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Highlights:

- Higher concentrations of PCT are correlated to the increasing risk of silent lacunar infarctions, white matter lesions, and high-grade enlarged perivascular spaces.
- No substantial association is detected between PCT levels with cerebral microbleeds.
- Higher PCT levels might augment the risk of total cerebral small vessel disease burden on

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