)	117 (93-137)	119 (94-141)	118 (93-140)
Prognostication not performed			
no. (%)	16 (3)	15 (3)	31 (3)
Reasons no.			
No reason	2	2	4
Transfer to other hospital	7	10	17
Ongoing sedation	4	2	6
WLST due to ethical reasons	1	1	2
Ongoing multi organ failure	2	0	2
<b>Died before prognostication</b> no. (%)	76 (16)	62 (13)	138 (15)
Presumed cause of death no. (%)			
Cardiac/hemodynamic cause	36 (47)	27 (43)	63 (46)
Multi organ failure	19 (25)	12 (19)	31 (22)
Cerebral cause	21 (28)	23 (37)	44 (32)
WLST of patients who died before			
reported prognostication no. (%)	48 (63 %)	42 (68 %)	90 (65 %)
Regained consciousness before			
prognostication no. (%)**	209 (44 %)	241 (52 %)	450 (48 %)

\*WLST denotes withdrawal of life sustaining therapy for any reason, CA-cardiac arrest, IQRinterquartile range. Neurological prognostication by a physician blinded to the intervention, was undertaken 72 hours after the end of the intervention period or later, except in cases of brain death and early generalized myoclonic seizures with bilaterally absent N20 waves on somatosensory evoked potentials, when an earlier prognostication could be performed. WLST was allowed in these cases and also due to ethical and medical reasons previously described.<sup>1,2</sup> For more details on reasons for WLST see Table S6.

\*\*There were no statistical differences in the variables in this table between the groups except for the number of patients that regained consciousness before prognostication (P=0.03).

Table S9. Neurological scores at ICU and hospital discharge*				
Category no. (%)	CPC ICU discharge <sup>§</sup> CPC Hospital dischar			al discharge <sup>§</sup>
	33°C	36°C	33°C	36°C
CPC 1	61 (13)	79 (17)	133 (28)	143 (31)
CPC 2	120 (25)	111 (24)	74 (16)	69 (15)
CPC 3	65 (14)	78 (17)	39 (8)	36 (8)
CPC 4	61 (13)	54 (12)	19 (4)	14 (3)
CPC 5	166 (36)	144 (31)	208 (44)	203 (44)
Total	473	466	473	465

#### Table S9. Cerebral Performance Category at ICU and hospital discharge

\* CPC denotes cerebral performance category

§ CPC 1: Good cerebral performance, may have mild deficits, 2: Moderate cerebral disability, sufficient for independent activities of daily life, 3: Severe cerebral disability, 4: coma or vegetative state, 5: dead.<sup>3,4</sup>

Table S10. A	Table S10. Adjusted analyses I*					
Adjusting	Mortality end-of-trial CPC score > 2 follow-up†		mRS score> 3 follow-up††			
covariates	HR with	Р	RR <sup>§§</sup> with 95% CI	Р	RR <sup>†</sup> with 95% CI	Р
	95% CI and n	value	and n	value	and n	value
None	1.08(0.90-1.29)	0.43	1.03 (0.90-1.17)	0.67	1.02 (0.89-1.16)	0.82
	n=939		n=933		n=933	
Site	1.06 (0.89-1.28)	0.51	1.02 (0.88-1.16)	0.78	1.01 (0.89 to 1.14)	0.87
(primary	n=939		n=933		n=933	
analyses)						
Site +	1.14 (0.94-1.37)	0.18	0.97 (0.68-1.27)	0.65	0.96 (0.81-1.11)	0.58
design	n=937		n=932		n=932	
variables <sup>**</sup>						
Site	1.07 (0.89-1.29)	0.45	1.03 (0.90-1.17)	0.67	1.01 (0.89-1.14)	0.82
category§	n=939		n=933		n=933	
Site	1.13 (0.94-1.35)	0.21	0.99 (0.83-1.15)	0.85	0.97 (0.83 to 1.12)	0.71
category§	n=937		n=932		n=932	
+ design						
variables <sup>**</sup>						

\*Hazard ratio (HR) and relative risk (RR) of a poor neurological outcome and death between the two intervention groups (36°C-group is reference group) and 95% confidence interval (CI) without and with adjusting covariates

\*\*Effect of intervention (36°C-group is reference group) on survival, on the indicator that the Cerebral Performance Category (CPC) score threshold of 2 has been exceeded, and on the indicator that the modified Rankin Scale (mRS) score threshold of 3 has been exceeded. The design variables include age, gender, shockable first rhythm, duration/min of cardiac arrest, and shock at admission

§The site categories include the category comprising the patients from the two sites with the highest number of patients treated (from the modified intention-to-treat population) and the category comprising the rest of the patients (from the modified intention-to-treat population)

§§In the adjusted analyses logistic regression analyses were used and the odds ratio estimate (OR) and its 95% CI were transformed to estimated relative risk (RR) using the equation RR = OR/((1-P)+OR\*P) where P is the observed risk of death in the reference group  $(36^{\circ}C)^{5}$ 

<sup>†</sup>CPC 1: Good cerebral performance, may have mild deficits, 2: Moderate cerebral disability, sufficient for independent activities of daily life, 3: Severe cerebral disability, 4: coma or vegetative state, 5: dead.<sup>3,4</sup>

