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## Appendices

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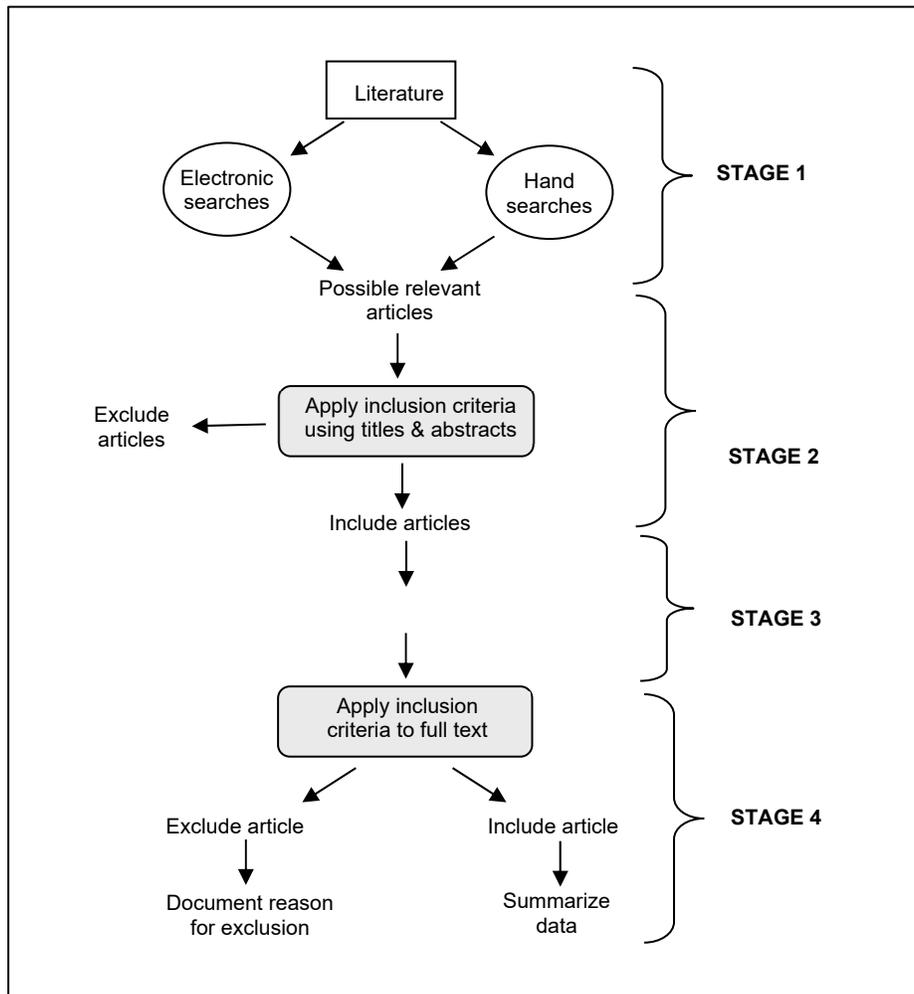
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### APPENDIX A. Algorithm for Article Selection



## APPENDIX B. Search Strategies

Below are the search strategies for PubMed and Embase. Keyword searches were conducted in the other listed resources. In addition, hand-searching of included studies was performed.

### Appendix Table B1: PubMed Search Strategy for CCTA and Nuclear Imaging (PET, SPECT)

Searched on: 03-23-21

Filters applied: English, from 2000/1/1 - 2020/12/13

|   |  |              |
|---|--|--------------|
| 1 | "Myocardial Ischemia"[Mesh] OR "Coronary Disease"[Mesh] OR "Coronary Artery Disease"[Mesh] OR "Coronary Stenosis"[Mesh] OR "Myocardial Infarction"[Mesh]   | 222,901      |
| 2 | "Cardiac Imaging Techniques"[Mesh] OR "Myocardial Perfusion Imaging"[Mesh] OR "Tomography, X-Ray Computed"[Mesh] OR "Computed Tomography Angiography"[Mesh] OR "Coronary Computed Tomography Angiography" OR "Cardiac Computed Tomography Angiography" OR CCTA OR CTA OR "Multimodal Imaging"[Mesh] OR "Positron-Emission Tomography"[Mesh] OR PET OR "Tomography, Emission-Computed, Single-Photon"[Mesh] OR SPECT OR "Coronary Circulation"[Mesh] OR "Fractional Flow Reserve, Myocardial"[Mesh] | 545,165      |
| 3 | "Chest pain"[Mesh] OR "symptom**"  | 887,162      |
| 4 | "Asymptomatic Diseases"[Mesh] OR "asymptomatic" OR "no symptoms" OR "symptomless"  | 119,697      |
| 5 | #1 AND #2  | 57,344       |
| 6 | #5 AND #3  | 8,895        |
| 7 | #6 NOT #4  | <b>8,317</b> |

### Appendix Table B2: PubMed Search Strategy for Stress Echo

Searched on: 03-23-21

Filters applied: English

|   |  |            |
|---|--|------------|
| 1 | "Myocardial Ischemia"[Mesh] OR "Coronary Disease"[Mesh] OR "Coronary Artery Disease"[Mesh] OR "Coronary Stenosis"[Mesh] OR "Myocardial Infarction"[Mesh] | 355,582    |
| 2 | "Echocardiography, Stress"[Mesh] OR "Dobutamine"[Mesh]   | 7,721      |
| 3 | "Chest pain"[Mesh] OR "symptom**"  | 1,125,183  |
| 4 | "Asymptomatic Diseases"[Mesh] OR "asymptomatic" OR "no symptoms" OR "symptomless"  | 158,869    |
| 5 | #1 AND #2  | 3,322      |
| 6 | #5 AND #3  | 558        |
| 7 | #6 NOT #4  | <b>514</b> |

**Total from PubMed: 8,831**

**Appendix Table B3: Embase Search Strategy for CCTA, Nuclear Imaging (PET, SPECT), and Stress Echo**

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| 1 | <p>'heart muscle ischemia'/exp OR 'cardiac ischaemia' OR 'cardiac ischemia' OR 'cardiac muscle ischaemia' OR 'cardiac muscle ischemia' OR 'coronary artery ischaemia' OR 'coronary artery ischemia' OR 'coronary ischaemia' OR 'coronary ischemia' OR 'coronary syndrome' OR 'heart ischaemia' OR 'heart ischaemic arrest' OR 'heart ischaemic attack' OR 'heart ischemia' OR 'heart ischemic arrest' OR 'heart ischemic attack' OR 'heart muscle ischaemia' OR 'heart muscle ischemia' OR 'heart transient ischaemic attack' OR 'heart transient ischemic attack' OR 'hypoxia, heart' OR 'hypoxic heart' OR 'ischaemic heart' OR 'ischaemic heart arrest' OR 'ischaemic myocardium' OR 'ischemic heart' OR 'ischemic heart arrest' OR 'ischemic myocardium' OR 'myocardial anoxia' OR 'myocardial hypoxia' OR 'myocardial ischaemia' OR 'myocardial ischemia' OR 'myocardium hypoxia' OR 'myocardium ischaemia' OR 'myocardium ischemia' OR 'transient ischaemic attack, heart' OR 'transient ischemic attack, heart' OR 'coronary artery disease'/exp OR 'coronary artery disease' OR 'multivessel coronary artery disease' OR 'coronary artery obstruction'/exp OR 'arteria coronaria ostium stenosis' OR 'arterial obstruction, coronary' OR 'arterial obstruction, coronary artery' OR 'artery obstruction, coronary' OR 'coronary arterial obstruction' OR 'coronary artery obstruction' OR 'coronary artery stenosis' OR 'coronary obstruction' OR 'coronary ostial stenosis' OR 'coronary ostium obstruction' OR 'coronary stenosis' OR 'heart infarction'/exp</p>  | 865,017 |
| 2 | <p>'cardiac imaging'/exp OR 'cardiac imaging' OR 'cardiac imaging technique' OR 'cardiac imaging techniques' OR 'myocardial perfusion imaging'/exp OR 'myocardial perfusion imaging' OR 'myocardial scintigraphy' OR 'x-ray computed tomography'/exp OR 'ct scan' OR 'ct scanning' OR 'tomography, x-ray computed' OR 'x-ray computed tomography' OR 'coronary computed tomographic angiography'/exp OR 'cardiac computed tomography'/exp OR 'cardiac computed tomographic angiography'/exp OR 'positron emission tomography'/exp OR 'pet scan' OR 'pet scanning' OR 'p.e.t.' OR 'positron emission tomographic scan' OR 'positron emission tomographic scanning' OR 'positron emission tomography' OR 'positron tomography' OR 'positron-emission tomography' OR 'tomography, positron' OR 'single photon emission computed tomography'/exp OR 'spect' OR 'computer assisted tomography, single photon emission' OR 'emission computer tomography, single photon' OR 'single photon emission computed tomography' OR 'single photon emission computer tomography' OR 'single-photon emission-computed tomography' OR 'tomography, emission-computed, single-photon' OR 'coronary artery blood flow'/exp OR 'arterial flow, cardiac muscle' OR 'blood flow, coronary artery' OR 'cardiac blood supply' OR 'cardiac muscle arterial flow' OR 'cardiac muscle artery flow' OR 'cardial muscle arterial flow' OR 'cardial muscle blood flow' OR 'circulation, coronary' OR 'coronary arterial flow' OR 'coronary artery blood flow' OR 'coronary artery circulation' OR 'coronary artery circulation time' OR 'coronary artery flow' OR 'coronary artery perfusion' OR 'coronary blood flow' OR 'coronary circulation' OR 'coronary circulation time' OR 'coronary flow' OR 'coronary perfusion' OR 'coronary perfusion pressure' OR 'heart blood flow' OR 'heart blood supply' OR 'heart muscle arterial flow' OR 'heart muscle artery flow' OR 'intracardiac blood flow' OR 'myocardial arterial flow' OR 'myocardial artery</p> | 494,312 |

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|           | flow' OR 'myocardial flow' OR 'fractional flow reserve'/exp OR 'fractional flow reserve' OR 'fractional flow reserve, myocardial' OR 'myocardial fractional flow reserve'   |              |
| 3         | 'thorax pain'/exp OR 'symptom*'   | 2,018,438    |
| 4         | 'nuclear magnetic resonance'/exp OR 'nmr' OR 'magnetic resonance' OR 'mr' OR 'nuclear magnetic relaxation dispersion' OR 'nuclear magnetic resonance' OR 'resonance, magnetic' OR 'asymptomatic disease'/exp OR 'asymptomatic condition' OR 'asymptomatic conditions' OR 'asymptomatic disease' OR 'asymptomatic diseases' OR 'asymptomatic disorder' OR 'asymptomatic disorders' OR 'asymptomatic' | 1,764,908    |
| 5         | #1 AND #2   | 63,795       |
| 6         | #3 AND #5   | 9,703        |
| 7         | #6 NOT #4   | 7,345        |
| <b>8</b>  | <b>#6 NOT #4 AND [english]/lim AND [2000-2021]/py</b>   | <b>6,067</b> |
| 9         | 'stress echocardiography'/exp OR 'echo stress test' OR 'echocardiographic stress test' OR 'echocardiography, stress' OR 'stress mce' OR 'stress contrast echocardiography' OR 'stress echo test' OR 'stress echocardiogram' OR 'stress echocardiography' OR 'stress myocardial contrast echocardiography'   |              |
| 10        | #1 AND #9   | 7,299        |
| 11        | #3 AND #10  | 1,779        |
| <b>12</b> | <b>#11 NOT #4 AND [english]/lim AND [2000-2021]/py</b>  | <b>1,320</b> |

**Total from Embase: 7,387**

#### Electronic Database Searches

EMBASE

PubMed

ClinicalTrials.gov

#### Additional Economics, Clinical Guideline and Gray Literature Databases

ECRI Guidelines Trust

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)

Food and Drug Administration (FDA)

Google

## APPENDIX C. Excluded Articles

Articles excluded as primary studies after full text review, with reason for exclusion.

**Appendix Table C1. List of Excluded Articles**

|    | Citation  | Reason for exclusion after full-text review              |
|----|---|--|
| 1  | Adamson PD, Williams MC, Dweck MR, et al. Guiding Therapy by Coronary CT Angiography Improves Outcomes in Patients With Stable Chest Pain. <i>Journal of the American College of Cardiology</i> 2019;74:2058-70.  | Ineligible study design.                                 |
| 2  | Al Badarin FJ, Spertus JA, Bateman TM, Patel KK, Burgett EV, Kennedy KF, Thompson RC. Drivers of radiation dose reduction with myocardial perfusion imaging: A large health system experience. <i>J Nucl Cardiol.</i> 2020 Jun;27(3):785-794. doi: 10.1007/s12350-018-01576-w. Epub 2019 Jan 31. PMID: 30706351; PMCID: PMC6669103. | Safety specific; ineligible outcomes.                    |
| 3  | AlJaroudi WA, Alraies MC, Cerquiera MD, Jaber WA. Safety and tolerability of regadenoson in 514 SPECT MPI patients with and without coronary artery disease and submaximal exercise heart rate response. <i>European journal of nuclear medicine and molecular imaging</i> 2013;40:341-8.   | Safety specific; ineligible intervention and comparator. |
| 4  | Amer H. Side effects of adenosine as a pharmacologic stress agent for myocardial perfusion scan in a local setup. <i>European journal of nuclear medicine and molecular imaging</i> 2015;42:S507.   | Abstract only.   |
| 5  | Andell P, Berntorp K, Christiansen EH, et al. Reclassification of Treatment Strategy With Instantaneous Wave-Free Ratio and Fractional Flow Reserve: a Substudy From the iFR-SWEDEHEART Trial. <i>JACC Cardiovascular interventions</i> 2018;11:2084-94.  | Ineligible study design.                                 |
| 6  | Andrikopoulou E, Hage FG. Adverse effects associated with regadenoson myocardial perfusion imaging. <i>Journal of Nuclear Cardiology</i> 2018;25:1724-31.   | Safety specific; ineligible study design.                |
| 7  | Aquilante CL, Humma LM, Yarandi HN, et al. Influence of gender and race on hemodynamic response to dobutamine during dobutamine stress echocardiography. <i>American Journal of Cardiology</i> 2004;94:535-8.   | Safety specific; ineligible population.                  |
| 8  | Baggiano A, Guglielmo M, Muscogiuri G, et al. Additional role of CT-derived fractional flow reserve and stress computed tomography perfusion in the management of patients with stable chest pain compared to coronary computed tomography angiography alone. <i>Giornale Italiano di Cardiologia</i> 2019;20:94S.                  | Abstract only.   |
| 9  | Baggiano A, Guglielmo M, Muscogiuri G, et al. Additional role of FFRct and stress CT perfusion in the management of patients with stable chest pain compared to cCTA alone. <i>European heart journal cardiovascular Imaging</i> 2020;21:i710.  | Abstract only.   |
| 10 | Baggiano A, Guglielmo M, Muscogiuri G, et al. Additional role of FFRct and stress CT perfusion in the management of patients with stable chest pain compared to cCTA. <i>International Journal of Cardiovascular Imaging</i> 2019;35:2290-1.  | Abstract only.   |

|    | Citation   | Reason for exclusion after full-text review |
|----|--|---|
| 11 | Bamberg F, Mayrhofer T, Ferencik M, et al. Age- and sex-based resource utilisation and costs in patients with acute chest pain undergoing cardiac CT angiography: pooled evidence from ROMICAT II and ACRIN-PA trials. <i>Eur Radiol.</i> 2018 Feb;28(2):851-60. PMID: 28875364.   | Costing only.                               |
| 12 | Bamberg F, Mayrhofer T, Ferencik M, et al. Age- and sex-based resource utilisation and costs in patients with acute chest pain undergoing cardiac CT angiography: pooled evidence from ROMICAT II and ACRIN-PA trials. <i>European radiology</i> 2018;28:851-6   | Ineligible study design.                    |
| 13 | Baptista SB, Raposo L, Santos L, et al. Impact of routine fractional flow reserve evaluation during coronary angiography on management strategy and clinical outcome. <i>Circulation: Cardiovascular Interventions</i> 2016;9.   | Ineligible intervention.                    |
| 14 | Baskaran L, Danad I, Gransar H, et al. A Comparison of the Updated Diamond-Forrester, CAD Consortium, and CONFIRM History-Based Risk Scores for Predicting Obstructive Coronary Artery Disease in Patients With Stable Chest Pain: The SCOT-HEART Coronary CTA Cohort. <i>JACC Cardiovascular imaging</i> 2019;12:1392-400.                            | Ineligible study design.                    |
| 15 | Bateman TM, McGhie IA, Heller G, Courter S, Burgett E, Case J. Relative performance of SPECT and PET myocardial perfusion imaging in a prospectively randomized population of symptomatic patients with known coronary artery disease. <i>Journal of the American College of Cardiology</i> 2016;67:1586.  | Abstract only.                              |
| 16 | Bech GJ, De Bruyne B, Pijls NH, et al. Fractional flow reserve to determine the appropriateness of angioplasty in moderate coronary stenosis: a randomized trial. <i>Circulation</i> 2001;103:2928-34.   | Ineligible intervention.                    |
| 17 | Berry C, Layland J, Sood A, et al. FFR versus angiography in guiding management to optimise outcomes in NSTEMI clinical trial: Study design and participant characteristics at baseline. <i>EuroIntervention : journal of EuroPCR in collaboration with the Working Group on Interventional Cardiology of the European Society of Cardiology</i> 2014. | Abstract only.                              |
| 18 | Bhakta M, Sweeney J, Lee R, Fortuin FD. Fractional flow reserve provides additional risk assessment to the prognostic information provided by noninvasive stress imaging. <i>Catheterization and Cardiovascular Interventions</i> 2011;77:S70-S1.  | Abstract only.                              |
| 19 | Bilbey N, Blanke P, Naoum C, Arepalli CD, Norgaard BL, Leipsic J. Potential impact of clinical use of noninvasive FFRCT on radiation dose exposure and downstream clinical event rate. <i>Clinical imaging</i> 2016;40:1055-60.  | Ineligible study design.                    |
| 20 | Bittner DO, Ferencik M, Douglas PS, Hoffmann U. Coronary CT Angiography as a Diagnostic and Prognostic Tool: Perspective from a Multicenter Randomized Controlled Trial: PROMISE. <i>Current cardiology reports</i> 2016;18:40.  | Abstract only.                              |
| 21 | Bittner DO, Mayrhofer T, Bamberg F, et al. Impact of Coronary Calcification on Clinical Management in Patients With Acute Chest Pain. <i>Circulation Cardiovascular imaging</i> 2017;10.   | Ineligible study design.                    |

|    | Citation  | Reason for exclusion after full-text review              |
|----|---|--|
| 22 | Blankstein R, Ahmed W, Bamberg F, et al. Comparison of exercise treadmill testing with cardiac computed tomography angiography among patients presenting to the emergency room with chest pain: the Rule Out Myocardial Infarction Using Computer-Assisted Tomography (ROMICAT) study. <i>Circulation Cardiovascular imaging</i> 2012;5:233-42.   | Ineligible study design; RCT data available.             |
| 23 | Budoff MJ, Mayrhofer T, Ferencik M, et al. Prognostic Value of Coronary Artery Calcium in the PROMISE Study (Prospective Multicenter Imaging Study for Evaluation of Chest Pain). <i>Circulation</i> 2017;136:1993-2005.  | Ineligible study design.                                 |
| 24 | Burger AJ, Notarianni MP, Aronson D. Safety and efficacy of an accelerated dobutamine stress echocardiography protocol in the evaluation of coronary artery disease. <i>The American journal of cardiology</i> 2000;86:825-9.   | Safety specific; ineligible intervention and comparator. |
| 25 | Candell-Riera J, Oller-Martínez G, Perezto-Valdés O, et al. Early myocardial perfusion gated-SPECT in patients with chest pain and non-diagnostic ECG in the emergency department. <i>Revista espanola de cardiologia</i> 2004;57:225-33.   | Ineligible intervention.                                 |
| 26 | Cannon CP, Weintraub WS, Demopoulos LA, et al. Comparison of early invasive and conservative strategies in patients with unstable coronary syndromes treated with the glycoprotein IIb/IIIa inhibitor tirofiban. <i>The New England journal of medicine</i> 2001;344:1879-87.   | Ineligible intervention.                                 |
| 27 | Cannon CP, Weintraub WS, Demopoulos LA, Robertson DH, Gormley GJ, Braunwald E. Invasive versus conservative strategies in unstable angina and non-Q-wave myocardial infarction following treatment with tirofiban: rationale and study design of the international TACTICS-TIMI 18 Trial. <i>Treat Angina with Aggrastat and determine Cost of Therapy with an Invasive or Conservative Strategy. Thrombolysis In Myocardial Infarction. American journal of cardiology</i> 1998;82:731-6 | Ineligible intervention.                                 |
| 28 | Centonze M, Steidler S, Casagrande G, Alfonsi U, Spagnolli F, Rozzanigo U, Palumbo D, Faletti R, De Cobelli F. Cardiac-CT and cardiac-MR cost-effectiveness: a literature review. <i>La radiologia medica</i> . 2020 Sep 24:1-8.  | Narrative review.  |
| 29 | Chadika S, Kokkiralala AR, Giedd KN, Johnson LL, Giardina EGV, Bokhari S. Focal uptake of radioactive tracer in the mediastinum during SPECT myocardial perfusion imaging. <i>Journal of Nuclear Cardiology</i> 2005;12:359-61.   | Abstract only.   |
| 30 | Chinnaiyan KM, Safian RD, Gallagher ML, et al. Clinical Use of CT-Derived Fractional Flow Reserve in the Emergency Department. <i>JACC Cardiovascular imaging</i> 2020;13:452-61.   | Ineligible comparator.                                   |
| 31 | Cury RC, Budoff M, Taylor AJ. Coronary CT angiography versus standard of care for assessment of chest pain in the emergency department. <i>Journal of cardiovascular computed tomography</i> 2013;7:79-82.  | Ineligible study design.                                 |
| 32 | Curzen NP, Nolan J, Zaman AG, Nørgaard BL, Rajani R. Does the Routine Availability of CT-Derived FFR Influence Management of Patients With Stable Chest Pain Compared to CT Angiography Alone?: The FFRCT RIPCORDER Study. <i>JACC: Cardiovascular Imaging</i> 2016;9:1188-94.  | Ineligible comparator.                                   |

|    | Citation  | Reason for exclusion after full-text review     |
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| 33 | Daly C, Norrie J, Murdoch DL, Ford I, Dargie HJ, Fox K. The value of routine non-invasive tests to predict clinical outcome in stable angina. <i>European heart journal</i> 2003;24:532-40.   | Ineligible study design.                        |
| 34 | Damman P, Hirsch A, Windhausen F, Tijssen JG, de Winter RJ. 5-year clinical outcomes in the ICTUS (Invasive versus Conservative Treatment in Unstable coronary Syndromes) trial a randomized comparison of an early invasive versus selective invasive management in patients with non-ST-segment elevation acute coronary syndrome. <i>Journal of the American College of Cardiology</i> 2010;55:858-64. | Ineligible intervention.                        |
| 35 | Davies JE, Sen S, Dehbi HM, et al. Use of the Instantaneous Wave-free Ratio or Fractional Flow Reserve in PCI. <i>New England journal of medicine</i> 2017;376:1824-34.   | Ineligible intervention.                        |
| 36 | De Abreu JS, Pinheiro Diogenes TC, Liberato Ponte Farias AG, Bonfim De Morais JM, Nogueira Paes Jr J. Safety and feasibility of dobutamine-atropine stress echocardiography in octogenarian patients. <i>Arquivos brasileiros de cardiologia</i> 2005;85:198-204.   | Abstract only.                                  |
| 37 | de Winter RJ, Windhausen F, Cornel JH, et al. Early invasive versus selectively invasive management for acute coronary syndromes. <i>The New England journal of medicine</i> 2005;353:1095-104.   | Ineligible intervention.                        |
| 38 | deFilippi CR, Rosanio S, Tocchi M, et al. Randomized comparison of a strategy of pre-discharge coronary angiography versus exercise testing in low-risk patients in a chest pain unit: in-hospital and long-term outcomes. <i>Journal of the American College of Cardiology</i> 2001;37:2042-9.   | Ineligible intervention.                        |
| 39 | Desideri A, Suzzi GL, Terlizzi R, Canel F, Cernetti C, Celegon L. Dipyridamole stress echocardiography and exercise testing for risk stratification after uncomplicated myocardial infarction. <i>Giornale Italiano di Cardiologia</i> 1998;28:754-9.   | Ineligible population.                          |
| 40 | Dey S, Taraphder A, Chakraborty R. Non invasive diagnosis of coronary artery disease in a cohort of chronic kidney disease diagnosis of coronary artery disease in a cohort of chronic kidney disease. <i>Nephrology Dialysis Transplantation</i> 2017;32:iii542.   | Cannot locate full text, likely not in English. |
| 41 | Di Serafino L, Turturo M, Lanzzone S, et al. Comparison of the Effect of Dual-Axis Rotational Coronary Angiography Versus Conventional Coronary Angiography on Frequency of Acute Kidney Injury, X-Ray Exposure Time, and Quantity of Contrast Medium Injected. <i>The American journal of cardiology</i> 2018;121:1046-50.   | Ineligible intervention and comparator.         |
| 42 | Diderholm E, Andrén B, Frostfeldt G, et al. Effects of an early invasive strategy on ischemia and exercise tolerance among patients with unstable coronary artery disease. <i>The American journal of medicine</i> 2003;115:606-12.   | Ineligible intervention.                        |
| 43 | Dolly S, Moteea S, Preston C, Watson V, Bulugahapitiya S. CT coronary angiography (CTCA) vs myocardial perfusion imaging (MPI) in cardiac chest pain evaluation in patients with diabetes and an intermediate probability of coronary artery disease (CAD). <i>European heart journal cardiovascular Imaging</i> 2019;20:iii44.   | Abstract only.                                  |

|    | Citation  | Reason for exclusion after full-text review          |
|----|---|--|
| 44 | Doris M, Newby DE. Coronary CT Angiography as a Diagnostic and Prognostic Tool: Perspectives from the SCOT-HEART Trial. <i>Current cardiology reports</i> 2016;18:1-8.  | Narrative review.                                    |
| 45 | Douglas PS, De Bruyne B, Pontone G, et al. Long-term outcomes of an FFRCT diagnostic strategy versus usual care in suspected coronary artery disease: Results from the platform (prospective longitudinal trial of FFRCT: Outcome and resource impacts) study. <i>Journal of the American College of Cardiology</i> 2016;67:1589.   | Abstract only.                                       |
| 46 | El Bez I, Tulbah R, Munir I, Alghamlas F, Alharbi M. Incidental findings on myocardial perfusion spect/CT images. <i>European journal of nuclear medicine and molecular imaging</i> 2019;46:S473.   | Abstract only.                                       |
| 47 | Elhendy A, Schinkel AF, van Domburg RT, Bax JJ, Valkema R, Poldermans D. Risk stratification of patients after myocardial revascularization by stress Tc-99m tetrofosmin myocardial perfusion tomography. <i>Journal of nuclear cardiology : official publication of the American Society of Nuclear Cardiology</i> 2003;10:615-22. | Ineligible study design.                             |
| 48 | Escaned J, Ryan N, Mejía-Rentería H, et al. Safety of the Deferral of Coronary Revascularization on the Basis of Instantaneous Wave-Free Ratio and Fractional Flow Reserve Measurements in Stable Coronary Artery Disease and Acute Coronary Syndromes. <i>JACC Cardiovascular interventions</i> 2018;11:1437-49.                   | Ineligible intervention.<br>Ineligible study design. |
| 49 | Estrada JN, Rolandi F, Bansilal S, et al. Stress testing and troponin in unstable coronary syndromes: the status trial-clinical outcomes and resource use. <i>The American heart hospital journal</i> 2006;4:252-8; quiz 9-60.  | Ineligible comparator.                               |
| 50 | Farkouh ME, Smars PA, Reeder GS, et al. A clinical trial of a chest-pain observation unit for patients with unstable angina. <i>New England Journal of Medicine</i> 1998;339:1882-8.  | Ineligible intervention.                             |
| 51 | Ferencik M, Liu T, Mayrhofer T, et al. hs-Troponin I Followed by CT Angiography Improves Acute Coronary Syndrome Risk Stratification Accuracy and Work-Up in Acute Chest Pain Patients: Results From ROMICAT II Trial. <i>JACC Cardiovascular imaging</i> 2015;8:1272-81.   | Ineligible study design.                             |
| 52 | Ferencik M, Mayrhofer T, Bittner DO, et al. Use of High-Risk Coronary Atherosclerotic Plaque Detection for Risk Stratification of Patients With Stable Chest Pain: A Secondary Analysis of the PROMISE Randomized Clinical Trial. <i>JAMA cardiology</i> 2018;3:144-52.   | Ineligible study design.                             |
| 53 | Ferencik M, Mayrhofer T, Puchner SB, et al. Computed tomography-based high-risk coronary plaque score to predict acute coronary syndrome among patients with acute chest pain--Results from the ROMICAT II trial. <i>Journal of cardiovascular computed tomography</i> 2015;9:538-45.   | Ineligible study design.                             |
| 54 | Fox KA, Poole-Wilson P, Clayton TC, et al. 5-year outcome of an interventional strategy in non-ST-elevation acute coronary syndrome: the British Heart Foundation RITA 3 randomized trial. <i>Lancet (London, England)</i> 2005;366:914-20.   | Ineligible intervention.                             |
| 55 | Fox KA, Poole-Wilson PA, Henderson RA, et al. Interventional versus conservative treatment for patients with unstable angina or non-ST-elevation myocardial infarction: the British Heart Foundation RITA 3 randomized trial. <i>Randomized Intervention Trial of unstable Angina. Lancet (London, England)</i> 2002;360:743-51.    | Ineligible intervention.                             |

|    | Citation  | Reason for exclusion after full-text review                        |
|----|---|--|
| 56 | Galassi AR, Grasso C, Azzarelli S, Ussia G, Moshiri S, Tamburino C. Usefulness of exercise myocardial scintigraphy in multivessel coronary disease after incomplete revascularization with coronary stenting. <i>American Journal of Cardiology</i> 2006;97:207-15.   | Ineligible study design. Ineligible intervention.                  |
| 57 | Genders TSS, Coles A, Hoffmann U, et al. The External Validity of Prediction Models for the Diagnosis of Obstructive Coronary Artery Disease in Patients With Stable Chest Pain: Insights From the PROMISE Trial. <i>JACC Cardiovascular imaging</i> 2018;11:437-46.  | Ineligible study design.   |
| 58 | Gibbons RJ, Carryer D, Hodge D, Miller TD, Roger VL, Askew JW. Stress Testing in the Evaluation of Stable Chest Pain in a Community Population. <i>Mayo Clinic proceedings</i> 2020;95:319-27.  | Ineligible study design; RCT data available.                       |
| 59 | Glaser R, Herrmann HC, Murphy SA, et al. Benefit of an early invasive management strategy in women with acute coronary syndromes. <i>Jama</i> 2002;288:3124-9.  | Ineligible intervention.   |
| 60 | Goehler A, McMahon PM, Lumish HS, et al. Cost-effectiveness of follow-up of pulmonary nodules incidentally detected on cardiac computed tomographic angiography in patients with suspected coronary artery disease. <i>Circulation</i> 2014;130:668-75.   | Safety specific; ineligible outcomes.                              |
| 61 | Goncalves S, Bosch X, Sanchis L, et al. Stress echocardiography and multidetector computed tomography in the evaluation of acute chest pain: A randomized pilot study. <i>European heart journal</i> 2011;32:169.   | Abstract only.   |
| 62 | Götberg M, Christiansen EH, Gudmundsdottir IJ, et al. Instantaneous Wave-free Ratio versus Fractional Flow Reserve to Guide PCI. <i>New England journal of medicine</i> 2017;376:1813-23.   | Ineligible study design.   |
| 63 | Gray AJ, Roobottom C, Smith JE, et al. The RAPID-CTCA trial (Rapid Assessment of Potential Ischaemic Heart Disease with CTCA) - a multicentre parallel-group randomized trial to compare early computerised tomography coronary angiography versus standard care in patients presenting with suspected or confirmed acute coronary syndrome: study protocol for a randomized controlled trial. <i>Trials</i> 2016;17:579. | Protocol only, no published results identified (only an abstract). |
| 64 | Hamilton-Craig C, Bhuiyan K, Branch K, et al. CT fractional flow reserve improves the accuracy of CT coronary angiography in the emergency department - A substudy of ctcompare. <i>Heart Lung and Circulation</i> 2016;25:S224.  | Abstract only.   |
| 65 | Hendel RR, Shaw L, Mieres J, Heller G. The women study (what is the optimal method for ischaemia evaluation in women?): Preliminary results. <i>European Heart Journal, Supplement</i> 2009;11:S92.   | Abstract only.   |
| 66 | Hirsch A, Windhausen F, Tijssen JG, Verheugt FW, Cornel JH, de Winter RJ. Long-term outcome after an early invasive versus selective invasive treatment strategy in patients with non-ST-elevation acute coronary syndrome and elevated cardiac troponin T (the ICTUS trial): a follow-up study. <i>Lancet (London, England)</i> 2007;369:827-35.   | Ineligible intervention.   |

|    | Citation   | Reason for exclusion after full-text review              |
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| 67 | Hlatky MA, De Bruyne B, Pontone G, Patel MR, Norgaard BL, Byrne RA, Curzen N, Purcell I, Gutberlet M, Rioufol G, Hink U. Quality-of-life and economic outcomes of assessing fractional flow reserve with computed tomography angiography: PLATFORM. Journal of the American College of Cardiology. 2015 Dec 1;66(21):2315-23.                                  | Costing only.  |
| 68 | Hochman JS, Reynolds HR, Bangalore S, et al. Baseline Characteristics and Risk Profiles of Participants in the ISCHEMIA Randomized Clinical Trial. JAMA cardiology 2019;4:273-86.  | Ineligible intervention.                                 |
| 69 | Hoffmann U, Truong QA, Schoenfeld DA, et al. Coronary CT angiography versus standard evaluation in acute chest pain. The New England journal of medicine 2012;367:299-308.   | Ineligible study design.                                 |
| 70 | Irfan A, Kanbour M, Acosta G, Studený M. Additional cost of two-day myocardial perfusion scan: Rationale for study comparing CCTA vs stress only SPECT-MPI for the diagnosis of coronary artery disease among obese inpatients. European heart journal cardiovascular Imaging 2019;20:iii28.   | Abstract only.   |
| 71 | Jang EJ, Lee HJ, Kim YJ, et al. The clinical usefulness of ct coronary angiography for the diagnosis of ischemic heart disease in patients with chest pain. Value in Health 2012;15:A63.   | Abstract only.   |
| 72 | Januzzi JL, Jr., Suchindran S, Coles A, et al. High-Sensitivity Troponin I and Coronary Computed Tomography in Symptomatic Outpatients With Suspected CAD: Insights From the PROMISE Trial. JACC Cardiovascular imaging 2019;12:1047-55.   | Ineligible study design.                                 |
| 73 | Juselius WE, Salame G, Bendelow T, Burden M, Long C, Beaty B, Dickinson M, Krantz M. Stress echocardiography and myocardial perfusion imaging in the evaluation of chest pain: A comparative effectiveness study. Journal of the American College of Cardiology. 2014 Apr 1;63(12S):A1242-.  | Abstract only.   |
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## APPENDIX D. Risk of Bias, Strength of Evidence, and AMSTAR-2 and QHES Determination

### Assessment of studies evaluating testing

Each included comparative study is rated against pre-set criteria that resulted in a Risk of Bias (ROB) assessment and presented in a table. Assessment of RCTs followed appropriate criteria based on methods described in *the Cochrane Handbook for Systematic Reviews of Interventions*<sup>30</sup> and guidance from the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) *Methods Guide for Effectiveness and Comparative Effectiveness Reviews*.<sup>3</sup> In keeping with the AHRQ methods and the 2016 report on non-invasive imaging for CAD<sup>83</sup>, each study was given a final rating of “good”, “fair”, or “poor” quality as described below in Table D1. Discrepancies in ratings between reviewers were resolved through discussion and consensus. The final quality assessments are provided in Appendix E.

Table D2 provides an example of the format used to assess ROB for comparative studies of testing/therapy. A “No” indicates that the criterion was not met; an “Unclear” indicates that the criterion could not be determined with the information provided or was not reported by the author. Risk of bias assessments were not conducted for case series; all were considered High risk of bias.

**Appendix Table D1. Definition of the risk of bias categories for individual studies of testing**

| Rating      | Description and Criteria  |
|-------------|---|
| <b>Good</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Least risk of bias; study results generally considered valid</li> <li>Employ valid methods for selection, inclusion, and allocation of patients to testing; report similar baseline characteristics in different test groups; clearly describe attrition and have low attrition; use appropriate means for preventing bias (e.g., blinding of patients, care providers, and outcomes assessors); and use appropriate analytic methods (e.g., intention-to-treat analysis)</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Fair</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Study is susceptible to some bias but not enough to necessarily invalidate results</li> <li>May not meet all criteria for good quality, but no flaw is likely to cause major bias; the study may be missing information making it difficult to assess limitations and potential problems</li> <li>This category is broad; studies with this rating will vary in strengths and weaknesses; some fair-quality studies are likely to be valid, while others may be only possibly valid</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Poor</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Significant flaws that imply biases of various kinds that may invalidate results; the study contains “fatal flaws” in design, analysis, or reporting; large amounts of missing information; discrepancies in reporting or serious problems with intervention delivery</li> <li>Study results are at least as likely to reflect flaws in the study design or execution as the true difference between the compared interventions</li> <li>Considered to be less reliable than higher quality studies when synthesizing the evidence, particularly if discrepancies between studies are present</li> </ul> |

**Appendix Table D2: Assessment of ROB for individual studies of testing**

| Methodological Principle  | Author 1, 2014 | Author 2, 2012 | Author 3, 2010 |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| <b>Study design</b>   |                |                |                |
| Randomized controlled trial   | ■              | ■              | ■              |
| Prospective cohort study  |                |                |                |
| Retrospective cohort study  |                |                |                |
| Case-control  |                |                |                |
| Case-series   |                |                |                |
| Random sequence generation*   |                |                |                |
| Statement of concealed allocation*                                  |                |                |                |
| Analysis according to random assignment (i.e., intention to treat)* |                |                |                |
| Independent or blinded outcome assessment                           |                |                |                |
| Patients comparable at baseline on key CAD risk factors             |                |                |                |
| Prespecified threshold or definition for a positive test            |                |                |                |
| Attrition ( $\leq 20\%$ overall)                                    |                |                |                |
| <10% difference in follow-up between groups†                        |                |                |                |
| Comparable followup time or accounting for time at risk             |                |                |                |
| Controlling for possible confounding†                               |                |                |                |
| Full reporting on pre-specified outcomes                            |                |                |                |
| <b>Overall quality rating</b>                                       |                |                |                |

\*Applies to randomized controlled trials only.

†Groups must be comparable on baseline characteristics or evidence of control for confounding presented (e.g., by restriction, matching, statistical methods)

### Assessment of Economic Studies

Full formal economic analyses evaluate both costs and clinical outcomes of two or more alternative interventions. The four primary types are cost minimization analysis (CMA), cost-utility analysis (CUA), cost-effectiveness analysis (CEA), and cost-benefit analyses (CBA). Each employs different methodologies, potentially complicating critical appraisal, but some common criteria can be assessed across studies.

No standard, universally accepted method of critical appraisal of economic analyses is currently in use. A number of checklists [Canadian, BMJ, AMA] are available to facilitate critique of such studies. The Quality of Health Economic Studies (QHES) instrument developed by Ofman, et al. embodies the primary components relevant for critical appraisal of economic studies.<sup>63</sup> It also incorporates a weighted scoring process and which was used as one factor to assess included economic studies. This tool has not yet undergone extensive evaluation for broader use but provides a valuable starting point for critique.

In addition to assessment of criteria in the QHES, other factors are important in critical appraisal of studies from an epidemiologic perspective to assist in evaluation of generalizability and potential sources of study bias.

Such factors include:

- Are the interventions applied to similar populations (e.g., with respect to age, gender, medical conditions, etc.)? To what extent are the populations for each intervention comparable and are differences considered or accounted for? To what extent are population characteristics consistent with “real world” applications of the comparators?
- Are the sample sizes adequate so as to provide a reasonable representation of individuals to whom the technology would be applied?
- What types of studies form the basis for the data used in the analyses? Data (e.g., complication rates) from randomized controlled trials or well-conducted, methodologically rigorous cohort studies for data collection are generally of highest quality compared with case series or studies with historical cohorts.
- Were the interventions applied in a comparable manner (e.g., similar protocols, follow-up procedures, evaluation of outcomes, etc.)?
- How were the data and/or patients selected or sampled (e.g., a random selection of claims for the intervention from a given year/source or all claims)? What specific inclusion/exclusion criteria or processes were used?

Were the outcomes and consequences of the interventions being compared comparable for each? (e.g., were all of the relevant consequences/complications for each intervention considered or do they primarily reflect those for one intervention?)

## Assessment of Reliability Studies for Contextual Questions

**Appendix Table D3. Definitions of the different risk of bias for reliability studies**

| Study type              | Criteria   |
|-------------------------|--|
| Good quality study      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Broad spectrum of persons with the expected condition</li> <li>• Adequate description of methods for replication</li> <li>• Blinded performance of tests, measurements, or interpretation</li> <li>• Second test/interpretation performed independently of the first</li> </ul> |
| Moderate quality        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Violation of any one of the criteria for a good quality study</li> </ul>  |
| Poor quality study      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Violation of any two of the criteria</li> </ul>   |
| Very poor quality study | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Violation of all three of the criteria</li> </ul>   |

Determination of the ROB involves evaluation of the following questions:

1. Was a **broad spectrum of persons with the suspected condition** used to determine reliability?

The study population must be comprised of those with a broad spectrum of suspected disease who are likely to have the test now or in the future. Since differences in gender, age, body habitus and other characteristics may influence measurements and the ability to reproduce the results, the range of patients used for reliability studies is important. Ideally a random sample of patients from the relevant clinical population would be used but may not be feasible, depending on the study. A broad spectrum would include patients with mild as well as more severe cases, those presenting early as well as late and those whose differential diagnosis may be commonly confused with the condition of interest. Reproducibility studies in a population with known disease may give different results compared with studies on a group of normal individuals and may not give an accurate picture of overall reproducibility. (If the goal of the study is to evaluate the potential for differential measurement error or bias, the separate analyses on “normal” and “diseased” populations should be done to evaluate the extent of such bias. If it is a test-retest design, the test administrations should be on the same population. If it is an inter- or inter-rater reliability study the object (e.g., radiographs) should be the same for each reading/interpretation, (e.g., the same patients’ radiographs are read twice).

2. Are the **details of the methods sufficient to allow study replication?**

Is the description of the methods, i.e. the protocols used to collect information, measurements taken, planes of section, diagnostic criteria used, etc. sufficient that other investigators could duplicate the conditions and reproduce the findings in a similar population? Are the methods used for each part of the replication consistent?

3. Was there **blinded/independent performance of the repeat test administrations or interpretations?**

The second administration of the test or second interpretation of results should be done without influence of the first test/interpretation. This is necessary to avoid bias. It must be clear from the text that both tests were interpreted without knowledge of the results of the other. Examples of when the administration would not be considered blinded or independent could include:

- Interpretation of the second test is to be done without prior knowledge of the test results or the first interpretation.

- The timing of the second test administration or reading/interpretation of the results is not done such that sufficient time has elapsed between them to avoid influence of the first test/interpretation on the results of the second. In the case of re-administration of the test, the timing should not be so far apart that the stage/period of disease is different from the first administration.

### Assessment of Systematic Reviews

Appendix Table D4 shows our criteria for RoB assessment based on the AMSTAR-2 tool. AMSTAR-2 is the revised and updated version of AMSTAR published in 2007 used for critical appraisal of systematic reviews.<sup>81</sup> It is not intended to provide an overall score, as high scores may hide weaknesses in critical domains. In light of this, we used a modified AMSTAR tool as determined by Dettori et. al.<sup>14</sup> Appendix Table D5 (adapted from Dettori 2020)<sup>14</sup> describes how overall scores were determined taking into account critical domains. Bold items in Appendix Table D4. were considered as critical items. The original AMSTAR-2 guidance suggests grading each item as no or yes, with items 2, 4, 7, 8, and 9 allowing for a ‘partial yes’. We considered a ‘yes’ or ‘partial yes’ as yes.

**Appendix Table D4. Criteria for assessing studies based on AMSTAR-2.**

| Item  | Criteria   |
|---|--|
| 1: Did the research questions and inclusion criteria for the review include the components of PICO?   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Yes</b> if all components of PICO are described somewhere in the report.</li> <li>• <b>No</b> if any components of PICO are missing.</li> </ul>  |
| <b>2: Did the report of the review contain an explicit statement that the review methods were established prior to the conduct of the review and did the report justify any significant deviations from the protocol?</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Yes</b> if the protocol or review methods were established prior to review.</li> <li>• <b>No</b> if no protocol or discussion of methods decided prior to review.</li> </ul>   |
| 3: Did the review authors explain their selection of the study designs for inclusion in the review?   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Yes</b> if study design inclusion is justified or discussed. No penalty for restricting study designs.</li> <li>• <b>No</b> if no discussion of justification for inclusion.</li> </ul>  |
| <b>4: Did the review authors use a comprehensive literature search strategy?</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Yes</b> if 2 or more electronic databases were searched and key words are available in report or appendices. No penalty for language restrictions.</li> <li>• <b>No</b> if less than 2 electronic databases were searched or key words are unavailable.</li> </ul>   |
| 5: Did the review authors perform study selection in duplicate?   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Yes</b> if selection at title/abstract and full text reviews were performed by 2 authors with consensus upon disagreement or single author selecting with a second checking agreement on sample and a kappa reported of <math>\geq 0.80</math>.</li> <li>• <b>No</b> if no second author involved or no kappa reported.</li> </ul> |
| 6: Did the review authors perform data extraction in duplicate?   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Yes</b> if abstraction was performed by 2 authors with consensus upon disagreement or single author abstracting with a second checking agreement on sample and a kappa of reported of <math>\geq 0.80</math>.</li> <li>• <b>No</b> if no second author involved or no kappa reported.</li> </ul>                                   |
| <b>7: Did the review authors provide a list of excluded studies and justify the exclusions?</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Yes</b> if a list of potentially relevant studies is reported in appendix or discussed in text with citations with justification for exclusion. List of references must be provided.</li> <li>• <b>No</b> if no list of references provided or no potentially relevant but excluded studies are discussed.</li> </ul>              |
| 8: Did the review authors describe the included studies in adequate detail?   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Yes</b> if study characteristics are reported in sufficient detail to determine whether the studies met PICO criteria and provides framework to judge heterogeneity.</li> <li>• <b>No</b> if study characteristics are not reported or table 1 does not include age, sex, (and #'s).</li> </ul>                                    |
| <b>9: Did the review authors use a satisfying technique for assessing</b>   | <b>RCTS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Yes</b> if important domains similar to Cochrane.</li> </ul>   |

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| <p><b>the RoB in individual studies that were included in the review?</b></p>  | <p><b>Cohort studies</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Yes</b> if it addresses all of the following: confounding, selection bias, measurement bias, and selective reporting of outcomes (Newcastle okay if all 8 questions included).</li> </ul> <p><b>Case series</b> (study of incidence, no direct comparison)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Yes</b> if selection bias, measurement bias, and selective reporting of outcomes met (Newcastle okay IF questions #1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, and 8 addressed).</li> </ul> <p><b>For all studies</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>No</b> if there is obvious evidence that the authors misapplied an acceptable technique.</li> </ul> |
| <p>10: Did the review authors report on the sources of funding for the studies included in the review?</p>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Yes</b> if authors report funding of individual studies.</li> <li>• <b>No</b> if authors do not report funding.</li> </ul>  |
| <p><b>11: If meta-analysis was performed did the review authors use appropriate methods for statistical combination of results?</b></p>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Yes</b> if all the following are present             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Meta-analysis justified (e.g., studies comparable, direct comparison).</li> <li>○ Explanation of fixed or random effects (must do more than merely report without explanation).</li> <li>○ Pooled results reported separately for RCTs and cohort studies.</li> <li>○ Assessment of heterogeneity (must address I<sup>2</sup>).</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>No</b> if one or more of the above are not present.</li> </ul>  |
| <p>12: If meta-analysis was performed, did the review authors assess the potential impact of RoB in individual studies on the results of the meta-analysis or other evidence synthesis?</p>                              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Yes</b> if results are stratified by RoB or if the review only included the lowest RoB studies in the analysis.</li> <li>• <b>No</b> if results are not stratified by RoB and review includes a range of RoB outcomes in the analysis. No credit if RoB method from item #9 is not acceptable.</li> </ul>   |
| <p><b>13: Did the review authors account for RoB in individual studies when interpreting or discussing the results of the review?</b></p>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Yes</b> if there is a discussion of the impact of RoB in the interpretation of results and/or accounting for differences between studies.</li> <li>• <b>No</b> if there is no discussion of the impact of RoB in the interpretation of results and/or accounting for differences between studies. No credit if method from #9 is not acceptable.</li> </ul>   |
| <p>14: Did the review authors provide a satisfactory explanation for, and discussion of, any heterogeneity observed in the results of the review?</p>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Yes</b> if I<sup>2</sup> demonstrates no heterogeneity (&lt;50%) or authors explored reasons for heterogeneity if I<sup>2</sup> is ≥50%.</li> <li>• <b>No</b> if I<sup>2</sup> demonstrates heterogeneity (&gt;50%) and authors do not explore reasons for heterogeneity.</li> </ul>  |
| <p><b>15: If they performed quantitative synthesis did the review authors carry out an adequate investigation of publication bias (small study bias) and discuss its likely impact on the results of the review?</b></p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Yes</b> if there is an attempt to identify publication bias. Must also show awareness of likely impact of publication bias on results. Credit given if they acknowledge publication bias could be a problem but not enough data given or if they have fewer than 10 studies and show no evidence of publication bias.</li> <li>• <b>No</b> if there is no attempt to identify or discuss publication bias.</li> </ul>   |
| <p>16: Did the review authors report any potential sources of conflict of interest, including any funding they received for conducting the review?</p>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Yes</b> if authors report no competing interests or how they managed potential conflicts of interest.</li> <li>• <b>No</b> if there is no discussion or reporting of potential conflicts of interest.</li> </ul>  |

PICO = population, intervention, comparison, outcome; RoB = risk of bias.

**Appendix Table D5. Rating overall Confidence in the Results of the Review (Dettori 2020).**

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|--|--|
| <i>High</i> : No or 1 noncritical weakness   | The systematic review provides an accurate and comprehensive summary of the results of the available studies that address the question of interest.                                |
| <i>Moderate</i> : More than 1 noncritical weakness*                                      | The systematic review has more than 1 weakness but no critical flaws. It may provide an accurate summary of the results of the available studies that were included in the review. |
| <i>Low</i> : One critical flaw with or without noncritical weaknesses                    | The review has a critical flaw and may not provide an accurate and comprehensive summary of the available studies that address the question of interest.                           |
| <i>Critically low</i> : More than 1 critical flaw with or without noncritical weaknesses | The review has more than 1 critical flaw and should not be relied on to provide an accurate and comprehensive summary of the available studies.                                    |

\* Multiple noncritical weaknesses may diminish confidence in the review, and it may be appropriate to move the overall appraisal down from moderate to low confidence.

### Determination of Overall Strength (Quality) of Evidence

The strength of evidence for the overall body of evidence for all *critical health outcomes* was assessed by one researcher following the principles for adapting GRADE (Grades of Recommendation Assessment, Development and Evaluation) as outlined by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ).<sup>7,27,28</sup> The strength of evidence was based on the highest quality evidence available for a given *primary* outcome. In determining the strength of body of evidence regarding a given *primary* outcome, the following domains were considered:

- **Risk of bias:** the extent to which the included studies have protection against bias.
- **Consistency:** the degree to which the included studies report results are similar in terms of range and variability.
- **Directness:** describes whether the evidence is directly related to patient health outcomes.
- **Precision:** describes the level of certainty surrounding the effect estimates.
- **Publication bias:** is considered when there is concern of selective publishing.

All AHRQ “required” and “additional” domains (risk of bias, consistency, directness, precision, and if possible, publication bias) were assessed. Bodies of evidence consisting of RCTs were initially considered as High strength of evidence (SoE), while those that comprised nonrandomized studies began as Low strength of evidence. The strength of evidence could be downgraded based on the limitations described above. There could also be situations where the *nonrandomized* studies could be upgraded, including the presence of plausible unmeasured confounding and bias that would decrease an observed effect or increase an effect if none was observed, presence of a dose-response relationship, and large magnitude of effect (strength of association) *if no downgrades for domains above*. Publication and reporting bias are difficult to assess. Publication bias is particularly difficult to assess with fewer than 10 RCTs (AHRQ methods guide). When publication bias was unknown in all studies and this domain is often eliminated from the strength of evidence tables for our reports. The final strength of evidence for each **primary** outcome was assigned an overall grade of high, moderate, low, or insufficient, which are defined as follows:

**High**— Very confident that effect size estimates lie close to the true effect for this outcome; there are few or no deficiencies in the body of evidence; we believe the findings are stable.

**Moderate**— Moderately confident that effect size estimates lie close to the true effect for this outcome; some deficiencies in the body of evidence; we believe the findings are probably stable but some doubt remains.

**Low**— Limited confidence that effect size estimates lie close to the true effect for this outcome; important or numerous deficiencies in the body of evidence; we believe that additional evidence is needed before concluding that findings are stable or that the estimate is close to the true effect.

**Insufficient**— We have no evidence, are unable to estimate an effect or have no confidence in the effect estimate for this outcome; OR no available evidence or the body of evidence has unacceptable deficiencies precluding judgment.

Similar methods for determining the overall quality (strength) of evidence related to economic studies have not been reported, thus the overall strength of evidence for outcomes reported in Key Question 4 was not assessed.

**Appendix Table D6. Example methodology outline for determining overall strength of evidence (SoE):**

All AHRQ “required” and “additional” domains\* are assessed. Only those that influence the baseline grade are listed in table below.

Baseline strength: HIGH = RCTs. LOW = observational, cohort studies, administrative data studies.

DOWNGRADE: Risk of bias for the individual article evaluations (1 or 2); Inconsistency\*\* of results (1 or 2); Indirectness of evidence (1 or 2); Imprecision of effect estimates (1 or 2); Sub-group analyses not stated *a priori* and no test for interaction (2)

UPGRADE (non-randomized studies): Large magnitude of effect (1 or 2); Dose response gradient (1) done for observational studies ***if no downgrade for domains above***

| Outcome | Strength of Evidence | Conclusions & Comments | Baseline SOE                 | DOWNGRADE   | UPGRADE                    |
|---------|----------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|---|----------------------------|
| Outcome | <b>HIGH</b>          | Summary of findings    | <b>HIGH</b><br>RCTs          | <b>NO</b><br>consistent, direct, and precise estimates                                    | <b>NO</b>                  |
| Outcome | <b>MODERATE</b>      | Summary of findings    | <b>LOW</b><br>Cohort studies | <b>NO</b><br>consistent, direct, and precise estimates; high quality (moderately low ROB) | <b>YES</b><br>Large effect |
| Outcome | <b>LOW</b>           | Summary of findings    | <b>HIGH</b><br>RCTs          | <b>YES (2)</b><br>Inconsistent<br>Indirect  | <b>NO</b>                  |

\*Required domains: risk of bias, consistency, directness, precision. Plausible confounding that would decrease observed effect is accounted for in our baseline risk of bias assessment through individual article evaluation. Additional domains: dose-response, strength of association, publication bias.

\*\*Single study = “consistency unknown”, may or may not be downgraded

## APPENDIX E. Study Quality: Risk of Bias evaluation

Appendix Table E1. ROB for RCTs comparing CCTA with functional testing among patients with suspected CAD

|  | Karthikeyan 2017 (IAEA-SPECT/CTA) | Stillman 2020 (RESCUE)                   | SCOT-HEART 2015 | Min 2012    | Douglas 2015 (PROMISE) | McKavanagh 2014 (CAPP) |
|--|-----------------------------------|--|-----------------|-------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| <b>Study design</b>                                      |                                   |  |                 |             |                        |                        |
| Randomized controlled trial                              | ✓                                 | ✓  | ✓               | ✓           | ✓                      | ✓                      |
| <b>Methodological Principle</b>                          |                                   |  |                 |             |                        |                        |
| Random sequence generation <sup>†</sup>                  | Yes                               | Yes                                      | Yes             | Unclear     | Yes                    | Yes                    |
| Statement of Concealed allocation <sup>†</sup>           | Yes                               | Yes                                      | Unclear         | Unclear     | Yes                    | No                     |
| Analysis according to random assignment <sup>†</sup>     | Yes                               | Yes                                      | Yes             | Yes         | Yes                    | Yes                    |
| Independent or blinded outcome assessment                | No                                | No                                       | Yes             | No          | Yes                    | Unclear                |
| Patients comparable at baseline on key CAD risk factors  | Yes                               | Yes                                      | Yes             | No          | Yes                    | Yes                    |
| Prespecified threshold or definition for a positive test | Yes                               | Yes                                      | Yes             | Yes         | Yes                    | Yes                    |
| Attrition (≤ 20% overall)                                | Yes                               | Yes (primary aim)<br>No (secondary aim)  | Yes             | Yes         | Yes                    | Yes                    |
| Attrition (≤ 10% difference between groups)              | Yes                               | Yes (primary aim)<br>Yes (secondary aim) | Yes             | Yes         | Yes                    | Yes                    |
| Comparable followup time or accounting for time at risk  | Yes                               | Yes                                      | Yes             | Unclear     | Yes                    | Yes                    |
| Controlling for possible confounding <sup>‡</sup>        | Yes                               | Yes                                      | Yes             | Yes         | Yes                    | Yes                    |
| Full reporting on pre-specified outcomes                 | Yes                               | Yes                                      | Yes             | Yes         | Yes                    | Yes                    |
| <b>Overall Quality Rating</b>                            | <b>Good</b>                       | <b>Good</b>                              | <b>Good</b>     | <b>Poor</b> | <b>Good</b>            | <b>Fair</b>            |

CAD = coronary artery disease; NA = not applicable; RCTG = randomized control trial.

\* Studies stratified patients by low, intermediate, and high risk but study quality was assessed for the study as a whole.

†Applies only to randomized controlled trials

‡Groups must be comparable on baseline characteristics or evidence of control for confounding presented (e.g., by restriction, matching, statistical methods)

Unclear indicates that it could not be determined from the information provided whether or not the criterion was met.

**Appendix Table E2. ROB for RCTs comparing CCTA with ICA among patients with suspected CAD**

|  | Dewey 2016 (CAD-Man) | Chang 2019 (CONSERVE)          |
|--|----------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>Study design</b>                                      |                      |                                |
| Randomized controlled trial                              | ✓                    | ✓                              |
| <b>Methodological Principle</b>                          |                      |                                |
| Random sequence generation <sup>†</sup>                  | Yes                  | Yes                            |
| Statement of Concealed allocation <sup>†</sup>           | Yes                  | No                             |
| Analysis according to random assignment <sup>†</sup>     | Yes                  | No                             |
| Independent or blinded outcome assessment                | No                   | No                             |
| Patients comparable at baseline on key CAD risk factors  | Yes                  | Yes                            |
| Prespecified threshold or definition for a positive test | Yes                  | Yes                            |
| Attrition (≤ 20% overall)                                | Yes                  | 6 months: Yes<br>12 months: No |
| Attrition (≤ 10% difference between groups)              | Yes                  | Yes                            |
| Comparable followup time or accounting for time at risk  | Yes                  | Yes                            |
| Controlling for possible confounding <sup>‡</sup>        | Yes                  | Yes                            |
| Full reporting on pre-specified outcomes                 | Yes                  | Yes                            |
| <b>Overall Quality Rating</b>                            | <b>Good</b>          | <b>Fair</b>                    |

CAD = coronary artery disease; NA = not applicable; RCT = randomized control trial.

\* Studies stratified patients by low, intermediate, and high risk but study quality was assessed for the study as a whole.

†Applies only to randomized controlled trials

‡Groups must be comparable on baseline characteristics or evidence of control for confounding presented (e.g., by restriction, matching, statistical methods)

*Unclear indicates that it could not be determined from the information provided whether or not the criterion was met.*

**Appendix Table E3. ROB for RCTs comparing CCTA with functional testing among patients with suspected ACS**

|  | Dedic 2016 (BEACON) | Linde 2013 (CATCH) | Nabi 2016 | Uretsky 2017 (PERFECT trial) | Pineiro-Portela 2021 | Levsky 2018 | Litt 2012 (ACRIN-PA) | Miller 2011 | Hoffman 2012 (ROMICAT-II) | Chang 2008 | Goldstein 2011 (CT-STAT) | Goldstein 2007 | Levsky 2015 (PROSPECT)                                 | Hamilton-Craig 2014 (CT-COMPARE) |
|--|---------------------|--------------------|-----------|------------------------------|----------------------|-------------|----------------------|-------------|---------------------------|------------|--------------------------|----------------|--|----------------------------------|
| <b>Study design</b>                                      |                     |                    |           |                              |                      |             |                      |             |                           |            |                          |                |  |                                  |
| Randomized controlled trial                              | ✓                   | ✓                  | ✓         | ✓                            | ✓                    | ✓           | ✓                    | ✓           | ✓                         | ✓          | ✓                        | ✓              | ✓  | ✓                                |
| <b>Methodological Principle</b>                          |                     |                    |           |                              |                      |             |                      |             |                           |            |                          |                |  |                                  |
| Random sequence generation <sup>†</sup>                  | Yes                 | Yes                | Unclear   | Unclear                      | Unclear              | Yes         | Yes                  | Yes         | Yes                       | Unclear    | Yes                      | Yes            | Yes  | Unclear                          |
| Statement of Concealed allocation <sup>†</sup>           | Yes                 | Yes                | No        | No                           | No                   | Yes         | No                   | No          | No                        | No         | Unclear                  | Yes            | Yes  | No                               |
| Analysis according to random assignment <sup>†</sup>     | Yes                 | Yes                | Yes       | Yes                          | Yes                  | Yes         | Yes                  | Yes         | Yes                       | Yes        | Yes                      | Unclear        | Yes  | Yes                              |
| Independent or blinded outcome assessment                | No                  | No§                | No        | No                           | No                   | No          | Unclear              | Unclear     | Unclear                   | Unclear    | Yes                      | No             | ICA not leading to revascularization yes, otherwise no | Unclear                          |
| Patients comparable at baseline on key CAD risk factors  | Yes                 | No                 | Yes       | Yes                          | Yes                  | Yes         | Yes                  | Unclear     | Yes                       | Yes        | Yes                      | No             | Yes  | Yes                              |
| Prespecified threshold or definition for a positive test | Yes                 | Yes                | Yes       | Yes                          | Yes                  | No          | Yes                  | Unclear     | Unclear                   | Yes        | Yes                      | Yes            | No   | Yes                              |
| Attrition (≤ 20% overall)                                | Yes                 | Yes                | Yes       | Yes                          | Yes                  | Yes         | Yes                  | Yes         | Yes                       | Yes        | Yes                      | Yes            | Yes  | Yes                              |

|   | Dedic 2016 (BEACON) | Linde 2013 (CATCH) | Nabi 2016   | Uretsky 2017 (PERFECT trial) | Pineiro-Portela 2021 | Levsky 2018 | Litt 2012 (ACRIN-PA) | Miller 2011 | Hoffman 2012 (ROMICAT-II) | Chang 2008  | Goldstein 2011 (CT-STAT) | Goldstein 2007 | Levsky 2015 (PROSPECT) | Hamilton-Craig 2014 (CT-COMPARE) |
|---|---------------------|--------------------|-------------|------------------------------|----------------------|-------------|----------------------|-------------|---------------------------|-------------|--------------------------|----------------|------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Attrition (≤ 10% difference between groups)             | Yes                 | Yes                | Yes         | Yes                          | Yes                  | Yes         | Yes                  | Yes         | Yes                       | Yes         | Yes                      | Yes            | Yes                    | Unclear                          |
| Comparable followup time or accounting for time at risk | Yes                 | Yes                | Yes         | Yes                          | Yes                  | Yes         | Yes                  | Yes         | Yes                       | Yes         | Yes                      | Yes            | Yes                    | Yes                              |
| Controlling for possible confounding <sup>‡</sup>       | Yes                 | Yes                | Yes         | Yes                          | Yes                  | Yes         | Yes                  | No          | Yes                       | Yes         | Yes                      | No             | Yes                    | Yes                              |
| Full reporting on pre-specified outcomes                | Yes                 | Yes                | Yes         | Yes                          | Yes                  | Yes         | Yes                  | Yes         | Yes                       | Yes         | Yes                      | Yes            | Yes                    | Yes                              |
| <b>Overall Quality Rating</b>                           | <b>Good</b>         | <b>Fair</b>        | <b>Fair</b> | <b>Fair</b>                  | <b>Fair</b>          | <b>Fair</b> | <b>Fair</b>          | <b>Poor</b> | <b>Fair</b>               | <b>Fair</b> | <b>Good</b>              | <b>Poor</b>    | <b>Fair</b>            | <b>Fair</b>                      |

ACS = Acute coronary syndrome; CAD = coronary artery disease; NA = not applicable; RCTs = randomized control trial.

\* Studies stratified patients by low, intermediate, and high risk but study quality was assessed for the study as a whole.

†Applies only to randomized controlled trials

‡Groups must be comparable on baseline characteristics or evidence of control for confounding presented (e.g., by restriction, matching, statistical methods)

§All patients underwent both CCTA and a functional test (bicycle exercise-ECG and/or MPI) in addition to a clinical evaluation by an experienced cardiologist. In this way, patients and clinical staff were blinded to group allocation until all non-invasive tests were performed. However, in the standard care group CCTA results remained blinded for patients and clinical staff, and in the CCTA-guided group clinical decision making was based on CCTA-findings overruling stress test results.

Unclear indicates that it could not be determined from the information provided whether or not the criterion was met.

**Appendix Table E4. ROB for RCTs evaluating Echocardiography**

|  | Stable, Outpatient |                                 |                                | Acute, ED/Hospital                   |                          |              |
|--|--------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------|
|  | Suspected CAD      |                                 | Suspected or Known CAD         | Suspected ACS                        | Suspected or Known ACS   |              |
|  | Sanfilippo 2005    | Zacharias 2017, Gurunathan 2018 | Sharples 2007/ Thom 2014 CECaT | Nucifora 2009 ASSENCE                | Desideri 2005 COSTAMI-II | Jeetley 2006 |
| <b>Methodological Principle</b>                          |                    |                                 |                                |                                      |                          |              |
| Random sequence generation <sup>†</sup>                  | Unclear            | Yes                             | Yes                            | Unclear                              | Yes                      | Unclear      |
| Statement of Concealed allocation <sup>†</sup>           | Unclear            | Unclear                         | Yes                            | Unclear                              | Unclear                  | Unclear      |
| Analysis according to random assignment <sup>†</sup>     | No                 | Yes                             | Yes                            | Yes                                  | Yes                      | Yes          |
| Independent or blinded outcome assessment                | Yes                | Yes                             | No                             | Unclear                              | Unclear                  | Unclear      |
| Patients comparable at baseline on key CAD risk factors  | No                 | Yes                             | Yes                            | No                                   | Yes                      | No           |
| Prespecified threshold or definition for a positive test | Yes                | Yes                             | Yes                            | No                                   | Yes                      | Yes          |
| Attrition (≤ 20% overall)                                | Yes                | Yes                             | Yes                            | No                                   | Unclear                  | Yes          |
| Attrition (≤ 10% difference between groups)              | Yes                | Yes                             | Yes                            | Yes: echo vs. ECG<br>No: echo vs. UC | Unclear                  | Yes          |
| Comparable followup time or accounting for time at risk  | Yes                | Yes                             | Yes                            | Yes                                  | Yes                      | Yes          |
| Controlling for possible confounding <sup>‡</sup>        | No                 | Yes                             | Yes                            | Yes                                  | Yes                      | No           |
| Full reporting on pre-specified outcomes                 | Yes                | Yes                             | Yes                            | Yes                                  | Yes                      | Yes          |
| <b>Overall Quality Rating</b>                            | <b>Poor</b>        | <b>Good</b>                     | <b>Good</b>                    | <b>Poor</b>                          | <b>Fair</b>              | <b>Poor</b>  |

ACS = acute coronary syndrome; ASSENCE = The Assessment of cost-effectiveness of Several Strategies of Early diagnosis in patients with ACP and Non-Conclusive Electrocardiogram; CAD = coronary artery disease; CECaT = Cost-Effectiveness of functional Cardiac Testing; COSTAMI-II = cost of strategies after myocardial infarction; NA = not applicable.

\* Studies stratified patients by low, intermediate, and high risk but study quality was assessed for the study as a whole.

†Applies only to randomized controlled trials

‡Groups must be comparable on baseline characteristics or evidence of control for confounding presented (e.g., by restriction, matching, statistical methods)

Unclear indicates that it could not be determined from the information provided whether or not the criterion was met.

**Appendix Table E5. ROB for RCTs evaluating SPECT**

|  | Stable, Outpatient        |                   |             |                                  | Acute, ED/Hospital              |                        |
|--|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------|
|  | Suspected CAD             |                   |             | Suspected or Known CAD           | Suspected ACS                   | Suspected or Known ACS |
|  | Greenwood 2016<br>CE-MARC | Sabharwal<br>2007 | Shaw 2011   | Sharples 2007/Thom 2014<br>CECaT | Lim 2013                        | Salame 2018            |
| <b>Methodological Principle</b>                          |                           |                   |             |                                  |                                 |                        |
| Random sequence generation <sup>†</sup>                  | Yes (minimization)        | Yes               | Yes         | Yes                              | Yes                             | Yes                    |
| Statement of Concealed allocation <sup>†</sup>           | Yes                       | No                | No          | Yes                              | Yes                             | No                     |
| Analysis according to random assignment <sup>†</sup>     | Yes                       | Yes               | Yes         | Yes                              | Yes                             | Yes                    |
| Independent or blinded outcome assessment                | Yes                       | Unclear           | Yes         | No                               | Unclear                         | Yes                    |
| Patients comparable at baseline on key CAD risk factors  | Yes                       | Yes               | Yes         | Yes                              | Yes                             | No                     |
| Prespecified threshold or definition for a positive test | Yes                       | Yes               | Yes         | Yes                              | Yes                             | Yes                    |
| Attrition (≤ 20% overall)                                | Yes                       | Yes               | Yes         | Yes                              | 30 days, yes<br>1 year, unclear | Yes                    |
| Attrition (≤ 10% difference between groups)              | Yes                       | Yes               | Yes         | Yes                              | 30 days, yes<br>1 year, unclear | Yes                    |
| Comparable followup time or accounting for time at risk  | Yes                       | Yes               | Yes         | Yes                              | Yes                             | Yes                    |
| Controlling for possible confounding <sup>‡</sup>        | Yes                       | Yes               | Yes         | Yes                              | Yes                             | No                     |
| Full reporting on pre-specified outcomes                 | Yes                       | Yes               | Yes         | Yes                              | Yes                             | Yes                    |
| <b>Overall Quality Rating</b>                            | <b>Good</b>               | <b>Fair</b>       | <b>Fair</b> | <b>Good</b>                      | <b>Fair</b>                     | <b>Fair</b>            |

ACS = acute coronary syndrome; CAD = coronary artery disease; CECaT = Cost-Effectiveness of functional Cardiac Testing; CE-MARC = The Clinical Evaluation of Magnetic Resonance Imaging in Coronary Heart Disease 2 trial; NA = not applicable.

\* Studies stratified patients by low, intermediate, and high risk but study quality was assessed for the study as a whole.

†Applies only to randomized controlled trials

‡Groups must be comparable on baseline characteristics or evidence of control for confounding presented (e.g., by restriction, matching, statistical methods)

Unclear indicates that it could not be determined from the information provided whether or not the criterion was met.

**Appendix Table E6. ROB for RCTs evaluating PET with SPECT**

|  | Mullani 2000 | Patel 2019  |
|--|--------------|-------------|
| <b>Methodological Principle</b>                          |              |             |
| Random sequence generation <sup>†</sup>                  | Unclear      | Yes         |
| Statement of Concealed allocation <sup>†</sup>           | Unclear      | Yes         |
| Analysis according to random assignment <sup>†</sup>     | Yes          | Yes         |
| Independent or blinded outcome assessment                | No           | Yes         |
| Patients comparable at baseline on key CAD risk factors  | No           | Yes         |
| Prespecified threshold or definition for a positive test | No           | Yes         |
| Attrition ( $\leq 20\%$ overall)                         | Yes          | Yes         |
| Attrition $\leq 10\%$ difference between groups          | Yes          | Yes         |
| Comparable followup time or accounting for time at risk  | Unclear      | Yes         |
| Controlling for possible confounding <sup>‡</sup>        | Yes          | Yes         |
| Full reporting on pre-specified outcomes                 | Yes          | Yes         |
| <b>Overall Quality Rating</b>                            | <b>Poor</b>  | <b>Good</b> |

**Appendix Table E7. ROB for the prospective observational study evaluating CCTA with FFR versus any NIT and versus ICA**

|  | Suspected CAD                  |
|--|--------------------------------|
|  | Douglas 2015, 2016<br>PLATFORM |
| Methodological Principle                                 |                                |
| Independent or blinded outcome assessment                | Yes                            |
| Patients comparable at baseline on key CAD risk factors  | No                             |
| Prespecified threshold or definition for a positive test | Yes                            |
| Attrition ( $\leq$ 20% overall)                          | Yes                            |
| Attrition ( $\leq$ 10% difference between groups)        | Yes                            |
| Comparable followup time or accounting for time at risk  | Yes                            |
| Controlling for possible confounding*                    | Yes                            |
| Full reporting on pre-specified outcomes                 | Yes                            |
| <b>Overall Quality Rating</b>                            | <b>Good</b>                    |

CAD = coronary artery disease; CCTA = coronary computed tomography; FFR = fractional flow reserve; ICA = invasive coronary angiography; NIT = noninvasive testing.

\*Groups must be comparable on baseline characteristics or evidence of control for confounding presented (e.g., by restriction, matching, statistical methods)

*Unclear indicates that it could not be determined from the information provided whether or not the criterion was met.*

**Appendix Table E8. ROB for reliability studies**

| Study (year)              | Patient spectrum | Methods description | Blinded performance | Risk of Bias     |
|---------------------------|------------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| Williams (2017)           | Yes              | Yes                 | Yes                 | Good quality     |
| Lehman (2009)             | Yes              | Yes                 | Yes                 | Good quality     |
| Rinehart (2010)           | Yes              | Yes                 | Yes                 | Good quality     |
| Ghaemian (2020)           | Yes              | Yes                 | No                  | Moderate quality |
| Collet (2018)             | Yes              | Yes                 | Yes                 | Good quality     |
| Ferro (2007)              | Yes              | Yes                 | Yes                 | Good quality     |
| Gaibazzi (2010)           | Yes              | Yes                 | Yes                 | Good quality     |
| Hernandez-Gonzalez (2015) | Yes              | Yes                 | No                  | Moderate quality |
| Hoffman (2012)            | Yes              | No                  | No                  | Poor quality     |
| Gueret (2013)             | Yes              | Yes                 | Yes                 | Good quality     |
| Cury (2015)               | Yes              | Yes                 | Yes                 | Good quality     |
| Gaibazzi (2013)           | Yes              | Yes                 | Yes                 | Good quality     |
| Butler (2007)             | Yes              | Yes                 | Yes                 | Good quality     |
| Khan (2017)               | Unclear          | Yes                 | No                  | Poor quality     |

**Appendix Table E9. ROB for economic studies**

| Question   | Points Possible | Karady 2020 | Min 2017 | Powell 2012 | Preist 2012 | Goehler 2020 | Agus 2016 | Bertoldi 2016 | Gurunathan 2020 | Lee 2015 | Lorenzoni 2019 | Jarfari 2020 |
|--|-----------------|-------------|----------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-----------|---------------|-----------------|----------|----------------|--------------|
| 1. Was the study objective presented in a clear, specific, and measurable manner?  | 7               | 7           | 7        | 7           | 7           | 7            | 0         | 7             | 7               | 7        | 7              | 7            |
| 2. Were the perspective of the analysis (societal, third-party payer, etc.) and reasons for its selection stated?                                | 4               | 0           | 4        | 4           | 0           | 0            | 4         | 4             | 0               | 4        | 4              | 4            |
| 3. Were variable estimates used in the analysis from the best available source (ie, randomized controlled trial - best, expert opinion - worst)? | 8               | 8           | 8        | 0           | 0           | 8            | 0         | 8             | 8               | 0        | 8              | 0            |
| 4. If estimates came from a subgroup analysis, were the groups prespecified at the beginning of the study?                                       | 1               | 1           | 1        | 1           | 1           | 1            | 1         | 1             | 0               | 1        | 1              | 1            |
| 5. Was uncertainty handled by (1) statistical analysis to address random events, (2) sensitivity analysis  | 9               | 9           | 9        | 0           | 9           | 9            | 9         | 9             | 0               | 9        | 0              | 0            |

| Question   | Points Possible | Karady 2020 | Min 2017 | Powell 2012 | Preist 2012 | Goehler 2020 | Agus 2016 | Bertoldi 2016 | Gurunathan 2020 | Lee 2015 | Lorenzoni 2019 | Jarfari 2020 |
|--|-----------------|-------------|----------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-----------|---------------|-----------------|----------|----------------|--------------|
| to cover a range of assumptions?   |                 |             |          |             |             |              |           |               |                 |          |                |              |
| 6. Was incremental analysis performed between alternatives for resources and costs?  | 6               | 6           | 6        | 6           | 6           | 6            | 6         | 6             | 0               | 6        | 6              | 6            |
| 7. Was the methodology for data abstraction (including the value of health states and other benefits) stated?  | 5               | 5           | 5        | 5           | 5           | 5            | 5         | 5             | 5               | 5        | 5              | 5            |
| 8. Did the analytic horizon allow time for all relevant and important outcomes? Were benefits and costs that went beyond 1 year discounted (3% to 5%) and justification given for the discount rate? | 7               | 7           | 7        | 0           | 0           | 7            | 0         | 7             | 0               | 0        | 0              | 0            |
| 9. Was the measurement of costs appropriate and the methodology for the estimation of quantities and unit  | 8               | 8           | 8        | 8           | 8           | 8            | 8         | 8             | 8               | 0        | 8              | 0            |

| Question  | Points Possible | Karady 2020 | Min 2017 | Powell 2012 | Preist 2012 | Goehler 2020 | Agus 2016 | Bertoldi 2016 | Gurunathan 2020 | Lee 2015 | Lorenzoni 2019 | Jarfari 2020 |
|---|-----------------|-------------|----------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-----------|---------------|-----------------|----------|----------------|--------------|
| costs clearly described?  |                 |             |          |             |             |              |           |               |                 |          |                |              |
| 10. Were the primary outcome measure(s) for the economic evaluation clearly stated and did they include the major short-term, long-term and negative outcomes included?                     | 6               | 6           | 6        | 0           | 6           | 6            | 6         | 0             | 0               | 6        | 6              | 0            |
| 11. Were the health outcomes measures/scales valid and reliable? If previously tested valid and reliable measures were not available, was justification given for the measures/scales used? | 7               | 7           | 7        | 7           | 7           | 7            | 0         | 7             | 0               | 7        | 7              | 7            |
| 12. Were the economic model (including structure), study methods and analysis, and the components of the numerator and denominator displayed in a clear,                                    | 8               | 8           | 8        | 8           | 8           | 8            | 8         | 8             | 8               | 8        | 8              | 8            |

| Question  | Points Possible | Karady 2020 | Min 2017 | Powell 2012 | Preist 2012 | Goehler 2020 | Agus 2016 | Bertoldi 2016 | Gurunathan 2020 | Lee 2015 | Lorenzoni 2019 | Jarfari 2020 |
|---|-----------------|-------------|----------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-----------|---------------|-----------------|----------|----------------|--------------|
| transparent manner?   |                 |             |          |             |             |              |           |               |                 |          |                |              |
| 13. Were the choice of economic model, main assumptions, and limitations of the study stated and justified? | 7               | 7           | 7        | 7           | 7           | 7            | 0         | 7             | 0               | 7        | 7              | 7            |
| 14. Did the author(s) explicitly discuss direction and magnitude of potential biases?                       | 6               | 0           | 0        | 8           | 0           | 0            | 6         | 6             | 6               | 6        | 6              | 6            |
| 15. Were the conclusions/recommendations of the study justified and based on the study results?             | 8               | 8           | 8        | 8           | 8           | 8            | 8         | 8             | 8               | 8        | 8              | 8            |
| 16. Was there a statement disclosing the source of funding for the study?                                   | 3               | 3           | 3        | 0           | 3           | 3            | 3         | 3             | 0               | 3        | 3              | 3            |
| Total Points  | 100             | 90          | 94       | 69          | 75          | 90           | 64        | 94            | 50              | 77       | 84             | 62           |

## APPENDIX F. Data Abstraction of Included Studies Evaluating CCTA

Appendix Table F1. Data abstraction for CCTA vs. any functional testing: Study and Patient Characteristics

| Trial Author, year Study Design Country Funding   | Population Setting Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria  | Tests evaluated   | Baseline risk for CAD*   | Patient characteristics*   | Length f/u (% followed) Cross-over, % (n/N)   |
|---|--|---|--|--|---|
| <b>Suspected CAD</b>  |  |   |  |  |   |
| PROMISE trial<br><br>Douglas, 2015<br>Douglas, 2014 (protocol)<br>Ladapo, 2016<br>Lu, 2017<br>Hoffman, 2017<br>Mark, 2016<br>Pagidipati, 2016 (subgroup analysis)<br>Pagidipati, 2019 (subgroup analysis)<br>Litwin, 2019 (subgroup analysis)<br>Sharma, 2017 (subgroup analysis) | <p><u>Population:</u><br/>Suspected CAD</p> <p><u>Setting:</u><br/>Outpatient, non-emergent from cardiology, radiology, primary care, urgent care, and anesthesiology departments</p> <p><u>Inclusion:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● New or worsening chest pain syndrome or equivalent symptoms suspicious for clinically significant CAD.</li> <li>● No prior cardiac evaluation for this episode of symptoms.</li> <li>● Planned noninvasive testing for diagnosis.</li> <li>● Men ≥55 years and women ≥65 years.</li> <li>● If age in men 45 to 54 years or women 50 to 64 years, then must have increased probability of CAD due to ≥1 of the following risk factors:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Diabetes mellitus requiring medical treatment;</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | <p><b>A: CCTA (64-slice or better MDCT) (n=4996)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 93.80% (4686/4996) underwent CCTA as first test</li> <li>- 91.9% (4589/4996) underwent CCTA</li> <li>- 1.9% (97/4996) underwent CACS only</li> <li>● 6.20% (310/4996) did not undergo CCTA as first test</li> <li>- 3.1% (154/4996) underwent other test as first test</li> <li>- 0.2% (9/4996) underwent catheterization</li> <li>- 2.1% (104/4996) underwent nuclear stress imaging</li> <li>- 0.5% (27/4996) underwent stress ECHO</li> <li>- 0.3% (14/4996) underwent exercise ECG</li> <li>- 3.1% (156/4996) did not undergo test</li> </ul> <p><u>Stressor:</u> N/A</p> <p><u>Contrast:</u> Iodinated contrast</p> <p><u>Protocol:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A contrast-enhanced CCTA was performed as the initial test</li> </ul> | <p>All patients or A vs. B</p> <p><u>Pre-test risk assessment:</u></p> <p>low risk (≤30%): 37.6% (3755/9986)</p> <p>intermediate risk (31-70%): 57.6% (5750/9986)</p> <p>high risk (&gt;70%): 4.8% (481/9986)</p> <p><u>Pre-test probability of CAD:</u></p> <p>low risk (&lt;10%): 2.5% (250/10,003)</p> <p>intermediate risk (10-90%): 92.6% (9258/10,003)</p> <p>high risk (&gt;90%): 4.9% (495/10,003)</p> | <p>A vs. B</p> <p><u>Subgroup:</u> None</p> <p><u>N randomized:</u> 10,003</p> <p><u>Mean age (SD):</u> 60.7 (8.3) vs. 60.9 (8.3) years</p> <p><u>Female:</u> 51.9% vs. 53.4%</p> <p><u>Race:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-White: 82.8% vs. 84.5%</li> <li>-Black: 11.3% vs. 10.6%</li> <li>-Asian: 2.8% vs. 2.3%</li> <li>-Other/Unknown: 3.1% vs. 2.6%</li> </ul> <p><u>Ethnicity</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Hispanic: 7.9% vs. 7.5%</li> </ul> <p><u>Chest pain:</u> 73.6% vs. 71.9%</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Typical angina (%): 11.8% vs. 11.5%</li> <li>-Atypical angina (%): 77.5% vs. 77.9%</li> <li>-Nonanginal pain (%): 10.7% vs. 10.6%</li> </ul> <p><u>Dyspnea on exertion:</u> 14.3% vs. 15.5%</p> <p><u>Prior MI:</u> 0% vs. 0%</p> <p><u>Prior revascularization:</u> 0% vs. 0%</p> | <p>60 days, then at 6-month intervals after randomization for a minimum of 1 year</p> <p>Median follow-up: 25 months (IQR 18 to 34 months)</p> <p>(Follow-up at 60 days could be assessed either a telephone call or a clinic visit, after which subjects were contacted centrally by interviewers.)</p> <p>% followed at 12 months: 93.5% (9350/10003)</p> |

| Trial Author, year Study Design Country Funding  | Population Setting Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria  | Tests evaluated   | Baseline risk for CAD*  | Patient characteristics*  | Length f/u (% followed) Cross-over, % (n/N) |
|--|--|---|---|---|---|
| Sharma, 2019 (subgroup analysis)<br>Lowenstern, 2020 (subgroup analysis)<br>RCT (Multi-center; 193 sites)<br>US and Canada<br>Government | <p>- Peripheral arterial disease, defined as documented peripheral arterial stenosis ≥50%, treated medically or invasively;</p> <p>- Cerebrovascular disease (stroke), defined as documented carotid stenosis ≥50%, treated medically or invasively;</p> <p>- Ongoing tobacco use;</p> <p>- Hypertension.</p> <p>- Abnormal ankle-brachia index, defined as &lt;0.9; and</p> <p>- Hyperlipidemia.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Serum creatinine ≤1.5 mg/dL within the past 90 days.</li> <li>● Negative urine/serum pregnancy test result for female subjects of childbearing potential.</li> </ul> <p><u>Exclusion:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Diagnosed or suspected ACS requiring hospitalization or urgent or emergent testing; elevated troponin or CK-MB; outpatients who have completed a rule-out ACS protocol are eligible provided they have 2 sets of negative</li> </ul> | <p>- Sample protocols were provided for all modalities; sites were allowed to use their own acquisition protocols as long as they fell within national standard-of-care guidelines</p> <p>- The results of all tests were provided to the care team in the usual manner for that testing laboratory and the local physician continued to direct care of the subject, making all subsequent clinical decisions (e.g., need for further evaluation or admission) based upon his or her cumulative clinical assessment of the subject, including noninvasive test findings</p> <p><u>Definition of positive test:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Positive: ≥70% stenosis in either the left anterior descending (LAD), proximal LAD, left circumflex (LCS), or right coronary artery (RCA), or a ≥50% stenosis in the left main coronary artery.</li> <li>- Negative (normal): no vessel is positive and 4 of 5 specific criteria are met (see PROMISE supplemental table S3 for details)</li> <li>- Indeterminate: no vessel is positive but criteria for negative test result not met (see PROMISE supplemental table S3 for details)</li> </ul> | <p><u>Mean (SD) combined Diamond and Forrester and Coronary Artery Surgery Study risk score/pretest likelihood of obstructive CAD:</u><br/>                     53.4% (21.4%) vs. 53.2% (21.4%)</p> | <p><u>Known CAD:</u> 0% vs. 0%</p> <p><u>Family history of CAD:</u> 32.63% vs. 31.6%</p> <p><u>Chest pain frequency:</u> NR</p> <p><u>Hypertension:</u> 65% vs. 65%</p> <p><u>Hyperlipidemia (%):</u> 67.4% vs. 67.9%</p> <p><u>Diabetes:</u> 21.3% vs. 21.5%</p> <p><u>Peripheral arterial or cerebrovascular disease:</u> 5.3% vs. 5.8%</p> <p><u>Current or past tobacco use:</u> 50.7% vs. 51.4%</p> <p><u>Regular exercise:</u> 51.3% vs. 51.2%</p> <p><u>BMI ≥25:</u> 83% vs. 83%</p> <p><u>Mean BMI:</u> 30.5 vs. 30.5</p> <p><u>History of depression:</u> 19.6% vs. 21.6%, p&lt;0.05</p> |   |

| Trial Author, year Study Design Country Funding | Population Setting Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria   | Tests evaluated   | Baseline risk for CAD* | Patient characteristics* | Length f/u (% followed) Cross-over, % (n/N) |
|---|---|---|------------------------|--------------------------|---|
|   | <p>biomarkers and a nondiagnostic or normal ECG.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Hemodynamically or clinically unstable condition (systolic blood pressure [BP]&lt;90 mm Hg, severe atrial or ventricular arrhythmias, or persistent resting chest pain felt to be ischemic despite adequate therapy).</li> <li>● Known CAD with clinical history of MI, percutaneous coronary intervention, coronary artery bypass graft, or any angiographic evidence of CAD ≥50% lesion in a major epicardia vessel.</li> <li>● Any invasive coronary angiography or noninvasive anatomical or functional cardiovascular test for detection of CAD, including CCTA and ExECG, within the previous 12 month (±30 days); prior resting ECG and/or resting echo do not constitute an exclusion to participation.</li> <li>● Known significant congenital, valvular (greater than or equal to moderate) or cardiomyopathic process</li> </ul> | <p><b>B: Any functional testing (n=5007)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 93.71% (4692/5007) underwent functional test as first test</li> <li>- 63.09% (3159/5007) underwent nuclear stress imaging</li> <li>- 21.09% (1056/5007) underwent stress echo</li> <li>- 9.53% (477/5007) underwent exercise ECG</li> <li>● 6.29% (315/5007) did not undergo functional test as first test</li> <li>- 1.3% (67/5007) underwent other test as first test</li> <li>- 0.4% (20/5007) underwent catheterization</li> <li>- 0.9% (47/5007) underwent CTA or CAC scoring</li> <li>- 4.9% (246/5007) did not undergo test</li> <li>- 0.04% (2/5007) underwent test before randomization</li> </ul> <p><u>Stressor:</u> NR<br/> <u>Contrast:</u> NR<br/> <u>Protocol:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The preselected functional test was performed as the initial test (MPI, stress echo, or ExECG)</li> <li>- Sample protocols were provided for all modalities; sites were allowed to use their own acquisition protocols as long as</li> </ul> |                        |                          |   |

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|   | <p>(hypertrophic cardiomyopathy or reduced systolic left ventricular [LV] function [LV ejection fraction &lt;40%]) that could explain cardiac symptoms.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Contraindication to a CCTA, including, but not limited to:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Allergy to iodinated contrast agent, or</li> <li>- Pregnancy.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Any other contraindications that would preclude performing a CCTA per local site practice, such as ≥1 of the following:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Inability to receive β-blockers if heart rate is &gt;65 beats/min;</li> <li>- Agatston score &gt;800;</li> <li>- Body mass index &gt;40 kg/m<sup>2</sup>; and</li> <li>- Cardiac arrhythmia.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | <p>they fell within national standard-of-care guidelines</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The results of all tests were provided to the care team in the usual manner for that testing laboratory and the local physician continued to direct care of the subject, making all subsequent clinical decisions (e.g., need for further evaluation or admission) based upon his or her cumulative clinical assessment of the subject, including noninvasive test findings</li> </ul> <p><u>Definition of positive test:</u></p> <p>Stress nuclear imaging:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Positive: reversible perfusion defect (inducible ischemia) or mixed defect (infarct and ischemia) during stress in at least one of the following territories: septal/anterior/apical, lateral, or inferior/posterior.</li> <li>-Negative (normal): no area is positive and 2 of 3 specific criteria are met (see PROMISE supplemental table S3 for details)</li> <li>-Indeterminate: no vessel is positive but criteria for negative test result not met (see PROMISE supplemental table S3 for details)</li> </ul> <p>Stress ECHO</p> |                        |                          |   |

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|   |   | -Positive: reversible wall motion abnormality or mixed abnormality during stress in at least one of the following territories: septal/anterior/apical, lateral, or inferior/posterior.<br>-Negative (normal): no area is positive and 1 of 6 specific criteria are met (see PROMISE supplemental table S3 for details)<br>-Indeterminate: no vessel is positive but criteria for negative test result not met (see PROMISE supplemental table S3 for details)<br>Exercise ECG<br>-Positive: significant ST-segment changes consistent with ischemia.<br>-Negative (normal): no evidence of ischemia, or borderline or indeterminate in terms of changes meeting criteria for ischemia<br>-Indeterminate: noninterpretable |  |  |   |
| <b>Suspected ACS</b>  |   |   |  |  |   |
| Chang, 2008<br><br>RCT (Single center)<br><br>South Korea<br><br>Funding NR | <u>Population:</u><br>Suspected ACS;<br>Stable acute chest pain<br><br><u>Setting:</u><br>ED<br><br><u>Inclusion:</u> | <b>A. CCTA (MDCT) (n=133)<sup>†</sup></b><br><u>Stressor:</u> NA<br><u>Contrast:</u> Iomeprol (80 mL Iomeron 400; Bracco, Milan, Italy)<br><u>Protocol:</u> CT scanning (64-slice) immediately after randomization, with results available immediately; subsequent tests and treatments left to discretion of treating MD after CT results made available   | A vs. B <sup>‡</sup><br><br><u>Low:</u> 37.6% (50/133) vs. 36.8% (49/133) <sup>§</sup><br><u>Intermediate:</u> 41.4% (55/133) vs. 42.1% (56/133) | A vs. B<br><br><u>Subgroup:</u> None<br><u>N randomized:</u> 268<br><u>Mean age (SD):</u> 57 (14) vs. 58 (14) years<br><u>Female:</u> 39% vs. 38%<br><u>Race:</u> NR | 1 month: 99.2% (266/268)<br><br>Crossover: NR |

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|   | <p>Acute chest pain syndrome; age &gt; 18 years.</p> <p><u>Exclusion:</u><br/>Very high or very low pre-test probability for ACS; constant arrhythmia; hemodynamic or clinical instability; history of allergy to radio-contrast dye; documented renal insufficiency; pregnancy or women of childbearing age who are not using contraception; contraindication to <math>\beta</math> blockade; recent (&lt;1 month) diagnostic work-up for coronary disease</p> | <p><u>Definition of positive test:</u> &gt;50% stenosis (“significant stenosis”)</p> <p><b>B. Any functional testing (n=133)†</b><br/>Evidence-based diagnostic workup including serial ECGs, and cardiac biomarkers. Subsequent diagnostic tests, other than MDCT, and treatments were at discretion of the treating medical doctor.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 50% (n=67) underwent stress testing:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- exercise treadmill (39%, n=52)</li> <li>- MPI (8%, n=11)</li> <li>- stress echocardiography (3%, n=4).</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | <p><u>High:</u> 21.1% (28/133) vs. 21.1% (28/133)</p> | <p><u>Chest pain:</u> 100% vs. 100%</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Typical angina: NR</li> <li>- Atypical angina: NR</li> <li>- Nonspecific chest pain: NR</li> </ul> <p><u>Dyspnea:</u> NR</p> <p><u>Prior MI:</u> NR</p> <p><u>Prior revascularization:</u> NR</p> <p><u>Known CAD:</u> 12% vs. 17%</p> <p><u>Chest pain frequency:</u> NR</p> <p><u>Hypertension:</u> 46% vs. 41%</p> <p><u>Hyperlipidemia:</u> 29% vs. 25%</p> <p><u>Diabetes:</u> 16% vs. 19%</p> <p><u>Current smoking:</u> 17% vs. 23%</p> <p><i>Low vs. Intermediate vs. High pretest probability</i></p> <p><u>Mean age (SD):</u> 53 (15) vs. 59 (13) vs. 62 (12) years; p&lt;0.001</p> <p><u>Female:</u> 38% vs. 42% vs. 32%</p> <p><u>Chest pain:</u> 100% vs. 100% vs. 100%</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Typical angina: NR</li> </ul> |   |

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|  |  |  |  | - Atypical angina: NR<br>- Nonspecific chest pain: 100% vs. 100% vs. NR<br><u>Dyspnea</u> : NR<br><u>Prior MI</u> : NR<br><u>Prior revascularization</u> : NR<br><u>Known CAD</u> : 7% vs. 14% vs. 29%<br><u>Chest pain frequency</u> : NR<br><u>Hypertension</u> : 34% vs. 49% vs. 54%; p = 0.001<br><u>Hyperlipidemia</u> : 20% vs. 30% vs 34%; p = 0.049<br><u>Diabetes</u> : 11% vs. 20% vs. 23%; p = 0.041<br><u>Current smoking</u> : 19% vs. 20% vs. 23% |  |
| CATCH trial<br><br>Linde, 2013, 2015, & 2014<br><br>RCT (Single center)<br><br>Denmark<br><br>Non-profit | <u>Population</u> : Suspected ACS; Acute chest pain<br><br><u>Setting</u> : Outpatient (Hospitalized and discharged within 24 hours; randomization occurred after discharge)<br><br><u>Inclusion</u> : | <b>A. CCTA (320 slice MDCT) (n=299 randomized; 285 analyzed)</b><br><u>Stressor</u> : NA<br><u>Contrast</u> : NR<br><u>Protocol</u> : Upon hospital admission patients underwent ECG and troponin testing and were discharged within 24 hours. Following hospital discharge, patients were contacted to participate in the study. Those agreeing underwent CCTA within | A vs. B<br><br>According to Diamond and Forrester<br><br><u>Low</u> : 21.4% (61/285) vs. 21.3% (62/291)<br><u>Intermediate</u> : 69.1% (197/285) | A vs. B<br><br><u>Subgroup</u> : None<br><u>N randomized</u> : 600<br><u>Mean age (SD)</u> : 56 (12) vs. 55 (12) years<br><u>Female</u> : 44% vs. 42%<br><u>Race</u> : NR<br><u>Chest pain</u> : - Typical angina: 12% vs. 12%  | 120 days (4 months): 96% (576/600)<br><br>Long-term followup, median (IQR) duration: 18.7 (16.8 to 20.1) months: 100% for clinical events<br><br>Crossover: - 4.6% (13/285) of patients in group A did |

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|   | <p>Normal or non-diagnostic electrocardiogram (ECG), normal troponins, clinical indication for further non-invasive, outpatient, cardiac evaluation, based on the risk factor profile, symptom description and an overall clinical assessment</p> <p><u>Exclusion:</u><br/>New diagnostic ECG changes with ST-segment elevation or depression &gt;0.5 mm or T-wave inversion &gt;4 mm in ≥2 contiguous leads, increased levels of plasma-troponins, age &lt;18 years, women of childbearing age not using approved contraception, patients with geographical residence or mental or physical conditions that could complicate follow-up, known allergy to iodinated contrast agents, serum creatinine &gt;130 mg/l, abnormal chest x-ray or blood test tests that could explain the chest pain, former</p> | <p>seven days of initial admittance. Identification of significant CAD led to a referral for ICA. In patients with coronary stenoses between 50 and 70% or a non-diagnostic CCTA, a further evaluation plan was determined based on an integrated evaluation of coronary lesion location (proximal versus distal), stress test results and indices of clinical presentation.</p> <p><u>Test that determined the treatment strategy during index evaluation</u><br/>CCTA alone: 82% (233/285)<br/>CCTA + functional test: 14% (39/285)<br/>Functional test alone: 5% (13/285)</p> <p><u>Definition of positive test:</u><br/>- Stenosis &gt;50% in the left main artery, and ≥70% in other large coronary arteries (left anterior descending artery and diagonals, circumflex artery and marginals and right coronary artery) (“significant stenosis”)<br/>- Stenoses between 50% and 70% or a non-diagnostic CCTA, went on to further evaluation that involved an integrated evaluation of coronary lesion</p> | <p>vs. 69.1% (201/291)<br/><u>High:</u> 9.5% (27/285) vs. 9.6% (28/291)</p> | <p>- Atypical angina: 39% vs. 40%<br/>- Non-anginal chest pain: 49% vs. 49%<br/><u>Dyspnea:</u> NR<br/><u>Prior MI:</u> NR<br/><u>Prior revascularization:</u> NR<br/><u>Known CAD:</u> 15% vs. 12%<br/><u>Chest pain frequency:</u> NR<br/><u>Hypertension:</u> 36% vs. 47%, p=0.008<br/><u>Hyperlipidemia:</u> 41% vs. 35%<br/><u>Diabetes:</u> 12% vs. 10%<br/><u>Current or ex-smoker:</u> 15% vs. 12%<br/><u>Family history of heart disease:</u> 24% vs. 26%<br/><u>Median BMI:</u> 28 vs. 28</p> | <p>not undergo CCTA (no specific reasons as to why were provided). At least 2 of these patients underwent bicycle treadmill testing.<br/>- 2.4% (7/291) of patients in group B did not undergo any functional testing.</p> |

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|   | coronary artery bypass graft (CABG) operation       | <p>location (proximal versus distal), stress test results and indices of clinical presentation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Diameter stenoses <math>\geq 50\%</math> were considered non-significant</li> </ul> <p><b>B. Any functional testing (n=301 randomized; 291 analyzed)</b></p> <p><u>Stressor:</u> Dipyridamole (for SPECT only)</p> <p><u>Contrast:</u> NR</p> <p><u>Protocol:</u> Patients underwent an exercise bicycle test unless they were unable to reach at least 85% of the expected heart rate, in which case they were referred for stress SPECT</p> <p><u>Test that determined the treatment strategy during index evaluation</u></p> <p>Exercise ECG alone: 76% (221/291)</p> <p>SPECT alone: 22% (63/291)</p> <p>Clinical assessment only without any functional test: 2% (7/291)</p> <p><u>Definition of positive test:</u></p> <p>An exercise bicycle test with signs of ischemia led to referral for ICA, and patients with reversible perfusion defects on SPECT or non-diagnostic test results were referred for ICA.</p> |                        |                          |   |

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| ROMICAT-II trial<br><br>Hoffman, 2012<br>Truong, 2013 (subgroup analysis)<br>Truong, 2016 (subgroup analysis)<br>Reinhardt, 2018 (subgroup analysis)<br><br>RCT (Multi-center; 9 sites)<br><br>US<br><br>Government | <p><b>Population:</b><br/>Symptoms suggestive of acute coronary syndromes</p> <p><b>Setting:</b><br/>Emergency department</p> <p><b>Inclusion:</b><br/>Chest pain (or anginal equivalent) of at least 5 minutes' duration within 24 hours before presentation; age 40 to 74 years; sinus rhythm; warranted further risk stratification to rule out acute coronary syndromes.</p> <p><b>Exclusion:</b><br/>History of known coronary artery disease; new diagnostic ischemic changes on initial ECG; initial troponin level &gt; 99th percentile of local assay; impaired renal function (creatinine &gt;1.5 mg/dL [132.6 μmol/L]); hemodynamic or clinical instability; known allergy to an iodinated contrast agent; BMI &gt; 40; currently symptomatic asthma.</p> | <p><b>A: CCTA (n=501)</b><br/>                     - CCTA not performed in 5.6% (28/501)<br/> <b>Stressor:</b> NA<br/> <b>Contrast:</b> NR<br/> <b>Protocol:</b> All test results were provided to emergency department physicians in real time. Additional care was not mandated by the study protocol in either group. The discharge diagnosis was based on the local physicians' assessment.<br/> <b>Definition of positive test:</b> NR</p> <p><b>B: Any functional testing or no testing (n=499)</b><br/>                     Patients received either no testing or functional testing such as exercise ECG, stress radionuclide imaging, or stress echocardiography<br/>                     - SPECT: 25% (124/499)<br/>                     - Stress echo: 20% (102/499)<br/>                     - ETT: 29% (147/499)<br/>                     - No testing at index visit: 22% (109/499)<br/>                     - Unknown: 3% (17/499)</p> | A vs. B<br><br><u>Number of cardiovascular risk factors:</u><br>0 or 1: 36% vs. 38%<br>2 or 3: 54% vs. 52%<br>≥ 4: 10% vs. 10% | A vs. B<br><br><u>Subgroup:</u> None<br><u>N randomized:</u> 1000<br><u>Mean age (SD):</u> 54 vs. 54 years<br><u>Female:</u> 48% vs. 46%<br><u>Race:</u><br>- Black: 28% vs. 28%<br>- White: 66% vs. 66%<br>- Asian: 4% vs. 23%<br>- Other: 2% vs. 4%<br><u>Ethnicity:</u><br>- Non-Hispanic: 87% vs. 85%<br><u>Chest pain:</u> 100% vs. 100%<br>-Typical angina: 89% vs. 91%<br>-Atypical angina: 11% vs. 9%<br><u>Dyspnea:</u> 1% vs. 2%<br><u>Prior MI:</u> NR<br><u>Prior revascularization:</u> NR<br><u>Known CAD:</u> NR<br><u>Chest pain frequency:</u> NR<br><u>Hypertension:</u> 54% vs. 54%<br><u>Hyperlipidemia:</u> 46% vs. 45% | 28 days: 98.7% (987/1000)<br>(Patients assessed by telephone for occurrence of MACE and health care utilization) |

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|   |  |   |   | <p><u>Diabetes</u>: 17% vs. 17%<br/> <u>Current or former smoker</u>: 50% vs. 49%<br/> <u>Family history of premature CAD</u>: 27% vs. 27%<br/> <u>Mean BMI</u>: 29.4 vs. 29.1</p>  |  |
| <p>ACRIN-PA trial<br/><br/>Litt, 2012<br/>Hollander, 2016<br/><br/>RCT (Multi-center; 5 sites)<br/><br/>US<br/><br/>Government and Non-profit</p> | <p><u>Population</u>:<br/>Symptoms suggestive of acute coronary syndromes<br/><br/><u>Setting</u>:<br/>Emergency department<br/><br/><u>Inclusion</u>:<br/>Chest pain, signs or symptoms consistent with possible acute coronary syndrome; age ≥ 30 years; ECG without evidence of acute ischemia; initial TIMI score of 0 to 2<br/><br/><u>Exclusion</u>:<br/>Symptoms clearly noncardiac; coexisting condition necessitating admission regardless of acute coronary syndrome; normal findings on CCTA or invasive angiography in the previous year; or contraindications to CCTA</p> | <p><b>A: CCTA (≥64 slice MDCT) (n=908)**</b><br/>                     - Underwent CCTA: 84% (767/908)<br/>                     - Underwent stress testing 14% (124/908)<br/>                     - No imaging or provocative testing: 9% (80/908)<br/>                     [Most common reason for not receiving CCTA was because of persistent elevation of the heart rate (27%)]<br/> <u>Stressor</u>: NA<br/> <u>Contrast</u>: NR<br/> <u>Protocol</u>:<br/>Reported results included a calcium score and both cardiac and noncardiac findings. After CCTA, a second measurement of troponin levels was obtained 90 to 180 minutes after arrival in the emergency department. Local interpretations of CT studies were used for "real time" clinical decision making.<br/> <u>Definition of positive test</u>:</p> | <p>A vs. B<br/><br/>All patients low to intermediate risk as stated by authors<br/><br/><u>Thrombolysis in Myocardial Infarction risk score</u>:<br/>0: 51% vs. 51%<br/>1: 36% vs. 36%<br/>≥ 2: 13% vs. 13%</p> | <p>A vs. B<br/><br/><u>Subgroup</u>: Low to intermediate risk<br/> <u>N randomized</u>: 1,392<br/> <u>Mean age (SD)</u>: 49 vs. 50 years<br/> <u>Female</u>: 51% vs. 56%<br/> <u>Race/Ethnicity</u>:<br/>                     -Black: 58% vs. 62%<br/>                     -White: 40% vs. 35%<br/>                     -Asian: 1% vs. 2%<br/>                     -American Indian or Alaska Native: 1% vs. 1%<br/>                     -Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander: &lt;1% vs. 0%<br/>                     -Unknown: 1% vs. 1%<br/>                     -Hispanic or Latino: 2% vs. 2%<br/> <u>Chest pain</u>: 100% vs. 100%<br/> <u>Dyspnea</u>: NR<br/> <u>Prior MI</u>: 1% vs. 1%</p> | <p>(Patients assessed by telephone for MI, CV hospitalization, revascularization, cardiac testing, seen by cardiologist, and medicines. Medical record review if reported hospitalization or adverse effects)<br/><br/>30 days: 98.4% (1370/1392)<br/>12 months: 92.3% (1285/1392)</p> |

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|   |  | <p>≥ 50% coronary artery stenosis<br/>Positive stress test: Test shows ST-segment elevation or depression of more than 1 mm or reversible ischemia on imaging</p> <p><b>B: Any functional testing or no testing (n=462)**</b><br/><u>Stressor:</u> Graded exercise or pharmacologic stress according to local institution's protocol.<br/><u>Contrast:</u> NR<br/><u>Protocol:</u><br/>Physician decided which tests to perform, if any.<br/>- Underwent stress testing with imaging: 56% (258/462)<br/>- Stress testing without imaging: 2% (9/462)<br/>- Underwent CCTA: 6% (26/462)<br/>- No testing: 36% (167/462)<br/><u>Definition of positive test:</u><br/>≥ 50% coronary artery stenosis<br/>Positive stress test: Test shows ST-segment elevation or depression of more than 1 mm or reversible ischemia on imaging</p> |                                 | <p><u>Prior revascularization:</u><br/>NR<br/><u>Known CAD:</u> NR<br/><u>Chest pain frequency:</u><br/>NR<br/><u>Hypertension:</u> 51% vs. 50%<br/><u>Hypercholesterolemia:</u><br/>27% vs. 26%<br/><u>Diabetes:</u> 14% vs. 14%<br/><u>Current smoking:</u> 32% vs. 34%<br/><u>Heart failure:</u> 1% vs. 2%<br/><u>Family history of CAD:</u><br/>30% vs. 27%</p> |   |
| BEACON trial Dedic, 2016                        | <u>Population:</u><br>Acute chest pain or symptoms suggestive of acute coronary syndrome | The initial standard clinical work-up at the ED included a 12-lead electrocardiogram and blood analysis for all patients. If the initial  | A vs. B<br><br>Grace risk score | A vs. B   | 30 days: 98% (490/500)                      |

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| RCT (Multi-center; 7 sites)<br><br>Netherlands<br><br>University funded | <p><u>Setting:</u><br/>Emergency department</p> <p><u>Inclusion:</u><br/>Patients with chest pain, signs or symptoms consistent with possible acute coronary syndrome, 30 years of age and older, with a maximum age of 75 years for men and 80 years for women</p> <p><u>Exclusion:</u><br/>Symptoms clearly of noncardiac origin or a coexisting condition already necessitated hospital admission. History of known CAD, clinical need for urgent invasive coronary angiography (ICA), clinical instability, serum troponin levels above 3 times the upper limit of the 99th percentile of the local assay, impaired renal function (estimated glomerular filtration rate &lt;60% of age-corrected normal values), pregnancy, known allergy to</p> | <p>clinical work-up did not reveal either an evident acute coronary syndrome or an evident noncardiac cause, eligible and consenting patients were randomized. In both groups, hs-troponins were available. Participants from both groups who were discharged from the ED, without prolonged observation (&lt;8 h) were asked to return to the outpatient clinic after 48 to 72 h for repeated measurement of cardiac biomarkers and a 12-lead ECG. This study focused on initial ED management without protocol-mandated medical management during the remaining clinical course.</p> <p><b>A: CCTA (≥64 slice MDCT) (n=250)</b><br/>                     - Underwent CCTA: 97% (243/250)<br/>                     - Did not undergo CCTA: 3% (7/250)</p> <p><u>Stressor:</u> NA<br/> <u>Contrast:</u> NR<br/> <u>Protocol:</u> CCTA was performed after the initial clinical work-up. Treating physicians were informed directly at the point of care regarding the result of CCTA and imaging-based recommendations</p> | <p><u>Low:</u> 84% (211/250) vs. 83% (208/250)<br/> <u>Intermediate:</u> 12% (31/250) vs. 16% (39/250)<br/> <u>High:</u> 3% (8/250) vs. 1% (3/250)</p> | <p><u>Subgroup:</u> Mostly low risk according to Grace risk score (84%)<br/> <u>N randomized:</u> 500<br/> <u>Mean age (SD):</u> 55 (8) vs. 53 (9) years<br/>                     Female: 49% vs. 45%<br/>                     Race: NR<br/> <u>Chest pain:</u> 100% vs. 100%<br/> <u>Dyspnea:</u> NR<br/> <u>Prior MI:</u> NR<br/> <u>Prior revascularization:</u> NR<br/> <u>Known CAD:</u> NR<br/> <u>Chest pain frequency:</u> NR<br/> <u>Hypertension:</u><br/>                     - &gt;150 mm Hg systolic or &gt;90 mm Hg diastolic: 17% vs. 17%<br/>                     - Treated: 26% vs. 28%<br/> <u>Hyperlipidemia:</u> NR<br/> <u>Diabetes:</u> NR<br/> <u>Current smoking:</u> 37% vs. 31%<br/> <u>History of peripheral artery disease:</u> 3% (8/250) vs. 3% (7/250)<br/> <u>History of transient ischemic</u></p> |   |

| Trial Author, year Study Design Country Funding                   | Population Setting Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria   | Tests evaluated  | Baseline risk for CAD*  | Patient characteristics*  | Length f/u (% followed) Cross-over, % (n/N)   |
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|   | <p>an iodinated contrast agent, severe arrhythmias, and body mass index &gt;40 kg/m2.</p>   | <p>were issued. Final medical management decisions were left to the treating physicians.<br/> <u>Definition of positive test:</u> ≥50% coronary artery stenosis</p> <p><b>B: Any functional testing</b><br/>                     - Underwent CCTA: 2% (6/250)<br/> <u>Stressor:</u> NR<br/> <u>Contrast:</u> NR<br/> <u>Protocol:</u> Attending physicians made clinical decisions regarding further testing, including repeated cardiac marker assessment, hospital admission, noninvasive tests, and referral to ICA, according to current guidelines.<br/> <u>Definition of positive test:</u> NR</p> |   | <p><u>attack/cerebrovascular accident:</u> 7% vs. 7%</p>  |   |
| <p>Miller, 2011<br/>RCT (Single center)<br/>US<br/>Government</p> | <p><u>Population:</u><br/>Acute chest pain patients with suspected CAD</p> <p><u>Setting:</u><br/>Emergency department</p> <p><u>Inclusion:</u><br/>Chest pain consistent with ischemia within previous 12 hours; ≥ 35 years old; low to intermediate risk of MI and / or complications; Normal or indeterminate ECG; negative cardiac biomarkers; required</p> | <p><b>A: CCTA (64 slice MDCT) (n=30)</b><br/> <u>Stressor:</u> NA<br/> <u>Contrast:</u> type NR<br/> <u>Protocol:</u> A nonenhanced ECG-gated scan was acquired for a coronary artery calcium (CAC) score followed by a contrast enhanced CCTA. Treatment decisions were made based on test results. Patients with no identified CAD were discharged home, patients with non-obstructive CAD were prescribed Statins, aspirin and/or Plavix, blood pressure medication, and were referred for</p>  | <p>A vs. B</p> <p>Low to intermediate risk for myocardial infarction and/or complications (according to Goldman risk)</p> | <p>A vs. B</p> <p><u>Subgroup:</u> Low to intermediate risk<br/> <u>N randomized:</u> 60<br/> <u>Mean age (SD):</u> 51 vs. 51 years<br/> <u>Female:</u> 57% vs. 43%<br/> <u>Race:</u><br/>                     - African American: 47% vs. 47%<br/>                     - Asian: 0% vs. 1%<br/>                     - White: 23% vs. 13%<br/>                     - Hispanic: 30% vs. 37%</p> | <p>90 days: 100% (60/60) (Patients assessed by telephone interview. Medical record review for in-network resource utilization. Out-of-network resource use predicted with utilization and cost-chest pain (UAC-CP) participant self-reporting.)</p> |

| Trial Author, year Study Design Country Funding | Population Setting Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria  | Tests evaluated   | Baseline risk for CAD* | Patient characteristics*   | Length f/u (% followed) Cross-over, % (n/N) |
|---|--|---|------------------------|--|---|
|   | <p>admission at time of risk stratification per ED physician; required cardiology consult in ED; able to hold breath ≥ 15 seconds (required for CCTA); heart rate &lt;70 beats / min (initially or after beta-blocker)</p> <p><u>Exclusion:</u><br/>                     Contraindication to iodinated and / or beta-blocking drugs; creatinine ≥ 1.2 mg/dL; pregnant or suspected; vulnerable population (e.g., incarcerated); documented CAD (by prior ICA, CCTA, PCI, or CABG); cardiac imaging within the past year that excluded CAD; clinically unstable; ECG diagnostic of ischemia or MI; atrial fibrillation or markedly irregular rhythm; contrast administered within previous 24 hours; unable to have 18-gauge antecubital IV access; medical care home out-of-network (to control for follow-up care).</p> | <p>further testing. Patients with obstructive CAD or a nondiagnostic scan were referred immediately for further testing.</p> <p><u>Definition of positive test:</u><br/>                     Positive (obstructive): &gt; 50% coronary artery stenosis.<br/>                     Positive (nonobstructive): presence of plaque without stenosis &gt; 50%</p> <p><b>B: Any functional testing (n=30)</b><br/> <u>Stressor:</u> NA<br/> <u>Contrast:</u> type NR<br/> <u>Protocol:</u> All patients (including those in Group A) were treated according to an algorithm that included 12-lead ECG, coronary biomarkers, and continuous ECG monitoring. All subjects received aspirin, sublingual nitroglycerin, and cardiology consultation. If indicated, additional testing included exercise stress test, nuclear perfusion testing, stress echocardiography, transesophageal echocardiography, and/or interventional catheterization.<br/> <u>Definition of positive test:</u> NR</p> |                        | <p><u>Chest pain:</u> 100% vs. 100%<br/>                     -Typical angina: NR<br/>                     -Atypical angina: NR<br/> <u>Dyspnea:</u> NR<br/> <u>Prior MI:</u> 0% vs. 0%<br/> <u>Prior revascularization:</u> 0% vs. 0%<br/> <u>Known CAD:</u> 0% vs. 0%<br/> <u>Chest pain frequency:</u> NR<br/> <u>Hypertension:</u> NR<br/> <u>Hyperlipidemia:</u> NR<br/> <u>Diabetes:</u> NR<br/> <u>Current smoking:</u> NR</p> |   |

ACS = acute coronary syndrome, BMI = body mass index, CABG = coronary artery bypass graft, CAC = coronary artery calcium, CACS = coronary artery calcium scoring, CAD = coronary artery disease, CCTA = coronary computed tomography, CT = computed tomography, ECG = electrocardiogram, ECHO = echocardiography, ED = emergency department, ExECG = exercise electrocardiogram, f/u = follow-up, ICA = invasive coronary angiogram, IQR = inter-quartile range, IV = intravenous, MDCT = multi-detector computed tomography, mg = milligram, MI = myocardial infarction, mL = milliliter, mm = millimeter, MPI = myocardial perfusion imaging, NA = not applicable, NR = not reported, PCI = percutaneous coronary intervention, RCT = randomized control trial, SD = standard deviation, SPECT = single photon emission computed tomography.

\* p-values non-significant unless reported

† 2 patients discharged themselves against medical advice and were excluded from analysis. Unclear to which group they belonged initially.

‡ Baseline risk Based on "Tatum et al. Comprehensive strategy for the evaluation and triage of the chest pain patient. Ann Emerg Med 1997;29:116-25"

§ Reported as MDCT, n = 51 and SOC, n = 49, with total as n = 99. Presumed correction for MDCT, n = 50.

\*\* It appears that patients could undergo more than one test at index visit though this is not explicitly stated.

**Appendix Table F2. Data abstraction for CCTA vs. any functional testing: Efficacy Outcomes**

| Author/trial<br>Interventions<br>Subgroup<br>analyses?<br>Formal test<br>for<br>interaction?                                     | Patient<br>disposition<br>Test result   | Mortality<br>(All –cause,<br>cardiac)  | Myocardial<br>infarction  | Referral for<br>treatment  | Referral for<br>additional testing   | Composite<br>outcomes  | Other   |
|--|---|--|---|--|--|--|---|
| <b>Suspected CAD</b>   |   |  |   |  |  |  |   |
| PROMISE<br>trial<br><br>CCTA vs.<br>functional<br>testing<br><br>Subgroup<br>analyses: Y<br>Formal test<br>for<br>interaction: Y | <b>Disposition</b><br>NR<br><br><b>Test Results, %<br/>(n/N)</b><br>From index<br>publication<br>(Douglas 2015)<br><u>Abnormal</u><br>(positive for CAD):<br>10.7% (517/4840)<br>vs. 11.7%<br>(556/4759),<br>p=0.1178<br><u>Normal</u> : NR<br><u>Indeterminate</u> :<br>NR<br><i>Test results not<br/>stratified by<br/>specific types of<br/>functional testing</i><br><br>From Ladapo<br>2016<br>Positive: 11.1%<br>(553/4996) vs. | <b>All-cause<br/>mortality<br/>(component<br/>of primary<br/>composite<br/>endpoint) ,<br/>% (n/N)</b><br><u>12 months</u><br>0.4%<br>(21/4996)<br>vs. 0.6%<br>(32/5007),<br>RR 0.66<br>(95% CI 0.38<br>to 1.14),<br>p=0.1318<br><u>Median 25<br/>months<br/>follow-up</u><br>1.5%<br>(74/4996)<br>vs. 1.5%<br>(75/5007),<br>RR 0.99<br>(95% CI 0.72 | <b>Nonfatal MI<br/>(component<br/>of primary<br/>composite<br/>endpoint) ,<br/>% (n/N)</b><br><u>12 months</u><br>0.4%<br>(18/4996)<br>vs. 0.5%<br>(27/5007),<br>p=NR<br><u>Median 25<br/>months<br/>follow-up</u><br>0.6%<br>(30/4996)<br>vs. 0.8%<br>(40/5007),<br>p=NR | <b>Revascularization<br/>any, % (n/N)</b><br><u>60 days</u><br>6.1% (304/4996)<br>vs. 3.1%<br>(154/5007), p=NR<br><u>90 days</u><br>6.2% (311/4996)<br>vs. 3.2%<br>(158/5007), RR<br>1.97 (95% CI 1.63<br>to 2.38). p<0.0001<br><br><b>Revascularization<br/>(CABG only), %<br/>(n/N)</b><br><u>90 days</u><br>1.4% (72/4996) vs.<br>0.75% (38/5007),<br>RR 1.9 (95% CI 1.3<br>to 2.3), p=0.0011<br><br><b>Proportion of<br/>patients who<br/>initiated a<br/>preventive</b> | <b>Invasive Coronary<br/>Angiography, %<br/>(n/N)</b><br><u>60 days</u><br>12.0% (600/4996) vs.<br>8.1% (403/5007),<br>p=NR<br><u>90 days</u><br>12.2% (609/4996) vs.<br>8.1% (406/5007), RR<br>1.50 (95% CI 1.33 to<br>1.69), p<0.0001<br><br>- Cardiac<br>catheterization test<br>results of no<br>obstructive CAD:<br>27.9% (170/609) vs.<br>52.5% (213/406),<br>p=NR | <b>Primary composite<br/>end point<br/>(includes death<br/>from any cause,<br/>nonfatal MI,<br/>hospitalization for<br/>unstable angina,<br/>or major<br/>procedural<br/>complication), %<br/>(n/N)*</b><br><u>12 months</u> :<br>1.8% (88/4996) vs.<br>1.8% (91/5007),<br>adjusted HR 0.94<br>95% CI 0.70 to<br>1.26), p=0.682<br><u>Median 25 months<br/>follow-up</u><br>3.3% (164/4996)<br>vs. 3.0%<br>(151/5007),<br>adjusted HR 1.04<br>(95% CI 0.83 to<br>1.29), p=0.75 | <b>Hospitalization for<br/>unstable angina<br/>(component of<br/>composite endpoint), %<br/>(n/N)</b><br><u>12 months</u> :<br>1% (49/4996) vs. 0.7%<br>(34/5007), p=NR<br><u>Median 25 months<br/>follow-up</u> :<br>1.2% (61/4996) vs. 0.8%<br>(41/5007), p=NR<br><br><b>Duke Activity Status<br/>Index (DASI) (scale 0-<br/>58.2; higher=increased<br/>QOL, Mean (SD))</b><br><u>Baseline</u><br>25.5 (17.7) vs. 25.5<br>(17.8), p= NR<br><u>6 months</u><br>30.4 (17.8) vs. 30.5<br>(17.7), MD –0.1 (95% CI<br>–1.0 to 0.8), p=NR<br><u>12 months</u> |

| Author/trial Interventions Subgroup analyses? Formal test for interaction? | Patient disposition Test result   | Mortality (All –cause, cardiac)                          | Myocardial infarction | Referral for treatment   | Referral for additional testing | Composite outcomes  | Other   |
|--|---|--|-----------------------|--|---------------------------------|---|---|
|  | 11.6% (582/5007), p=NR<br>Negative: 82.0% (4096/4996) vs. 82.6% (4136/5007), p=NR<br>Indeterminate: 3.8% (188/4996) vs. 0.8% (39/5007), p=NR<br>Incomplete: 0.1% (3/4996) vs. 0.0% (2/5007), p=NR | to 1.36), p=0.9450<br><br><b>Cardiac mortality</b><br>NR |                       | <b>medication, and who were not initially using the medication at baseline, % (n's and N's NR)</b><br><u>By the 60-day visit</u><br>Aspirin: 11.8% vs. 7.8%, p<0.0001<br>Statin: 12.7% vs. 6.2%, p<0.0001<br>Beta-blocker: 8.1% vs. 5.3%, p<0.0001<br>Angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitor or angiotensin receptor blocker: 3.6% vs. 3.3%, p=NS<br><br><b>Proportion of patients who discontinued a preventive medication, and who were initially using the medication at</b> |                                 | <b>Secondary composite end point (primary composite end point plus catheterization showing no obstructive CAD), % (n/N)*</b><br><u>12 months</u><br>5.1% (256/4996) vs. 5.9% (296/5007), adjusted HR 0.85 (95% CI 0.72 to 1.00), p=0.055<br><u>Median 25 months follow-up</u><br>6.6% (332/4996) vs. 7.1% (353/5007) (adjusted HR 0.91 (95% CI 0.78 to 1.06) (p=0.22)<br><br><b>Death or nonfatal MI, % (n/N)*</b><br><u>12 months</u><br>7.8% (39/4996) vs. 11.4% (57/5007), | 29.9 (17.8) vs. 30.7 (17.7), MD –0.6 (95% CI –1.6 to 0.3), p=NR<br><u>24 months</u><br>31.2 (17.4) vs. 31.1 (17.4), MD 0.1 (95% CI –0.9 to 1.1), p=NR<br><br><b>Seattle Angina Questionnaire (SAQ) Angina Frequency Scale (higher=less frequent angina), Mean (SD)</b><br><u>Baseline</u><br>78.5 (16.9) vs. 78.2 (17.2), p=NR<br><u>6 months</u><br>93.1 (12.1) vs. 92.9 (13.1), MD 0.2 (95% CI –0.4 to 0.9), p=NR<br><u>12 months</u><br>94.0 (11.8) vs. 94.1 (11.6), MD –0.1 (95% CI –0.7 to 0.5), p=NR<br><u>24 months</u><br>95.0 (11.2) vs. 95.1 (10.8), MD –0.2 (95% CI –0.8 to 0.4), p=NR |

| Author/trial Interventions Subgroup analyses? Formal test for interaction? | Patient disposition Test result | Mortality (All –cause, cardiac) | Myocardial infarction | Referral for treatment   | Referral for additional testing | Composite outcomes   | Other   |
|--|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|--|---------------------------------|--|---|
|  |                                 |                                 |                       | <p><b>baseline, % (n’s and N’s NR)</b><br/> <u>By the 60-day visit</u><br/>                     Aspirin: 2.7% vs. 2.9%<br/>                     Statin: 2.2% vs. 2.1%<br/>                     Beta-blocker: 2.3% vs. 1.9%<br/>                     Angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitor or angiotensin receptor blocker: 2.5% vs. 2.52%</p> <p><b>Proportion of patients who continued a preventive medication, and who were initially using the medication at baseline,% (n’s and N’s NR)</b><br/> <u>By the 60-day visit</u><br/>                     Aspirin: 43.1% vs. 42.1%</p> |                                 | <p>adjusted HR 0.66 (95% CI 0.44 to 1.00), p=0.049<br/> <u>Median 25 months follow-up</u><br/>                     2.1% (104/4996) vs. 2.2% (112/5007), adjusted HR 0.88 (95% CI 0.67 to 1.15), p=0.35</p> <p><b>Death, nonfatal MI or hospitalization for unstable angina, % (n/N)*</b><br/> <u>12 months</u><br/>                     1.7% (86/4996) vs. 1.8% (88/5007), adjusted HR 0.95 (95% CI 0.71 to 1.28), p=0.736<br/> <u>Median 25 months follow-up</u><br/>                     3.2% (162/4996) vs. 3.0% (148/5007), adjusted HR 1.04</p> | <p><b>Seattle Angina Questionnaire (SAQ) QOL scale (scale 0-100; higher=increased QOL), Mean (SD)</b><br/> <u>Baseline</u><br/>                     56.3 (22.7) vs. 56.0 (22.8), p=NR<br/> <u>6 months</u><br/>                     80.4 (19.7) vs. 80.6 (20.1), MD –0.2 (95% CI –1.2 to 0.9), p=NR<br/> <u>12 months</u><br/>                     81.7 (19.1) vs. 82.4 (18.8), MD –0.5 (95% CI –1.5 to 0.6), p=NR<br/> <u>24 months</u><br/>                     82.8 (18.8) vs. 83.0 (18.6), MD –0.2 (95% CI –1.3 to 0.9), p=NR</p> <p><b>Seattle Angina Questionnaire (SAQ) Physical Limitation Score (scale 0-100; higher=increased physical functioning), Mean (SD)</b><br/> <u>Baseline</u></p> |

| Author/trial Interventions Subgroup analyses? Formal test for interaction? | Patient disposition Test result | Mortality (All –cause, cardiac) | Myocardial infarction | Referral for treatment  | Referral for additional testing | Composite outcomes            | Other   |
|--|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|---|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
|  |                                 |                                 |                       | Statin: 44.6% vs. 43.7%<br>Beta-blocker: 22.9% vs. 23.8%<br>Angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitor or angiotensin receptor blocker: 41.8% vs. 41.8%<br><br><b>Proportion of patients who never used a preventive medication, and who were not initially using the medication at baseline, % (n’s and N’s NR)</b><br><u>By the 60-day visit</u><br>Aspirin: 42.4% vs. 47.2%<br>Statin: 40.5% vs. 47.9%<br>Beta-blocker: 66.7% vs. 69.0% |                                 | (95% CI 0.84 to 1.31), p=0.70 | 78.6 (21.5) vs. 79.1 (22.0), p=NR<br><u>6 months</u><br>93.6 (14.6) vs. 94.0 (13.9), MD –0.4 (95% CI –1.2 to 0.4), p=NR<br><u>12 months</u><br>94.3 (14.1) vs. 95.0 (12.4), MD –0.8 (95% CI –1.6 to –0.0), p=NR<br><u>24 months</u><br>95.3 (12.1) vs. 94.8 (13.2), MD –0.7 (95% CI –1.5 to 0.1), p=NR<br><br><b>Seattle Angina Questionnaire (SAQ) Angina Stability (scale 0-100; lower scores indicate more frequent angina, higher scores less frequent angina, a score of 50 indicates no change in angina frequency at most strenuous level of activity), Mean (SD) Baseline</b> |

| Author/trial<br>Interventions<br>Subgroup<br>analyses?<br>Formal test<br>for<br>interaction? | Patient<br>disposition<br>Test result | Mortality<br>(All –cause,<br>cardiac) | Myocardial<br>infarction | Referral for<br>treatment  | Referral for<br>additional testing | Composite<br>outcomes | Other  |
|--|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|--|------------------------------------|-----------------------|--|
|  |                                       |                                       |                          | Angiotensin-<br>converting<br>enzyme inhibitor<br>or angiotensin<br>receptor blocker:<br>52% vs. 52.4%<br><br><b>Overall use of<br/>medication<br/>adjusted for<br/>patients’<br/>demographic and<br/>clinical<br/>characteristics<br/>and physician<br/>specialty, %<br/>(%, n’s and N’s<br/>NR)</b><br><u>60-days</u><br>Aspirin: adj. OR<br>1.54 (95% CI 1.34<br>to 1.76), p<0.0001<br>Statin: adj. OR<br>2.03 (95% CI 1.76<br>to 2.35) p<0.0001<br>Beta-blocker: adj.<br>OR 1.32 (95% CI<br>1.13 to 1.54),<br>p<0.0001 |                                    |                       | 44.2 (23.9) vs. 43.8<br>(25.2), p=NR<br><u>6 months</u><br>54.4 (16.5) vs. 53.7<br>(15.5), MD 0.7 (95% CI –<br>0.1 to 1.6), p=NR<br><u>12 months</u><br>52.2 (14.5) vs. 52.8<br>(14.8), MD –0.7 (95% CI<br>–1.5 to 0.1), p=NR<br><u>24 months</u><br>95.0 (12.9) vs. 51.3<br>(12.0), MD –0.1 (95% CI<br>–0.8 to 0.6), p=NR<br><br><b>Proportion of patients<br/>with moderate to<br/>severe depression on<br/>PHQ-9 (score ≥15), %<br/>(n/N)</b><br><u>Baseline</u><br>19.2% (2899/2982) vs.<br>18.2% (2895/3003),<br>p=0.34<br><u>6 months</u><br>14.8% (2669/2982) vs.<br>13.1% (2550/3003),<br>p=0.07<br><u>12 months</u> |

| Author/trial Interventions Subgroup analyses? Formal test for interaction? | Patient disposition Test result | Mortality (All –cause, cardiac) | Myocardial infarction | Referral for treatment   | Referral for additional testing | Composite outcomes | Other   |
|--|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|--|---------------------------------|--------------------|---|
|  |                                 |                                 |                       | <p>Angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitor or angiotensin receptor blocker: adj. OR 1.04 (95% CI 0.87 to 1.25), p=NS</p> <p><b>Prevalence of medication use among patients adjusting for Initial Test Results and Revascularization, % (n's and N's NR)</b></p> <p><u>60 days</u><br/>Aspirin: 54.8% vs. 49.7% adj. OR 1.43 (95% CI 1.24 to 1.65), p&lt;0.001<br/>Statin: 57.1% vs. 49.6% adj. OR 2.08 (95% CI 1.78 to 2.43)<br/>Beta-blocker: 30.9% vs. 28.9% adj. OR 1.17 (95%</p> |                                 |                    | <p>13% (2585/2982) vs. 11.5% (2392/3003), p=0.12<br/><u>24 months</u><br/>11.5% (2238/2982) vs. 10.7% (2001/3003), p=0.45</p> <p><b>Depression PHQ-9 (scale 0-27, higher=greater depression), Mean (SD)</b></p> <p><u>Baseline</u><br/>5.6 (5.2) vs. 5.4 (5.4), p=NR<br/><u>6 months</u><br/>4.3 (5.0) vs. 4.5 (4.9), MD 0.1 (95% CI –0.2 to 0.3), p=NR<br/><u>12 months</u><br/>4.2 (4.9) vs. 3.9 (4.6), MD 0.2 (95% CI –0.0 to 0.5), p=NR<br/><u>24 months</u><br/>3.8 (4.7) vs. 3.7 (4.5), MD 0.1 (95% CI –0.2 to 0.4), p=NR</p> |

| Author/trial<br>Interventions<br>Subgroup<br>analyses?<br>Formal test<br>for<br>interaction? | Patient<br>disposition<br>Test result | Mortality<br>(All –cause,<br>cardiac) | Myocardial<br>infarction | Referral for<br>treatment  | Referral for<br>additional testing | Composite<br>outcomes | Other  |
|--|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|--|------------------------------------|-----------------------|--|
|  |                                       |                                       |                          | CI 0.99 to 1.38),<br>p=0.064<br>Angiotensin-<br>converting<br>enzyme inhibitor<br>or angiotensin<br>receptor blocker:<br>adj. OR 1.01 (95%<br>CI 0.83 to 1.22),<br>p=0.935 |                                    |                       | <p><b>EQ-5D Health Status Index, Mean (SD)</b></p> <p><u>Baseline</u><br/>                     72.0 (19.5) vs. 72.4 (19.8), p=NR</p> <p><u>6 months</u><br/>                     75.1 (18.9) vs. 75.0 (20.0), MD -0.0 (-0.9 to 0.9), p=NR</p> <p><u>12 months</u><br/>                     74.7 (20.3) vs. 74.9 (21.2), MD -0.7 (-1.6 to 0.2), p=NR</p> <p><u>24 months</u><br/>                     73.2 (24.1) vs. 72.7 (24.9), MD 0.1 (-0.9 to 1.1), p=NR</p> <p><b>Treatment Satisfaction</b></p> <p><u>6 months</u><br/>                     89.4 (18.6) vs. 88.2 (20.9), MD 1.4 (95% CI 0.3 to 2.4), p=NR</p> <p><u>12 months</u><br/>                     89.4 (18.4) vs. 88.7 (20.0), MD 1.0 (95% CI – 0.1 to 2.1), p=NR</p> <p><u>24 months</u></p> |

| Author/trial<br>Interventions<br>Subgroup<br>analyses?<br>Formal test<br>for<br>interaction?                                | Patient<br>disposition<br>Test result   | Mortality<br>(All –cause,<br>cardiac)   | Myocardial<br>infarction   | Referral for<br>treatment   | Referral for<br>additional testing  | Composite<br>outcomes | Other   |
|---|---|---|--|---|---|-----------------------|---|
|   |   |   |  |   |   |                       | 89.8 (17.6) vs. 89.4 (18.6), MD 1.0 (95% CI – 0.1 to 2.1), p=NR   |
| <b>Suspected ACS</b>  |   |   |  |   |   |                       |   |
| Chang, 2008<br><br>CCTA vs.<br>functional<br>testing<br><br>Subgroup<br>analyses: Y<br>Formal test<br>for<br>interaction: N | <p><b>Disposition, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>Discharged from ED:</u><br/>59% (78/133) vs. 50% (66/133), p=NR<br/><u>Admitted to hospital:</u><br/>41% (55/133) vs. 50% (67/133), p=0.14</p> <p><b>Test result, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>Diagnosed with ACS:</u> 29% (39/133) vs. 29% (39/133), p=NR<br/><u>Stenosis &gt;50%:</u> 0.75% (1/133) vs. NR<br/><u>Perfusion abnormality</u></p> | <p><b>All-cause mortality, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>30 days</u><br/>0% (0/133) vs. 0% (0/133), p=NR</p> <p><b>Cardiac mortality, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>30 days</u><br/>0% (0/133) vs. 0% (0/133), p=NR</p> | <p><b>Nonfatal MI, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>30 days</u><br/>0% (0/133) vs. 0.75% (1/133), p=NR</p> | <p><b>Revascularization, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>Index visit</u><br/>20% (26/133) vs. 21% (28/133), p=NR</p> <p><b>Necessary admission for ACS:</b><br/><u>Index visit</u><br/>29% (39/133) vs. 29% (39/133); p=1.0</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Admission for NSTEMI: 8% (11/133) vs. 11% (15/133), p=NR</li> <li>Admission for Unstable Angina: 25% (28/113) vs. 18% (24/133), p=NR</li> </ul> | <p><b>Invasive Coronary Angiography, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>Index visit</u><br/>35% (47/133) vs. 43% (57/133), p=NR</p> <p><b>Stress testing, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>Index visit</u><br/>10% (13/133) vs. 50% (67/133)<sup>†</sup></p> <p>Test modality among SOC patients receiving stress testing in ER (n = 67):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Exercise treadmill: 78% (52/67)</li> <li>Myocardial stress perfusion imaging: 16% (11/67)</li> </ul> | NR                    | <p><b>ED length of stay (hours), median (IQR)</b><br/>4.8 (3.1 to 7.6) vs. 4.6 (3.2 to 7.1), p=0.98</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Intermediate risk: 4.5 (3.2 to 7.7) vs. 6.0 (4.1 to 8.9), p=0.055</li> <li>Low and high-risk: no difference</li> </ul> <p><b>Hospital length of stay (hours), median (IQR)<sup>‡</sup></b><br/>7.1 (4.1 to 97.5) vs. 26.6 (4.8 to 131.1), p=0.049</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>High risk: 94.7 (56.9 to 159.9) vs. 155.2 (95.5 to 266.1), p=0.036</li> <li>Low and intermediate risk: no difference</li> </ul> |

| Author/trial<br>Interventions<br>Subgroup<br>analyses?<br>Formal test<br>for<br>interaction?   | Patient<br>disposition<br>Test result  | Mortality<br>(All –cause,<br>cardiac)  | Myocardial<br>infarction  | Referral for<br>treatment   | Referral for<br>additional testing  | Composite<br>outcomes  | Other  |
|--|--|--|---|---|---|--|--|
|  | <u>without significant stenosis</u> : 0.75% (1/133) vs. NR   |  |   | <b>Unnecessary admissions<sup>§</sup>:</b><br><u>Index visit</u><br>5% (6/133) vs. 16% (21/133);<br>p=0.007**   | ○ Stress ECHO: 6% (4/67)  |  |  |
| CATCH trial<br><br>Linde 2013, 2015<br><br>CCTA vs. functional testing<br><br>Subgroup analyses: Y<br>Formal test for interaction: N | <b>Disposition, % (n/N)</b><br>All patients had already been discharged prior to randomization and returned for testing only<br><br><b>Test Results, % (n/N)</b><br><br><b>CCTA test results for group A</b><br><u>Severe stenosis (&gt;70%)</u> : 11% (31/272)<br><u>No significant CAD</u> : 74% (202/272) | <b>All-cause mortality, % (n/N)</b><br><u>120 days</u><br>NR<br><u>Median 18.7 month followup</u><br>0.7% (2/285) vs. 0% (0/291)<br><br><b>Cardiac mortality (component of composite endpoint), % (n/N)</b><br><u>120 days</u><br>0% (0/285) | <b>Acute MI (component of composite endpoint), % (n/N)</b><br><u>120 days</u><br>0% (0/285) vs. 1% (3/291)<br><u>Median 18.7 month followup</u><br>0.7% (2/285) vs. 2% (7/291), p=0.18<br><br><b>STEMI, % (n/N)</b> | <b>Revascularization performed (PCI or CABG) (component of composite endpoint), % (n/N)</b><br><u>120 days</u><br>10% (29/285) vs. 4% (12/291), p=0.005<br><u>Median 18.7 month followup</u><br>0% (0/285) vs. 0.7% (2/291), p=1.0<br><br><b>Revascularization performed (PCI only), % (n/N)</b><br><u>120 days</u> | <b>Referred for Invasive Coronary Angiography, % (n/N)</b><br><u>120 days</u><br>17% (49/285) vs. 12% (36/291), p=0.10 **<br><br><i>[14% (7/49) vs. 6% (2/36) underwent fractional flow reserve due to an intermediate diameter stenosis]</i><br><br>ICA test results<br>- Normal ICA: 29% (14/49) vs. 64% (23/36), p=0.002<br><br><b>Post-index repeated elective diagnostic</b> | <b>Proportion of patients experiencing a MACE (includes cardiac death, myocardial infarction, unstable angina pectoris, and revascularization), % (n/N)</b><br><u>120 days</u><br>NR<br><u>Median 18.7 month followup</u><br>2% (5/285) vs. 5% (14/291), HR 0.36 (95% CI 0.16 to 0.95), p=0.04 | <b>Unstable angina pectoris (component of composite endpoint), % (n/N)</b><br><u>120 days</u><br>0.4% (1/285) vs. 0% (0/291), p=NR<br><u>Median 18.7 month followup</u><br>1% (3/285) vs. 2% (5/291), p=0.72<br><br><b>Readmitted for chest pain (component of composite endpoint), % (n/N)</b><br><u>120 days</u><br>2% (7/285) vs. 4% (11/291), p=NR<br><br><b>Probability of event free survival, % (n/N)**</b> |

| Author/trial Interventions Subgroup analyses? Formal test for interaction? | Patient disposition Test result  | Mortality (All –cause, cardiac)   | Myocardial infarction   | Referral for treatment   | Referral for additional testing  | Composite outcomes   | Other  |
|--|--|---|---|--|--|--|--|
|  | <p>- No atherosclerosis: 52% (106/202)</p> <p>- Maximal stenosis &lt;25%: 22% (44/202)</p> <p>- Maximal stenosis of 25% to 49%: 26% (52/202)</p> <p><u>Borderline stenosis (50% to 69%): 9% (25/272)</u></p> <p><u>Non-diagnostic CCTA: 5% (14/272)</u></p> <p><i>No CCTA performed in 13 of the 285 patients in group A</i></p> <p><b>Exercise ECG/SPECT results for group B</b></p> <p><u>Ischemia: 10% (29/284)</u></p> | <p>vs. 0.3% (1/291)</p> <p><u>Median 18.7 month followup</u></p> <p>0% (0/285)</p> <p>vs. 0.3% (1/291), p=1.0</p> | <p><u>Median 18.7 month followup</u></p> <p>0% (0/285) vs. 0.7% (2/291), p=NR</p> <p><b>NSTEMI, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>Median 18.7 month followup</u></p> <p>0.7% (2/285) vs. 1.7% (5/291), p=NR</p> | <p>9% (25/285) vs. 3% (8/291), p=0.002</p> <p><u>Median 18.7 month followup</u></p> <p>NR</p> <p><b>Revascularization performed (CABG only), % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>120 days</u></p> <p>1.4% (4/285) vs. 1.4% (4/291), p=1.0</p> <p><u>Median 18.7 month followup</u></p> <p>NR</p> <p><b>Referral to medical treatment only (not further described), % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>120 days</u></p> <p>2% (6/285) vs. 0.3% (1/291), p=NR</p> | <p><b>testing during follow-up, % (n/N)</b></p> <p>- Bicycle exercise ECG: 0.7% (2/285) vs. 1.4% (4/291), p=0.69</p> <p>- SPECT: 1.4% (4/285) vs. 1.7% (5/291), p=1.0</p> <p>- CCTA: 0.4% (1/285) vs. 0% (0/291), p=0.49</p> <p>- ICA: 2.5% (7/285) vs. 1% (3/291), p=0.87</p> | <p><b>Proportion of patients experiencing a primary composite endpoint (includes MACE plus readmission for chest pain), % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>120 days</u></p> <p>NR</p> <p><u>Median 18.7 month followup</u></p> <p>11% (30/285) vs. 16% (47/291), HR 0.62 (95% CI 0.40 to 0.98), p=0.04, adj. HR 0.57 (95% CI 0.36 to 0.91), p=0.02<sup>§§</sup></p> | <p><u>120 days</u></p> <p>97.5% vs. 95%, Log-rank p=0.10</p> |

| Author/trial Interventions Subgroup analyses? Formal test for interaction? | Patient disposition Test result   | Mortality (All –cause, cardiac) | Myocardial infarction | Referral for treatment  | Referral for additional testing | Composite outcomes | Other |
|--|---|---------------------------------|-----------------------|---|---------------------------------|--------------------|-------|
|  | <p>No Ischemia: 85% (240/284)<br/>                     Non diagnostic test: 5% (15/284)<br/>                     No ECG or SPECT performed in 7 of the 291 patients in group B</p> <p><b>Functional Test Results, % (n/N)***</b></p> <p><u>Type of test received:</u><br/>                     - Exercise bicycle test: 75% (213/285) vs. 76% (221/291)<br/>                     - SPECT stress: 22% (64/285) vs. 22% (63/291)<br/>                     - No functional stress performed: 3% (8/285) vs. 2% (7/291) ***<br/>                     (Results for each of the above tests</p> |                                 |                       | <p><b>Medication prescribed after index visit, % (n/N)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Aspirin: 47% (134/285) vs. 36% (106/291), p=0.01</li> <li>- Statin: 44% (125/285) vs. 38% (110/291), p=0.15</li> <li>- Beta-blocker: 24% (67/285) vs. 19% (54/291), p=0.15</li> <li>- Calcium-blocker: 18% (52/285) vs. 11% (33/291), p=0.03</li> <li>- Nitrates: 17% (49/285) vs. 11% (33/291), p=0.016</li> <li>- Diuretics: 21% (61/285) vs. 14% (41/291), p=0.02</li> <li>- ACE-inhibitors/AT2-antagonist: 27% (76/285) vs. 24% (69/291), p=0.44</li> </ul> |                                 |                    |       |

| Author/trial Interventions Subgroup analyses? Formal test for interaction? | Patient disposition Test result   | Mortality (All –cause, cardiac) | Myocardial infarction | Referral for treatment  | Referral for additional testing | Composite outcomes | Other |
|--|---|---------------------------------|-----------------------|---|---------------------------------|--------------------|-------|
|  | <p><i>are reported below)</i></p> <p><u>Positive for ischemia on exercise bicycle test</u>: 8% (16/213) vs. 6% (14/221)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Positive based on ECG only: 44% (7/16) vs. 36% (5/14)</li> <li>- Positive based on ECG and chest pain: 31% (5/16) vs. 57% (8/14)</li> <li>- Positive based on chest pain only: 25% (4/16) vs. 7% (1/14)</li> </ul> <p><u>Non-diagnostic exercise bicycle test</u>: 9% (19/213) vs. 7% (15/221)</p> <p><u>Normal exercise bicycle test</u>: 84% (178/213) vs. 87% (192/221)</p> |                                 |                       | <p>- Platelet inhibitors: 14% (40/285) vs. 6% (18/291), p=0.002</p> |                                 |                    |       |

| Author/trial Interventions Subgroup analyses? Formal test for interaction?  | Patient disposition Test result  | Mortality (All –cause, cardiac)   | Myocardial infarction  | Referral for treatment   | Referral for additional testing  | Composite outcomes   | Other   |
|---|--|---|--|--|--|--|---|
|   | <p><u>Reversible defects identified on SPECT</u>: 22% (14/64) vs. 24% (15/63)</p> <p><u>No reversible defects identified on SPECT</u>: 78% (50/64) vs. 76% (48/63)</p>   |   |  |  |  |  |   |
| <p>ROMICAT-II trial</p> <p>Hoffman 2012</p> <p>CCTA vs. functional testing or no testing</p> <p>Subgroup analyses: Y<br/>Formal test for interaction: Y</p> | <p><b>Disposition, % (n/N)</b></p> <p>- Direct discharge from emergency department: 47% (233/501) vs. 12% (62/499)</p> <p>- Admission to observation unit: 30% (153/501) vs. 60% (301/499)</p> <p>- Admission to hospital: 21% (107/501) vs. 25% (125/499)</p> <p>- Left against medical advice:</p> | <p><b>All-cause mortality, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>28 days</u></p> <p>0% (0/501) vs. 0% (0/499)</p> | <p><b>Myocardial infarction (part of MACE composite outcome), % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>Index</u></p> <p>1.6% (8/501) vs. 3.0% (15/499), p=NR</p> <p><u>28 days</u></p> <p>0.2% (1/501) vs. 0.4% (4/499), p=NR</p> | <p><b>Received Any Revascularization, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>At index visit</u></p> <p>6% (29/501) vs. 4% (18/499), p=NR</p> <p><u>At index plus 28 day followup visit</u></p> <p>6% (32/501) vs. 4% (21/499), p=NR</p> <p><b>Received Percutaneous Coronary Intervention, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>At index visit</u></p> | <p><b>Received Invasive Coronary Angiography, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>At index visit</u></p> <p>11% (54/501) vs. 7% (36/499), p=0.06</p> <p><u>At index plus 28 day followup visit</u></p> <p>12% (59/501) vs. 8% (40/499), p=0.06</p> <p><b>Additional functional testing performed, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>At index visit</u></p> <p>- SPECT: 10% (50/501) vs. NA</p> | <p><b>Major adverse cardiovascular event (including death, myocardial infarction, unstable angina, or urgent coronary revascularization), % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>28 days</u></p> <p>0.4% (2/501) vs. 1.2% (6/499), p=0.18</p> | <p><b>Unstable angina pectoris requiring percutaneous coronary intervention (part of MACE composite outcome), % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>28 days</u></p> <p>0.2% (1/501) vs. 0.4% (2/499), p=NR</p> <p><b>Hospital length of stay, mean (SD)</b></p> <p><u>All patients in intention-to-treat analysis</u></p> <p>23.2 (37.0) vs. 30.8 (28.0) hours, p&lt;0.001</p> <p><u>Patients with final diagnosis other than</u></p> |

| Author/trial Interventions Subgroup analyses? Formal test for interaction? | Patient disposition Test result  | Mortality (All –cause, cardiac) | Myocardial infarction | Referral for treatment  | Referral for additional testing   | Composite outcomes | Other   |
|--|--|---------------------------------|-----------------------|---|---|--------------------|---|
|  | <p>2% (8/501) vs. 2% (11/499)<br/>p&lt;0.001 across all</p> <p><b>Test results, % (n/N)</b><br/>NR</p> |                                 |                       | <p>5% (24/501) vs. 3% (14/499), p=0.14</p> <p><u>At index plus 28 day followup visit</u><br/>5% (27/501) vs. 3% (17/499), p=0.16</p> <p><b>Received Coronary Artery Bypass Graft, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>At index visit</u><br/>1% (5/501) vs. 1% (4/499), p=0.99</p> <p><u>At index plus 28 day followup visit</u><br/>1% (5/501) vs. 1% (4/499), p=0.99</p> | <p>- Stress echo: 4% (20/501) vs. NA<br/>- ETT: 2% (12/501) vs. NA</p> <p><u>At index plus 28 day followup visit</u><br/>- SPECT: 10% (50/501) vs. 2% (9/499)<br/>- Stress echo: 4% (20/501) vs. 0% (0/499)<br/>- ETT: 2% (12/501) vs. 3% (15/499)</p> <p><b>Total number of diagnostic tests performed (including index test), % (n/N)</b><br/><u>28 day follow-up</u><br/>No testing: 2% (9/501) vs. 18% (89/499)<br/>1 test: 72% (359/501) vs. 70% (350/499)<br/>≥2 tests: 27% (133/501) vs. 12% (60/499)<br/>p&lt;0.001</p> |                    | <p><u>acute coronary syndrome</u><br/>17.2 (24.6) vs. 27.2 (19.5) hours, p&lt;0.001</p> <p><u>Patients with final diagnosis of acute coronary syndrome</u><br/>86.3 (72.3) vs. 83.8 (61.3) hours, p=0.87</p> <p><b>Follow-up for recurrent chest pain, % (n/N) within 28 days</b><br/>- Repeat visit to the ED: 2.8% (14/501) vs. 3.8% (19/499)<br/>- Repeat hospitalization: 1.4% (7/501) vs. 1.4% (7/499)<br/>p=0.38</p> <p><b>Discharge diagnosis after index emergency department visit or hospitalization, % (n/N)</b><br/>Normal (diagnosis of non-cardiac chest pain): 85% (426/501) vs. 89% (445/499), p=NR</p> |

| Author/trial Interventions Subgroup analyses? Formal test for interaction?   | Patient disposition Test result  | Mortality (All –cause, cardiac)   | Myocardial infarction  | Referral for treatment  | Referral for additional testing  | Composite outcomes  | Other   |
|--|--|---|--|---|--|---|---|
|  |  |   |  |   |  |   | Abnormal: 15% (75/501) vs. 11% (54/499), p=NR<br>- Noncoronary cardiac pain: 1% (7/501) vs. 2% (8/499) , p=NR<br>- Coronary chest pain not associated with acute coronary syndrome: 5% (25/501) vs. 3% (14/499), p=NR<br>- Acute coronary syndrome: 9% (43/501) vs. 6% (32/499), p=NR |
| ACRIN-PA trial<br><br>Litt, 2012<br>Hollander, 2016<br><br>CCTA vs. functional testing<br><br>Subgroup analyses: N | <b>Disposition, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Index visit</u><br>Discharged: 50% (450/908) vs. 23% (105/462), difference 26.8% (95% CI 21.4% vs. 32.2%), p=NR<br>Admission or observation: 50% (458/908) vs. 77% (357/462), p=NR | <b>All-cause mortality, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Index visit</u><br>0% (0/908) vs. 0% (0/908)<br><u>30 days</u><br>0% (0/908) vs. 0% (0/908)<br><u>12 months</u> | <b>Acute myocardial infarction, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Index visit</u><br>1.0% (9/908) vs. 0.9% (4/462), difference 0.1% (95% CI -5.5% to 5.7%), p=NR<br><u>30 days</u> | <b>Revascularization, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Index visit</u><br>3% (23/908) vs. 1% (4/462), difference 1.7% (-3.9% to 7.3%), p=NR<br><u>30 days</u><br>3% (24/893) vs. 1% (6/457), difference 1.4% | <b>Total number of diagnostic tests used (includes testing completed at index evaluation), % (n/N)***</b><br><u>From randomization to 30 days</u><br>CCTA: 85% (767/905) vs. 6% (27/454)<br>Stress test without imaging: 1% (11/886) vs. 2% (10/454) | <b>Major adverse cardiovascular event (including cardiac death and Acute myocardial infarction), % (n/N)</b><br><u>Index Visit</u><br>NR<br><u>30 days</u><br>NR<br><u>12 months</u><br>1.4% (12/870) vs. 1.1% (5/443), | <b>Hospital length of stay (hours), Median (IQR)</b><br><u>Index visit</u><br>- Across all patients: 18.0 (7.6 to 27.2) vs. 24.8 (19.2 to 30.5), p<0.001<br>- Across patients with a negative test: 12.3 (7.0 to 24.3) vs. 24.7 (19.7 to 29.6), p<0.001                               |

| Author/trial<br>Interventions<br>Subgroup<br>analyses?<br>Formal test<br>for<br>interaction? | Patient<br>disposition<br>Test result   | Mortality<br>(All –cause,<br>cardiac)   | Myocardial<br>infarction   | Referral for<br>treatment   | Referral for<br>additional testing   | Composite<br>outcomes                         | Other   |
|--|---|---|--|---|--|---|---|
|  | <p><b>Test results for tests performed at index visit, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>Index visit</u><br/>                     For CCTA<br/>                     - Normal: 83.4% (640/767) vs. 76.9% (20/26), p=NR<br/>                     - Abnormal (≥50% stenosis): 10.4% (80/767) vs. 15.4% (4/26), p=NR<br/>                     - Indeterminate or nondiagnostic: 6% (47/767) vs. 8% (2/26), p=NR<br/>                     For Stress testing (with or without imaging)<br/>                     - Normal: 79.0% (98/124) vs. 91.8% (245/267), p=NR<br/>                     - Abnormal: 12.1% (15/124)</p> | <p>0.2 (2/907) vs. 0.7% (3/461), difference – 0.4% (95% CI –6.0% to 5.2%), p=NR</p> <p><b>Cardiac Mortality, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>Index visit</u><br/>                     0% (0/908) vs. 0% (0/908)<br/> <u>30 days</u><br/>                     0% (0/908) vs. 0% (0/908)<br/> <u>12 months</u><br/>                     0.1% (1/906) vs. 0.1% (0/460), difference 0.1% (95% CI –5.5% to 5.7%), p=NR</p> | <p>1.10% (10/908) vs. 1.08% (5/462), difference 0.02% (95% CI –5.6% to 5.7%), p=NR</p> <p><u>12 months</u><br/>                     1.3% (11/870) vs. 1.1% (5/444), difference 0.1% (95% CI –5.6 to 5.9), p=NR</p> <p><b>Acute coronary syndrome without acute myocardial infarction, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>Index visit</u><br/>                     3% (28/908) vs. 2% (7/462),</p> | <p>(95% CI –4.3% to 7.0%), p=NR<br/> <u>12 months</u><br/>                     2.9% (25/872) vs. 1.6% (7/444), difference 1.3% (95% CI –4.4 to 7.0), p=NR</p> | <p>Stress test with imaging: 16% (140/891) vs. 58% (264/458)<br/>                     Resting echocardiogram: 6% (55/888) vs. 7% (30/454), difference – 0.4% (95% CI –6.1% to 5.2%)<br/> <u>From ED or hospital discharge through 12 months</u><br/>                     CCTA: 0.2% (2/822) vs. 1% (5/422), difference –0.9% (95% CI –6.8% to 4.9%), p=NR<br/>                     Stress test without imaging: 2% (19/827) vs. 0.5% (2/424), difference 1.8% (– 4.0% to 7.7%), p=NR<br/>                     Stress test with imaging: 7% (60/824) vs. 8% (33/422), difference –0.5% (95% CI –6.4% to 5.3%), p=NR</p> | <p>difference 0.3% (95% CI –5.5% to 6.0%)</p> | <p><b>Hospital admission after index visit, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>From ED or hospital discharge to 30 days</u><br/>                     3% (28/889) vs. 2% (11/456), difference 0.7% (95% CI –4.95% to 6.4%), p=NR<br/> <u>From ED or hospital discharge through 12 months</u><br/>                     16% (137/843) vs. 17% (74/432), difference – 0.9% (95% CI –6.7 to 4.9), p=NR</p> <p><b>Emergency department revisit, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>From ED or hospital discharge to 30 days</u><br/>                     8% (71/885) vs. 8% (34/452); 0.5% (95% CI – 5.2 to 6.2), p=NR<br/> <u>From ED or hospital discharge through 12 months</u><br/>                     36% (305/852) vs. 38% (166/438), difference –</p> |

| Author/trial<br>Interventions<br>Subgroup<br>analyses?<br>Formal test<br>for<br>interaction? | Patient<br>disposition<br>Test result  | Mortality<br>(All –cause,<br>cardiac) | Myocardial<br>infarction  | Referral for<br>treatment | Referral for<br>additional testing  | Composite<br>outcomes | Other  |
|--|--|---------------------------------------|---|---------------------------|---|-----------------------|--|
|  | vs. 6.0% (16/267),<br>p=NR<br>- Indeterminate or<br>nondiagnostic: 9%<br>(11/124) vs. 2%<br>(6/267), p=NR<br>For ICA<br>- Normal: 24.3%<br>(9/37) vs. 55.6%<br>(10/18), p=NR<br>- Abnormal:<br>75.7% (28/37) vs.<br>44.4% (8/18),<br>p=NR<br>- Indeterminate or<br>nondiagnostic: NR<br><br><b>Diagnosis of<br/>coronary disease,<br/>% (n/N)</b><br><u>Index visit</u><br>9% (82/908) vs.<br>3% (16/462),<br>difference 5.6%<br>(0% to 11.2%,<br>p=NR |                                       | difference<br>1.6% (95%<br>CI -4.0% to<br>7.2%), p=NR<br><u>30 days</u><br>NR<br><u>12 months</u><br>NR |                           | Resting<br>echocardiogram: 6%<br>(49/824) vs. 6%<br>(26/425), difference<br>-0.2% (95% CI -6.0<br>to 5.7), p=NR<br><br><b>Cardiac<br/>Catheterization, %<br/>(n/N)</b><br><u>At index visit</u><br>4% (37/908) vs. 4%<br>(18/462), p=NR<br><u>From ED or hospital<br/>discharge to 30 days</u><br>0.9% (8/887) vs. 4%<br>(1/454), p=NR<br><u>From ED or hospital<br/>discharge through 12<br/>months</u><br>3% (24/829) vs. 3%<br>(13/432), difference<br>-0.2% (95% CI -6.0%<br>to 5.7%), p=NR<br><br><b>Medication use, %<br/>(n/N)</b><br><u>Prescribed at index<br/>visit</u> |                       | 2.1% (95% CI -7.9% to<br>3.7%), p=NR<br><br><b>Cardiologist office visit,<br/>% (n/N)</b><br><u>From ED or hospital<br/>discharge to 30 days</u><br>7% (62/878) vs. 4%<br>(17/451), difference<br>3.3% (95% CI -2.4% to<br>9.0%), p=NR<br><u>From ED or hospital<br/>discharge through 12<br/>months</u><br>18% (148/821) vs. 13%<br>(53/423), difference<br>5.5% (95% CI -0.4% to<br>11.3%) |

| Author/trial<br>Interventions<br>Subgroup<br>analyses?<br>Formal test<br>for<br>interaction? | Patient<br>disposition<br>Test result | Mortality<br>(All –cause,<br>cardiac) | Myocardial<br>infarction | Referral for<br>treatment | Referral for<br>additional testing   | Composite<br>outcomes | Other |
|--|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--|-----------------------|-------|
|  |                                       |                                       |                          |                           | <p>- Aspirin: 26% (233/908) vs. 24% (110/462), difference 1.9% (95% CI -3.8% to 7.5%), p=NR</p> <p>- Thienopyridines: 3% (24/908) vs. 2% (7/462), difference 1.1% (95% CI -4.5% to 6.7%), p=NR</p> <p>- Statins: 17% (153/908) vs. 16% (75/462), difference 0.6% (95% CI -5.0% to 6.2%), p=NR</p> <p><u>Being used at 30 day followup</u></p> <p>- Aspirin: 22% (196/884) vs. 25% (113/452), difference -2.8% (95% CI -8.5% to 2.8%), p=NR</p> <p>- Thienopyridines: 4% (31/884) vs. 2% (8/452), difference 1.7% (95% CI -3.9% to 7.4%), p=NR</p> <p>- Statins: 14% (120/885) vs. 11% (48/452), difference</p> |                       |       |

| Author/trial Interventions Subgroup analyses? Formal test for interaction?                    | Patient disposition Test result   | Mortality (All –cause, cardiac)   | Myocardial infarction   | Referral for treatment   | Referral for additional testing   | Composite outcomes  | Other   |
|---|---|---|---|--|---|---|---|
|   |   |   |   |  | 2.9 % (95% CI -2.7% to 8.6%), p=NR<br><u>Being used at 12 month followup</u><br>- Aspirin: 34% (283/843) vs. 37% (159/433), difference -3.2% (95% CI -8.9% to 2.7%), p=NR<br>- Thienopyridines: 4% (37/830) vs. 3% (12/430), difference 1.7% (95% CI -4.2% to 7.5%)<br>- Statins: 24% (198/835) vs. 18% (78/431), difference 5.6% (95% CI -0.2% to 11.4%), p=NR |   |   |
| BEACON trial<br><br>Dedic 2016<br><br>CCTA vs. functional testing<br><br>Subgroup analyses: N | <b>Disposition, % (n/N)</b><br>- Discharged from the emergency department: 65% (159/250) vs. 59% (144/250), p=0.16<br>- Admitted to hospital: 35% | <b>All-cause mortality, % (n/N)</b><br><u>30 days</u><br>0.4% (1/250) vs. 0% (0/250), p=1.0 | <b>MI, any, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Index (at discharge)</u><br>6% (14/250) vs. 6% (14/250), p=NR | <b>Revascularization, % (n/N)</b><br><u>30 days</u><br>9% (22/250) vs. 7% (17/250), p=0.40<br>- Percutaneous coronary intervention: 9% | <b>Received Invasive Coronary Angiography, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Index visit</u><br>14% (34/250) vs. 0% (25/250), p=0.21  | <b>MACE (including death, acute coronary syndrome, and coronary revascularization), % (n/N)</b><br><u>30 days</u> | <b>Occurrence of undetected acute coronary syndrome after index visit, % (n/N)</b><br><u>30 days</u><br>0.5% (1/250) vs. 1% (3/250), p=0.62 |

| Author/trial Interventions Subgroup analyses? Formal test for interaction? | Patient disposition Test result   | Mortality (All –cause, cardiac) | Myocardial infarction | Referral for treatment  | Referral for additional testing   | Composite outcomes                          | Other  |
|--|---|---------------------------------|-----------------------|---|---|---|--|
|  | <p>(86/250) vs. 41% (101/250) p=0.16</p> <p><b>Test results for CCTA arm only, % (n/N)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- No detectable CAD: 42% (106/250)</li> <li>- Atherosclerotic plaque with &lt;50% luminal narrowing: 28% (71/250)</li> <li>- 50% to 70% luminal narrowing in 1 or more coronary Arteries: 14% (35/250)</li> <li>- ≥70% luminal narrowing in 1 or more coronary arteries: 5% (13/250)</li> <li>- Non-diagnostic: 7% (18/250) (<i>No test results were</i></li> </ul> |                                 |                       | <p>(22/250) vs. 5% (13/250), p=NR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Coronary artery bypass graft surgery: 0% (0/250) vs. 2% (4/250)</li> </ul> | <p><u>30 days (includes tests done at index visit)</u></p> <p>17% (41/250) vs. 13% (31/250), p=0.20</p> <p><b>Diagnostic testing utilization, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>At Index visit</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Exercise electrocardiography: 9% (23/250) vs. 53% (130/250), p&lt;0.01</li> <li>- SPECT: 1% (2/250) vs. 3% (7/250), p=0.18</li> <li>- Cardiac magnetic resonance imaging: 0.4% (1/250) vs. 0.4% (1/250), p=1.0</li> </ul> <p><u>30 days</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Exercise electrocardiography: 13% (32/250) vs. 58% (143/250), p&lt;0.01</li> <li>- SPECT: 1% (2/250) vs. 7% (16/250), p&lt;0.01</li> </ul> | <p>10% (25/250) vs. 9% (21/250), p=0.54</p> | <p><b>Emergency department revisit, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>30 days</u></p> <p>5% (13/250) vs. 8% (19/250), p=0.27</p> <p><b>Repeat hospital admission, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>30 days</u></p> <p>3% (7/250) vs. 6% (14/250), p=0.12</p> <p><b>Hospital length of stay (hours), Median (IQR)</b></p> <p><u>Index visit</u></p> <p>6.3 (4.8 to 11.1) vs. 6.3 (4.5 to 25.5), p=0.80</p> |

| Author/trial Interventions Subgroup analyses? Formal test for interaction?        | Patient disposition Test result  | Mortality (All –cause, cardiac) | Myocardial infarction | Referral for treatment  | Referral for additional testing  | Composite outcomes | Other   |
|---|--|---------------------------------|-----------------------|---|--|--------------------|---|
|   | <p><i>provided for patients randomized to group B)</i></p> <p><b>Diagnosis of Acute Coronary Syndrome, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>At hospital discharge</u><br/>9% (22/250) vs. 7% (17/250), p=0.40</p> <p>- Unstable angina: 3% (8/250) vs. 1% (3/250), p=NR</p> <p>- Myocardial infarction: 6% (14/250) vs. 6% (14/250), p=NR</p> |                                 |                       |   | <p>- Cardiac magnetic resonance imaging: 0.4% (1/250) vs. 1% (3/250), p=0.62</p> <p><u>After index visit</u></p> <p>- CCTA: 0.4% (1/250) vs. 1% (2/250), p=1.0</p> <p><b>Additional diagnostic testing in an outpatient setting after index ED visit (total of Exercise electrocardiography, SPECT, Cardiac magnetic resonance, and CCTA), % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>After index visit</u><br/>4% (10/250) vs. 11% (26/250), p&lt;0.01</p> |                    |   |
| <p>Miller 2011</p> <p>CCTA vs. functional testing</p> <p>Subgroup analyses: N</p> | <p><b>Disposition, % (n/N)</b></p> <p>- Admitted to hospital: 20% (6/30) vs. 53% (16/30), p=0.007</p>  | <p>NR</p>                       | <p>NR</p>             | <p><b>Proportion of patients receiving stents, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>90 days</u><br/>3% (1/30) vs. 0% (0/30), p=1.0</p> | <p><b>Proportion of patients requiring additional testing, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>90 days</u><br/>37% (11/30) vs. 57% (17/30), p=0.121</p>  |                    | <p><b>Proportion of patients requiring an emergency department revisit, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>90 days</u><br/>- None: 83% (25/30) vs. 67% (20/30)</p> |

| Author/trial Interventions Subgroup analyses? Formal test for interaction? | Patient disposition Test result  | Mortality (All –cause, cardiac) | Myocardial infarction | Referral for treatment | Referral for additional testing  | Composite outcomes | Other   |
|--|--|---------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|--|--------------------|---|
|  | <p><b>Test results. % (n/N)</b><br/>NR</p> <p><b>Final diagnosis, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>90 days</u><br/>- CAD present: 64% (18/28) vs. 17% (1/6)<br/>- CAD not present: 36% (10/28) vs. 83% (5/6)<br/>p=0.032<br/>[No diagnosis made: 7% (2/30) vs. 80% (24/30), p&lt;0.001]<br/>Gfdh</p> |                                 |                       |                        | <p><b>Specific type of additional testing required by patients, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>90 days</u><br/>- Transthoracic echocardiogram: 7% (2/30) vs. 17% (5/30), p=0.424<br/>- Stress echocardiography: 10% (3/30) vs. 3% (1/30), p=0.612<br/>- Exercise stress test: 7% (2/30) vs. 20% (6/30), p= 0.612<br/>- Transesophageal echocardiogram: 0% (0/30) vs. 0% (0/30), p=0.278<br/>- Coronary catheterization: 13% (4/30) vs. 13% (4/30), p=1.0</p> |                    | <p>- ≥ 1: 17% (5/30) vs. 33% (10/30)<br/>p=0.136</p> <p><b>Number of emergency department revisits, mean (SD)</b><br/><u>90 days</u><br/>2.0 (2.2) vs. 3.3 (4.0)</p> <p><b>Number of hospital days, Mean (SD)</b><br/><u>90 days</u><br/>3.0 (3.1) vs. 3.7 (3.9), p=0.704</p> <p><b>Proportion of participants hospitalized at least once during 90-day follow-up (admitted/readmitted), % (n/N)</b><br/><u>90 days</u><br/>20% (6/30) vs. 53% (16/30), p=0.007</p> |

| Author/trial Interventions Subgroup analyses? Formal test for interaction? | Patient disposition Test result | Mortality (All –cause, cardiac) | Myocardial infarction | Referral for treatment | Referral for additional testing | Composite outcomes | Other   |
|--|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|---|
|  |                                 |                                 |                       |                        |                                 |                    | <b>Proportion of patients with ≥1 return visit to cardiology, % (n/N) 90 days</b><br>105 (3/30) vs. 17% (5/30), p=0.706 |

ACE =Angiotensin-converting enzyme, ACS = acute coronary syndrome, CABG = coronary artery bypass graft, CAD = coronary artery disease, CCTA = coronary computed tomography, CI = confidence interval, ECHO = echocardiography, ED = emergency department, EQ-5D = European Quality of Life Five Dimension, ETT = exercise treadmill test, HR = hazard ratio, ICA = invasive coronary angiogram, IQR = inter-quartile range, MACE = major adverse cardiovascular events, MD = mean difference, MDCT = multi-detector computed tomography, MI = myocardial infarction, N = no, NA = not applicable, NR = not reported, NS = not significant, NSTEMI = Non-ST-Segment Elevation Myocardial Infarction, OR = odds ratio, PCI = percutaneous coronary intervention, PHQ = patient health questionnaire, QOL = quality of life, RR = risk ratio, SD = standard deviation, SOC = standard of care, SPECT = single photon emission computed tomography, STEMI = ST-Segment Elevation Myocardial Infarction, vs. = versus, Y = yes.