††mRS 0: mRS 0: no symptoms, 1: no significant disability despite symptoms, 2: slight disability, able to look after own affairs without assistance, 3: moderate disability, requires some help, but able to walk unassisted, 4: moderately severe disability, unable to attend own bodily needs, 5: severe disability, bedridden, 6: dead.<sup>6</sup>

#### Table S11. Adjusted analyses II

	Mortality 180 days		Best CPC	
Adjusting covariates	Relative risk (RR) † 95% CI and n	P value	Relative risk (RR) † 95% CI and n	P value
None	1.01 (0.94-1.08) n=939	0.92	1.03 (0.91-1.17) n=938	0.63
Site	1.01 (0.87-1.14) n=939	0.92	1.04 (0.89 to 1.17) n=938	0.67
Site + design covariates**	0.95 (0.79-1.11) n=937	0.74	0.99 (0.83-1.15) n=936	0.89
Site category§	1.01 (0.88-1.15) n=939	0.86	1.04 (0.90-1.17) n=938	0.62
Site category + design covariates§**	0.96 (0.81-1.13) n=938	0.66	0.99 (0.84-1.14)	0.89

\*Relative risk (RR) of death and the best reported Cerebral Performance Category (CPC) threshold of 2 has been exceeded between the two intervention groups (36°C-group is reference group) and 95% confidence interval (CI) without and with adjusting covariates

\*\*The design variables include age, gender, shockable first rhythm, duration/min of cardiac arrest, and shock at admission

§The site categories include the category comprising the patients from the two sites with the highest number of patients treated (from the modified intention-to-treat population) and the category comprising the rest of the patients (from the modified intention-to-treat population)

†In the adjusted analyses logistic regression analyses were used and the odds ratio estimate (OR) and its 95% CI were transformed to estimated relative risk (RR) using the equation RR = OR/((1-P)+OR\*P) where P is the observed risk of death in the reference group  $(36^{\circ}C)^{5}$ 

\*Serious adverse events collected during day 1-7 when the patient was in the intensive care unit. CA denotes cardiac arrest, CPR-cardiopulmonary resuscitation

Table S12. Serious adver	se events excluding death*
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Serious adverse event no. (%)	Occurrence of event during stay in ICU		
(Denominator 'n=xxx' in parenthesis)	33°C	36°C	P value
Seizures			
Myoclonic seizures (n=923)	128 (28)	101 (23)	0.13
Tonic-clonic seizures (n=934)	36 (7.7)	34 (7.3)	0.85
Bleeding			
Uncontrolled bleeding (n=916)	10 (2.2)	6 (1.3)	0.45
Intracranial bleeding (n=902)	2 (0.4)	7 (1.5)	0.09
Intraspinal bleeding (n=906)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.2)	0.49
Intraocular bleeding (n=904)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.2)	0.49
Intraarticular bleeding (n=902)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.1)	0.49
Pericardial bleeding (n=886)	4 (0.9)	5 (1.1)	0.75
Gastro-intestinal bleeding (n=906)	25 (5.4)	23 (5.1)	0.84
Tracheal bleeding (n=907)	16 (3.5)	16 (3.6)	0.93
Oral cavity bleeding (n=906)	31 (6.8)	30 (6.7)	0.97
Nose bleeding (n=904)	26 (5.7)	25 (5.6)	0.96
Genital bleeding (n=896)	8 (1.8)	6 (1.3)	0.81
Bleeding from insertion sites (n=901)	42 (9.2)	27 (6.1)	0.076
Infection			
Pneumonia (n=932)	245 (52)	214 (46)	0.089
Severe sepsis (n=925)	46 (10)	46 (10)	0.92
Septic shock (n=922)	22 (4.8)	25 (5.4)	0.63
Other serious infection (n=923)	10 (2.2)	13 (2.8)	0.52
Arrhythmia			
Atrial fibrillation (n=929)	123 (26)	130 (28)	0.51
Atrial flutter (n=923)	17 (3.6)	19 (4.2)	0.68
Tachycardia (n=924)	65 (14)	71 (16)	0.49
Bradycardia needing pacing (n=922)	24 (5.2)	29 (6.4)	0.43
Ventricular tachycardia (n=922)	86 (18)	70 (15)	0.21
Ventricular fibrillation (n=921)	39 (8.4)	34 (7.4)	0.59
Recurrent CA mandating CPR (n=913)	42 (9.1)	46 (10)	0.60
Electrolyte and metabolic disorder			
Hypokalemia (n=911)	86 (19)	60 (13)	0.018
Hypomagnesemia (n=674)	73 (22)	60 (18)	0.20
Hypophosphatemia (n=710)	153 (44)	138 (38)	0.13
Hypoglycemia (n=905)	25 (5.5)	22 (4.9)	0.68
Renal replacement therapy (n=917)	49 (11)	42 (9.1)	0.44
Any of the above events (n=936)	439 (93)	417 (90)	0.086

#### Table S13. Presumed cause of death

Table S13. Presumed cause of death*		
	33°C	36°C
Total patients no.	473	466
Dead no. (% of dead) (% of total patients no.)	235 (100) (50)	225 (100) (48)
Cause of death		
Cardiovascular	58 (25) (12)	53 (23) (11)
Cerebral	131 (56) (28)	135 (60) (29)
MOF	31 (13) (7)	26 (11) (6)
Other or undetermined	15 (6) (3)	11 (5) (2)

\* The cause of death was based on clinical judgment by the investigators and is not based on results from autopsies. MOF denotes multi organ failure.

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