- \* All hazard ratios were adjusted for age, sex, CAD risk equivalent (history of either diabetes, peripheral arterial disease, or cerebrovascular disease), and the pre-specification of the intended functional test if randomized to the functional testing arm.
- † No MDCT group patients received stress testing in ED; 10% (13/133) has additional stress testing either as inpatient or outpatient, with no detail about which setting. All reported stress testing in SOC patients occurred in the ED
- ‡ Time from ED presentation to hospital discharge
- § Unnecessary admission: Admission for a medical condition that should not have led to hospitalization, which was ultimately confirmed to be neither ACS nor any medical conditions requiring hospitalization (determined by consensus of the outcome panel).
- \*\* Number for all controls reported in one table as n = 21; however, sum of values reported in another table for each of three pre-test probability levels n = 20.
- †† Adjusting for hypertension or other risk factors in a multivariate regression model did not change the outcome.
- ‡‡ Events were cardiac death, myocardial infarction, unstable angina pectoris, revascularization, and readmission for chest pain.
- §§ Adjusted for baseline hypertension and hyperlipidemia
- \*\*\* In this trial, all patients underwent both CCTA and a functional test (bicycle exercise-ECG and/or MPI) in addition to a clinical evaluation by an experienced cardiologist. However, in the standard care group CCTA results remained blinded for patients and clinical staff, and in the CCTA-guided group clinical decision making was based on CCTA-findings overruling stress test results.
- ††† Due to logistical reasons, a functional stress test was not performed in 8 patients in the CCTA-guided group and 2 patients in the standard care group. In addition, 3 patients in the standard care group had myocardial infarction before the test was performed, and one was considered to be at high risk-risk on the scheduled test-day, and therefore referred directly for invasive coronary angiography.
- ‡‡‡ Calculation of the between-group difference is not applicable, since testing disparities were dictated by the study design.

**Appendix Table F3. Data abstraction for CCTA vs. any functional testing: Safety Outcomes**

| Author/trial Interventions                       | Imaging-related AEs   | Incidental findings  | Radiation  |
|--|---|--|--|
| <b>Suspected CAD</b>                             |   |  |  |
| PROMISE trial<br><br>CCTA vs. functional testing | <p><b>Proportion of all as tested patients experiencing a major* complication, % (n/N)<sup>†</sup></b><br/> <u>Within 24 hours after index test</u><br/>                     CCTA vs. any functional test: 0% (0/4633) vs. 0% (0/4837), p&gt;0.05</p> <p><b>Proportion of all as randomized patients experiencing a major<sup>†</sup> complications, % (n/N)<sup>§</sup></b><br/> <u>Within 72 hours of index test</u><br/>                     CCTA vs. any functional test<br/>                     0.1% (4/4996) vs. 0.1% (5/5007), p=NR<br/>                     Stroke: 0.02% (1/4996) vs. 0.04% (2/5007), p=NR<br/>                     Major bleeding: 0.06% (3/4996) vs. 0.06% (3/5007), p=NR<br/>                     Anaphylaxis: 0% (0/4996) vs. 0% (0/5007), p=NR<br/>                     Renal failure requiring dialysis: 0% (0/4996) vs. 0% (0/5007), p=NR</p> <p><b>Proportion of all as tested patients experiencing any minor<sup>‡‡</sup> complication, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>Within 24 hours after index test</u><br/>                     CCTA vs. any functional test: 0.8% (37/4633) vs. 0.6% (27/4837), p=0.15<br/>                     CCTA vs. Nuclear Stress: 0.8% (37/4633) vs. 0.7% (23/3263), p=NR<br/>                     CCTA vs. Stress Echo: 0.8% (37/4633) vs. 0.3% (3/1083), p=NR</p> | <p><b>Proportion of all as tested patients with a potentially significant incidental finding, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>On Index test</u><br/>                     CCTA vs. any functional test: 11.6% (539/4633) vs. 0.7% (34/4837), p&lt;0.001<br/>                     CCTA vs. Nuclear Stress: 11.6% (539/4633) vs. 0.4% (13/3263), p=NR<br/>                     CCTA vs. Stress Echo: 11.6% (539/4633) vs. 1.9% (21/1083), p=NR<br/>                     NR for exercise electrocardiography</p> | <p><b>Cumulative radiation dose among all patients as randomized, Mean (SD) (N=10003; n=4996 vs. 5007)</b><br/> <u>≤90 days</u><br/>                     CCTA vs. any functional test: 12.0 (8.5) mSv vs. 10.1 (9.0) mSv, p&lt;0.001</p> <p><b>Stratified by physician’s intended functional test before randomization**</b><br/>                     CCTA vs. nuclear stress testing: 12.0 (8.4) mSv vs. 14.1 (7.6) mSv, p&lt;0.001<br/>                     CCTA vs. stress echo: 12.6 (9.0) mSv vs. 1.3 (4.3) mSv, p&lt;0.001<br/>                     CCTA vs. exercise electrocardiography: 10.4 (7.8) vs. 2.3 (5.4), p&lt;0.001</p> <p><b>Cumulative radiation dose among all patients as tested<sup>††</sup>, Mean (SD) (N=9470; n=4633 vs. 4837)</b><br/> <u>≤90 days</u><br/>                     CCTA vs. any functional test: 12.5 (8.4) mSv vs. 10.6 (8.9) mSv, p&lt;0.001</p> <p><b>Subgroup intended for nuclear stress testing before randomization**</b><br/>                     CCTA vs. nuclear stress testing (n=3146 vs. 3203): 13.6 (9.2) vs. 16.2 (7.7), p&lt;0.001</p> <p><b>Cumulative radiation dose among all patients as randomized, Median (IQR) (N=10003; n=4996 vs. 5007)</b></p> |

| Author/trial Interventions | Imaging-related AEs   | Incidental findings | Radiation   |
|----------------------------|---|---------------------|---|
|                            | <p>CCTA vs. Exercise electrocardiography: 0.8% (37/4633) vs. 0.2% (1/491), p=NR</p> <p><b>Type of minor complication occurring during functional testing amongst patients as tested, % (n/N)<sup>SS</sup></b><br/> <u>Within 24 hours after index test</u><br/>                     Nuclear Stress vs. Stress Echo vs. Exercise electrocardiography<br/>                     Hypotension: 0.2% (6/3263) vs. 0.2% (2/1083) vs. 0% (0/491)<br/>                     Stress induced symptoms: 0.1% (4/3263) vs. 0% (0/1083) vs. 0% (0/491)<br/>                     Ventricular tachycardia: 0.2% (5/3263) vs. 0% (0/1083) vs. 0% (0/491)<br/>                     Rapid atrial fibrillation: 0% (0/3263) vs. 0% (0/1083) vs. 0% (0/491)</p> <p><b>Type of minor complications occurring during CCTA amongst patients as tested, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>Within 24 hours after index test</u><br/>                     Mild contrast reaction: 0.5% (22/4633)<br/>                     Extravasation of contrast: 0.3% (12/4633)<br/>                     Hemodynamic instability: 0.1% (3/4633)<br/>                     Acute bronchospasm: 0% (0/4633)</p> <p><b>Proportion of all as tested patients experiencing hospital admission related to test complication, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>Within 24 hours after index test</u><br/>                     CCTA vs. any functional test: 0% (0/4633) vs. 0.1% (5/4837), p=NR</p> |                     | <p><u>≤90 days</u><br/>                     CCTA vs. any functional test: 10.0 (5.6 to 17.2) mSv vs. 11.3 (0.0 to 13.5) mSv, p=NR</p> <p><b>Stratified by physician’s intended functional test before randomization**</b><br/>                     Nuclear stress testing: 10.1 (5.7 to 17.1) mSv vs. 12.6 (11.1 to 16.0) mSv, p=NR<br/>                     Stress Echo: 10.6 (5.5 to 18.3) mSv vs. 0.0 (0.0 to 0.0) mSv, p=NR<br/>                     Exercise electrocardiography: 8.5 (4.8 to 15.7) mSv vs. 0.0 (0.0 to 0.0) mSv, p=NR</p> <p><b>Cumulative radiation dose among all patients as tested<sup>††</sup>, Median (IQR) (N=9470; n=4633 vs. 4837)</b><br/> <u>≤90 days</u><br/>                     CCTA vs. any functional test: 10.3 (6.1 to 17.4) vs. 11.5 (0.0 to 13.8), p=NR</p> <p><b>Subgroup intended for nuclear stress testing before randomization**</b><br/>                     CCTA vs. nuclear stress testing (n=3146 vs. 3203): 11.6 (6.7 to 18.5) vs. 13.1 (11.5 to 19.4), p=NR</p> <p><b>Proportion of patients receiving no radiation exposure (these patients are factored into the <i>as randomized</i> data above, but not the <i>as tested</i> data), % (n values NR)</b><br/> <u>≤90 days</u><br/>                     4.0% vs. 32.6%, p=NR</p> |

| Author/trial Interventions                     | Imaging-related AEs   | Incidental findings | Radiation   |
|--|---|---------------------|---|
|  | CCTA vs. Nuclear Stress: 0% (0/4633) vs. 0.1% (3/3263), p=NR<br>CCTA vs. Stress Echo: 0% (0/4633) vs. 0.1% (1/1083), p=NR<br>CCTA vs. Exercise electrocardiography: 0% (0/491) vs. 0.2% (1/491), p=NR |                     | <p><b>Radiation dose for index test only among subgroup intended for nuclear stress testing before randomization** analyzed as tested**</b><br/> <b>(n=3146 vs. 3203)</b></p> <p><u>Index test</u><br/>                     Mean (SD): 10.4 (6.6) vs. 14.1 (5.6), p&lt;0.001<br/>                     Median (IQR): 8.8 (5.3 to 14.6) vs. 12.6 (11.3 to 14.6), p=NR<br/>                     ≤9 mSv, % (n/N): 51.2% (1611/3146) vs. 7.0% (223/3203), p&lt;0.001</p> |
| <b>Suspected ACS</b>                           |   |                     |   |
| Chang, 2008<br><br>CCTA vs. functional testing | <p><b>Skin rash:</b> 1.5% (2/133) vs. NR [resolved spontaneously]</p> <p><b>Contrast-induced nephropathy:</b> 0% (0/133) vs. 0% (0/133)</p>   | NR                  | <p><b>Radiation exposure, mean (SD)</b></p> <p><u>Index test</u><br/>                     12.5 (2.0) mSV vs. NR</p>   |
| CATCH trial<br><br>CCTA vs. functional testing | NR  | NR                  | <p><b>Effective radiation dose for SPECT rest and stress:</b> 8.2 mSV</p> <p><b>Radiation dose for ICA, Median (IQR):</b> 6.2 mSV (3.8 to 12.5)</p> <p><b>Radiation dose for CCTA+CACS, Median (IQR)</b></p> <p><u>Index test</u><br/>                     4.7 (3.8 to 6.0) mSv</p> <p><b>Cumulative radiation does (mSv), Median (IQR):</b> 6.1 (4.2 to 12.6) vs. 0 (0 to 5.7), p&lt;0.0001</p>  |

| Author/trial Interventions  | Imaging-related AEs   | Incidental findings | Radiation   |
|---|---|---------------------|---|
| ROMICAT-II trial<br><br>CCTA vs. functional testing or no testing | <b>Transient increase in the creatinine level without the need for dialysis</b><br><u>Index test</u><br>0.2% (1/501) vs. 0% (0/499), p=NR   | NR                  | <b>Cumulative radiation exposure, Mean (SD) mSv/patient (includes exposure from CCTA, SPECT, and ICA)</b><br><u>28 days</u><br>14.3 (10.9) vs. 5.3 (9.6), p<0.001 |
| ACRIN-PA trial<br><br>CCTA vs. functional testing                 | <b>Bradycardia</b><br><u>Index test</u><br>0.1% (1/908) vs. 0.2% (1/462)<br>(Presumed to be related to medications to control heart rate)   | NR                  | NR  |
| BEACON trial<br><br>CCTA vs. functional testing                   | <b>Minor complications</b><br><u>Index test</u><br>Any complication: 4% (9/250) vs. 0.4% (1/250), p=NR<br>- Transient increases in creatinine levels: 1% (3/250) vs. 0.4% (1/250), p=NR<br>- Contrast medium extravasation without clinical consequences: 2% (4/250) vs. 0% (0/250), p=NR<br>- Mild medically treated allergic skin reaction: 1% (2/250) vs. 0% (0/250), p=NR | NR                  | <b>Cumulative radiation dose (mSv), Mean (SD)</b><br><u>30 days</u><br>7.3 (6.6) mSv vs. 2.6 (6.5) mSv, p=NR  |
| Miller 2011<br><br>CCTA vs. functional testing                    | NR  | NR                  | NR  |

ACS = acute coronary syndrome, CACS = coronary artery calcium scoring, CAD = coronary artery disease, CCTA = coronary computed tomography, ECHO = echocardiography, ICA = invasive coronary angiogram, IQR = inter-quartile range, mSv = millisieverts, NR = not reported, SD = standard deviation, SPECT = single photon emission computed tomography.

\* Major complications were defined as death, renal failure requiring dialysis, or anaphylaxis requiring emergency respiratory and/or circulatory support

† Data abstracted from Lu 2017 Table 2

‡ Major complications were defined as stroke, major bleeding, anaphylaxis, or renal failure requiring dialysis

§ Data abstracted from Douglas 2015 Supplemental Table S5

\*\* Prior to randomization, treating physicians specified which functional test the patient should receive if he or she were randomized to the functional arm, with randomization stratified by this preference.

†† All PROMISE subjects who had functional testing or CTA as their first test were included. Patients who had no test or who had invasive coronary angiography (ICA) as their first test were excluded. Computed tomography (CT) protocols commonly include a non-contrast CT for assessment of coronary artery calcium score before contrast-enhanced CTA to assess coronary artery stenosis. Some sites chose not to proceed with CTA in patients with a high calcium score; these participants were excluded as the radiation dose from calcium score CT alone is substantially lower than for CTA.

‡‡ For CCTA, minor complications included mild intravenous contrast reactions, contrast extravasation, and adverse reactions to nitroglycerin or beta blockers administered during the examination. For functional testing, minor complications included hemodynamic instability or hypotension, arrhythmia, and adverse drug reactions.

§§ The types of minor complications reported for CCTA differed from those reported for the functional tests (except for hospital admission which is reported separately). Therefore, no direct comparisons can be made.

**Appendix Table F4. Data abstraction for CCTA vs. Exercise ECG: Study and Patient Characteristics**

| Trial<br>Author, year<br>Study Design<br>Country<br>Funding  | Population<br>Setting<br>Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria  | Tests evaluated   | Baseline risk for<br>CAD*  | Patient characteristics*   | Length f/u (%<br>followed)<br>Cross-over, %<br>(n/N)  |
|--|--|---|--|--|---|
| <b>Suspected CAD</b>   |  |   |  |  |   |
| <p><b>SCOT-HEART trial</b></p> <p>SCOT-HEART investigators</p> <p>Multi-center (12 sites)</p> <p>Scotland</p> <p>Government and Foundation</p> | <p><u>Population:</u><br/>Stable suspected angina due to coronary heart disease</p> <p><u>Setting:</u><br/>Cardiology chest pain clinics</p> <p><u>Inclusion:</u><br/>Patients aged 18–75 years and referred by a primary-care physician to a dedicated cardiology chest pain clinic with stable suspected angina due to coronary heart disease</p> <p><u>Exclusion:</u><br/>Inability to undergo CT scanning, renal failure (serum creatinine &gt;250 µmol/L or estimated glomerular filtration rate &lt;30 mL/min), previous recruitment to the trial, major allergy to iodinated contrast media, inability to give informed consent, known pregnancy, and acute coronary syndrome within 3 months</p> | <p><b>A: CCTA (64 and 320 slice) + CACS + Exercise ECG (n=2073)</b></p> <p>- CCTA: 85.8% (1778/2073)</p> <p>- Exercise ECG only: 14.2% (295/2073)</p> <p><u>Stressor:</u> NA</p> <p><u>Contrast:</u> Iodinated contrast</p> <p><u>Protocol:</u> All patients underwent routine clinic assessment including, if deemed appropriate, symptom-limited exercise electrocardiography with the standard Bruce protocol. Symptoms (typical, atypical, or non-anginal chest pain according to the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence [NICE] definition), diagnosis, investigations, and treatment strategy were documented at the end of the clinic attendance, before randomization. This included categorizing (no, unlikely, probable, or yes) the likelihood of the diagnosis of coronary heart disease and angina due to coronary heart disease and documentation of the need for additional stress imaging, such as stress echocardiography, and</p> | <p>A vs. B</p> <p><u>Predicted 10-year risk of coronary heart disease according to the ASSIGN score, Mean % (SD)</u></p> <p>18% (11%) vs. 17% (12%)</p> <p><u>Estimated pretest probability (according to NICE 2010) (n=3770)</u></p> <p>&lt;10%: 11%</p> <p>10% to 29%: 19%</p> <p>30% to 59%: 26%</p> <p>60% to 89%: 25%</p> <p>&gt;90%: 19%</p> | <p>A vs. B</p> <p><u>Subgroup:</u> None</p> <p><u>N randomized:</u> 4146</p> <p><u>Mean age (SD):</u> 57 (9.7) vs. 57 (9.7) years</p> <p><u>Female:</u> 44% vs. 44%</p> <p><u>Race:</u> NR</p> <p><u>Chest pain:</u></p> <p>- Typical: 36% vs. 35%</p> <p>- Atypical: 24% vs. 23%</p> <p>- Non-anginal: 40% vs. 41%</p> <p><u>Dyspnea:</u> NR</p> <p><u>Prior MI:</u> NR</p> <p><u>Prior revascularization:</u> NR</p> <p><u>Known CAD:</u> NR</p> <p><u>Previous coronary heart disease:</u> 9% vs. 9%</p> <p><u>Previous cerebrovascular disease:</u> 4% vs. 2%</p> <p><u>Previous peripheral vascular disease:</u> 2% vs. 1%</p> <p><u>Chest pain frequency:</u> NR</p> <p><u>Hypertension:</u> 34% vs. 33%</p> <p><u>Hyperlipidemia:</u> NR</p> <p><u>Hypercholesterolaemia:</u> 53% vs. 53%</p> <p><u>Diabetes:</u> 11% vs. 11%</p> <p><u>Current and former smokers:</u> 53% vs. 53%</p> | <p>6 weeks</p> <p>5 years</p> <p>Median follow-up for the 2015 publication: 1.7 (range 0.1 to 4.1) years</p> <p>Median follow-up for the 2018 publication: 4.8 (range 3 to 7) years</p> <p>[comprising 20,254 patient-years of follow-up]</p> <p>% followed at 5 years: 98.4% (4080/4146)</p> |

| <b>Trial<br/>Author, year<br/>Study Design<br/>Country<br/>Funding</b> | <b>Population<br/>Setting<br/>Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria</b>                            | <b>Tests evaluated</b>  | <b>Baseline risk for<br/>CAD*</b>                   | <b>Patient characteristics*</b>                                  | <b>Length f/u (%<br/>followed)<br/>Cross-over, %<br/>(n/N)</b> |
|--|---|---|---|--|--|
|  |   | radionuclide or magnetic resonance myocardial perfusion imaging, and invasive coronary angiography.<br><u>Definition of positive test:</u><br>- Obstructive coronary artery disease: a luminal stenosis >70% in one or more major epicardial vessels or >50% in the left main stem<br>- Moderate non-obstructive: 50% to 70% luminal cross-sectional area stenoses<br>- Mild non-obstructive: 10% to 49% luminal cross-sectional area stenoses<br>- Normal: <10% luminal cross-sectional area stenoses<br><br><b>B: Exercise ECG (n=2073)</b><br>- Exercise ECG: 99.8% (2070/2073)<br>- CCTA: 0.2% (3/2073)<br><u>Stressor:</u> Exercise<br><u>Contrast:</u> NR<br><u>Protocol:</u> Same as above<br><u>Definition of positive test:</u> NR |   |  |  |
| <b>CAPP trial</b><br><br>McKavanagh, 2014                              | <u>Population:</u><br>Suspected CAD<br><br><u>Setting:</u><br>Rapid Access Chest Pain Clinics | <b>A: CCTA (64 slice) + CACS (n=250)</b><br>- CCTA+CACS: 98% (246/250)<br>- Other test (not specified): 2% (4/250)<br><u>Stressor:</u> NA   | A vs. B<br><br><b>Diamond and Forrester pretest</b> | A vs. B<br><br><u>Subgroup:</u> None<br><u>N randomized:</u> 500 | 3 months, 12 months  |

| <b>Trial<br/>Author, year<br/>Study Design<br/>Country<br/>Funding</b> | <b>Population<br/>Setting<br/>Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria</b>   | <b>Tests evaluated</b>   | <b>Baseline risk for<br/>CAD*</b>  | <b>Patient characteristics*</b>   | <b>Length f/u (%<br/>followed)<br/>Cross-over, %<br/>(n/N)</b> |
|--|--|--|--|---|--|
| Multi-center<br>(2 sites)<br><br>UK, Ireland<br><br>Government         | <p><u>Inclusion:</u><br/>Present with symptoms of stable chest pain, which is defined as troponin negative without symptoms suggestive of unstable angina.</p> <p><u>Exclusion:</u><br/>Standard contraindications to both exercise stress test and cardiac CT</p> | <p><u>Contrast:</u> Ioversal, Optiray 350 mg/mL</p> <p><u>Protocol:</u> All diagnoses at the clinics were made by the clinicians and considered both the clinical picture and the test result. All further investigations ordered were at the discretion of the clinicians and determined by clinical need. Patients with a CACS score &gt;400 were considered high risk and referred for ICA.</p> <p><u>Definition of positive test:</u><br/>Coronary diameter stenosis &gt;50% in a major epicardial artery &gt;2 mm was considered significant. Such results were deemed positive and could involve either calcified or non-calcified disease</p> <p><b>B: Exercise ECG (n=250)</b><br/>- Exercise ECG: 98% (245/250)<br/>- Other test (not specified): 2% (5/250)</p> <p><u>Stressor:</u> Treadmill (Bruce protocol)</p> <p><u>Contrast:</u> NA</p> <p><u>Protocol:</u> Same as above</p> <p><u>Definition of positive test:</u> Defined according to previous guidelines (Fox et al. Guidelines or management of stable angina)</p> | <p><b>likelihood of CAD, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>Low-risk (patients estimated to have &lt;30% likelihood of disease):</u> 43.6% (107/245) vs. 41.5% (101/243)</p> <p><u>Intermediate-risk (30-60%):</u> 25.3% (62/245) vs. 21.8% (53/243)</p> <p><u>High-risk (&gt;60%):</u> 31.0% (76/245) vs. 36.6% (89/243)</p> | <p><u>Mean age (SD):</u> 59 (10) vs. 58 (10)</p> <p><u>Female:</u> 43% vs. 47%</p> <p><u>Race:</u> NR</p> <p><u>Chest pain:</u><br/>- Typical angina: 34.6% vs. 27.8%<br/>- Atypical angina: 6.6% vs. 8.2%<br/>- Non-anginal pain: 58.8% vs. 63.7%</p> <p><u>Dyspnea:</u> NR</p> <p><u>Prior MI:</u> NR</p> <p><u>Prior revascularization:</u> NR</p> <p><u>Known CAD:</u> 0% vs. 0%</p> <p><u>Chest pain frequency:</u> NR</p> <p><u>Hypertension:</u> 31.6% vs. 29.7%</p> <p><u>Hyperlipidemia:</u> NR</p> <p><u>Diabetes:</u> 5.7% vs. 4.8%</p> <p><u>Current smoking:</u> 18.9% vs. 19.2%</p> | <p>% followed at 12 months: 97.6% (488/500)</p>                |

| Trial Author, year Study Design Country Funding  | Population Setting Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria   | Tests evaluated   | Baseline risk for CAD*                     | Patient characteristics*  | Length f/u (% followed) Cross-over, % (n/N)   |
|--|---|---|--|---|---|
|  |   | pectoris: executive summary. Eur Heart J 2006;27:1341-81.)  |  |   |   |
| <b>Suspected ACS</b>   |   |   |  |   |   |
| <b>CT-COMPARE trial</b><br><br>Hamilton-Craig, 2014<br><br>Single center<br><br>Australia<br><br>Government and Foundation | <p><b>Population:</b><br/>Possible ACS</p> <p><b>Setting:</b><br/>Emergency department</p> <p><b>Inclusion:</b><br/>Males ≥ 30 and females ≥ 40 years of age presenting to the ED with acute undifferentiated chest pain. Other inclusion criteria included intermediate probability of coronary artery disease according to the Cardiac Society of Australia and New Zealand guidelines, initial 12-lead ECG without evidence of acute ischemia, TIMI risk score &lt;4, and a negative first serum sensitive troponin-I with 99th centile at &lt;0.04 ng/mL. To be eligible for randomization, subjects needed to be pain-free and potentially able to exercise on a treadmill.</p> <p><b>Exclusion:</b><br/>Previous diagnosis of CAD, confirmed pregnancy of lactating</p> | <p><b>A: CCTA (n=322)</b><br/> <b>Stressor:</b> NR<br/> <b>Contrast:</b> Iomeron 350 (non-ionic isomolar contrast)<br/> <b>Protocol:</b> Negative (normal CCTA) subjects were discharged without repeat troponin. Patients with mild CCTA disease had a 6-hour troponin before being discharged with a letter to their family physician. Moderate disease (50–70%) was admitted for a second troponin, and managed at the discretion of the treating cardiologist. Severe disease (&gt;70%) subjects were admitted to the coronary care unit, treated as ACS according to current guidelines, and managed by the treating cardiologist with open access to CCTA data.<br/> <b>Definition of positive test:</b> &gt;50% stenosis considered positive</p> <p><b>B: Exercise ECG (n=240)</b><br/> <b>Stressor:</b> standard Bruce treadmill exercise ECG protocol<br/> <b>Contrast:</b> NA</p> | All patients were low to intermediate risk | A vs. B<br><br><b>Subgroup:</b> None<br><b>N randomized:</b> 562<br><b>Mean age (SD):</b> 52 (10.7) vs. 52 (9.8)<br><b>Female:</b> 43% vs. 42%<br><b>Race:</b><br><b>Chest pain:</b><br>-Typical angina: 89% vs. 91%<br>-Atypical angina: 11% vs. 9%<br><b>Dyspnea:</b> NR<br><b>Prior MI:</b> NR<br><b>Prior revascularization:</b> NR<br><b>Known CAD:</b> 0% vs. 0%<br><b>Chest pain frequency:</b> NR<br><b>Hypertension:</b> 31% vs. 31%<br><b>Hyperlipidemia:</b> 25% vs. 24%<br><b>Diabetes:</b> 7% vs. 6%<br><b>Current smoking:</b> 24% vs. 23%<br><b>Family history of CAD:</b> 33% vs. 33% | 30 days (via telephone), 6 and 12 months<br><br>% followed at 12 months: 100% (562/562) |

| Trial<br>Author, year<br>Study Design<br>Country<br>Funding | Population<br>Setting<br>Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria  | Tests evaluated  | Baseline risk for<br>CAD* | Patient characteristics* | Length f/u (%<br>followed)<br>Cross-over, %<br>(n/N) |
|---|--|--|---------------------------|--------------------------|--|
|   | female; history of severe reactive airway disease or current exacerbation, allergy or contraindication to iodinated contrast or beta-blockade medication; current atrial fibrillation; and renal impairment (eGFR <50 ml/min using the MDRD equation). | <u>Protocol:</u> A cardiologist independently adjudicated the Exercise ECG result using standard criteria for myocardial ischemia. Subjects without Exercise ECG evidence of myocardial ischemia were discharged. Subjects with positive or equivocal ExECG results were managed at the discretion of the treating cardiologist.<br><u>Definition of positive test:</u> NR |                           |                          |  |

ACS = acute coronary syndrome, CACS = coronary artery calcium scoring, CAD = coronary artery disease, CCTA = coronary computed tomography, CT = computed tomography, ECG = electrocardiogram, ExECG = exercise electrocardiogram, f/u = follow-up, ICA = invasive coronary angiogram, MI = myocardial infarction, mL = milliliter, NA = not applicable, NICE = National Institute for Health and Care Excellence, NR = not reported, SD = standard deviation, TIMI = Thrombolysis in Myocardial Infarction.

\* p-values non-significant unless reported

† CTCAs were mainly done with the 320 detector row scanner (n=1343)

‡ Patients with acute chest pain are not seen in such clinics but are referred directly to the emergency department.

**Appendix Table F5. Data abstraction for CCTA vs. Exercise ECG: Efficacy Outcomes**

| Author/trial<br>Interventions<br>Subgroup<br>analyses?<br>Formal test<br>for<br>interaction?  | Patient disposition<br>Test result  | Mortality<br>(All-cause,<br>cardiac)  | Myocardial<br>infarction  | Referral for<br>treatment   | Referral for<br>additional testing  | Composite<br>outcomes  | Other  |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|--|--|
| <b>Suspected CAD</b>  |   |   |   |   |   |  |  |
| SCOT-HEART<br>trial<br><br>The SCOT-<br>HEART<br>investigators<br>2015, 2018<br><br>CCTA (+ CACS)<br>+ Exercise ECG<br>vs. Exercise<br>ECG alone<br><br>Subgroup<br>analyses: Y<br>Test for<br>interaction: Y | <b>Disposition, % (n/N)</b><br>NR<br><br><b>Test results, % (n/N)</b><br>• Electrocardiogram<br>- Normal: 85%<br>(1757/2073) vs. 84%<br>(1735/2073)<br>- Abnormal: 14%<br>(292/2073) vs. 15%<br>(316/2073)<br>p=NR<br>• Stress<br>electrocardiograph<br>(received in 1764 and<br>1753 patients)<br>- Normal: 63%<br>(1103/1764) vs. 62%<br>(1085/1753)<br>- Abnormal (i.e.,<br>evidence of myocardial<br>ischemia): 15%<br>(264/1764) vs. 15%<br>(265/1753) | <b>All-cause<br/>mortality, %<br/>(n/N)</b><br><u>Median<br/>follow-up<br/>1.7 years</u><br>0.8%<br>(17/2073)<br>vs. 1.0%<br>(20/2073),<br>HR 0.860<br>(95% CI<br>0.450 to<br>1.642),<br>p=0.6468<br><u>Median<br/>follow-up<br/>4.8 years</u><br>2.1%<br>(43/2073)<br>vs. 2.1%<br>(43/2073),<br>HR 1.02<br>(95% CI 0.67<br>to 1.55),<br>p=NR | <b>Non-fatal<br/>myocardial<br/>infarction<br/>(all<br/>NSTEMI), %<br/>(n/N)</b><br><u>Median<br/>follow-up<br/>1.7 years</u><br>1.1%<br>(22/2073)<br>vs. 1.7%<br>(35/2073),<br>HR 0.627<br>(95% CI<br>0.367 to<br>1.069),<br>p=0.0862<br><u>Median<br/>follow-up<br/>4.8 years</u><br>2.1%<br>(44/2073)<br>vs. 3.5%<br>(73/2073),<br>HR 0.60 | <b>Proportion of patients<br/>undergoing any<br/>coronary<br/>revascularization, %<br/>(n/N)</b><br><u>Median follow-up 1.7<br/>years</u><br>• Any<br>revascularization:<br>11.2% (233/2073)<br>vs. 9.7%<br>(201/2073), HR<br>1.198 (95% CI<br>0.992 to 1.448),<br>p=0.0611*<br>- <b>PCI</b> : 8.9% (184/2073)<br>vs. 7.7% (160/2073),<br>p=0.1075<br>- <b>CABG</b> : 2.6%<br>(54/2073) vs. 2.2%<br>(45/2073), HR 1.190<br>(95% CI 0.963 to<br>1.472), p=0.1075<br><u>Median follow-up 4.8<br/>years</u><br>• Any<br>revascularization: | <b>Proportion of<br/>patients receiving<br/>any further<br/>investigation, %<br/>(n/N)</b><br><u>6 weeks</u><br>31% (633/2073) vs.<br>33% (682/2073)<br><br><b>Proportion of<br/>patients receiving<br/>invasive coronary<br/>angiography, %<br/>(n/N)</b><br><u>6 weeks</u><br>12% (255/2073) vs.<br>13% (260/2073)<br><u>Median follow-up<br/>4.6 years</u><br>23.6% (491/2073) vs.<br>24.2% (502/2073),<br>HR 1.00 (95% CI 0.88<br>to 1.13), p=NR<br><u>Hazard ratio for the<br/>rate of ICAs beyond</u> | <b>Coronary<br/>heart<br/>disease<br/>death and<br/>non-fatal<br/>myocardial<br/>infarction,<br/>% (n/N)</b><br><u>Median<br/>follow-up<br/>1.7 years</u><br>1.3%<br>(26/2073)<br>vs. 2.0%<br>(42/2073),<br>HR 0.616<br>(95% CI<br>0.378 to<br>1.006),<br>p=0.0527<br><u>Median<br/>follow-up<br/>4.6 years</u><br>2.3%<br>(48/2073)<br>vs. 3.9% | <b>Rehospitalizations<br/>for cardiac chest-<br/>pain, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Median follow-up<br/>1.7 years</u><br>3.7% (76/2073) vs.<br>3.3% (69/2073), HR<br>1.115 (95% CI 0.805<br>to 1.545), p=0.5130<br><br><b>Rehospitalizations<br/>for non-cardiac<br/>chest-pain, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Median follow-up<br/>1.7 years</u><br>8.8% (183/2073) vs.<br>10.0% (208/2073),<br>HR 0.864 (95% CI<br>0.708 to 1.054),<br>p=0.1498<br><br><b>Non-fatal stroke, %<br/>(n/N)</b><br><u>Median follow-up<br/>1.7 years</u> |

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|--|---|---|------------------------------------|---|--|---|--|
|  | <p>- Inconclusive: 16% (284/1764) vs. 16% (282/1753)<br/>p=NR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CACS (for group A patients only)</li> </ul> <p>- Low (&lt;100 Agatston Units): 65% (1159/1778)</p> <p>- Medium (100-400 Agatston Units): 17% (303/1778)</p> <p>- High (&gt;400 Agatston Units): 18% (315/1778)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CCTA (for group A patients only)</li> </ul> <p>- Normal: 37% (654/1778)</p> <p>- Mild (&lt;50%): 21% (372/1778)</p> <p>- Moderate (50–70%): 17% (300/1778)</p> <p>- Obstructive (&gt;70%): 25% (452/1778)</p> <p>    One vessel: 12% (207/1778)</p> <p>    Two vessel: 7% (128/1778)</p> | <p><b>Death from coronary heart disease (all deaths from fatal myocardial infarction), % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>Median follow-up 1.7 years</u></p> <p>0.2% (4/2073) vs. 0.3% (7/2073), HR 0.574 (95% CI 0.167 to 1.971), p=0.3776</p> <p><u>Median follow-up 4.8 years</u></p> <p>0.2% (4/2073) vs. 0.4% (9/2073), HR 0.46 (95% CI</p> | <p>(95% CI 0.41 to 0.87), p=NR</p> | <p>13.5% (279/2073) vs. 12.9% (267/2073), HR 1.07 (95% CI 0.91 to 1.27), p=NR†</p> <p>- <b>PCI</b>: 10.6% (219/2073) vs. 10.2% (212/2073), HR1.06 (95% CI 0.88 to 1.28), p=NR</p> <p>- <b>CABG</b>: 3.3% (69/2073) vs. 3.0% (62/2073), p=NR</p> <p><u>Hazard ratio for the rate of revascularizations occurring beyond 12 months: HR 0.59 95% (CI 0.38 to 0.90), p=NR</u></p> <p><b>Changes in recommended treatments compared to what clinicians recommended at baseline prior to randomization, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>6 weeks</u></p> <p>Preventive treatment</p> | <p><u>12 months: HR 0.70 95% (CI 0.52 to 0.95), p=NR</u></p> <p><b>Proportion of patients receiving additional stress imaging, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>6 weeks</u></p> <p>- Radionuclide: 9% (176/2073) vs. 10% (213/2073)</p> <p>- Other: 1% (16/2073) vs. 1% (14/2073)</p> <p><b>Changes in further investigations compared to what clinicians recommended at baseline prior to randomization, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>6 weeks</u></p> <p>Stress imaging</p> | <p>(81/2073), HR 0.59 (95% CI 0.41 to 0.84), p=0.004</p> <p><b>Coronary heart disease death, myocardial infarction and stroke, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>Median follow-up 1.7 years</u></p> <p>1.5% (31/2073) vs. 2.3% (48/2073), HR 0.644 (95% CI 0.410 to 1.012), p=0.0561</p> <p><u>Median follow-up 4.8 years</u></p> | <p>0.1% (5/2073) vs. 0.2% (7/2073), HR 0.727 (95% CI 0.228 to 2.315), p=0.5900</p> <p><u>Median follow-up 4.8 years</u></p> <p>0.7% (15/2073) vs. 1.0% (20/2073), HR 0.74 (95% CI 0.38 to 1.44), p=NR</p> <p><b>Seattle Angina Questionnaire. Mean (SD)</b></p> <p><u>Change from baseline at 6 weeks</u></p> <p>- Physical limitation: -0.5 (0.5) vs. -0.0 (0.5), MD -0.72 (95% CI -2.08 to 0.63), p=0.2957</p> <p>- Angina stability: 16.7 (0.9) vs. 15.8 (0.9), MD 1.03 (95% CI -0.61 to 2.68), p=0.2184</p> <p>- Angina frequency: 11.2 (0.6) vs. 11.8 (0.6), MD -0.84</p> |

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|  | <p>Three vessel: 7% (117/1778)</p> <p><b>Final diagnosis of coronary heart disease, % (n/N) (using all available information including that from subsequent testing)‡</b><br/><u>6 weeks</u><br/>23% (476/2073) vs. 11% (221/2073)</p> <p><b>Final diagnosis of angina due to coronary heart disease, % (n/N) (using all available information including that from subsequent testing)‡</b><br/><u>6 weeks</u><br/>11% (231/2073) vs. 7% (143/2073)</p> | <p>0.14 to 1.48), p=NR</p>     |                       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Any change in preventative treatment: 18% vs. 4%, p&lt;0.0001</li> <li>Cancelled: 3.7% (77/2073) vs. 0.4% (8/2073)</li> <li>New order: 14% (293/2073) vs. 4% (84/2073)</li> <li>Any change in antianginal treatment: 9% vs. 1%, p&lt;0.0001</li> <li>Cancelled: 5.4% (112/2073) vs. 0.3% (6/2073)</li> <li>New order: 4.0% (82/2073) vs. 0.5% (11/2073)</li> </ul> <p><b>Proportion of patients that commenced preventative therapies during follow-up, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>Median follow-up 4.8 years</u><br/>19.4% (402/2073) vs. 14.7% (305/2073), OR</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cancelled: 5.8% (121/2073) vs. 0% (0/2073)</li> <li>New order: 0.2% (5/2073) vs. 0.3% (6/2073)</li> <li>Invasive Coronary Angiography</li> <li>Cancelled: 1.4% (29/2073) vs. 0.05% (1/2073)</li> <li>New order: 4.5% (94/2073) vs. 0.4% (8/2073)</li> </ul> | <p>3.0% (63/2073) vs. 4.7% (97/2073), HR 0.65 (95% CI 0.47 to 0.89), p=NR</p> | <p>(-2.20 to 0.54), p=0.2277</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Treatment satisfaction: -7.0 (0.4) vs. -7.0 (17.1), MD 0.03 (95% CI -1.07 to 1.14), p=0.9525</li> <li>Quality of life: 8.7 (0.5) vs. 9.9 (0.6), MD -1.31 (95% CI -2.66 to 0.05), p=0.0585</li> <li><u>Change from baseline at 6 months</u></li> <li>Physical limitation: 1.6 (0.6) vs. 3.0 (0.6), MD -1.74 (95% CI -3.34 to -0.14), p=0.0329</li> <li>Angina stability: 13.4 (0.9) vs. 12.5 (0.9), MD 1.27 (95% CI -0.27 to 2.80), p=0.1059</li> <li>Angina frequency: 18.3 (0.6) vs. 19.2 (0.6), MD -1.55</li> </ul> |

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|  |                                 |                                |                       | <p>1.40 (95% CI 1.19 to 1.65), p=NR</p> <p><b>Proportion of patients that commenced anti-anginal therapies during follow-up, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>Median follow-up 4.8 years</u></p> <p>13.2% (273/2073) vs. 10.7% (221/2073), OR 1.27 (95% CI 1.05 to 1.54), p=NR</p> |                                 |                    | <p>(95% CI -2.85 to -0.25), p=0.0198</p> <p>- Treatment satisfaction: -5.0 (0.4) vs. -4.3 (0.4), MD -0.97 (95% CI -2.14 to 0.21), p=0.1060</p> <p>- Quality of life: 15.5 (0.6) vs. 18.6 (0.6), MD -3.48 (95% CI -4.95 to -2.01), p&lt;0.0001</p> <p><b>SF-12 Physical component summary score, Mean (SD)</b></p> <p><u>Baseline</u></p> <p>44.2 (0.2) vs. 44.0 (0.2), MD 0.1 (95% CI -0.5 to 0.8), p=0.70</p> <p><u>6 weeks</u></p> <p>44.3 (0.3) vs. 44.5 (0.3), MD -0.2 (95% CI -0.9 to 0.6), p=0.66</p> <p><u>6 months</u></p> |

| Author/trial Interventions Subgroup analyses? Formal test for interaction? | Patient disposition Test result   | Mortality (All-cause, cardiac)                          | Myocardial infarction                                     | Referral for treatment   | Referral for additional testing                        | Composite outcomes | Other  |
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|  |   |   |   |  |  |                    | 45.0 (0.3) vs. 46.0 (0.3), MD -1.0 (95% CI -1.8 to -0.2), p=0.01<br><br><b>SF-12 Mental component summary score, Mean (SD)</b><br><u>Baseline</u><br>46.1 (0.3) vs. 46.7 (0.3), MD -0.6 (95% CI -1.3 to 0.2), p=0.12<br><u>6 weeks</u><br>47.2 (0.3) vs. 47.0 (0.3), MD 0.2 (95% CI -0.6 to 1.0), p=0.57<br><u>6 months</u><br>47.8 (0.3) vs. 48.6 (0.3), MD -0.8 (95% CI -1.6 to 0.0), p=0.05 |
| <b>CAPP trial</b><br><br>McKavanagh 2015                                   | <b>Test results, % (n/N)</b><br>- Negative: 43.6% (106/243) vs. 53.9% (132/245), p=0.0021 | <b>All-cause mortality, % (n/N)</b><br><u>12 months</u> | <b>Myocardial infarction, % (n/N)</b><br><u>12 months</u> | <b>Proportion of patients receiving revascularization, % (n/N)</b> | <b>Proportion of patients receiving any additional</b> | NR                 | <b>Seattle Angina Questionnaire. Mean Difference in</b>  |

| Author/trial<br>Interventions<br>Subgroup<br>analyses?<br>Formal test<br>for<br>interaction? | Patient disposition<br>Test result  | Mortality<br>(All-cause,<br>cardiac)   | Myocardial<br>infarction                 | Referral for<br>treatment   | Referral for<br>additional testing   | Composite<br>outcomes | Other  |
|--|---|--|--|---|--|-----------------------|--|
| CCTA + CACS<br>vs. Exercise<br>ECG<br><br>Subgroup<br>analyses: N                            | - Positive: 54%<br>(131/243) vs. 19.2%<br>(47/245), p=0.0054<br>- Inconclusive: 2.5%<br>(6/243) vs. 27%<br>(66/245), p<0.0001 | 0.4% (1/243)<br>vs. 0.4%<br>(1/245),<br>p=NR<br><br><b>Cardiac-<br/>related<br/>mortality, %<br/>(n/N)</b><br><u>12 months</u><br>0% (0/243)<br>vs. 0%<br>(0/245),<br>p=NR | 0.41%<br>(1/243) vs.<br>0.82%<br>(2/245) | <u>12 months</u><br>Any revascularization:<br>15.2% (37/243) vs.<br>7.7% (19/245), p=NR<br>-CABG: 3.3% (8/243)<br>vs. 2.9% (7/245), p=NR<br>-PCI: 11.9% (29/243)<br>vs. 4.9% (12/245),<br>p=NR<br><br><b>Proportion of patients<br/>undergoing medical<br/>management only, %<br/>(n/N)</b><br><u>12 months</u><br>40.7% (99/243) vs.<br>14.3% (35/245), p=NR<br><br><b>Proportion of patients<br/>receiving no further<br/>intervention, % (n/N)</b><br><u>12 months</u><br>44% (107/243) vs.<br>78% (191/245), p=NR | <b>downstream testing,<br/>% (n/N)</b><br><u>12 months</u><br>Any further testing:<br>29.6% (72/243) vs.<br>52.2%(128/245),<br>p<0.0001<br>-MPI: 2.5% (6/243)<br>vs 24.5% (60/245),<br>p=NR<br>-ICA§: 27.2%<br>(66/243) vs 20.8%<br>(51/245), p=NR<br>-CCTA: 0% vs. 6.5%<br>(16/245), p=NR<br>-DSE: 0% vs. 0.4%<br>(1/245), p=NR |                       | <b>Change Scores from<br/>Baseline (95% CI)</b><br><u>3 months</u><br>- Quality of life: -5.7<br>(-10.3 to -1.2),<br>p=0.014<br>- Angina frequency:<br>-2.7 (-6.8 to 1.3),<br>p=0.184<br>- Angina stability: -<br>11.1 (-17.4 to -4.8),<br>p=0.001<br>- Physical<br>limitations: 20.54 (-<br>4.3 to 3.3), p=0.779<br>- Treatment<br>satisfaction:-2.12 (-<br>5.3 to 1.2), p=0.213<br><u>12 months</u><br>- Quality of life: -4.8<br>(-9.6 to -0.19 ),<br>p=0.041<br>- Angina<br>frequency:-1.9 (-6.0<br>to 2.2), p=0.365<br>- Angina stability: -<br>6.8 (-12.8 to -0.7),<br>p=0.028 |

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|  |                                 |                                |                       |                        |                                 |                    | <p>- Physical limitations: 0.33 (-4.3 to 5.0), p=0.889</p> <p>- Treatment satisfaction: -1.4 (-5.2 to 2.3), p=0.446</p> <p><b>Outpatient cardiology visits, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>12 months</u></p> <p>1.5% (28/243) vs. 22.9% (56/245), p=NR</p> <p><b>Unstable angina, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>12 months</u></p> <p>0.41% (1/243) vs. 1.2% (3/245), p=NR</p> <p><b>Hospitalization for chest pain, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>12 months</u></p> <p>0.82% (2/243) vs. 6.9% (17/245), p=0.009</p> |

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|---|--|---|--|---|--|-----------------------|---|
|   |  |   |  |   |  |                       | (Resulting in<br>unplanned days in<br>hospital: 7 days vs.<br>56 days)<br><br><b>Chest pain clinical<br/>revisits, % (n/N)</b><br><u>12 months</u><br>3.3% (8/243) vs.<br>13.1% (32/245)  |
| <b>Suspected ACS</b>  |  |   |  |   |  |                       |   |
| <b>CT-COMPARE<br/>trial</b><br><br>Hamilton-<br>Craig 2014<br><br>CCTA vs.<br>Exercise ECG<br><br>Subgroup<br>analyses: N | <b>Disposition, % (n/N)</b><br>Inpatient admission:<br>10.2% (33/322) vs.<br>10.8% (26/240), OR 1.1<br>(95% CI 0.6 to 1.8),<br>p=0.800<br><br><b>Test results, % (n/N)</b><br>Negative: 89.1%<br>(287/322) vs. 88.8%<br>(213/240), p=NR<br>Positive: 10.6%<br>(34/322) vs. 11.3%<br>(27/240), p=NR<br>Inconclusive: 0.3%<br>(1/322) vs. 0% (0/240) | <b>All-cause<br/>mortality, %<br/>(n/N)</b><br><u>30 days</u><br>0% (0/332)<br>vs. 0%<br>(0/240),<br>p=NR<br><u>12 months</u><br>0.6% (2/332)<br>vs. 0.4%<br>(1/240),<br>p=NR | <b>MI<br/>(NSTEMI), %<br/>(n/N)</b><br><u>Index</u><br>1.9%<br>(6/322) vs.<br>1.3%<br>(3/240),<br>p=NR<br><u>30 days</u><br>0% (0/332)<br>vs. 0%<br>(0/240),<br>p=NR | <b>Proportion of patients<br/>receiving<br/>revascularization, %<br/>(n/N)</b><br><u>12 months</u><br><b>Any<br/>Revascularization:</b><br>4.3% (14/322) vs.<br>1.3% (3/240)<br>- <b>PCI:</b> 3.7% (12/322)<br>vs. NR<br>- <b>CABG:</b> 0.62% (2/322)<br>vs. NR | <b>Proportion of<br/>patients receiving<br/>any additional<br/>downstream testing,<br/>% (n/N)</b><br><u>12 months</u><br>- <b>ICA:</b> 9.0% (29/322)<br>vs 4.2% (10/240), OR<br>2.3 (95% CI 1.1 to<br>4.7), p=0.028<br>- <b>Stress<br/>echocardiography:</b><br>2.2% (7/322) vs.1.3%<br>(3/240), p=0.30 | NR                    | <b>Proportion of<br/>patients with acute<br/>coronary<br/>syndrome, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Index visit</u><br>Any Acute Coronary<br>Syndrome: 5.3%<br>(17/322) vs. 2.9%<br>(7/240), p=NR<br>- NSTEMI: 1.9%<br>(6/322) vs. 1.7%<br>(4/240), p=NR<br>- Unstable angina:<br>3.4% (11/322) vs.<br>1.7% (4/240), p=NR<br><u>30 days</u> |

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|--|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|--|--------------------|---|
|  |                                 |                                |                       |                        | <p>- SPECT: 2.2% (7/322) vs. 7.5% (18/240), p=NR</p> |                    | <p>No major coronary events were identified (0% prevalence of acute coronary syndrome)</p> <p><u>6 months</u><br/>0.3% (1/322) vs. 0% (0/240), p=NR</p> <p><b>Proportion of patients re-presenting to the Emergency Department, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>12 months</u><br/>12.7% (41/322) vs. 10.5% (25/240), OR 1.3 (95% CI 0.8 to 2.3) p=0.300</p> <p><b>Hospital length of stay (hours), Mean (95% CI)</b></p> <p><u>Index visit</u><br/>13.5 (11.2 to 15.7) vs. 19.7 (17.3 to 22.0), p=0.003</p> |

ACS = acute coronary syndrome, CABG = coronary artery bypass graft, CACS = coronary artery calcium scoring, CAD = coronary artery disease, CCTA = coronary computed tomography, CI = confidence interval, DSE = dobutamine stress echocardiography, ECG = electrocardiogram, HR = hazard ratio, ICA = invasive coronary angiogram, MD = mean difference, MI = myocardial infarction, MPI = myocardial perfusion imaging, N = no, NR = not reported, NSTEMI = Non-ST-Segment Elevation Myocardial Infarction, OR = odds ratio, PCI = percutaneous coronary intervention, SD = standard deviation, vs. = versus, Y = yes.

\* Nine patients had percutaneous coronary intervention followed by coronary artery bypass surgery.

† 12 patients had percutaneous coronary intervention followed by coronary-artery bypass grafting, and 4 patients had coronary-artery bypass grafting followed by percutaneous coronary intervention.

‡ Clinicians were asked to diagnose both coronary heart disease, and angina due to coronary heart disease, in view of all available information. They were asked to categorize this according to the level of confidence in their diagnosis (yes, probable, unlikely, or no) both at baseline and at 6 weeks after the result of the CCTA (standard care and CCTA) and ASSIGN score (standard care).

§ Coronary revascularization may have occurred at the same time as ICA

**Appendix Table F6. Data abstraction for CCTA vs. Exercise ECG: Safety Outcomes**

| Author/trial Interventions                                       | Imaging-related AEs  | Incidental findings  | Radiation   |
|--|--|--|---|
| <b>Suspected CAD</b>   |  |  |   |
| <b>SCOT-HEART trial</b><br><br>CCTA (+ CACS) + ETT vs. ETT alone | <b>Adverse events for patients in group A (NR for group B), % (n/N)</b><br><br><u>Index visit</u><br>Any: 1.7% (31/1778)<br>- Contrast reaction: 0.7% (13/1778)<br>- Contrast extravasation: 0.4% (7/1778)<br>- Vasovagal reactions: 0.2% (4/1778)<br>- Headaches: 0.2% (4/1778)<br>- Other: 0.2% (3/1778)<br><br>[All adverse events were mild and self-limiting with no cases of anaphylaxis or renal failure] | <b>Incidental findings on CCTA (group A only), % (n/N)</b><br><br><u>Index visit</u><br>Other cardiac findings: 28.2% (501/1778)<br>Non-cardiac findings: 38.1% (677/1778) | <b>Radiation dose for CCTA (mSv), Median (IQR) [No data for group B]</b><br><br><u>Index test</u><br>4.1 (3.0 to 5.6)<br>[37% of the dose was attributable to the measurement of the coronary artery calcium score] |
| <b>CAPP trial</b><br><br>CCTA + CACS vs. Exercise ECG            | There were no complications after any investigation in this study.   | NR   | <b>Effective radiation dose (mSv), Mean (SD NR)</b><br><br><u>Index test</u><br>5.31 vs. 0.00, p=NR   |
| <b>Suspected ACS</b>   |  |  |   |
| <b>CT-COMPARE trial</b><br><br>CCTA vs. Exercise ECG             | NR   | NR   | <b>Radiation exposure (mSv), mean (95% CI)</b><br><br><u>Index test</u><br>3.8 (3.5 to 4.1) vs. NR  |

ACS = acute coronary syndrome, CACS = coronary artery calcium scoring, CAD = coronary artery disease, CCTA = coronary computed tomography, CI = confidence interval, ECG = electrocardiogram, ETT = exercise treadmill test, mSv = millisieverts, NR = not reported, SD = standard deviation.

**Appendix Table F7. Data abstraction for CCTA vs. ICA: Study and Patient Characteristics**

| Trial Author, year Study Design Country Funding   | Population Setting Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria  | Tests evaluated   | Baseline risk for CAD*   | Patient characteristics*   | Length f/u (% followed) Cross-over, % (n/N)  |
|---|--|---|--|--|--|
| <b>Suspected CAD</b>  |  |   |  |  |  |
| <p><b>CAD-Man trial</b></p> <p>Dewey 2016</p> <p>Single center</p> <p>Germany</p> <p>Non-profit</p> | <p><u>Population:</u> Suspected CAD</p> <p><u>Setting:</u><br/>Hospital admission status at time of randomization:<br/>- Inpatient: 57%<br/>- Outpatient: 43%</p> <p><u>Inclusion:</u> Patients with suspected coronary artery disease and a clinical indication for coronary angiography on the basis of atypical presentation for study participation. Atypical presentation was defined as the presence of a maximum of two of the three criteria for typical angina pectoris (retrosternal chest discomfort, precipitation by exertion, and prompt relief within 30 seconds to 10 minutes by rest or nitroglycerine) using a clinically relevant classification of chest discomfort.</p> <p><u>Exclusion:</u> History of CAD (including PCI, stents, and bypasses), STEMI, CKMB above 34 U/l on initial testing, pulmonary edema most likely due to ischemia, age below 30 years, women of childbearing potential, atrial fibrillation, uncontrolled tachycardia, or other non-sinus rhythms, inability to</p> | <p><b>A: CCTA + CACS (n=168)†</b></p> <p>- Underwent CCTA: 98.2% (165/168)</p> <p>- Withdrew informed consent and did not undergo CT: 0.6% (1/168)</p> <p>- Underwent ICA per clinician: 1.2% (2/162)</p> <p><u>Stressor:</u> NA</p> <p><u>Contrast:</u> Iodinated contrast agents</p> <p><u>Protocol:</u> Patients with suspected obstructive coronary artery disease subsequently underwent late enhancement magnetic resonance imaging to identify those with more than 50% transmural extent of non-viable myocardium in the area supplied by a stenosed artery and thus considered unlikely to benefit from revascularization. Patients with non-calcified coronary plaques on CT were recommended for intensified risk factor modification and statin treatment as this management might reduce cardiovascular death and myocardial infarction.</p> | <p>A vs. B</p> <p>&lt;10%: 11.4% vs. 15.4%</p> <p>10 to 60%: 74.2% vs. 60.5%</p> <p>&gt;60%: 14.4% vs. 24.1%</p> <p><u>Mean (SD) pretest probability of coronary artery disease:</u> 34.6% (23.5%)</p> | <p>A vs. B</p> <p><u>Subgroup:</u> None</p> <p><u>N randomized:</u> 340</p> <p><u>Mean age (SD):</u> 60.4 (11.3) vs. 60.4 (11.4)</p> <p><u>Female:</u> 52.7% vs. 48.1%</p> <p><u>Race:</u> NR</p> <p><u>Chest pain:</u><br/>- Atypical angina: 38.9% vs. 48.8%<br/>- Non-anginal chest pain: 58.1% vs. 49.4%<br/>- Other chest discomfort: 3.0% vs. 1.8%</p> <p><u>Dyspnea:</u> NR</p> <p><u>Prior MI:</u> 0% vs. 0%</p> <p><u>Prior revascularization:</u> 0% vs. 0%</p> <p><u>Known CAD:</u><br/>- Carotid artery disease: 5.4% vs. 6.2%</p> | <p>Median (IQR) follow-up: 3.3 (1.3 to 4.6) years</p> <p>% followed: 96.8% (329/340)</p> |

| Trial Author, year Study Design Country Funding                    | Population Setting Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria  | Tests evaluated  | Baseline risk for CAD*   | Patient characteristics*   | Length f/u (% followed) Cross-over, % (n/N)   |
|--|--|--|--|--|---|
|  | hold breath for 5 seconds, renal insufficiency with dialysis, prior myocardial infarction, two or more positive functional tests.  | <p><u>Definition of positive test:</u> at least one 50% diameter stenosis in the left main coronary artery or at least one 70% diameter stenosis in other coronary arteries.</p> <p><b>B: ICA (n=172)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Underwent ICA: 94.2% (162/172)</li> <li>- Withdrew informed consent and did not undergo ICA: 5.8% (10/172)</li> </ul> <p><u>Stressor:</u> NA<br/> <u>Contrast:</u> NA<br/> <u>Protocol:</u> Treated according to the 2014 ESC/EACTS Guidelines on myocardial revascularization<br/> <u>Definition of positive test:</u> at least one 50% diameter stenosis in the left main coronary artery or at least one 70% diameter stenosis in other coronary arteries.</p> |  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Peripheral artery disease: 1.2% vs. 0.0%</li> <li>- Positive functional test within 6 months before randomization: 25.7% vs. 27.7%</li> </ul> <p><u>Chest pain frequency:</u> NR<br/> <u>Hypertension:</u> NR<br/> <u>Hyperlipidemia:</u> 56.9% vs. 51.0%<br/> <u>Diabetes:</u> 66.5% vs. 69.1%<br/> <u>Current smoking:</u> 24.5% vs. 21.0%<br/> <u>Mean BMI (SD):</u> 27.5 (4.7) vs. 27.0 (4.6)<br/> <u>Family history of premature CAD:</u> 14.4% vs. 9.9%</p> |   |
| <p><b>CONSERVE trial</b></p> <p>Chang 2019</p> <p>Multi-center</p> | <p><u>Population:</u> Suspected CAD</p> <p><u>Setting:</u> Outpatient, non-emergent</p> <p><u>Inclusion:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Moderate or severe angina, which improves to mild with medical therapy</li> </ol> | <p><b>A: CCTA (n=823)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Did not receive allocated test: 4.7% (39/823) (26 patient decision, 2 physician decision, 11 unspecified)</li> </ul> <p><u>Stressor:</u> NA<br/> <u>Contrast:</u> Iodinated contrast agents</p>   | <p>A vs. B</p> <p><u>Mean (SD) pretest probability of coronary artery disease:</u> 51% (30%) vs. 52% (30%); “Largely</p> | <p>A vs. B</p> <p><u>Subgroup:</u> Stable patients<br/> <u>N randomized:</u> 1,611</p>   | <p>Median (IQR) follow-up: 12.3 (11.7 to 13.2) months</p> <p>Follow-up measures taken</p> |

| Trial Author, year Study Design Country Funding  | Population Setting Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria   | Tests evaluated  | Baseline risk for CAD*                | Patient characteristics*  | Length f/u (% followed) Cross-over, % (n/N)  |
|--|---|--|---------------------------------------|---|--|
| <p>Norther America, East Asia, Europe, India</p> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. Mild or moderate angina, which is intolerant to medical therapy</li> <li>3. Any angina, not evaluable by non-invasive stress testing</li> <li>4. Heart failure with normal ejection fraction of unknown etiology</li> <li>5. Symptomatic (chest pain) + Abnormal NIST (non-invasive stress testing)</li> <li>6. Asymptomatic +2 Risk Factors (RF) + Abnormal NIST</li> <li>7. Worsening NIST</li> <li>8. Recurrent hospitalization for Chest Pain + Abnormal/equivocal NIST</li> <li>9. Low-risk surgery, stable angina</li> <li>10. Low risk surgery, medically stabilized moderate or severe stable angina</li> <li>11. High-risk surgery with equivocal NIST</li> <li>12. Asymptomatic, high-risk occupation</li> <li>13. Vascular surgery with &gt;2 RF</li> <li>14. Perioperative MI</li> <li>15. High risk for coronary disease when other cardiac surgical procedures are planned (e.g., pericardiectomy or removal of chronic pulmonary emboli)</li> <li>16. Prospective immediate cardiac transplant donors whose risk profile increases the likelihood of coronary disease</li> <li>17. Asymptomatic patients with Kawasaki disease who have coronary artery aneurysms on echocardiography</li> <li>18. Before surgery for aortic aneurysm/dissection in patients without known coronary disease</li> </ol> | <p><u>Protocol</u>: All sites were instructed to perform ICA and CCTA in accordance with local site practice and societal guidelines.</p> <p><u>Definition of positive test</u>: stenosis <math>\geq 50\%</math></p> <p><b>B: ICA (n=808)</b></p> <p>- Did not receive allocated test: 11.0% (89/808) (71 patient decision, 3 physician decision, 15 unspecified)</p> <p><u>Stressor</u>: NA</p> <p><u>Contrast</u>: NA</p> <p><u>Protocol</u>: All sites were instructed to perform ICA and CCTA in accordance with local site practice and societal guidelines.</p> <p><u>Definition of positive test</u>: stenosis <math>\geq 50\%</math></p> | <p>intermediate risk” per authors</p> | <p><u>Mean age (SD)</u>: 59.9 (12.1) vs. 60.8 (11.5) years</p> <p><u>Female</u>: 48.3% vs. 43.9%</p> <p><u>Race</u>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Asian: 85.6% vs. 84.0%</li> <li>- White: 13.1% vs. 14.2%</li> <li>- African American: 0.5% vs. 1.4%</li> <li>- Hispanic: 0.5% vs. 0.4%</li> <li>- Unknown: 0.3% vs. 0.0%</li> </ul> <p><u>Chest pain</u>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Typical angina: 31.0% vs. 30.1%</li> <li>- Atypical angina: 40.2% vs. 38.7%</li> <li>- Noncardiac chest pain: 2.3% vs. 1.4%</li> <li>- Asymptomatic: 11.5% vs. 10.6%</li> </ul> <p><u>Dyspnea</u>: 13.5% vs. 17.7%</p> <p><u>Prior MI</u>: 0% vs. 0%</p> | <p>at 6 and 12 months</p> <p>% followed at 6 months: 91.4% (1472/1611)</p> <p>% followed at 12 months: 79.3% (1278/1611)</p> |

| <b>Trial Author, year Study Design Country Funding</b> | <b>Population Setting Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria</b>   | <b>Tests evaluated</b> | <b>Baseline risk for CAD*</b> | <b>Patient characteristics*</b>   | <b>Length f/u (% followed) Cross-over, % (n/N)</b> |
|--|--|------------------------|-------------------------------|---|--|
|  | <p>19. Recent blunt chest trauma and suspicion of acute MI, without evidence of preexisting CAD</p> <p><u>Exclusion:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Known CAD (past MI, PCI, CABG, or diagnosed by cardiac catheterization without intervention)</li> <li>2. Acute coronary syndrome or myocardial infarction at time of enrollment</li> <li>3. Planned intervention or bypass surgery</li> <li>4. Known complex congenital heart disease</li> <li>5. Planned invasive angiography for reasons other than CAD</li> <li>6. Non-cardiac illness with life expectancy &lt; 2 years</li> <li>7. Inability to provide written informed consent</li> <li>8. Concomitant participation in another clinical trial in which subject is subject to investigational drug or device</li> <li>9. Pregnant women</li> <li>10. Allergy to iodinated contrast agent</li> <li>11. Serum creatinine &gt;1.5 mg/dl or GFR &lt;30 ml/min</li> <li>12. Baseline irregular heart rhythm</li> <li>13. Heart rate ≥100 beats per minute</li> <li>14. Systolic blood pressure ≤90 mm Hg</li> <li>15. Contraindications to β blockers or nitroglycerin</li> <li>16. Body mass index &gt;35kg/m<sup>2</sup></li> <li>17. Known complex congenital heart disease</li> </ol> |                        |                               | <p><u>Prior revascularization:</u><br/>0% vs. 0%</p> <p><u>Known CAD:</u> 0% vs. 0%</p> <p><u>Chest pain frequency:</u> NR</p> <p><u>Hypertension:</u> 56.9% vs. 59.0%</p> <p><u>Hyperlipidemia:</u> 33.0% vs. 34.6%</p> <p><u>Diabetes:</u> 25.9% vs. 29.5%</p> <p><u>Current smoking:</u> 13.8% vs. 13.63%</p> <p><u>Mean BMI (SD):</u> 25.6 (4.0) vs. 25.7 (4.0)</p> |  |

| <b>Trial Author, year Study Design Country Funding</b> | <b>Population Setting Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria</b> | <b>Tests evaluated</b> | <b>Baseline risk for CAD*</b> | <b>Patient characteristics*</b> | <b>Length f/u (% followed) Cross-over, % (n/N)</b> |
|--|--|------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
|  | 18. Age <18 years  |                        |                               |                                 |  |

BMI = body mass index, CABG = coronary artery bypass graft, CACS = coronary artery calcium scoring, CAD = coronary artery disease, CCTA = coronary computed tomography, CT = computed tomography, f/u = follow-up, ICA = invasive coronary angiogram, IQR = inter-quartile range, MI = myocardial infarction, mm = millimeter, NA = not applicable, NIST = non-invasive stress testing, NR = not reported, PCI = percutaneous coronary intervention, SD = standard deviation, STEMI = ST-Segment Elevation Myocardial Infarction.

\* p-values non-significant unless reported

† Coronary calcium scoring was used to individually adjust the acquisition length of CT angiography but was not used to defer CCTA.

**Appendix Table F8. Data abstraction for CCTA vs. ICA: Efficacy Outcomes**

| Author/trial<br>Interventions<br>Subgroup<br>analyses?<br>Formal test<br>for<br>interaction?  | Patient<br>disposition<br>Test result  | Mortality<br>(All-cause,<br>cardiac)  | Myocardial<br>infarction   | Referral for<br>treatment  | Referral for<br>additional testing   | Composite outcomes  | Other  |
|---|--|---|--|--|--|---|--|
| <b>Suspected CAD</b>  |  |   |  |  |  |   |  |
| <b>CAD-Man<br/>trial</b><br><br>Dewey 2016<br><br>CCTA vs. ICA<br><br>Subgroup<br>analyses: N | <b>Patient<br/>disposition, %<br/>(n/N)</b><br><br><u>Index visit</u><br><br>Discharged after<br>index test: 86.7%<br>(143/165) vs.<br>84.6% (137/162)<br><br><b>Test results, %<br/>(n/N)</b><br><u>Index visit</u><br><br>- Obstructive CAD:<br>12.1% (20/165) vs.<br>15.4% (25/162)<br><br>- No CAD: 87.9%<br>(145/165) vs.<br>84.6% (137/162),<br>p=NR | <b>Cardiac-<br/>related<br/>mortality<br/>(component<br/>of composite<br/>outcome), %<br/>(n/N)</b><br><br><u>Median 3.3<br/>year follow-<br/>up</u><br><br>0% (0/167)<br>vs. 0.6%<br>(1/162), p=NR | <b>Myocardial<br/>infarction<br/>(component<br/>of composite<br/>outcome), %<br/>(n/N)</b><br><br><u>Median 3.3<br/>year follow-<br/>up</u><br><br>0.6% (1/167)*<br>vs. 0% (0/162) | <b>Proportion of<br/>patients receiving<br/>revascularization, %<br/>(n/N)</b><br><br><u>Index visit</u><br><br>Any revascularization:<br>9.6% (16/167) vs.<br>14.2% (23/162), p=NR<br><br>- PCI: 7.8% (13/167)<br>vs. 13.6% (22/162),<br>p=NR<br><br>- CABG: 1.8% (3/167)<br>vs. 0.6% (1/162),<br>p=NR<br><br><b>Proportion of<br/>patients receiving re-<br/>vascularization or<br/>first revascularization<br/>more than two<br/>months after<br/>randomization<br/>(component of<br/>composite outcome),<br/>% (n/N)</b> | <b>Proportion of<br/>patients in group<br/>A undergoing<br/>follow-up ICA, %<br/>(n/N)</b><br><br><u>Index visit</u><br><br>14.4% (24/167) vs.<br>100% (162/162)<br><br>- ICA revealing<br>obstructive CAD:<br>75% (18/24) vs.<br>15.4% (25/162)<br><br>- ICA associated<br>with<br>revascularization<br>of obstructive<br>CAD: 66.7%<br>(16/24) vs.14.2%<br>(23/162)<br><br><b>Rate of ICAs per<br/>patient</b><br><br><u>During the first six<br/>months after<br/>randomization</u> | <b>MACE (including MI,<br/>cardiac death,<br/>stroke, unstable<br/>angina pectoris, re-<br/>vascularization or<br/>first<br/>revascularization<br/>more than 2 months<br/>after<br/>randomization), %<br/>(n/N)</b><br><br><u>Median 3.3 year<br/>follow-up</u><br><br>4.2% (7/167) vs. 3.7%<br>(6/162), adj. HR 0.90<br>(95% CI 0.30 to 2.69),<br>p=0.86 | <b>Hospital length<br/>of stay (hours),<br/>Median (IQR)</b><br><br><u>Index visit</u><br><br>All patients: 30.0<br>(3.5 to 77.3) vs.<br>52.9 (49.5 to<br>76.4), p<0.001<br><br>- Inpatients at<br>time of<br>randomization:<br>60.3 (32.6 to<br>98.5) vs. 68.0<br>(50.2 to 105.8),<br>p=0.12<br><br><b>Stroke<br/>(component of<br/>composite<br/>outcome), %<br/>(n/N)</b><br><br><u>Median 3.3 year<br/>follow-up</u> |

| Author/trial Interventions Subgroup analyses? Formal test for interaction? | Patient disposition Test result | Mortality (All-cause, cardiac) | Myocardial infarction | Referral for treatment   | Referral for additional testing  | Composite outcomes | Other   |
|--|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|--|--|--------------------|---|
|  |                                 |                                |                       | <p><u>Median 3.3 year follow-up</u><br/>                     3.6% (6/167) vs. 3.1% (5/162), adj. HR 0.89 (95% CI 0.27 to 2.90), p=0.84</p> | <p>0.25 vs. 1.1, p&lt;0.001<br/> <u>6 to 12 months after randomization</u><br/>                     0.027 vs. 0.013, RR 0.78 (95% CI NR), p=0.56<br/> <u>During second year of observation</u><br/>                     NR vs. NR, RR 0.81 (95% CI NR), p=0.56</p> <p><b>Cumulative relative risk adjusted for observation time for coronary angiography</b><br/> <u>During the first six months after randomization</u><br/>                     ICA vs. CCTA: RR 4.2 (95% CI 3.0 to 5.8), p&lt;0.001</p> |                    | <p>0% (0/167) vs. 0.6% (1/162), p=NR</p> <p><b>Unstable angina pectoris, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>Median 3.3 year follow-up</u><br/>                     1.2% (2/167) vs. 0% (0/162), p=NR</p> |

| Author/trial<br>Interventions<br>Subgroup<br>analyses?<br>Formal test<br>for<br>interaction?   | Patient<br>disposition<br>Test result   | Mortality<br>(All-cause,<br>cardiac)   | Myocardial<br>infarction   | Referral for<br>treatment  | Referral for<br>additional testing  | Composite outcomes  | Other   |
|--|---|--|--|--|---|---|---|
|  |   |  |  |  | <u>Median follow-up<br/>3.3 years</u><br>ICA vs. CCTA: RR<br>3.1 (95% CI 2.3 to<br>4.0), p<0.001  |   |   |
| <b>CONSERVE<br/>trial</b><br><br>Chang 2019<br><br>CCTA vs. ICA<br><br>Subgroup<br>Analyses: N | <b>Patient<br/>disposition, %<br/>(n/N)</b><br>NR<br><br><b>Test results, %<br/>(n/N)</b><br><u>Index visit</u><br>- No CAD: 34.4%<br>(269/784) vs.<br>24.2% (174/719),<br>p=NR<br>- Nonobstructive<br>CAD: 37.6%<br>(294/784) vs.<br>36.9% (265/719),<br>p=NR<br>- Obstructive CAD:<br>27.9% (219/784)<br>vs. 39.0%<br>(280/719),<br>p<0.001 | <b>All-cause<br/>mortality<br/>(component<br/>of composite<br/>outcome), %<br/>(n/N)</b><br><u>Median 12.3<br/>month follow-<br/>up</u><br>0.3% (2/784)<br>vs. 0.1%<br>(1/719), p=NR | <b>Acute<br/>myocardial<br/>infarction<br/>(component<br/>of composite<br/>outcome), %<br/>(n/N)</b><br><u>Median 12.3<br/>month follow-<br/>up</u><br>0.3% (2/784)<br>vs. 0.3%<br>(2/719), p=NR | <b>Proportion of<br/>patients receiving<br/>revascularization, %<br/>(n/N)</b><br><u>Median 12.3 month<br/>follow-up</u><br>Any revascularization:<br>13% (98/784) vs. 18<br>%(127/719), p=0.007<br>- PCI: 11% (89/784) vs.<br>15% (109/719),<br>p<0.001<br>- CABG: 1% (9/784) vs.<br>3% (18/719), p=0.075<br><br>Revascularization as a<br>result of obstructive<br>CAD on index test:<br>34% (74/219) vs. 43%<br>(120/280), p=0.04 | <b>Proportion of<br/>patients<br/>undergoing<br/>downstream<br/>follow-up testing</b><br><u>Median 12.3<br/>month follow-up</u><br>- ICA: 23%<br>(179/784) vs. 4%<br>(30/719), p<0.001<br>- Fractional Flow<br>Reserve: 0%<br>(0/784) vs. 6%<br>(41/719), p<0.001<br>- CCTA: 0.4%<br>(3/784) vs. 0.1%<br>(1/719), p=0.36<br>- Exercise ECG:<br>14% (108/784) vs.<br>11% (79/784),<br>p=0.12 | <b>MACE (including<br/>death, acute non-<br/>fatal MI, unstable<br/>angina, cardiac<br/>hospitalization, or<br/>stroke), % (n/N)</b><br><u>Median 12.3 month<br/>follow-up</u><br>4.6% (36/784) vs.<br>4.6% (33/719), HR<br>0.99 (95% CI 0.62 to<br>1.58), p=0.99 | <b>Cardiac<br/>hospitalization<br/>(component of<br/>composite<br/>outcome), %<br/>(n/N)</b><br><u>Median 12.3<br/>month follow-up</u><br>4.2% (33/784)<br>vs. 4.3%<br>(31/719), p=NR<br><br><b>Stroke<br/>(component of<br/>composite<br/>outcome), %<br/>(n/N)</b><br><u>Median 12.3<br/>month follow-up</u><br>0.3% (2/784) vs.<br>0.3% (2/719),<br>p=NR |

| Author/trial<br>Interventions<br>Subgroup<br>analyses?<br>Formal test<br>for<br>interaction? | Patient<br>disposition<br>Test result  | Mortality<br>(All-cause,<br>cardiac) | Myocardial<br>infarction | Referral for<br>treatment | Referral for<br>additional testing   | Composite outcomes | Other  |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--|--------------------|--|
|  | - 1-vessel CAD:<br>16.1%<br>(126/784) vs.<br>17.7%<br>(127/719),<br>p=NR<br><br>- 2-vessel CAD:<br>6.6% (52/784)<br>vs. 11.4%<br>(82/719),<br>p=NR<br><br>- 3-vessel or<br>left main<br>stenosis: 5.2%<br>(41/784) vs.<br>9.9%<br>(71/71),p=NR |                                      |                          |                           | - Stress nuclear:<br>2% (14/784) vs. 1%<br>(10/719), p=0.67<br><br>- Stress<br>echocardiogram:<br>1% (9/784) vs. 1%<br>(9/719), p=0.95<br><br>- Rest<br>echocardiogram:<br>36% (281/784) vs.<br>13% (95/271),<br>p<0.001<br><br>No obstructive<br>CAD on ICA:<br>25% (24/114) vs.<br>61% (439/719),<br>p<0.001 |                    | <b>Unstable angina<br/>(component of<br/>composite<br/>outcome), %<br/>(n/N)</b><br><br><u>Median 12.3<br/>month follow-up</u><br>1.1% (9/784) vs.<br>1.1% (8/719),<br>p=NR<br><br><b>Angina-free</b><br>Median 12.3<br>month follow-up<br>60% (470/784)<br>vs. 62%<br>(446/719),<br>p=0.52) |

adj. = adjusted, CABG = coronary artery bypass graft, CAD = coronary artery disease, CCTA = coronary computed tomography, CI = confidence interval, ECG = electrocardiogram, HR = hazard ratio, ICA = invasive coronary angiogram, IQR = inter-quartile range, MACE = major adverse cardiovascular events, NR = not reported, PCI = percutaneous coronary intervention, RR = risk ratio, SD = standard deviation, vs. = versus, Y = yes.

\* Single procedure related myocardial infarction occurred after percutaneous coronary intervention in computed tomography (CT) group: during primary stent implantation, a dissection of the left anterior descending coronary artery occurred, leading to implantation of a second stent with over-stenting of a side branch.

**Appendix Table F9. Data abstraction for CCTA vs. ICA: Safety Outcomes**

| Author/trial Interventions   | Imaging-related AEs   | Incidental findings | Radiation   |
|--|---|---------------------|---|
| <b>Suspected CAD</b>   |   |                     |   |
| <p><b>CAD-Man trial</b></p> <p>Dewey 2016</p> <p>CCTA vs. ICA</p>  | <p><b>Proportion of patients with complications prolonging hospital stay by at least 24 hours</b><br/>0% (0/165) vs. 0% (0/162)</p> <p><b>Minor procedural complications, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>Within 48 hours after last procedure related to CCTA or ICA</u><br/>Any minor complication: 3.6% (6/165) vs. 10.5% (17/162), p=0.014<br/>[Of the minor procedural complications in the CT group, four occurred after coronary angiography and two after CT. The two that occurred after CT were one allergoid reaction and one bradycardia]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Hematoma at puncture site: 0.6% (1/165) vs. 8.6% (14/162), p&lt;0.001</li> <li>- Secondary bleeding at puncture site: 0.6% (1/165) vs. 0.6% (1/162), p=1.00</li> <li>- Bradycardia: 1.2% (2/165) vs. 0% (0/162), p=0.50</li> <li>- Angina without infarction: 0.6% (1/165) vs. 0% (0/162), p=1.00</li> <li>- Allergoid reaction to contrast agent: 0.6% (1/165) vs. 0% (0/162), p=1.00</li> <li>- Stent migration: 0% (0/165) vs. 0.6% (1/162), p=0.49</li> <li>- Hypotension requiring treatment: 0% (0/165) vs. 0.6% (1/162), p=0.49</li> </ul> | <p>NR</p>           | <p><b>Overall exposure to radiation (mSv) (including from ICAs and revascularizations), Median (IQR)</b><br/><u>Median follow-up 3.3 years</u><br/>5.0 (4.2 to 8.7) vs. 6.4 (3.4 to 10.7), p=0.45</p> |
| <p><b>CONSERVE trial</b></p> <p>Chang 2019</p> <p>CCTA vs. ICA</p> | <p><b>Major bleeding, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>Median 12.3 month follow-up</u><br/>0% (2/784) vs. 0.3% (2/719), p=NR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Requiring major transfusion: 0% (0/784) vs. 0.1% (1/719), p=NR</li> </ul>   | <p>NR</p>           | <p><b>Effective radiation dose (mSv), Median (IQR NR)</b><br/><u>Index test</u><br/>6.5 vs. NR</p>  |

AE = adverse events, CAD = coronary artery disease, CCTA = coronary computed tomography, CT = computed tomography, ICA = invasive coronary angiogram, IQR = inter-quartile range, mSv = millisieverts, NR = not reported.

**Appendix Table F10. Data abstraction for CCTA vs. SPECT MPI: Study and Patient Characteristics**

| Trial<br>Author, year<br>Study Design<br>Country<br>Funding  | Population<br>Setting<br>Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria  | Tests evaluated   | Baseline risk for<br>CAD*   | Patient<br>characteristics*  | Length f/u (%<br>followed)<br>Cross-over, %<br>(n/N)  |
|--|--|---|---|--|---|
| <b>Suspected CAD</b>   |  |   |   |  |   |
| <b>IAEA-SPECT/CTA trial</b><br><br>Karthikeyan, 2017<br><br>Multi-center (6 sites)<br><br>Brazil, Czech Republic, India, Mexico, Slovenia, and Turkey<br><br>Funding: International organization | <p><u>Population:</u><br/>Stable, Symptomatic (89%) or Asymptomatic; suspected CAD</p> <p><u>Setting:</u><br/>Outpatient, non-emergent (tertiary care hospitals)</p> <p><u>Inclusion:</u><br/>Patients above 21 years, who were mildly symptomatic (those in class II New York Heart Association) and had an intermediate likelihood of having CAD, or asymptomatic patients who were determined to be at intermediate or high risk of coronary events by the Framingham criteria</p> <p><u>Exclusion:</u><br/>Known CAD, history of myocardial infarction or coronary revascularization, patients who were severely symptomatic (class III or IV NYHA), had chronic renal impairment precluding contrast injection, severe medical disease with limited life-expectancy, known contraindication or allergy to</p> | <p><b>A: CCTA (≥64 slice) (n=152)</b><br/>                     - 93% (142/152) received calcium scoring as planned<br/>                     - 3% (4/152) of received calcium scoring only<br/>                     - 4% (6/152) no test<br/> <u>Stressor:</u> NA<br/> <u>Contrast:</u> used, but type NR<br/> <u>Protocol:</u> Calcium scoring was performed prior to contrast injection.<br/> <u>Definition of positive test:</u><br/>                     - Normal: no coronary stenoses or any luminal narrowing less than 30% of the reference vessel diameter<br/>                     - Mild stenoses: 30%-49% luminal narrowing<br/>                     - Moderate stenosis: 50%-69% luminal narrowing<br/>                     - Severe stenosis: ≥70% luminal narrowing</p> <p><b>B: SPECT MPI (n=151)</b><br/>                     5% (8/151) of patients did not receive stress MPI<br/> <u>Stressor:</u><br/>                     Exercise treadmill: 33%<br/>                     Exercise bike: 25%<br/>                     Dipyridamole: 34%</p> | A vs. B<br><br>All symptomatic patients had an intermediate likelihood of having CAD, and all asymptomatic patients determined to be at intermediate or high risk of coronary events by the Framingham criteria | A vs. B<br><br><u>Subgroup:</u> None<br><u>N randomized:</u> 303<br><u>Mean age (SD):</u> 60 (11) vs. 60 (12)<br><u>Female:</u> 51% vs. 54%<br><u>Race:</u><br>- Caucasian: 73% vs. 69%<br>- Hispanic: 25% vs. 20%<br>- Indian: 5% vs. 5%<br>- African: 1% vs. 1%<br>- Other: 0% vs. 1%<br><u>Chest pain:</u> 80% vs. 80%<br><u>Dyspnea or other ischemic symptoms:</u> 10% vs. 9%<br><u>Prior MI:</u> 0% vs. 0%<br><u>Prior revascularization:</u> 0% vs. 0%<br><u>Known CAD:</u> 0% vs. 0% | 6 months: 98.0% (297/303)<br>12 months: % followed NR |

| <b>Trial Author, year Study Design Country Funding</b>            | <b>Population Setting Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria</b>  | <b>Tests evaluated</b>  | <b>Baseline risk for CAD*</b>  | <b>Patient characteristics*</b>   | <b>Length f/u (% followed) Cross-over, % (n/N)</b>               |
|---|---|---|--|---|--|
|   | pharmacologic stress agents or contrast agents, or had an abnormal cardiac rhythm (including persistent atrial fibrillation) which precluded ECG gating, very obese patients, and pregnant or lactating women.  | Adenosine: 3%<br><u>Contrast:</u> NR<br><u>Protocol:</u><br>Perfusion data were recorded using a 17-segment model and perfusion abnormalities were quantitated using summed scores. Physicians adhered to standard procedures and guideline recommendations while performing stress testing, image acquisition, interpretation, and reporting.<br><u>Definition of positive test:</u><br>- Normal: not defined<br>- Abnormal: any perfusion defect (either at rest or stress) or wall motion abnormality (not explained by left bundle branch block)<br>- Inconclusive: not defined |  | <u>Chest pain frequency:</u> NR<br><u>Hypertension:</u> 64% vs. 64%<br><u>Hyperlipidemia:</u> 59% vs. 55%<br><u>Diabetes:</u> 28% vs. 29%<br><u>Current smoking:</u> 24% vs. 17%<br><u>Family history of CAD:</u> 32% vs. 30%             |  |
| Min, 2012<br><br>Multi-center (2 sites)<br><br>US<br><br>Industry | <u>Population:</u><br>Suspected CAD; stable chest pain<br><br><u>Setting:</u><br>Outpatient cardiology clinics<br><br><u>Inclusion:</u><br>≥40 years of age; no known history of CAD (as defined by prior myocardial infarction, coronary revascularization, or at least mildly abnormal CAD test), stable chest pain syndrome; suspected CAD; and a determination by the referring | <b>A: CCTA (64 slice) (n=91)</b><br><u>Stressor:</u> NA<br><u>Contrast:</u> iodinated<br><u>Protocol:</u> NR<br><u>Definition of positive test:</u><br>Normal: NR<br>Abnormal: ≥50% stenosis<br><br><b>B: SPECT MPI (n=89)</b><br><u>Stressor:</u> exercise (treadmill) or pharm (adenosine)<br><u>Contrast:</u> technetium-99m sestamibi (25-40 mCi) (some   | A vs. B<br><br><b>Pretest Likelihood</b><br><u>Low:</u> 4.1% (4/91) vs. 9.0% (8/89)<br><u>Intermediate:</u> 62.6% (57/91) vs. 67.4% (60/89)<br><u>High:</u> 33.0% (30/91) vs. 23.6% (21/89)<br><br><b>Framingham pre-test likelihood scores,</b> | A vs. B<br><br><u>Subgroup:</u> None<br><u>N randomized:</u> 180<br><u>Mean age (SD):</u> 56 (10) vs. 59 (9.5), p=0.04<br><u>Female:</u> 57% vs. 52%, p=0.04<br><u>Race:</u> NR<br><u>Chest pain:</u><br>-Typical angina: 31.9% vs. 22.5% | Mean (SD) follow-up: 55 (34) days<br>% followed: 96.1% (173/180) |

| <b>Trial<br/>Author, year<br/>Study Design<br/>Country<br/>Funding</b>              | <b>Population<br/>Setting<br/>Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria</b>   | <b>Tests evaluated</b>   | <b>Baseline risk for<br/>CAD*</b>                   | <b>Patient<br/>characteristics*</b>  | <b>Length f/u (%<br/>followed)<br/>Cross-over, %<br/>(n/N)</b>                                |
|---|--|--|---|--|---|
|   | <p>physician that CAD evaluation with noninvasive imaging was warranted.</p> <p><u>Exclusion:</u><br/>suspected acute coronary syndrome; noncardiac illness with life expectancy &lt;2 years; pregnant state or possible pregnant state, allergy to iodinated contrast agent; serum creatinine R 1.7 mg/dL; irregular heart rhythm; heart rate ≥100 beat/min; systolic blood pressure ≤90 mm Hg; contraindication to beta-blocker or nitroglycerin; concomitant participation in another clinical trial; inability to provide written informed consent; or class I American College of Cardiology/American Heart Association indication for urgent or emergent invasive coronary angiography</p> | <p>patients underwent dual isotope imaging thallium-201 [3-4.5 mCi]<br/><u>Protocol:</u> NR<br/><u>Definition of positive test:</u><br/>Normal: &lt;5% of myocardium abnormal<br/>Abnormal: ≥5% of myocardium abnormal<br/>(Categorized according to reporting guidelines from the American Society of Nuclear Cardiology)</p> | <p><b>Mean (SD):</b> 18.3 (12.7) vs. 9.2 (13.7)</p> | <p>-Atypical angina: 23.1% vs. 24.7%<br/>- Noncardiac angina: 27.5% vs. 24.7%<br/><u>Dyspnea:</u> NR<br/><u>Prior MI:</u> 0% vs. 0%<br/><u>Prior revascularization:</u> 0% vs. 0%<br/><u>Known CAD:</u> 0% vs. 0%<br/><u>Chest pain frequency:</u><br/><u>Hypertension:</u> 62% vs. 59%<br/><u>Hyperlipidemia:</u> 53% vs. 61%<br/><u>Diabetes:</u> 23% vs. 21%<br/><u>Smoker (ever):</u> 58% vs. 44%, p=0.053</p> |   |
| <p><b>RESCUE trial</b><br/><br/>Stillman, 2020<br/><br/>Multi-center (44 sites)</p> | <p><u>Population:</u><br/>Suspected CAD; stable angina or angina equivalent</p> <p><u>Setting:</u> Outpatient</p> <p><u>Inclusion:</u></p>   | <p><b>A: CCTA (≥64 slice) (n=516)</b><br/>- CCTA: 91.7% (473/516)<br/>- No test: 8.3% (43/516)<br/><u>Stressor:</u> NA<br/><u>Contrast:</u> 80 mL of iodinated contrast</p>  | <p>NR</p>   | <p>A vs. B</p> <p><u>Subgroup:</u> None<br/><u>N randomized:</u> 1050<br/><u>Mean age (SD):</u> 57 vs. 58 years</p>  | <p>Mean (SD) follow-up time: 16.2 (7.9) months</p> <p>Participants with positive cardiac-</p> |

| <b>Trial Author, year Study Design Country Funding</b> | <b>Population Setting Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria</b>   | <b>Tests evaluated</b>   | <b>Baseline risk for CAD*</b> | <b>Patient characteristics*</b>  | <b>Length f/u (% followed) Cross-over, % (n/N)</b>   |
|--|--|--|-------------------------------|--|--|
| US, Germany, the Netherlands<br><br>Government         | <p>Willing and able to provide a written informed consent, 40 years or older, Presentation with symptoms of stable angina (CCS Class I to III) or angina equivalent with or without known CAD, planned non-invasive imaging for CAD diagnosis, Able to tolerate CCTA or SPECT MPI per randomization as required by protocol, to performed at an ACRIN-qualified facility with a RESCUE-qualified scanner</p> <p><u>Exclusion:</u><br/>                     Prior revascularization; not suitable to undergo CT with an iodinated contrast agent because of a known allergy-like reaction to contrast media as defined by the American College of Radiology, renal failure or insufficiency as determined by glomerular filtration rate (GFR) &lt; 30 mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup> based on a serum creatinine level obtained within 28 days prior to registration; atrial fibrillation or significant arrhythmia judged to potentially limit quality of CCTA; acute ischemia or acute myocardial infarction; severe myocardial ischemia defined by markedly positive exercise treadmill</p> | <p><u>Protocol:</u> Patients without left main disease were treated with optimal medical treatment.<br/> <u>Definition of positive test:</u> ≥50% stenosis</p> <p><b>B: SPECT MPI (n=531)</b><br/>                     - SPECT: 87.4% (464/531)<br/>                     - No test: 12.6% (67/531)</p> <p><u>Stressor:</u> NR<br/> <u>Contrast:</u> NR<br/> <u>Protocol:</u> Patients with ≥10% reversible defect were directed to ICA, and patients without left main disease by ICA were treated with optimal medical treatment.<br/> <u>Definition of positive test:</u> ≥10% reversible defect</p> |                               | <p><u>Female:</u> 45% vs. 46%<br/> <u>Race:</u><br/>                     - American Indian or Alaskan Native: 2% vs. 1%<br/>                     - Asian: 2% vs. 3%<br/>                     - Black or African American: 14% vs. 15%<br/>                     - Native Hawaiian or other: &lt;1% vs. &lt;1%<br/>                     - White: 78% vs. 78%<br/>                     - Multiple races: 2% vs. 1%<br/>                     - Unknown: 2% vs. 2%</p> <p><u>Ethnicity:</u><br/>                     - Hispanic or Latino: 9% vs. 11%<br/> <u>Chest pain:</u> 100% vs. 100%<br/> <u>Dyspnea:</u> NR<br/> <u>Prior MI:</u> NR<br/> <u>Prior revascularization:</u> 0% vs. 0%<br/> <u>Prior history of CAD:</u> 11% vs. 10%</p> | <p>related findings on their CCTA or SPECT/MPI were contacted at a minimum of 4 time points (at 2 weeks and 2, 6, and 12 months). Participants with negative findings on CCTA or SPECT MPI were contacted at a minimum of 2 time points (6 and 12 months). Participants were then contacted every 6 months until the conclusion of the trial.</p> <p>10.5% (110/1047) participants did not have the randomized scan.</p> <p>% followed: NR</p> |

| <b>Trial<br/>Author, year<br/>Study Design<br/>Country<br/>Funding</b> | <b>Population<br/>Setting<br/>Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria</b>   | <b>Tests evaluated</b> | <b>Baseline risk for<br/>CAD*</b> | <b>Patient<br/>characteristics*</b>   | <b>Length f/u (%<br/>followed)<br/>Cross-over, %<br/>(n/N)</b> |
|--|--|------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|--|
|  | stress test (significant ST segment depressions or hypotensive response during stage I of the Bruce protocol); unable to suspend respiration for 15 seconds or to follow instructions to do so; unstable angina and symptoms refractory to maximal oral and intravenous medical therapy (persistent CCS Class IV); history of known left ventricular ejection fraction < 45%; pulmonary edema or heart failure unresponsive to standard medical therapy; pacemaker, due to potential beam-hardening artifacts; valvular heart disease likely to require surgery in the next 18 months; congenital heart disease or cardiomyopathy likely to affect prognosis during follow up; significant systemic hypertension (blood pressure > 200/100 mm Hg) unresponsive to medical therapy; severe non-cardiovascular comorbidity limiting survival (e.g., cancer or other life threatening illness for which the patient is expected to live less than 12 months); prior imaging evaluation for this episode of symptoms (e.g., SPECT MPI or CCTA within the previous 72 hours); BMI |                        |                                   | <u>Chest pain frequency:</u> NR<br><u>Hypertension:</u> 62% vs. 60%<br><u>Hyperlipidemia:</u> NR<br><u>Diabetes:</u> 20% vs. 21%<br><u>Current smoking:</u> 14% vs. 16%<br><u>Mean BMI:</u> 30 vs. 29 |  |

| Trial<br>Author, year<br>Study Design<br>Country<br>Funding   | Population<br>Setting<br>Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria  | Tests evaluated   | Baseline risk for<br>CAD*   | Patient<br>characteristics*   | Length f/u (%<br>followed)<br>Cross-over, %<br>(n/N)   |
|---|--|---|---|---|--|
|   | <p>&gt; 40 kg/m<sup>2</sup> because of likely limited examination quality; pregnancy or intent to become pregnant (if a female is of childbearing potential—defined as a premenopausal female capable of becoming pregnant).</p>   |   |   |   |  |
| <b>Suspected ACS</b>  |  |   |   |   |  |
| <p><b>CT-STAT trial</b><br/><br/>Goldstein,<br/>2011<br/><br/>Multi-center<br/>(16 sites)<br/><br/>US<br/><br/>Industry</p> | <p><u>Population:</u><br/>Acute chest pain; suspected ACS</p> <p><u>Setting:</u><br/>Emergency department</p> <p><u>Inclusion:</u><br/>1) acute chest pain suspicious for angina based on an ED physician’s history taking and physical examination;<br/>2) age ≥25 years;<br/>3) time from onset of chest pain to presentation ≤12 h;<br/>4) time from emergency department presentation to randomization ≤24 h;<br/>5) normal or nondiagnostic rest ECG at the time of enrollment, without ECG evidence of ischemia (i.e., ST-segment elevation or depression ≥1mm in 2 or more contiguous leads, and/or T-wave inversion ≥2mm);</p> | <p><b>A: CCTA + CACS (n=375)</b><br/>- CCTA: 96% (361/375)<br/>- Excluded or withdrew consent and excluded: 4% (14/375)<br/><u>Stressor:</u> NA<br/><u>Contrast:</u> 60 to 100 ml Ultravist 300<br/><u>Protocol:</u> The CCTA could be done immediately after enrollment and results were read immediately by an experienced physician and findings were communicated to the ED physician. Patients with coronary arterial stenoses 0% to 25% and/or calcium score &lt;100 Agatston units were eligible for discharge home; patients with stenoses &gt;70% were referred for ICA; and patients with intermediate lesions (stenosis 26% to 70% or calcium score &gt;100 Agatston units) or uninterpretable scans were recommended to cross over for a rest-stress MPI. All patients underwent serial ECGs and cardiac biomarkers before enrollment and</p> | <p>A vs. B</p> <p>Low- to intermediate-risk patients (not clearly defined)</p> <p><u>Mean (SD) Thrombolysis In Myocardial Infarction risk score</u><br/>1.04 (0.87) vs. 0.99 (0.84)</p> | <p>A vs. B</p> <p><u>Subgroup:</u> None<br/><u>N randomized:</u> 749<br/><u>Mean age (SD):</u> 50 (10) vs. 50 (10) years<br/><u>Female:</u> 55% vs. 53%<br/><u>Race:</u> NR<br/><u>Chest pain:</u> 100% vs. 100%<br/>- unstable angina: 2% vs. 3%<br/><u>Dyspnea:</u> NR<br/><u>Prior MI:</u> NR<br/><u>Prior revascularization:</u> NR<br/><u>Known CAD:</u> NR<br/><u>Chest pain frequency:</u> NR<br/><u>Hypertension:</u> 39% vs. 36%</p> | <p>6 months: 83.7% (627/749)<br/>(Mortality rates were from the Social Security Death Index for 99.9% of patients)</p> |

| <b>Trial Author, year Study Design Country Funding</b> | <b>Population Setting Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria</b>  | <b>Tests evaluated</b>   | <b>Baseline risk for CAD*</b> | <b>Patient characteristics*</b>  | <b>Length f/u (% followed) Cross-over, % (n/N)</b> |
|--|---|--|-------------------------------|--|--|
|  | <p>6) thrombolysis in myocardial infarction risk score <math>\leq 4</math> for unstable angina or non-ST segment elevation myocardial infarction</p> <p><u>Exclusion:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) known CAD;</li> <li>2) elevated serum biomarkers including creatine kinase-myocardial band, myoglobin, and/or troponin I (e.g., Adiva Centaur assay, Bayer Healthcare, Tarrytown, New York);</li> <li>3) ischemic ECG changes, as denoted in the preceding text;</li> <li>4) previously known cardiomyopathy, with an estimated ejection fraction <math>\leq 45\%</math>;</li> <li>5) contraindication to iodinated contrast and/or beta-blocking drugs;</li> <li>6) atrial fibrillation or markedly irregular rhythm;</li> <li>7) body mass index <math>\geq 39</math> kg/m<sup>2</sup>;</li> <li>8) elevated serum creatinine levels (creatinine <math>\geq 1.5</math> mg/dl);</li> <li>9) CT imaging or contrast imaging within the past 48 h</li> </ol> | <p>at 4 and 8 hours thereafter before discharge. All clinical management was at the discretion of the attending physician.</p> <p><u>Definition of positive test:</u><br/>Abnormal: <math>&gt;25\%</math> stenosis.</p> <p>Severity categories:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>0= no stenosis</li> <li>1= 1-25% stenosis</li> <li>2= 26-50% stenosis</li> <li>3= 51-70% stenosis</li> <li>4= 71-99% stenosis</li> <li>5= total occlusion</li> </ol> <p><b>B: SPECT MPI (n=374)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- SPECT: 90% (338/374)</li> <li>- Excluded or withdrew consent: 10% (36/374)</li> </ul> <p><u>Stressor:</u> Exercise (treadmill) or pharm (adenosine or dipyridamole)</p> <p><u>Contrast:</u> Tc-99m sestamibi</p> <p><u>Protocol:</u> Rest imaging studies could be done immediately after enrollment. Stress testing was done only if the resting studies were normal.</p> <p><u>Definition of positive test:</u> Images categorized as abnormal; probably abnormal; equivocal, probably normal, or normal (based on stress/rest perfusion imaging, functional data, hemodynamic response to stress, symptoms, ECG</p> |                               | <p><u>Hyperlipidemia:</u><br/>31% vs. 36%</p> <p><u>Diabetes:</u> 8% vs. 6%</p> <p><u>Current smoking:</u><br/>25% vs. 20%</p> <p><u>Family history of CAD:</u> 31% vs. 30%</p> <p><u>Mean BMI (SD):</u><br/>28.1 (4.7) vs. 28.7 (5.1)</p> |  |

| Trial<br>Author, year<br>Study Design<br>Country<br>Funding                  | Population<br>Setting<br>Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria  | Tests evaluated  | Baseline risk for<br>CAD*  | Patient<br>characteristics*  | Length f/u (%<br>followed)<br>Cross-over, %<br>(n/N)              |
|--|--|--|--|--|---|
|  |  | response, exercise duration, and blood pressure response). Details of each category were NR and the American Society of Nuclear Cardiology consensus statement (J Nucl Cardiol 2003: 10:705) was cited   |  |  |   |
| <p><b>Goldstein, 2007</b></p> <p>Single center</p> <p>US</p> <p>Industry</p> | <p><u>Population:</u><br/>Acute chest pain or angina equivalent symptoms; suspected ACS</p> <p><u>Setting:</u><br/>Emergency department</p> <p><u>Inclusion:</u><br/>1) chest pain or angina equivalent symptoms compatible with ischemia during the past 12 hours;<br/>2) age ≥25 years; and<br/>3) a prediction of a low risk of infarction and/or complications according to established criteria.</p> <p><u>Exclusion:</u><br/>1) known coronary artery disease;<br/>2) electrocardiograms diagnostic of cardiac ischemia and/or infarction (significant Q waves, ST-segment deviations &gt;0.5 mm, or T-wave inversion); 3) elevated serum biomarkers including creatine kinase-MB, myoglobin, and/or</p> | <p><b>A: CCTA (n=99)</b><br/><u>Stressor:</u> NA<br/><u>Contrast:</u> Visipaque<br/><u>Protocol:</u> NR<br/><u>Definition of positive test:</u><br/>Lesions were classified by the maximal luminal diameter stenosis according to the following severity scale:<br/>0= no stenosis<br/>1= 1% to 25% stenosis<br/>2= 26% to 50% stenosis<br/>3= 51% to 70% stenosis<br/>4= 71% to 99% stenosis<br/>5= total occlusion</p> <p><b>B: SPECT MPI (n=98)</b><br/><u>Stressor:</u> Exercise (type NR)<br/><u>Contrast:</u> Tc99m-sestamibi<br/><u>Protocol:</u> NR<br/><u>Definition of positive test:</u><br/>Images categorized as abnormal; probably abnormal; equivocal, probably normal, or normal.<br/>Details of each category were NR but categories were based on:</p> | <p>A vs. B</p> <p><u>Goldman Riley criteria:</u><br/>0=Very low risk: 100% (99/99) vs. 99.0% (97/98)<br/>1= Low risk: 0% (0/99) vs. 1.0% (1/98)<br/>2= Moderate risk: 0% vs. 0%</p> <p><u>Mean (SD) Thrombolysis In Myocardial Infarction risk score</u><br/>1.24 (0.8) vs. 1.33 (0.8)</p> | <p>A vs. B</p> <p><u>Subgroup:</u> None<br/><u>N randomized:</u> 203<br/><u>Mean age (SD):</u> 48 (11) vs. 51 (12)<br/><u>Female:</u> 57% vs. 47%, p=0.05<br/><u>Race:</u> NR<br/><u>Chest pain:</u> 100% vs. 100%<br/><u>Dyspnea:</u> NR<br/><u>Prior MI:</u> 0% vs. 0%<br/><u>Prior revascularization:</u> NR<br/><u>Known CAD:</u> 0% vs. 0%<br/><u>Chest pain frequency:</u> 0% vs. 0%<br/><u>Hypertension:</u> 39% vs. 38%<br/><u>Hyperlipidemia:</u> 34% vs. 38%</p> | <p>6 months (Clinical records reviewed)</p> <p>% followed: NR</p> |

| <b>Trial Author, year Study Design Country Funding</b>   | <b>Population Setting Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria</b>  | <b>Tests evaluated</b>   | <b>Baseline risk for CAD*</b>  | <b>Patient characteristics*</b>  | <b>Length f/u (% followed) Cross-over, % (n/N)</b>   |
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|  | cardiac troponin I on initial and 4-hour testing;<br>4) previously known cardiomyopathy, with estimated ejection fraction ≤45%;<br>5) contraindication to iodinated contrast and/or beta-blocking drugs;<br>6) atrial fibrillation or markedly irregular rhythm;<br>7) body mass index ≥39 kg/m <sup>2</sup> ; 8) renal insufficiency (creatinine ≥1.5 mg/dl); or 9) computed tomography imaging or contrast administration within the past 48 hours.                                 | 1) symptoms (typical angina pectoris during exercise);<br>2) electrocardiographic response (>1 mm flat or down sloping ST-segment depression 80 ms after the J point or >1 mm of ST-segment elevation 80 ms after the J point or sustained ventricular tachycardia); and<br>3) SPECT evidence of perfusion defects with qualitative and semiquantitative visual analysis and a standard 17-segment model   |  | <u>Diabetes</u> : 8.2% vs. 12.2%;<br><u>Current smoking</u> : 15% vs. 20%<br><u>Mean BMI (SD)</u> : 29 (5) vs. 29 (5)<br><u>Family history of CAD</u> : 8% vs. 12%   |  |
| <b>PROSPECT trial</b><br><br>Levsky, 2009<br>Levsky, 2015<br><br>Single center<br><br>US<br><br>Non-profit, Government | <u>Population</u> :<br>Acute chest pain, no MI or ischemia on ECG/biomarkers; suspected ACS<br><br><u>Setting</u> :<br>Hospital telemetry unit/Inpatient<br><br><u>Inclusion</u> :<br>Patients without known coronary artery disease, ECG or serum cardiac biomarkers showed no acute myocardial infarction or ischemia. At least 1 intermediate-risk criterion for death or myocardial infarction in the short term was required: 1) pain for more than 20 minutes, 2) pain onset at | <b>A: CCTA (64 slice) (n=200)</b><br>- CCTA: 93.5% (187/200)<br>- SPECT: 3.5% (7/200)<br>- No test: 2% (4/200)<br><u>Stressor</u> : NA<br><u>Contrast</u> : iodixanol-320<br><u>Protocol</u> : Coronary calcium was scored. Scans were interpreted with complete access to clinical information and without blinding. After imaging, the managing physicians made all clinical care decisions without restriction.<br><u>Definition of positive test</u> : NR<br><br><b>B: SPECT MPI (n=200)</b><br>- SPECT: 94.5% (189/200) | A vs. B<br><br>Patients considered to be at intermediate-risk per authors.<br><br>Diamond—Forrester pretest probability, mean: 36% vs. 37%<br><br>Thrombolysis in Myocardial Infarction Risk Score, Mean (SD): 1.3 (1.0) vs. 1.2 (1.0) | A vs. B<br><br><u>Subgroup</u> : None<br><u>N randomized</u> : 400<br><u>Mean age (SD)</u> : 56.8 (11.8) vs. 56.3 (10.5)<br><u>Female</u> : 63% vs. 63%<br><u>Race/Ethnicity</u> :<br>- Hispanic: 53% vs. 55%<br>- African American: 39% vs. 34%<br>- Asian: 5% vs. 4%<br>- White: 4% vs. 5%<br>- Other: 1% vs. 1% | 12 months<br><br>Median followup for safety outcomes: 41.7 (Group A) and 39.0 (Group B) months<br><br>% followed: NR |

| <b>Trial Author, year Study Design Country Funding</b>    | <b>Population Setting Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria</b>   | <b>Tests evaluated</b>  | <b>Baseline risk for CAD*</b>   | <b>Patient characteristics*</b>  | <b>Length f/u (% followed) Cross-over, % (n/N)</b>  |
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|   | <p>exertion within the previous 2 weeks, 3) age older than 70 years, 4) subthreshold elevation of serum troponin T, or 5) nonspecific ST-segment or T-wave changes on ECG at presentation.</p> <p><u>Exclusion:</u><br/>CCTA, MPI, or cardiac catheterization within the preceding 6 months and contraindications to CCTA, including renal insufficiency, active asthma, poor venous access, allergy to intravenous contrast material or other serious allergy, and dysrhythmia that precluded cardiac gating.</p> | <p>- No test: 5.5% (11/200)<br/><u>Stressor:</u> Default stressor was treadmill exercise per the Bruce protocol. Patients unable to exercise received intravenously administered adenosine or regadenoson with or without low-level exercise.<br/><u>Contrast:</u> Radionuclide stress MPI was generally performed by using 1-day dual-isotope (201-Tl rest/99m-Tcsestamibi stress) or 99m-Tc-sestamibi rest/stress imaging<br/><u>Protocol:</u> Single photon-emission CT, with gated and attenuation-corrected images, was performed. One of several experienced, certified nuclear cardiologists or nuclear medicine physicians interpreted the findings by using standard quantification algorithms.<br/><u>Definition of positive test:</u> NR</p> |   | <p><u>Chest pain &gt;20 minutes:</u> 62% vs. 63%<br/><u>Dyspnea:</u> NR<br/><u>Prior MI:</u> NR<br/><u>Prior revascularization:</u> NR<br/><u>Known CAD:</u> 0% vs. 0%<br/><u>Chest pain frequency:</u> NR<br/><u>Hypertension:</u> 72% vs. 75%<br/><u>Hyperlipidemia:</u> 49% vs. 55%<br/><u>Diabetes:</u> 33% vs. 31%<br/><u>Current smoking:</u> 17% vs. 15%<br/><u>Mean BMI:</u> 30.5 vs. 30.7</p> |   |
| <p>Nabi, 2016<br/>Single center<br/>US<br/>Funding NR</p> | <p><u>Population:</u><br/>Patients with acute chest pain who were hospitalized and under observational status waiting for evaluation; suspected ACS</p> <p><u>Setting:</u><br/>SPECT/CT department</p>   | <p><b>A: CCTA + CACS (64 slice) (n=288)</b><br/>- CCTA: 98.6% (284/288)<br/>- SPECT: 1.4% (4/288)<br/><u>Stressor:</u> NA<br/><u>Contrast:</u> Visapaque<br/><u>Protocol:</u> Patients had CACS followed by CCTA<br/><u>Definition of positive test:</u></p>  | <p>A vs. B</p> <p><b>Framingham Risk Score, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>Low:</u> 76% vs. 77%<br/><u>Intermediate:</u> 19% vs. 18%<br/><u>High:</u> 5% vs. 5%</p> | <p>A vs. B</p> <p><u>Subgroup:</u> None<br/><u>N randomized:</u> 598<br/><u>Mean age (SD):</u> 54 vs. 53 years<br/><u>Female:</u> 55% vs. 56%</p>  | <p>Clinical follow-up was prospectively obtained by telephone interview at predefined intervals of 1 week, 1 month,</p> |

| <b>Trial Author, year Study Design Country Funding</b> | <b>Population Setting Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria</b>   | <b>Tests evaluated</b>  | <b>Baseline risk for CAD*</b>   | <b>Patient characteristics*</b>   | <b>Length f/u (% followed) Cross-over, % (n/N)</b>  |
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|  | <p><u>Inclusion:</u><br/>Patients older than 18 years who were hospitalized under observational status awaiting SPECT for evaluation of acute chest pain</p> <p><u>Exclusion:</u><br/>Contradiction to CCTA, Prior history of CAD, Elevated initial troponin (&gt;0.10ng/km), known cardiomyopathy, underlying comorbidity limiting follow-up, inability to obtain informed consent, duplicate emergency department visits, patient/physician refusal to participate</p> | <p>Significant coronary artery disease: &gt;50% stenosis<br/>Moderate: 51%–69% stenosis<br/>Severe: 70%–90% stenosis<br/>Subtotal/total occlusion: &gt;90% stenosis</p> <p><b>B: SPECT MPI (n=310)</b><br/>- SPECT: 100% (310/310)</p> <p><u>Stressor:</u><br/>Pharmacologic stress testing: 73% (223/310)<br/>- Adenosine: 24% (74/310)<br/>- Regadenoson: 48% (148/310)<br/>- Dobutamine: 0.3% (1/310)</p> <p>Treadmill exercise stress testing: 27% (84/310)</p> <p><u>Contrast:</u> NR</p> <p><u>Protocol:</u> SPECT was performed as recommended by the American Society of Nuclear Cardiology</p> <p><u>Definition of positive test:</u><br/>Normal test consisted of homogeneous left ventricular myocardial perfusion, normal cavity size, and ejection fraction was 50% or greater with normal wall motion</p> | <p>p=0.95</p> <p>Thrombolysis in Myocardial Infarction risk score, % (n/N)<br/>0: 50% vs. 55%<br/>1: 29% vs. 32.3%<br/>2: 15% vs. 14%<br/>3: 3% vs. 2%<br/>p=0.67</p> | <p><u>Race/Ethnicity:</u><br/>- Black: 27% vs. 33%<br/>- White: 56% vs. 56%<br/>- Hispanic: 14% vs. 10%<br/>- Asian: 2% vs. 0.3%<br/>- Other: 1% vs. 2%<br/>p=0.05</p> <p><u>Chest pain:</u> 100% vs. 100%</p> <p>- Severe angina within the last 24 hours: 6% vs. 5%</p> <p><u>Dyspnea:</u> NR<br/><u>Prior MI:</u> NR<br/><u>Prior revascularization:</u> NR<br/><u>Known CAD:</u> 0% vs. 0%<br/><u>Chest pain frequency:</u> NR<br/><u>Hypertension:</u> 50% vs. 51%<br/><u>Hyperlipidemia:</u> 39% vs. 37%<br/><u>Diabetes:</u> 15% vs. 15%</p> | <p>and more than 6 months</p> <p>Median follow-up: 6.5 months</p> <p>4 patients randomized to CCTA crossed over to SPECT</p> <p>% followed: 99.2% (593/598)</p> |

| <b>Trial<br/>Author, year<br/>Study Design<br/>Country<br/>Funding</b> | <b>Population<br/>Setting<br/>Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria</b> | <b>Tests evaluated</b> | <b>Baseline risk for<br/>CAD*</b> | <b>Patient<br/>characteristics*</b>  | <b>Length f/u (%<br/>followed)<br/>Cross-over, %<br/>(n/N)</b> |
|--|--|------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|--|
|  |  |                        |                                   | <u>Current smoking:</u><br>26% vs. 27%<br><u>Mean BMI (SD):</u><br>30.5 (7.4) vs. 31.8<br>(9.1), p=0.05<br><u>Family history of<br/>CAD:</u> 25% vs. 21% |  |

ACS = acute coronary syndrome, BMI = body mass index, CACS = coronary artery calcium scoring, CAD = coronary artery disease, CCTA = coronary computed tomography, CT = computed tomography, ECG = electrocardiogram, ED = emergency department, f/u = follow-up, MI = myocardial infarction, mL = milliliter, MPI = myocardial perfusion imaging, NA = not applicable, NR = not reported, SD = standard deviation, SPECT = single photon emission computed tomography.

\* p-values non-significant unless reported.

**Appendix Table F11. Data abstraction for CCTA vs. SPECT MPI: Efficacy Outcomes**

| Author/trial<br>Interventions<br>Subgroup<br>analyses?<br>Formal test<br>for<br>interaction?  | Patient disposition<br>Test result  | Mortality (All-<br>cause,<br>cardiac)   | Myocardial<br>infarction   | Referral for<br>treatment   | Referral for additional<br>testing   | Composite<br>outcomes   | Other   |
|---|---|---|--|---|--|---|---|
| <b>Suspected CAD</b>  |   |   |  |   |  |   |   |
| IAEA-<br>SPECT/CTA<br>trial<br>Karthikeyan,<br>2017<br><br>CCTA vs.<br>SPECT<br><br>Subgroup<br>Analyses: Y<br>Test for<br>interaction: Y | Disposition, % (n/N)<br>NR<br><br>Test results, %<br>(n/N)<br><u>Index test</u><br>- Normal stenosis<br>(0% to 29%): 43.9%<br>(62/141)<br>- Abnormal (≥30%<br>stenosis): 56.1%<br>(79/141)<br>- Mild stenosis<br>(30% to 49%):<br>23.4% (33/141)<br>- Moderate<br>stenosis (50%<br>to 69%): 14.9%<br>(21/141)<br>- Severe<br>stenosis (≥70%<br>stenosis):<br>17.7% (25/141) | All-cause<br>mortality, %<br>(n/N)<br><u>12 months</u><br>0.7% (1/152)<br>vs. 0%<br>(0/151), p=NR | Nonfatal<br>MI % (n/N)<br><u>12 months</u><br>0% (0/152)<br>vs. 0%<br>(0/151),<br>p=NR | Planned coronary<br>revascularization<br>(CABG/PCI), %<br>(n/N)<br><u>12 months</u><br>6.5% (8/148) vs.<br>7.8% (10/149), adj.<br>OR 1.29 (95% CI<br>0.48 to 3.42),<br>p=0.61 (adjusted<br>for recruiting<br>centers, symptom<br>status, and<br>physician<br>preference of<br>procedure at<br>baseline)<br>[One additional<br>patient in the MPI<br>arm underwent<br>unplanned PCI] | Proportion of patients<br>having additional<br>testing with another<br>modality<br>(Rest-stress MPI,<br>CCTA, stress ECG,<br>CMR, or stress ECHO),<br>or invasive coronary<br>angiography, % (n/N)<br><u>6 months</u><br>27.7% (41/148) vs.<br>16.8% (25/149) vs.<br>adj. OR 0.50 (95% CI<br>0.28 to 0.89), p=0.019<br>(adjusted for<br>recruiting centers and<br>symptom status)<br>adj. OR 0.51 (95% CI<br>0.28 to 0.91), p=0.023<br>(adjusted for<br>recruiting centers,<br>symptom status, and<br>physician preference<br>of procedure at<br>baseline) | Composite of<br>death, nonfatal MI,<br>recurrent ischemia,<br>or unplanned<br>revascularization,<br>% (n/N)<br><u>12 months</u><br>1.6% (2/152) vs.<br>2.3% (3/151), p=NR | Proportion of<br>patients with<br>recurrent<br>ischemia, % (n/N)<br><u>12 months</u><br>0.7% (1/152) vs.<br>1.3% (2/151),<br>p=NR |

| <b>Author/trial Interventions Subgroup analyses? Formal test for interaction?</b> | <b>Patient disposition Test result</b>  | <b>Mortality (All-cause, cardiac)</b> | <b>Myocardial infarction</b> | <b>Referral for treatment</b> | <b>Referral for additional testing</b>   | <b>Composite outcomes</b> | <b>Other</b> |
|---|---|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|---------------------------|--------------|
|   | <p>[7% (11/152) of patients did not receive CCTA]</p> <p><b>Test results for Group B (SPECT), % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>Index test</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Normal: 70.6% (101/143)</li> <li>- Abnormal: 28.7% (41/143)</li> <li>- Inconclusive: 0.7% (1/143)</li> </ul> <p>[5% (8/151) of patients did not receive stress MPI]</p> |                                       |                              |                               | <p><b>Proportion of patients having additional non-invasive testing with another modality (Rest-stress MPI, CCTA, stress ECG, CMR, or stress ECHO) 6 months</b></p> <p>17.6% (26/148) vs. 4.7% (7/149),<br/>adj. OR 0.19 (95% CI 0.08 to 0.48), p&lt;0.001 (adjusted for recruiting centers and symptom status)</p> <p>adj. OR 0.18 (95% CI 0.07 to 0.46), p&lt;0.001 (adjusted for recruiting centers, symptom status, and physician preference of procedure at baseline)</p> <p><b>Proportion of patients having an elective coronary angiography, % (n/N)</b></p> |                           |              |

| Author/trial Interventions Subgroup analyses? Formal test for interaction? | Patient disposition Test result  | Mortality (All-cause, cardiac)   | Myocardial infarction   | Referral for treatment  | Referral for additional testing  | Composite outcomes | Other   |
|--|--|--|---|---|--|--------------------|---|
|  |  |  |   |   | <p><u>6 months</u><br/>                     14.2% (21/148) vs. 12.1% (18/149), adj. OR 0.83 (95% CI 0.42 to 1.60), p=0.60 (adjusted for recruiting centers and symptom status)<br/>                     adj. OR 0.86 (95% CI 0.44 to 1.71), p= 0.67 (adjusted for recruiting centers, symptom status, and physician preference of procedure at baseline)</p> <p><i>ORs are for the comparison in the reverse direction</i></p> |                    |   |
| Min, 2012<br><br>CCTA vs. SPECT<br><br>Subgroup Analyses: Y                | <b>Disposition, % (n/N)</b><br>NR<br><br><b>Test Results, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Index test</u> | <b>All-cause mortality, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Mean 55 day follow-up</u><br>0% (0/91) vs. 0% (0/89) | <b>Myocardial infarction, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Mean 55 day follow-up</u> | <b>Need for subsequent revascularization (PCI or CABG), % (n/N)</b><br><u>Mean 55 day follow-up</u> | <b>Invasive coronary angiography, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Mean 55 day follow-up</u><br>13% (12/91) vs. 8% (7/89), p=0.25   | NR                 | <b>CAD-related hospitalization, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Mean 55 day follow-up</u> |

| <b>Author/trial Interventions Subgroup analyses? Formal test for interaction?</b> | <b>Patient disposition Test result</b>   | <b>Mortality (All-cause, cardiac)</b> | <b>Myocardial infarction</b> | <b>Referral for treatment</b>   | <b>Referral for additional testing</b>   | <b>Composite outcomes</b> | <b>Other</b>  |
|---|--|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|---|--|---------------------------|---|
| Test for interaction: N   | - Normal: 70% (64/91) vs. 64% (57/89)<br>- Abnormal: 30% (27/91) vs. 36% (32/89)<br>p=0.29 |                                       | 0% (0/91) vs. 0% (0/89)      | 8% (7/91) vs. 1% (1/89), p=0.03<br><br><b>Percent change in medication use, Mean change from baseline (SD)</b><br><u>Mean 55 day follow-up</u><br>- Aspirin: 21.8% (47%) vs. 8.1% (35%), p=0.04<br>- Statin: 6.9% (45%) vs. -3.5% (28%), p=0.03<br>- Non-statin-lipid lowering: -1.1% (32%) vs. -1.2% (36%), p=0.95<br>- Beta-blocker: 4.6% (43%) vs. 0% (31%), p=0.25<br>- ACE inhibitors: -1.1% (24%) vs. -2.3% (31%), p=0.94<br>- Angiotensin receptor antagonists: 1.1% | <b>Use of any noninvasive cardiac imaging test, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Mean 55 day follow-up</u><br>3% (3/91) vs. 10% (9/89), p=0.07<br><br><b>Any resource utilization, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Mean 55 day follow-up</u><br>20.9% (19/91) vs. 20.2% (18/89), p=0.91 |                           | 12% (11/91) vs. 11% (10/89), p=0.86<br><br><b>Seattle Angina Questionnaire (range 0-100, higher=increased health status), Mean change from baseline (SD)</b><br><u>Mean 55 day follow-up</u><br>- Quality of life/disease perception: 13.5 (22.6) vs. 11.6 (19.0), p=0.80<br>- Physical limitation: 2.5 (21.3) vs. 4.1 (19.0), p=0.58<br>- Angina stability: 30.0 (37.0) vs. 22.9 (30.1), p=0.11<br>-Angina frequency: 10.2 |

| Author/trial<br>Interventions<br>Subgroup<br>analyses?<br>Formal test<br>for<br>interaction? | Patient disposition<br>Test result   | Mortality (All-<br>cause,<br>cardiac)   | Myocardial<br>infarction  | Referral for<br>treatment  | Referral for additional<br>testing | Composite<br>outcomes  | Other   |
|--|--|---|---|--|------------------------------------|--|---|
|  |  |   |   | (24%) vs. 1.2%<br>(24%), p=0.96<br>- Calcium channel<br>blockers: -1.1%<br>(24%) vs. -2.3%<br>(22%), p=0.99  |                                    |  | (16.4) vs. 7.6<br>(14.8), p=0.31<br>-Treatment<br>satisfaction: 4.5<br>(17.8) vs. 0.6<br>(18.2), p=0.26 |
| <b>RESCUE trial</b><br>Stillman,<br>2020<br><br>CCTA vs.<br>SPECT                            | <b>Disposition, % (n/N)</b><br>NR<br><br><b>Test Results, %<br/>(n/N)</b><br><u>Index test</u><br>- Positive: 23.6%<br>(122/516) vs. 24.3%<br>(23/531), p=NR<br>- Negative: 66.9%<br>(345/516) vs. 82.1%<br>(436/531), p=NR<br>- Uninterpretable:<br>1.2% (6/516) vs.<br>1.0% (5/531), p=NR<br>- Scan not<br>performed: 8.3%<br>(43/516) vs. 12.6%<br>(67/531), p=NR | <b>All-cause<br/>mortality, %<br/>(n/N)</b><br><u>Mean follow-<br/>up 16.2<br/>months</u><br>0.01%<br>(10/1047) (NR<br>by group; 7<br>malignancies,<br>1 stroke, 1<br>cocaine drug<br>overdose, and<br>1 pulmonary<br>end-stage<br>chronic<br>obstructive<br>pulmonary<br>Disease)<br><br><b>Cardiac death,<br/>% (n/N)</b> | <b>Myocardial<br/>infarction,<br/>% (n/N)</b><br><u>Mean<br/>follow-up<br/>16.2<br/>months</u><br>0.4%<br>(2/516) vs.<br>1.5%<br>(8/531),<br>p=NR | <b>Any<br/>revascularization,<br/>% (n/N)</b><br><u>Mean follow-up<br/>16.2 months</u><br>5.2% (27/516) vs.<br>3.7% (20/531),<br>p=NR<br><br>CCTA and SPECT<br>arm: no left main<br>disease = OMT<br>Adherence to OMT<br>(i.e.,<br>antihypertensives,<br>medication for DM,<br>blood thinners and<br>nonsmoking) <sup>†</sup><br><u>6 months</u><br>36.1% (39/108) vs.<br>25.0% (5/20) | NR                                 | <b>MACE (including<br/>cardiac-related<br/>death, acute<br/>myocardial<br/>infarction, and<br/>revascularization),<br/>% (n/N)</b><br><u>Mean follow-up<br/>16.2 months</u><br>NR vs. NR: HR 1.03<br>(95% CI, 0.61 to<br>1.75), p=0.19 | <b>Stroke, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Mean follow-up<br/>16.2 months</u><br>0.001% (1/1047)                      |

| Author/trial Interventions Subgroup analyses? Formal test for interaction?                            | Patient disposition Test result   | Mortality (All-cause, cardiac)   | Myocardial infarction  | Referral for treatment   | Referral for additional testing   | Composite outcomes | Other  |
|---|---|--|--|--|---|--------------------|--|
|   |   | <p><u>Mean follow-up 16.2 months</u><br/>0% (0/516) vs. 0% (2/531), p=NR</p>   |  | <p><u>12 months</u><br/>38.1% (37/97) vs. 38.1% (8/21)<br/><u>18 months</u><br/>41.9% (31/74) vs. 57.1% (8/14)<br/><u>24 months</u><br/>40% (16/40) vs. 42.9% (3/7)<br/><u>Cumulative</u><br/>38.6% (123/319) vs. 38.7 (24/62)</p> |   |                    |  |
| <b>Suspected ACS</b>  |   |  |  |  |   |                    |  |
| <p><b>CT-STAT trial</b><br/>Goldstein, 2011<br/><br/>CCTA vs. SPECT<br/><br/>Subgroup Analyses: N</p> | <p><b>Disposition, % (n/N)</b><br/>Discharged from ED within ≤6 hours after index visit: 72.6% (262/361) vs. 80.1% (271/338), p=NR<br/><br/><b>Test results for Group A (CCTA), % (n/N)</b><br/><u>Index test</u><br/>- Minimal or no stenosis (0% to</p> | <p><b>All-cause mortality, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>At index visit</u><br/>0% (0/361) vs. 0% (0/338), p=NA<br/><u>Between discharge and 6 months</u><br/>0% (0/361) vs. 0% (0/337), p=NA</p> | <p><b>Myocardial infarction, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>At index visit</u><br/>0.3% (1/361) vs. 1.5% (5/338), p=0.11<br/><u>Between discharge and 6 months</u></p> | <p><b>Percutaneous Coronary Intervention, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>At index visit</u><br/>2.5% (9/361) vs. 2.4% (8/338), p=0.90<br/><u>Between discharge and 6 months</u><br/>0.3% (1/330) vs. 0% (0/297), p=0.12</p>                    | <p><b>Invasive Coronary Angiography, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>At index visit</u><br/>6.7% (24/361) vs. 6.2% (21/338), p=0.80<br/><u>Between discharge and 6 months</u><br/>0.6% (2/330) vs. 0.3% (1/297), p=1.0<br/><br/><b>Rest/stress SPECT</b><br/><u>At index visit</u><br/>10.9% (37/361) vs. NA</p> | NR                 | <p><b>Additional unstable angina, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>At index visit</u><br/>0.8% (3/361) vs. 0.9% (3/338), p=1.0<br/><u>Between discharge and 6 months</u><br/>0% (0/330) vs. 0% (0/297), p=NA</p> |

| Author/trial Interventions Subgroup analyses? Formal test for interaction? | Patient disposition Test result   | Mortality (All-cause, cardiac) | Myocardial infarction                  | Referral for treatment   | Referral for additional testing  | Composite outcomes | Other  |
|--|---|--------------------------------|--|--|--|--------------------|--|
|  | <p>25%): 82.2% (297/361)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Intermediate stenosis (25% to 70%): 10.2% (37/361)</li> <li>- Severe stenosis (&gt;70%): 3.6% (13/361)</li> <li>- Indeterminant/non-diagnostic: 3.7% (14/361)</li> </ul> <p><b>Test results for Group B (SPECT), % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>Index test</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Normal or probably normal: 89.9% (304/338)</li> <li>- Abnormal, probably abnormal, or equivocal: 10.1% (34/338)</li> </ul> |                                | <p>0% (0/330) vs. 0% (0/297), p=NA</p> | <p><b>Coronary Artery Bypass Graft, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>At index visit</u></p> <p>1.1% (4/361) vs. 0% (0/338), p=1.0</p> <p><u>Between discharge and 6 months</u></p> <p>0% (0/330) vs. 0% (0/297), p=NA</p> | <p><b>CCTA</b></p> <p><u>At index visit</u></p> <p>NA vs. 1.8% (6/338)</p> |                    | <p><b>Repeat cardiovascular hospitalization, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>Between discharge and 6 months</u></p> <p>0% (0/330) vs. 0% (0/297), p=NA</p> <p><b>Repeat cardiovascular emergency department visit, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>Between discharge and 6 months</u></p> <p>0.6% (2/330) vs. 1.3% (4/297), p=0.43</p> |

| Author/trial Interventions Subgroup analyses? Formal test for interaction? | Patient disposition Test result  | Mortality (All-cause, cardiac)   | Myocardial infarction  | Referral for treatment  | Referral for additional testing   | Composite outcomes | Other   |
|--|--|--|--|---|---|--------------------|---|
| <p>Goldstein, 2007</p> <p>CCTA vs. SPECT</p> <p>Subgroup Analyses: N</p>   | <p><b>Disposition, % (n/N)</b><br/>                     Directly discharged from ED after index test: 88.1% (88/99) vs. 96.9% (96/98), p=0.03</p> <p><b>Test results for Group A (CCTA), % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>Index test</u><br/>                     - Minimal or no stenosis (0% to 25%): 67.7% (67/99)<br/>                     - Intermediate stenosis (25% to 70%): 13.1% (13/99)<br/>                     - Severe stenosis (&gt;70%): 8.1% (8/99)<br/>                     - Indeterminant/non-diagnostic: 11% (11/99)</p> <p><b>Test results for Group B (SPECT), % (n/N)</b></p> | <p><b>All-cause mortality, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>At index visit</u><br/>                     0% (0/99) vs. 0% (0/98), p=NR<br/> <u>Between discharge and 6 months</u><br/>                     0% (0/99) vs. 0% (0/98), p=NR</p> | <p><b>Myocardial infarction, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>At index visit</u><br/>                     0% (0/99) vs. 0% (0/98), p=NR<br/> <u>Between discharge and 6 months</u><br/>                     0% (0/99) vs. 0% (0/98), p=NR</p> | <p><b>Percutaneous Coronary Intervention, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>At index visit</u><br/>                     3.0% (3/99) vs. 1.0% (1/98), p=0.62<br/> <u>Between discharge and 6 months</u><br/>                     1.0% (1/99) vs. 0% (0/98), p=NR</p> <p><b>Coronary Artery Bypass Graft, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>At index visit</u><br/>                     2.0% (2/99) vs. 0% (0/98), p=0.50<br/> <u>Between discharge and 6 months</u><br/>                     0% (0/99) vs. 0% (0/98), p=NR</p> | <p><b>In-hospital diagnostic catheter, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>At index visit</u><br/>                     11.1% (11/99)† vs. 3.1% (3/98), p=0.03<br/> <u>Between discharge and 6 months</u><br/>                     1.0% (1/99) vs. 4.1% (4/98), p=NR</p> <p><b>Rest/stress SPECT, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>At index visit</u><br/>                     24.2% (24/99) vs. NA<br/> <u>Between discharge and 6 months</u><br/>                     1.0% (1/99) vs. 3.2% (3/98), p=0.37</p> <p><b>Any additional cardiac testing, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>Between discharge and 6 months</u><br/>                     2.0% (2/99) vs. 7.1% (7/98), p=0.10</p> | <p>NR</p>          | <p><b>Additional unstable angina, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>Between discharge and 6 months</u><br/>                     0% (0/99) vs. 0% (0/98), p=NA</p> <p><b>Repeat cardiovascular emergency department visit, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>Between discharge and 6 months</u><br/>                     6.1% (6/99) vs. 6.1% (6/98), p=1.0</p> <p><b>Repeat cardiovascular office visit, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>Between discharge and 6 months</u></p> |

| Author/trial<br>Interventions<br>Subgroup<br>analyses?<br>Formal test<br>for<br>interaction?                         | Patient disposition<br>Test result  | Mortality (All-<br>cause,<br>cardiac)   | Myocardial<br>infarction | Referral for<br>treatment   | Referral for additional<br>testing  | Composite<br>outcomes  | Other  |
|--|---|---|--------------------------|---|---|--|--|
|  | <p><u>Index test</u><br/>- Normal or probably normal: 94.9% (93/98)<br/>- Abnormal: 5.1% (5/98)</p> |   |                          |   |   |  | <p>2.0% (2/99) vs. 2.0% (2/98), p=NR</p>   |
| <p><b>PROSPECT trial</b><br/>Levsky, 2009<br/>Levsky, 2015<br/><br/>CCTA vs. SPECT<br/><br/>Subgroup Analyses: N</p> | <p>NR</p>   | <p><b>All-cause mortality, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>12 months</u><br/>0.5% (1/200) vs. 3% (6/200), difference - 2.5% (95% CI - 6.3% to 0.7%), p=0.122</p> | <p>NR</p>                | <p><b>Coronary Artery Bypass Graft, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>12 months</u><br/>4% (7/200) vs. 0.5% (1/200), difference 3.0% (95%CI -0.3% to 6.9%), p=0.068</p> <p><b>Percutaneous Coronary Intervention, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>12 months</u><br/>4% (8/200) vs. 5.5% (11/200), difference -1.5% (95% CI -6.4% to 3.3%), p=0.64</p> <p><u>Median followup of 41.7 (Group A) and</u></p> | <p><b>Proportion of patients undergoing one or more cardiac catheterization</b><br/><u>12 months</u><br/>15% (30/200) vs. 16% (32/200), difference -1.0% (95% CI -8.5% to 6.5%), p=0.89</p> <p>- Cardiac catheterization without revascularization: 7.5% (15/200) vs. 10% (20/200), HR 0.77 (95% CI 0.40 to 1.49), p=0.44</p> <p><u>Median followup of 41.7 (Group A) and 39.0 (Group B) months</u></p> | <p><b>Major adverse cardiovascular events (consisting of myocardial infarction, stroke, and cardiac arrest), % (n/N)</b><br/><u>12 months</u><br/>5% (9/200) vs. 5% (9/200), difference 0% (95% CI -4.7% to 4.7%), p=1.0</p> <p><b>Major adverse cardiovascular events (consisting of myocardial infarction, stroke, and cardiac arrest) + death from any cause, % (n/N)</b></p> | <p><b>Hospital length of stay (hours), Median (IQR)</b><br/><u>Index visit</u><br/>28.9 (11.0 to 48.4) vs. 30.4 (23.9 to 51.3), p=0.057</p> <p><b>Rehospitalization for any reason, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>Median followup of 41.7 (Group A) and 39.0 (Group B) months</u><br/>43% (86/200) vs. 49% (98/200), difference -6.0% (95% CI -16% to 4.1%), p=0.27</p> |

| Author/trial Interventions Subgroup analyses? Formal test for interaction? | Patient disposition Test result | Mortality (All-cause, cardiac) | Myocardial infarction | Referral for treatment   | Referral for additional testing  | Composite outcomes   | Other   |
|--|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|--|--|--|---|
|  |                                 |                                |                       | <p><u>39.0 (Group B) months</u><br/>5% (9/200) vs. 7% (14/200), difference -2.5% (-7.7% to 2.6%), p=0.39</p> <p><b>New aspirin prescription, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>Median followup of 41.7 (Group A) and 39.0 (Group B) months</u><br/>40% (79/200) vs. 34% (63/200), difference 5.5% (95% CI -4.3% to 15%), p=0.30</p> <p><b>New statin prescription, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>Median followup of 41.7 (Group A) and 39.0 (Group B) months</u></p> | <p>18% (36/200) vs. 19% (38/200), difference 1.0% (95% CI -7.0% to 9.0%), p=0.90</p> | <p><u>12 months</u><br/>5% (9/200) vs. 7.55% (15/200), difference -3.0% (95% CI -8.3% to 2.2%), p=0.29</p> | <p><b>Cardiac rehospitalization, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>Median followup of 41.7 (Group A) and 39.0 (Group B) months</u><br/>25% (50/200) vs. 31% (61/200), difference -5.5% (95% CI -15% to 3.6%), p=0.26</p> <p><b>Emergency Department revisit for any reason, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>Median followup of 41.7 (Group A) and 39.0 (Group B) months</u><br/>63% (126/200) vs. 57.5% (115/200), difference -5.5% (95% CI -4.4% to 15%), p=0.31</p> <p><b>Cardiac-related Emergency</b></p> |

| Author/trial Interventions Subgroup analyses? Formal test for interaction? | Patient disposition Test result | Mortality (All-cause, cardiac) | Myocardial infarction | Referral for treatment   | Referral for additional testing | Composite outcomes | Other  |
|--|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|--|---------------------------------|--------------------|--|
|  |                                 |                                |                       | <p>25% (50/200) vs. 18% (36/200), difference 7.0% (95% CI -1.4% vs. 15%), p=0.113</p> <p><b>Increased statin dose, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>Median followup of 41.7 (Group A) and 39.0 (Group B) months</u><br/>                     3% (6/200) vs. 3% (6/200), difference 0% (95% CI -4.1% to 4.1%), p=1.0</p> |                                 |                    | <p><b>Department revisit, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>Median followup of 41.7 (Group A) and 39.0 (Group B) months</u><br/>                     21% (41/200) vs 20% (40/200), difference -0.5% (95% CI -7.7% to 8.7%), p=1.0</p> <p><b>Primary care visit, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>Median followup of 41.7 (Group A) and 39.0 (Group B) months</u><br/>                     57% (114/200) vs. 56% (112/200), difference 1.0% (95% CI -9.0% to 11%), p=0.92</p> <p><b>Cardiology outpatient visit, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>Median followup of 41.7 (Group A)</u></p> |

| Author/trial Interventions Subgroup analyses? Formal test for interaction? | Patient disposition Test result | Mortality (All-cause, cardiac)                    | Myocardial infarction | Referral for treatment  | Referral for additional testing  | Composite outcomes   | Other   |
|--|---------------------------------|---|-----------------------|---|--|--|---|
|  |                                 |   |                       |   |  |  | <p>and 39.0 (Group B) months<br/>23% (46/200) vs. 21% (42/300), p=0.72</p> <p><b>Proportion of patients reporting continued chest pain, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>On 6 or 12 month follow-up call</u><br/>36% (64/186) vs. 36% (64/188), p=NR<br/>(pain was of the same or worse in 28 recipients in Group A and 23 recipients in Group B)</p> |
| Nabi, 2016<br><br>CCTA vs. SPECT   | NR                              | <b>Cardiac mortality, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Index</u> | NR                    | <b>Coronary Revascularization, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Median 6.5 month follow-up</u> | <b>Proportion of patients requiring additional testing, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Median 6.5 month follow-up</u> | <b>Cardiac event (including cardiac death, unstable angina, or myocardial infarction), % (n/N)</b> | <b>Time to diagnosis (hours), Mean (SD)</b><br><u>From randomization</u>  |

| Author/trial Interventions Subgroup analyses? Formal test for interaction? | Patient disposition Test result | Mortality (All-cause, cardiac)  | Myocardial infarction | Referral for treatment               | Referral for additional testing  | Composite outcomes   | Other   |
|--|---------------------------------|---|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--|---|
| Subgroup Analyses: N   |                                 | 0% (0/283) vs. 0% (0/300), p=NR<br><br><u>Median 6.5 month follow-up</u><br>0% (0/283) vs. 0% (0/300), p=NR |                       | 0.7% (2/283) vs. 1.0% (3/300), p=1.0 | - SPECT: 7.4% (21/283) vs. 4.0% (12/300), p=NR<br>- CCTA: 0% (0/283) vs. 0.6% (2/300), p=NR<br>- ICA: 2.5% (7/283) vs. 4.0% (12/300), p=NR<br><br><b>Total # of follow-up Cardiac Tests (including ICA), % (n/N)</b><br><u>Median 6.5 month follow-up</u><br>- 0: 89.8% (254/283) vs. 92.0% (276/300)<br>- 1: 10.2% (29/283) vs. 7.0% (21/300)<br>- 2: 0% (0/283) vs. 1.0% (3/300)<br>p=0.08 | <u>Median 6.5 month follow-up</u><br>4.6% (13/283) vs. 3.0% (9/300), p=0.39<br>[All of the events were unstable angina, except 1 of the 22 total events was an MI, but group NR] | 8.1 (8.5) vs. 9.4 (7.4), p=0.0002<br><br><b>Hospital length of stay (hours), Mean (SD)</b><br><u>From randomization to discharge</u><br>19.7 (27.8) vs. 23.5 (34.4), p=0.002<br><br><b>Chest pain outpatient visit, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Median 6.5 month follow-up</u><br>2.8% (8/283) vs. 1.7% (5/300), p=0.41<br><br><b>Hospital readmission for chest pain, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Median 6.5 month follow-up</u> |

| Author/trial<br>Interventions<br>Subgroup<br>analyses?<br>Formal test<br>for<br>interaction? | Patient disposition<br>Test result | Mortality (All-<br>cause,<br>cardiac) | Myocardial<br>infarction | Referral for<br>treatment | Referral for additional<br>testing | Composite<br>outcomes | Other  |
|--|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------|--|
|  |                                    |                                       |                          |                           |                                    |                       | 8.5% (24/283) vs.<br>9.0% (27/300),<br>p=0.88<br><br><b>Emergency<br/>                     department visit<br/>                     for reoccurring<br/>                     chest pain, %<br/>                     (n/N)</b><br><u>Median 6.5 month<br/>                     follow-up</u><br>9.9% (28/283) vs.<br>12.3% (37/300),<br>p=0.43 |

ACE = Angiotensin-converting enzyme, ACS = acute coronary syndrome, CABG = coronary artery bypass graft, CAD = coronary artery disease, CI = confidence interval, CMR = cardiac magnetic resonance, ECG = electrocardiogram, ECHO = echocardiography, ED = emergency department, ICA = invasive coronary angiogram, IQR = inter-quartile range, MACE = major adverse cardiovascular events, MI = myocardial infarction, MPI = myocardial perfusion imaging, N = no, NA = not applicable, NR = not reported, OMT = optimal medical therapy, OR = odds ratio, PCI = percutaneous coronary intervention, SD = standard deviation, SPECT = single photon emission computed tomography, Y = yes.

\* In exploratory analyses, the results were consistent (interaction P values in parentheses) across subgroups defined by symptom status (P = 0.6), angina as presenting symptom (P = 0.71), presence of diabetes (P = 0.18), and participating site (P = 0.10). (No other data provided)

† In both arms, patients without left main disease were given OMT.

‡ For CCTA, of these 11, 8 received ICA as the result of severe CAD according to CCTA; 3 tested abnormal on SPECT that was received from intermediate or non-diagnostic CCTA results.

**Appendix Table F12. Data abstraction for CCTA vs. SPECT MPI: Safety Outcomes**

| Author/trial Interventions   | Imaging-related AEs  | Incidental findings | Radiation   |
|--|--|---------------------|---|
| <b>Suspected CAD</b>   |  |                     |   |
| <p><b>IAEA-SPECT/CTA trial</b><br/>Karthikeyan, 2017</p> <p>CCTA vs. SPECT</p> | <p><b>Test complications, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>Index test</u><br/>2.1% (3/146) vs. 0% (0/143), p=NR<br/>(all 3 events in Group A were allergic reactions)</p> | <p>NR</p>           | <p><b>Effective radiation dose (mSv), median (IQR)</b></p> <p><u>Initial diagnostic procedure</u><br/>5.0 (3.8 to 10) vs. 9.3 (8.5 to 9.7), p&lt;0.001</p> <p><u>All diagnostic procedures at 12 months</u><br/>8.8 (14.0 to 13.2) vs. 9.6 (8.9 to 12.5), p=0.040</p> <p><u>All diagnostic and therapeutic procedures at 12 months*</u><br/>8.8 (14.0 to 13.2) vs. 9.6 (8.9 to 12.5), p=0.041</p>                       |
| <p>Min, 2012</p> <p>CCTA vs. SPECT</p>   | <p>NR</p>  | <p>NR</p>           | <p><b>Estimated effective radiation dose (mSv), median (IQR)</b></p> <p><u>Index test</u><br/>6.5 (5.1 to 13.3) vs 13.3 (13.1 to 38.0), p&lt;0.0001</p> <p><b>Estimated radiation from down stream testing (mSv), median (IQR)</b></p> <p><u>Mean 55 day follow-up</u><br/>0.0 (0.0 to 0.0) vs. 0.0 (0.0 to 0.0), p=0.31</p> <p><b>Cumulative radiation (mSv), median (IQR)</b></p> <p><u>Mean 55 day follow-up</u></p> |

| Author/trial Interventions  | Imaging-related AEs  | Incidental findings  | Radiation   |
|---|--|--|---|
|   |  |  | 7.3 (5.1 to 13.7) vs 13.3 (13.1 to 38.0), p<0.0001  |
| <b>RESCUE trial</b><br>Stillman, 2020<br><br>CCTA vs. SPECT                 | <b>Mild to moderate adverse events that were considered to be possibly, probably, or definitely associated with imaging, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Index test</u><br>4% (4/473) vs. 0% (0/468), p=NR   | <b>Incidental findings, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Index test</u><br>32.8% (169/516) vs. 1.7% (9/531), p=NR<br>- Proportion requiring additional follow-up imaging: 33.1% (59/169) vs. 22.2% (2/9), p=NR  | NR  |
| <b>Suspected ACS</b>  |  |  |   |
| <b>CT-STAT trial</b><br>Goldstein, 2011<br><br>CCTA vs. SPECT               | NR   | NR   | <b>Radiation dose (mSv), median (IQR)</b><br><u>Index test</u><br>11.5 (6.8 to 16.8) vs. 12.8 (11.6 to 13.9), p=0.02  |
| Goldstein, 2007<br><br>CCTA vs. SPECT                                       | <b>Test complications, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Index test</u><br>0% (0/99) vs. 0% (0/98), p=NA   | NR   | NR  |
| <b>PROSPECT trial</b><br>Levsky, 2009<br>Levsky, 2015<br><br>CCTA vs. SPECT | <b>Serious complications of imaging, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Index test</u><br>0% (0/200) vs. 0% (0/200), p=1.0<br><br><b>Proportion of patients reporting one or more general adverse reactions, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Index test</u><br>Any adverse reaction: 24% (45/186) vs. 24% (46/188), p=NR<br>(most commonly headache, nausea, dizziness, and feeling of warmth)<br>- Chest pain, shortness of breath, or palpitations: 0.5% (1/186) vs. 16% (30/188), p<0.001<br>- Rash or pruritus: 1.5% (3/186) vs. 0% (0/186), p=0.25 | <b>Proportion of patients with an incidental finding, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Index test</u><br>83.4% (156/187) vs. 0% (0/189)<br>(386 incidental findings were found among 187 CCTA studies)<br><br><b>Most frequently occurring incidental findings on CCTA, %</b><br>- Pulmonary findings:63% of exams)<br>- Noncoronary cardiac findings: 37% of exams<br>- Gastrointestinal findings: 26% of exams<br>- Hepatobiliary findings: 22% of exams<br>- Renal findings: 9% of exams | <b>Radiation exposure (mSv), median (IQR)</b><br><u>Initial diagnostic procedure</u><br>9.6 (6.2 to 23) (n = 184) vs. 27 (19 to 27) (n = 189), p<0.001<br><u>All diagnostic procedures at 12 months</u><br>12 (6.4 to 26) (n = 200) vs. 27 (19 to 27) (n = 200), p<0.001<br><u>Cardiac imaging over complete follow-up (Median followup 41.7 vs. 39.0 months)</u><br>13 (6.9 to 27) (n = 200) vs. 27 (19 to 27) (n = 200) p<0.001 |

| Author/trial Interventions           | Imaging-related AEs | Incidental findings   | Radiation  |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------|---|--|
|                                      |                     | <p><b>Potentially serious or life threatening incidental findings, % (n/N exams)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Pneumonia: 1.6% (3/187)</li> <li>- Congestive heart failure: 0.5% (1/187)</li> <li>- Pericardial effusion: 6.4% (12/187)</li> <li>- Aortic dilatation: 3.2% (6/187)</li> <li>- Pulmonary embolism: 2.1 % (4/187)</li> </ul> <p><i>No significant difference was found between the CCTA and SPECT MPI groups regarding subsequent noncoronary surgical procedures after randomization.</i></p> | <p><u>Noncardiac imaging studies over complete follow-up (Median followup 41.7 vs. 39.0 months)</u></p> <p>2.0 (0.003 to 16) (n = 200) vs. 2.0 (0.004 to 17) (n = 200), p=0.91</p> <p><u>All radiation over complete follow-up (Median followup 41.7 vs. 39.0 months)</u></p> <p>24 (8.7 to 39) (n = 200) vs. 29 (27 to 48) (n = 200), p&lt;0.001</p>              |
| <p>Nabi, 2016<br/>CCTA vs. SPECT</p> | <p>NR</p>           | <p>NR</p>   | <p><b>Radiation exposure (mSv), Mean (SD)</b></p> <p><u>Index test</u></p> <p>12.7 (4.9) vs. 10.9 (4.4), p&lt;0.0001</p> <p><b>Total inpatient diagnostic radiation exposure (mSv) [does not include radiation from ICA], Mean (SD)</b></p> <p><u>Median follow-up of 6.5 (Group A) and 6.4 (Group B) months</u></p> <p>13.3 (5.8) vs. 11.0 (4.6), p&lt;0.0001</p> |

ACS = acute coronary syndrome, CAD = coronary artery disease, CCTA = coronary computed tomography, ICA = invasive coronary angiogram, IQR = inter-quartile range, MPI = myocardial perfusion imaging, mSv = millisieverts, NA = not applicable, NR = not reported, SD = standard deviation, SPECT = single photon emission computed tomography.

\* For patients who underwent angiography and percutaneous coronary angioplasty (PCI) at the same time, the dose of PCI was used for calculating the effective radiation dose. For 24 patients in the CCTA and 16 in the MPI arm, 12-month data were unavailable so effective radiation dose was estimated from 6-month data for these patients.

**Appendix Table F13. Data abstraction for CCTA vs. Stress Echo: Study and Patient Characteristics**

| Trial<br>Author, year<br>Study Design<br>Country<br>Funding              | Population<br>Setting<br>Inclusion and Exclusion<br>Criteria  | Tests evaluated   | Baseline risk for<br>CAD*  | Patient characteristics*   | Length f/u (%<br>followed)<br>Cross-over, %<br>(n/N)  |
|--|---|---|--|--|---|
| <b>Suspected ACS</b>   |   |   |  |  |   |
| Levsky, 2018<br><br>Single-center<br><br>US<br><br>Non-profit/Foundation | <p><u>Population:</u> Suspected ACS; acute chest pain or pressure patients without known coronary artery disease and a negative initial serum troponin level</p> <p><u>Setting:</u> Emergency department</p> <p><u>Inclusion:</u> Patients without known coronary artery disease with a pre-test probability of significant coronary stenosis between 10% and 90%, and an initial negative serum troponin level at least 8 hours after symptom onset with subsequent resolution of chest pain</p> <p><u>Exclusion:</u> 1) elevated serum troponin T; 2) electrocardiogram demonstrating acute ischemia or myocardial infarction; 3) hemodynamic instability; 4) unremitting or crescendo chest pain; 5) contraindications to coronary CCTA, including renal</p> | <p><b>A: CCTA (64 slice) (n=201)</b><br/>                     - CCTA done: 94.0% (189/201) [7.4% (14/189) of these patients were terminated because of a positive calcium score]<br/>                     - CCTA not done: 6.0% (12/201)</p> <p><u>Stressor:</u> NA<br/> <u>Contrast:</u> Type NR<br/> <u>Protocol:</u> Coronary calcium scoring was performed; the presence of heavy calcification was assessed in real time and was grounds for termination of the study at the discretion of the monitoring physician. Clinical management was not dependent on completion of the noninvasive imaging protocol.<br/> <u>Definition of positive test:</u> NR</p> <p><b>B: Stress Echo (n=199)</b><br/>                     - Stress Echo done: 94.4% (188/199) [3% (6/188) of these patients were terminated because a positive test after resting images]<br/>                     - Stress Echo not done: 5.6% (11/199)</p> | <p>A vs. B</p> <p>All patients were at low to intermediate risk</p> <p><u>Diamond-Forrester pretest probability, Median (IQR)</u><br/>                     28% (19% to 55%) vs. 28% (21% to 54%)</p> <p><u>Thrombolysis In Myocardial Infarction risk score, Median (IQR)</u><br/>                     1 (0 to 1) vs. 1 (0 to 1)</p> | <p>A vs. B</p> <p><u>Subgroup:</u> None<br/> <u>N randomized:</u> 400<br/> <u>Mean age (SD):</u> 55 vs. 54 years<br/> <u>Female:</u> 43% vs. 42%<br/> <u>Race/Ethnicity:</u><br/>                     - Hispanic: 46% vs. 45%<br/>                     - African-American: 32% vs. 32%<br/>                     - Caucasian: 12% vs. 13%<br/>                     - Asian: 5% vs. 6%<br/>                     - Other: 4% vs. 5%<br/> <u>Chest pain:</u> 100% vs. 100%<br/> <u>Dyspnea:</u> NR<br/> <u>Prior MI:</u> NR<br/> <u>Prior revascularization:</u> NR<br/> <u>Known CAD:</u> 0% vs. 0%<br/> <u>Chest pain frequency:</u> NR<br/> <u>Hypertension:</u> 54% vs. 60%<br/> <u>Hyperlipidemia:</u> 45% vs. 43%<br/> <u>Diabetes:</u> 29% vs. 28%<br/> <u>Current smoking:</u> 25% vs. 24%</p> | <p>30 days: 100% (400/400)<br/>                     12 months: 96.8% (387/400)</p> <p>Median (IQR) follow-up for cardiovascular events: 733 (442 to 1,060) days [2 years]</p> |

| Trial Author, year Study Design Country Funding  | Population Setting Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria   | Tests evaluated   | Baseline risk for CAD* | Patient characteristics*   | Length f/u (% followed) Cross-over, % (n/N)  |
|--|---|---|------------------------|--|--|
|  | insufficiency, active asthma, recent contrast administration, poor venous access, dysrhythmia that precluded cardiac gating, and intravenous contrast or other serious allergy; 6) contraindications to SE, including known inability to perform treadmill exercise, severe valvular disease, severe hypertension, and recent beta-blocker pharmacotherapy; and 7) coronary CCTA, SE, or cardiac catheterization within the previous 6 months | <p><u>Stressor</u>: Treadmill (Bruce protocol) (if unable to exercise, patients received dobutamine/atropine infusion (16%))</p> <p><u>Contrast</u>: Left ventricular opacification contrast agents</p> <p><u>Protocol</u>: A full resting echocardiogram was performed; resting wall motion abnormalities or severe valvular disease assessed in real time were grounds for early termination of the study at the discretion of the monitoring physician. Clinical management was not dependent on completion of the noninvasive imaging protocol.</p> <p><u>Definition of positive test</u>: NR</p> |                        | <p><u>First-degree relative with CAD</u>: 35% vs. 35%</p> <p><u>Mean (SD) BMI</u>: 30.4 (6.6) vs. 30.4 (5.8)</p>   |  |
| <p><b>PERFECT trial</b></p> <p>Uretsky, 2017</p> <p>Single center</p> <p>US</p> <p>No funding received</p> | <p><u>Population</u>: Chest pain; suspected acute coronary syndrome</p> <p><u>Setting</u>: All patients initially presented to the emergency department and were subsequently hospitalized for further examination</p> <p><u>Inclusion</u>:</p>   | <p><b>A: CCTA (64 slice) (n=206)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Underwent CCTA: 90% (185/206)</li> <li>- Underwent a CAC score only: 1% (2/206)</li> <li>- Underwent a stress test: 5% (10/206)</li> <li>- Did not undergo a test: 3.5% (8/206)</li> <li>- Underwent ICA: 0.5% (1/206)</li> </ul> <p><u>Stressor</u>: NA</p> <p><u>Contrast</u>: iodinated contrast</p>   | NR                     | <p>A vs. B</p> <p><u>Subgroup</u>: All patients were determined to need hospitalization for further examination</p> <p><u>N randomized</u>: 411</p> <p><u>Mean age (SD)</u>: 59 vs. 60 years</p> <p><u>Female</u>: 54% vs. 53%</p> <p><u>Race/Ethnicity</u>: - Hispanic: 41% vs. 40%</p> | <p>30 days and subsequently at predefined intervals (6 months and 1 year)</p> <p>% followed at 1 year: 96% (395/411)</p> |

| <b>Trial Author, year Study Design Country Funding</b> | <b>Population Setting Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria</b>   | <b>Tests evaluated</b>   | <b>Baseline risk for CAD*</b> | <b>Patient characteristics*</b>   | <b>Length f/u (% followed) Cross-over, % (n/N)</b> |
|--|--|--|-------------------------------|---|--|
|  | <p>Patients aged 45 years and up, without known coronary artery disease who presented to the emergency department with chest pain and were determined to require hospital admission for further evaluation of chest pain after a negative initial troponin I and an electrocardiogram which was not diagnostic for acute coronary syndrome</p> <p><u>Exclusion:</u><br/>Patients aged &lt;45 years, known coronary artery disease, a serum creatinine [1.5 mg dL<sup>-1</sup>, the presence of atrial fibrillation or a markedly irregular heart rhythm, an allergy to iodinated contrast agents, pregnant women, and the inability to give informed consent</p> | <p><u>Protocol:</u> An initial non-contrast ECG-gated scan was acquired for calcium scoring.</p> <p><u>Definition of positive test:</u><br/>Mild: ≤50% stenosis<br/>Moderate: 50%-70% stenosis or coronary plaques that were densely calcified rendering the coronary stenosis not interpretable<br/>Severe: ≥70% stenosis or left main artery stenoses with ≥50% stenosis</p> <p><b>B: Stress Echo or Rest/Stress SPECT (n=205)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Underwent stress echo: 88% (180/205)</li> <li>- Underwent stress SPECT: 4% (9/205)</li> <li>- Underwent CCTA: 2% (3/205)</li> <li>- Did not undergo a test: 6% (13/205)</li> </ul> <p><u>Stressor:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Stress echo: exercise or dobutamine (61% )</li> <li>- SPECT MPI: exercise or regadenason (39%)</li> </ul> <p><u>Contrast:</u> iodinated contrast</p> <p><u>Protocol:</u> NR</p> <p><u>Definition of positive test:</u></p> |                               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- African-American: 39% vs. 33%</li> <li>- Caucasian: 14% vs. 20%</li> <li>- Asian: 3% vs. 3%</li> <li>- Other: 3% vs. 4%</li> </ul> <p><u>Chest pain:</u> 100% vs. 100%</p> <p><u>Dyspnea:</u> 49% vs. 49%</p> <p><u>Prior MI:</u> NR</p> <p><u>Prior revascularization:</u> NR</p> <p><u>Known CAD:</u> 0% vs. 0%</p> <p><u>Chest pain frequency:</u> NR</p> <p><u>Hypertension:</u> 68% vs. 69%</p> <p><u>Hyperlipidemia:</u> 43% vs. 53%, p=0.04</p> <p><u>Diabetes:</u> 24% vs. 33%, p=0.05</p> <p><u>Current smoking:</u> 45% vs. 46%</p> <p><u>Family history of CAD:</u> 18% vs. 25%</p> |  |

| <b>Trial Author, year Study Design Country Funding</b> | <b>Population Setting Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria</b> | <b>Tests evaluated</b>   | <b>Baseline risk for CAD*</b> | <b>Patient characteristics*</b> | <b>Length f/u (% followed) Cross-over, % (n/N)</b> |
|--|--|--|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
|  |  | <p>- Stress echo: Myocardial ischemia was defined as (1) a left ventricular wall segment that did not increase in thickening and excursion during stress, (2) a deterioration in left ventricular segment wall thickening and excursion during stress, and (3) a biphasic response to dobutamine stress. Mild ischemia was reported when less than 3 left ventricular segments were abnormal at stress. Moderate ischemia was defined as 3 or more abnormal segments but no high-risk features. Severe ischemia was defined as 3 or more abnormal segments with high-risk features (transient cavity dilation and/or peak wall motion score index <math>\geq 1.7</math>).</p> <p>- SPECT MPI: abnormal test consisted of a summed difference score <math>\geq 4</math>. Mild ischemia was defined as a summed difference score of 4 to 8. Moderate ischemia was defined as a summed difference score of 9 to 13. Severe ischemia was defined as a summed difference score of <math>\geq 13</math>.</p> |                               |                                 |  |

| <b>Trial Author, year Study Design Country Funding</b>                    | <b>Population Setting Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria</b>   | <b>Tests evaluated</b>   | <b>Baseline risk for CAD*</b>   | <b>Patient characteristics*</b>  | <b>Length f/u (% followed) Cross-over, % (n/N)</b>                     |
|---|--|--|---|--|--|
| Pineiro-Portela, 2021<br><br>Single Center<br><br>Spain<br><br>Funding NR | <p><u>Population:</u><br/>Patients admitted to a chest pain unit to detect acute coronary syndrome</p> <p><u>Setting:</u><br/>Chest pain unit</p> <p><u>Inclusion:</u><br/>Aged 18 to 80 years, with 1 or more cardiovascular risk factors, and referred to our Chest Pain Unit from the Emergency Department with suspicion of Acute Coronary Syndrome, nondiagnostic ECG, and negative serial tests for markers of myocardial injury. Other requirements were last pain episode at least 12 hours earlier, at least 2 ECGs performed a minimum of 6 to 12 hours apart, and troponin I ≤0.3 mg/dL (2 or more measurements at least 6 hours apart)</p> <p><u>Exclusion:</u><br/>History of stent implantation, inability to perform a prolonged breath-hold (10-15</p> | <p><b>A: CCTA (64 slice) (n=100)</b><br/><u>Stressor:</u> A total of 46% of patients were administered intravenous atropine<br/><u>Contrast:</u> Iodinated contrast<br/><u>Protocol:</u> Patients with a positive test were referred for coronary angiography. Suspicion of ACS was confirmed when the coronary angiography showed narrowing &gt; 50% in any coronary arteries or branches in the territory that was positive using the classification technique. Patients were discharged if the triage results were negative. During follow-up, treatment was started or switched as deemed necessary by the attending physician.<br/><u>Definition of positive test:</u> Significant ischemia: Narrowing &gt; 50% in any coronary arteries or branches</p> <p><b>B: Stress Echo (n=103)</b><br/><u>Stressor:</u> Exercise treadmill (A total of 15% of patients were administered intravenous atropine)<br/><u>Contrast:</u> Echocardiography contrast was not necessary for any patients</p> | NR<br><br>All patients had at least 1 cardiovascular risk factor. Most patients had a low TIMI score (68% in TIMI I and 32% in TIMI II), with no differences observed between the 2 groups (p=0.37) | A vs. B<br><br><u>Subgroup:</u> None<br><u>N randomized:</u> 203<br><u>Mean age (SD):</u><br><u>Female:</u> 50% vs. 50%<br><u>Race:</u> NR<br><u>Chest pain:</u><br>- Typical angina: 56% vs. 64%<br>- Atypical/probable angina: 44% vs. 32%<br>- Nonanginal chest pain: 0% vs. 4%, p=0.04<br><u>Dyspnea:</u> NR<br><u>Prior MI:</u> NR<br><u>Prior revascularization:</u> NR<br><u>Prior stent:</u> 0% vs. 0%<br><u>History of CAD:</u> 12% vs. 19%<br><u>Chest pain frequency:</u> NR<br><u>Hypertension:</u> 71% vs. 70%<br><u>Hyperlipidemia:</u> NR<br><u>Hypercholesterolemia:</u> 74% vs. 76%<br><u>Diabetes:</u> 27% vs. 29% | Mean (SD) follow-up: 4.7 (2.7) years<br><br>% Followed: 100% (203/203) |

| <b>Trial Author, year Study Design Country Funding</b> | <b>Population Setting Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria</b>   | <b>Tests evaluated</b>  | <b>Baseline risk for CAD*</b> | <b>Patient characteristics*</b>   | <b>Length f/u (% followed) Cross-over, % (n/N)</b> |
|--|--|---|-------------------------------|---|--|
|  | seconds), irregular heart rate, contraindication for beta-blockers if heart rate was > 65 bpm or systolic blood pressure was < 100 mmHg, contraindication for atropine, allergy to iodinated contrast material, pregnancy, or creatinine > 1.3 mg/dL | <u>Protocol:</u> Same as above<br><u>Definition of positive test:</u><br>Extensive ischemia: involvement of ≥3 segments |                               | <u>Current and former smokers:</u> 39% vs. 34%, p=0.55<br><u>Family history of CAD:</u> 6% vs. 4% |  |

ACS = acute coronary syndrome, BMI = Body Mass Index, CAC = coronary artery calcium, CACS = coronary artery calcium scoring, CAD = coronary artery disease, CCTA = coronary computed tomography, ECG = electrocardiogram, ECHO = echocardiography, f/u = follow-up, ICA = invasive coronary angiogram, mg = milligram, MI = myocardial infarction, MPI = myocardial perfusion imaging, NA = not applicable, NR = not reported, SD = standard deviation, SE = stress echo, SPECT = single photon emission computed tomography, US = United States, vs. = versus.

\* p-values non-significant unless reported

**Appendix Table F14. Data abstraction for CCTA vs. Stress Echo: Efficacy Outcomes**

| Author/trial Interventions Subgroup analyses? Formal test for interaction? | Patient disposition Test result  | Mortality (All-cause, cardiac)   | Myocardial infarction  | Referral for treatment  | Referral for additional testing   | Composite outcomes   | Other  |
|--|--|--|--|---|---|--|--|
| <b>Suspected ACS</b>   |  |  |  |   |   |  |  |
| Levsky, 2018<br><br>CCTA vs. Stress Echo<br><br>Subgroup analyses: N       | <p><b>Disposition, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>Index visit</u><br/>- Hospitalized: 19.4% (39/201) vs. 11.1% (22/199), difference 8% (95% CI 1% to 15%), p=0.026</p> <p><b>Test results</b><br/>NR</p> | <p><b>All-cause mortality, % (n/N)</b><br/><b>[component of composite outcome]</b><br/><u>Median follow-up of 2 years</u><br/>1.0% (2/201) vs. 0.5% (1/199), p=1.0</p> <p>[all 3 had advanced metastatic cancer diagnosed after recruitment]</p> <p><b>Cardiac Mortality, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>Median follow-up of 2 years</u></p> | <p><b>Nonfatal myocardial infarction, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>Median follow-up of 2 years</u><br/>3.5% (7/201) vs. 2.0% (4/199), p=0.54</p> | <p><b>Any revascularization, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>Median follow-up of 2 years</u><br/>5.5% (11/201) vs. 3.5% (7/199), p=0.81*</p> <p>- CABG: 2.0% (4/201) vs. 0.0% (0/199), p=0.26</p> <p>- PCI: 3.5% (7/201) vs. 3.5% (7/199), p=1.0</p> | <p><b>Cardiac catheterization, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>Median follow-up of 2 years</u><br/>11.0% (23/201) vs. 9.0% (18/199), p=0.51</p> <p>- Resulting in no revascularization: 6.0% (12/201) vs. 5.5% (11/199), p=0.83</p> <p><b>Proportion of patients requiring additional non-invasive imaging, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>Median follow-up of 2 years</u><br/>- CCTA: 0% (0/201) vs. 3% (6/199), p=0.01<br/>- Stress Echo: 14% (29/201) vs. 7% (14/199), p=0.02</p> | <p><b>Major adverse cardiovascular events (consisting of death, myocardial infarction, stroke, and cardiac arrest), % (n/N)</b><br/><u>Median follow-up of 2 years</u><br/>5.5% (11/201) vs. 3.5% (7/199), p=0.47†</p> | <p><b>Emergency Department length of stay (hours) for discharged patients, Median (IQR)</b><br/><u>Index visit (From randomization to discharge)</u><br/>5.4 (4.2 to 6.4) vs. 4.7 (3.5 to 6.0), p&lt;0.001</p> <p><b>Hospital length of stay (hours) for admitted patients, Median (IQR)</b><br/><u>From hospital admission to discharge</u><br/>58 (50 to 102) vs. 34 (31 to 54), p=0.002</p> |

| Author/trial Interventions Subgroup analyses? Formal test for interaction? | Patient disposition Test result | Mortality (All-cause, cardiac)  | Myocardial infarction | Referral for treatment | Referral for additional testing  | Composite outcomes | Other   |
|--|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|--|--------------------|---|
|  |                                 | 0% (0/201) vs. 0% (0/199), p=NR |                       |                        | <p>- MPI: 6% (12/201) vs. 4% (8/199), p=0.49</p> <p><b>New aspirin prescription, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>Median follow-up of 2 years</u><br/>                     13% (27/201) vs. 8.0% (15/199), p=0.07</p> <p><b>New or increased lipid prescription, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>Median follow-up of 2 years</u><br/>                     14% (28/201) vs. 6% (12/199), p=0.01</p> <p><b>New clopidogrel prescription, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>Median follow-up of 2 years</u><br/>                     4% (8/201) vs. 4% (7/199), p=1.0</p> <p><b>New beta-blocker prescription, % (n/N)</b></p> |                    | <p><b>Nonfatal stroke, % (n/N) [component of composite outcome]</b><br/> <u>Median follow-up of 2 years</u><br/>                     0.5% (1/201) vs. 2.0% (3/199), p=0.37</p> <p><b>Nonfatal cardiac arrest, % (n/N) [component of composite outcome]</b><br/> <u>Median follow-up of 2 years</u><br/>                     0.5% (1/201) vs. 0% (0/199), p=1.0</p> <p><b>Rehospitalization for any cause, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>Median follow-up of 2 years</u><br/>                     16.0% (32/201) vs. 14.0 (28/199), p=0.68</p> |

| Author/trial Interventions Subgroup analyses? Formal test for interaction? | Patient disposition Test result | Mortality (All-cause, cardiac) | Myocardial infarction | Referral for treatment | Referral for additional testing   | Composite outcomes | Other   |
|--|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|---|--------------------|---|
|  |                                 |                                |                       |                        | <p><u>Median follow-up of 2 years</u><br/>                     9% (18/201) vs. 4% (7/199), p=0.04</p> |                    | <p><b>Cardiac-related Rehospitalization, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>Median follow-up of 2 years</u><br/>                     6.0% (12/201) vs. 4.0 (8/199), p=0.49</p> <p><b>Emergency Department Revisit for any reason, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>Median follow-up of 2 years</u><br/>                     48.0% (97/201) vs. 41.0% (82/199), p=0.16</p> <p><b>Cardiac-related Emergency Department Revisit, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>Median follow-up of 2 years</u><br/>                     14.0% (28/201) vs. 14% (27/199), p=1.0</p> |

| Author/trial Interventions Subgroup analyses? Formal test for interaction? | Patient disposition Test result  | Mortality (All-cause, cardiac)             | Myocardial infarction             | Referral for treatment                         | Referral for additional testing                           | Composite outcomes | Other   |
|--|--|--|-----------------------------------|--|---|--------------------|---|
|  |  |  |                                   |  |   |                    | <p><b>Primary care visit, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>Median follow-up of 2 years</u><br/>                     44.0% (89/201) vs. 38.0% (76/199), p=0.22</p> <p><b>Cardiology outpatient visit, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>Median follow-up of 2 years</u><br/>                     17.0% (35/201) vs. 17.0% (34/199), p=1.0</p> <p><b>Continued chest pain or shortness of breath, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>1 month</u><br/>                     28% (54/201) vs. 19% (36/199), p=0.03</p> |
| <p><b>PERFECT trial</b><br/>                     Uretsky, 2017</p>         | <p><b>Disposition</b><br/>                     All patients had already been</p> | <p><b>All-cause mortality, % (n/N)</b></p> | <p><b>Nonfatal myocardial</b></p> | <p><b>Proportion of patients requiring</b></p> | <p><b>Proportion of patients receiving additional</b></p> | <p>NR</p>          | <p><b>Time spent in the hospital (hours), mean (SD)</b></p>   |

| Author/trial Interventions Subgroup analyses? Formal test for interaction? | Patient disposition Test result   | Mortality (All-cause, cardiac)                      | Myocardial infarction   | Referral for treatment   | Referral for additional testing   | Composite outcomes | Other  |
|--|---|---|---|--|---|--------------------|--|
| CCTA vs. Stress Echo<br><br>Subgroup analyses: N                           | admitted to the hospital at the start of the study<br><br><b>Test results for Group A (CCTA), % (n/N)‡</b><br>- No coronary artery disease: 50.5% (95/188)<br>- <50% stenosis: 37.2% (70/188)<br>- 50% to 70% stenosis: 3.2% (6/188)<br>- ≥70% stenosis: 8.5% (16/188)<br>- Uninterpretable due to artifact: 0.5% (1/188)<br><br><b>Test results for Group B (Stress tests), % (n/N)‡</b><br>- Normal: 94.5% (188/199)<br>- Abnormal: 5.5% (11/199) | <u>12 months</u><br>0% (0/206) vs. 0% (0/205), p=NR | <b>infarction, % (n/N)</b><br><u>12 months</u><br>1% (2/206) vs. 0.5% (1/205), p=NR | <b>revascularization, % (n/N)</b><br><u>12 months</u><br>Any revascularization: 7% (15/198) vs. 1% (2/197), p=0.002<br>- PCI: 6% (13/198) vs. 0% (0/197), p<0.001<br>- CABG: 1% (2/198) vs. 1% (2/197), p=1.0<br><br><b>Change in medication use from admission to discharge, % (n/N)</b><br>- Aspirin: 24% (50/206) vs. 16% (33/205), p=0.30<br>- Statin: 18% (37/206) vs. 17% (35/205), p=0.90<br>- Anti-hypertensive drugs: 10% (20/206) vs. 18% (37/205), p=0.40 | <b>downstream testing, % (n/N)</b><br><u>12 months</u><br>Any additional test: 21% (43/198) vs. 15% (30/197), p=0.10<br>- Stress tests: 14% (28/198) vs. 11% (23/197), p=0.60<br>- CCTA: 1% (2/198) vs. 4% (9/197), p=0.40<br>- ICA: 11% (22/198) vs. 2% (5/197), p=0.001 |                    | <u>From hospital admission to discharge</u><br>48 (40) vs. 49 (48), p=0.80<br><br><b>Proportion of patients experience a cardiovascular-related repeat hospitalization, % (n/N)</b><br><u>12 months</u><br>14% (28/198) vs. 16% (33/197), p=0.50<br><br><b>Unstable angina, % (n/N)</b><br><u>12 months</u><br>0.5% (1/206) vs. 0% (0/205), p=NR |

| Author/trial Interventions Subgroup analyses? Formal test for interaction? | Patient disposition Test result   | Mortality (All-cause, cardiac)   | Myocardial infarction   | Referral for treatment  | Referral for additional testing  | Composite outcomes  | Other  |
|--|---|--|---|---|--|---|--|
|  |   |  |   | - Beta-blocker: 8% (18/206) vs. 6% (13/205)<br>- Calcium channel blockers: 5% (11/206) vs. 3% (5/205), p=0.70<br>- Nitrates: 5% (9/206) vs. 4% (9/205), p=1.0<br>- Antiplatelet drugs: 3% (6/206) vs. 3% (7/205), p=1.0<br>- Insulin: 1% (3/206) vs. 1% (2/205), p=0.40<br>- Oral hypoglycemics: 0% (0/206) vs. 0% (0/205), p=1.0 |  |   |  |
| Pineiro-Portela, 2021<br><br>CCTA vs. Stress Echo                          | <b>Disposition, % (n/N)</b><br>- Discharged from hospital after index test: 73% (73/100) vs. 67% (69/103), p=NR | <b>All-cause mortality, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Mean follow-up of 4.7 years</u><br>5% (5/100) vs. 2.9% (3/103), p=0.39 | <b>Non-fatal myocardial infarction, % (n/N)</b><br><u>12 months</u><br>1% (1/100) [STEMI] vs. | <b>Revascularization, % (n/N)</b><br>24.1% (49/203) [Not reported by group]   | <b>Proportion of patients receiving ICA, % (n/N)</b><br><u>After index test</u><br>27% (27/100) vs. 33% (34/103), p=NR | <b>Composite outcome (including death, nonfatal myocardial infarction, revascularizations, and readmissions), % (n/N)</b> | <b>Chest pain unit revisit, % (n/N)</b><br><u>12 months</u><br>4% (4/100) vs. 2.9% (3/103), p=NR<br><u>Mean follow-up of 4.7 years</u> |

| Author/trial Interventions<br>Subgroup analyses?<br>Formal test for interaction?   | Patient disposition<br>Test result  | Mortality (All-cause, cardiac)                                    | Myocardial infarction   | Referral for treatment | Referral for additional testing   | Composite outcomes  | Other  |
|--|---|---|---|------------------------|---|---|--|
| Subgroup analyses: N<br><br>Test results for Group A (CCTA), % (n/N)<br>- Positive ischemia: 27% (27/100)<br>- Inconclusive: 6% (6/100)<br><br>Test results for Group B (Stress Echo), % (n/N)<br><u>Index test</u><br>- Positive ischemia: 35% (36/103)<br>- Necrosis without associated ischemia: 2% (2/103) | - Hospitalized for further testing after index visit: 27% (27/100) vs. 33% (34/103), p=NR<br><br>Test results for Group A (CCTA), % (n/N)<br>- Positive ischemia: 27% (27/100)<br>- Inconclusive: 6% (6/100)<br><br>Test results for Group B (Stress Echo), % (n/N)<br><u>Index test</u><br>- Positive ischemia: 35% (36/103)<br>- Necrosis without associated ischemia: 2% (2/103) | [The cause of death was cardiovascular in 4 patients but group NR | 0% (0/103), p=NR<br><u>Mean follow-up of 4.7 years</u><br>2% (2/100) vs. 1.9% (2/103), p=0.51 |                        | - ACS confirmed on ICA: 85% (23/27) vs. 88% (30/34), p=NR<br><br>Proportion of patients receiving additional non-invasive testing during follow-up, % (n/N)<br>- Echocardiogram: 46% (46/100) vs. 30% (31/103), p=0.01<br>- Stress test: 14% (14/100) vs. 4% (4/103), p=0.01<br>- Stress echo: 28% (28/100) vs. 25% (26/103), p=0.38<br>- CCTA: 0% (0/100) vs. 2% (2/103), p=0.25 | <u>Mean follow-up of 4.7 years</u><br>41% (41/100) vs. 42% (43/100), p=0.91 | 12% (12/100) vs. 8.7% (9/103), p=NR<br><br><b>Hospital length of stay for patients referred for invasive coronary angiography (days), Median (range)</b><br><u>Index visit</u><br>8 (5 to 10.25) vs. 7 (5 to 10), p=0.90 |

| <b>Author/trial Interventions Subgroup analyses? Formal test for interaction?</b> | <b>Patient disposition Test result</b> | <b>Mortality (All-cause, cardiac)</b> | <b>Myocardial infarction</b> | <b>Referral for treatment</b> | <b>Referral for additional testing</b> | <b>Composite outcomes</b> | <b>Other</b> |
|---|--|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|---------------------------|--------------|
|   | - Inconclusive: 4.9% (5/103)           |                                       |                              |                               |  |                           |              |

ACS = acute coronary syndrome, CABG = coronary artery bypass graft, CAD = coronary artery disease, CCTA = coronary computed tomography, CI = confidence interval, ECHO = echocardiography, ICA = invasive coronary angiogram, IQR = inter-quartile range, MPI = myocardial perfusion imaging, N = no, NR = not reported, PCI = percutaneous coronary intervention, SD = standard deviation, STEMI = ST-Segment Elevation Myocardial Infarction, vs. = versus, Y = yes.

\* One CCTA patient underwent both CABG and PCI

† 1 Stress Echo patient had both a nonfatal myocardial infarction and a nonfatal stroke; 2 CCTA patients had 2 nonfatal myocardial infarctions

‡ Test results are reported as tested, not as randomized. There were also 3.5% (8/206) of the patients originally randomized to CCTA and 6% (13/205) of the patients originally randomized to stress testing that ultimately did not undergo any testing.

**Appendix Table F15. Data abstraction for CCTA vs. Stress Echo: Safety Outcomes**

| Author/trial Interventions                             | Imaging-related AEs   | Incidental findings | Radiation  |
|--|---|---------------------|--|
| <b>Suspected ACS</b>                                   |   |                     |  |
| Levsky, 2018<br><br>CCTA vs. Stress Echo               | <p><b>Serious complications from noninvasive imaging, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>Index visit</u><br/>                     0% (0/201) vs. 0% (0/199), p=1.0</p> <p><b>Complaints or adverse reactions to imaging, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>Index visit</u><br/>                     14% (26/189) vs. 6.4% (12/188), p=0.03</p> <p><b>Proportion of patients that complained about examination length or positional discomfort, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>Index visit</u><br/>                     9% (17/189) vs. 3% (6/188), p=0.03</p> <p><b>Proportion of patients that complained about chest pain or shortness of breath during imaging, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>Index visit</u><br/>                     0% (0/189) vs. 3% (5/188), p=0.03</p> | NR                  | <p><b>Effective radiation dose (mSv), Median (IQR)</b></p> <p><u>Initial assigned noninvasive imaging</u><br/>                     6.4 (5.3 to 7.8) vs. 0 (0 to 0), p&lt;0.001 (n=189 vs. 189)</p> <p><u>Complete initial work-up</u><br/>                     6.5 (5.2 to 8.7) vs. 0 (0 to 0), p&lt;0.001 (n=201 vs. 199)*</p> <p><u>12 months (all cardiac imaging)</u><br/>                     6.5 (5.3 to 9.7) vs. 0 (0 to 0), p&lt;0.001 (n=201 vs. 199)</p> <p><u>Median follow-up of 2 years (all cardiac imaging)</u><br/>                     6.5 (5.5 to 10) vs. 0 (0 to 0), p&lt;0.001 (n=201 vs. 199)</p> |
| PERFECT trial<br>Uretsky, 2017<br>CCTA vs. Stress Echo | NR  | NR                  | NR   |
| Pineiro-Portela, 2021<br>CCTA vs. Stress Echo          | NR  | NR                  | NR   |

ACS = acute coronary syndrome, AE = adverse events, ECHO = echocardiography, IQR = inter-quartile range, mSv = millisieverts, NR = not reported.

\* Although patients in the SE arm underwent subsequent noninvasive imaging and catheterization involving radiation, this involved fewer than one-quarter of patients; thus, the interquartile ranges for radiation exposure remain zero. The mean complete initial work-up dose for SE was 0.96 mSv compared with 7.7 mSv for coronary CCTA.

**Appendix Table F16. Data abstraction for Subgroup analyses for efficacy outcomes from CCTA trials**

| Trial name<br>Author,<br>year   | Timing  | Outcome  | Subgroup                          | CCTA<br>% (n/N)<br>or<br>Mean (SD) | Comparator<br>% (n/N)<br>or<br>Mean (SD) | Author<br>reported<br>effect<br>estimate<br>(95% CI) | Author<br>reported<br>p-value<br>for effect<br>estimate | Author<br>reported<br>Interaction<br>p-value |
|---------------------------------|---|--|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|--|---|--|
| CCTA vs. any functional testing |   |  |                                   |                                    |  |  |   |  |
| Chang,<br>2008                  | Index visit                                     | <b>Discharged from ED after index visit</b>                        | Low pre-test probability          | 86% (43/50)                        | 84% (41/49)                              | NR   | 0.747   | NR   |
|                                 |   |  | Intermediate pre-test probability | 53% (29/55)                        | 45% (25/56)                              | NR   | 0.394   |  |
|                                 |   |  | High pre-test probability         | 21% (6/28)                         | 0% (0/28)                                | NR   | NA  |  |
|                                 | Index visit                                     | <b>Admitted to hospital after index visit</b>                      | Low pre-test probability          | 14% (7/50)                         | 16% (8/49)                               | NR   | 0.747   | NR   |
|                                 |   |  | Intermediate pre-test probability | 47% (26/55)                        | 55% (31/56)                              | NR   | 0.394   |  |
|                                 |   |  | High pre-test probability         | 79% (22/28)                        | 100% (28/28)                             | NR   | 0.010   |  |
|                                 | Index visit                                     | <b>Revascularization</b>   | Low pre-test probability          | 6% (3/50)                          | 2% (1/49)                                | NR   | 0.617   | NR   |
|                                 |   |  | Intermediate pre-test probability | 20% (11/55)                        | 23% (13/56)                              | NR   | 0.681   |  |
|                                 |   |  | High pre-test probability         | 43% (12/28)                        | 50% (14/28)                              | NR   | 0.592   |  |
|                                 | Index visit                                     | <b>Necessary admission for ACS (for NSTEMI or unstable angina)</b> | Low pre-test probability          | 6% (3/50)                          | 6% (3/49)                                | NR   | 1.0   | NR   |
|                                 |   |  | Intermediate pre-test probability | 36% (20/55)                        | 32% (18/56)                              | NR   | 0.639   |  |
|                                 |   |  | High pre-test probability         | 57% (16/28)                        | 64% (18/28)                              | NR   | 0.584   |  |
| Index visit                     | <b>Necessary admission for ACS (for NSTEMI)</b> | Low pre-test probability   | 4% (2/50)                         | 4% (2/49)                          | NR                                       | NR   | NR  |  |

| Trial name<br>Author,<br>year | Timing      | Outcome  | Subgroup                          | CCTA<br>% (n/N)<br>or<br>Mean (SD) | Comparator<br>% (n/N)<br>or<br>Mean (SD) | Author<br>reported<br>effect<br>estimate<br>(95% CI) | Author<br>reported<br>p-value<br>for effect<br>estimate | Author<br>reported<br>Interaction<br>p-value |
|-------------------------------|-------------|--|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|--|---|--|
|                               |             |  | Intermediate pre-test probability | 9% (5/55)                          | 9% (5/56)                                | NR   | NR  |  |
|                               |             |  | High pre-test probability         | 14% (4/28)                         | 29% (8/28)                               | NR   | NR  |  |
|                               | Index visit | <b>Necessary admission for ACS (for unstable angina)</b> | Low pre-test probability          | 2% (1/50)                          | 2% (1/49)                                | NR   | NR  | NR   |
|                               |             |  | Intermediate pre-test probability | 27% (15/55)                        | 24% (13/56)                              | NR   | NR  |  |
|                               |             |  | High pre-test probability         | 43% (12/28)                        | 36% (10/28)                              | NR   | NR  |  |
|                               | Index visit | <b>Unnecessary admissions*</b>                           | Low pre-test probability          | 0% (0/50)                          | 6% (3/49)                                | NR   | 0.117   | NR   |
|                               |             |  | Intermediate pre-test probability | 4% (2/55)                          | 20% (11/56)                              | NR   | 0.015   |  |
|                               |             |  | High pre-test probability         | 18% (4/28)                         | 21% (6/28)                               | NR   | 1.0   |  |
|                               | Index visit | <b>Referral for ICA</b>                                  | Low pre-test probability          | 6% (3/50)                          | 10% (5/49)                               | NR   | 0.483   | NR   |
|                               |             |  | Intermediate pre-test probability | 42% (23/55)                        | 46% (26/56)                              | NR   | 0.625   |  |
|                               |             |  | High pre-test probability         | 75% (21/28)                        | 93% (26/28)                              | NR   | 0.143   |  |
|                               | CATCH trial | Median follow-up: 18.7 months                            | <b>MACE</b>                       | History of CAD                     | 9% (4/44)                                | 14% (5/36)   | NR  | 0.49   |
| No history of CAD             |             |  |                                   | 0.4% (1/241)                       | 4% (9/255)                               | NR   | 0.01  |  |
| Low pre-test probability‡     |             |  |                                   | 0% (0/59)                          | 0% (0/60)                                | NR   | 1.0   | NR   |

| Trial name<br>Author,<br>year | Timing                              | Outcome  | Subgroup                          | CCTA<br>% (n/N)<br>or<br>Mean (SD) | Comparator<br>% (n/N)<br>or<br>Mean (SD) | Author<br>reported<br>effect<br>estimate<br>(95% CI) | Author<br>reported<br>p-value<br>for effect<br>estimate | Author<br>reported<br>Interaction<br>p-value |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|--|---|--|
|                               | Median<br>follow-up:<br>18.7 months | <b>MACE + readmission for chest pain</b>   | Intermediate pre-test probability | 1% (1/161)                         | 4% (7/173)                               | NR   | 0.04  |  |
|                               |                                     |  | High pre-test probability         | 0% (0/21)                          | 9% (2/22)                                | NR   | 0.14  |  |
|                               |                                     |  | History of CAD                    | 27% (12/44)                        | 33% (12/36)                              | NR   | 0.49  | NR   |
|                               |                                     |  | No history of CAD                 | 7% (18/241)                        | 15% (38/255)                             | NR   | 0.02  |  |
|                               |                                     |  | Low pre-test probability§         | 3% (2/59)                          | 8% (5/60)                                | NR   | 0.25  | NR   |
|                               |                                     |  | Intermediate pre-test probability | 9% (14/161)                        | 14% (24/173)                             | NR   | 0.13  |  |
|                               |                                     |  | High pre-test probability         | 10% (2/21)                         | 27% (6/22)                               | NR   | 0.12  |  |
| PROMISE trial                 | Median follow-up: 25 months         | <b>Primary composite end point (includes death from any cause, nonfatal MI, hospitalization for unstable angina, or major procedural complication)</b> | Age <65 (N=7111)                  | NR                                 | NR                                       | HR: 1.10 (95% CI 0.82 to 1.47)**                     | NR  | 0.591  |
|                               |                                     |  | Age ≥65 (N=2892)                  | NR                                 | NR                                       | HR: 0.97 (95% CI 0.69 to 1.36)**                     | NR  |  |
|                               |                                     |  | Male (N=4733)                     | NR                                 | NR                                       | HR: 0.99 (95% CI 0.74 to 1.32)**                     | NR  | 0.698  |
|                               |                                     |  | Female (N=5270)                   | NR                                 | NR                                       | HR: 1.08 (95% CI 0.76 to 1.51)**                     | NR  |  |

| Trial name<br>Author,<br>year | Timing | Outcome | Subgroup   | CCTA<br>% (n/N)<br>or<br>Mean (SD) | Comparator<br>% (n/N)<br>or<br>Mean (SD) | Author<br>reported<br>effect<br>estimate<br>(95% CI) | Author<br>reported<br>p-value<br>for effect<br>estimate | Author<br>reported<br>Interaction<br>p-value |
|-------------------------------|--------|---------|--|------------------------------------|--|--|---|--|
|                               |        |         | White<br>(N=8371)                                      | NR                                 | NR                                       | HR: 0.95<br>(95% CI<br>0.74 to<br>1.20)**            | NR  | 0.100  |
|                               |        |         | Non-white<br>(N=1545)                                  | NR                                 | NR                                       | HR: 1.62<br>(95% CI<br>0.89 to<br>2.92)**            | NR  |  |
|                               |        |         | Low pre-test<br>risk (≤30%)<br>(N=3755)                | NR                                 | NR                                       | HR: 1.33<br>(95% CI<br>0.88 to<br>2.00)**            | NR  | 0.341  |
|                               |        |         | Intermediate<br>pre-test risk<br>(31%-70%)<br>(N=5750) | NR                                 | NR                                       | HR: 0.92<br>(95% CI<br>0.69 to<br>1.23)**            | NR  |  |
|                               |        |         | High pre-test<br>risk (>70%)<br>(N=481)                | NR                                 | NR                                       | HR: 0.94<br>(95% CI<br>0.51 to<br>1.74)**            | NR  |  |
|                               |        |         | CAD risk<br>equivalent ++<br>(N=2531)                  | NR                                 | NR                                       | HR: 0.83<br>(95% CI<br>0.57 to<br>1.20)**            | NR  | 0.142  |
|                               |        |         | Not CAD risk<br>equivalent<br>(N=7472)                 | NR                                 | NR                                       | HR: 1.17<br>(95% CI<br>0.89 to<br>1.54)**            | NR  |  |
|                               |        |         | Low pre-test<br>probability                            | NR                                 | NR                                       | HR: 2.30<br>(95% CI                                  | NR  | 0.603  |

| Trial name<br>Author,<br>year | Timing | Outcome | Subgroup   | CCTA<br>% (n/N)<br>or<br>Mean (SD) | Comparator<br>% (n/N)<br>or<br>Mean (SD) | Author<br>reported<br>effect<br>estimate<br>(95% CI) | Author<br>reported<br>p-value<br>for effect<br>estimate | Author<br>reported<br>Interaction<br>p-value |
|-------------------------------|--------|---------|--|------------------------------------|--|--|---|--|
|                               |        |         | (N=250)  |                                    |  | 0.45 to<br>11.88)**                                  |   |  |
|                               |        |         | Intermediate<br>pre-test<br>probability<br>(N=9258)  | NR                                 | NR                                       | HR: 1.00<br>(95% CI<br>0.79 to<br>1.26)**            | NR  |  |
|                               |        |         | High pre-test<br>probability<br>(N=495)  | NR                                 | NR                                       | HR: 1.08<br>(95% CI<br>0.53 to<br>2.23)**            | NR  |  |
|                               |        |         | Physician<br>intended<br>functional test<br>of stress<br>nuclear prior to<br>randomization<br>(N=6781) | NR                                 | NR                                       | HR: 0.93<br>(95% CI<br>0.72 to<br>1.21)**            | NR  |  |
|                               |        |         | Physician<br>intended<br>functional test<br>of stress echo<br>prior to<br>randomization<br>(N=2236)    | NR                                 | NR                                       | HR: 1.27<br>(95% CI<br>0.78 to<br>2.05)**            | NR  | 0.293  |
|                               |        |         | Physician<br>intended<br>functional test<br>of exercise ECG<br>prior to<br>randomization<br>(N=986)    | NR                                 | NR                                       | HR: 1.80<br>(95% CI<br>0.66 to<br>4.86)**            | NR  |  |

| Trial name<br>Author,<br>year | Timing                            | Outcome  | Subgroup                                | CCTA<br>% (n/N)<br>or<br>Mean (SD) | Comparator<br>% (n/N)<br>or<br>Mean (SD) | Author<br>reported<br>effect<br>estimate<br>(95% CI) | Author<br>reported<br>p-value<br>for effect<br>estimate | Author<br>reported<br>Interaction<br>p-value |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|---|------------------------------------|--|--|---|--|
|                               | Median<br>follow-up: 25<br>months | <b>Primary composite end point +<br/>catheterization without<br/>obstructive CAD</b> | Age <65<br>(N=7111)                     | NR                                 | NR                                       | HR: 0.94<br>(95% CI<br>0.78 to<br>1.13)**            | NR  | 0.695  |
|                               |                                   |  | Age ≥65<br>(N=2892)                     | NR                                 | NR                                       | HR: 0.87<br>(95% CI<br>0.68 to<br>1.12)**            | NR  |  |
|                               |                                   |  | Male<br>(N=4733)                        | NR                                 | NR                                       | HR: 0.94<br>(95% CI<br>0.76 to<br>1.15)**            | NR  | 0.633  |
|                               |                                   |  | Female<br>(N=5270)                      | NR                                 | NR                                       | HR: 0.87<br>(95% CI<br>0.70 to<br>1.09)**            | NR  |  |
|                               |                                   |  | White<br>(N=8371)                       | NR                                 | NR                                       | HR: 0.88<br>(95% CI<br>0.74 to<br>1.03)**            | NR  | 0.260  |
|                               |                                   |  | Non-white<br>(N=1545)                   | NR                                 | NR                                       | HR: 1.12<br>(95% CI<br>0.75 to<br>1.69)**            | NR  |  |
|                               |                                   |  | Low pre-test<br>risk (≤30%)<br>(N=3755) | NR                                 | NR                                       | HR: 0.95<br>(95% CI<br>0.73 to<br>1.24)**            | NR  | 0.839  |

| Trial name<br>Author,<br>year | Timing | Outcome | Subgroup                                      | CCTA<br>% (n/N)<br>or<br>Mean (SD) | Comparator<br>% (n/N)<br>or<br>Mean (SD) | Author<br>reported<br>effect<br>estimate<br>(95% CI) | Author<br>reported<br>p-value<br>for effect<br>estimate | Author<br>reported<br>Interaction<br>p-value |
|-------------------------------|--------|---------|---|------------------------------------|--|--|---|--|
|                               |        |         | Intermediate pre-test risk (31%-70%) (N=5750) | NR                                 | NR                                       | HR: 0.90 (95% CI 0.74 to 1.10)**                     | NR  |  |
|                               |        |         | High pre-test risk (>70%) (N=481)             | NR                                 | NR                                       | HR: 0.81 (95% CI 0.50 to 1.30)**                     | NR  |  |
|                               |        |         | CAD risk equivalent (N=2531)                  | NR                                 | NR                                       | HR: 0.85 (95% CI 0.65 to 1.11)**                     | NR  | 0.540  |
|                               |        |         | Not CAD risk equivalent (N=7472)              | NR                                 | NR                                       | HR: 0.94 (95% CI 0.79 to 1.13)**                     | NR  |  |
|                               |        |         | Low pre-test probability (N=250)              | NR                                 | NR                                       | HR: 0.85 (95% CI 0.33 to 2.20)**                     | NR  | 0.980  |
|                               |        |         | Intermediate pre- test probability (N=9258)   | NR                                 | NR                                       | HR: 0.90 (95% CI 0.77 to 1.06)**                     | NR  |  |
|                               |        |         | High pre-test probability (N=495)             | NR                                 | NR                                       | HR: 0.96 (95% CI 0.57 to 1.61)**                     | NR  |  |
|                               |        |         | Physician intended                            | NR                                 | NR                                       | HR: 0.87 (95% CI                                     | NR  | 0.548  |

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|                               |                             |  | functional test of stress nuclear prior to randomization (N=6781)                 |                                    |  | 0.73 to 1.03)**                                      |   |  |    |
|                               |                             |  | Physician intended functional test of stress echo prior to randomization (N=2236) | NR                                 | NR                                       | HR: 1.06 (95% CI 0.76 to 1.49)**                     | NR  |  |    |
|                               |                             |  | Physician intended functional test of exercise ECG prior to randomization (N=986) | NR                                 | NR                                       | HR: 0.99 (95% CI 0.53 to 1.87)**                     | NR  |  |    |
|                               | Median follow-up: 25 months | <b>Proportion of patients with positive invasive coronary angiography (Cath)</b> |   | BMI <35                            | 58.8% (255/434)                          | Nuclear Stress: 47.8% (100/209)                      | NR  | NR   | NR |
|                               |                             |  |   |                                    |  | Stress Echo% 29.5% (23/78)                           | NR  | NR   |    |
|                               |                             |  |   |                                    |  | Ex ECG: 56.3%% (9/16)                                | NR  | NR   |    |
|                               |                             |  |   | BMI ≥35                            | 51.7% (45/87)                            | Nuclear Stress: 29.5% (23/78)                        | NR  | NR   |    |

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|                               |                                    |  |                     |                                    | Stress Echo:<br>66.7% (6/9)                   | NR   | NR  |  |
|                               |                                    |  |                     |                                    | Ex ECG:<br>75.0% (3/4)                        | NR   | NR  |  |
|                               | Within 90<br>days of index<br>test | <b>Proportion of patients referred for<br/>ICA</b>               | With diabetes       | 15.1%<br>(141/936)                 | Any<br>functional<br>test: 10.2%<br>(99/972)  | Adj. OR<br>2.12<br>(95% CI<br>1.50 to<br>3.00) §§    | <0.001  | 0.596  |
|                               |                                    |  | Without<br>diabetes | 10.9%<br>(388/3564)                | Any<br>functional<br>test: 7.6%<br>(265/3494) | Adj. OR<br>1.90<br>(95% CI<br>1.56 to<br>2.33) §§    | <0.001  |  |
|                               | Within 30<br>days of ICA           | <b>Proportion of patients referred for<br/>revascularization</b> | With diabetes       | 55.7%<br>(78/140)                  | Any<br>functional<br>test: 38.0%<br>(38/100)  | Adj. OR<br>1.51<br>(95% CI<br>0.65 to<br>3.49) §§    | 0.340   | 0.372  |
|                               |                                    |  | Without<br>diabetes | 49.2%<br>(191/388)                 | Any<br>functional<br>test: 38.7%<br>(103/266) | Adj. OR<br>0.95<br>(95% CI<br>0.55 to<br>1.65) §§    | 0.861   |  |
|                               | 60-day visit                       | <b>Medication use to Aspirin</b>                                 | With diabetes       | 62.1%<br>(530/854)                 | Any<br>functional<br>test: 57.3%<br>(504/879) | Adj. OR<br>1.23<br>(95% CI<br>1.01 to<br>1.50) §§    | 0.036   | 0.907  |
|                               |                                    |  | Without<br>diabetes | 52.4%<br>(1658/3167)               | Any<br>functional                             | <b>Adj. OR<br/>1.25</b>                              | <0.001  |  |

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|                               |              |  |                  |                                    | test: 47.5%<br>(1452/3059)                      | <b>(95% CI<br/>1.13 to<br/>1.38) §§</b>              |   |  |
|                               | 60-day visit | <b>Medication use to Statin</b>  | With diabetes    | 71.4%<br>(610/854)                 | Any<br>functional<br>test: 64.3%<br>(565/879)   | Adj. OR<br>1.40<br>(95% CI<br>1.14 to<br>1.72) §§    | 0.001   | 0.783  |
|                               |              |  | Without diabetes | 52.9%<br>(1675/3167)               | Any<br>functional<br>test: 45.8%<br>(1401/3059) | Adj. OR<br>1.36<br>(95% CI<br>1.23 to<br>1.50) §§    | <0.001  |  |
|                               | 60-day visit | <b>Medication use to Beta Blocker</b>  | With diabetes    | 35.3%<br>(301/854)                 | Any<br>functional<br>test: 33.3%<br>(293/879)   | Adj. OR<br>1.10<br>(95% CI<br>0.89 to<br>1.34) §§    | 0.379   | 0.941  |
|                               |              |  | Without diabetes | 28.7%<br>(909/3167)                | Any<br>functional<br>test: 27.3%<br>(835/3059)  | Adj. OR<br>1.10<br>(95% CI<br>0.99 to<br>1.24) §§    | 0.083   |  |
|                               | 60-day visit | <b>Medication use to angiotensin-<br/>converting enzyme<br/>inhibitor/angiotensin receptor<br/>blocker</b> | With diabetes    | 70.6%<br>(603/854)                 | Any<br>functional<br>test: 68.7%<br>(604/879)   | Adj. OR<br>1.10<br>(95% CI<br>0.89 to<br>1.35) §§    | 0.382   | 0.339  |
|                               |              |  | Without diabetes | 37.3%<br>(1180/3167)               | Any<br>functional                               | Adj. OR<br>0.98<br>(95% CI                           | 0.697   |  |

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|                               |            |   |          |                                    | test: 37.8%<br>(1157/3059)               | 0.88 to<br>1.09) §§                                  |   |  |
|                               | Index test | <b>Test positive rate (≥70% stenosis in at least one epicardial artery or ≥50% stenosis in the left main)</b> | Male     | 16.1%<br>(350/2168)                | Any functional test: 14.0%<br>(290/2078) | adj. OR 1.23<br>(95% CI 1.04 to 1.47) §§             | CCTA vs. any functional test: 0.019                     | CCTA vs. any functional test: <0.001   |
|                               |            |   |          |                                    | Nuclear Stress: 16.9%<br>(230/1362)      | adj. OR 1.03<br>(95% CI 0.85 to 1.25) §§             | CCTA vs. Nuclear Stress: 0.75                           |  |
|                               |            |   |          |                                    | Stress Echo: 7.7%<br>(36/465)            | adj. OR 2.10<br>(95% CI 1.45 to 3.04) §§             | CCTA vs. Stress Echo: <0.001                            |  |
|                               |            |   |          |                                    | Ex ECG: 9.6%<br>(24/251)                 | adj. OR 1.79<br>(95% CI 1.15 to 2.80) §§             | CCTA vs. Ex ECG: 0.01                                   |  |
|                               |            |   | Female   | 7.9%<br>(184/2332)                 | Any functional test: 11.5%<br>(274/2388) | adj. OR 0.67<br>(95% CI 0.55 to 0.82) §§             | CCTA vs. any functional test: <0.001                    | CCTA vs. Nuclear Stress: NR<br><br>CCTA vs. Stress Echo: NR<br><br>CCTA vs. Ex ECG: NR |

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|                               |        |         |          |                                    | Nuclear<br>Stress: 12.0%<br>(205/1704)   | adj. OR<br>0.66<br>(95% CI<br>0.53 to<br>0.82) §§    | CCTA vs.<br>Nuclear<br>Stress:<br><0.001                | 0.003  |       |
|                               |        |         |          |                                    | Stress Echo:<br>7.7%<br>(39/505)         | adj. OR<br>0.90<br>(95% CI<br>0.63 to<br>1.30) §§    | CCTA vs.<br>Stress<br>Echo:<br>0.58                     |  |       |
|                               |        |         |          |                                    | Ex ECG:<br>16.8%<br>(30/179)             | adj. OR<br>0.39<br>(95% CI<br>0.25 to<br>0.61) §§    | CCTA vs.<br>Ex ECG:<br><0.001                           |  |       |
|                               |        |         | BMI <35  | 12.2%<br>(439/3589)                | Nuclear<br>Stress: 13.1%<br>(310/2361)   | NR   | NR  |  | 0.003 |
|                               |        |         |          |                                    | Stress Echo:<br>7.8%<br>(62/795)         | NR   | NR  |  |       |
|                               |        |         |          |                                    | Ex ECG:<br>12.8%<br>(47/368)             | NR   | NR  |  |       |
|                               |        |         | BMI ≥35  | 10.3%<br>(90/872)                  | Nuclear<br>Stress: 18.1%<br>(123/679)    | NR   | NR  |  | 0.003 |
|                               |        |         |          |                                    | Stress Echo:<br>7.9%<br>(13/165)         | NR   | NR  |  |       |

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|                               |        |         |                     |                                    | Ex ECG:<br>11.7% (7/60)                        | NR   | NR  |  |
|                               |        |         | Age <65 years       | 10.1%<br>(328/3249)                | Any<br>functional<br>test: 11.2%<br>(350/3129) | Adj. OR<br>1.13<br>(95% CI<br>0.96 to<br>1.33)       | p>0.05  | 0.20   |
|                               |        |         | Age 65-74           | 15.2%<br>(1553/1008)               | Any<br>functional<br>test: 15.6%<br>(164/1054) | Adj. OR<br>1.04<br>(95% CI<br>0.82 to<br>1.33)       | p>0.05  |  |
|                               |        |         | Age ≥75             | 21.8%<br>(53/243)                  | Any<br>functional<br>test: 17.7%<br>(50/283)   | Adj. OR<br>0.74<br>(95% CI<br>0.48 to<br>1.15)       | p>0.05  |  |
|                               |        |         | With diabetes       | 14.9%<br>(139/936)                 | Nuclear<br>Stress: 17.7%<br>(126/711)          | NR   | NR  | 0.930  |
|                               |        |         |                     |                                    | Stress Echo:<br>9.2%<br>(17/185)               | NR   | NR  |  |
|                               |        |         |                     |                                    | Ex ECG: 9.2%<br>(7/76)                         | NR   | NR  |  |
|                               |        |         | Without<br>diabetes | 11.1%<br>(395/3564)                | Nuclear<br>Stress: 13.1%<br>(309/2355)         | NR   | NR  |  |
|                               |        |         |                     |                                    | Stress Echo:<br>7.4%<br>(58/785)               | NR   | NR  |  |

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|                               |                                   |  |                     |                                    | Ex ECG:<br>13.3%<br>(47/354)                  | NR   | NR  |  |
|                               | Median<br>follow-up: 25<br>months | <b>Composite outcome of<br/>cardiovascular death, myocardial<br/>infarction, and unstable angina<br/>hospitalization</b> | With diabetes       | 3.4%<br>(32/936)                   | Any<br>functional<br>test: 4.4%<br>(43/972)   | Adj. HR<br>0.74,<br>95% CI<br>0.47 to<br>1.18)***    | 0.207   | 0.096  |
|                               |                                   |  | Without<br>diabetes | 3.0%<br>(105/3564)                 | Any<br>functional<br>test: 2.4%<br>(85/3494)  | Adj. HR<br>1.18,<br>95% CI<br>0.88 to<br>1.57)***    | 0.269   |  |
|                               | Median<br>follow-up: 25<br>months | <b>Composite outcome of<br/>cardiovascular death, myocardial<br/>infarction</b>  | With diabetes       | 1.1%<br>(10/936)                   | Any<br>functional<br>test: 2.6%<br>(25/972)   | Adj. HR<br>0.38,<br>95% CI<br>0.18 to<br>0.79)***    | 0.01  | 0.02   |
|                               |                                   |  | Without<br>diabetes | 1.4%<br>(50/3564)                  | Any<br>functional<br>test: 1.29%<br>(45/3494) | Adj. HR<br>1.03,<br>95% CI<br>0.69 to<br>1.54)***    | 0.887   |  |
|                               | 6 months<br>from<br>randomization | <b>Death</b>   | With diabetes       | 0.2%<br>(2/936)                    | Any<br>functional<br>test: 0.5%<br>(5/972)    | NR   | NR  | NR   |
|                               |                                   |  | Without<br>diabetes | 0.1%<br>(4/3564)                   | Any<br>functional<br>test: 0.3%<br>(12/3494)  | NR   | NR  |  |

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|                               | 6 months from randomization | <b>Cardiovascular death</b>            | With diabetes    | 0.2%<br>(2/936)                    | Any functional test: 0.4%<br>(4/972)     | NR   | NR  | NR   |
|                               |                             |  | Without diabetes | 0.0%<br>(0/3564)                   | Any functional test: 0.2%<br>(7/3494)    | NR   | NR  |  |
|                               | 6 months from randomization | <b>Myocardial infarction</b>           | With diabetes    | 0.1%<br>(1/936)                    | Any functional test: 0.8%<br>(8/972)     | NR   | NR  | NR   |
|                               |                             |  | Without diabetes | 0.2%<br>(8/3564)                   | Any functional test: 0.2%<br>(6/3494)    | NR   | NR  |  |
|                               | 6 months from randomization | <b>Unstable angina hospitalization</b> | With diabetes    | 0.9%<br>(8/936)                    | Any functional test: 0.5%<br>(5/972)     | NR   | NR  | NR   |
|                               |                             |  | Without diabetes | 0.6%<br>(23/3564)                  | Any functional test: 0.6%<br>(21/3494)   | NR   | NR  |  |
|                               | At end of followup          | <b>Death</b>                           | With diabetes    | 1.7%<br>(16/936)                   | Any functional test: 2.0%<br>(19/972)    | NR   | NR  | NR   |
|                               |                             |  | Without diabetes | 1.3%<br>(46/3564)                  | Any functional test: 1.3%<br>(45/3494)   | NR   | NR  |  |

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|                               | At end of<br>followup | <b>Cardiovascular death</b>            | With diabetes                          | 0.9%<br>(8/936)                    | Any<br>functional<br>test: 1.2%<br>(12/972)  | NR   | NR  | NR   |       |
|                               |                       |  | Without<br>diabetes                    | 0.7%<br>(26/3564)                  | Any<br>functional<br>test: 0.8%<br>(29/3494) | NR   | NR  |  |       |
|                               | At end of<br>followup | <b>Myocardial infarction</b>           | With diabetes                          | 0.2%<br>(2/936)                    | Any<br>functional<br>test: 1.3%<br>(13/972)  | NR   | NR  | NR   |       |
|                               |                       |  | Without<br>diabetes                    | 0.7%<br>(24/3564)                  | Any<br>functional<br>test: 0.5%<br>(17/3494) | NR   | NR  |  |       |
|                               | At end of<br>followup | <b>Unstable angina hospitalization</b> | With diabetes                          | 1.5%<br>(14/936)                   | Any<br>functional<br>test: 1.1%<br>(11/972)  | NR   | NR  | NR   |       |
|                               |                       |  | Without<br>diabetes                    | 1.1%<br>(38/3564)                  | Any<br>functional<br>test: 0.8%<br>(29/3494) | NR   | NR  |  |       |
|                               | ROMICAT-<br>II trial  | Index Visit                            | <b>Hospital length of stay (hours)</b> | Females                            | 17.0 (24.5)                                  | 30.7 (24.1)  | NR  | <0.0001                                      | 0.006 |
|                               |                       |  |  | Males                              | 28.8 (44.7)                                  | 31.0 (30.9)  | NR  | 0.44   |       |
| With diabetes                 |                       |  |  | 32.2 (43.2)                        | 32.0 (20.1)                                  | NR   | 0.97  | 0.08   |       |
| Without<br>diabetes           |                       |  |  | 21.3 (35.3)                        | 30.6 (29.4)                                  | NR   | <0.0001   |  |       |
| Index Visit                   |                       | <b>Direct ED discharge</b>             | Females                                | 55%<br>(132/239)                   | 14% (33/229)                                 | NR   | <0.0001   | 0.22   |       |

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|                               |                  |  | Males            | 41%<br>(107/262)                   | 12% (33/270)                             | NR   | <0.0001   | 0.27   |
|                               |                  |  | With diabetes    | 40% (34/86)                        | 14% (12/87)                              | NR   | 0.0001  |  |
|                               |                  |  | Without diabetes | 49%<br>(205/415)                   | 13% (54/412)                             | NR   | <0.0001   |  |
|                               |                  |  | White            | 46%<br>(153/330)                   | 11% (35/329)                             | NR   | <0.001  | 0.27   |
|                               |                  |  | Black            | 43%<br>(61/141)                    | 14% (19/140)                             | NR   | <0.001  |  |
|                               |                  |  | Index Visit      | <b>Hospital admission</b>          | Females                                  | 33%<br>(14/239)                                      | 25% (57/229)  | NR   |
|                               | Males            | 29%<br>(75/262)                              |                  |                                    | 26% (69/270)                             | NR   | 0.44  |  |
|                               | With diabetes    | 35% (30/86)                                  |                  |                                    | 29% (25/87)                              | NR   | 0.41  | 0.09   |
|                               | Without diabetes | 19%<br>(78/415)                              |                  |                                    | 25%<br>(101/412)                         | NR   | 0.05  |  |
|                               | White            | 23%<br>(75/330)                              |                  |                                    | 25% (82/329)                             | NR   | 0.51  | 0.31   |
|                               | Black            | 18%<br>(25/141)                              |                  |                                    | 26% (36/140)                             | NR   | 0.11  |  |
|                               | Index Visit      | <b>Downstream testing during index visit</b> | Females          | 16%<br>(37/239)                    | 10% (22/229)                             | NR   | 0.07  | 0.08   |
|                               |                  |  | Males            | 30%<br>(79/262)                    | 12% (31/270)                             | NR   | <0.0001   |  |
|                               |                  |  | With diabetes    | 38% (33/86)                        | 5% (4/87)                                | NR   | <0.0001   | 0.001  |
|                               |                  |  | Without diabetes | 20%<br>(83/415)                    | 12% (49/412)                             | NR   | 0.002   |  |
|                               |                  |  | White            | 24%<br>(80/330)                    | 13% (42/329)                             | NR   | <0.001  | 0.16   |
|                               |                  |  | Black            | 22% (/141)                         | 6% (9/140)                               | NR   | <0.001  |  |

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|                               | 28 day follow-up | <b>Downstream testing at any point</b> | Females          | 20%<br>(47/239)                    | 24% (11/229)                             | NR   | 0.007   | 0.23   |
|                               |                  |  | Males            | 33%<br>(86/262)                    | 13% (86/270)                             | NR   | <0.0001   |  |
|                               |                  |  | With diabetes    | 42% (36/86)                        | 7% (6/87)                                | NR   | <0.0001   | 0.002  |
|                               |                  |  | Without diabetes | 23%<br>(97/415)                    | 13% (54/412)                             | NR   | 0.0001  |  |
|                               |                  |  | White            | 29%<br>(95/330)                    | 15% (48/329)                             | NR   | <0.001  | 0.18   |
|                               |                  |  | Black            | 23%<br>(32/141)                    | 6% (9/140)                               | NR   | <0.001  |  |
|                               | Index Visit      | <b>ICA at index visit</b>              | Females          | 5% (12/239)                        | 5% (12/229)                              | NR   | 1.0   | 0.15   |
|                               |                  |  | Males            | 16%<br>(42/262)                    | 9% (24/270)                              | NR   | 0.02  |  |
|                               |                  |  | With diabetes    | 19% (16/86)                        | 6% (5/87)                                | NR   | 0.01  | 0.06   |
|                               |                  |  | Without diabetes | 9% (38/415)                        | 8% (31/412)                              | NR   | 0.45  |  |
|                               |                  |  | White            | 13%<br>(44/330)                    | 9% (30/329)                              | NR   | 0.11  | 0.83   |
|                               |                  |  | Black            | 5% (7/141)                         | 3% (4/140)                               | NR   | 0.54  |  |
|                               | 28 day follow-up | <b>ICA at any point</b>                | Females          | 5% (13/239)                        | 5% (12/229)                              | NR   | 1.0   | 0.24   |
|                               |                  |  | Males            | 18%<br>(46/262)                    | 10% (28/270)                             | NR   | 0.02  |  |
|                               |                  |  | With diabetes    | 20% (17/86)                        | 7% (6/87)                                | NR   | 0.01  | 0.08   |
|                               |                  |  | Without diabetes | 10%<br>(42/415)                    | 8% (34/412)                              | NR   | 0.40  |  |
|                               |                  |  | White            | 15%<br>(48/330)                    | 10% (34/329)                             | NR   | 0.12  | 0.68   |
|                               |                  |  | Black            | 6% (8/141)                         | 3% (4/140)                               | NR   | 0.38  |  |

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|                               | Index Visit      | PCI at index visit                                 | Females          | 2% (5/239)                         | 1% (2/229)                               | NR   | 0.45  | 0.69   |
|                               |                  |  | Males            | 7% (19/262)                        | 4% (12/270)                              | NR   | 0.20  |  |
|                               |                  |  | With diabetes    | 7% (6/86)                          | 2% (2/87)                                | NR   | 0.17  | 0.41   |
|                               |                  |  | Without diabetes | 4% (18/415)                        | 3% (12/412)                              | NR   | 0.35  |  |
|                               |                  |  | White            | 6% (20/330)                        | 4% (13/329)                              | NR   | 0.28  | NA   |
|                               |                  |  | Black            | 1% (2/141)                         | 0% (0/140)                               | NR   | 0.50  |  |
|                               | 28 day follow-up | PCI at any point                                   | Females          | 3% (6/239)                         | 1% (2/229)                               | NR   | 0.29  | 0.45   |
|                               |                  |  | Males            | 8% (21/262)                        | 6% (15/270)                              | NR   | 0.30  |  |
|                               |                  |  | With diabetes    | 7% (6/86)                          | 2% (2/87)                                | NR   | 0.17  | 0.37   |
|                               |                  |  | Without diabetes | 5% (21/415)                        | 4% (15/412)                              | NR   | 0.40  |  |
|                               |                  |  | White            | 7% (22/330)                        | 5% (16/329)                              | NR   | 0.40  | NA   |
|                               |                  |  | Black            | 5% (16/141)                        | 0% (0/140)                               | NR   | 0.25  |  |
|                               | 28 day follow-up | PCI/CABG at 28-day                                 | Females          | 3% (7/239)                         | 1% (2/229)                               | NR   | 0.18  | 0.33   |
|                               |                  |  | Males            | 10% (25/262)                       | 7% (18/270)                              | NR   | 0.27  |  |
|                               |                  |  | With diabetes    | 8% (7/86)                          | 2% (2/87)                                | NR   | 0.10  | 0.26   |
|                               |                  |  | Without diabetes | 6% (25/415)                        | 4% (18/412)                              | NR   | 0.35  |  |
|                               | 28 day follow-up | Repeat ED visit or hospitalizations for chest pain | Females          | 3% (6/239)                         | 1% (2/229)                               | NR   | 0.50  | 0.11   |
|                               |                  |  | Males            | 3% (9/262)                         | 6% (17/270)                              | NR   | 0.77  |  |
|                               |                  |  | With diabetes    | 0% (0/86)                          | 5% (4/87)                                | NR   | 0.25  | 0.97   |
|                               |                  |  | Without diabetes | 3% (14/415)                        | 4% (15/412)                              | NR   | 0.55  |  |
| White                         |                  |  | 2% (8/330)       | 5% (16/329)                        | NR                                       | 0.10   | 0.049   |  |

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|                               | 3 day safety follow-up | <b>Missed acute coronary syndrome</b>            | Black            | 4% (6/141)                         | 1% (2/140)                               | NR   | 0.28  | NA   |    |
|                               |                        |  | Females          | 0% (0/239)                         | 0% (0/229)                               | NR   | NA  |  |    |
|                               |                        |  | Males            | 0% (0/262)                         | 0% (0/270)                               | NR   | NA  |  |    |
|                               |                        |  | With diabetes    | 0% (0/86)                          | 0% (0/87)                                | NR   | NA  |  | NA |
|                               |                        |  | Without diabetes | 0% (0/415)                         | 0% (0/412)                               | NR   | NA  |  |    |
|                               |                        |  | White            | 0% (0/330)                         | 0% (0/329)                               | NR   | NA  |  | NA |
|                               |                        |  | Black            | 0% (0/141)                         | 0% (0/140)                               | NR   | NA  |  |    |
|                               | 28 day follow-up       | <b>MACE 28 days</b>                              | Females          | 0.4% (1/239)                       | 0.4% (1/229)                             | NR   | 1.0   | 0.48   |    |
|                               |                        |  | Males            | 0.4% (1/262)                       | 1.9% (5/270)                             | NR   | 0.22  |  |    |
|                               |                        |  | With diabetes    | 0% (0/86)                          | 1% (1/87)                                | NR   | 1.0   | 0.97   |    |
|                               |                        |  | Without diabetes | 0.5% (2/415)                       | 1.2% (5/412)                             | NR   | 0.29  |  |    |
|                               | Index Visit            | <b>Normal test result (No CAD) on index test</b> | Females          | 58% (130/224)                      | Any functional test: 86% (147/171)       | NR   | NR  | NR   |    |
|                               |                        |  |                  |                                    | ETT: 94% (58/92)                         | NR   | NR  |  |    |
|                               |                        |  |                  |                                    | Nuclear stress: 44% (48/56)              | NR   | NR  |  |    |
| Stress echo: 75% (40/83)      |                        |  |                  |                                    | NR                                       | NR   |   |  |    |
| Males                         |                        |  | 37% (97/249)     | Any functional test: 84% (147/175) | NR                                       | NR   |   |  |    |

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|                               |             |  |                             |                                    | ETT: 97%<br>(74/76)                         | NR   | NR  | NR   |
|                               |             |  |                             |                                    | Nuclear<br>stress: 73%<br>(38/52)           | NR   | NR  |  |
|                               |             |  |                             |                                    | Stress echo:<br>83% (39/47)                 | NR   | NR  |  |
|                               |             |  | With diabetes               | 32% (25/79)                        | Any<br>functional<br>test: 83%<br>(55/66)   | NR   | NR  |  |
|                               |             |  |                             |                                    | ETT: 96%<br>(23/66)                         | NR   | NR  |  |
|                               |             |  |                             |                                    | Nuclear<br>stress: 75%<br>(18/24)           | NR   | NR  |  |
|                               |             |  |                             |                                    | Stress echo:<br>78% (14/18)                 | NR   | NR  |  |
|                               |             |  | Without<br>diabetes         | 50%<br>(198/394)                   | Any<br>functional<br>test: 85%<br>(239/280) | NR   | NR  |  |
|                               |             |  |                             |                                    | ETT: 93%<br>(106/114)                       | NR   | NR  |  |
|                               |             |  |                             |                                    | Nuclear<br>stress: 81%<br>(68/84)           | NR   | NR  |  |
|                               |             |  |                             |                                    | Stress echo:<br>79% (65/82)                 | NR   | NR  |  |
|                               |             |  | <b>CCTA vs. SPECT</b>       |                                    |   |  |   |  |
| Min, 2012                     | Index Visit | <b>Normal test result (No CAD) on<br/>index test</b> | Low pre-test<br>probability | 25% (1/4)                          | 13% (1/8)                                   | NR   | 0.58  | NR   |

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|                               |                           |  | Intermediate pre-test probability | 28% (16/57)                        | 37% (22/60)                              | NR   | 0.32  |  |
|                               |                           |  | High pre-test probability         | 33% (10/30)                        | 43% (9/21)                               | NR   | 0.49  |  |
| <b>CCTA vs. Exercise ECG</b>  |                           |  |                                   |                                    |  |  |   |  |
| SCOT-HEART, 2018              | Median 4.8 year follow-up | <b>Death from Coronary Heart Disease or Nonfatal Myocardial Infarction</b> | < 65 years                        | 2.1% (32/1538)                     | 3.3% (51/1554)                           | HR 0.62 (95% CI 0.40 to 0.96)                        | NR  | 0.68   |
|                               |                           |  | >65 years                         | 3.0% (16/535)                      | 5.8% (30/519)                            | HR 0.53 (95% CI 0.29 to 0.98)                        | NR  |  |
|                               |                           |  | Female                            | 1.2% (11/911)                      | 22/910 (2.4)                             | HR 0.50 (95% CI 0.24 to 1.04)                        | NR  | 0.57   |
|                               |                           |  | Male                              | 3.2% (37/1162)                     | 5.1% (59/1163)                           | HR 0.63 (95% CI 0.42 to 0.95)                        | NR  |  |
|                               |                           |  | 10 year cardiovascular risk <15%  | 1.5% (15/969)                      | 2.0% (21/1067)                           | HR 0.78 (95% CI 0.40 to 1.51)                        | NR  | 0.21   |
|                               |                           |  | 10 year cardiovascular risk ≥15%  | 3.0% (33/1104)                     | 6.0% (60/1006)                           | HR 0.50 (95% CI 0.33 to 0.77)                        | NR  |  |

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|                               |        |         | No previous coronary heart disease            | 1.9%<br>(35/1887)                  | 3.3%<br>(62/1887)                             | HR 0.57<br>(95% CI<br>0.37 to<br>0.86)               | NR  | 0.68   |    |    |
|                               |        |         | Previous coronary heart disease               | 7.0%<br>(13/187)                   | 10.1%<br>(19/189)                             | HR 0.65<br>(95% CI<br>0.32 to<br>1.32)               | NR  |  |    |    |
|                               |        |         | Diabetes                                      | 2.2%<br>(41/1850)                  | 3.5%<br>(64/1852)                             | HR 0.63<br>(95% CI<br>0.43 to<br>0.94)               | NR  | 0.40   |    |    |
|                               |        |         | No diabetes                                   | 3.1%<br>(7/223)                    | 7.7%<br>(17/221)                              | HR 0.36<br>(95% CI<br>0.15 to<br>0.87)               | NR  |  |    |    |
|                               |        |         | NICE classification of non-anginal chest pain | 1.1%<br>(8/712)                    | 2.4%<br>(18/735)                              | HR 0.45<br>(95% CI<br>0.19 to<br>1.03)               | NR  | 0.58   |    |    |
|                               |        |         | NICE classification anginal chest pain        | 2.3%<br>(27/1174)                  | 3.8%<br>(44/1149)                             | HR 0.60<br>(95% CI<br>0.37 to<br>0.96)               | NR  |  |    |    |
|                               |        |         | Median 4.8 year follow-up                     | Non-fatal MI                       | NICE classification of non-anginal chest pain | 1.1%<br>(8/712)                                      | 2.2%<br>(16/735)  | HR 0.50<br>(95% CI<br>0.21 to<br>1.17)       | NR | NR |
|                               |        |         |   |                                    | NICE classification of                        | 2.0%<br>(24/1174)                                    | 3.6%<br>(41/1149)                                       | HR 0.57<br>(95% CI                           | NR |    |

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|                               |                           |                                     | possible anginal chest pain                        |                                    |  | 0.34 to 0.94)  |   |  |
|                               |                           |                                     | Previous coronary heart disease                    | 6.5% (12/187)                      | 8.6% (19/189)                            | HR 0.71 (95% CI 0.33 to 1.50)                        | NR  |  |
|                               | Median 4.8 year follow-up | <b>Non-fatal stroke</b>             | NICE classification of non-anginal chest pain      | 0.4% (3/712)                       | 1.0% (7/735)                             | HR 0.45 (95% CI 0.12 to 1.75)                        | NR  | NR   |
|                               |                           |                                     | NICE classification of possible anginal chest pain | 0.8% (9/1174)                      | 1.0% (12/1149)                           | HR 0.72 (95% CI 0.30 to 1.70)                        | NR  |  |
|                               |                           |                                     | Previous coronary heart disease                    | 1.6% (3/187)                       | 0.5% (1/189)                             | HR 2.87 (95% CI 0.29 to 28.22)                       | NR  |  |
|                               | Median 4.8 year follow-up | <b>Coronary Heart Disease Death</b> | NICE classification of non-anginal chest pain      | 0% (0/712)                         | 0.3% (2/735)                             | HR 0.00 (95% CI 0.00 to Inf)                         | NR  | NR   |
|                               |                           |                                     | NICE classification of possible anginal chest pain | 0.3% (3/1174)                      | 0.3% (4/1149)                            | HR 0.74 (95% CI 0.17 to 3.34)                        | NR  |  |
|                               |                           |                                     | Previous coronary heart disease                    | 0.5% (1/187)                       | 1.6% (3/189)                             | HR 0.34 (95% CI 0.04 to 3.33)                        | NR  |  |

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|                               | Median 4.8<br>year follow-up | <b>Cardiovascular Disease Death</b>     | NICE<br>classification of<br>non-anginal<br>chest pain      | 0% (0/712)                         | 0.4% (3/735)                             | HR 0.00<br>(95% CI<br>0.00 to<br>Inf)                | NR  | NR   |
|                               |                              |   | NICE<br>classification of<br>possible anginal<br>chest pain | 0.3%<br>(4/1174)                   | 0.5%<br>(6/1149)                         | HR 0.67<br>(95% CI<br>0.19 to<br>2.38)               | NR  |  |
|                               |                              |   | Previous<br>coronary heart<br>disease                       | 0.5%<br>(1/187)                    | 1.6% (3/189)                             | HR 0.34<br>(95% CI<br>0.04 to<br>3.33)               | NR  |  |
|                               | Median 4.8<br>year follow-up | <b>Non-coronary heart disease death</b> | NICE<br>classification of<br>non-anginal<br>chest pain      | 1.1%<br>(8/712)                    | 0.5% (4/735)                             | HR 2.06<br>(95% CI<br>0.62 to<br>6.85)               | NR  | NR   |
|                               |                              |   | NICE<br>classification of<br>possible anginal<br>chest pain | 1.8%<br>(21/1174)                  | 1.8%<br>(21/1149)                        | HR 0.99<br>(95% CI<br>0.54 to<br>1.82)               | NR  |  |
|                               |                              |   | Previous<br>coronary heart<br>disease                       | 4.8%<br>(9/187)                    | 3.2% (6/189)                             | HR 1.51<br>(95% CI<br>0.54 to<br>4.24)               | NR  |  |
|                               | Median 4.8<br>year follow-up | <b>All-cause death</b>                  | NICE<br>classification of<br>non-anginal<br>chest pain      | 1.1%<br>(8/712)                    | 1.0% (7/735)                             | HR 1.18<br>(95% CI<br>0.43 to<br>3.26)               | NR  | NR   |
|                               |                              |   | NICE<br>classification of                                   | 2.1%<br>(25/1174)                  | 2.3%<br>(27/1149)                        | HR 0.92<br>(95% CI                                   | NR  |  |

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|                               |                           |                                       | possible anginal chest pain                        |                                    |  | 0.53 to 1.59)  |   |  |
|                               |                           |                                       | Previous coronary heart disease                    | 5.4% (10/187)                      | 4.8% (9/189)                             | HR 1.12 (95% CI 0.45 to 2.75)                        | NR  |  |
|                               | Median 4.8 year follow-up | <b>Invasive Coronary Angiography</b>  | NICE classification of non-anginal chest pain      | 6.9% (49/712)                      | 4.9% (36/735)                            | HR 1.42 (95% CI 0.93 to 2.19)                        | NR  | NR   |
|                               |                           |                                       | NICE classification of possible anginal chest pain | 30.7% (361/1174)                   | 33.8% (388/1149)                         | HR 0.93 (95% CI 0.80 to 1.07)                        | NR  |  |
|                               |                           |                                       | Previous coronary heart disease                    | 43.5% (81/187)                     | 41.9% (78/189)                           | HR 1.05 (95% CI 0.77 to 1.44)                        | NR  |  |
|                               | Median 4.8 year follow-up | <b>Any coronary revascularization</b> | NICE classification of non-anginal chest pain      | 2.5% (18/712)                      | 2.9% (21/735)                            | HR 0.89 (95% CI 0.47 to 1.67)                        | NR  | NR   |
|                               |                           |                                       | NICE classification of possible anginal chest pain | 18.7% (220/1174)                   | 17.4% (200/1149)                         | HR 1.10 (95% CI 0.91 to 1.34)                        | NR  |  |
|                               |                           |                                       | Previous coronary heart disease                    | 22% (41/187)                       | 24.7% (46/189)                           | HR 0.90 (95% CI 0.59 to 1.37)                        | NR  |  |

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|                               | Median 4.8<br>year follow-up | <b>Percutaneous coronary intervention</b> | NICE<br>classification of<br>non-anginal<br>chest pain      | 2.2%<br>(16/712)                   | 2.7%<br>(20/735)                         | HR 0.83<br>(95% CI<br>0.43 to<br>1.60)               | NR  | NR   |
|                               |                              |   | NICE<br>classification of<br>possible anginal<br>chest pain | 14.2%<br>(167/1174)                | 13.8%<br>(159/1149)                      | HR 1.04<br>(95% CI<br>0.84 to<br>1.30)               | NR  |  |
|                               |                              |   | Previous<br>coronary heart<br>disease                       | 19.4%<br>(36/187)                  | 17.7%<br>(33/189)                        | HR 1.12<br>(95% CI<br>0.70 to<br>1.79)               | NR  |  |
|                               | Median 4.8<br>year follow-up | <b>Coronary artery bypass graft</b>       | NICE<br>classification of<br>non-anginal<br>chest pain      | 0.3%<br>(2/712)                    | 0.1% (1/735)                             | HR 1.85<br>(95% CI<br>0.16 to<br>20.92)              | NR  | NR   |
|                               |                              |   | NICE<br>classification of<br>possible anginal<br>chest pain | 5.0%<br>(59/1174)                  | 4.0%<br>(46/1149)                        | HR 1.27<br>(95% CI<br>0.86 to<br>1.8)                | NR  |  |
|                               |                              |   | Previous<br>coronary heart<br>disease                       | 4.3%<br>(8/187)                    | 8.1%<br>(15/189)                         | HR 0.51<br>(95% CI<br>0.22 to<br>1.21)               | NR  |  |
|                               | Median 3.2<br>year follow-up | <b>Fatal and non-fatal MI</b>             | NICE<br>classification of<br>non-anginal<br>chest pain      | 1.0%<br>(7/712)                    | 1.5%<br>(11/735)                         | HR 0.65<br>(95% CI<br>0.25 to<br>1.69)               | 0.379   | 0.836  |
|                               |                              |   | NICE<br>classification of                                   | 1.9%<br>(22/1174)                  | 3.2%<br>(37/1149)                        | HR 0.58<br>(95% CI                                   | 0.045   |  |

| Trial name<br>Author,<br>year | Timing                    | Outcome                                  | Subgroup   | CCTA<br>% (n/N)<br>or<br>Mean (SD) | Comparator<br>% (n/N)<br>or<br>Mean (SD) | Author<br>reported<br>effect<br>estimate<br>(95% CI) | Author<br>reported<br>p-value<br>for effect<br>estimate | Author<br>reported<br>Interaction<br>p-value |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------|--|--|------------------------------------|--|--|---|--|
|                               |                           |  | possible anginal chest pain                        |                                    |  | 0.34 to 0.99)  |   |  |
|                               | Median 3.2 year follow-up | <b>Fatal MI, non-fatal MI and stroke</b> | NICE classification of non-anginal chest pain      | 1.1% (8/712)                       | 2.2% (16/735)                            | HR 0.51 (95% CI 0.22 to 1.2)                         | 0.123   | 0.554  |
|                               |                           |  | NICE classification of possible anginal chest pain | 2.4% (28/1174)                     | 3.5% (40/1149)                           | 0.69 (0.42 to 1.11)                                  | 0.128   |  |
|                               | Median 3.2 year follow-up | <b>Non-fatal MI</b>                      | NICE classification of non-anginal chest pain      | 1.2% (9/712)                       | 1.0% (7/735)                             | 0.8 (0.3 to 2.14)                                    | 0.654   | 0.509  |
|                               |                           |  | NICE classification of possible anginal chest pain | 1.6% (19/1174)                     | 3.0% (34/1149)                           | 0.54 (0.31 to 0.96)                                  | 0.034   |  |
|                               | Median 3.2 year follow-up | <b>Non-fatal stroke</b>                  | NICE classification of non-anginal chest pain      | 0.1% (2/712)                       | 0.7% (5/735)                             | 0.21 (0.02 to 1.8)                                   | 0.155   | 0.200  |
|                               |                           |  | NICE classification of possible anginal chest pain | 0.5% (6/1174)                      | 0.5% (6/1149)                            | 1.01 (0.32 to 3.12)                                  | 0.991   |  |
|                               | Median 3.2 year follow-up | <b>All-cause death</b>                   | NICE classification of non-anginal chest pain      | 1.0% (7/712)                       | 0.5% (4/735)                             | 1.81 (0.53 to 6.18)                                  | 0.346   | 0.200  |

| Trial name<br>Author,<br>year | Timing                    | Outcome                                 | Subgroup   | CCTA<br>% (n/N)<br>or<br>Mean (SD) | Comparator<br>% (n/N)<br>or<br>Mean (SD) | Author<br>reported<br>effect<br>estimate<br>(95% CI) | Author<br>reported<br>p-value<br>for effect<br>estimate | Author<br>reported<br>Interaction<br>p-value |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------|---|--|------------------------------------|--|--|---|--|
|                               |                           |   | NICE classification of possible anginal chest pain | 1.5% (18/1174)                     | 1.9% (22/1149)                           | 0.82 (0.44 to 1.53)                                  | 0.536   |  |
|                               | Median 3.2 year follow-up | <b>Coronary Heart Disease Death</b>     | NICE classification of non-anginal chest pain      | 0% (0/712)                         | 0.3% (2/735)                             | 0 (0 to Infinity)                                    | 0.99  | 0.998  |
|                               |                           |   | NICE classification of possible anginal chest pain | 0.3% (3/1174)                      | 0.3% (4/1149)                            | 0.78 (0.17 to 3.48)                                  | 0.742   |  |
|                               | Median 3.2 year follow-up | <b>Non-coronary Heart Disease Death</b> | NICE classification of non-anginal chest pain      | 1.0% (7/712)                       | 0.3% (2/735)                             | 3.64 (0.75 to 17.57)                                 | 0.108   | 0.096  |
|                               |                           |   | NICE classification of possible anginal chest pain | 1.3% (15/1174)                     | 1.6% (18/1149)                           | 0.83 (0.42 to 1.65)                                  | 0.598   |  |
|                               | Median 3.2 year follow-up | <b>Any coronary revascularization</b>   | NICE classification of non-anginal chest pain      | 2.2% (16/712)                      | 1.0% (14/735)                            | 1.2 (95% CI 0.59 to 2.46)                            | 0.619   | 0.938  |
|                               |                           |   | NICE classification of possible anginal chest pain | 18.7% (220/1174)                   | 16.5% (170/1149)                         | 1.16 (0.95 to 1.41)                                  | 0.140   |  |
|                               | Median 3.2 year follow-up | <b>PCI</b>                              | NICE classification of non-anginal chest pain      | 2.0% (14/712)                      | 1.8% (13/735)                            | 1.13 (0.53 to 2.40)                                  | 0.753   | 0.978  |

| Trial name<br>Author,<br>year | Timing                       | Outcome   | Subgroup  | CCTA<br>% (n/N)<br>or<br>Mean (SD) | Comparator<br>% (n/N)<br>or<br>Mean (SD) | Author<br>reported<br>effect<br>estimate<br>(95% CI) | Author<br>reported<br>p-value<br>for effect<br>estimate | Author<br>reported<br>Interaction<br>p-value |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------|---|---|------------------------------------|--|--|---|--|
|                               |                              |   | NICE<br>classification of<br>possible anginal<br>chest pain | 14.5%<br>(170/1174)                | 13.1%<br>(170/1149)                      | 1.11<br>(95% CI<br>0.89 to<br>1.38)                  | 0.349   |  |
|                               | Median 3.2<br>year follow-up | <b>CABG</b>                                       | NICE<br>classification of<br>non-anginal<br>chest pain      | 0.3%<br>(2/712)                    | 0.1% (1/735)                             | 1.85<br>(95% CI<br>0.16 to<br>20.92)                 | 0.620   | 0.704  |
|                               |                              |   | NICE<br>classification of<br>possible anginal<br>chest pain | 4.8%<br>(56/1174)                  | 3.7%<br>(43/1149)                        | 1.3 (0.87<br>to 1.94)                                | 0.198   |  |
|                               | Median 3.2<br>year follow-up | <b>Invasive Coronary Angiogram</b>                | NICE<br>classification of<br>non-anginal<br>chest pain      | 6.6%<br>(47/712)                   | 3.7%<br>(27/735)                         | HR<br>1.82<br>(95% CI<br>1.13 to<br>2.92)            | 0.014   | NR   |
|                               |                              |   | NICE<br>classification of<br>possible anginal<br>chest pain | 30.2%<br>(355/1174)                | 32.1%<br>(369/1149)                      | HR 0.95<br>(95% CI<br>0.82 to<br>1.10)               | 0.481   |  |
|                               | Median 3.2<br>year follow-up | <b>ICA revealing normal coronary<br/>arteries</b> | NICE<br>classification of<br>non-anginal<br>chest pain      | NR                                 | NR                                       | RR 0.78<br>(95% CI<br>0.30 to<br>2.05)               | 0.622   | NR   |
|                               |                              |   | NICE<br>classification of<br>possible anginal<br>chest pain | NR                                 | NR                                       | RR 0.32<br>(95% CI<br>0.19 to<br>0.52)               | <0.001  |  |

| Trial name<br>Author,<br>year | Timing                       | Outcome  | Subgroup  | CCTA<br>% (n/N)<br>or<br>Mean (SD) | Comparator<br>% (n/N)<br>or<br>Mean (SD) | Author<br>reported<br>effect<br>estimate<br>(95% CI) | Author<br>reported<br>p-value<br>for effect<br>estimate | Author<br>reported<br>Interaction<br>p-value |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------|--|---|------------------------------------|--|--|---|--|
|                               | Median 3.2<br>year follow-up | <b>ICA revealing obstructive coronary<br/>arteries</b>               | NICE<br>classification of<br>non-anginal<br>chest pain      | NR                                 | NR                                       | RR 0.82<br>(95% CI<br>0.50 to<br>1.34)               | 0.422   | NR   |
|                               |                              |  | NICE<br>classification of<br>possible anginal<br>chest pain | NR                                 | NR                                       | RR 1.18<br>(95% CI<br>1.07 to<br>1.32)               | 0.002   |  |
|                               | Median 3.2<br>year follow-up | <b>Proportion of patients experiencing<br/>a prescription change</b> | NICE<br>classification of<br>non-anginal<br>chest pain      | 19%<br>(135/712)<br>†††            | 5% (37/735)<br>†††                       | NR   | NR  | NR   |
|                               |                              |  | NICE<br>classification of<br>possible anginal<br>chest pain | 27%<br>(317/1174)<br>†††           | 7% (80/1149)<br>†††                      | NR   | NR  |  |

\* Unnecessary admission: Admission for a medical condition that should not have led to hospitalization, which was ultimately confirmed to be neither ACS nor any medical conditions requiring hospitalization (determined by consensus of the outcome panel).

† MACE includes cardiac death, myocardial infarction, unstable angina pectoris, and revascularization.

‡ Patients with a history of CAD were excluded from subgroup analysis of differentiated pre-test probabilities

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\*\* HRs <0 favor CCTA, while HRs >0 favor functional imaging

†† CAD risk equivalent was defined as diabetes, peripheral vascular disease, or cerebrovascular disease.

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§§ Adjusted model controls for noninvasive testing results (positive vs. negative), sex, and age

\*\*\* Author's do not state what they adjusted for.

††† Estimated from figure 2a in Admonson 2018.

ACS = acute coronary syndrome, adj. = adjusted, BMI = body mass index, CABG = coronary artery bypass graft, CAD = coronary artery disease, CCTA = coronary computed tomography, CI = confidence interval, ECG = electrocardiogram, ECHO = echocardiography, ED = emergency department, ETT = exercise treadmill test, HR = hazard ratio, ICA = invasive coronary angiogram, MACE = major adverse cardiovascular events, MI = myocardial infarction, NICE = National Institute for Health and Care Excellence, NR = not reported, NSTEMI = Non-ST-Segment Elevation Myocardial Infarction, OR = odds ratio, PCI = percutaneous coronary intervention, RR = risk ratio, SD = standard deviation.

**Appendix Table F17. Data abstraction for Subgroup analyses for safety outcomes from CCTA trials**

| Trial name<br>Author,<br>year          | Timing          | Outcome   | Subgroup                           | CCTA<br>% (n/N) or<br>Mean (SD)    | Functional<br>Test<br>% (n/N) or<br>Mean (SD) | Difference within<br>groups p-value | Interaction<br>p-value |
|--|-----------------|---|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|------------------------|
| <b>CCTA vs. any functional testing</b> |                 |   |                                    |                                    |   |                                     |                        |
| <b>PROMISE<br/>trial</b>               | ≤90 days        | <b>Cumulative radiation effective dose among those patients intended for nuclear stress testing</b> | <65 years                          | 12.2 (8.1)<br>(N=2178)             | 15.3 (6.9)<br>(N=2159)                        | NR                                  | 0.072                  |
|  |                 |   | ≥65 years                          | 12.6 (8.9)<br>(N=968)              | 15.0 (6.7)<br>(N=1044)                        | NR                                  |                        |
|  |                 |   | Male                               | 13.7 (9.0)<br>(N=1452)             | 16.0 (7.4)<br>(N=1694)                        | NR                                  | 0.82                   |
|  |                 |   | Female                             | 11.2 (7.5)<br>(N=1694)             | 14.6 (6.3)<br>(N=1786)                        | NR                                  |                        |
|  |                 |   | Not Obese (<30 kg/m <sup>2</sup> ) | 11.1 (8.0)<br>(N=1556)             | 14.9 (6.9)<br>(N=1537)                        | NR                                  | 0.10                   |
|  |                 |   | Obese (≥30 kg/m <sup>2</sup> )     | 13.6 (8.5)<br>(N=1570)             | 15.5 (6.7)<br>(N=1638)                        | NR                                  |                        |
|  |                 |   | Heart rate <75 bpm*                | 11.9 (8.4)                         | 15.3 (6.9)                                    | NR                                  | 0.042                  |
|  |                 |   | Heart rate ≥75 bpm*                | 13.0 (8.3)                         | 15.0 (6.6)                                    | NR                                  |                        |
| <b>ROMICATT-<br/>II</b>                | Index test only | <b>Radiation Dose During the Index Visit</b>  | Female                             | 10.8 (8.7)                         | 4.7 (8.1)                                     | <0.0001                             | 0.003                  |
|  |                 |   | Male                               | 14.2 (11.2)                        | 4.7 (8.7)                                     | <0.0001                             |                        |
|  | 28 days         | <b>Mean (SD) cumulative radiation dose (mSv)</b>  | Female                             | 11.0 (8.9)                         | 6.0 (8.2)                                     | <0.0001                             | 0.002                  |
|  |                 |   | Male                               | 14.7 (12.0)                        | 5.6 (10.7)                                    | <0.0001                             |                        |
|  |                 |   | With diabetes                      | 18.4 (14.7)                        | 6.6 (10.4)                                    | <0.0001                             | 0.04                   |
|  |                 |   | Without diabetes                   | 13.4 (9.8)                         | 5.1 (9.5)                                     | <0.0001                             |                        |
|  |                 |   | White                              | Median (IQR)<br>12.0 (7.9 to 17.2) | Median (IQR)<br>0.0 (0.0 to 12.4)             | <0.001                              | 0.60                   |
|  |                 |   | Black                              | Median (IQR)                       | Median (IQR)                                  | <0.001                              |                        |

| Trial name<br>Author,<br>year | Timing | Outcome | Subgroup | CCTA<br>% (n/N) or<br>Mean (SD) | Functional<br>Test<br>% (n/N) or<br>Mean (SD) | Difference within<br>groups p-value | Interaction<br>p-value |
|-------------------------------|--------|---------|----------|---------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|------------------------|
|                               |        |         |          | 11.7 (8.6 to<br>16)             | 0.0 (0.0 to<br>0.0)                           |                                     |                        |

bpm = beats per minute, CCTA = coronary computed tomography angiography, IQR = interquartile range, kg = kilograms, mSv = millisieverts, NR = not reported, SD = standard deviation.

\* Baseline resting heart rate was recorded at the enrollment physical examination.

### APPENDIX G. Data Abstraction of Included Studies Evaluating Stress Echo

Appendix Table G1. Data abstraction for Stress Echo vs. Exercise ECG: Study and Patient Characteristics

| Trial<br>Author, year<br>Study Design<br>Country<br>Funding             | Population<br>Setting<br>Inclusion and Exclusion<br>Criteria   | Tests evaluated   | Baseline risk<br>for CAD  | Patient<br>characteristics   | Length f/u (%<br>followed)<br>Cross-over, %<br>(n/N)   |
|---|--|---|---|--|--|
| Jeetley, 2006<br><br>RCT<br>(Single Center)<br><br>UK<br><br>Funding NR | <p><u>Population:</u><br/>Mixed suspected and known CAD</p> <p><u>Setting:</u><br/>Hospital admission</p> <p><u>Inclusion:</u><br/>- Patients presenting to hospital with a history of acute chest pain<br/>- Normal or non-diagnostic ECG<br/>- Two or more risk factors CAD</p> <p><u>Exclusion:</u><br/>- ST-segment elevation &gt;1 mm in 2 leads or significant planer ST-segment depression suggestive of acute infarction or ischemia on the presenting ECG<br/>- Any significant rise in cardiac troponin<br/>- Patients with known coronary artery disease awaiting revascularization</p> | <p><b>A. Stress Echo (n=148 randomized, n=142 available for follow-up)</b><br/> <u>Stressor:</u> Treadmill exercise or dobutamine.<br/> <u>Contrast:</u> Optison<br/> <u>Protocol:</u> 2D echocardiogram performed in the left lateral decubitus position using harmonic imaging. Digitized images of the left ventricle obtained in the parasternal long-axis, short-axis and apical 4-, 2-, and 3-chamber views. Those with a high post-test likelihood of CAD had ICA performed for confirmation.<br/> <u>Definition of positive test:</u> Evidence of inducible ischemia at stress, or a resting wall motion abnormality in at least one segment (except isolated basal inferior or basal inferior septal segment) without prior history of myocardial infarction were considered to have high probability of significant CAD.</p> <p><b>B. Exercise ECG (n=154 randomized, n=151 available for follow-up)</b><br/>                     Patients underwent limited Bruce (or modified Bruce) protocol exercise testing using a treadmill with continuous monitoring of a 12-lead ECG and regular blood pressure measurements.</p> | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><u>Low:</u> 20% vs. 21%<br/> <u>Intermediate:</u> 72% vs. 65%<br/> <u>High:</u> 9% vs. 14%</p> | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><u>Subgroup:</u> None<br/> <u>N randomized:</u> 302<br/> <u>Mean age (SD):</u> 61 (12.8) vs. 60 (12.5)<br/> <u>Female:</u> 43% vs. 44%<br/> <u>Race:</u><br/>                     Caucasian: 51% vs. 45%<br/>                     South Asian: 41% vs. 47%<br/> <u>Chest pain:</u> NR<br/>                     - Typical angina: NR<br/>                     - Atypical angina: NR<br/>                     - Nonspecific chest pain: NR<br/> <u>Dyspnea:</u> NR<br/> <u>Prior MI:</u> 12% vs. 18%<br/> <u>Prior revascularization:</u> 17.6% vs. 31.8%<br/> <u>Known CAD:</u> NR<br/> <u>Chest pain frequency:</u></p> | <p>8.5 (±4.9) month: 97%<br/><br/>                     Crossover: 0%<br/><br/> <b>A vs. B</b><br/><br/>                     Patients that didn't receive their randomized test, % (n/N): 3.9% (6/154) vs. 2% (3/148)</p> |

| <b>Trial<br/>Author, year<br/>Study Design<br/>Country<br/>Funding</b> | <b>Population<br/>Setting<br/>Inclusion and Exclusion<br/>Criteria</b>  | <b>Tests evaluated</b>   | <b>Baseline risk<br/>for CAD</b> | <b>Patient<br/>characteristics</b>   | <b>Length f/u (%<br/>followed)<br/>Cross-over, %<br/>(n/N)</b> |
|--|---|--|----------------------------------|--|--|
|  | - Patients in whom history and clinical examination suggested a non-cardiac source of chest pain<br>- Patients with absolute contraindications for exercise testing |  |                                  | <u>Hypertension</u> : 70% vs 62%<br><u>Hyperlipidemia</u> : 55% vs. 65%<br><u>Diabetes</u> : 23% vs 25%<br><u>Current smoking</u> : 15% vs 15%<br><u>Medication</u> :<br>Aspirin: 76% (112/148) vs. 87% (134/154)<br>Clopidogrel: 40% (59/148) vs. 43% (66/154)<br>Beta-blocker: 42% (62/148) vs. 40% (62/154)<br>Calcium antagonist: 22% (33/148) vs. 23% (36/154)<br>Statin: 51% (76/148) vs. 53% (81/154)<br>ACE inhibitor/ARB: 28% (42/148) vs. 36% (56/154) |  |
| Desideri, 2005<br><br>RCT<br>(Multi Center)                            | <u>Population</u> :<br>Mixed suspected and known CAD  | <b>A. Stress Echo (n=132)</b><br><u>Stressor</u> : Dipyridamole (dobutamine in case of contraindication)<br><u>Contrast</u> : NR | NR                               | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><u>Subgroup</u> : None<br><u>N randomized</u> : 262  | 12 months:<br>100% (262/262)<br><br>Crossover: 0%              |

| <b>Trial Author, year Study Design Country Funding</b> | <b>Population Setting Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria</b>  | <b>Tests evaluated</b>   | <b>Baseline risk for CAD</b> | <b>Patient characteristics</b>  | <b>Length f/u (% followed) Cross-over, % (n/N)</b>                           |
|--|---|--|------------------------------|---|--|
| Italy/Spain/Poland<br><br>Funding NR                   | <p><u>Setting:</u><br/>Inpatient</p> <p><u>Inclusion:</u><br/>- Presented with uncomplicated AMI admitted within 24 hours of the onset of symptoms</p> <p><u>Exclusion:</u><br/>- Age &gt;75 years; serious arrhythmias<br/>- Left bundle branch block<br/>- Pericarditis<br/>- Insufficient acoustic window<br/>- Poor short term prognosis because of concomitant disease</p> | <p><u>Protocol:</u> Patients instructed to avoid coffee, tea, or caffeine within eight hours of tests. Early (days 3 to 5) use of pharmacologic stress and discharge on days 7 to 9 in case of a negative result. For dipyridamole test, two dimensional echocardiogram was recorded without withdrawing medical treatment at rest and in combination with dipyridamole infusion; for dobutamine test, stress was administered in three minute dose increments and stopped as soon as positive criteria was reached.</p> <p><u>Definition of positive test:</u> Detection of a transient wall motion abnormality that was absent at baseline or worsened during the test.</p> <p><b>B. Exercise ECG (n=130)</b><br/>Maximum, symptom limited test on days 7 to 9 followed by discharge in case of a negative test result, otherwise positive test was followed by coronary angiography followed by ischemia guided revascularization</p> |                              | <p><u>Mean age (SD):</u> 58 (10) vs. 59 (11)<br/><u>Female:</u> 12% vs. 15%<br/><u>Race:</u> NR<br/><u>Chest pain:</u> NR<br/>- Typical angina: NR<br/>- Atypical angina: NR<br/>- Nonspecific chest pain: NR<br/><u>Dyspnea:</u> NR<br/><u>Prior MI:</u> 6% vs. 11%<br/><u>Prior revascularization:</u> 4% vs. 5%<br/><u>Known CAD:</u> NR<br/><u>Chest pain frequency:</u> NR<br/><u>Hypertension:</u> 43% vs. 41%<br/><u>Hyperlipidemia:</u> NR<br/><u>Diabetes:</u> 17% vs. 16%<br/><u>Current smoking:</u> 65% vs. 61%</p> |  |
| Badano, 1999; Nucifora, 2009<br><br>RCT                | <p><u>Population:</u><br/>Suspected ACS</p> <p><u>Setting:</u></p>  | <p><b>A. Stress Echo (n=110 randomized, n=77 analyzed)</b><br/><u>Stressor:</u> Dobutamine-atropine<br/><u>Contrast:</u></p>   | NR                           | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><u>Subgroup:</u> None<br/><u>N randomized:</u> 180*</p>  | <p>2 months: 84.4% (152/180)<br/><br/>                     Crossover: 0%</p> |

| <b>Trial<br/>Author, year<br/>Study Design<br/>Country<br/>Funding</b> | <b>Population<br/>Setting<br/>Inclusion and Exclusion<br/>Criteria</b>   | <b>Tests evaluated</b>  | <b>Baseline risk<br/>for CAD</b> | <b>Patient<br/>characteristics</b>  | <b>Length f/u (%<br/>followed)<br/>Cross-over, %<br/>(n/N)</b> |
|--|--|---|----------------------------------|---|--|
| (Multi Center)<br><br>Italy<br><br>Funding NR                          | ED<br><br><u>Inclusion:</u><br>- ACP within previous 24 hours in absence of local trauma and abnormalities on chest X-ray<br>- Non-diagnostic electrocardiogram at admission<br>- Negative myocardial injury biomarkers<br>- Ability to perform electrocardiogram exercise testing<br><br><u>Exclusion:</u><br>- Age <30 years<br>- Prehospital or emergency department complication of acute ischemia or MI<br>- Premature ventricular beats >6 per minute<br>- Atrial fibrillation<br>- Dilated or hypertrophic cardiomyopathy<br>- Complex congenital heart disease<br>- Significant valvular disease<br>- Known aortic aneurism >50 mm | <u>Protocol:</u> Dobutamine was administered intravenously for 3 minutes, increasing every 3 minutes, atropine was added for those not achieving 85% of their age and gender-predicted maximal heart rate and without symptoms or signs of myocardial ischemia. During test, symptoms and ECG were monitored each minute.<br><u>Definition of positive test:</u> NR<br><br><b>B. Exercise ECG (n=89 randomized, n=75 analyzed)</b><br>Twelve-lead ECGs were recorded at admission, before randomization, and during each episode of chest pain during hospital stay. discharge after several hours or days. |                                  | <u>Mean age (SD):</u> 52 (10) vs. 50 (10)<br><u>Female:</u> 47% vs. 32%<br><u>Race:</u> NR<br><u>Chest pain:</u> NR<br>- Typical angina: NR<br>- Atypical angina: NR<br>- Nonspecific chest pain: NR<br><u>Dyspnea:</u> NR<br><u>Prior MI:</u> 3% vs. 3%<br><u>Prior revascularization:</u><br><u>Known CAD:</u> NR<br><u>Chest pain frequency:</u> NR<br><u>Hypertension:</u> 38% vs. 35%<br><u>Hyperlipidemia:</u> NR<br><u>Diabetes:</u> 12% vs. 7%<br><u>Current smoking:</u> 48% vs. 44% |  |

| <b>Trial Author, year Study Design Country Funding</b>   | <b>Population Setting Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria</b>  | <b>Tests evaluated</b>   | <b>Baseline risk for CAD</b>   | <b>Patient characteristics</b>   | <b>Length f/u (% followed) Cross-over, % (n/N)</b>                                   |
|--|---|--|--|--|--|
|  | - Uncontrolled proven hypertension >180/100 mmHg<br>- Complete left branch bundle block.  |  |  |  |  |
| Zacharias, 2017;<br>Gurunathan, 2018<br><br>RCT<br>(Single Center)<br><br>UK<br><br>Funding NR | <p><b>Population:</b><br/>Suspected CAD</p> <p><b>Setting:</b><br/>Outpatient (rapid access chest pain clinic)</p> <p><b>Inclusion:</b><br/>                     - Referred for evaluation of possible CAD<br/>                     - Normal resting ECG<br/>                     - Intermediate pre-test probability of CAD<br/>                     - Moderate physical functioning<br/>                     - No known history of CAD</p> <p><b>Exclusion:</b><br/>                     - Unstable angina<br/>                     - Prior history of CAD<br/>                     - Very low pre-test probability</p> | <p><b>A. Stress Echo (n=191 randomized, n=188 analyzed)</b><br/> <b>Stressor:</b> Treadmill exercise<br/> <b>Contrast:</b> Ultrasound contrast agent Sonovue<br/> <b>Protocol:</b> Parasternal long axis, short axis, and apical 4-chamber, 2-chamber, and 3-chamber images were obtained at rest and peak stress.<br/> <b>Definition of positive test:</b> Patients with evidence of wall motion abnormalities at rest or who developed regional wall motion abnormalities at peak stress.</p> <p><b>B. Exercise ECG (n=194 randomized, n=190 analyzed)</b><br/>                     Treadmill exercise using the standard Bruce protocol. Patients had a positive test if they developed significant chest pain, hypotension, an arrhythmia, or ≥1 mm planar or down sloping ST depression in two or more leads of the same territory, during exercise or in recovery.</p> | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><b>Low:</b> 41.3% vs. 40.2%</p> <p><b>Intermediate:</b> 30.9% vs. 37.6%</p> <p><b>High:</b> 27.7% vs. 22.2%</p> | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><b>Subgroup:</b> None<br/> <b>N randomized:</b> 385<br/> <b>Mean age (SD):</b> 55 (11) vs. 54 (11)<br/> <b>Female:</b> 30% vs. 34%<br/> <b>Race:</b> NR<br/> <b>Chest pain:</b> 100% vs. 100%<br/>                     - Typical angina: NR<br/>                     - Atypical angina: NR<br/>                     - Nonspecific chest pain: NR<br/> <b>Dyspnea:</b> NR<br/> <b>Prior MI:</b> 0%<br/> <b>Prior revascularization:</b> 0%<br/> <b>Known CAD:</b> 0%<br/> <b>Chest pain frequency:</b> NR<br/> <b>Hypertension:</b> 12% vs. 14%<br/> <b>Hyperlipidemia:</b> NR</p> | <p>36 months (via postal questionnaire or telephone): 98.1%</p> <p>Crossover: 0%</p> |

| <b>Trial<br/>Author, year<br/>Study Design<br/>Country<br/>Funding</b>   | <b>Population<br/>Setting<br/>Inclusion and Exclusion<br/>Criteria</b>  | <b>Tests evaluated</b>   | <b>Baseline risk<br/>for CAD</b> | <b>Patient<br/>characteristics</b>   | <b>Length f/u (%<br/>followed)<br/>Cross-over, %<br/>(n/N)</b> |
|--|---|--|----------------------------------|--|--|
|  |   |  |                                  | <u>Diabetes</u> : 14% vs. 17%<br><u>Current smoking</u> : 14% vs 18%   |  |
| Sanfilippo, 2005<br><br>RCT<br>(Single Center)<br><br>Canada<br><br>Funding<br>American Society of<br>Echocardiography | <u>Population</u> :<br>Suspected CAD or ACS<br><br><u>Setting</u> :<br>Mixed – referred from OP<br>MD (72%), ED (23%),<br>Inpatient (4%)<br><br><u>Inclusion</u> :<br>- Women experiencing chest<br>pain with no established<br>diagnosis<br>- No known CAD<br>- At least two cardiac risk<br>factors<br>- The ability to undergo all<br>of the study investigations<br><br><u>Exclusion</u> :<br>- Known CAD | <b>A. Stress ECHO (n=104)</b><br><u>Stressor</u> : Treadmill exercise or dobutamine<br>(plus atropine if target heart rate not<br>achieved)<br><u>Contrast</u> : NR<br><u>Protocol</u> : “Carried out according to standard<br>protocol”<br>- 45.2% (47/104) received dobutamine<br>stress testing<br>- 54.8% (57/104) received exercise stress<br>testing<br><u>Definition of positive test</u> : A new regional<br>abnormality of systolic function was noted<br>with exercise or global systolic function<br>worsened with exercise.<br><br><b>B. Exercise ECG (n=54)</b><br>Carried out according to standard protocol.<br>A positive result was defined as<br>development of at least 1 mm of horizontal<br>or down sloping ST depression in two<br>adjacent leads. | NR                               | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><u>Subgroup</u> : None<br><u>N randomized</u> : 158<br><u>Mean age (SD)</u> : 54.5<br>(10.8)<br><u>Female</u> : 100%<br><u>Race</u> :<br>Caucasian: 97.1%<br>vs. 100%<br><u>Chest pain</u> : NR<br>- Typical angina: NR<br>- Atypical angina:<br>NR<br>- Nonspecific chest<br>pain: NR<br><u>Dyspnea</u> : NR<br><u>Prior MI</u> : NR<br><u>Prior</u><br><u>revascularization</u> :<br>NR<br><u>Known CAD</u> : NR<br><u>Chest pain</u><br><u>frequency</u> :<br><u>Hypertension</u> :<br>53.8% vs. 38.9 | 24 months:<br>100%<br><br>Crossover: 0%                        |

| <b>Trial<br/>Author, year<br/>Study Design<br/>Country<br/>Funding</b> | <b>Population<br/>Setting<br/>Inclusion and Exclusion<br/>Criteria</b> | <b>Tests evaluated</b> | <b>Baseline risk<br/>for CAD</b> | <b>Patient<br/>characteristics</b>  | <b>Length f/u (%<br/>followed)<br/>Cross-over, %<br/>(n/N)</b> |
|--|--|------------------------|----------------------------------|---|--|
|  |  |                        |                                  | <u>Hyperlipidemia:</u><br>41.4% vs. 42.6<br><u>Diabetes:</u> 10.6% vs.<br>7.4%<br><u>Current smoking:</u><br>18.2% vs 25.9% |  |

2D = two-dimensional, ACE = Angiotensin-converting enzyme, ACP = acute chest pain, ACS = acute coronary syndrome, AMI = acute myocardial infarction, ARB = Angiotensin II Receptor Blockers, CAD = coronary artery disease, ECG = electrocardiogram, ECHO = echocardiography, ED = emergency department, f/u = follow-up, MI = myocardial infarction, mm = millimeter, NR = not reported, OP = outpatient, RCT = randomized control trial, SD = standard deviation, vs. = versus.

\* An additional 110 patients were randomized to a stress echo arm of this trial. The data for these patients are abstracted elsewhere (Appendix table XXX).

**Appendix Table G2. Data abstraction for Stress Echo vs. Exercise ECG: Efficacy Outcomes**

| Author/trial Interventions                                | Patient disposition Test result   | Mortality (All –cause, cardiac)   | Myocardial infarction  | Referral for treatment  | Referral for additional testing   | Composite outcomes  | Other          |
|---|---|---|--|---|---|---|----------------|
| Jeetley, 2006<br><br>Stress Echo (A) vs. Exercise ECG (B) | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><b>Disposition, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>Hospitalized</u><br/>100% (302/302)</p> <p><b>Test result, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>Positive test result</u><br/>14.9% (22/148) vs. 18.2% (28/154)</p> <p><u>Negative test result</u><br/>80.4% (119/148) vs. 26% (40/154)</p> <p><u>Inconclusive test result</u><br/>2.7% (4/148) vs. 51.9% (80/154)</p> | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><b>All-cause mortality, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>Mean 8.5 months</u><br/>0.7% (1/142) vs. 0.7% (1/151)</p> | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><b>MI (NOS), % (n/N)</b><br/><u>Mean 8.5 months</u><br/>0.7% (1/142) vs. 1.3% (2/151)</p> | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><b>Revascularization, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>Mean 8.5 months</u><br/>11.3% (16/142) vs. 15.6% (22/151)</p> | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><b>Invasive Coronary Angiography, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>Mean 8.5 months</u><br/>14.2% (21/148) vs. 23.4% (36/154)</p> <p><b>Significant CAD on angiography</b><br/><u>Mean 8.5 months</u><br/>76.2% (16/21) vs. 55.6% (20/36)</p> | <p>NR</p> <p><b>Death or MI, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>Mean 8.5 months</u><br/>1.4% (2/142) vs. 2.0% (3/151)</p> <p><b>Death, MI or revascularization % (n/N)</b><br/><u>Mean 8.5 months</u><br/>12.7% (18/142) vs. 16.6% (25/151)</p> | NR             |
| Desideri, 2005  | <b>A vs. B</b>  | <b>A vs. B</b>  | <b>A vs. B</b>   | <b>A vs. B</b>  | <b>A vs. B</b>  | <b>A vs. B</b>  | <b>A vs. B</b> |

| Author/trial Interventions   | Patient disposition Test result  | Mortality (All –cause, cardiac)  | Myocardial infarction  | Referral for treatment   | Referral for additional testing   | Composite outcomes  | Other  |
|--|--|--|--|--|---|---|--|
| Stress Echo (A) vs. Exercise ECG (B)                                     | <p><b>Test result, % (n/N)<sup>‡</sup></b></p> <p><u>Positive for ischemia</u><br/>36.4% (48/132) vs. 40.8% (53/130)</p> <p><u>Negative for ischemia</u><br/>63.6% (84/132) vs. 56.2% (73/130)</p> | <p><b>All-cause mortality</b><br/><u>12 months</u><br/>0.75% (1/132) vs. 0% (0/130)</p>  | <p><b>Nonfatal MI (reinfarction)</b><br/><u>12 months</u><br/>3.8% (5/132) vs. 1.5% (2/130)</p>  | <p><b>Revascularization (any), % (n/N)</b><br/><u>12 months</u><br/>34.8% (46/132) vs. 33.8% (44/130)</p> <p><b>Revascularization (PCI), % (n/N)</b><br/><u>12 months</u><br/>22% (29/132) vs. 21.5% (28/130)</p> <p><b>Revascularization (CABG), % (n/N)</b><br/><u>12 months</u><br/>12.9% (17/132) vs. 12.3% (16/130)</p> | <p><b>Invasive Coronary Angiography, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>12 months</u><br/>50% (66/132) vs. 49.2% (63/130)</p>   | <p><b>MACE (including death, non-fatal MI, unstable angina) %, (n/N)</b><br/><u>12 months</u><br/>19.7% (26/132) vs. 13.8% (18/130)</p> | <p><b>Hospital length of stay [including index MI and subsequent events] (days), mean (95% CI)</b><br/>9 (8 to 14) vs. 10 (8 to 14)</p> <p><b>Unstable angina (requiring admission), % (n/N)</b><br/>15.2% (20/132) vs. 12.3% (16/130)</p> |
| Badano, 1999; Nucifora, 2009<br><br>Stress Echo (A) vs. Exercise ECG (B) | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><b>Diagnosis of ischemic chest pain, % (n/N)</b><br/>17% (13/77) vs. 23% (17/75)</p> <p><b>Diagnosis of nonischemic chest pain, % (n/N)</b></p>                           | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><b>All-cause mortality, % (n/N)</b><br/>Index/in-hospital<br/>0% (0/77) vs. 0% (0/75)<br/><u>2 months</u><br/>0% (0/77) vs. 0% (0/75)</p> | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><b>Nonfatal MI, % (n/N)</b><br/>Index/in-hospital<br/>0% (0/77) vs. 0% (0/75)<br/><u>2 months</u><br/>0% (0/77) vs. 0% (0/75)</p> | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><b>Revascularization (any), % (n/N)</b><br/><u>2 months</u><br/>6.5% (5/77) vs. 7% (8.0% (6/75)</p> <p><b>Revascularization (PCI), % (n/N)</b><br/><u>2 months</u><br/>5% (4/77) vs. 7% (5/75)</p>  | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><b>Invasive Coronary Angiography, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>2 months</u><br/>0% (0/77) vs. 4% (3/75)</p> <p><b>Stress echocardiography, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>2 months</u></p> | NR  | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><b>Hospital length of stay (hours), mean (SD)</b><br/><u>Index</u><br/>40 (42) vs. 39 (35)</p> <p><b>Rehospitalization for acute chest pain, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>2 months</u><br/>3% (2/77) vs. 7% (5/75)</p>      |

| Author/trial Interventions | Patient disposition Test result | Mortality (All –cause, cardiac) | Myocardial infarction | Referral for treatment   | Referral for additional testing  | Composite outcomes | Other  |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|--|--|--------------------|--|
|                            | 83% (64/77) vs. 77% (58/75)     |                                 |                       | <p><b>Revascularization (CABG), % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>2 months</u><br/>                     1% (1/77) vs. 1% (1/75)</p> <p><b>Medications prescribed at discharge, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>Nitrates</u><br/>                     13% (10/77) vs. 16% (12/75)</p> <p><u>Antiplatelet drugs</u><br/>                     30% (23/77) vs. 33% (25/75)</p> <p><u>Beta-blockers</u><br/>                     21% (16/77) vs. 23% (17/75)</p> <p><u>Calcium channel blockers</u><br/>                     21% (16/77) vs 19% (14/75)</p> | <p>0% (0/77) vs. 0% (0/75)</p> <p><b>Transthoracic echocardiography, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>2 months</u><br/>                     1% (1/77) vs.4% (3/75), p=NR</p> <p><b>Electrocardiogram, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>2 months</u><br/>                     9% (7/77) vs. 5% (4/75)</p> |                    | <p><b>Nottingham Health Profile score, mean (SD)</b></p> <p><b>Physical mobility Index</b><br/> <u>2 months</u><br/>                     26 (23) vs. 24 (27)<br/>                     15 (16) vs. 14 (16)</p> <p><b>Pain Index</b><br/> <u>2 months</u><br/>                     25 (26) vs. 20 (30)<br/>                     7 (10) vs. 6 (14)</p> <p><b>Social isolation Index</b><br/> <u>2 months</u><br/>                     19 (30) vs. 18 (32)<br/>                     4 (9) vs. 6 (17)</p> <p><b>Emotional reactions Index</b><br/> <u>2 months</u><br/>                     27 (26) vs. 26 (30)<br/>                     21 (25) vs. 14 (23)</p> <p><b>Energy level Index</b><br/> <u>2 months</u><br/>                     38 (39) vs. 31 (38)</p> |

| Author/trial Interventions  | Patient disposition Test result   | Mortality (All –cause, cardiac)  | Myocardial infarction  | Referral for treatment   | Referral for additional testing  | Composite outcomes  | Other   |
|---|---|--|--|--|--|---|---|
|   |   |  |  |  |  |   | 14 (14) vs. 11 (16)<br><br><b>Sleep Index</b><br>41 (31) vs. 35 (30)<br><u>2 months</u><br>22 (17) vs. 23 (22)  |
| Zacharias, 2017;<br>Gurunathan, 2018<br><br>Stress Echo (A) vs Exercise ECG (B) | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><b>Test result, % (n/N)<sup>§</sup></b><br><u>Positive test result</u><br>4.7% (9/191) vs. 7.2% (14/194)<br><br><u>Negative test result</u><br>94.8% (181/191) vs. 55.7% (108/194)<br><br><u>Inconclusive test result</u><br>0.5% (1/191) vs. 37.1% (72/194)* | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><b>All-cause mortality, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Mean 21 months</u><br>0.5% (1/191) vs. 0% (0/194), p=NR<br><u>Mean 36 months (not including rates at 21 months)</u><br>0% (0/191) vs. 2.1% (4/194), p=0.18<br><br><b>Cardiac death % (n/N)</b> | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><b>Nonfatal MI, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Mean 21 months</u><br>0% (0/191) vs. 0% (0/194), p=0.99<br><u>Mean 36 months (not including rates at 21 months)</u><br>0.5% (1/191) vs. 0.5% (1/194), p=0.99 | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><b>Revascularization (any), % (n/N)</b><br><u>Mean 36 months</u><br>5.8% (11/191) vs. 6.2% (12/194), p=0.86<br><br><b>Late revascularization (any revascularization occurring after 6 months), % (n/N)</b><br><u>Mean 36 months</u><br>1.6% (3/191) vs. 1.0% (2/194), p=0.64 | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><b>Invasive Coronary Angiography, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Mean 21 months</u><br>4.7% (9/191) vs. 9.8% (19/194), p=0.05 (within 4 months)<br><u>36 months (not including rates at 21 months)</u><br>1.6% (3/188) vs. 3.7% (7/190), p= 0.21<br><u>Total across entire study period</u><br>6.3% (12/191) vs. 13.7% (26/190), p=0.02<br><br><b>Any additional test after index evaluation</b><br><u>36 months</u><br>5% (10/191 ) vs. 44% (85/194), p<0.01 | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><b>Combined endpoint (death, nonfatal MI, later revascularization, and hospitalization for chest pain)</b><br>10.5% (20/191) vs. 13.4% (26/194); HR 1.15 (95% CI 0.39 to 3.43) for ECG vs. Echo, p=0.38 | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><b>Hospitalized for chest pain, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Mean 21 months</u><br>0.5% (1/191) vs. 0% (0/194), p=0.5 (1 additional patient in echo group admitted for urgent non cardiac surgery)<br><u>Mean 36 months</u><br>7.9% (15/191) vs. 9.8% (19/194), p=0.5<br><br><b>Total number of clinic visits</b><br><u>36 months</u><br>31 vs 59, p<0.01<br><br><b>Total number of emergency visits</b><br><u>36 months</u><br>14 vs 30, p=0.01; (8 vs. 29 overnight stays) |

| Author/trial Interventions  | Patient disposition Test result                                | Mortality (All –cause, cardiac)                                    | Myocardial infarction   | Referral for treatment | Referral for additional testing   | Composite outcomes   | Other   |
|---|--|--|---|------------------------|---|--|---|
|   |  | <p><u>Mean 21 months</u><br/>0.5% (1/191) vs. 0% (0/194), p=NR</p> |   |                        | <p><b>Stress echocardiography</b><br/><u>At index evaluation</u><br/>0.5% (1/191) vs. 37.1% (72/194)<br/><u>Following diagnosis (36 months)</u><br/>6.3% (12/191) vs. 7.7% (13/194), p=0.87</p> <p><b>CMR</b><br/><u>Following diagnosis (36 months)</u><br/>0.5% (1/191) vs. 0.5% (1/194), p= 0.99</p> <p><b>SPECT</b><br/><u>Following diagnosis (36 months)</u><br/>0% (0/191) vs. 1% (2/194), p=NR</p> <p><b>Exercise ECG</b><br/>0.5% (1/191) vs. 2.6% (5/194), p=0.10</p> |  |   |
| <p>Sanfilippo, 2005</p> <p>Stress Echo (A) vs. Exercise ECG (B)</p> | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><b>Patient disposition</b><br/>NR</p> | <p>NR</p>  | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><b>Nonfatal MI, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>Mean 28 months</u><br/>1.3% (2/158)<sup>†</sup></p> | <p>NR</p>              | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><b>Requirement for additional cardiac diagnostic testing (including cardiac</b></p>  | <p>NR</p> <p><b>Clinical events (NOS) (definitive diagnosis of CAD by subsequent</b></p> | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><b>Unstable angina, % (n/N)##</b><br/><u>Mean 28 months</u><br/>1.3% (2/158)<sup>†</sup></p> |

| Author/trial Interventions | Patient disposition Test result   | Mortality (All –cause, cardiac) | Myocardial infarction | Referral for treatment | Referral for additional testing  | Composite outcomes   | Other   |
|----------------------------|---|---------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|--|--|---|
|                            | <p><b>Test result, % (n/N)**</b></p> <p><u>Positive</u><br/>15.4% (16/104) vs. 14.8% (8/54)</p> <p><u>Negative</u><br/>82.7% (86/104) vs. 61.1% (33/54)</p> <p><u>Inconclusive</u><br/>1.9% (2/104) vs. 24.1% (13/54)</p> |                                 |                       |                        | <p>catheterization), % (n/N)</p> <p><u>Mean 28 months</u><br/>1.9% (2/104) vs. 24.1% (13/54)</p> | <p>angiography), % (n/N):</p> <p><u>Mean 28 months</u><br/>7.8% (8/104) vs. 7.4% (4/54),</p> | <p><b>Acceleration of chest pain syndrome (did not fulfill criteria for MI or UA but resulted in frequent presentation to clinic and ED), % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>Mean 28 months</u><br/>9.5% (15/158) [all got ICA; 8/15 had significant CAD]</p> <p><b>Final diagnosis, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>Mean 28 months</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Cardiac chest pain (definitive diagnosis of CAD supported by angiography): 7.8% (8/104) vs. 7.4% (4/54), p=NR</li> <li>- Noncardiac chest pain: 79.8% (83/104) vs. 83.3% (45/54), p=NR</li> <li>- Indeterminate clinical outcome: 12.5% (13/104) vs. 9.3% (5/54), p=NR</li> </ul> |

CABG = coronary artery bypass graft, CAD = coronary artery disease, CI = confidence interval, CMR = cardiac magnetic resonance, ECG = electrocardiogram, ECHO = echocardiography, MACE = major adverse cardiovascular events, MI = myocardial infarction, NOS = not otherwise specified, NR = not reported, PCI = percutaneous coronary intervention, SD = standard deviation, SPECT = single photon emission computed tomography, UA = unstable angina.

\* All inconclusive tests underwent further/repeat SE. Group A 1 repeat SE was negative; Group B: 67 tests were negative, 5 were positive and later referred for angiography.

† Only summary data available

‡ Positive = wall motion score increased by one or more points in two or more adjacent segments relative to the resting echocardiogram; negative = NR

§ Positive = significant chest pain, hypotension, arrhythmia, or  $\geq 1$  mm planar or down sloping ST depression in two or more leads of the same territory, during exercise or in recovery ;Negative = work-load of  $\geq 9$  METS or achieved 85% of target heart rate, without any symptoms, hemodynamic compromise, or ECG changes.

\*\* Electrocardiographic: Positive = development of at least 1mm of horizontal or down sloping ST depression in two adjacent leads; Negative = absence of ST depression changes at 90% predicted maximal heart rate. Exercise echocardiographic: Positive = new regional abnormality of systolic function noted with exercise or global systolic function worsened with exercise; Negative = absence of positive criteria and augmentation of all segments with exercise. Dobutamine: Positive = NR; Negative = NR; abnormal = worsening of systolic function in at least one segment.

‡‡ Defined as prolonged or accelerating chest pain with EKG changes but no enzyme rises diagnostic of MI.

§§ Patients who continued to experience their presenting chest pain syndrome without clinical confirmatory events were considered to remain indeterminate.

**Appendix Table G3. Data abstraction for Stress Echo vs. Exercise ECG: Safety Outcomes**

| Author/trial Interventions   | Imaging-related AEs   | Incidental findings | Radiation |
|--|---|---------------------|-----------|
| Jeetley, 2006<br>Stress Echo (A) vs. Exercise ECG (B)                    | NR  | NR                  | N/A       |
| Badano, 1999; Nucifora, 2009<br>Stress Echo (A) vs. Exercise ECG (B)     | NR  | NR                  | N/A       |
| Desideri, 2005<br>Stress Echo (A) vs. Exercise ECG (B)                   | No complication occurred during either stress echocardiography or exercise ECG. | NR                  | NR        |
| Zacharias, 2017; Gurunathan 2018<br>Stress Echo (A) vs. Exercise ECG (B) | NR  | NR                  | N/A       |
| Sanfilippo, 2005<br>Stress Echo (A) vs. Exercise ECG (B)                 | NR  | NR                  | N/A       |

AE = adverse events, ECG = electrocardiogram, Echo = echocardiography, N/A = not applicable, NR = not reported.

**Appendix Table G4. Data abstraction for Stress Echo vs. ICA: Study and Patient Characteristics**

| Trial<br>Author, year<br>Study Design<br>Country<br>Funding   | Population<br>Setting<br>Inclusion and<br>Exclusion Criteria   | Tests evaluated   | Baseline risk for<br>CAD  | Patient characteristics  | Length f/u (%<br>followed)<br>Cross-over, %<br>(n/N)   |
|---|--|---|---|--|--|
| <p>Sharples, 2007;<br/>Thom 2014</p> <p>RCT<br/>(single Center)</p> <p>UK</p> <p>Funding<br/>National Institute<br/>for Health<br/>Research</p> | <p><u>Population:</u><br/>Mixed suspected CAD<br/>or known CAD</p> <p><u>Setting:</u><br/>Outpatient,<br/>nonemergent</p> <p><u>Inclusion:</u><br/>- Established or<br/>suspected chronic<br/>stable angina referred<br/>for angiography<br/>- An EET result which<br/>merited referral for<br/>angiography</p> <p><u>Exclusion:</u><br/>- Recent MI or<br/>revascularization<br/>- admission with chest<br/>pain<br/>- urgent<br/>revascularization<br/>- contraindication to<br/>pharmacological stress<br/>testing on MRI<br/>- incapable of<br/>performing modified<br/>Bruce exercise test<br/>- not available by<br/>phone</p> | <p><b>A. Stress echocardiography<br/>(n=226)</b><br/><u>Stressor:</u> dobutamine<br/>(atropine if necessary)<br/><u>Contrast:</u> intravenous<br/>ultrasound contrast medium<br/><u>Protocol:</u> Performed using a<br/>standard staged protocol of<br/>increasing doses of<br/>dobutamine infusion in<br/>stages of 3 minutes duration.<br/>Imaging performed with<br/>standard views acquired<br/>using tissue harmonic<br/>imaging on a 3.5-MHz<br/>ultrasound prone in the last 1<br/>minute of each 3-minute<br/>stage. Intravenous ultrasound<br/>contrast medium was used to<br/>delineate the left ventricular<br/>endocardial border. Positive<br/>diagnoses for ischemia<br/>showed stress-related<br/>deterioration in contractility<br/>in functional or hibernating<br/>myocardial segments.<br/><u>Definition of positive test:</u><br/>Studies were positive for<br/>ischemia if stress-induced<br/>deterioration in contractility<br/>was observed</p> <p><b>B. ICA (n=222)</b><br/>This group acted as the<br/>control group. ICA was<br/>performed and reported per</p> | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><u>1:</u> 2% (4/226) vs. 1%<br/>(3/222)<br/><u>2:</u> 12% (26/226) vs.<br/>10% (21/222)<br/><u>3:</u> 17% (39/226) vs.<br/>19% (42/222)<br/><u>4:</u> 35% (79/226) vs.<br/>32% (70/222)<br/><u>5:</u> 34% (76/226) vs.<br/>38% (85/222)*</p> | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><u>Subgroup:</u> None<br/><u>N randomized:</u> 898<sup>†</sup><br/><u>Mean age (SD):</u> 61.9 (9.9) vs. 60.7<br/>(9.1)<br/><u>Female:</u> 29% vs. 33%<br/><u>Race:</u> NR<br/><u>Chest pain:</u> NR<br/>- Typical angina: NR<br/>- Atypical angina: NR<br/>- Nonspecific chest pain: NR<br/><u>Dyspnea:</u> NR<br/><u>Prior MI:</u> 26% vs. 28%<br/><u>Prior revascularization:</u> NR<br/><u>Known CAD:</u> NR<br/><u>Chest pain frequency:</u> NR<br/><u>Treated Hypertension:</u> 57% vs. 53%<br/><u>Treated Hyperlipidemia:</u> 79% vs. 74%<br/><u>Diabetes:</u> 12% vs. 12%<br/><u>Current smoking:</u> 43% vs. 47%<br/><u>Medications:</u><br/>Anti-platelets: 81% vs. 76%<br/>Statins: 69% vs. 64%<br/>Beta-blockers: 64% vs. 57%<br/>ACE inhibitors: 31% vs. 35%<br/>Calcium-channel blockers: 28% vs.<br/>27%<br/>Nicorandil/potassium-channel<br/>activators: 24% vs. 19%<br/>Nitrates: 17% vs. 16%</p> | <p>18 months:<br/>84%<br/>36 months:<br/>84%</p> <p>Crossover:<br/>Received<br/>allocated test,<br/>% (n/N):<br/>96.5%<br/>(218/226) vs.<br/>98.2%<br/>(218/222)</p> |

| Trial Author, year Study Design Country Funding | Population Setting Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria | Tests evaluated  | Baseline risk for CAD | Patient characteristics  | Length f/u (% followed) Cross-over, % (n/N) |
|---|---|--|-----------------------|--|---|
|   |   | standard techniques from the right femoral artery approach using the Seldinger technique. Positive diagnoses was defined as having 50% stenosis in the left main stem or 70% stenosis in any other major vessel. |                       | Diuretics: 15% vs. 17%<br>Angiotensin-II receptor antagonists: 7% vs. 7% |   |

ACE = Angiotensin-converting-enzyme; CAD = coronary artery disease; ECHO = echocardiography; ICA = invasive coronary angiography; MI = myocardial; RCT = randomized control trial; SPECT = single-photon emission computerized tomography

\* Baseline risk of CAD was assessed by a clinician on a scale of 1 (lowest) to 5 (highest).

† Study also includes MRI. 898 patients were randomized to angiography (n=222), SPECT (n=224), MRI (226), or stress echo (226)

**Appendix Table G5. Data abstraction for Stress Echo vs. ICA: Efficacy Outcomes**

| Author/trial Interventions                                    | Patient disposition Test result  | Mortality (All –cause, cardiac)  | Myocardial infarction  | Referral for treatment   | Referral for additional testing  | Composite outcomes   | Other  |
|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Sharples, 2007; Thom, 2014<br><br>Stress Echo (A) vs. ICA (B) | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><b>Test result (Stress ECHO only), % (n/N)<sup>++</sup></b><br><u>Positive</u><br>45.6% (103/226)<br><u>Negative</u><br>44.3% (100/226)<br><u>Equivocal</u><br>3.1% (7/226)<br><u>Not done</u><br>3.5% (8/226)<br><u>Test failed</u><br>3.5% (8/226) | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><b>All-cause mortality, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Index</u><br>0% (0/226) vs. 0.4% (1/222), p=NR<br><u>18 months</u><br>2.7% (6/226) vs. 1.8% (4/222), p=NR<br><u>72 months</u><br>2.2% (5/226) vs. 0.9% (2/222)<br><u>Cumulative</u><br>4.9% (11/226) vs. 3.2% (7/222)<br><br><b>Cardiac mortality, % (n/N)</b><br><u>18 months:</u><br>0.4% (1/226) vs. 1.4% (3/222), p=NR | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><b>Admission for acute MI, % (n/N)</b><br>2.76% (6/226) vs. 0% (0/222), p=NR | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><b>Revascularization (CABG) , % (n/N)</b><br><u>Index</u><br>12.9% (29/226) vs. 9.5% (21/222), p=NR<br><u>18 months</u><br>1.8% (4/226) vs. 1.4% (3/222)§, p=NR<br><br><b>Revascularization (PCI), % (n/N)</b><br><u>Index</u><br>22.7% (51/226) vs. 24.8% (55/222), p=NR<br><u>18 months</u><br>2.2% (5/226) vs. 1.8% (4/222), p=NR<br><br>Cumulative % of any revascularization post-index:<br>53.5% (121/226) vs. 53.2% (118/222) | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><b>Proportion of patients requiring additional testing, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Index</u><br>Any additional testing: 74.8% (169/226) vs. 3.6% (8/222), p=NR<br>- ICA: 74.8% (169/226) vs. 0% (0/222), p=NR<br>- SPECT: 0% (0/226) vs. 3.2% (7/222), p=NR<br>- MRI: 0% (0/226) vs. 0.5% (1/222), p=NR | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><b>Total nonfatal events (admission for chest pain or acute MI, unplanned PCI or CABG, other)‡</b><br><u>18 months</u><br>13.7% (31/226) vs. 8.6% (19/222)<br><br><b>Total nonfatal plus fatal events</b><br><u>18 months</u><br>16.4% (37/226) vs. 10.8% (24/222) | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><b>Angina, % (n/N)</b><br><u>18 months</u><br>1.3% (3/226) vs. 3.2% (7/222), p=NR<br><br><b>Admission for chest pain, % (n/N)</b><br><u>18 months</u><br>10.6% (24/226) vs. 6.3% (14/222), p=NR<br><br><b>SAQ, mean (SD)</b><br>Exertional capacity<br><u>Index</u><br>73.2 (21.5) vs. 75.1 (20.4), p=NR<br><u>6 months</u><br>81 (20.5) vs. 80.2 (19.3), p=NR<br><u>18 months</u> |

| Author/trial Interventions | Patient disposition Test result | Mortality (All –cause, cardiac) | Myocardial infarction | Referral for treatment | Referral for additional testing | Composite outcomes | Other  |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|--|
|                            |                                 |                                 |                       |                        |                                 |                    | <p>81.5 (20) vs. 81.7 (19.2), p=NR</p> <p>Anginal stability<br/><u>Index</u><br/>50 (20.4) vs. 52.5 (21.8), p=NR<br/><u>6 months</u><br/>65.2 (26.6) vs. 66.6 (24.7), p=NR<br/><u>18 months</u><br/>64.4 (20) vs. 64.6 (25.1), p=NR</p> <p>Anginal frequency<br/><u>Index</u><br/>65.4 (25.8) vs. 67.4 (24.1), p=NR<br/><u>6 months</u><br/>84 (23.1) vs. 83.8 (21.1), p=NR<br/><u>18 months</u><br/>86.8 (21.8) vs. 84.2 (21.4), p=NR</p> |

| Author/trial Interventions | Patient disposition Test result | Mortality (All –cause, cardiac) | Myocardial infarction | Referral for treatment | Referral for additional testing | Composite outcomes | Other  |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|--|
|                            |                                 |                                 |                       |                        |                                 |                    | Treatment satisfaction index<br>87.5 (25.4) vs. 88.9 (14.7), p=NR<br><u>6 months</u><br>91.6 (14.8) vs. 90.4 (15.1), p=NR<br><u>18 months</u><br>91.9 (16.1) vs. 91.8 (15.0), p=NR<br><br>Disease perception Index<br>57.1 (25.4) vs. 60.5 (23.1), p=NR<br><u>6 months</u><br>75.6 (22.2) vs. 73.1 (22.5), p=NR<br><u>18 months</u><br>78.4 (22) vs. 77.4 (21.2), p=NR |

CABG = coronary artery bypass graft; CAD = coronary artery disease; ECHO = echocardiography; ICA = invasive coronary angiography; MACE = major adverse cardiovascular events; MI = myocardial infarction; PCI = percutaneous coronary intervention; SAQ = Seattle Angina Questionnaire; SPECT = single-photon emission computerized tomography

\* Positive = showed stress-related deterioration in contractility in functional or hibernating myocardial segments; Negative = NR

† Studies do not report test results for ICA group.

‡ Stress Echo: transient ischemic attack (1). ICA group: CVA post-ICA, observed overnight (1)

§ In ICA group, three patients subsequently required CABG; all had positive tests but were initially managed with PCI (2) or medically (1). Three patients with positive echoes were initially managed with PCI and subsequently required bypass surgery.

**Appendix Table G6. Data abstraction for Stress Echo vs. ICA: Safety Outcomes**

| Author/trial Interventions                                    | Imaging-related AEs | Incidental findings | Radiation |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|-----------|
| Sharples, 2007; Thom, 2014<br><br>Stress Echo (A) vs. ICA (B) | NR                  | NR                  | NR        |

AE = adverse events; ECHO = echocardiography; ICA = invasive coronary angiography, NR = not reported.

**Appendix Table G7. Data abstraction for Stress Echo vs. Usual care: Study and Patient Characteristics**

| Trial Author, year Study Design Country Funding                                       | Population Setting Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria   | Tests evaluated   | Baseline risk for CAD | Patient characteristics   | Length f/u (% followed) Cross-over, % (n/N)    |
|---|---|---|-----------------------|---|--|
| Badano, 1999; Nucifora, 2009<br><br>RCT (Multi Center)<br><br>Italy<br><br>Funding NR | <p><u>Population:</u><br/>Suspected ACS</p> <p><u>Setting:</u><br/>ED</p> <p><u>Inclusion:</u><br/>- ACP within previous 24 hours in absence of local trauma and abnormalities on chest X-ray<br/>- Non-diagnostic electrocardiogram at admission<br/>- Negative myocardial injury biomarkers<br/>- Ability to perform electrocardiogram exercise testing</p> <p><u>Exclusion:</u><br/>- Age &lt;30 years<br/>- Prehospital or emergency department complication of acute ischemia or MI<br/>- Premature ventricular beats &gt;6 per minute<br/>- Atrial fibrillation</p> | <p><b>A. Stress Echo (n=110 randomized, n=77 analyzed)</b><br/> <u>Stressor:</u> Dobutamine-atropine<br/> <u>Protocol:</u> Dobutamine was administered intravenously for 3 minutes, increasing every 3 minutes, atropine was added for those not achieving 85% of their age and gender-predicted maximal heart rate and without symptoms or signs of myocardial ischemia. During test, symptoms and ECG were monitored each minute.<br/> <u>Definition of positive test:</u> NR</p> <p><b>B. Standard Care (n=91 randomized, n=55 analyzed)</b><br/>                     Current clinical protocols, prescribing an in-hospital observation period and discharge after several hours or days.</p> | NR                    | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><u>Subgroup:</u> None<br/> <u>N randomized:</u> 201*<br/> <u>Mean age (SD):</u> 52 (10) vs. 56 (14)<br/> <u>Female:</u> 47% vs. 45%</p> <p><u>Race:</u> NR<br/> <u>Chest pain:</u> NR<br/>                     - Typical angina: NR<br/>                     - Atypical angina: NR</p> <p>NR<br/>                     - Nonspecific chest pain: NR<br/> <u>Dyspnea:</u> NR<br/> <u>Prior MI:</u> 3% vs. 2%<br/> <u>Prior revascularization:</u> NR<br/> <u>Known CAD:</u> NR<br/> <u>Chest pain frequency:</u> NR<br/> <u>Hypertension:</u> 38% vs. 49%<br/> <u>Hyperlipidemia:</u> NR<br/> <u>Diabetes:</u> 12% vs. 11%</p> | 2 months: 65.7% (132/201)<br><br>Crossover: 0% |

| Trial Author, year Study Design Country Funding | Population Setting Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria  | Tests evaluated | Baseline risk for CAD | Patient characteristics                        | Length f/u (% followed) Cross-over, % (n/N) |
|---|--|-----------------|-----------------------|--|---|
|   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Dilated or hypertrophic cardiomyopathy</li> <li>- Complex congenital heart disease</li> <li>- Significant valvular disease</li> <li>- Known aortic aneurism &gt;50 mm</li> <li>- Uncontrolled proven hypertension &gt;180/100 mmHg</li> <li>- Complete left branch bundle block.</li> </ul> |                 |                       | <p><u>Current smoking:</u><br/>48% vs. 49%</p> |   |

ACP = acute chest pain; ACS = acute coronary syndrome; CAD = coronary artery disease; ECG = electrocardiogram; ED = emergency department; f/u = follow-up; MI = myocardial infarction; mm = millimeter; NR = not reported; RCT = randomized control trial.

\* An additional 89 patients were randomized to an ETT arm of this trial. The data for these patients are abstracted elsewhere (Appendix table XXX)

**Appendix Table G8. Data abstraction for Stress Echo vs. Usual care: Efficacy Outcomes**

| Author/trial Interventions   | Patient disposition Test result   | Mortality (All –cause, cardiac)  | Myocardial infarction  | Referral for treatment  | Referral for additional testing  | Composite outcomes | Other   |
|--|---|--|--|---|--|--------------------|---|
| Badano, 1999; Nucifora, 2009<br><br>Stress Echo (A) vs. Usual care (B) | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><b>Diagnosis of ischemic chest pain, % (n/N)</b><br>17% (13/77) vs. 49% (27/55), p=NR<br><br><b>Diagnosis of nonischemic chest pain, % (n/N)</b><br>83% (64/77) vs. 51% (28/55), p=NR | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><b>All-cause mortality, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Index/in-hospital</u><br>0% (0/77) vs. 0% (0/55), p=NR<br><u>2 months</u><br>0% (0/77) vs. 0% (0/55), p=NR | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><b>Nonfatal MI, % (n/N)</b><br>Inde/in-hospital<br>0% (0/77) vs. 0% (0/55), p=NR<br><u>2 months</u><br>0% (0/77) vs. 0% (0/55), p=NR | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><b>Revascularization (any), % (n/N)</b><br><u>2 months</u><br>6.5% (5/77) vs. 2.3.6% (2/55), p=NR<br><br><b>Revascularization (PCI), % (n/N)</b><br><u>2 months</u><br>5% (4/77) vs. 2% (1/55), p=NR<br><br><b>Revascularization (CABG), % (n/N)</b><br><u>2 months</u><br>1% (1/77) vs. 2% (1/55), p=NR<br><br><b>Medications prescribed at discharge, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Nitrates</u><br>13% (10/77) vs. 22% (12/55), p=NR<br><br><u>Antiplatelet drugs</u><br>30% (23/77) vs. 44% (24/55), p=NR<br><br><u>Beta-blockers</u> | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><b>Invasive Coronary Angiography, % (n/N)</b><br><u>2 months</u><br>0% (0/77) vs. 11% (6/55), p=NR<br><br><b>Stress echocardiography, % (n/N)</b><br><u>2 months</u><br>0% (0/77) vs. 4% (2/55), p=NR<br><br><b>Transthoracic echocardiography, % (n/N)</b><br><u>2 months</u><br>1% (1/77) vs. 22% (12/55), p=NR<br><br><b>Electrocardiogram, % (n/N)</b><br><u>2 months</u><br>9% (7/77) vs. 24% (13/55), p=NR | NR                 | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><b>Rehospitalization for acute chest pain, % (n/N)</b><br><u>2 months</u><br>3% (2/77) vs. 15% (8/55), p=NR<br><br><b>Hospital length of stay (hours), mean (SD)</b><br><u>Index</u><br>40 (42) vs. 95 (74), p=NR<br><br><b>Nottingham Health Profile score, mean (SD)</b><br><br><b>Physical mobility</b><br><u>Index</u><br>26 (23) vs. 37 (32), p=NR<br><u>2 months</u> , p=NR<br>15 (16) vs. 22 (19)<br><br><b>Pain</b><br><u>Index</u><br>25 (26) vs. 35 (33), p=NR<br><u>2 months</u><br>7 (10) vs. 15 (19), p=NR |

| Author/trial Interventions | Patient disposition Test result | Mortality (All –cause, cardiac) | Myocardial infarction | Referral for treatment  | Referral for additional testing | Composite outcomes | Other  |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|---|---------------------------------|--------------------|--|
|                            |                                 |                                 |                       | <p>21% (16/77) vs. 29% (16/55), p=NR</p> <p><u>Calcium channel blockers</u></p> <p>21% (16/77) vs 24% (13/55), p=NR</p> |                                 |                    | <p><b>Social isolation</b></p> <p><u>Index</u></p> <p>19 (30) vs. 29 (36), p=NR</p> <p><u>2 months</u></p> <p>4 (9) vs. 11 (16), p=NR</p> <p><b>Emotional reactions</b></p> <p><u>Index</u></p> <p>27 (26) vs. 34 (31), p=NR</p> <p><u>2 months</u></p> <p>21 (25) vs. 29 (30), p=NR</p> <p><b>Energy level</b></p> <p><u>Index</u></p> <p>38 (39) vs. 47 (41), p=NR</p> <p><u>2 months</u></p> <p>14 (14) vs. 21 (21) , p=NR</p> <p><b>Sleep</b></p> <p><u>Index</u></p> <p>41 (31) vs. 38 (31), p=NR</p> <p><u>2 months</u></p> <p>22 (17) vs. 20 (15), p=NR</p> |

CABG = coronary artery bypass graft; MI = myocardial infarction; PCI = percutaneous coronary intervention

**Appendix Table G9. Data abstraction for Stress Echo vs. Usual care: Safety Outcomes**

| Author/trial Interventions   | Imaging-related AEs | Incidental findings | Radiation |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|-----------|
| Badano, 1999;<br>Nucifora, 2009<br><br>Stress Echo (A) vs.<br>Usual care (B) | NR                  | NR                  | NR        |

AE = adverse events, Echo = echocardiogram, NR = not reported.

### APPENDIX H. Data Abstraction of Included Studies Evaluating PET

Appendix Table H1. Data abstraction for PET vs. SPECT: Study and Patient Characteristics

| Trial<br>Author, year<br>Study Design<br>Country<br>Funding  | Population<br>Setting<br>Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria  | Tests evaluated  | Baseline<br>risk for<br>CAD | Patient characteristics   | Length f/u (%<br>followed)<br>Cross-over, %<br>(n/N)  |
|--|--|--|-----------------------------|---|---|
| <p>Mullani, 2000<br/><br/>RCT<br/>(single center)<br/><br/>United States<br/><br/>Partial funding<br/>(Bracco<br/>Diagnostics,<br/>Positron<br/>Corporation)</p> | <p><u>Population:</u> Mixed, suspected (70%) and known history (30%) of CAD<br/><br/><u>Setting:</u><br/>Outpatient<br/><br/><u>Inclusion:</u><br/>Prior history of heart disease documented by coronary angiography; patients with no prior history of CAD were clinically evaluated and required to have symptoms of chest pain, shortness of breath, or resting ECG changes before recommending a nuclear cardiology scan; age &gt; 18 years.<br/><br/><u>Exclusion:</u><br/>medical reasons that would preclude randomization to one modality or the other</p> | <p><b>A. PET (n=105)</b><br/><u>Stressor:</u> 0.56 mg/kg dipyridamol<br/><u>Contrast:</u> 1480 MBq 82Rb chloride<br/><u>Protocol:</u> 20-minutesute attenuation scan to correct for radiation absorption in the body, before rest scan with infusion of 1480 MBq 82Rb chloride. Stress induced with a dipyridamole for 4 minutes, then stress scan obtained with another infusion of 1480 MBq 82Rb-chloride. Data acquisition times for both rest and stress scans were 6 minutes.<br/><u>Definition of positive test:</u><br/>NR<br/><br/><b>B. SPECT (n=105)</b><br/><u>Stressor:</u> dipyridamole (except n=6 underwent dobutamine stress)<br/><u>Contrast:</u> 74-111MBq TI-chloride<br/><u>Protocol:</u> dual isotope technique; a rest scan with 74-111MBq TI-chloride was carried with a 180°-arc data collection. Dipyridamole infused at the rate of 0.56 mg/kg for 4 minutes. At 4 minutes post infusion, injection of 740 MBq Tc-labeled sestamibi made at peak exercise. After 30 minutes wait time, a 180° arc data acquisition performed for the stress scan.<br/><u>Definition of positive test:</u><br/>NR</p> | <p>A vs. B<br/>NR</p>       | <p>A vs. B<br/><br/><u>Subgroup:</u> None<br/><u>N randomized:</u> 210<br/><u>Mean age (SD):</u> 63 (12) vs. 65 (11) years<br/><u>Female:</u> 41% vs. 60%;<br/>p=0.006<br/><u>Race:</u> NR<br/><u>Chest pain:</u> NR<br/>- Typical angina: NR<br/>- Atypical angina: NR<br/>- Nonspecific chest pain: NR<br/><u>Dyspnea:</u> NR<br/><u>Prior MI:</u> NR<br/><u>Prior revascularization:</u> NR<br/><u>Known CAD:</u> 30% vs. 30%<br/><u>Chest pain frequency:</u> NR<br/><u>Hypertension:</u> NR<br/><u>Hyperlipidemia:</u> NR<br/><u>Diabetes:</u> NR<br/><u>Current smoking:</u> NR<br/><br/><i>Women vs. Men</i></p> | <p><u>9 month (mean; range 6-12 months):</u><br/>87%<br/>(182/210)<br/><br/>Crossover: NR</p> |

| <b>Trial<br/>Author, year<br/>Study Design<br/>Country<br/>Funding</b> | <b>Population<br/>Setting<br/>Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria</b> | <b>Tests evaluated</b> | <b>Baseline<br/>risk for<br/>CAD</b> | <b>Patient characteristics</b>  | <b>Length f/u (%<br/>followed)<br/>Cross-over, %<br/>(n/N)</b> |
|--|--|------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--|
|  |  |                        |                                      | <p><u>Mean age (SD)</u>: 66 (12) vs. 62 (11) years; p = 0.004</p> <p><u>Race</u>: NR</p> <p><u>Chest pain</u>: 44% vs.30%</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Atypical angina: 19% vs.12%</li> <li>- Exertional: 8% vs.6%</li> <li>- Stress: 3% vs.3%</li> <li>- Rest: 10% vs. 8%</li> </ul> <p><u>Dyspnea</u>: 19% vs.13%</p> <p><u>Prior MI</u>: 12% vs.10%</p> <p><u>Prior revascularization</u>: NR</p> <p><u>Known CAD</u>: 30% vs. 30%</p> <p><u>Chest pain frequency</u>: NR</p> <p><u>Hypertension</u>: 52% vs.45%</p> <p><u>Hyperlipidemia</u> (defined as &gt;240): 16% vs.11%</p> <p><u>Diabetes</u>: NR</p> <p><u>Current smoking</u>: NR</p> <p><u>Family history of CAD</u>: 20% vs.18%</p> <p><u>Coronary angiography</u>: 11% vs.14%</p> <p><u>Irregular heart beat</u>: 10% vs.9%</p> <p><u>CHD</u>: 4% vs.3%</p> |  |

| <b>Trial<br/>Author, year<br/>Study Design<br/>Country<br/>Funding</b>   | <b>Population<br/>Setting<br/>Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria</b>  | <b>Tests evaluated</b>  | <b>Baseline<br/>risk for<br/>CAD</b> | <b>Patient characteristics</b>  | <b>Length f/u (%<br/>followed)<br/>Cross-over, %<br/>(n/N)</b>  |
|--|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|---|
|  |   |   |                                      | <p><i>Prior history of CAD (documented by coronary angiography or MI) vs. no prior history of CAD</i><br/> <u>Mean age (SD):</u> 65 (10) vs. 64 (11)</p> <p>p-values non-significant unless reported</p>  |   |
| <p>Patel, 2019<br/><br/>RCT (single center)<br/><br/>United States<br/><br/>Funding: Blue Cross Blue Shield of Kansas City</p> | <p><u>Population:</u> Symptomatic, prior history of CAD</p> <p><u>Setting:</u><br/>Outpatient</p> <p><u>Inclusion:</u><br/>Age 30-90 years with known stable CAD presenting with new/worsening symptoms (chest pain and/or dyspnea) in either the office or hospital and clinically indicated pharmacologic MPI</p> <p><u>Exclusion:</u> Renal dysfunction (serum creatinine greater than 2.5 mg/dl), MI or coronary revascularization within past 6 months, significant valvular</p> | <p><b>A. PET (n=161)</b><br/> <u>Stressor:</u> regadenoson (n=36; 0.4 mg rapid IV push) or weight-based dose of dipyridamole (n=286; 0.56 mg/kg IV over 4 minutes)<br/> <u>Contrast:</u> weight-based dose of Tc-99m sestamibi (7.8-11.0 mCi)<br/> <u>Protocol:</u> all patients received iv injection of Rb-82 [mean rest dose 42.9 +/- 9.0 mCi (23.7-60.1 mCi)] followed by list mode ECG-gated rest emission image acquisition for 7 minutes for PET/CT systems and a 5 minutes ECG gated perfusion. Then stress testing conducted. At peak stress, dose of Rb-82 [mean stress dose 42.4 +/- 9.1 mCi (21.1-64.9 mCi)] injected, and stress PET images acquired in a similar manner to rest PET images. Stress dose of IV Tc-99m sestamibi (19.2-38.1 mCi) injected at peak stress, prior to stress dose of Rb-82.<br/> <u>Definition of positive test:</u></p> | <p>A vs. B<br/>NR</p>                | <p>A vs. B</p> <p><u>Subgroup:</u> None<br/> <u>N randomized:</u> 330 (322 with evaluable scans)<br/> <u>Mean age (SD):</u> 66 (9) vs. 66(10) years<br/> <u>Female:</u> 37% vs. 33%<br/> <u>Race:</u> NR<br/> <u>Chest pain:</u><br/>                     - Typical angina: 44% vs. 36%<br/>                     - Atypical angina: 29% vs. 38%<br/>                     - Nonspecific chest pain: 27% vs. 26%<br/> <u>Dyspnea:</u> 66% vs. 71%<br/> <u>Syncope:</u> 3% vs. 3%<br/> <u>Prior MI:</u> NR<br/> <u>Prior revascularization:</u> NR</p> | <p>3 month: 98% (322/330)<br/><br/>6 month: 95% (314/330)<br/><br/>12 month: 95% (314/330)<br/><br/>Crossover: NR</p> |

| <b>Trial Author, year Study Design Country Funding</b> | <b>Population Setting Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria</b>   | <b>Tests evaluated</b>  | <b>Baseline risk for CAD</b> | <b>Patient characteristics</b>   | <b>Length f/u (% followed) Cross-over, % (n/N)</b> |
|--|--|---|------------------------------|--|--|
|  | <p>disease, prior transplant, morbid obesity (BMI ≥ 38 kg/m<sup>2</sup>), LVEF &lt; 40%, pregnant patients and patients unwilling to undergo angiography if indicated.</p> | <p>High risk MPI findings defined as presence of moderate or severe ischemia on MPI, a TID ratio of &gt;1.2. Patients without any high risk MPI findings classified as low risk MPI.</p> <p><b>B. SPECT (n=161)</b><br/> <u>Stressor:</u> regadenoson (n=36; 0.4 mg rapid IV push) or weight-based dose of dipyridamole (n=286; 0.56 mg/kg IV over 4 minutes)<br/> <u>Contrast:</u> weight-based dose of Tc-99m sestamibi (7.8-11.0 mCi)<br/> <u>Protocol:</u> ECG-gated rest SPECT image acquisition started approximately 60 minutes post-radioisotope injection. Stress SPECT images were acquired approximately 60 minutes post-stress Tc-99m injection in similar fashion to rest SPECT image acquisition.<br/> <u>Definition of positive test:</u> High risk MPI findings defined as the presence of moderate or severe ischemia on MPI, a TID ratio of &gt;1.2, or a LVEF reserve of &lt;0%. Patients without any high risk MPI findings classified as low risk MPI.</p> |                              | <p><u>Known CAD:</u> 100% vs. 100%<br/> <u>Chest pain frequency:</u> NR<br/> <u>Hypertension:</u> 86% vs. 93%, p=0.04<br/> <u>Hyperlipidemia:</u> 99% vs. 99%<br/> <u>Diabetes:</u> 27% vs. 29%<br/> <u>Current smoking:</u> 17% vs. 20%<br/> <u>BMI:</u> 28.8 (4.5) vs. 29.2 (5.2)<br/> <u>Family history of CVD:</u> 41% vs. 46%<br/> <u>CVA:</u> 15% vs. 16%<br/> <u>PVD:</u> 27% vs. 27%<br/> <u>Atrial Fibrillation:</u> 20% vs. 12%<br/> <u>Hospital status at time of MPI:</u><br/>                     Inpatient: 1% vs. 2%<br/>                     Outpatient: 99% vs. 98%<br/> <u>Abnormal Baseline ECG:</u> 45% vs. 39%<br/> <u>Mean SAQ – physical limitation:</u> 84.86 vs. 81.84<br/> <u>Mean SAQ – angina frequency:</u> 78.07 vs. 78.82</p> |  |

| <b>Trial<br/>Author, year<br/>Study Design<br/>Country<br/>Funding</b> | <b>Population<br/>Setting<br/>Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria</b> | <b>Tests evaluated</b> | <b>Baseline<br/>risk for<br/>CAD</b> | <b>Patient characteristics</b>   | <b>Length f/u (%<br/>followed)<br/>Cross-over, %<br/>(n/N)</b> |
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|  |  |                        |                                      | Mean SAQ – quality of life:<br>70.65 vs. 69.62<br><br>p-values non-significant unless reported |  |

ACS = acute coronary syndrome, CAD = coronary artery disease, CHD = coronary heart disease, CVA = cerebrovascular accident, CVD = cardiovascular disease, ECG = electrocardiogram, f/u = follow-up, LVEF = left ventricular ejection fraction, MI = myocardial infarction, MPI = myocardial perfusion imaging, NR = not reported, PET = positron emission tomography, RCT = randomized control trial, SAQ = Seattle Angina Questionnaire, SD = standard deviation, SPECT = single photon emission computed tomography, TID = Transient ischemic dilatation.

\* A total of n=330 patients were randomized. However, only patients with an evaluable scan at baseline were followed for up to 1 year and included in the analytic cohort. Eight patients (n=4 in each group A and group B) did not have an evaluable scan at baseline. Patient characteristics and patient outcomes are described out of persons with an evaluable scan at baseline (n=322). Patient follow-up is described out of the persons randomized (n=330).

**Appendix Table H2. Data abstraction for PET vs. SPECT: Efficacy Outcomes**

| Author/trial Interventions         | Patient disposition Test result  | Mortality (All – cause, cardiac)   | Myocardial infarction | Referral for treatment | Referral for additional testing | Composite outcomes | Other |
|------------------------------------|--|--|-----------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|-------|
| Mullani, 2000<br><br>PET vs. SPECT | <p><b>Disposition</b><br/><u>Discharged from ED:</u><br/>NR</p> <p><u>Admitted to hospital:</u><br/>NR</p> <p><b>Test result</b><br/><u>Positive scan:</u><br/>38% (40/105) vs. 29% (30/105), p=0.143</p> <p><i>With history of CAD:</i> 49% (15/31) vs. 59% (19/32), p=0.382<br/>- no significant association of positive scans with age, sex, or modality of imaging (multivariate regression)</p> <p><i>Without history of CAD:</i> 34% (25/74) vs. 15%</p> | <p><b>All-cause mortality</b><br/>NR</p> <p><b>Cardiac (CAD-related) mortality</b><br/><u>9 months (mean; range 6-12 months):</u><br/>3% (3/105) vs. 4% (4/105), p=NR*</p> <p><i>With history of CAD:</i> 3% (1/31) vs. 3% (1/32),<br/><i>Without history of CAD:</i> 3% (2/74) vs. 4% (3/73)<br/>p=NR</p> | NR                    | NR                     | NR                              | NR                 | NA    |

| Author/trial Interventions           | Patient disposition Test result   | Mortality (All – cause, cardiac)  | Myocardial infarction   | Referral for treatment  | Referral for additional testing  | Composite outcomes | Other  |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|--|--------------------|--|
|                                      | <p>(11/73), p=0.008<br/>- significant association of positive scans with sex (males = OR 3.9, 95% CI 1.7 to 9.2) and modality of imaging (PET = OR 2.5 (95 CI 1.1 to 5.7) (multivariate regression)</p> <p><u>Diagnosed with ACS:</u> NR</p> <p><u>Perfusion abnormality without significant stenosis:</u> NR</p> |   |   |   |  |                    |  |
| <p>Patel, 2019<br/>PET vs. SPECT</p> | <p><b>Disposition</b><br/><u>Discharged from ED:</u><br/>NR</p> <p><u>Admitted to hospital:</u><br/>NR</p>  | <p><b>All-cause mortality</b><br/><u>12 months</u><br/>1% (1/161) vs. 1% (2/161), p=1.0</p> <p><b>Cardiac mortality</b></p> | <p><b>MI</b><br/><u>12 months</u><br/>0% (0/161) vs. 1% (2/161), p=0.50</p> | <p><b>Revascularization (PCI/CABG)</b><br/><u>3 months</u><br/>Overall: 11% (18/161) vs. 10% (16/161), p=0.72<br/>Low risk MPI: 0% (0/96) vs. 4.5% (3/67), p=0.07</p> | <p><b>Diagnostic failure†</b><br/><u>60 days</u><br/>2% (3/161) vs. 3% (4/161), p=0.70</p> <p><b>Invasive Coronary Angiography</b><br/><u>3 months</u></p> | <p>NR</p>          | <p><b>Obstructive disease on angiography</b><br/><u>3 months</u><br/>16% (25/161) vs. 11% (17/161), p=0.19</p> |

| Author/trial Interventions | Patient disposition Test result  | Mortality (All – cause, cardiac) | Myocardial infarction | Referral for treatment   | Referral for additional testing   | Composite outcomes | Other  |
|----------------------------|--|----------------------------------|-----------------------|--|---|--------------------|--|
|                            | <p><b>Test result</b><br/> <u>Low risk MPI:</u><br/>                     60%(96/161) vs.42% (67/161),p=NR<br/> <u>High risk MPI§:</u><br/>                     40% (65/161) vs. 58% (94/161), p=NR</p> <p><b>Ischemia findings</b><br/> <u>No ischemia</u><br/>                     58% (94/161) vs. 59% (95/161)<br/> <u>Mild ischemia</u><br/>                     7% (11/161) vs. 9% (14/161)<br/> <u>Moderate ischemia</u><br/>                     14% (23/161) vs. 19% (31/161)<br/> <u>Severe ischemia</u><br/>                     20% (32/161) vs. 11% (17/161)<br/> <u>Non-diagnostic</u><br/>                     1% (1/161) vs. 3% (4/161)</p> | NR                               |                       | <p><i>High risk MPI:</i><br/>                     27.7% (18/65) vs. 13.8% (13/94), p=0.03<br/> <u>6 months</u><br/> <i>Overall:</i> 12% (20/161) vs. 12% (19/161), p=0.86<br/> <i>Low risk MPI:</i> 0% (0/96) vs. 6.0% (4/67), p=0.03<br/> <i>High risk MPI:</i><br/>                     30.8% (20/65) vs. 16.0% (15/94), p=0.03<br/> <u>12 months</u><br/>                     16% (25/161) vs. 15% (24/161), p=0.88<br/> <i>Low risk MPI:</i> 4.2% (4/96) vs. 7.5% (5/67), p=0.01<br/> <i>High risk MPI:</i><br/>                     32.3% (21/65) vs. 19.1% (18/94), p=0.06</p> <p><b>Late revascularization after 3 months**</b><br/>                     4% (7/161) vs. 5% (8/161), p= 0.70</p> | <p><i>Overall:</i> 21% (33/161) vs. 16% (25/161), p=0.25<br/> <i>Low risk MPI:</i> 2.1% (2/96) vs. 9.0% (6/67), p=0.07<br/> <i>High risk MPI:</i> 47.7% (31/65) vs. 20.2% (19/94), p&lt;0.01<br/> <u>6 months</u><br/> <i>Overall:</i> 22% (36/161) vs. 19% (30/161), p=0.41<br/> <i>Low risk MPI:</i> 3.1% (3/96) vs. 10.4% (7/67), p=0.09<br/> <i>High risk MPI:</i> 50.8% (33/65) vs. 24.5% (23/94), p&lt;0.01<br/> <u>12 months</u><br/> <i>Overall:</i> 29% (46/161) vs. 28% (45/161), p=0.90<br/> <i>Low risk MPI:</i> 8.3% (8/96) vs. 19.4% (13/67), p=0.04<br/> <i>High risk MPI:</i> 56.9% (37/65) vs. 34.1% (32/94), p&lt;0.01</p> <p><b>Stress testing</b><br/>                     NR</p> |                    | <p><b>Longitudinal health status outcomes‡</b></p> <p><i>Mean SAQ – physical limitation:</i><br/> <u>1 month</u><br/>                     90.27 vs. 90.14<br/> <u>3 month</u><br/>                     92.98 vs. 90.42<br/> <u>6 month</u><br/>                     92.32 vs. 90.38<br/> <u>12 month</u><br/>                     92.09 vs. 88.74<br/>                     p = 0.07</p> <p><i>Mean SAQ – angina frequency:</i><br/> <u>1 month</u><br/>                     88.21 vs. 89.31<br/> <u>3 month</u><br/>                     89.42 vs. 89.17<br/> <u>6 month</u><br/>                     90.26 vs. 88.01<br/> <u>12 month</u><br/>                     91.35 vs. 89.79<br/>                     p =0.70</p> <p><i>Mean SAQ – quality of life:</i><br/> <u>1 month</u></p> |

| Author/trial Interventions | Patient disposition Test result  | Mortality (All – cause, cardiac) | Myocardial infarction | Referral for treatment  | Referral for additional testing | Composite outcomes | Other  |
|----------------------------|--|----------------------------------|-----------------------|---|---------------------------------|--------------------|--|
|                            | <p><i>p</i> value across all groups = 0.09</p> <p>Diagnosed with ACS: NR</p> <p>Perfusion abnormality without significant stenosis: NR</p> |                                  |                       | <p>Escalation in anti-anginal therapy<sup>††</sup> 3 months<br/>26% (41/161) vs. 23% (37/161), p=0.60</p> <p>Hospitalization/ED visit: NR</p> |                                 |                    | <p>81.30 vs. 78.18<br/><u>3 month</u><br/>83.87 vs. 81.63<br/><u>6 month</u><br/>83.72 vs. 81.07<br/><u>12 month</u><br/>83.39 vs. 81.21<br/>p=0.20</p> <p>Median RDS:<br/><u>1 month</u><br/>1 vs. 1<br/><u>3 month</u><br/>1 vs. 1<br/><u>6 month</u><br/>1 vs. 1<br/><u>12 month</u><br/>1 vs. 1<br/>p=0.53</p> |

ACS = acute coronary syndrome, CAD = coronary artery disease, CHD = coronary heart disease, CVA = cerebrovascular accident, CVD = cardiovascular disease, ECG = electrocardiogram, f/u = follow-up, LVEF = left ventricular ejection fraction, MI = myocardial infarction, MPI = myocardial perfusion imaging, NR = not reported, PET = positron emission tomography, RCT = randomized control trial, SAQ = Seattle Angina Questionnaire, SD = standard deviation, SPECT = single photon emission computed tomography, TID = Transient ischemic dilatation.

\* Scan results were as follows for those who suffered cardiac death: PET (2 positive, 1 negative) vs. SPECT (2 positive, 2 negative)

† Defined as unnecessary coronary angiography (absence of ≥ 50% stenosis in ≥ 1 vessels) or additional non-invasive testing.

‡ p values represent between group differences over time.

§ High Risk MPI was defined as patients with moderate or severe ischemia or transient ischemic dilatation (TID >1.20) or LVEF Reserve <0%. Patients not meeting these criteria were considered having low-risk MPI in both PET and SPECT.

\*\* Defined as the cumulative number of patients that had revascularization after 3 months.

†† Defined as addition of another anti-anginal medication class or increase in dose or frequency of one or more of existing anti-anginal medications within 3 months post baseline. Antianginal medication = the following drug classes: aspirin/other anti-platelets, beta-blockers, statins, calcium channel blockers, nitrates, and ranolazine.

**Appendix Table H3. Data abstraction for PET vs. SPECT: Safety Outcomes**

| Author/trial Interventions     | Imaging-related AEs | Incidental findings | Radiation |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------|
| Mullani, 2000<br>PET vs. SPECT | NR                  | NR                  | NR        |
| Patel, 2019<br>PET vs. SPECT   | NR                  | NR                  | NR        |

AEs= adverse events, NR = not reported, PET = positron emission tomography, SPECT = single photon emission computed tomography.

### APPENDIX I. Data Abstraction of Included Studies Evaluating SPECT

Appendix Table I1. Data abstraction for SPECT vs. Exercise ECG: Study and Patient Characteristics

| Trial<br>Author, year<br>Study Design<br>Country<br>Funding   | Population<br>Setting<br>Inclusion and<br>Exclusion Criteria  | Tests evaluated   | Baseline risk for<br>CAD                               | Patient<br>characteristics   | Length f/u<br>(%<br>followed)<br>Cross-over,<br>% (n/N) |
|---|---|---|--|--|---|
| <p>Mieres, 2009,<br/>Mieres 2011, Shaw<br/>2011</p> <p>RCT<br/>(Multi Center)</p> <p>USA</p> <p>Funding<br/>GE Healthcare</p> | <p><u>Population:</u><br/>Women with stable<br/>angina (known CAD<br/>excluded)</p> <p><u>Setting:</u><br/>Outpatient, non-<br/>emergent (cardiology<br/>practices)</p> <p><u>Inclusion:</u><br/>- Chest pain or anginal<br/>equivalent symptoms<br/>at intermediate to<br/>high pretest risk for<br/>CAD<br/>- Capable of<br/>performing &gt;5<br/>metabolic<br/>equivalents of<br/>exercise<br/>- ≥50 years of age or<br/>≥30 years of age with<br/>surgical menopause<br/>- Diabetic women of<br/>any age presenting<br/>for evaluation of<br/>chest pain symptoms<br/>- Women of any age<br/>with metabolic<br/>syndrome presenting</p> | <p><b>A. SPECT (MPI) (n=412 randomized, n=384 analyzed)</b><br/><u>Stressor:</u> Exercise<br/><u>Contrast:</u> Tc-99 m tetrofosmin<br/><u>Protocol:</u> All testing was performed in accordance with<br/>the most recent ACC/AHA guidelines stipulating that<br/>continuous ECG monitoring be employed.<br/><u>Definition of positive test:</u><br/>Summed stress score ≥4</p> <p><b>B. Exercise ECG (n=412 randomized, n=388 analyzed)</b><br/>Negative result defined as &lt;1.0 mm of horizontal or<br/>downsloping ST segment depression.</p> | <p>Intermediate:<br/>100% (inclusion<br/>criteria)</p> | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><u>Subgroup:</u> Women<br/><u>N randomized:</u> 824<br/><u>Median age (IQR):</u><br/>62 (58 to 68) vs. 63<br/>(60 to 69)<br/><u>Female:</u> 100%<br/><u>Race:</u><br/>Black: 6.6%<br/>Hispanic: 2.9%<br/>Asian: 2%<br/>Caucasian: 87.3%<br/><u>Chest pain:</u> 89.4%<br/>vs 90%<br/>- Typical angina:<br/>59.8% VS. 61.2%<br/>- Atypical angina:<br/>9.3% VS. 9.1%<br/>- Nonspecific chest<br/>pain: 27.8% vs. 27%<br/><u>Dyspnea:</u> 48.3% Vs.<br/>52.5%<br/><u>Prior MI:</u> 0%*<br/><u>Prior<br/>revascularization:</u><br/>0%<br/><u>Known CAD:</u> 0%</p> | <p>24 months:<br/>93.7%</p> <p>Crossover:<br/>0%</p>    |

| <b>Trial Author, year Study Design Country Funding</b> | <b>Population Setting Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria</b>   | <b>Tests evaluated</b> | <b>Baseline risk for CAD</b> | <b>Patient characteristics</b>  | <b>Length f/u (% followed) Cross-over, % (n/N)</b> |
|--|--|------------------------|------------------------------|---|--|
|  | <p>with chest pain symptoms</p> <p><u>Exclusion:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Known CAD, MI, or catheterization results revealing a &gt;50% lesion in one or more coronary arteries</li> <li>- Scoring ≤5 metabolic equivalents on the DASII</li> <li>- Women that are nursing or pregnant</li> <li>- Nuclear medicine study within preceding 10 days</li> <li>- Significant valvular heart disease</li> <li>- Uncontrolled hypertension</li> <li>- History of heart failure</li> <li>- Left ventricular ejection fraction</li> <li>- Inability or unwillingness to complete long-term followup</li> </ul> |                        |                              | <p><u>Chest pain frequency:</u></p> <p>&lt;1 per week: 65.8% vs. 70.9%</p> <p>1 to 3 times: 40.9% vs. 39.1%</p> <p>1 to 3 times per week: 24.9% vs. 31.8%</p> <p>Almost everyday: 10.7% vs. 9%</p> <p>1 to 3 times per day: 7.4% vs. 4.7%</p> <p>≥4 times per day: 2% vs. 2.7%</p> <p><u>Hypertension:</u> 52% vs. 55.2%</p> <p><u>Hyperlipidemia:</u> 53.7% vs. 55.2%</p> <p><u>Diabetes:</u> 14.2 vs. 12.6%</p> <p><u>Current smoking:</u> 42.4% vs. 48.8%</p> <p><u>Medications:</u></p> <p>ACE inhibitor: 18.4% vs. 15.6%</p> <p>Angiotensin receptor blocker: 10.9% vs. 10.9%</p> <p>Beta-blocker: 19.7% vs. 18.3%</p> |  |

| Trial Author, year Study Design Country Funding  | Population Setting Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria   | Tests evaluated  | Baseline risk for CAD   | Patient characteristics  | Length f/u (% followed) Cross-over, % (n/N)     |
|--|---|--|---|--|---|
|  |   |  |   | Calcium channel blocker: 11.2% vs. 9.9%<br>Aspirin: 37.1% vs. 33.2%<br>Gastrointestinal: 28.4% vs. 25.5%<br>Antidepressant: 18.7% vs. 16.6%<br>Anxiolytic: 6.4% vs. 5.2%<br>Nitrates: 2.5% vs. 3.5%<br>Statins: 33.1% vs. 31.7%<br>NSAIDs: 16.9% vs. 14.9% |   |
| Sabharwal, 2007<br><br>RCT<br>Single Center<br><br>UK<br><br>Funding<br>Bristol-Myers Squibb Medical Imaging, Northwick Park | <u>Population:</u><br>Suspected CAD<br><br><u>Setting:</u><br>Outpatient, chest pain clinic<br><br><u>Inclusion:</u><br>- ≥25 years old<br>- chest pain suspicious of CAD.<br><br><u>Exclusion:</u> | <b>A. SPECT (MPI) (n=250)</b><br><u>Stressor:</u> Exercise treadmill, dipyridamole or dobutamine.<br><u>Contrast:</u> Sestamibi<br><u>Protocol:</u><br>All patients asked to abstain from all caffeine intake 12 hours before the clinic appointment and to stop taking beta-blockers, diltiazem, or verapamil 48 hours before stress testing. After randomization, patients underwent stress gated myocardial perfusion SPECT infusion. Rest scans were taken 24 to 48 hours later if stress scan was abnormal and ambiguous.<br>- 62% (154/250) had treadmill stress testing alone.<br>- 38% (96/250) underwent pharmacologic stress testing | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><u>Low:</u> 10.8% (27/250) vs. 21.2% (44/207)<br><u>Intermediate:</u> 71.2% (178/250) vs. 49.3% (102/207) | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><u>Subgroup:</u> None<br><u>N randomized:</u> 457 <sup>+</sup><br><u>Mean age (SD):</u> 59.7 (12.2) vs. 58.9 (11.4)<br><u>Female:</u> 44.4% vs. 42.5%<br><u>Race:</u><br>White: 55.6% vs. 46.9%                                      | 24 months (96.9% followed)<br><br>Crossover: 0% |

| Trial Author, year Study Design Country Funding              | Population Setting Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria  | Tests evaluated   | Baseline risk for CAD                               | Patient characteristics   | Length f/u (% followed) Cross-over, % (n/N) |
|--|--|---|---|---|---|
| Cardiac Research Fund, personal grant from Mr. Michael Tabor | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Acute coronary syndromes</li> <li>- known CAD</li> <li>- pregnant or lactating women</li> </ul> | <p><u>Definition of positive test:</u> NR</p> <p><b>B. Exercise ECG (n=207)</b><br/>Treadmill electrocardiography. After randomization, underwent symptom-limited Bruce or modified Bruce protocol exercise treatment test by use of a Marquette CASE 8000 system. Result classified as normal (ability to reach an adequate workload and heart rate without significant ECG changed or symptoms suggestive of CAD), inconclusive/indeterminate, or positive for CAD. Abnormal response was defined according to symptoms and standard ECG criteria (≥1 mm of horizontal or donwsloping ST-segment depression during exercise or persisting into recovery in ≥1 lead or exertional hypotension &gt;20 mm Hg)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 98.5% (204/207) underwent exercise test</li> <li>- 1.4% (3/207) did not undergo treadmill exercise due to suspected hypertrophic cardiomyopathy, atrioventricular block on the resting electrocardiogram, or chest pain at rest immediately before ETT.</li> <li>- 58.8% (147/250) underwent rest scans due to abnormal scans.</li> </ul> | <p><u>High:</u> 18% (45/250) vs. 29.5% (61/207)</p> | <p><u>Chest pain:</u> NR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Typical angina: NR</li> <li>- Atypical angina: NR</li> <li>- Nonspecific chest pain: NR</li> </ul> <p><u>Dyspnea:</u> NR</p> <p><u>Prior MI:</u> NR</p> <p><u>Prior revascularization:</u> NR</p> <p><u>Known CAD:</u> 0%</p> <p><u>Chest pain frequency:</u> NR</p> <p><u>Hypertension:</u> 53.2% vs 46.3%</p> <p><u>Hyperlipidemia:</u> NR</p> <p><u>Diabetes:</u> 19.2% vs 14.5%</p> <p><u>Current smoking:</u> 12.8% vs 16.4%</p> |   |

ACC = American College of Cardiology; ACE = Angiotensin-converting-enzyme; AHA = American Heart Association; CAD = coronary artery disease; DAS1 = Duke Activity Status Index; ECG = electrocardiogram; ETT = exercise tolerance test; NSAIDS = non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs; MI = myocardial infarction; MPI = myocardial perfusion imaging; RCT = randomized control trial; SPECT = single-photon emission computerized tomography

\* Prior MI and CAD was an exclusion criteria

† Patients with an abnormal resting electrocardiogram were assessed in the clinic but excluded from the analysis.

**Appendix Table I2. Data abstraction for SPECT vs. Exercise ECG: Efficacy Outcomes**

| Author/trial Interventions  | Patient disposition Test result  | Mortality (All –cause, cardiac)   | Myocardial infarction   | Referral for treatment   | Referral for additional testing  | Composite outcomes   | Other   |
|---|--|---|---|--|--|--|---|
| <p>Mieres, 2009, Mieres 2011, Shaw 2011 (WOMEN trial)</p> <p>SPECT (A) vs. Exercise ECG (B)</p> | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><b>Test result, % (n/N)*</b></p> <p><b>Exercise ECG interpretation<sup>‡</sup></b></p> <p><u>Normal</u><br/>69.8% (268/384) vs. 64.1% (249/388)</p> <p><u>Indeterminate</u><br/>14% (54/384) vs. 15.8% (61/388)</p> <p><u>Abnormal</u><br/>16.1% (62/384) vs. 20.2% (78/388)</p> <p><i>p=0.22 for all</i></p> <p><b>SPECT MPI interpretation subsets<sup>§</sup></b></p> <p><u>Normal</u><br/>90.5% (347/384)</p> <p><u>Mildly abnormal</u><br/>3.3% (13/384)</p> <p><u>Moderately to severely abnormal</u><br/>6.2% (24/384)</p> | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><b>Non-cardiac-related mortality, % (n/N)*</b></p> <p><u>24 months</u><br/>1.0% (4/384) vs. 0.5% (2/388), <i>p=0.39</i></p> <p><b>Sudden cardiac death, % (n/N)**</b></p> <p><u>24 months</u><br/>0.1% (1/772)</p> | <p><b>Nonfatal MI, % (n/N)<sup>†</sup></b></p> <p><u>24 months</u><br/>0.4% (3/772)</p> | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><b>Revascularization (any), % (n/N)*</b></p> <p><u>24 months</u><br/>2.2% (8/384) vs. 1.0% (4/388), <i>p=0.16</i></p> <p><b>Changes in medication therapy**</b></p> <p><u>24 months</u><br/>Similar rates of new use or discontinuation of nitrates, beta-blockers, statins and antidepressants between groups, <i>p=0.20</i></p> | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><b>Invasive Coronary Angiography, % (n/N)*</b></p> <p><u>24 months</u><br/>5.5% (21/384) vs. 6.7% (26/388), <i>p=0.98</i><br/>(almost half occurred within 2 months)</p> <p>- Normal: 4% (14/347) vs. 3% (7/249)</p> <p>- Indeterminant/Mildly Abnormal: 0% (0/13) vs. 7% (4/61)</p> <p>- Abnormal: 29% (7/24) vs. 18% (14/78)</p> <p><b>Any Stress testing, % (n/N)*</b></p> <p><u>24 months</u><br/>9.4% (36/384) vs. 18.6% (72/388), <i>p=NR</i></p> <p><b>Additional exercise SPECT MPI, % (n/N)*</b></p> <p><u>6 months</u><br/>1.2% (5/384) vs. 10.4% (40/388), <i>p=NR</i></p> <p><u>12 months</u><br/>3.4% (13/384) vs. 12.4% (48/388), <i>p=NR</i></p> <p><u>24 months</u></p> | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><b>MACE (composite of cardiac death, nonfatal MI, or hospital admission for an ACS or heart failure), % (n/N)*</b></p> <p><u>24 months</u><br/><i>Overall</i>: 2.3% (9/384) vs. 1.7% (8/388), relative HR 1.3 (95% CI 0.5 to 3.5), <i>p=0.59</i></p> <p><i>Normal test results</i>: 1.2% (4/347) vs. 0.4% (1/249), <i>p=0.4</i></p> <p><i>Abnormal test results</i>: 13.1% (5/37) vs. 5.1% (7/139), <i>p=0.19</i></p> | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><b>Hospitalization for chest pain symptoms, % (n/N)*</b></p> <p><u>24 months</u><br/>4% (15/384) vs. 3% (12/388), <i>p=0.39</i></p> <p><b>Hospitalization for heart failure, % (n/N)<sup>†</sup></b></p> <p><u>24 months</u><br/>0.1% (1/772)</p> <p><b>Hospitalization for ACS, % (n/N)<sup>†</sup></b></p> <p><u>24 months</u><br/>1.6% (12/772)</p> <p><b>SAQ, median % (IQR)</b></p> <p><u>All subscales similar between groups during follow-up (data not provided)</u></p> <p><u>Overall</u></p> |

| Author/trial Interventions                                   | Patient disposition Test result   | Mortality (All –cause, cardiac)   | Myocardial infarction   | Referral for treatment   | Referral for additional testing  | Composite outcomes | Other  |
|--|---|---|---|--|--|--------------------|--|
|  |   |   |   |  | <p>9.1% (35/384) vs. 17.8% (69/388), p=NR</p> <p><b>Additional exercise ECG, % (n/N)*</b><br/> <u>24 months</u><br/>                     0.3% (1/384) vs. 0.5% (2/388), p=NR</p> <p><b>Proportion of patients receiving no additional diagnostic testing after index test, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>24 months</u><br/>                     89% (385/384) vs. 81% (314/388), p&lt;0.0001</p> |                    | <p><b>Angina Free, % (n/N)***</b><br/> <u>6 months</u><br/>                     51% (196/384) vs. 50.6% (196/388), p=0.92<br/> <u>12 months</u><br/>                     49.5% (190/384) vs. 48.9% (190/388), p=0.88<br/> <u>24 months</u><br/>                     64.9% (249/384) vs. 60.4% (234/388), p=0.25</p> <p><b>Asymptomatic, % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>24 months</u><br/>                     65% vs. 60%, p=0.25</p> |
| <p>Sabharwal, 2007</p> <p>SPECT (A) vs. Exercise ECG (B)</p> | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><b>Test result, % (n/N)*</b></p> <p><b>Treadmill result, % (n/N)**</b><br/>                     Normal:<br/>                     30.0% (75/155) vs. 26.1% (54/204)</p> | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><b>All-cause mortality, % (n/N)*</b><br/> <u>Mean 19.6 months</u><br/>                     0.8% (2/250) vs. 1.0%</p> | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><b>Fatal MI, % (n/N)*</b><br/> <u>Mean 19.6 months</u><br/>                     0% (0/250) vs. 0.5% (1/207)***, p=NS</p> | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><b>Revascularization (any), % (n/N)*</b><br/> <u>Index visit</u><br/>                     10.8% (27/250) vs. 17.9% (37/207), p=NR</p> <p><b>Proportion of patients subsequently referred for revascularization,</b></p> | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><b>Referred for ICA, % (n/N)*</b><br/> <u>Index visit</u><br/>                     16.4% (41/250) vs. 47.3% (98/207), p&lt;0.0001</p> <p><b>Proportion of patients who underwent ICA and</b></p>  | NR                 | NR   |

| Author/trial Interventions | Patient disposition Test result   | Mortality (All –cause, cardiac)   | Myocardial infarction | Referral for treatment   | Referral for additional testing   | Composite outcomes | Other |
|----------------------------|---|---|-----------------------|--|---|--------------------|-------|
|                            | <p><u>Inconclusive</u>: 14.4% (36/155) vs. 38.6% (80/204)</p> <p><u>Positive</u>: 17.6% (44/155) vs. 33.8% (70/204)</p> <p><b>MPI results, % (n/N)<sup>§§</sup></b></p> <p><u>Normal</u>: 74% (186/250)</p> <p><u>Mildly abnormal</u>: 6% (15/250)</p> <p><u>Moderately abnormal</u>: 8% (19/250)</p> <p><u>Severely abnormal</u>: 12% (30/250)</p> | <p>(2/207), p=NS</p> <p><b>Cardiac mortality (i.e., fatal MI) , % (n/N)<sup>*</sup></b></p> <p><u>Mean 19.6 months</u></p> <p>0% (0/250) vs. 0.5% (1/207), p=NS</p> |                       | <p><b>as a function of the number of ICAs obtained, % (n/N)<sup>*</sup></b></p> <p><u>Index visit</u></p> <p>65.9% (27/41) vs 37.8% (37/98), p=0.005</p> <p><b>Aggressive medical therapy, % (n/N)<sup>*</sup></b></p> <p><u>Index</u></p> <p>83.6% (209/250) vs. 30.4% (63/207), p=NR</p> | <p><b>had a normal test result, % (n/N)<sup>*</sup></b></p> <p>17.1% (7/41) vs. 36.7% (36/98), p=0.03</p> <p><b>Stress (pharmacological) Echocardiography, % (n/N)<sup>*</sup></b></p> <p><u>Index visit</u></p> <p>0% (0/250) vs. 23.2% (48/207), p&lt;0.0001</p> <p><b>Any further investigations (to include ICA) for diagnosis of CAD, % (n/N)<sup>*</sup></b></p> <p><u>Index visit</u></p> <p>16.4% (41/250) vs. 70.5% (146/207), p&lt;0.0001</p> |                    |       |

CAD = coronary artery disease; ECG = electrocardiogram; ETT = exercise tolerance test; ICA = invasive coronary angiography; MACE = major adverse cardiovascular events; MI = myocardial infarction; MPI = myocardial perfusion imaging; SAQ = Seattle Angina Questionnaire SPECT = single-photon emission computerized tomography; SSS = summed stress score

\* n’s calculated from % and denominator provided

† not reported by treatment arm

‡ Normal ETT = no significant ST-segment changes with adequate exercise tolerance; Indeterminate ETT = 0.5 to 1.0 mm of ST-segment changes, exertional chest pain, and/or submaximal exercise tolerance; Abnormal ETT = ≥1 mm of ST-segment changes generally occurring in ≥2 leads.

§ Normal = summed stress score (SSS) of <4; Mildly abnormal = SSS of 4 to 8; Moderate to severely abnormal = SSS of >8

\*\* data not provided

†† Cumulative data available only

‡‡ Only patients who ended up undergoing treadmill stress were included. 155 of 250 MPI patients had treadmill (95 had pharmacological) and 204 of 207 ECG had treadmill (3 did not undergo treadmill stress for various reasons).

§§ Normal (SSS of 0), mildly abnormal (SSS of 1-3), moderately abnormal (SSS of 4-8), and severely abnormal (SSS of >8)

\*\*\* Same patient as included under cardiac mortality

**Appendix Table I3. Data abstraction for SPECT vs. Exercise ECG: Safety Outcomes**

| Author/trial Interventions   | Imaging-related AEs | Incidental findings | Radiation  |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|--|
| Mieres, 2009, Mieres 2011, Shaw 2011<br><br>SPECT (A) vs. Exercise ECG (B) | NR                  | NR                  | <b>SPECT MPI only (index test):</b><br><u>Mean ionizing radiation exposure: 14 mSv</u> |
| Sabharwal, 2007<br><br>SPECT (A) vs. Exercise ECG (B)                      | NR                  | NR                  | NR   |

AEs = adverse events; ECG = electrocardiogram; MPI = myocardial perfusion imaging; mSv = millisievert; SPECT = single-photon emission computerized tomography

**Appendix Table I4. Data abstraction for SPECT vs. ICA: Study and Patient Characteristics**

| Trial Author, year Study Design Country Funding   | Population Setting Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria   | Tests evaluated   | Baseline risk for CAD   | Patient characteristics   | Length f/u (% followed) Cross-over, % (n/N)  |
|---|---|---|---|---|--|
| <p>Sharples, 2007; Thom 2014</p> <p>RCT (single Center)</p> <p>UK</p> <p>Funding National Institute for Health Research</p> | <p><u>Population:</u><br/>Mixed suspected CAD or known CAD</p> <p><u>Setting:</u><br/>Outpatient, nonemergent</p> <p><u>Inclusion:</u><br/>- Established or suspected chronic stable angina referred for angiography<br/>- An EET result which merited referral for angiography</p> <p><u>Exclusion:</u><br/>- Recent MI or revascularization<br/>- admission with chest pain<br/>- urgent revascularization<br/>- contraindication to pharmacological stress testing on MRI<br/>- incapable of performing modified Bruce exercise test</p> | <p><b>A. SPECT (n=224 randomized)</b><br/><u>Stressor:</u> Adenosine (dobutamine if contraindications)<br/><u>Contrast:</u> 99mTc Sestamibi<br/><u>Protocol:</u> Patients abstained from all caffeinated food and drink for 24 hours prior to test, fasted for 6 hours pre-injection and took a fatty meal post injection. Pharmacological stress consisted of 6-minute adenosine infusion, 130 µg/kg/minute with tracer injected at 3 minutes. 400-MBq 99mTc MIBI administered at 3 minutes after infusion of adenosine, with imaging performed at 60 to 90 minutes after injection.<br/><u>Definition of positive test:</u> positive diagnoses showed reversible ischemia in at least one segment of a 20-segment model.</p> <p><b>B. ICA (n=222 randomized)</b><br/>This group acted as the control group. ICA was performed and reported per standard techniques from the right femoral artery approach using the Seldinger technique. Positive diagnoses was defined as having 50% stenosis in the left main stem or 70% stenosis in any other major vessel.</p> | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><u>1:</u> 1% (1/224) vs. 1% (3/222)</p> <p><u>2:</u> 12% (27/224) vs. 10% (21/222)</p> <p><u>3:</u> 19% (41/224) vs. 19% (42/222)</p> <p><u>4:</u> 37% (81/224) vs. 32% (70/222)</p> <p><u>5:</u> 31% (69/224) vs. 38% (85/222)*</p> | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><u>Subgroup:</u> None<br/><u>N randomized:</u> 898<sup>†</sup><br/><u>Mean age (SD):</u> 62.1 (9.5) vs. 60.7 (9.1)<br/><u>Female:</u> 30% vs. 33%<br/><u>Race:</u> NR<br/><u>Chest pain:</u> NR<br/>- Typical angina: NR<br/>- Atypical angina: NR<br/>- Nonspecific chest pain: NR<br/><u>Dyspnea:</u> NR<br/><u>Prior MI:</u> 23% vs. 28%<br/><u>Prior revascularization:</u> NR<br/><u>Known CAD:</u> NR<br/><u>Chest pain frequency:</u> NR<br/><u>Treated hypertension:</u> 59% vs. 53%<br/><u>Treated hyperlipidemia:</u> 76% vs. 74%<br/><u>Diabetes:</u> 11.6% vs. 12.6%<br/><u>Current smoking:</u> 41.9% vs. 46.8%<br/><u>Medications:</u><br/>Anti-platelets: 75% vs. 76%</p> | <p>18 months: 84%</p> <p>36 months: 84%</p> <p>Crossover: <b>A vs. B</b></p> <p>Received allocated test, % (n/N)<br/>98.2% (220/224) vs. 98.2% (218/222)</p> |

| Trial Author, year Study Design Country Funding | Population Setting Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria | Tests evaluated | Baseline risk for CAD | Patient characteristics   | Length f/u (% followed) Cross-over, % (n/N) |
|---|---|-----------------|-----------------------|---|---|
|   | - not available by phone                            |                 |                       | Statins: 67% vs. 64%<br>Beta-blockers: 50% vs. 57%<br>ACE inhibitors: 32% vs. 35%<br>Calcium-channel blockers: 31% vs. 27%<br>Nicorandil/potassium-channel activators: 18% vs. 19%<br>Nitrates: 16% vs. 16%<br>Diuretics: 13% vs. 17%<br>Angiotensin-II receptor antagonists: 4% vs. 7% |   |

ACE = Angiotensin-converting-enzyme; CAD = coronary artery disease; EET = exercise ECG test; ECG = electrocardiogram; ICA = invasive coronary angiography; MI = myocardial; RCT = randomized control trial; SPECT = single photon emission computerized tomography

\* Baseline risk of CAD was assessed by a clinician on a scale of 1 (lowest) to 5 (highest).

† Study also includes MRI. 898 patients were randomized to angiography (n=222), SPECT (n=224), MRI (226), or stress echo (226)

**Appendix Table I5. Data abstraction for SPECT vs. ICA: Efficacy Outcomes**

| Author/trial Interventions  | Patient disposition Test result  | Mortality (All –cause, cardiac)  | Myocardial infarction   | Referral for treatment   | Referral for additional testing  | Composite outcomes  | Other  |
|---|--|--|---|--|--|---|--|
| Sharples, 2007; Thom 2014 (CECaT trial)<br><br>SPECT (A) vs ICA (B) | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><b>Test result (SPECT only), % (n/N)**</b><br><u>Positive</u><br>54% (121/224)<br><u>Negative</u><br>40.2% (90/224)<br><u>Equivocal</u><br>4% (9/224)<br><u>Not done</u><br>1.8% (4/224) | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><b>All-cause mortality, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Index</u><br>0.4% (1/224) vs. 0.4% (1/222), p=NR<br><u>18 months</u><br>1.8% (4/220) vs. 1.8% (4/218), p=NR<br><br><b>Cardiac mortality, % (n/N)</b><br><u>18 months:</u><br>2.2% (5/224) vs. 1.4% (3/222), p=NR | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><b>Admission for acute MI, % (n/N)</b><br><u>18 months</u><br>0.9% (2/224) vs. 0% (0/222), p=NR | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><b>Revascularization (CABG), % (n/N)</b><br><u>Index</u><br>12.9% (29/224) vs. 9.5% (21/222), p=NR<br><u>18 months</u><br>0.5% (1/224) vs. 1.4% (3/222), p=NR<br><br><b>Revascularization (PCI), % (n/N)</b><br><u>Index</u><br>17.4% (39/224) vs. 24.8% (55/222), p=NR<br><u>18 months</u><br>0.5% (1/224) vs. 1.8% (4/222), p=NR | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><b>Proportion of patients requiring additional testing, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Index</u><br>Any additional testing: 78.6% (176/224) vs. 3.6% (8/222), p=NR<br>- ICA: 78.1% (175/224) vs. 0% (0/222), p=NR<br>- SPECT: 0.5% (1/224) vs. 3.2% (7/222), p=NR<br>- MRI: 0% (0/224) vs. 0.5% (1/222), p=NR | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><b>Total nonfatal events (admission for chest pain or acute MI, unplanned PCI or CABG, other)</b><br><u>18 months</u><br>10.7% (24/224) vs. 8.6% (19/222), p=NR | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><b>Angina, % (n/N)</b><br><u>18 months</u><br>14.7% (33/224) vs. 12.6% (28/222), p=NR<br><br><b>Admission for chest pain, % (n/N)</b><br><u>18 months</u><br>8.5% (19/224) vs. 6.3% (14/222), p=NR<br><br><b>SAQ, mean (SD)</b><br>Exertional capacity<br><u>Index</u><br>72.6 (21.2) vs. 75.1 (20.4), p=NR<br><u>6 months</u><br>77.5 (21.3) vs. 80.2 (19.3)<br><u>18 months</u><br>78.5 (23) vs. 81.7 (19.2), p=NR |

| Author/trial Interventions | Patient disposition Test result | Mortality (All –cause, cardiac) | Myocardial infarction | Referral for treatment | Referral for additional testing | Composite outcomes | Other   |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|---|
|                            |                                 |                                 |                       |                        |                                 |                    | <p>Anginal stability Index<br/>52.2 (22.5) vs. 52.5 (21.8), p=NR<br/><u>6 months</u><br/>61.9 (24.1) vs. 66.6 (24.7), p=NR<br/><u>18 months</u><br/>62.6 (25.1) vs. 64.6 (25.1), p=NR</p> <p>Anginal frequency Index<br/>67.8 (23.9) vs. 67.4 (24.1), p=NR<br/><u>6 months</u><br/>83.5 (21.7) vs. 83.8 (21.1)<br/><u>18 months</u><br/>86.9 (19.4) vs. 84.2 (21.4), p=NR</p> <p>Treatment satisfaction index</p> |

| Author/trial Interventions | Patient disposition Test result | Mortality (All –cause, cardiac) | Myocardial infarction | Referral for treatment | Referral for additional testing | Composite outcomes | Other   |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|---|
|                            |                                 |                                 |                       |                        |                                 |                    | 88.8 (15.2) vs. 88.9 (14.7), p=NR<br><u>6 months</u><br>92 (12.7) vs. 90.4 (15.1), p=NR<br><u>18 months</u><br>91.2 (14.6) vs. 91.8 (15.0), p=NR<br><br>Disease perception <u>Index</u><br>59.8 (22.5) vs. 60.5 (23.1), p=NR<br><u>6 months</u><br>74.8 (20.1) vs. 73.1 (22.5), p=NR<br><u>18 months</u><br>77 (21.9) vs. 77.4 (21.2), p=NR |

CABG = coronary artery bypass graft; CAD = coronary artery disease; ICA = invasive coronary angiography; MACE = major adverse cardiovascular events; MI = myocardial infarction; PCI = percutaneous coronary intervention; SAQ = Seattle Angina Questionnaire; SPECT = single-photon emission computerized tomography

\* Positive result = shows reversible ischemia in at least one segment of a 20-segment model, negative = NR, equivocal = NR

† Studies do not report test results for ICA group

**Appendix Table I6. Data abstraction for SPECT vs. ICA: Safety Outcomes**

| Author/trial Interventions                            | Imaging-related AEs  | Incidental findings | Radiation |
|---|--|---------------------|-----------|
| Sharples, 2007; Thom 2014<br><br>SPECT (A) vs ICA (B) | No patient experienced adverse events at the time of test. | NR                  |           |

AE = adverse events; ICA = invasive coronary angiography; SPECT = single-photon emission computerized tomography.

**Appendix Table 17. Data abstraction for SPECT vs. Any functional test: Study and Patient Characteristics**

| Trial<br>Author, year<br>Study Design<br>Country<br>Funding  | Population<br>Setting<br>Inclusion and<br>Exclusion Criteria   | Tests evaluated  | Baseline risk for CAD  | Patient characteristics  | Length f/u (%<br>followed)<br>Cross-over, %<br>(n/N)  |
|--|--|--|--|--|---|
| <p>Greenwood, 2016</p> <p>RCT (multicenter)</p> <p>UK</p> <p>Funding: British Heart Foundation, the Leeds Teaching Hospital Charitable Foundations and the National Institute for Health Research (NIHR)</p> | <p><b>Population:</b><br/>Suspected CAD</p> <p><b>Setting:</b><br/>Outpatient, non-emergent</p> <p><b>Inclusion:</b><br/>- Patients with suspected angina pectoris<br/>- ≥30 years old<br/>- CHD pretest likelihood of 10% to 90%<br/>- Suitable for revascularization</p> <p><b>Exclusion:</b><br/>- Known CAD<br/>- Nonanginal chest pain<br/>- Normal MPS or cardiac computed tomography result within previous 2 years<br/>- Clinically unstable; previous MI<br/>- Previous coronary revascularization; contraindication to any study noninvasive imagine test.</p> | <p><b>A. SPECT (MPS) (n=481) †</b><br/>- SPECT: 92.7% (446/481)<br/>- CMR: 0.8% (4/481)<br/>- CCTA: 0.2% (1/481)<br/>- ETT or stress echo: 1.0% (5/481)<br/>- Immediate ICA: 1.0% (5/481)<br/>- No test: 4.4% (21/481)<br/><b>Stressor:</b> treadmill or bicycle exercise, or pharmacologic vasodilator stress with adenosine or regadenoson, or a combination.<br/><b>Contrast:</b> Tc-tetrofosmin or Tc-Sestamibi<br/><b>Protocol:</b> Patients underwent a 1 or 2 day scanning protocol.<br/><b>Definition of positive test:</b> Summed stress score ≥4, unless believed by the reporting clinician to represent attenuation artifact, will by protocol necessitate referral for ICA+FFR.</p> <p><b>B. NICE guidelines (n=240)†</b><br/>Patients were scheduled for CCTA if they had a pretest likelihood of 10% to 29%, MPS if they had a pretest likelihood of 30% to 60%, or coronary angiography if they had a pretest likelihood of 61% to 90%.<br/>- CCTA: 23.3% (56/240)<br/>- SPECT: 35.8% (86/240)</p> | <p>A vs. B</p> <p><b>Low:</b> 26% (125/481) vs. 25.4% (61/240)<br/><b>Intermediate:</b> 38% (183/481) vs. 36.7% (88/240)<br/><b>High:</b> 36% (173/481) vs. 37.9% (91/240)</p> | <p>A vs. B</p> <p><b>Subgroup:</b> None<br/><b>N randomized:</b> 721*<br/><b>Mean age (SD):</b> 55.9 (8.87) vs. 56.5 (9.21)<br/><b>Female:</b> 46.8% vs. 46.7%<br/><b>Race:</b> NR<br/><b>Nonwhite:</b> 7.9% vs. 7.9%<br/><b>Chest pain:</b><br/>- Typical angina: 32.4% vs. 34.2%<br/>- Atypical angina: 67.6% vs. 65.8%<br/>- Nonspecific chest pain: NR<br/><b>Dyspnea:</b> NR<br/><b>Prior MI:</b> NR<br/><b>Prior revascularization:</b> NR<br/><b>Known CAD:</b> NR<br/><b>Chest pain frequency:</b> NR<br/><b>Hypertension:</b> 37.8% vs 41.3%<br/><b>Hyperlipidemia:</b> NR<br/><b>Diabetes:</b> 15.2% vs 10%<br/><b>Former or Current smoking:</b> 56.3% vs. 61.3%<br/><b>Medications:</b><br/>Antiplatelet therapy: 55.7% vs. 62.5%<br/>Beta-blockers: 32.6% vs. 30.8%<br/>Statin or other lipid-lowering therapy: 41.8% vs. 45%</p> | <p>Median (IQR): 15.8 (12.1 to 24.2) months: 97.4% (702/721)</p> <p>Received allocated test: 92.7% (446/481) vs. 100% (240/240)</p> |

| <b>Trial<br/>Author, year<br/>Study Design<br/>Country<br/>Funding</b> | <b>Population<br/>Setting<br/>Inclusion and<br/>Exclusion Criteria</b> | <b>Tests evaluated</b>   | <b>Baseline risk for CAD</b> | <b>Patient characteristics</b>  | <b>Length f/u (%<br/>followed)<br/>Cross-over, %<br/>(n/N)</b> |
|--|--|--|------------------------------|---|--|
|  |  | - Stress echo: 0.4% (1/240)<br>- CMR: 0.4% (1/240)<br>- Immediate ICA: 35.4%<br>(85/240) |                              | Angiotensin-converting enzyme<br>inhibitor or angiotensin II receptor<br>blocker: 25.4% vs. 27.5%<br>Other antianginal medication: 57.4%<br>vs. 59.2% |  |

CAD = coronary artery disease; CCTA = coronary computed tomography angiogram; CHD = coronary heart disease; CMR = cardiac magnetic resonance; FFR = fractional flow reserve; ICA = invasive coronary angiography; MI = myocardial infarction; MPS = myocardial perfusion scintigraphy; NICE = National Institute for Health and Care Excellence; RCT = randomized control trial; SPECT = single photon emission computed tomography

\* An additional 481 patients were randomized into a CMR arm in this trial. Data for these patients are not included here as CMR is not an included intervention in this HTA.

† Patients may have received more than 1 test, in addition to or as an alternative to their strategy.

**Appendix Table I8. Data abstraction for SPECT vs. Any functional test: Efficacy Outcomes**

| Author/trial Interventions                               | Patient disposition Test result   | Mortality (All – cause, cardiac)  | Myocardial infarction  | Referral for treatment  | Referral for additional testing  | Composite outcomes   | Other   |
|--|---|---|--|---|--|--|---|
| Greenwood, 2016<br><br>SPECT (A) vs. NICE guidelines (B) | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><b>Test result, % (n/N)</b><br><br><u>Positive for CHD on Index test</u><br>18.2% (81/446) vs. 13.4% (19/142), p=NR | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><b>All-cause mortality, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Median 16 month follow-up</u><br>0.6% (3/481) vs. 1.5% (3/240), p=NR<br><br><b>Cardiovascular mortality, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Median 16 month follow-up</u><br>0.6% (3/481) vs. 0.4% (1/240), p=NR | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><b>Nonfatal MI, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Median 16 month follow-up</u><br>0.4% (2/481) vs. 0.8% (2/240), p=NR | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><b>Revascularization (PCI), % (n/N)</b><br><u>12 months</u><br>5.7% (27/477) vs. 5.8% (14/238), p=NR<br><br><b>Revascularization (CABG), % (n/N)</b><br><u>12 months</u><br>2.7% (13/481) vs. 2.9% (7/240), p=NR<br><br>Unplanned PCI, % (n/N)<br><u>Median 16 month follow-up</u><br>0.8% (4/481) vs. 0.8% (2/240)<br><br>Unplanned CABG, % (n/N)<br><u>Median 16 month follow-up</u><br>0% vs. 0% | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><b>Invasive Coronary Angiography, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Index visit</u><br>10.4% (5/481) vs. 35.4% (85/240), p=NR<br><u>12 months</u><br>16.4% (73/481) vs. 7.1% (17/240), p=NR<br>[Total ICAs in each group across entire study period:<br>16.2% (78/481) vs. 42.5% (102/240)], p=NR<br><br><b>Unnecessary ICA, % (n/N)</b><br><u>12 months</u><br>7.1% (34/481) vs. 28.8% (69/240), p=NR | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><b>MACE (composite of cardiovascular death, myocardial infarction, unplanned coronary revascularization, and hospital admission for cardiovascular cause), % (n/N)</b><br><u>Median 16 month follow-up</u><br>3% (15/481) vs. 2.5% (6/240), p=NR | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><b>Arrhythmia, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Median 16 month follow-up</u><br>0.6% (3/481) vs. 0.8% (2/240), p=NR<br><br><b>Heart failure, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Median 16 month follow-up</u><br>0.8% (4/481) vs. 0% (0/240), p=NR<br><br><b>Stroke or TIA, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Median 16 month follow-up</u><br>0.2% (1/481) vs. 0% (0/240), p=NR |

CABG = coronary artery bypass graft; CCT = coronary computed tomography; CHD = coronary heart disease; CMR = cardiac magnetic resonance; ICA = invasive coronary angiography; MI = myocardial infarction; MPS = myocardial perfusion scan; NICE = National Institute for Health and Care Excellence; PCI = percutaneous coronary intervention; RCT = randomized control trial; SPECT = single photon emission computed tomography; TIA = transient ischemic attack.

\* Data are only reported for those that received their initial randomized test. In the NICE-guidelines group, only data for those that underwent CCTA or SPECT as their initial test have data reported here.

† Components of this outcome include receiving a false positive on a non-invasive test, being directed straight to ICA based on treatment strategy, having a negative noninvasive test (not per-protocol), and having an inconclusive noninvasive test or result.

**Appendix Table I9. Data abstraction for SPECT vs. Any functional test: Safety Outcomes**

| Author/trial Interventions                               | Imaging-related AEs  | Incidental findings | Radiation |
|--|--|---------------------|-----------|
| Greenwood, 2016<br><br>SPECT (A) vs. NICE guidelines (B) | In the study, 5 test-related medical complications were reported: CMR (1 case: mild urticarial reaction), MPS (0 cases), CCT (1 case: vasovagal episode), and angiography (3 cases: ventricular tachycardia, pseudo-aneurysm and popliteal deep venous thrombosis, right coronary artery spasm and transient ST elevation).* | NR                  | NR        |

AE = adverse events; MPS = myocardial perfusion scan; NICE = National Institute for Health and Care Excellence; SPECT = single photon emission computed tomography

\* Events were not reported by randomized group and therefore these events could have occurred among patients randomized to CMR, which was not abstracted here as this intervention was not of interest for the purposes of this HTA.

**Appendix Table I10. Data abstraction for SPECT vs. Usual care: Study and Patient Characteristics**

| Trial<br>Author, year<br>Study Design<br>Country<br>Funding   | Population<br>Setting<br>Inclusion and<br>Exclusion Criteria  | Tests evaluated  | Baseline risk for<br>CAD | Patient characteristics   | Length f/u (%<br>followed)<br>Cross-over, %<br>(n/N)   |
|---|---|--|--------------------------|---|--|
| Lim, 2013<br><br>RCT<br>(single Center)<br><br>Singapore<br><br>Funding<br>Singapore<br>Research<br>Institute,<br>Ministry of<br>Health Holdins | <p><u>Population:</u><br/>Suspected ACS</p> <p><u>Setting:</u><br/>ED</p> <p><u>Inclusion:</u><br/>- Aged ≥25 years<br/>- Presenting at Singapore General Hospital ED with acute chest pain<br/>- Initial 12-lead ECG was non-diagnostic for myocardial ischemia or AMI<br/>- No lower age limit for patients with coronary risk factors or family history of AMI</p> <p><u>Exclusion:</u><br/>- Congestive cardiac failure or hypotension associated with chest pain<br/>- Unequivocal non-cardiac chest pain based on clinical assessment</p> | <p><b>A. SPECT (SMPI) (n=1126 randomized, n=1004 analyzed)</b><br/> <u>Stressor:</u> symptom-limited physical exercise testing Bruce Protocol, dipyridamole or dobutamine.<br/> <u>Contrast:</u> Tc-99m tetrofosmin<br/> <u>Protocol:</u> following randomization, patients received in the first 6 hours a continuous ECG monitoring, a 12-lead ECG, and sampling of 10 mL of blood at 0, 3, and 6 hours after arrival for analysis of creatine kinase-MB (CKMB) isoenzyme and troponin T. Any patients that developed recurring chest pain or positive CKMB or troponin T were admitted to the Department of Cardiology. After this, they underwent a stress nuclear MPI scan within 24 hours of presentation with exercise as preference, those unable to receive intravenous pharmacologic testing. Tc-99m tetrofosmin was injected at peak stress, and SPECT was performed 30 (exercise) or 60 (pharmacologic) minutes later.</p> <p><u>Definition of positive test:</u><br/>Participants with abnormal stress scans (defect size ≥5% of left ventricle or LVEF &lt;50% with regional wall motion</p> | NR                       | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><u>Subgroup:</u> Participants with negative observation following 6-hours<br/>                     N randomized: 1690*<br/> <u>Mean age (SD):</u> 52 (12.4) vs. 51.8 (12.8)<br/> <u>Female:</u> 40.3% vs. 43.4%<br/> <u>Race:</u><br/>                     Chinese: 70% vs. 68.3%<br/>                     Malay: 10.5% vs. 12.7%<br/>                     Indian: 17.8% vs. 17.3%<br/>                     Others: 1.6% vs. 1.8%<br/> <u>Chest pain:</u> NR<br/>                     - Typical angina: NR<br/>                     - Atypical angina: NR<br/>                     - Nonspecific chest pain: NR<br/> <u>Dyspnea:</u> NR<br/> <u>Prior MI:</u> 1% vs. 1.6%<br/> <u>Prior revascularization:</u> NR<br/> <u>Known CAD:</u> 4.1% vs 4.4%<br/> <u>Chest pain frequency:</u> NR<br/> <u>Hypertension:</u> 43.2% vs. 39.3%<br/> <u>Hyperlipidemia:</u> NR<br/> <u>Diabetes:</u> 17.9% vs. 17.9%<br/> <u>Current smoking:</u> 33% vs. 30.7%</p> | <p>12 months:<br/><br/><b>A vs. B</b><br/><br/>                     Crossover:<br/><br/>                     9.7%<br/>                     (109/1126) vs.<br/>                     9.8% (55/564)<br/>                     admitted<br/>                     before 6 hours<br/><br/>                     1.2% (13/1126)<br/>                     vs. 0.9%<br/>                     (5/564) self-<br/>                     discharged<br/>                     without<br/>                     receiving<br/>                     intervention</p> |

| Trial<br>Author, year<br>Study Design<br>Country<br>Funding | Population<br>Setting<br>Inclusion and<br>Exclusion Criteria   | Tests evaluated   | Baseline risk for<br>CAD | Patient characteristics | Length f/u (%<br>followed)<br>Cross-over, %<br>(n/N) |
|---|--|---|--------------------------|-------------------------|--|
|   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Clinical syndrome of persistent chest pain consistent with unstable angina</li> <li>- Previous angiogram or SMPI/echo test within 18 months</li> <li>- Concomitant illnesses requiring admission; pregnant</li> </ul> | <p>abnormalities) were admitted for further management, while those with equivocal stress scans (mild defects with defect size &lt;5% with normal left ventricle function and no regional wall motion abnormalities) were scheduled for rest imaging, which may go on to be reported as ischemia.</p> <p><b>B. Usual care (n=564 randomized, n=504 analyzed)</b><br/>Following 6 hours of observation, control group were assessed for likelihood of ACS based on age, sex, characteristics of chest discomfort, known history of CAD or MI, present of other coronary risk factors and non-diagnostic ECG changed &lt;1 mm of ST segment depression or the presence of T-wave inversion with symptoms. Patients were admitted if physician felt participant had high or intermediate risk for ACS.</p> |                          |                         |  |

ACS = acute coronary syndrome; AMI = acute myocardial infarction; CAD = coronary artery disease; CKMB = creatine kinase-MB isoenzyme; ECG = electrocardiogram; ED = emergency department; MI = myocardial infarction; mL = milliliter; RCT = randomized control trial; SMPI = stress myocardial perfusion imaging; SPECT = single photon emission computed tomography

\* 1690 patients were randomized, but 162 were excluded within 6 hours due to cardiac events or significant coronary artery disease and admitted to further testing, and another 18 were self-discharged without undergoing intervention.

**Appendix Table I11. Data abstraction for SPECT vs. Usual care: Efficacy Outcomes**

| Author/trial Interventions                   | Patient disposition Test result  | Mortality (All – cause, cardiac)   | Myocardial infarction    | Referral for treatment  | Referral for additional testing   | Composite outcomes  | Other  |
|--|--|--|--------------------------|---|---|---|--|
| Lim, 2013<br><br>SPECT (A) vs Usual care (B) | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><b>Disposition, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Discharged from ED:</u><br>89.8% (902/1004) vs 81.5% (411/504)<br><u>[of these, self-discharged:</u><br>0.9% (9/1004) vs. 0.4% (2/504)]<br><u>Admitted to hospital:</u><br>10.2% (102/1004) vs. 18.5% (93/504)<br><br><b>Test result, % (n/N)*†</b><br><u>SMPI normal</u><br>78.3% (786/1004) vs. NR<br><u>SMPI probably normal with attenuation</u><br>13.4% (135/1004) vs. NR<br><u>SMPI abnormal</u><br>8.2% (82/1004) vs. NR | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><b>Cardiac mortality, % (n/N)</b><br><u>30 days</u><br>0% (0/1004) vs. 0% (0/504)<br><u>12 months</u><br>0.3% (3/1004) vs. 0% (0/504)<br><br>Risk Difference (95% CI) = 0.003 (-0.0004 to 0.006) | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br>NR | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><b>Revascularization (any PCI, CABG), % (n/N)</b><br><u>12 months</u><br>4.8% (48/1004) vs. 6.2% (31/504)<br>Risk difference (95% CI) = -1.4% (-3.9% to 1.1%)<br><br><b>Necessary admission for ACS, % (n/N)</b><br><u>Index visit</u><br>7.6% (77/1004) vs. 17.3% (89/504) | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><b>Invasive Coronary Angiography, % (n/N)</b><br><u>12 months</u><br>7.3% (73/1004) vs. 11% (56/504)<br>Risk difference (95% CI) = -3.8% (-7.0% to -0.07%)<br><br><b>Stress testing, % (n/N)</b><br><u>12 months</u><br>3.6% (36/1004) vs. 57.3% (289/504)<br>Risk difference (95% CI) = -53.8% (-58.2% to 49.3%)<br>-stress echocardiogram, 1.0% (10/1004) vs. 8.5% (43/504)<br>-stress MPI, 16.0% (16/1004) vs. 23.8% (120/504)<br>-stress ECG, 10.0% (10/1004) vs. 25.0% (126/504)<br><br><b>Resting echocardiogram, % (n/N)</b><br><u>12 months</u><br>85.0% (85/1004) vs. 10.9% (55/504) | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><b>Cardiac event (including cardiac death, ventricular fibrillation, MI, cardiogenic shock or acute pulmonary edema requiring intubation), % (n/N)</b><br><u>30 days</u><br>0.4% (4/1004) vs. 0.8% (4/504)<br>RR (95% CI) = 0.5 (0.13 to 2.0)<br><u>12 months</u><br>0.7% (7/1004) vs. 1% (5/504)<br>RR (95% CI) = 0.70 (95% CI 0.22 to 2.20) | <b>A vs. B</b><br><br><b>Diagnosis of SCAD, % (n/N)</b><br><u>30 days</u><br>3.6% (36/1004) vs. 3% (15/504)<br>RR (95% CI) = 1.2 (0.61 to 2.17)<br><u>12 months</u><br>5.1% (51/1004) vs. 5.8% (29/504)<br>RR (95% CI) = 0.88 (0.57 to 1.37) |

ACS = acute coronary syndrome; MI = myocardial infarction; SMPI = stress myocardial perfusion imaging; SCAD = severe coronary artery disease, SPECT = single photon emission computed tomography.

\* Usual care group did not report any type of test results.

† Normal = no perfusion defect, defect size of 0%, left ventricular ejection fraction ≥50%, normal regional wall motion; abnormal = defect size ≥5% of the left ventricle or left ventricular ejection fraction <50% with regional wall motion abnormalities.

‡ All reported cardiac events were due to nonfatal myocardial infarction.

**Appendix Table I12. Data abstraction for SPECT vs. Usual care: Safety Outcomes**

| Author/trial Interventions               | Imaging-related AEs | Incidental findings | Radiation |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|-----------|
| Lim, 2013<br>SPECT (A) vs Usual care (B) | NR                  | NR                  | NR        |

AE = adverse events, NR = not reported, SPECT = single photon emission tomography.

**Appendix Table I13. Data abstraction for SPECT vs. Stress Echo: Study and Patient Characteristics**

| Trial<br>Author, year<br>Study Design<br>Country<br>Funding                  | Population<br>Setting<br>Inclusion and<br>Exclusion Criteria   | Tests evaluated  | Baseline risk for CAD | Patient characteristics   | Length f/u (%<br>followed)<br>Cross-over, %<br>(n/N)  |
|--|--|--|-----------------------|---|---|
| Salame, 2018<br><br>RCT<br>(single Center)<br><br>USA<br><br>Funding<br>AHRQ | <p><u>Population:</u> Mixed suspected CAD or known CAD</p> <p><u>Setting:</u><br/>ED</p> <p><u>Inclusion:</u><br/>                     - Atraumatic chest pain or possible angina equivalent<br/>                     - Age &gt; 18 years<br/>                     - Patients referred for stress imaging from 6am to 6pm Monday to Friday</p> <p><u>Exclusion:</u><br/>                     - Referral for standard exercise electrocardiography without imaging<br/>                     - ACS defined by positive troponin-I levels<br/>                     - Severe left ventricular systolic dysfunction;<br/>                     - Severe valvular disease<br/>                     - Left bundle branch block<br/>                     - Paced ventricular rhythm<br/>                     - Concurrent conditions that might</p> | <p><b>A. Stress MPI (MDCT) (n=120 randomized, n=116 analyzed)</b><br/> <u>Stressor:</u> Exercise treadmill, persantine or dobutamine (at provider’s discretion)<br/>                     - 27% received exercise testing.<br/>                     - 73% received dipyridamole.<br/> <u>Contrast:</u> Ultrasound<br/> <u>Protocol:</u> NR<br/> <u>Definition of positive test:</u><br/>                     Adequate image quality to exclude ischemia and achievement of &gt;85% of age-predicted maximal heart rate in the case of exercise or dobutamine stress studies.</p> <p><b>B. Stress Echo (n=120 randomized, n=113 analyzed)</b><br/>                     Stress ECHO was introduced to the hospital in the previous five years. It used exercise or dobutamine stressors at the discretion of the healthcare provider.<br/>                     - 42% received exercise testing.<br/>                     - 58% received dobutamine.</p> | NR                    | <p>A vs. B</p> <p><u>Subgroup:</u> None<br/> <u>N randomized:</u> 240<br/> <u>Mean age (SD):</u> 57.9 (10.0) vs. 54.6 (8.6)<br/> <u>Female:</u> 55.2% vs. 53.1%<br/> <u>Race:</u><br/>                     Black/African-American: 19% vs. 21.2%<br/>                     White: 75.9% vs. 71.7%<br/>                     Other: 5.2% vs. 7.1%<br/> <u>Chest pain:</u> 100% vs 100%<br/>                     - Typical angina: NR<br/>                     - Atypical angina: NR<br/>                     - Nonspecific chest pain: NR<br/> <u>Dyspnea:</u> NR<br/> <u>Prior MI:</u> 14.7% vs. 15.9%<br/> <u>Prior revascularization:</u> NR<br/> <u>Known CAD:</u> 26.7% vs 21.2%<br/> <u>Chest pain frequency:</u> NR<br/> <u>Hypertension:</u> 76.7% vs 75.2%<br/> <u>Hyperlipidemia:</u> 47.4% vs 48.7%<br/> <u>Diabetes:</u> 38.8% vs 38.9%<br/> <u>Current smoking:</u> NR<br/> <u>Medications:</u><br/>                     Beta-blockers:<br/>                     31% vs. 26.6<br/>                     Other antihypertensives:<br/>                     62.2 vs. 58.4%</p> | <p>1 month: 100%<br/><br/>                     Crossover: 0%</p> <p><b>A vs. B</b><br/>                     Completed allocated test:<br/>                     96.7%<br/>                     (116/120) vs.<br/>                     94.2%<br/>                     (113/120)</p> |

| Trial<br>Author, year<br>Study Design<br>Country<br>Funding   | Population<br>Setting<br>Inclusion and<br>Exclusion Criteria  | Tests evaluated   | Baseline risk for CAD  | Patient characteristics   | Length f/u (%<br>followed)<br>Cross-over, %<br>(n/N)  |
|---|---|---|--|---|---|
|   | compromise patient safety if they underwent stress testing.   |   |  | Diabetes medication:<br>25.9% vs. 25.7%<br>Aspirin:<br>44% vs. 40.7%<br>Clopidogrel:<br>1.7% vs. 0.9%<br>Lipid-lowering medication:<br>42.2% vs. 43.4%<br>Warfarin:<br>4.3% vs. 8.9%  |   |
| Sharples, 2007;<br>Thom 2014<br><br>RCT<br>(single Center)<br><br>UK<br><br>Funding<br>National<br>Institute for<br>Health Research | <u>Population:</u><br>Mixed suspected CAD or known CAD<br><br><u>Setting:</u><br>Outpatient, nonemergent<br><br><u>Inclusion:</u><br>- Established or suspected chronic stable angina referred for angiography<br>- An EET result which merited referral for angiography<br><br><u>Exclusion:</u> | <b>A. SPECT (n=224 randomized) PAGE 24</b><br><u>Stressor:</u> Adenosine (dobutamine if contraindications)<br><u>Contrast:</u> 99mTc Sestamibi<br><u>Protocol:</u> Patients abstained from all caffeinated food and drink for 24 hours prior to test, fasted for 6 hours pre-injection and took a fatty meal post injection. Pharmacological stress consisted of 6-minute adenosine infusion, 130 µg/kg/minute with tracer injected at 3 minutes. 400-MBq 99mTc MIBI administered at 3 minutes after infusion of adenosine, with imaging performed at 60 to 90 minutes after injection. | <b>A vs. B</b><br><u>1:</u> 1% (1/224) vs. 2% (4/226)<br><u>2:</u> 12% (27/224) vs. 12% (26/226)<br><u>3:</u> 19% (41/224) vs. 17% (39/226)<br><u>4:</u> 37% (81/224) vs. 35% (79/226)<br><u>5:</u> 31% (69/224) vs. 34% (76/226)* | <b>A vs. B</b><br><u>Subgroup:</u> None<br><u>N randomized:</u> 898+<br><u>Mean age (SD):</u> 62.1 (9.5) vs. 61.9 (9.9)<br><u>Female:</u> 30% vs. 29%<br><u>Race:</u> NR<br><u>Chest pain:</u> NR<br>- Typical angina: NR<br>- Atypical angina: NR<br>- Nonspecific chest pain: NR<br><u>Dyspnea:</u> NR<br><u>Prior MI:</u> 23% vs. 31%<br><u>Prior revascularization:</u> NR<br><u>Known CAD:</u> NR<br><u>Chest pain frequency:</u> NR<br><u>Treated hypertension:</u> 59% vs. 57% | 18 months: 84%<br>36 months: 84%<br>Crossover: 0%<br><b>A vs. B</b><br>Crossover: Received allocated test, % (n/N): 98.2% (220/224) vs. 96.5% (218/226) |

| Trial<br>Author, year<br>Study Design<br>Country<br>Funding | Population<br>Setting<br>Inclusion and<br>Exclusion Criteria   | Tests evaluated  | Baseline risk for CAD | Patient characteristics  | Length f/u (%<br>followed)<br>Cross-over, %<br>(n/N) |
|---|--|--|-----------------------|--|--|
|   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Recent MI or revascularization</li> <li>- admission with chest pain</li> <li>- urgent revascularization</li> <li>- contraindication to pharmacological stress testing on MRI</li> <li>- incapable of performing modified Bruce exercise test</li> <li>- not available by phone</li> </ul> | <p><u>Definition of positive test:</u> positive diagnoses showed reversible ischemia in at least one segment of a 20-segment model.</p> <p><b>B. Stress echocardiography (n=226 randomized)</b><br/>                     Performed using a standard staged protocol of increasing doses of dobutamine infusion in stages of 3 minutes duration. Imaging performed with standard views acquired using tissue harmonic imaging on a 3.5-MHz ultrasound prone in the last 1 minute of each 3-minute stage. Intravenous ultrasound contrast medium was used to delineate the left ventricular endocardial border. Positive diagnoses for ischemia showed stress-related deterioration in contractility in functional or hibernating myocardial segments.</p> |                       | <p><u>Treated hyperlipidemia:</u> 76% vs. 79%</p> <p><u>Diabetes:</u> 11.6% vs. 11.9%</p> <p><u>Current smoking:</u> 41.9% vs. 43.8%</p> <p><u>Medications:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Anti-platelets: 75% vs. 81%</li> <li>Statins: 67% vs. 69%</li> <li>Beta-blockers: 50% vs. 64%</li> <li>ACE inhibitors: 32% vs. 31%</li> <li>Calcium-channel blockers: 31% vs. 28%</li> <li>Nicorandil/potassium-channel activators: 18% vs. 24%</li> <li>Nitrates: 16% vs. 17%</li> <li>Diuretics: 13% vs. 15%</li> <li>Angiotensin-II receptor antagonists: 4% vs. 7%</li> </ul> |  |

ACE = Angiotensin-converting-enzyme; CAD = coronary artery disease; ECHO = echocardiography; ICA = invasive coronary angiography; MI = myocardial; RCT = randomized control trial; SPECT = single-photon emission computerized tomography

\* Baseline risk of CAD was assessed by a clinician on a scale of 1 (lowest) to 5 (highest).

† Study also includes MRI. 898 patients were randomized to angiography (n=222), SPECT (n=224), MRI (226), or stress echo (n=226)

**Appendix Table I14. Data abstraction for SPECT vs. Stress Echo: Efficacy Outcomes**

| Author/trial Interventions                        | Patient disposition Test result   | Mortality (All – cause, cardiac)   | Myocardial infarction                      | Referral for treatment   | Referral for additional testing  | Composite outcomes | Other  |
|---|---|--|--|--|--|--------------------|--|
| Salame, 2018<br><br>SPECT (A) vs. Stress Echo (B) | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><b>Test result, % (n/N) (95% CI)*†</b></p> <p><u>Diagnostic test rates:</u><br/>Overall: 94.8% (110/116) (89.1% to 98.1%,) vs. 89.4% (101/113) (82.2% to 94.4%), p=0.13<br/>After excluding patients who failed to achieve target heart rate: 94.8% (110/116) (95% CI, 89.1% to 98.1%) vs. 100% (101/101), p=0.03</p> <p><u>Negative test (for ischemia)</u><br/>89.1% (103/116) (95% CI NR) vs. 94.1%</p> | <p><b>All-cause mortality, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>30 days</u><br/>0.8% (1/116) vs. 0% (0/113)</p> | <p>MI</p> <p>0% (0/116) vs. 0% (0/113)</p> | <p><b>PCI, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>30 days</u><br/>0% (0/116) vs. 0.9% (1/113)</p> | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><b>Invasive Coronary Angiography, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>30 days</u><br/>1.7% (2/116) vs. 4.4% (5/113)</p> | NR                 | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><b>ED revisit (for chest pain), % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>30 days</u><br/>2.6% (3/116) vs. 2.7% (3/113)</p> <p><b>Rehospitalization (for chest pain), % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>30 days</u><br/>2.6% (3/116) vs. 0.9% (1/113)</p> <p><b>Hospital Length of stay, (hours) median, IQR:</b><br/>25.5 (19.4 to 42.5) vs. 26 (20.3 to 40.6)</p> <p><b>Duration of imaging (hours), median, IQR:</b><br/>4.1 (3.2 to 5.2) vs. 1.8 (1.3 to 2.6)</p> |

| Author/trial Interventions                                    | Patient disposition Test result  | Mortality (All – cause, cardiac)   | Myocardial infarction  | Referral for treatment  | Referral for additional testing   | Composite outcomes  | Other  |
|---|--|--|--|---|---|---|--|
|   | (106/113) (95 CI NR), p=0.2  |  |  |   |   |   |  |
| Sharples, 2007; Thom 2014<br><br>SPECT (A) vs stress Echo (B) | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><b>Test result, % (n/N)<sup>†</sup></b></p> <p><u>Positive</u><br/>54% (121/224) vs. 45.6% (103/226)</p> <p><u>Negative</u><br/>40.2% (90/224) vs. 44.3% (100/226)</p> <p><u>Equivocal</u><br/>4% (9/224) vs. 3.1% (7/226)</p> <p><u>Not done</u><br/>1.8% (4/224) vs. 3.5% (8/226)</p> <p><u>Test failed</u><br/>NR vs. 3.5% (8/226)</p> | <p><b>A vs B.</b></p> <p><b>All-cause mortality, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>Index</u><br/>0.4% (1/224) vs. 0% (0/226)</p> <p><u>18 months</u><br/>1.8% (4/224) vs. 2.7% (6/226)</p> <p><u>72 months</u><br/>0.9% (2/224) vs. 2.2% (5/226)</p> <p><u>Cumulative</u><br/>3.1% (7/224) vs. 4.9% (11/226)</p> <p><b>Cardiac mortality, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>18 months:</u><br/>2.2% (5/224) vs. 0.4% (1/226)</p> | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><b>Admission for acute MI, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>18 months</u><br/>0.9% (2/224) vs. 2.76% (6/226)</p> | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><b>Revascularization (CABG), % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>Index</u><br/>12.9% (29/224) vs. 12.9% (29/226)</p> <p><u>18 months</u><br/>0.5% (1/224) vs. 1.8.% (4/226), p=NR</p> <p><b>Revascularization (PCI), % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>Index</u><br/>17.4% (39/224) vs. 22.7% (51/226)</p> <p><u>18 months</u><br/>0.5% (1/224) vs. 2.2% (5/226), p=NR</p> <p>Cumulative % of any revascularization post-index:<br/>43.8% (98/224) vs. 53.5% (121/226)</p> | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><b>Invasive Coronary Angiography, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>Index</u><br/>78.1% (175/224) vs. 74.8% (169/226)</p> <p><b>SPECT, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>Index:</u><br/>0.4 (1/224) vs. 0% (0/226)</p> <p><b>Proportion of patients requiring additional testing, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>Index</u><br/>Any additional testing: 78.6% (176/224) vs. 74.8% (169/226), p=NR<br/>- ICA: 78.1% (175/224) vs. 74.8% (169/226), p=NR<br/>- SPECT: 0.5% (1/224) vs. 0% (0/226), p=NR<br/>- MRI: 0% (0/224) vs. 0% (0/226), p=NR</p> | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><b>Total nonfatal events (admission for chest pain or acute MI, unplanned PCI or CABG, other\$)</b></p> <p><u>18 months</u><br/>10.7% (24/224) vs. 13.7% (31/226)</p> <p><b>Total nonfatal plus fatal events</b></p> <p><u>18 months</u><br/>12.9% (29/224) vs. 16.4% (37/226)</p> | <p><b>A vs. B</b></p> <p><b>Angina, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>18 months</u><br/>14.7% (33/224) vs. 14.6% (34/226)</p> <p><b>Admission for chest pain, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>18 months</u><br/>8.5% (19/224) vs. 10.6% (24/226)</p> <p><b>Admission for chest pain or MI</b></p> <p><u>18 months</u><br/>9.4% (21/224) vs. 13.3% (30/226)</p> <p><b>SAQ, mean (SD)</b></p> <p>Exertional capacity<br/><u>Index</u><br/>72.6 (21.2) vs. 73.2 (21.5)</p> <p><u>6 months</u><br/>77.5 (21.3) vs. 81 (20.5)</p> <p><u>18 months</u></p> |

| Author/trial Interventions | Patient disposition Test result | Mortality (All – cause, cardiac) | Myocardial infarction | Referral for treatment | Referral for additional testing | Composite outcomes | Other   |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|---|
|                            |                                 |                                  |                       |                        |                                 |                    | <p>78.5 (23) vs. 81.5 (20)</p> <p>Anginal stability <u>Index</u><br/>52.2 (22.5) vs. 50 (20.4)<br/><u>6 months</u><br/>61.9 (24.1) vs. 65.2 (26.6)<br/><u>18 months</u><br/>62.6 (25.1) vs. 64.4 (20)</p> <p>Anginal frequency <u>Index</u><br/>67.8 (23.9) vs. 65.4 (25.8)<br/><u>6 months</u><br/>83.5 (21.7) vs. 84 (23.1)<br/><u>18 months</u><br/>86.9 (19.4) vs. 86.8 (21.8)</p> <p>Treatment satisfaction <u>index</u><br/>88.8 (15.2) vs. 87.5 (25.4)<br/><u>6 months</u></p> |

| Author/trial Interventions | Patient disposition Test result | Mortality (All – cause, cardiac) | Myocardial infarction | Referral for treatment | Referral for additional testing | Composite outcomes | Other  |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|--|
|                            |                                 |                                  |                       |                        |                                 |                    | 92 (12.7) vs. 91.6 (14.8)<br><u>18 months</u><br>91.2 (14.6) vs. 91.9 (16.1)<br><br>Disease perception<br><u>Index</u><br>59.8 (22.5) vs. 57.1 (25.4)<br><u>6 months</u><br>74.8 (20.1) vs. 75.6 (22.2)<br><u>18 months</u><br>77 (21.9) vs. 78.4 (22) |

CABG = coronary artery bypass graft; CAD = coronary artery disease; ECHO = echocardiography; MACE = major adverse cardiovascular events; MI = myocardial infarction; PCI = percutaneous coronary intervention; SAQ = Seattle Angina Questionnaire; SPECT = single-photon emission computerized tomography

\* Study considered diagnostic if image quality was adequate to exclude ischemia and achievement of >85% of age-predicted maximal heart rate; non-diagnostic if final interpretation stated that MI could not be excluded.

† positive result = shows reversible ischemia in at least one segment of a 20-segment model, negative = NR, equivocal = NR

‡ Findings did not differ after multivariable adjustment accounting for age, gender, BMI, and study group.

§ Post-CABG wound infection, admission for breathlessness, admission for ICD implant, admission for suspected MI found to be muscular pain, seen in A&E with chest pain (5 in SPECT); transient ischemic attack (stress echo).

**Appendix Table I15. Data abstraction for SPECT vs. Stress Echo: Safety Outcomes**

| Author/trial Interventions                                 | Imaging-related AEs | Incidental findings | Radiation |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|-----------|
| Salome, 2018<br>SPECT vs. Stress Echo                      | NR                  | NR                  | NR        |
| Sharples, 2007; Thom 2014<br>SPECT (A) vs. stress Echo (B) | NR                  | NR                  | NR        |

AE = adverse events; ECHO = echocardiography; NR = not reported; SPECT = single-photon emission computerized tomography.

**APPENDIX J. Data Abstraction of Included Studies Evaluating CCTA + FFR**

**Appendix Table J1. CCTA FFR vs. any functional test: Study and Patient Characteristics**

| Trial<br>Author, year<br>Study Design<br>Country<br>Funding  | Population<br>Setting<br>Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria  | Tests evaluated  | Baseline risk for<br>CAD*  | Patient<br>characteristics*   | Length f/u<br>(%<br>followed)<br>Cross-over,<br>% (n/N)   |
|--|--|--|--|---|---|
| <p><b>PLATFORM study</b></p> <p>Douglas, 2015 &amp; 2016</p> <p>Prospective Cohort;<br/>Multicenter (11 sites)</p> <p>Europe</p> | <p><u>Population:</u> Suspected CAD</p> <p><u>Setting:</u> Outpatient; non-emergent</p> <p><u>Inclusion:</u> symptomatic outpatients ≥18 years old, without known CAD, but with an intermediate likelihood of obstructive CAD, whose physician had planned non-emergent, non-invasive, or invasive cardiovascular testing to evaluate suspected CAD</p> <p><u>Exclusion:</u> acute coronary syndrome or clinical instability, previously documented CAD, contraindications to CCTA, needed emergent or urgent procedure, and recent cardiovascular testing (&lt;90 days)</p> | <p>Each cohort was subdivided into two groups based on the evaluation plan decided upon before enrolment in the study: non-invasive testing (any form of stress testing or CTA without FFRCT) or invasive coronary angiography (ICA)</p> <p><b>Originally planned for NIT (N=204); received:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>A: CCTA FFR (≥64 slice) (n=104)</b> [CCTA was performed in 100% (104/104) of patients, submitted for FFR in 64.4% (67/104), and analyzed in 57.7% (60/104)]</li> </ul> <p><u>Tests completed before enrollment into study</u></p> <p>Exercise ECG: 4%<br/>Stress echo: 0%<br/>SPECT: 1%<br/>CMR: 0%<br/>CTA: 0%<br/>Other test: 0%</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>C: NIT (n=100)</b></li> </ul> <p><u>Tests completed before enrollment into study</u></p> <p>No test: 100%</p> <p><b>Originally planned for ICA (N=380); received:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>B: CCTA FFR (≥64 slice) (n=193)</b> [CCTA was performed in 100% (193/193) of patients, submitted for FFR in 69%</li> </ul> | <p><u>Mean pre-test probability of obstructive CAD (SD) calculated by updated Diamond and Forrester score</u></p> <p><b>Originally planned for non-invasive testing (A vs. C)</b></p> <p>45.3% (16.8%) vs. 44.5% (15.3%)</p> <p><b>Originally planned for ICA (B vs. D)</b></p> <p>49.4% (17.2%) vs. 51.7% (16.7%)</p> | <p><b>Originally planned for non-invasive testing (A vs. C)</b></p> <p><u>Subgroup:</u> None</p> <p><u>N enrolled:</u> 204</p> <p><u>Mean age (SD):</u> 59.5 (9.3) vs. 57.9 (10.7)</p> <p><u>Female:</u> 34% vs. 42.3%</p> <p><u>Racial/ethnic minority:</u> 0% vs. 5%</p> <p><u>Chest pain:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Typical angina: 17.3% vs. 8%</li> <li>- Atypical angina: 76.9% vs. 91.0%</li> <li>- Non-cardiac chest pain: 5.8% vs. 1.0%</li> </ul> <p>p=0.018</p> <p><u>Dyspnea:</u> NR</p> <p><u>Prior MI:</u> NR</p> <p><u>Prior revascularization:</u> NR</p> <p><u>Known CAD:</u> 0% vs. 0%</p> | <p>90 days, 6 months, and 12 months</p> <p>% followed at 90 days: 96.4% (563/584)</p> <p>% followed at 12 months: 99.5% (581/584)</p> |

| Trial<br>Author, year<br>Study Design<br>Country<br>Funding | Population<br>Setting<br>Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria | Tests evaluated  | Baseline risk for<br>CAD* | Patient<br>characteristics*  | Length f/u<br>(%<br>followed)<br>Cross-over,<br>% (n/N) |
|---|---|--|---------------------------|--|---|
|   |   | <p>(134/193) of cases, and analyzed in 60% (117/193)]<br/> <u>Tests completed before enrollment into study</u><br/>                     Exercise ECG: 40%<br/>                     Stress echo: 6%<br/>                     SPECT: 8%<br/>                     CMR: 0%<br/>                     CTA: 0%<br/>                     Other test: 0%<br/> <u>Stressor</u>: NA<br/> <u>Contrast</u>: Iodinated contrast<br/> <u>Protocol</u>: Fractional flow reserve by CCTA analyses were performed centrally when requested by the site (recommended if the CCTA revealed ≥30% stenosis or if the patient was referred to ICA). Optimal medical therapy was encouraged, and local physicians made all subsequent clinical decisions following standard practice, including cancelling, or ordering additional testing or procedures<br/> <u>Definition of positive test</u>: ≥50% stenosis<br/>                     - <b>D: ICA (n=187)</b><br/> <u>Tests completed before enrollment into study</u><br/>                     Exercise ECG: 61%<br/>                     Stress echo: 7%<br/>                     SPECT: 20%<br/>                     CMR: 3%<br/>                     CTA: 21%<br/>                     Other test: 0%</p> |                           | <p><u>Chest pain frequency</u>: NR<br/> <u>Hypertension</u>: 54.8% vs. 38%, p=0.02<br/> <u>Hyperlipidemia</u>: 26.9% vs. 22.0%<br/> <u>Diabetes</u>: 5.8% vs. 8.0%<br/> <u>Current or past tabaco use</u>: 56.7% vs. 52.0%<br/> <b><u>Originally planned for ICA (B vs. D)</u></b><br/> <u>Subgroup</u>: None<br/> <u>N enrolled</u>: 380<br/> <u>Mean age (SD)</u>: 60.7 (10.2) vs. 63.4 (10.9), p=0.02<br/> <u>Female</u>: 38.3% vs. 42.2%<br/> <u>Racial/ethnic minority</u>: 0.5% vs. 1.1%<br/> <u>Chest pain</u>:<br/>                     - Typical angina: 23.3% vs. 27.8%<br/>                     - Atypical angina: 73.6% vs. 65.2%<br/>                     - Non-cardiac chest pain: 2.6% vs. 7.0%</p> |   |

| Trial<br>Author, year<br>Study Design<br>Country<br>Funding | Population<br>Setting<br>Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria | Tests evaluated  | Baseline risk for<br>CAD* | Patient<br>characteristics*  | Length f/u<br>(%<br>followed)<br>Cross-over,<br>% (n/N) |
|---|---|--|---------------------------|--|---|
|   |   | No NI test: 48%<br><u>Stressor</u> : Pharmacologic or exercise<br><u>Contrast</u> : Iodinated contrast<br><u>Protocol</u> : Optimal medical therapy was encouraged, and local physicians made all subsequent clinical decisions following standard practice, including cancelling, or ordering additional testing or procedures<br><u>Definition of positive test</u> : NR |                           | <u>Dyspnea</u> : NR<br><u>Prior MI</u> : NR<br><u>Prior revascularization</u> : NR<br><u>Known CAD</u> : 0% vs. 0%<br><u>Chest pain frequency</u> : NR<br><u>Hypertension</u> : 57.5% vs. 59.4%<br><u>Hyperlipidemia</u> : 39.9% vs. 40.6%<br><u>Diabetes</u> : 5.8% vs. 8.0%<br><u>Current or past tabaco use</u> : 52.3% vs. 55.1% |   |

CAD = coronary artery disease, CCTA = coronary computed tomography, CMR = cardiac magnetic resonance, CT = computed tomography, ECG = electrocardiogram, ECHO = echocardiography, f/u = follow-up, FFR = fractional flow reserve, ICA = invasive coronary angiogram, MI = myocardial infarction, NA = not applicable, NI = non-invasive, NIT = non-invasive testing, NR = not reported, SD = standard deviation, vs. = versus.

\* p-values non-significant unless reported

**Appendix Table J2. CCTA FFR vs. any functional test: Efficacy Outcomes**

| Author/trial Interventions Subgroup analyses? Formal test for interaction?  | Patient disposition Test result   | Mortality (All-cause, cardiac)   | Myocardial infarction   | Referral for treatment  | Referral for additional testing   | Composite outcomes  | Other   |
|---|---|--|---|---|---|---|---|
| <p><b>PLATFORM study</b></p> <p>Douglas, 2015 &amp; 2016</p> <p>Originally planned NIT<br/>A: CCTA FFR<br/>C: NIT</p> <p>Originally planned ICA:<br/>B: CCTA FFR<br/>D: ICA</p> <p>Subgroup Analyses: Y<br/>Test for interaction: Y</p> | <p>Patient Disposition<br/>NR</p> <p>Test Results for CCTA FFR, % (n/N)</p> <p><u>Stenosis ≥50%</u><br/>A: 37.5% (39/104) of all patients in group A<br/>B: 61% (118/193) of all patients in group B*</p> | <p>All-cause mortality (part of composite outcome), % (n/N)</p> <p><u>90 days</u><br/>- A vs. C: 0% (0/104) vs. 0% (0/100), p=NR<br/>- B vs. D: 0% (0/193) vs. 0% (0/187), p=NR</p> <p><u>Between 90 days (3 months) and 12 months</u><br/>- A vs. C: 0% (0/104) vs. 0% (0/100), p=NR<br/>- B vs. D: 0% (0/193) vs. 0.5% (1/187), p=NR</p> | <p>Non-fatal MI (part of composite outcome), % (n/N)</p> <p><u>90 days</u><br/>- A vs. C: 0% (0/104) vs. 0% (0/100), p=NR<br/>- B vs. D: 0.5% (1/193) vs. 0% (0/187), p=NR</p> <p><u>Between 90 days (3 months) and 12 months</u><br/>- A vs. C: 0% (0/104) vs. 1% (1/100), p=NR<br/>- B vs. D: 0% (0/193) vs. 0.5% (1/187), p=NR</p> | <p>Proportion of patients experiencing revascularization, % (n/N)</p> <p><u>90 days</u><br/><b>PCI</b><br/>- A vs. C: 8.7% (9/104) vs. 3% (3/100), p=NR<br/>- B vs. D: 23.3% (45/193) vs. 22.5% (42/187), p=NR</p> <p><b>CABG</b><br/>- A vs. C: 1% (1/104) vs. 2% (2/100), p=NR<br/>- B vs. D: 5.2% (10/193) vs. 9.1% (17/187), p=NR</p> <p><u>12 months</u><br/><b>PCI</b><br/>- A vs. C: 8.7% (9/104) vs. 4% (5/100), p=NR</p> | <p>Proportion receiving ICA<br/><b>90 days:</b><br/>- A vs. C: 12.3% (19/104) vs. 12.0% (12/100)<br/>- B vs. D: 12.4% 39.4% (76/193) vs. 100% (187/187),</p> <p><b>ICA without obstructive CAD by core lab quantitative coronary angiography, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>90 days</u><br/>- A vs. C: 12.5% (13/104) vs. 6.0% (6/100), RD -6.5% (95% CI -14.4% to 1.4%), p=0.95<br/>- B vs. D: 12.4% (24/193) vs. 73.3% (137/187), RD</p> | <p><b>MACE (including death, non-fatal MI, and hospitalization with urgent revascularization), % (n/N)</b><br/><u>90 days</u><br/>- A vs. C: 0% (0/104) vs. 0% (0/100), p=NR<br/>- B vs. D: 1.0% (2/193) vs. 0% (0/187), p=NR</p> <p><u>Between 90 days (3 months) and 12 months</u><br/>- A vs. C: 0% (0/104) vs. 1% (1/100), p=NR<br/>- B vs. D: 0% (0/193) vs. 1% (2/187), p=NR</p> <p><b>MACE or vascular complication, % (n/N)</b><br/><u>90 days</u><br/>- A vs. C: 1% (1/104) vs. 0% (0/100), p=NR</p> | <p>Hospitalization with urgent revascularization (part of composite outcome), % (n/N)</p> <p><u>90 days</u><br/>- A vs. C: 0% (0/104) vs. 0% (0/100), p=NR<br/>- B vs. D: 0.5% (1/193) vs. 0% (0/187), p=NR</p> <p><u>Between 90 days (3 months) and 12 months</u><br/>- A vs. C: 0% (0/104) vs. 0% (0/100), p=NR<br/>- B vs. D: 0% (0/193) vs. 0% (0/187), p=NR</p> <p><b>Total number of hospital days</b><br/><u>12 months</u><br/>- A vs. C: 57 vs. 43, p=NR<br/>- B vs. D: 283 vs. 514, p=NR</p> |

| Author/trial<br>Interventions<br>Subgroup<br>analyses?<br>Formal test<br>for<br>interaction? | Patient<br>disposition<br>Test result | Mortality (All-<br>cause, cardiac) | Myocardial<br>infarction | Referral for<br>treatment   | Referral for<br>additional testing   | Composite outcomes   | Other   |
|--|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|---|--|--|---|
|  |                                       |                                    |                          | <p>- B vs. D: 28.5% (55/193) vs. 26.2% (49/187), p=NR</p> <p><b>CABG</b></p> <p>- A vs. C: 1% (1/104) vs. 2% (2/100), p=NR</p> <p>- B vs. D: 5.2% (10/193) vs. 9.6% (18/187), p=NR</p> <p><b>Changes in medication use</b></p> <p>From enrollment to 12 months</p> <p>- B vs. D</p> <p>Aspirin: p=0.56</p> <p>Statins: p=0.76</p> <p>P2Y<sub>12</sub> inhibitors: p=0.006 (higher use in group B)</p> | <p>60.8% (53.0% to 68.7%), p&lt;0.0001</p> <p><b>Rate of ICA documenting no obstructive CAD among propensity matched planned ICA groups (B vs. D) (n=148 vs. 148)</b></p> <p><u>90 days</u></p> <p>11.5% (17/148) vs. 72.3% (107/148), RD 60.8% (95% CI 52.0% to 69.7%), p&lt;0.0001</p> <p><b>Invasive catheterization without obstructive CAD by site interpretation, % (n/N)</b></p> <p><u>90 days</u></p> <p>- A vs. C: 7.7% (8/104) vs. 5.0% (5/100), RD -2.7% (95% CI -9.4% to 4.0%), p=0.0.79</p> | <p>- B vs. D: 3.6% (7/193) vs. 1.1% (2/187), p=NR</p> <p><u>Between 90 days (3 months) and 12 months</u></p> <p>- A vs. C: 0% (0/104) vs. 1% (1/100), RD -0.04% (90% CI -11.7% to 11.62%), p=NR</p> <p>- B vs. D: 0% (0/193) vs. 1.1% (2/187), RD 1.49% (90% CI -7.05% to 9.95%), p=NR</p> <p><i>RDs are for the comparison in the reverse direction</i></p> | <p><b>Total number of clinic visits</b></p> <p><u>12 months</u></p> <p>- A vs. C: 48 vs. 56, p=NR</p> <p>- B vs. D: 111 vs. 162, p=NR</p> |

| Author/trial Interventions Subgroup analyses? Formal test for interaction? | Patient disposition Test result | Mortality (All-cause, cardiac) | Myocardial infarction | Referral for treatment | Referral for additional testing  | Composite outcomes | Other |
|--|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|--|--------------------|-------|
|  |                                 |                                |                       |                        | <p>- B vs. D: 9.3% (18/193) vs. 56.7% (106/187), RD 47.4% (39.2% to 55.6%), p&lt;0.0001</p> <p><i>RDs are for the comparison in the reverse direction</i></p> <p><b>Testing performed after enrollment (including index test), % (n/N)</b><br/> <u>12 months</u></p> <p>- A vs. C</p> <p>Exercise ECG: 8.7% (9/104) vs. 11% (11/100), p=NR</p> <p>Stress echo: 1.9% (2/104) vs. 29% (29/100), p=NR</p> <p>SPECT: 7.7% (8/104) vs. 17% (17/100), p=NR</p> <p>MRI: 2.9% (3/104) vs. 3% (3/100), p=NR</p> |                    |       |

| Author/trial Interventions Subgroup analyses? Formal test for interaction? | Patient disposition Test result | Mortality (All-cause, cardiac) | Myocardial infarction | Referral for treatment | Referral for additional testing  | Composite outcomes | Other |
|--|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|--|--------------------|-------|
|  |                                 |                                |                       |                        | CCTA: 100% (104/104) vs. 62% (62/100), p=NR<br>FFR-CT: 57.7% (60/104) vs. 0% (0/100), p=NR<br>Diagnostic ICA: 12.5% (13/104) vs. 11% (11/100), p=NR<br>ICA with PCI: 5.6% (9/104) vs. 5% (5/100), p=NR<br>FFR determined by ICA: 4.8% (5/104) vs. 0% (0/100), p=NR<br>Intravascular ultrasound: 1.9% (2/104) vs. 3% (3/100), p=NR<br>Optical coherence tomography: 0% (0/104) vs. 0% (0/100), p=NR<br>- B vs. D<br>Exercise ECG: 9.8% (19/193) vs. 9.1% (17/187), p=NR |                    |       |

| Author/trial Interventions Subgroup analyses? Formal test for interaction? | Patient disposition Test result | Mortality (All-cause, cardiac) | Myocardial infarction | Referral for treatment | Referral for additional testing   | Composite outcomes | Other |
|--|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|---|--------------------|-------|
|  |                                 |                                |                       |                        | Stress echo: 3.1% (6/193) vs. 2.7% (5/187), p=NR<br>SPECT: 1.6% (3/193) vs. 3.2% (6/187), p=NR<br>MRI: 1.6% (3/193) vs. 3.2% (6/187), p=NR<br>CCTA: 100% (194/193) vs. 0.5% (1/187), p=NR<br>FFR-CT: 60.6% (117/193) vs. 0% (0/187), p=NR<br>Diagnostic ICA: 22.8% (44/193) vs. 85.0% (159/187), p=NR<br>ICA with PCI: 28.5% (55/193) vs. 23.5% (44/187), p=NR<br>FFR determined by ICA: 15.0% (29/193) vs. 6.4% (12/187), p=NR<br>Intravascular ultrasound: 2.6% |                    |       |

| Author/trial<br>Interventions<br>Subgroup<br>analyses?<br>Formal test<br>for<br>interaction? | Patient<br>disposition<br>Test result | Mortality (All-<br>cause, cardiac) | Myocardial<br>infarction | Referral for<br>treatment | Referral for<br>additional testing  | Composite outcomes | Other |
|--|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---|--------------------|-------|
|  |                                       |                                    |                          |                           | (5/193) vs. 4.3%<br>(8/187), p=NR<br>Optical coherence<br>tomography: 0.5%<br>(1/193) vs. 1.6%<br>(3/187), p=NR |                    |       |

CABG = coronary artery bypass graft, CAD = coronary artery disease, CCTA = coronary computed tomography, CI = confidence interval, CMR = cardiac magnetic resonance, ECG = electrocardiogram, ECHO = echocardiography, FFR = fractional flow reserve, ICA = invasive coronary angiogram, MACE = major adverse cardiovascular event, MI = myocardial infarction, MRI = magnetic resonance imaging, NI = non-invasive, NIT = non-invasive testing, NR = not reported, PCI = percutaneous coronary intervention, RD = risk difference, SD = standard deviation, SPECT = single photon emission computed tomography, vs. = versus.

\* Only 67.7% (201/297) of all patients allocated to one of the CCTA-FFR groups actually had an FFR study submitted. The data were measurable in 88% (177/201) of studies. Motion and misalignment accounted for 75% of failures, heavy calcification 13%, and missing data 13%.

**Appendix Table J3. CCTA FFR vs. any functional test: Safety Outcomes**

| Author/trial Interventions                        | Imaging-related AEs  | Incidental findings | Radiation   |
|---|--|---------------------|---|
| <b>PLATFORM study</b><br><br>Douglas, 2015 & 2016 | Overall, there was one reported adverse event from CCTA testing, a mild contrast reaction (group NR) | NR                  | <b>Cumulative radiation exposure (mSv), Mean (SD)</b><br><u>90 days</u><br>- A vs. C: 8.8 (9.9) vs. 5.8 (7.1), p=0.0002<br>- B vs. D: 9.9 (8.7) vs. 9.4 (4.9), p=0.20<br><u>12 months</u><br>- A vs. C: 9.55 (10.56) vs. 6.42 (7.47), p<0.001<br>- B vs. D: 10.72 (9.62) vs. 10.36 (6.69), p=0.21 |

AE = adverse event, CCTA = coronary computed tomography, mSv = millisieverts, NR = not reported, SD = standard deviation.

**Appendix Table J4. CCTA FFR vs. any functional test: Subgroup analyses for efficacy outcomes**

| Trial name<br>Author, year                      | Timing  | Outcome  | Subgroup                         | CCTA FFR<br>% (n/N) | NIT or ICA<br>% (n/N)     | Author reported<br>Interaction<br>p-value |
|---|---------|--|----------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|---|
| <b>Cohort originally planned to receive NIT</b> |         |  |                                  |                     |                           |   |
| <b>PLATFORM study</b><br>Douglas 2015, 2016     | 90 days | Invasive catheterization without obstructive coronary artery disease | Age < 65 years                   | 12.3% (9/73)        | 4.2% (3/72)               | 0.37                                      |
|   |         |  | Age ≥ 65 years                   | 12.9% (4/31)        | 10.7% (3/28)              |   |
|   |         |  | Male                             | 13.3% (8/60)        | 7.6% (5/66)               | 0.53                                      |
|   |         |  | Female                           | 11.4% (5/44)        | 2.9% (1/34)               |   |
|   |         |  | Non-racial minority              | 12.5% (12/96)       | 5.4% (5/92)               | NA  |
|   |         |  | Racial minority                  | 20% (1/5)           | NA (no racial minorities) |   |
|   |         |  | No diabetes                      | 13.3% (13/98)       | 5.5% (5/91)               | 0.96                                      |
|   |         |  | Diabetes                         | 12.5% (1/8)         | 0.0% (0/6)                |   |
|   |         |  | Pre-test probability of CAD <50% | 11.6% (8/69)        | 1.4% (1/71)               | 0.06                                      |
|   |         |  | Pre-test probability of CAD ≥50% | 14.3% (5/35)        | 17.2% (5/29)              |   |
| <b>Cohort originally planned to receive ICA</b> |         |  |                                  |                     |                           |   |
| <b>PLATFORM study</b><br>Douglas 2015, 2016     | 90 days | Invasive catheterization without obstructive coronary artery disease | Age < 65 years                   | 10.5% (12/114)      | 74.7% (74/99)             | 0.29                                      |
|   |         |  | Age ≥ 65 years                   | 15.2% (12/79)       | 71.6% (63/88)             |   |
|   |         |  | Male                             | 13.4% (16/119)      | 68.5% (74/108)            | 0.15                                      |
|   |         |  | Female                           | 10.8% (8/74)        | 79.7% (63/79)             |   |
|   |         |  | Non-racial minority              | 74.1% (123/166)     | 11.7% (22/188)            | 0.93                                      |
|   |         |  | Racial minority                  | 100% (2/2)          | 0.0% (0/1)                |   |
|   |         |  | No diabetes                      | 11.0% (18/163)      | 74.7% (112/150)           | 0.10                                      |
|   |         |  | Diabetes                         | 20.0% (6/30)        | 66.7% (24/36)             |   |
|   |         |  | Pre-test probability of CAD <50% | 8.7% (9/104)        | 80.2% (77/96)             | 0.01                                      |
|   |         |  | Pre-test probability of CAD ≥50% | 16.9% (15/89)       | 65.9% (60/91)             |   |

CAD = coronary artery disease, CCTA = coronary computed tomography, CI = confidence interval, FFR = fractional flow reserve, ICA = invasive coronary angiogram, NA = not applicable, NR = not reported, SD = standard deviation.

## APPENDIX K. Data Abstraction of Economic Studies

**Table K1. Stable outpatients with suspected CAD (U.S. studies)**

|                     |                        | Min 2017 <sup>56</sup>   | Karady 2020 <sup>35</sup>  |
|---------------------|------------------------|--|--|
| <b>Study Design</b> | <b>Synopsis</b>        | A well conducted study of stable CP patients that explored numerous testing pathways and reported results assuming multiple levels of CAD prevalence. While the authors found a sequence of imaging tests to be the most cost-effective, they further found that at 20%, 50% and 80% pretest likelihood of CAD an ICER that favored CCTA, ECHO and MPS over ICA given a WTP of \$100,000 per QALY. | A high-quality study of low risk, stable CP patients that compared anatomical tests with functional tests. Authors found CCTA and CCTA FFR to be cost-effective with an ICER of \$2743/QALY for CCTA and functional tests to be both more costly and less effective than CCTA FFR. Generally, anatomical approaches led to 6 additional months of patient in good health over a lifetime. Grouping of various functional tests makes it difficult to make direct comparisons between specific tests. |
|                     | <b>Population</b>      | Stable CP<br>Intermediate risk<br>No prior CAD<br>20% pretest likelihood<br>55-year-old male   | Stable CP<br>Low risk<br>53.3% pretest likelihood<br>Mean age 60, 52.7% Female, 77.7% White  |
|                     | <b>Intervention(s)</b> | CCTA<br>ECHO<br>MPS<br>(others)  | Anatomical tests<br>(CCTA, CCTA with FFR)  |
|                     | <b>Comparator(s)</b>   | ETT<br>ICA<br>(others)   | Functional tests<br>(67.5%SPECT, 22.4%ECHO,10.2%ETT)   |
|                     | <b>Country</b>         | USA  | USA  |
|                     | <b>Funding</b>         | Unclear; authors list GE Healthcare. Dalio Institute; clinical data from National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute funded study   | HeartFlow<br>PROMISE trial funded by National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute;   |
|                     | <b>Perspective</b>     | Payer Perspective  | Stated as Societal   |
|                     | <b>Time horizon</b>    | Lifetime   | Lifetime   |
|                     | <b>Analytic model</b>  | Markov Simulations   | Markov Simulations   |
|                     | <b>Costing year</b>    | NR   | 2014   |
| <b>Currency</b>     | USD                    | USD  |  |
| <b>Discounting</b>  | 3%                     | 3%   |  |

|                                |                                     | Min 2017 <sup>56</sup>  | Karady 2020 <sup>35</sup>  |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|--|
|                                | <b>Key Assumptions</b>              | <p>Sensitivity:<br/>ETT=68.0%<br/>CCTA = 93.7%<br/>ECHO = 86.7%</p> <p>Specificity:<br/>ETT =77.0%<br/>CCTA = 84.7%<br/>ECHO = 80.7%%</p> <p>Indeterminate:<br/>ETT=62.0%<br/>CCTA = 7.0%<br/>ECHO = 7.0%</p>   | <p>Sensitivity:<br/>ETT =45-50%<br/>CCTA = 95-99%<br/>SPECT = 73-83%</p> <p>Specificity:<br/>ETT =85-90%<br/>CCTA = 64-83%<br/>SPECT = 63-87%</p>  |
|                                | <b>Limitations</b>                  | <p>All positive diagnostic tests resulted in ICA which was assumed to have perfect sensitivity and specificity<br/>Difficult to interpret many results due to how similar the effectiveness measures were.</p> <p>Sensitivity analysis was limited in scope and authors did not fully explore potential biases.</p> | <p>Uncertainty around diagnostic accuracy</p> <p>Offers limited insight for comparing CCTA with specific functional test as all functional test have been grouped together</p> <p>Two years of results from the PROMISE trial were available; the model extrapolates to a lifetime</p> <p>High pre-test likelihood of obstructive CAD of 53.3% is not consistent with original objective of authors to study patients of low risk of CAD</p> |
|                                | <b>QHES</b>                         | 94/100  | 90/100   |
| <b>Results and Conclusions</b> | <b>Cost / QALY of intervention</b>  | <p>With 20% pretest likelihood:<br/>CCTA: \$12274/16.1283 QALY<br/>ECHO: \$11356/16.1097 QALY<br/>MPS \$11798/16.1073 QALY</p>  | <p>CCTA: \$8683/25.16 QALY<br/>CCTA with FFRct: \$7222/25.14 QALY</p>  |
|                                | <b>Cost / QALY of comparator(s)</b> | ICA: \$14003/16.1205 QALY   | Functional: \$7989/24.68 QALY  |
|                                | <b>ICER or C-E Measure</b>          | <p>With 20% pretest likelihood:<br/>CCTA vs ICA: CCTA Dominates ICA<br/>ECHO vs ICA: ICA costs additional \$245093/QALY</p>   | 1. CCTA costs additional \$2743/QALY   |

|  |                                     | Min 2017 <sup>56</sup>  | Karady 2020 <sup>35</sup>   |
|--|-------------------------------------|---|---|
|  |                                     | MPS vs ICA: ICA costs additional \$167046/QALY  | (\$1912/QALY for women and \$3,559/QALY for men)  |
|  | <b>Sensitivity Analysis Results</b> | Varying CAD prevalence up to 80%:<br>CCTA vs ICA: ICA costs \$3857303/QALY<br>ECHO vs ICA: ICA costs \$1300236/QALY<br>MPS vs ICA: ICA costs \$906222/QALY<br><br>Varying post-test treatment approach showed cost-effectiveness contingent on follow-up care posttest. | 2. CCTA with FFRct dominates functional tests<br><br>CCTA remained cost effective across genders and with declining adherence to statin therapy.<br><br>All interventions were cost effective compared to “Do Nothing Strategy” where patients only received medication according to their risk factor profile<br><br>Quasi-probabilistic allowing incremental changes show the CCTA to be dominant approach 38.6% and cost effective 69.4% with a WTP of \$100,000 |
|  | <b>Author’s Conclusion</b>          | CCTA, ECHO and MPS are all cost-effective alternatives to ICA. Increasing the pretest likelihood of CAD both reduces their costs and increases their effectiveness.   | Relatively robust evidence suggesting anatomic approaches are cost-effective compared with functional testing.  |

**Table K2. Stable outpatients with suspected CAD (European studies)**

|                     |                 | Agus 2016 <sup>4</sup>  | Gurunathan 2018 <sup>26</sup>  | Lorenzoni 2019 <sup>48</sup>  |
|---------------------|-----------------|---|--|---|
| <b>Study Design</b> | <b>Synopsis</b> | An RCT conducted in Northern Ireland with several potential limitations that investigated the cost effectiveness of CCTA vs ETT. CCTA was found to be the dominate strategy for patients when a pretest likelihood of less than 30% was | A relatively poor-quality study that evaluated the predictive value and costs of stress ECHO and ETT. Authors found ECHO to have 20% reduction in cost and fewer downstream testing, hospital visits. ETT yielded a 64% positive predictive value in determining a flow- | A moderately well conducted European study that looked at several testing strategies. The primary results showed that CCTA to be cost saving and more effective versus no imaging with a negative ICER of -€796.85/diagnosis. ECHO and SPECT approaches were both |

|                        |   |  |  |
|------------------------|---|--|--|
|                        | assumed. As the pretest likelihood increased to 30%-60% and then above 60% the ICER increased to £2820 and £24106 respectively still suggesting CCTA to be a cost-effective approach with a willingness to pay of \$50,000. | limiting disease on angiography. Meanwhile, ECHO achieved 100% positive predictions.                                 | found to be less expensive alternative but yielded less correct diagnoses. Therefore, no imaging would save €3316.41 and €2110.95 per diagnosis for ECHO and SPECT respectively.   |
| <b>Population</b>      | Patients without known CAD<br>Stable CP<br>Pretest likelihood:<br>CCTA group 48%; ETT group 45%<br>>50% had nonanginal CP   | Stable CP<br>Intermediate risk (excluded patients with “very low risk”) pretest likelihood) averaged 34% probability | Stable CP<br>Intermediate risk (excluded patients with low risk and high risk based on initial ETT)<br>28% CAD prevalence  |
| <b>Intervention(s)</b> | CCTA  | Stress ECHO  | CCTA ECHO PET SPECT  |
| <b>Comparator(s)</b>   | ETT   | ETT  | No imaging   |
| <b>Country</b>         | UK  | UK   | Italy (European data)  |
| <b>Funding</b>         | South Eastern Health and Social Care Trust  | NR   | EU grant, Centre of Excellence in Cardiovascular Disease   |
| <b>Perspective</b>     | National Health Service   | Payer perspective  | Payer perspective  |
| <b>Time horizon</b>    | 12 months   | 3 year mean F/U  | NR   |
| <b>Analytic model</b>  | Regression model  | Means and Survival Analysis  | Mean comparisons   |
| <b>Costing year</b>    | 2015  | 2014   | 2012   |
| <b>Currency</b>        | British Pounds  | British Pounds   | Euro   |
| <b>Discounting</b>     | None  | None   | NR   |
| <b>Key Assumptions</b> | Risk of CAD:<br><30%<br>CCTA = 41%<br>ETT = 44%<br>30-60%<br>CCTA = 22%<br>ETT = 25%<br>>60%<br>CCTA = 36%<br>ETT = 31%   | Positive Predictive Value calculated:<br><br>ECHO = 100%<br><br>ETT = 64%  | False Negative Rate:<br><br>CCTA = NR<br>ECHO = 0 to 2.1%<br>PET = 3.4 to 9.1%<br>SPECT = 8.5 to 13.4<br><br>Obstructive CAD defined as > 50% stenosis at quantitative ICA in the left main or at least one major coronary vessel. |

|                                |                                     |   |  |  |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|--|--|
|                                | <b>Limitations</b>                  | <p>Missing data issues</p> <p>Outcome assessment was not fully blinded from investigators</p> <p>Sample population exclude BMI &gt;35% and included low number of diabetic patients</p> <p>Relatively short follow up time</p> <p>Imbalanced CAD prevalence across groups</p> | <p>Underpowered to detect most clinical outcomes</p> <p>Overly simplistic analytic model</p> <p>No model validation, subgroup or sensitivity analysis</p> <p>Narrow application</p>    | <p>Lots of heterogeneity in data (sourcing from multiple countries with variation in practices)</p> <p>Assumed perfect accuracy of ICA</p> <p>Anyone not receiving ICA was assumed to be a true negative test result</p>                 |
|                                | <b>QHEs</b>                         | 64/100  | 50/100   | 84/100   |
| <b>Results and Conclusions</b> | <b>Cost / QALY of intervention</b>  | £2008/0.81QALY  | £631   | <p>CCTA: €512.05/73%</p> <p>ECHO: €426.12/55%</p> <p>PET: €1177.22/71%</p> <p>SPECT: €901.25/68%</p>   |
|                                | <b>Cost / QALY of comparator(s)</b> | £20580.79QALY   | £796   | No imaging: €989.91/72%  |
|                                | <b>ICER or C-E Measure</b>          | <p>3. CCTA dominant strategy</p> <p>4. (-£50.45/0.02QALY)</p> <p>5.</p> <p>With a WTP of £20 000 per QALY the probability of CCTA being cost-effective was 83%</p> <p>6.</p>  | <p>ECHO = £631/100%</p> <p>7. ETT = £796/ 64%</p> <p>8.</p> <p>9. With no statistically significant difference in death, MI, unplanned revascularization or hospitalization for CP</p> | <p>CCTA: -€796.85/diagnosis (cost savings)</p> <p>ECHO: €3316.41/diagnosis (ECHO found cheaper but less effective)</p> <p>PET: Dominated by no imaging</p> <p>10. SPECT: €2110.95/diagnosis (SPECT found cheaper but less effective)</p> |
|                                | <b>Sensitivity Analysis Results</b> | <p>&lt;30% pretest likelihood: CCTA dominates</p> <p>30%-60% pretest likelihood: CCTA costs £2820</p>   | NR   | <p>Using concordance of results with early revascularization as measure of effectiveness:</p> <p>CCTA, ECHO, PET and SPECT were all found to be more expensive and less effective than no imaging.</p>                                   |

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|  |                            | >60% pretest likelihood: CCTA costs £24106<br><br>Probabilistic variations in model found results to be stable  |   | Correct diagnosis of CAD<br>CCTA: -€65.66/diagnosis (cost savings)<br><br>ECHO: €3501.20/diagnosis (ECHO found cheaper but less effective)<br><br>11. SPECT: €5156.76/diagnosis (SPECT found cheaper but less effective)  |
|  | <b>Author’s Conclusion</b> | CCTA was shown to be less costly and more effective than ETT for the first 12 months. This cost-effectiveness was shown to vary with the pretest likelihood of CAD. | ECHO is both cost saving and facilitated better health outcomes over ETT. | “In a contemporary European population of patients with suspected stable CAD and low prevalence of disease, diagnostic strategies combining CTCA and stress-imaging are cost-effective as gatekeepers to ICA and for selecting candidates for revascularization”. |

**Table K3. Stable outpatients with suspected CAD (studies from other regions)**

|                     |                   | <b>Bertoldi 2016/2017<sup>8</sup></b>  | <b>Lee 2015<sup>38</sup></b>   | <b>Jafari 2020<sup>33</sup></b>   |
|---------------------|-------------------|--|--|---|
| <b>Study Design</b> | <b>Synopsis</b>   | CCTA appeared be a cost-effective approach for CAD in this well conducted study. ECHO testing was similarly cost-effective. SPECT tests were dominated by other test options. Additionally, sensitivity analysis showed that procedural costs and test sensitivity were significant factors in determining cost-effectiveness. | A moderately well-designed study that explored the diagnostic accuracy of CCTA and SPECT followed by a brief cost utility analysis. CCTA was shown to be the more accurate, effective and less expensive alternative in the majority of cases. Subgroup analysis by pretest likelihood showed SPECT to perform slightly better with lower pretest probability but CCTA remained cost-effective with most accepted willingness to pay thresholds. | A relatively poorly conducted study that compared several testing options including CCTA, ECHO and SPECT against ETT and ICA among others. It reported its results against a strategy using a combination of tests (that it had found to be optimal). Results reported here are compared with stand-alone ETT and ICA testing. In general, it found ETT and ICA to perform better than CCTA and ECHO. With SPECT being slightly more costly but more effective than ETT yielding small ICER of \$46.74/diagnosis. |
|                     | <b>Population</b> | Patients without known CAD<br>Stable CP<br>Pretest likelihood:<br>Baseline=50% also reported 20% and 70%   | Stable CP<br>Intermediate risk (excluded patients with “very low risk” pretest likelihood)<br>averaged 34% probability   | Stable CP<br>Other patient demographics unclear   |

|                        | Bertoldi 2016/2017 <sup>8</sup>   | Lee 2015 <sup>38</sup>  | Jafari 2020 <sup>33</sup>   |
|------------------------|---|---|---|
| <b>Intervention(s)</b> | CCTA, Stress ECHO, SPECT  | CCTA  | CCTA, ECHO, SPECT   |
| <b>Comparator(s)</b>   | ICA   | SPECT   | ETT, ICA  |
| <b>Country</b>         | Brazil  | Korea   | Iran  |
| <b>Funding</b>         | CNPq from National Institute for Science and Technology   | National Evidence-based Healthcare Collaborating Agency in Korea  | None  |
| <b>Perspective</b>     | Brazilian Public Health System  | Payer perspective   | Healthcare system   |
| <b>Time horizon</b>    | Lifetime  | 1 year  | 1 year  |
| <b>Analytic model</b>  | Markov model  | Analysis of means and Decision Tree   | Decision Tree analysis  |
| <b>Costing year</b>    | 2013  | 2011  | 2017  |
| <b>Currency</b>        | USD   | USD   | USD   |
| <b>Discounting</b>     | 5%  | None  | None  |
| <b>Key Assumptions</b> | Sensitivity:<br>ICA = 100<br>ETT = 65 (42-92)<br>CCTA = 88 (84 -88)<br>ECHO = 85 (83-87)<br>SPECT = 87 (84-88)<br>Specificity:<br>ICA = 100<br>ETT = 67 (43-83)<br>CCTA = 87 (80 -92)<br>ECHO = 77 (74-80)<br>SPECT = 64 (60-76)<br><br>Indeterminant:<br>ICA = 10%<br>ETT = 18%<br>CCTA = 2%<br>ECHO = 15%<br>SPECT = 6.9% | Pretest Likelihood<br>10-29%:<br>CCTA = 48.30<br>SPECT = 40.89<br>30-60%:<br>CCTA = 24.05<br>SPECT = 23.83<br>61-90%:<br>CCTA = 27.65<br>SPECT = 35.29 <sup>[SEP]</sup><br><br>Sensitivity:<br>CCTA = 87.3<br>SPECT = 74.5<br><br>Specificity:<br>CCTA = 82.6<br>SPECT = 78.6 | Sensitivity:<br>ICA = 100<br>ETT = 65<br>CCTA = 88<br>ECHO = 50<br>SPECT = 87 |
| <b>Limitations</b>     | Assumes ICA to have 100% sensitivity and specificity. (though discussed in sensitivity analysis)  | Baseline characteristics of groups were different. SPECT group had significantly older and had higher pretest likelihood probability  | Cost data seems incomparable to US setting<br><br>Assumed ICA 100% sensitive  |

|                                |                                     | Bertoldi 2016/2017 <sup>8</sup>  | Lee 2015 <sup>38</sup>   | Jafari 2020 <sup>33</sup>  |
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|                                |                                     |  | CCTA data derived from 2006 when techniques may not have been as developed in Korea  | Poor description of patient characteristics: no demographic info or CAD or pretest likelihood  |
|                                | <b>QHEs</b>                         | 90/100   | 77/100   | 62/100   |
| <b>Results and Conclusions</b> | <b>Cost / QALY of intervention</b>  | CCTA: \$286/diagnosis<br>ECHO: \$305/diagnosis   | \$872/0.835diagnosis<br>\$176/0.908QALY  | CCTA: \$1475.13/93.9% diagnosis<br><br>ECHO: \$1475.13/93.9% diagnosis<br><br>SPECT: \$1475.13/93.9% diagnosis   |
|                                | <b>Cost / QALY of comparator(s)</b> | ETT: \$205/diagnosis   | \$933/0.779diagnosis<br>\$2274/0.906QALY   | ETT:<br><br>ICA: \$1475.13/93.9% diagnosis   |
|                                | <b>ICER or C-E Measure</b>          | CCTAvsETT: CCTA costs \$750/diagnosis and \$3100/QALY<br>12.<br>13. ECHOvsETT: ECHO costs \$623/diagnosis  | 14. CCTA dominates SPECT<br>15. Accurate diagnosis per 1000pts:<br>16. CCTA 835 patients<br>17. SPECT 779 patients   | ETT:<br>CCTA and ECHO both dominated by ETT<br>SPECT: \$46.74/diagnosis (SPECT more costly and more effective)<br><br>ICA: (more costly and effective than all other options)<br>CCTA: \$13.00/diagnosis to use ICA<br><br>ECHO: \$12.07/diagnosis to use ICA<br><br>18. SPECT: \$11.51/diagnosis to use ICA |
|                                | <b>Sensitivity Analysis Results</b> | 20% pretest likelihood:<br>CCTAvsETT: CCTA costs \$1420/diagnosis<br>ECHOvsETT: ECHO is dominated<br><br>70% pretest likelihood:<br>CCTAvsETT: CCTA costs \$790/diagnosis<br>ECHOvsETT: ECHO costs \$890/diagnosis | 10%-29% pretest likelihood:<br>CCTA dominates SPECT in CUA<br>19. Accurate diagnosis per 1000pts:<br>20. CCTA 833 patients<br>SPECT 571 patients<br>30%-60% pretest likelihood:<br>SPECT costs \$88740/QALY in CUA<br>21. Accurate diagnosis per 1000pts:<br>22. CCTA 842 patients | Conducted one-way sensitivity analysis which suggested sensitivity of tests to be a key driving factor in cost-effectiveness.<br><br>Limited reporting of sensitivity results.   |

|  |                            | Bertoldi 2016/2017 <sup>8</sup>   | Lee 2015 <sup>38</sup>  | Jafari 2020 <sup>33</sup>  |
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|  |                            |   | <p>SPECT 536 patients</p> <p>61%-90% pretest likelihood:<br/>                     CCTA dominates SPECT in CUA<br/>                     23. Accurate diagnosis per 1000pts:<br/>                     24. CCTA 814 patients<br/>                     SPECT 746 patients</p> |  |
|  | <b>Author’s Conclusion</b> | Of the numerous testing pathways evaluated CCTA consistently showed itself to be a cost-effective approach for CAD. ECHO testing was similarly cost-effective. SPECT tests were not found to be cost-effective. | CCTA demonstrated greater accuracy in diagnosing CAD than SPECT and also showed to be less expensive in the one-year time horizon.  | “This study indicated that all strategies except CTA- based strategy are cost-effective, but the ECG-CA strategy is the most cost-effective strategy for acute patients. “ |

**Table K4. Patients with suspected ACS (acute chest pain) presenting to ED or observation units**

|                     |                 | Powell 2012 <sup>68</sup>  | Priest 2011 <sup>69</sup>  | Goehler 2020 <sup>20</sup>  |
|---------------------|-----------------|--|--|---|
| <b>Study Design</b> | <b>Synopsis</b> | A moderately well conducted study comparing CCTA, standard of care and “do nothing” strategies in an observation unit setting. Authors found CCTA to have similar effectiveness as the standard of care while being approximately 20% less expensive. The “do nothing” approach was the cheapest, however, also the least effective. This led CCTA to have a generally considered cost-effective ICER of \$8135. | A fairly well-designed cost-effectiveness study that investigated several testing options in and emergency department. It found a combination of test strategies to be the most cost-effective. Using the results reported it was possible to compare CCTA, ECHO and SPECT against ETT. ETT was consistently dominated by all three alternative tests at varying levels of CAD prevalence. As the prevalence increase however the dominance be narrower. | A well-constructed model of short, intermediate and long-term cost-effectiveness carried out in the United States. CCTA performance was analyzed against four strategies: standard of care, expert consensus of AHA/ACD guidelines and expedited ED discharge with OP testing. Short-term results found CCTA to be both more costly and required more revascularization procedures than all other comparators. However, in the long-term model CCTA became cost-effective. Lower mortality led CCTA to dominate standard of care and ACC/AHA guidelines and have an ICER of \$49,428/ |

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|                        |   |   | QALY when compared with expedited ED protocol.   |
| <b>Population</b>      | <p>Patients in OU for the evaluation of low-risk chest pain patients with indeterminate or positive-stress test results.</p> <p>Mean age: 50-year-old</p> <p>46% female</p> | Emergency department patients<br>2-30% CAD prevalence | <p>Emergency department patients with suspected ACS</p> <p>Low-Intermediate risk of ACS</p> <p>7.5% prevalence of ACS</p> <p>Mean age 54.2, 53% male</p> |
| <b>Intervention(s)</b> | CCTA  | CCTA, ECHO, SPECT                                     | CCTA   |
| <b>Comparator(s)</b>   | Standard of Care<br>“Do Nothing” strategy   | ETT   | Standard of Care<br>AHA/ACD Guidelines<br>Expedited ED discharge with OP testing   |
| <b>Country</b>         | USA   | USA   | USA  |
| <b>Funding</b>         | NR  | National Health and Medical Research Council          | Grants from National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, NIH, American Heart Association   |
| <b>Perspective</b>     | Payer   | Payer   | Not stated (appears to be payer perspective)   |
| <b>Time horizon</b>    | NR  | 12 months   | Lifetime (also reports short and intermediate-term finding)  |
| <b>Analytic model</b>  | Decision Model  | Decision Model  | Markov model   |
| <b>Costing year</b>    | 2009  | 2010  | 2012 (when trial data ended– not explicitly specified as costing year)   |
| <b>Currency</b>        | USD   | USD   | USD  |

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|                                | <b>Discounting</b>                  | CPI  | CPI   | 3%  |
|                                | <b>Key Assumptions</b>              | <p>Sensitivity:<br/>CCTA = 98.9%</p> <p>Specificity:<br/>CCTA = 84%</p>  | <p>Sensitivity:<br/>CCTA = 100%<br/>ECHO = 72-83%<br/>SPECT = 84-91%<br/>ETT = 67%</p> <p>Specificity:<br/>CCTA = 80%<br/>ECHO = 84-95%<br/>SPECT = 69-81%<br/>ETT = 72%</p>                        | <p>Varied<br/>Sensitivity 85%–100%<br/>Specificity 50%–100%</p> <p>Used ROMICAT II trial to populate model</p>  |
|                                | <b>Limitations</b>                  | <p>Doesn't consider startup costs of a CCTA</p> <p>Unrealistic "Do-nothing strategy" in which all patients were discharged home after positive- or indeterminate-stress tests without further testing.</p> | <p>Short time horizon</p> <p>Simplistic modeling</p> <p>Revisits to the emergency department and other complications were not considered</p> <p>Insufficient data sourcing for model parameters</p> | <p>Some model input parameters were sourced from older studies which may not reflect current healthcare settings</p>  |
|                                | <b>QHES</b>                         | 69/100   | 75/100  | 90/100  |
| <b>Results and Conclusions</b> | <b>Cost / QALY of intervention</b>  | CCTA = \$8306/23.54QALY  | <p>At 5% prevalence:<br/>CCTA = \$4862/0.8568QALY<br/>ECHO = \$7539/0.8579QALY<br/>SPECT = \$10799/0.8548QALY</p>   | <p>At index:<br/>CCTA = \$2692</p> <p>Total costs: \$4490 (23.09 QALY)</p>  |
|                                | <b>Cost / QALY of comparator(s)</b> | <p>Standard of care =10273/23.55QALY</p> <p>"Do nothing" = \$1815/22.75QALY</p>  | <p>At 5% prevalence:<br/>ETT = \$11555/0.8468QALY</p>   | <p>Cost at index:<br/>Standard of Care = \$2535<br/>AHA/ACD Guidelines = \$2501<br/>Expedited ED discharge with OP testing = \$1891<br/>Standard of Care = \$2535<br/>AHA/ACD Guidelines = \$2501</p> <p>Total costs:</p> |

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|                                     |   |   | <p>Expedited ED discharge with OP testing = \$2513 (23.02 QALY)<br/>                 Standard of Care = \$4144 (23.09 QALY)<br/>                 AHA/ACD Guidelines = \$4064 (23.06 QALY)</p>   |
| <b>ICER or C-E Measure</b>          | <p>25. CCTA vs Standard of care: \$352652/QALY<br/>                 26. (CCTA cheaper but marginally less effective)<br/>                 27.<br/>                 28. CCTA vs “Do nothing”:<br/>                 29. \$8135/QALY<br/>                 30. (CCTA is more expensive and effective)</p> | <p>The total 12-month costs with a 5% prevalence of CAD for ETT, SPEC, ECHO, CCTA and CCTA the SPECT were \$10,430, \$10,799, \$7,539, \$4,862 and \$3,464 respectively. Under the same circumstances the QALYs generated for ETT, SPEC, ECHO, CCTA and CCTA the SPECT were 0.8523, 0.8548, 0.8579, 0.8568 and 0.8602.</p> <p>At 5% prevalence each intervention dominates ETT:<br/>                 CCTA = -\$669300/QALY<br/>                 ECHO = -\$138006/QALY<br/>                 SPECT = -\$94500/QALY</p> <p>31.</p> | <p>CCTA dominated Standard of Care and AHA/ACD Guidelines</p> <p>CCTA was CE against Expedited ED discharge with OP testing with an ICER of \$ 49,428/QALY</p>  |
| <b>Sensitivity Analysis Results</b> | <p>The standard of care strategy becomes preferable only at extremely high willingness to pay thresholds because it has the slight effectiveness advantage. The do-nothing strategy was preferable at only a very low WTP (\$8306).</p>   | <p>ETT remained dominated at each of the 2%, 10%, 20% and 30% prevalence levels.</p>  | <p>Letting the relative risk decrease by 0.18 to the lower bound of the confidence interval caused the ICER to increase to \$60,000</p> <p>Decreasing medical compliance increased the ICER of CCTA to \$78,500/QALY</p> <p>Varying tests’ sensitivity and specificity caused the ICER to range from \$46,000 to \$70,000</p> |

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|  | <p><b>Author's Conclusion</b></p> | <p>“Adding CTCA after indeterminate or positive stress testing results is a cost-effective intervention for further risk-stratifying low-risk chest pain patients in the OU setting”</p> | <p>“CTA with confirmatory SPECT was cost saving (lower costs, higher QALYs) compared with a CTA-only strategy, stress ECG, Echo, and SPECT. However, CTA may be associated with a higher event rate in negative patients than SPECT”</p> | <p>While in the short-term higher cost cause CCTA to be less attractive, longer-term health outcomes cause CCTA to be a cost-effective alternative.</p> |
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**Included Primary economic studies**

**Studies found in search and included in vanWaardhuizen 2016 systematic review**

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### APPENDIX L. Data Abstraction of Diagnostic Accuracy Studies

**Appendix Table L1. Diagnostic accuracy: Non-invasive diagnostic tests (CCTA, CT perfusion, SNI, stress echo) compared with invasive coronary angiography as reference standard for diagnosis of CAD (NICE Guidelines, 2016)**

| Study (Year)<br>Search Dates<br>Amstar-2 rating | # of studies | Study Quality  | Grade Quality* | Reference Standard (threshold)                                  | Population Pre-test risk   | History of CAD, MI, or Revascularization   | Diagnostic Accuracy Outcomes   |
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| NICE (2016)<br><br>Up to 5/10/2016<br><br>High  | 25           | Assessed with QUADAS-2<br>• No serious risk.   | Very low       | CCTA (50% stenosis) vs. ICA (threshold NR) <sup>†</sup>         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• N=2058</li> <li>• % female: NR</li> <li>• Mean age: NR</li> <li>• Condition: Stable chest pain</li> <li>• Pretest risk: NR</li> </ul> | Stable chest pain<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Known CAD: 0%</li> <li>• Suspected CAD: 13 studies</li> <li>• Previous MI: 0%</li> <li>• Previous revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): NR</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sensitivity: 96% (95% CI, 94% to 97%)</li> <li>• Specificity: 79% (95% CI, 72% to 84%)</li> <li>• TP: 1072</li> <li>• TN: 752</li> <li>• FP: 208</li> <li>• FN: 26</li> </ul> |
|   | 3            | Assessed with QUADAS-2<br>• Risk of bias was rated as serious in 66% of contributing trials. | Very low       | CCTA (70% stenosis) vs. ICA (threshold NR) <sup>†</sup>         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• N=371</li> <li>• % female: NR</li> <li>• Mean age: NR</li> <li>• Condition: Stable chest pain</li> <li>• Pretest risk: NR</li> </ul>  | Stable chest pain<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Known CAD: 0%</li> <li>• Suspected CAD: 1 study</li> <li>• Previous MI: 0%</li> <li>• Previous revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): NR</li> </ul>    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sensitivity: 96% (95% CI, 88% to 99%)</li> <li>• Specificity: 72% (95% CI, 55% to 85%)</li> <li>• TP: 112</li> <li>• TN: 202</li> <li>• FP: 54</li> <li>• FN: 3</li> </ul>    |
|   | 1            | Assessed with QUADAS-2<br>• No serious risk.   | Low            | CT Perfusion (50% stenosis) vs. ICA (threshold NR) <sup>†</sup> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• N=156</li> <li>• % female: NR</li> <li>• Mean age: NR</li> </ul>  | Stable chest pain<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Known CAD: 0%</li> <li>• Suspected CAD: NR</li> <li>• Previous MI: 0%</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sensitivity: 54% (95% CI, 39% to 69%)</li> </ul>  |

| Study (Year)<br>Search Dates<br>Amstar-2 rating | # of studies | Study Quality   | Grade Quality* | Reference Standard (threshold)                                  | Population Pre-test risk  | History of CAD, MI, or Revascularization   | Diagnostic Accuracy Outcomes  |
|---|--------------|---|----------------|---|---|--|---|
|   |              |   |                |   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Condition: Stable chest pain</li> <li>Pretest risk: NR</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Previous revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): NR</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Specificity: 100% (95% CI, 92% to 100%)</li> <li>TP: 26</li> <li>TN: 42</li> <li>FP: 0</li> <li>FN: 22</li> </ul>  |
|   | 1            | Assessed with QUADAS-2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No serious risk.</li> </ul>   | Low            | CT Perfusion (70% stenosis) vs. ICA (threshold NR) <sup>†</sup> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N=156</li> <li>% female: NR</li> <li>Mean age: NR</li> <li>Condition: Stable chest pain</li> <li>Pretest risk: NR</li> </ul> | Stable chest pain <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Known CAD: 0%</li> <li>Suspected CAD: NR</li> <li>Previous MI: 0%</li> <li>Previous revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): NR</li> </ul>        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sensitivity: 66% (95% CI, 49% to 80%)</li> <li>Specificity: 98% (95% CI, 90% to 100%)</li> <li>TP: 25</li> <li>TN: 51</li> <li>FP: 1</li> <li>FN: 13</li> </ul>    |
|   | 11           | Assessed with QUADAS-2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Risk of bias was rated as serious or very serious in 55% of contributing trials.</li> </ul> | Very low       | MPS-SPECT (50% stenosis) vs. ICA (threshold NR) <sup>†</sup>    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N=923</li> <li>% female: NR</li> <li>Mean age: NR</li> <li>Condition: Stable chest pain</li> <li>Pretest risk: NR</li> </ul> | Stable chest pain <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Known CAD: 0%</li> <li>Suspected CAD: 3 studies</li> <li>Previous MI: 0%</li> <li>Previous revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): NR</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sensitivity: 81% (95% CI, 74% to 86%)</li> <li>Specificity: 78% (95% CI, 70% to 85%)</li> <li>TP: 503</li> <li>TN: 229</li> <li>FP: 68</li> <li>FN: 123</li> </ul> |
|   | 3            | Assessed with QUADAS-2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Risk of bias was rated as serious in 66% of</li> </ul>                                      | Very low       | MPS-SPECT (70% stenosis) vs. ICA (threshold NR) <sup>†</sup>    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N=145</li> <li>% female: NR</li> <li>Mean age: NR</li> </ul>   | Stable chest pain <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Known CAD: 0%</li> <li>Suspected CAD: NR</li> <li>Previous MI: 0%</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sensitivity: 76% (95% CI, 44% to 93%)</li> </ul>   |

| Study (Year)<br>Search Dates<br>Amstar-2 rating | # of studies | Study Quality   | Grade Quality* | Reference Standard (threshold)  | Population Pre-test risk  | History of CAD, MI, or Revascularization   | Diagnostic Accuracy Outcomes   |
|---|--------------|---|----------------|---|---|--|--|
|   |              | contributing trials.  |                |   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Condition: Stable chest pain</li> <li>Pretest risk: NR</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Previous revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): NR</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Specificity: 76% (95% CI, 58% to 88%)</li> <li>TP: 68</li> <li>TN: 37</li> <li>FP: 11</li> <li>FN: 29</li> </ul>  |
|   | 1            | Assessed with QUADAS-2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No serious risk.</li> </ul> | Low            | MPS-PET (70% stenosis) vs. ICA (threshold NR) <sup>†</sup>                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N=44</li> <li>% female: NR</li> <li>Mean age: NR</li> <li>Condition: Stable chest pain</li> <li>Pretest risk: NR</li> </ul>  | Stable chest pain <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Known CAD: 0%</li> <li>Suspected CAD: NR</li> <li>Previous MI: 0%</li> <li>Previous revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): NR</li> </ul>                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sensitivity: 91% (95% CI, 71% to 99%)</li> <li>Specificity: 86% (95% CI, 65% to 97%)</li> <li>TP: 20</li> <li>TN: 19</li> <li>FP: 3</li> <li>FN: 2</li> </ul>   |
|   | 3            | Assessed with QUADAS-2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No serious risk.</li> </ul> | Moderate       | Stress Echo, perfusion (50% stenosis) vs. ICA (threshold NR) <sup>†</sup> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N=182</li> <li>% female: NR</li> <li>Mean age: NR</li> <li>Condition: Stable chest pain</li> <li>Pretest risk: NR</li> </ul> | Stable chest pain <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Known CAD: 0%</li> <li>Suspected CAD: 100%</li> <li>Previous MI: 0% in 2 studies</li> <li>Previous revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): NR</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sensitivity: 84% (95% CI, 76% to 90%)</li> <li>Specificity: 79% (95% CI, 69% to 86%)</li> <li>TP: 99</li> <li>TN: 50</li> <li>FP: 13</li> <li>FN: 20</li> </ul> |
|   | 1            | Assessed with QUADAS-2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No serious risk.</li> </ul> | Low            | Stress Echo, perfusion (70% stenosis) vs. ICA (threshold NR) <sup>†</sup> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N=62</li> <li>% female: NR</li> <li>Mean age: NR</li> </ul>  | Stable chest pain <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Known CAD: 0%</li> <li>Suspected CAD: 100%</li> <li>Previous MI: 0%</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sensitivity: 90% (95% CI, 73% to 98%)</li> </ul>  |

| Study (Year)<br>Search Dates<br>Amstar-2 rating | # of studies | Study Quality  | Grade Quality* | Reference Standard (threshold)   | Population Pre-test risk  | History of CAD, MI, or Revascularization   | Diagnostic Accuracy Outcomes  |
|---|--------------|--|----------------|--|---|--|---|
|   |              |  |                |  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Condition: Stable chest pain</li> <li>Pretest risk: NR</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Previous revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): NR</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Specificity: 73% (95% CI, 54% to 87%)</li> <li>TP: 26</li> <li>TN: 24</li> <li>FP: 9</li> <li>FN: 3</li> </ul>   |
|   | 5            | Assessed with QUADAS-2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No serious risk.</li> </ul>                            | Very low       | Stress Echo, wall motion (50% stenosis) vasodilators vs. ICA (threshold NR) <sup>†</sup>         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N=422</li> <li>% female: NR</li> <li>Mean age: NR</li> <li>Condition: Stable chest pain</li> <li>Pretest risk: NR</li> </ul> | Stable chest pain <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Known CAD: 0%</li> <li>Suspected CAD: 1 study</li> <li>Previous MI: 0%</li> <li>Previous revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): NR</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sensitivity: 77% (95% CI, 69% to 83%)</li> <li>Specificity: 76% (95% CI, 72% to 79%)</li> <li>TP: 226</li> <li>TN: 113</li> <li>FP: 16</li> <li>FN: 67</li> </ul>  |
|   | 8            | Assessed with QUADAS-2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No serious risk.</li> </ul>                            | Moderate       | Stress Echo, wall motion (50% stenosis) heart rate modifiers vs. ICA (threshold NR) <sup>†</sup> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N=899</li> <li>% female: NR</li> <li>Mean age: NR</li> <li>Condition: Stable chest pain</li> <li>Pretest risk: NR</li> </ul> | Stable chest pain <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Known CAD: 0%</li> <li>Suspected CAD: 2 studies</li> <li>Previous MI: 0%</li> <li>Previous revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): NR</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sensitivity: 76% (95% CI, 72% to 79%)</li> <li>Specificity: 80% (95% CI, 71% to 88%)</li> <li>TP: 458</li> <li>TN: 235</li> <li>FP: 61</li> <li>FN: 145</li> </ul> |
|   | 7            | Assessed with QUADAS-2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Risk of bias was rated as serious in 71% of</li> </ul> | Very low       | Stress Echo, wall motion (70% stenosis) vasodilators vs. ICA (threshold NR) <sup>†</sup>         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N=767</li> <li>% female: NR</li> <li>Mean age: NR</li> </ul>   | Stable chest pain <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Known CAD: 0%</li> <li>Suspected CAD: 3 studies</li> <li>Previous MI: 0%</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sensitivity: 64% (95% CI, 49% to 76%)</li> </ul>   |

| Study (Year)<br>Search Dates<br>Amstar-2 rating | # of studies | Study Quality   | Grade Quality* | Reference Standard (threshold)   | Population Pre-test risk  | History of CAD, MI, or Revascularization   | Diagnostic Accuracy Outcomes   |
|---|--------------|---|----------------|--|---|--|--|
|   |              | contributing trials.  |                |  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Condition: Stable chest pain</li> <li>Pretest risk: NR</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Previous revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): NR</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Specificity: 90% (95% CI, 86% to 93%)</li> <li>TP: 306</li> <li>TN: 285</li> <li>FP: 32</li> <li>FN: 144</li> </ul>   |
|   | 4            | Assessed with QUADAS-2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Risk of bias was rated as serious or very serious in 75% of contributing trials.</li> </ul> | Very low       | Stress Echo, wall motion (70% stenosis) heart rate modifiers vs. ICA (threshold NR) <sup>†</sup> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N=257</li> <li>% female: NR</li> <li>Mean age: NR</li> <li>Condition: Stable chest pain</li> <li>Pretest risk: NR</li> </ul> | Stable chest pain <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Known CAD: 0%</li> <li>Suspected CAD: 2 studies</li> <li>Previous MI: 0%</li> <li>Previous revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): NR</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sensitivity: 75% (95% CI, 62% to 85%)</li> <li>Specificity: 88% (95% CI, 79% to 93%)</li> <li>TP: 114</li> <li>TN: 194</li> <li>FP: 12</li> <li>FN: 37</li> </ul> |

CAD = coronary artery disease; CABG = coronary artery bypass graft; CCTA = coronary computed tomography angiography; ICA = invasive coronary angiography; FN = false negative; FP = false positive; MI = myocardial infarction; NICE = National Institute for Health and Care Excellence; MPS = myocardial perfusion scan; PCI = percutaneous coronary intervention; PET = positron emission tomography; QUADAS = Quality Assessment of Diagnostic Accuracy Studies; SNI = stress nuclear imaging; SPECT = single-photon emission computerized tomography; TN = true negative; TP = true positive.

\* Grade quality rating started at High for prospective and retrospective cross sectional studies, and each major limitation (risk of bias, indirectness, inconsistency and imprecision) brought the rating down by 1 increment to a minimum grade of Very Low, as explained for intervention reviews.

<sup>†</sup> ICA threshold varies across studies.

**Appendix Table L2. Diagnostic accuracy: Computed tomography (CCTA) compared with invasive coronary angiography as reference standard for diagnosis of CAD**

| Study (Year)<br>Search Dates<br>Amstar-2 rating     | # of Studies                                      | Study Quality   | Reference Standard<br>(threshold)            | Population<br>Pre-test risk  | History of CAD, MI, or<br>Revascularization  | Diagnostic<br>Accuracy<br>Outcomes  |
|---|---|---|--|--|--|---|
| <b>Prior Washington State HTAs</b>                  |   |   |  |  |  |   |
| ICER (2008)<br><br>01/2005 to<br>10/2008<br><br>Low | 41*   | Assessed with QUADAS.<br>• RoB items were rated as unclear in approximately 2.5% to 40% in all categories except true prevalence reported, and rated as no in approximately 2.5% to 75% in all categories except referent likely to classify CAD.<br>Overall Quadas RoB rating: 9 studies rated as “good”, remainder rated as “fair”. | CCTA (≥50% stenosis) vs. ICA (threshold NR)  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• N=3683</li> <li>• % female (range across studies): 0% to 100%</li> <li>• Mean age (range across studies): 48 to 69</li> <li>• Condition: Stable chest pain</li> <li>• Pretest risk: NR</li> </ul>                     | Stable chest pain<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Known CAD: 31 studies</li> <li>• Suspected CAD: NR</li> <li>• Previous MI: NR</li> <li>• Previous revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): NR</li> </ul>                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sensitivity: 98% (95% CI, 97% to 98%)</li> <li>• Specificity: 82% (95% CI, 80% to 84%)</li> <li>• Mean prevalence of CAD: 59%</li> </ul>                                       |
| <b>Other (New) systematic reviews or HTAs</b>       |   |   |  |  |  |   |
| Haase (2019)<br><br>Search Dates NR<br><br>Low      | 65 (studies reporting on Individual patient data) | Assessed with QUADAS-2†<br>• RoB items were rated as unclear in 17.7% of studies, and high in 23.3% of studies.<br>Overall Quadas-2 RoB rating: Low   | CCTA (>50% stenosis) vs. ICA (>50% stenosis) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• N=5332‡</li> <li>• % male: NR for patients receiving &gt;64 row CT</li> <li>• Mean age: NR for patients receiving &gt;64 row CT</li> <li>• Condition: Stable chest pain</li> <li>• Pretest risk: 7% to 67%</li> </ul> | Stable chest pain (individual patient data)<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Known CAD: NR</li> <li>• Suspected CAD: NR</li> <li>• Previous MI: NR</li> <li>• Previous revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): NR</li> </ul> | >64 detector rows (n=558)<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sensitivity: 93.4%</li> <li>• Specificity: 84.4%</li> <li>• PPV: 83.6%</li> <li>• NPV: 93.7%</li> <li>• LR+: 5.98</li> <li>• LR-: 0.08</li> </ul> |

| Study (Year)<br>Search Dates<br>Amstar-2 rating       | # of Studies | Study Quality  | Reference Standard<br>(threshold)            | Population<br>Pre-test risk   | History of CAD, MI, or<br>Revascularization  | Diagnostic<br>Accuracy<br>Outcomes   |
|---|--------------|--|--|---|--|--|
|   |              |  |  |   |  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mean Prevalence of CAD: 46.1%</li> <li>• NDX: 16</li> <li>• NDX rate: 2.9%</li> <li>• TP: 240</li> <li>• TN: 254</li> <li>• FP: 47</li> <li>• FN: 17</li> </ul>   |
| Knuuti (2018)<br><br>01/1987 to<br>08/2017<br><br>Low | 9            | Assessed with QUADAS. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RoB items were rated as unclear in roughly 10% reference standard of CCTA, and high risk of bias was seen in 10% for patient selection. Overall Quadas RoB rating: Low</li> </ul> | CCTA (>50% Stenosis) vs. ICA (>50% stenosis) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• N=2748</li> <li>• % female (range across studies): 0% to 100%</li> <li>• Mean age (range across studies): 57 to 63</li> <li>• Condition: Stable CAD</li> <li>• Pretest risk: +: 80%, -: 20%</li> </ul> | Stable CAD (not acute coronary syndromes) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Known CAD: NR</li> <li>• Suspected CAD: NR</li> <li>• Previous MI: 9 studies</li> <li>• Previous Revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): NR</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sensitivity: 97% (95% CI, 93% to 99%)</li> <li>• Specificity: 78% (95% CI, 67% to 86%)</li> <li>• LR+: 4.44 (95% CI, 2.64 to 7.45)</li> <li>• LR-: 0.04 (95% CI, 0.01 to 0.09)</li> <li>• Mean prevalence of CAD: 24.2% to 75.5%</li> </ul> |

CAD = coronary artery disease; CABG = coronary artery bypass graft; CCTA = coronary computed tomography angiography; ICA = invasive coronary angiography; ICER = Institute for Clinical and Economic Review; FN = false negative; FP = false positive; LR+ = positive likelihood ratio; LR- = negative likelihood ratio; MI = myocardial infarction; MPS = myocardial perfusion scan; NDX = nondiagnostic results; NPV = negative predictive value; PCI = percutaneous coronary intervention; PET = positron emission tomography; PPV = positive predictive value; QUADAS = Quality Assessment of Diagnostic Accuracy Studies; RoB = risk of bias; SPECT = single-photon emission computerized tomography; TN = true negative; TP = true positive.

\* 34 studies were in an outpatient setting, remaining 7 were in emergency department. Pooled analysis did not stratify by setting.

† Of the 65 referenced studies, only 62 were assessed for RoB. 2 referenced studies (Diederichsen and Ugolini) used unpublished data and were not assessed for RoB, and another (Halvorsen 2008) was not assessed for RoB.

‡ Only 558/5332 patients had the >64 row CT.

**Appendix Table L3. Diagnostic accuracy: Computed tomography (CCTA) compared with computed tomography derived fractional flow reserve as reference standard for diagnosis of CAD**

| Study (Year)<br>Search Dates<br>Amstar-2 rating       | # of<br>Studies | Study Quality  | Reference Standard<br>(threshold)             | Population<br>Pre-test risk  | History of CAD, MI, or<br>Revascularization  | Diagnostic<br>Accuracy<br>Outcomes  |
|---|-----------------|--|---|--|--|---|
| <b>New systematic reviews or HTAs</b>                 |                 |  |   |  |  |   |
| Zhuang (2020)<br><br>01/2008 to<br>05/2019<br><br>Low | 7               | Assessed with QUADAS.<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All studies rated RoB items as no in 7% to 10% of items. Overall Quadas RoB rating: Low</li> </ul> | CCTA (50% stenosis) vs. FFRct ( $\leq 0.80$ ) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N=868</li> <li>% female (range across studies): 19% to 68%</li> <li>Mean age (range across studies): 58 to 65</li> <li>Condition: suspected or known CAD</li> <li>Pretest risk: NR</li> </ul> | Suspected or known CAD <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Known CAD: NR</li> <li>Suspected CAD: NR</li> <li>Previous MI: 7 studies</li> <li>Previous revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): 5 studies</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sensitivity: 88% (95% CI, 85% to 97%)</li> <li>Specificity: 32% (95% CI, 26% to 39%)</li> <li>PPV: 55% (95% CI, 53% to 57%)</li> <li>NPV: 73% (95% CI, 69% to 77%)</li> <li>LR+: 1.37 (95% CI, 1.26 to 1.48)</li> <li>LR-: 0.23 (95% CI, 0.12 to 0.43)</li> <li>TP: 347</li> <li>TN: 161</li> <li>FP: 319</li> <li>FN: 41</li> <li>Diagnostic OR: 4.77 (95% CI, 3.28 to 6.92)</li> </ul> |

| Study (Year)<br>Search Dates<br>Amstar-2 rating        | # of<br>Studies | Study Quality  | Reference Standard<br>(threshold)                        | Population<br>Pre-test risk   | History of CAD, MI, or<br>Revascularization   | Diagnostic<br>Accuracy<br>Outcomes   |
|--|-----------------|--|--|---|---|--|
| Pontone (2019)<br><br>01/1966 to<br>03/2017<br><br>Low | 17              | Assessed with QUADAS-2.<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All studies rated RoB items as unclear in approximately 4% to 6%, and no in approximately 2% to 13% across three domains across three domains. Overall Quadas-2 RoB rating: NR*</li> </ul> | CCTA (Stenosis NR) vs. FFRct (threshold NR) <sup>†</sup> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N=1478</li> <li>% female (range across studies): 16% to 68%</li> <li>Mean age (range across studies): 56 to 68</li> <li>Condition: Suspected or known CAD</li> <li>Pretest risk: 20% to 80%</li> </ul> | Suspected or known CAD <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Known CAD: 7 studies</li> <li>Suspected CAD: 17 studies</li> <li>Previous MI: NR</li> <li>Previous revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): NR</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sensitivity: 93% (95% CI, 91% to 95%)</li> <li>Specificity: 42% (95% CI, 39% to 46%)</li> <li>PPV: 62% (95% CI: 57% to 66%)</li> <li>NPV: 93% (95% CI: 85% to 100%)</li> <li>LR+: 1.72 (95% CI, 1.35 to 2.18)</li> <li>LR-: 0.17 (95% CI, 0.10 to 0.30)</li> <li>TP: 587</li> <li>TN: 358</li> <li>FP: 488</li> <li>FN: 45</li> <li>Diagnostic OR: 10.84 (95% CI: 5.85 to 20.07)</li> </ul> |
| Gonzalez (2015)<br><br>Up to 04/2015<br><br>Low        | 9               | Assessed with QUADAS.<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>RoB items were rated as unclear in 1 to 3 items in 78% of studies, and rated as no in 1 to 4 items in 55%</li> </ul>   | CCTA (>50% Stenosis) vs. FFRct (0.75 to 0.80)            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N=1039</li> <li>% female: (range across studies) 21% to 58%</li> </ul>   | Suspected or known CAD <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Known CAD: 5 studies</li> <li>Suspected CAD: 8 studies</li> <li>Previous MI: 8 studies</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sensitivity: 92% (95% CI, 88% to 98%)</li> <li>Specificity: 43% (95% CI: 38% to 47%)</li> </ul>   |

| Study (Year)<br>Search Dates<br>Amstar-2 rating | # of<br>Studies | Study Quality                                 | Reference Standard<br>(threshold) | Population<br>Pre-test risk  | History of CAD, MI, or<br>Revascularization   | Diagnostic<br>Accuracy<br>Outcomes  |
|---|-----------------|---|-----------------------------------|--|---|---|
|   |                 | of studies. Overall Quadas<br>RoB rating: Low |                                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mean age: (range across studies) 57.4 to 70.4</li> <li>• Condition: Suspected or known CAD</li> <li>• Pretest risk: NR</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Previous revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): 1 study</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PPV: 57% (95% CI: 51% to 64%)</li> <li>• NPV: 87% (95% CI: 78% to 94%)</li> <li>• LR+:1.64 (95% CI: 1.38 to 1.93)</li> <li>• LR-: 0.19 (95% CI: 0.10 to 0.35)</li> <li>• Mean prevalence of CAD: 45%</li> <li>• Diagnostic OR: 9.17 (95% CI: 4.54 to 18.52)</li> </ul> |

CAD = coronary artery disease; CABG = coronary artery bypass graft; CCTA = coronary computed tomography angiography; ICA = invasive coronary angiography; FFR = fractional flow reserve; FFRct = fractional flow reserve via coronary tomography; FN = false negative; FP = false positive; LR+ = positive likelihood ratio; LR- = negative likelihood ratio; MI = myocardial infarction; NPV = negative predictive value; OR = odds ratio; PCI = percutaneous coronary intervention; PPV = positive predictive value; QUADAS = Quality Assessment of Diagnostic Accuracy Studies; RoB = risk of bias; TN = true negative; TP = true positive.

\* RoB not stratified by test. QUADAS reported across all 77 studies.

† Authors report as a limitation using different diagnostic thresholds to define stenosis.

**Appendix Table L4. Diagnostic accuracy: Computed tomography (CCTA, FFRct) compared with fractional flow reserve via invasive coronary angiography as reference standard for diagnosis of CAD.**

| Study (Year)<br>Search Dates<br>Amstar-2 rating       | # of Studies | Study Quality   | Reference Standard<br>(threshold)             | Population<br>Pre-test risk   | History of CAD, MI, or<br>Revascularization  | Diagnostic<br>Accuracy<br>Outcomes  |
|---|--------------|---|---|---|--|---|
| <b>New systematic reviews or HTAs</b>                 |              |   |   |   |  |   |
| Knuuti (2018)<br><br>01/1987 to<br>08/2017<br><br>Low | 7            | Assessed with QUADAS.<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>RoB items were rated as unclear in roughly 10% for flow and timing and reference standard of CCTA, and high risk of bias was seen in 10% for flow and timing. Overall Quadas RoB rating: Low</li> </ul> | CCTA (>50% Stenosis) vs. FFR via ICA (<0.80)* | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N=1140</li> <li>% female (range across studies): 23% to 45%</li> <li>Mean age (range across studies): 58 to 64</li> <li>Condition: stable CAD</li> <li>Pretest risk: +: 70%, -: 55%</li> </ul> | Stable CAD (not acute coronary syndromes) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Known CAD: NR</li> <li>Suspected CAD: NR</li> <li>Previous MI: 7 studies</li> <li>Previous revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): NR</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sensitivity: 93% (95% CI, 89 to 96%)</li> <li>Specificity: 53% (95% CI, 37 to 68)</li> <li>LR+: 1.97 (95% CI, 1.28 to 3.03)</li> <li>LR-: 0.13 (95% CI, 0.06 to 0.25)</li> <li>Mean prevalence of CAD: 43.6% to 78.3%</li> </ul> |
| Agasthi (2018)<br><br>Up to 04/2017<br><br>Low        | 8            | Assessed with QUADAS.<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>RoB items were rated as unclear in 5%, and high in 30% for patient selection. Overall Quadas RoB rating: Low</li> </ul>   | FFRct (<0.80) vs. FFR via ICA (<0.80)*        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N=1294</li> <li>% female: (range across studies) 11% to 68%</li> <li>Mean age: (range across studies) 52 to 73</li> <li>Condition: Suspected CAD</li> <li>Pretest risk: 25%</li> </ul>         | Suspected CAD <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Known CAD: NR</li> <li>Suspected CAD: NR</li> <li>Previous MI: NR</li> <li>Previous revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): NR</li> </ul>                                    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sensitivity: 83% (95% CI, 79% to 87%)</li> <li>Specificity: 72% (95% CI, 68% to 76%)</li> <li>LR+: 3.00 (95% CI, 2.60 to 3.50)</li> <li>LR-: 0.23 (95% CI: 0.18 to 0.29)</li> </ul>  |

| Study (Year)<br>Search Dates<br>Amstar-2 rating | # of Studies | Study Quality  | Reference Standard<br>(threshold)                    | Population<br>Pre-test risk  | History of CAD, MI, or<br>Revascularization   | Diagnostic<br>Accuracy<br>Outcomes  |
|---|--------------|--|--|--|---|---|
|   |              |  |  |  |   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mean prevalence of CAD: 32% to 100%</li> <li>• Diagnostic OR: 13 (95% CI: 9 to 18)</li> </ul>  |
| Gonzales (2015)<br><br>Up to 04/2015<br><br>Low | 4            | Assessed with QUADAS.<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RoB items were rated as unclear in 2 areas of 50% of studies, and as no in 1 to 2 areas of 50% of studies. Overall Quadas RoB rating: Low</li> </ul> | FFRct (0.75 to 0.80) vs. FFR via ICA (0.75 to 0.80)* | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• N=714</li> <li>• % female: (range across studies) 28% to 36%</li> <li>• Mean age: (range across studies) 57.3 to 65.1</li> <li>• Condition: Suspected or known CAD</li> <li>• Pretest risk: NR</li> </ul> | Suspected or known CAD <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Known CAD: 3 studies</li> <li>• Suspected CAD: 4 studies</li> <li>• Previous MI: 3 studies</li> <li>• Previous revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): NR</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sensitivity: 90% (95% CI, 85% to 93%)</li> <li>• Specificity: 72% (95% CI, 67% to 76%)</li> <li>• PPV: 70% (95% CI, 58% to 82%)</li> <li>• NPV: 90% (95% CI, 84% to 95%)</li> <li>• LR+: 3.70 (95% CI, 2.11 to 6.49)</li> <li>• LR-: 0.16 (95% CI, 0.11 to 0.23)</li> <li>• Mean prevalence of CAD: 42%</li> <li>• Diagnostic OR: 24.34</li> </ul> |

| Study (Year)<br>Search Dates<br>Amstar-2 rating         | # of Studies   | Study Quality   | Reference Standard<br>(threshold)                  | Population<br>Pre-test risk  | History of CAD, MI, or<br>Revascularization   | Diagnostic<br>Accuracy<br>Outcomes   |
|---|--|---|--|--|---|--|
|   |  |   |  |  |   | (95% CI, 1.84 to 54.65)  |
| Helfand (2019)<br><br>01/2017 to<br>08/2019<br><br>High | 2 systematic reviews of 7 studies focused on HeartFlow technology        | NR  | FFRct (<0.80) vs. FFR via ICA(<0.80) <sup>††</sup> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• N=8354</li> <li>• % male: NR</li> <li>• Mean age: NR</li> <li>• Condition: Stable chest pain with suspected CAD</li> <li>• Pretest risk: (estimated mean) 50%<sup>§</sup></li> </ul>          | Stable chest pain with suspected CAD <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Known CAD: 0%</li> <li>• Suspected CAD: NR</li> <li>• Previous MI: NR</li> <li>• Previous revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): 0%</li> </ul>          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sensitivity: 84% (95% CI, 80% to 88%) to 85% (95% CI, 81% to 90%)</li> <li>• Specificity: 73% (95% CI, 61% to 88%) to 87% (95% CI, 84% to 91%)</li> </ul> |
|   | 2 systematic reviews of 15 studies focused on non-HeartFlow technologies | NR  | FFRct (<0.80) vs. FFR via ICA (<0.80) <sup>†</sup> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• N=8354</li> <li>• % male: NR</li> <li>• Mean age: NR</li> <li>• Condition: Stable chest pain with suspected or known CAD</li> <li>• Pretest risk: (estimated mean) 50%<sup>§</sup></li> </ul> | Stable chest pain with suspected or known CAD <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Known CAD: 0%</li> <li>• Suspected CAD: NR</li> <li>• Previous MI: NR</li> <li>• Previous revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): 0%</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sensitivity: 84% (80 to 88) to 86% (81 to 89)</li> <li>• Specificity: 75% (71 to 79) to 80% (73 to 86)</li> </ul>   |
|   | 1 primary study**  | Assessed with QUADAS. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RoB items were rated as unclear in 2 items, and low in the remaining 3 items.</li> </ul> | FFRct (<0.80) vs. FFR via ICA (<0.80) <sup>†</sup> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• N=143</li> <li>• % male: NR</li> <li>• Mean age: NR</li> <li>• Condition: Suspected CAD</li> </ul>  | Suspected CAD with at least 1 coronary stenosis of 40% to 90% on CCTA undergoing clinically indicated ICA with FFR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Known CAD: 0%</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sensitivity: 91% (95% CI, 81% to 97%)</li> <li>• Specificity: 55% (95% CI, 44% to 66%)</li> </ul>   |

| Study (Year)<br>Search Dates<br>Amstar-2 rating | # of Studies | Study Quality                    | Reference Standard<br>(threshold) | Population<br>Pre-test risk  | History of CAD, MI, or<br>Revascularization  | Diagnostic<br>Accuracy<br>Outcomes  |
|---|--------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|--|---|
|   |              | Overall Quadas RoB<br>rating: NR |                                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pretest risk:<br/>(estimated mean)<br/>50%<sup>§</sup></li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Suspected CAD: NR</li> <li>• Previous MI: NR</li> <li>• Previous<br/>revascularization (e.g.,<br/>PCI, CABG): 0%</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mean<br/>prevalence<br/>of CAD: 41%</li> </ul> |

CAD = coronary artery disease; CABG = coronary artery bypass graft; ICA = invasive coronary angiography; LR+ = positive likelihood ratio; LR- = negative likelihood ratio; MI = myocardial infarction; NPV = negative predictive value; OR = odds ratio; PCI = percutaneous coronary intervention; PPV = positive predictive value; QUADAS = Quality Assessment of Diagnostic Accuracy Studies; RoB = risk of bias.

\* Does not specify FFR technology used.

† Uses HeartFlow technology.

‡ Reports on per patient evaluation. Study also reports per vessel evaluation (not reported here).

§ Pretest risk not stratified by test; only summary data available.

\*\*Authors report 3 new primary studies since previous SRs published, however 2 of the studies report per vessel.

**Appendix Table L5. Diagnostic accuracy: CT myocardial perfusion imaging compared with invasive coronary angiography as reference standard for diagnosis of CAD.**

| Study (Year)<br>Search Dates<br>Amstar-2 rating         | # of<br>Studies | Study Quality   | Reference Standard<br>(threshold)   | Population<br>Pre-test risk   | History of CAD, MI, or<br>Revascularization   | Diagnostic<br>Accuracy<br>Outcomes  |
|---|-----------------|---|---|---|---|---|
| <b>New systematic reviews or HTAs</b>                   |                 |   |   |   |   |   |
| Sorgaard (2016)<br><br>01/2005 to<br>08/2014<br><br>Low | 4               | Assessed with QUADAS-2.<br>• Details on item ratings NR.<br>Overall Quadas-2 RoB<br>rating: Low | CT perfusion<br>(stenosis ≥50%) +<br>CCTA (stenosis<br>≥50%) vs. ICA<br>(stenosis ≥50%) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• N=546</li> <li>• % female: (range<br/>across studies) 8%<br/>to 34%</li> <li>• Mean age: (range<br/>across studies)<br/>60.8 to 65.6</li> <li>• Condition:<br/>Suspected or<br/>known CAD</li> <li>• Pretest risk: NR</li> </ul> | Suspected or known<br>CAD <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Known CAD: NR</li> <li>• Suspected CAD: NR</li> <li>• Previous MI: NR</li> <li>• Previous<br/>revascularization<br/>(e.g., PCI, CABG): NR</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sensitivity:<br/>91% (82% to<br/>95%)</li> <li>• Specificity:<br/>77% (66% to<br/>86%)</li> <li>• PPV: 87%<br/>(82% to 90%)</li> <li>• NPV: 83%<br/>(77% to 88%)</li> <li>• Mean<br/>prevalence of<br/>CAD: 63%</li> <li>• Diagnostic<br/>OR: 33 (11 to<br/>90)</li> </ul> |

CAD = coronary artery disease; CABG = coronary artery bypass graft; CCTA = coronary computed tomography angiography; ICA = invasive coronary angiography; MI = myocardial infarction; NPV = negative predictive value; OR = odds ratio; PCI = percutaneous coronary intervention; PPV = positive predictive value; QUADAS = Quality Assessment of Diagnostic Accuracy Studies; RoB = risk of bias.

**Appendix Table L6. Diagnostic accuracy: CT myocardial perfusion imaging compared with computed tomography derived fractional flow reserve as reference standard for diagnosis of CAD.**

| Study (Year)<br>Search Dates<br>Amstar-2 rating     | # of<br>Studies | Study Quality  | Reference Standard<br>(threshold)                                | Population<br>Pre-test risk  | History of CAD, MI, or<br>Revascularization   | Diagnostic<br>Accuracy<br>Outcomes  |
|---|-----------------|--|--|--|---|---|
| <b>New systematic reviews or HTAs</b>               |                 |  |  |  |   |   |
| Gonzalez (2015)<br><br>Up to 04/2015<br><br>Low     | 7               | Assessed with QUADAS.<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rob items were rated as unclear in 1 to 2 items in 86% of studies, and rated as no in 1 to 3 item in 29% of studies. Overall Quadas RoB rating: Low</li> </ul> | CT perfusion (>50% Stenosis) vs. FFRct (0.75 to 0.80)            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N=444</li> <li>% female: (range across studies) 21% to 58%</li> <li>Mean age: (range across studies) 60 to 70.4</li> <li>Condition: Suspected or known CAD</li> <li>Pretest risk: NR</li> </ul> | Suspected or known CAD <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Known CAD: 3 studies</li> <li>Suspected CAD: 6</li> <li>Previous MI: 7 studies</li> <li>Previous revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): NR</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sensitivity: 94% (95% CI, 88% to 98%)</li> <li>Specificity: 77% (95% CI: 66% to 85%)</li> <li>PPV: 83% (95% CI: 75% to 92%)</li> <li>NPV: 92% (95% CI: 88% to 95%)</li> <li>LR+:3.85 (95% CI: 2.16 to 6.84)</li> <li>LR-: 0.09 (95% CI: 0.04 to 0.19)</li> <li>Mean prevalence of CAD: 54%</li> <li>Diagnostic OR: 63.42 (95% CI: 22.41 to 179.5)</li> </ul> |
| Pontone (2019)<br><br>01/1966 to 03/2017<br><br>Low | 11              | Assessed with QUADAS-2.<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>RoB items were rated in all studies as unclear in approximately 4% to 6%, and no in approximately 2% to 13% across three</li> </ul>                          | CT perfusion (Stenosis NR) vs. FFRct (threshold NR) <sup>†</sup> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N=410</li> <li>% female (range across studies): 16% to 36%</li> <li>Mean age (range across</li> </ul>   | Suspected or known CAD <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Known CAD: 4 studies</li> <li>Suspected CAD: 11 studies</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sensitivity: 79% (95% CI, 73% to 84%)</li> <li>Specificity: 88% (95% CI, 82% to 92%)</li> </ul>  |

| Study (Year)<br>Search Dates<br>Amstar-2 rating | # of<br>Studies | Study Quality  | Reference Standard<br>(threshold) | Population<br>Pre-test risk   | History of CAD, MI, or<br>Revascularization   | Diagnostic<br>Accuracy<br>Outcomes   |
|---|-----------------|--|-----------------------------------|---|---|--|
|   |                 | domains across three domains. Overall Quadas-2 RoB rating: NR* |                                   | studies): 60 to 71<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Condition: Suspected or known CAD</li> <li>• Pretest risk: 20% to 80%</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Previous MI: NR studies or NR</li> <li>• Previous revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): NR</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PPV: 84% (95% CI: 77% to 91%)</li> <li>• NPV: 81% (95% CI: 74% to 88%)</li> <li>• LR+: 5.15 (95% CI, 2.22 to 11.92)</li> <li>• LR-: 0.26 (95% CI, 0.16 to 0.42)</li> <li>• TP: 177</li> <li>• TN: 163</li> <li>• FP: 23</li> <li>• FN: 47</li> <li>• Diagnostic OR: 28.56 (95% CI: 15.50 to 52.62)</li> </ul> |

CAD = coronary artery disease; CABG = coronary artery bypass graft; CCTA = coronary computed tomography angiography; ICA = invasive coronary angiography; MI = myocardial infarction; NPV = negative predictive value; OR = odds ratio; PCI = percutaneous coronary intervention; PPV = positive predictive value; QUADAS = Quality Assessment of Diagnostic Accuracy Studies; RoB = risk of bias.

\* RoB not stratified by test. QUADAS reported across all 77 studies.

† Authors report as a limitation using different diagnostic thresholds to define stenosis.

**Appendix Table L7. Diagnostic accuracy: Stress nuclear imaging (SPECT, PET) compared with invasive coronary angiography as reference as reference standard for diagnosis of CAD**

| Study (Year)<br>Search Dates<br>Amstar-2 rating       | # of<br>Studies | Study Quality   | Reference Standard<br>(threshold)             | Population<br>Pre-test risk  | History of CAD, MI, or<br>Revascularization   | Diagnostic<br>Accuracy<br>Outcomes   |
|---|-----------------|---|---|--|---|--|
| <b>New systematic reviews or HTAs</b>                 |                 |   |   |  |   |  |
| Knuuti (2018)<br><br>01/1987 to<br>08/2017<br><br>Low | 41              | Assessed with QUADAS.<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>RoB items were rated as unclear in roughly 5% to 20% for the domains across studies of exercise, 20% to 30% in vasodilator, and high risk of bias was seen in 20% across some domains for exercise and vasodilator. Overall Quadas RoB rating: Unclear/high*</li> </ul> | SPECT (>50% stenosis) vs. ICA (>50% stenosis) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N=10897</li> <li>% female (range across studies): 0.33% to 100% NR</li> <li>Mean age (range across studies): 54 to 72.1</li> <li>Condition: Stable CAD</li> <li>Pretest risk: +: 75%, -: 48%</li> </ul> | Stable CAD (not acute coronary syndromes) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Known CAD: NR</li> <li>Suspected CAD: NR</li> <li>Previous MI: 39 studies</li> <li>Previous revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): NR</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sensitivity: 87% (95% CI, 83% to 90%)</li> <li>Specificity: 70% (95% CI, 63% to 76%)</li> <li>LR+: 2.88 (95% CI, 2.33 to 3.56)</li> <li>LR-: 0.19 (95% CI, 0.15 to 0.24)</li> <li>Mean prevalence of CAD: 14.1% to 86%</li> </ul> |
|   | 3               | Assessed with QUADAS.<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>RoB items were rated as low risk in all domains. Overall Quadas RoB rating: Low</li> </ul>  | PET (>50% stenosis) vs. ICA (>50% stenosis)   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N=418</li> <li>% female (range across studies): 45% to 54%</li> <li>Mean age (range across studies): 63 to 67</li> <li>Condition: Stable CAD</li> <li>Pretest risk: +: 52%, -: 60%</li> </ul>           | Stable CAD (not acute coronary syndromes) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Known CAD: NR</li> <li>Suspected CAD: NR</li> <li>Previous MI: 3 studies</li> <li>Previous revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): NR</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sensitivity: 90% (95% CI, 78% to 96%)</li> <li>Specificity: 85% (95% CI, 78% to 90%)</li> <li>LR+: 5.87 (95% CI, 3.40 to 10.15)</li> <li>LR-: 0.12 (95% CI, 0.05 to 0.29)</li> </ul>  |

| Study (Year)<br>Search Dates<br>Amstar-2 rating | # of<br>Studies | Study Quality | Reference Standard<br>(threshold) | Population<br>Pre-test risk | History of CAD, MI, or<br>Revascularization | Diagnostic<br>Accuracy<br>Outcomes   |
|---|-----------------|---------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|--|
|   |                 |               |                                   |                             |   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mean prevalence of CAD: 36.5% to 62.5%</li> </ul> |

CAD = coronary artery disease; CABG = coronary artery bypass graft; ICA = invasive coronary angiography; LR+ = positive likelihood ratio; LR- = negative likelihood ratio; MI = myocardial infarction; PCI = percutaneous coronary intervention; PET = positron emission tomography; QUADAS = Quality Assessment of Diagnostic Accuracy Studies; RoB = risk of bias; SPECT = single-photon emission computerized tomography.

\* Authors report balanced proportion of unclear and high RoB in all domains.

**Appendix Table L8. Diagnostic accuracy: Stress nuclear imaging (SPECT, PET) compared with other referents (FFRct, FFR via ICA) as reference standard for diagnosis of CAD**

| Study (Year)<br>Search Dates<br>Amstar-2 rating                | # of<br>Studies | Study Quality  | Reference Standard<br>(threshold)                    | Population<br>Pre-test risk   | History of CAD, MI, or<br>Revascularization  | Diagnostic<br>Accuracy<br>Outcomes   |
|--|-----------------|--|--|---|--|--|
| <b>Prior Washington State HTAs</b>                             |                 |  |  |   |  |  |
| ICER (2013)<br><br>01/1996 to<br>02/2013<br><br>Critically low | 4               | Assessed with QUADAS.<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>RoB items were rated as unclear in 12.5% of domains, and high risk in 25% of domains. Overall Quadas RoB rating: NR</li> </ul> | SPECT (>50% stenosis) vs. FFR via ICA (0.75 to 0.80) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N=584</li> <li>% female: NR</li> <li>Mean age: NR</li> <li>Condition: Suspected or known CAD</li> <li>Pretest risk: Varies (low, medium, and high) between studies.</li> </ul> | Suspected or known CAD <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Known CAD: 100% in 2 studies</li> <li>Suspected CAD: NR</li> <li>Previous MI: 70% to 100% 2 studies</li> <li>Previous revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): NR</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sensitivity: (range across studies) 66% to 90%</li> <li>Specificity: (range across studies) 50% to 87%</li> <li>PPV: (range across studies) 73% to 81%</li> <li>NPV: (range across studies) 58% to 91%</li> </ul> |
|  | 2               | Assessed with QUADAS.<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>RoB items were rated as unclear in 30% of domains, and high risk in 30% of domains. Overall Quadas RoB rating: NR</li> </ul>   | PET (>50% stenosis) vs. FFR via ICA (0.75 to 0.80)   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N=227</li> <li>% female: NR</li> <li>Mean age: NR</li> <li>Condition: Suspected or known CAD</li> <li>Pretest risk: Varies (low, medium, and high) between studies.</li> </ul> | Suspected or known CAD <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Known CAD: NR</li> <li>Suspected CAD: NR</li> <li>Previous MI: NR</li> <li>Previous revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): NR</li> </ul>                                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sensitivity: (range across studies) 76% to 95%</li> <li>Specificity: (range across studies) 83% to 91%</li> <li>PPV: (range across studies) 76% to 86%</li> </ul>   |

| Study (Year)<br>Search Dates<br>Amstar-2 rating    | # of<br>Studies | Study Quality   | Reference Standard<br>(threshold)             | Population<br>Pre-test risk  | History of CAD, MI, or<br>Revascularization  | Diagnostic<br>Accuracy<br>Outcomes   |
|--|-----------------|---|---|--|--|--|
|  |                 |   |   |  |  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NPV: (range across studies) 83% to 97%</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Other (New) systematic reviews or HTAs</b>      |                 |   |   |  |  |  |
| Knuuti (2018)<br><br>01/1987 to 08/2017<br><br>Low | 5               | Assessed with QUADAS. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>RoB items were rated as unclear in roughly 5% to 20% for the domains across studies of exercise, 20% to 30% in vasodilator, and high risk of bias was seen in 20% across some domains for exercise and vasodilator. Overall Quadas RoB rating: Authors report balanced proportion of unclear and high RoB in all domains.</li> </ul> | SPECT (>50% stenosis) vs. FFR via ICA (<0.80) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N=740</li> <li>% female (range across studies): 29% to 36%</li> <li>Mean age (range across studies): 58 to 65</li> <li>Condition: Stable CAD</li> <li>Pretest risk: +: 62%, -: 35%</li> </ul> | Stable CAD (not acute coronary syndromes) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Known CAD: NR</li> <li>Suspected CAD: NR</li> <li>Previous MI: 4 studies</li> <li>Previous revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): NR</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sensitivity: 73% (95% CI, 62% to 82%)</li> <li>Specificity: 83% (95% CI, 71% to 90%)</li> <li>LR+: 4.21 (95% CI, 2.62 to 6.76)</li> <li>LR-: 0.33 (95% CI, 0.24 to 0.46)</li> <li>Mean prevalence of CAD: 20% to 49.6%</li> </ul> |
|  | 4               | Assessed with QUADAS. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>RoB items were rated as low risk in all domains. Overall Quadas RoB rating: Low</li> </ul>   | PET (>50% stenosis) vs. FFR via ICA (<0.80)   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N=709</li> <li>% female (range across studies): 32% to 62%</li> <li>Mean age (range across studies): 58 to 64</li> <li>Condition: Stable CAD</li> </ul>                                       | Stable CAD (not acute coronary syndromes) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Known CAD: NR</li> <li>Suspected CAD: NR</li> <li>Previous MI: 0%</li> <li>Previous revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): NR</li> </ul>        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sensitivity: 89% (95% CI, 82% to 93%)</li> <li>Specificity: 85% (95% CI, 81% to 88%)</li> <li>LR+: 6.04 (95% CI, 4.29 to 8.51)</li> </ul>   |

| Study (Year)<br>Search Dates<br>Amstar-2 rating     | # of<br>Studies | Study Quality  | Reference Standard<br>(threshold)                         | Population<br>Pre-test risk  | History of CAD, MI, or<br>Revascularization   | Diagnostic<br>Accuracy<br>Outcomes  |
|---|-----------------|--|---|--|---|---|
|   |                 |  |   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pretest risk: +: 50%, 55%</li> </ul>  |   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• LR-: 0.13 (95% CI, 0.08 to 0.22)</li> <li>• Mean prevalence of CAD: 39.9% to 44.1%</li> </ul>  |
| Pontone (2019)<br><br>01/1966 to 03/2017<br><br>Low | 19              | Assessed with QUADAS-2. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RoB items were rated in all studies as unclear in approximately 4% to 6%, and no in approximately 2% to 13% across three domains. Overall Quadas-2 RoB rating: NR*</li> </ul> | SPECT (Stenosis NR) vs. FFRct (threshold NR) <sup>†</sup> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• N=682</li> <li>• % female (range across studies): 16% to 44%</li> <li>• Mean age (range across studies): 53 to 73</li> <li>• Condition: Suspected or known CAD</li> <li>• Pretest risk: 20% to 80%</li> </ul> | Suspected or known CAD <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Known CAD: 13 studies</li> <li>• Suspected CAD: 7 studies</li> <li>• Previous MI: NR</li> <li>• Previous revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): NR</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sensitivity: 71% (95% CI, 66% to 76%)</li> <li>• Specificity: 79% (95% CI, 74% to 83%)</li> <li>• PPV: 75% (95% CI: 69% to 80%)</li> <li>• NPV: 70% (95% CI: 65% to 75%)</li> <li>• LR+: 2.94 (95% CI, 1.96 to 4.40)</li> <li>• LR-: 0.42 (95% CI, 0.28 to 0.62)</li> <li>• TP: 224</li> <li>• TN: 289</li> <li>• FP: 78</li> <li>• FN: 91</li> <li>• Diagnostic OR: 7.99 (95% CI: 3.69 to 17.30)</li> </ul> |

| Study (Year)<br>Search Dates<br>Amstar-2 rating | # of<br>Studies | Study Quality  | Reference Standard<br>(threshold)           | Population<br>Pre-test risk  | History of CAD, MI, or<br>Revascularization   | Diagnostic<br>Accuracy<br>Outcomes   |
|---|-----------------|--|---|--|---|--|
|   | 5               | Assessed with QUADAS-2. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>RoB items were rated in all studies as unclear in approximately 4% to 6%, and no in approximately 2% to 13% across three domains. Overall Quadas-2 RoB rating: NR*</li> </ul> | PET (Stenosis NR) vs. FFRct (threshold NR)† | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N=609</li> <li>% female (range across studies): 33% to 42%</li> <li>Mean age (range across studies): 57 to 64</li> <li>Condition: Suspected or known CAD</li> <li>Pretest risk: 20% to 80%</li> </ul> | Suspected or known CAD <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Known CAD: NR</li> <li>Suspected CAD: 5 studies</li> <li>Previous MI: NR</li> <li>Previous revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): NR</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sensitivity: 88% (95% CI, 83% to 92%)</li> <li>Specificity: 86% (95% CI, 82% to 89%)</li> <li>PPV: 85% (95% CI: 82% to 89%)</li> <li>NPV: 88% (95% CI: 84% to 92%)</li> <li>LR+: 6.35 (95% CI, 4.45 to 9.07)</li> <li>LR-: 0.13 (95% CI, 0.06 to 0.28)</li> <li>TP: 207</li> <li>TN: 321</li> <li>FP: 52</li> <li>FN: 29</li> <li>Diagnostic OR: 51.79 (95% CI: 18.46 to 145.33)</li> </ul> |

CAD = coronary artery disease; CABG = coronary artery bypass graft; ICA = invasive coronary angiography; ICER = Institute for Clinical and Economic Review; FFR = fractional flow reserve; FFRct = fractional flow reserve via coronary tomography; FN = false negative; FP = false positive; LR+ = positive likelihood ratio; LR- = negative likelihood ratio; MI = myocardial infarction; NPV = negative predictive value; OR = odds ratio; PCI = percutaneous coronary intervention; PET = positron emission tomography; PPV = positive predictive value; QUADAS = Quality Assessment of Diagnostic Accuracy Studies; RoB = risk of bias; SPECT = single-photon emission computerized tomography; TN = true negative; TP = true positive.

\* RoB not stratified by test. QUADAS reported across all 77 studies.

† Authors report as a limitation using different diagnostic thresholds to define stenosis.

**Appendix Table L9. Diagnostic accuracy: Stress echocardiography compared with invasive coronary angiography as reference standard for diagnosis of CAD**

| Study (Year)<br>Search Dates<br>Amstar-2 rating         | # of<br>Studies | Study Quality   | Reference Standard<br>(threshold)                        | Population<br>Pre-test risk  | History of CAD, MI, or<br>Revascularization  | Diagnostic<br>Accuracy<br>Outcomes  |
|---|-----------------|---|--|--|--|---|
| <b>AHRQ 2016 Report</b>                                 |                 |   |  |  |  |   |
| de Jong (2012)*<br><br>01/2000 to<br>05/2011<br><br>Low | 10              | Assessed with QUADAS.<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rob items were rated as unclear in 1 to 3 items across 50% of studies, and rated as no in 1 to 5 items across all studies. Overall Quadas RoB rating: NR</li> </ul> | Stress Echo (Stenosis NR) vs. ICA (≥50 to ≥75% stenosis) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N=798</li> <li>% female (range across studies): 18% to 39%</li> <li>Mean age (range across studies): 56 to 67</li> <li>Condition: Suspected CAD, without known CAD</li> <li>Pretest risk: NR</li> </ul> | Suspected or known CAD<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No known history of CAD, MI, PCI or CABG</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sensitivity: 87% (95% CI, 81% to 91%)</li> <li>Specificity: 72% (95% CI, 56% to 83%)</li> <li>PPV: 85%</li> <li>NPV: 73%</li> <li>LR+: 3.08 (95% CI, 1.65 to 4.50)</li> <li>LR-: 0.18 (95% CI, 0.13 to 0.24)</li> <li>Mean prevalence of CAD: 66%</li> <li>Diagnostic OR: 16.94 (95% CI, 9.84 to 29.15)</li> </ul> |
|   | 1               | Assessed with QUADAS.<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rob items were rated as unclear in 1 item, and rated as no in 4 items. Overall Quadas RoB rating: NR</li> </ul>   | Stress Echo (Stenosis NR) vs. ICA (≥50 stenosis)         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N=50</li> <li>% female: 32%</li> <li>Mean age: 67</li> <li>Condition: Suspected CAD, without known CAD</li> <li>Pretest risk: NR</li> </ul>   | Suspected CAD<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No known history of CAD, MI, PCI or CABG</li> </ul>          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sensitivity: 88% (95% CI, 60% to 97%)</li> <li>Specificity: 89% (95% CI, 58% to 98%)</li> <li>PPV: 93%</li> <li>NPV: 80%</li> </ul>  |

| Study (Year)<br>Search Dates<br>Amstar-2 rating               | # of<br>Studies | Study Quality | Reference Standard<br>(threshold)                        | Population<br>Pre-test risk  | History of CAD, MI, or<br>Revascularization  | Diagnostic<br>Accuracy<br>Outcomes  |
|---|-----------------|---------------|--|--|--|---|
|   |                 |               |  |  |  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• LR+: 8.35 (95% CI, 6.67 to 21.76)</li> <li>• LR-: 0.13 (95% CI, 0.05 to 0.32)</li> <li>• Mean prevalence of CAD: 64%</li> <li>• Diagnostic OR: 62.76 (95% CI, 7.37 to 534.54)</li> </ul>   |
| Ladapo (2013)<br><br>01/1990 to 11/2012<br><br>Critically low | 4               | NR            | Stress Echo (Stenosis NR) vs. ICA (≥50 to ≥75% stenosis) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• N=5216</li> <li>• % male (range across studies): 0% to 54%</li> <li>• Mean age (range across studies): 53 to 62</li> <li>• Condition: Suspected or known CAD</li> <li>• Pretest risk: high</li> </ul> | Suspected or known CAD (Excluded studies with ≥ 15% history of MI or revascularization) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Known CAD: NR</li> <li>• Suspected CAD: 4 studies</li> <li>• Previous MI: 0% (in 2 studies)</li> <li>• Previous revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): 0% (in 2 studies)</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sensitivity: 84% (95% CI, 80% to 89%)</li> <li>• Specificity: 77% (95% CI, 69% to 86%)</li> <li>• PPV: 89%</li> <li>• NPV: 69%</li> <li>• LR+: 3.65 (95% CI, 3.33 to 4.00)</li> <li>• LR-: 0.21 (95% CI, 0.19 to 0.23)</li> <li>• Mean prevalence of CAD (estimated): 68%</li> </ul> |

| Study (Year)<br>Search Dates<br>Amstar-2 rating       | # of<br>Studies | Study Quality   | Reference Standard<br>(threshold)                  | Population<br>Pre-test risk  | History of CAD, MI, or<br>Revascularization   | Diagnostic<br>Accuracy<br>Outcomes   |
|---|-----------------|---|--|--|---|--|
| <b>Other (New) systematic reviews or HTAs</b>         |                 |   |  |  |   |  |
| Knuuti (2018)<br><br>01/1987 to<br>08/2017<br><br>Low | 56              | Assessed with QUADAS.<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>RoB items were rated as unclear in roughly 20% to 40% for the domains across studies of stress echo (exercise or pharmacologic), and high risk of bias was seen in some domains for exercise. Overall Quadas RoB rating: Low</li> </ul> | Stress Echo (>50 stenosis) vs. ICA (>50% stenosis) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N=9512</li> <li>% female (range across studies): 11% to 100%</li> <li>Mean age (range across studies): 46 to 75</li> <li>Condition: Stable CAD</li> <li>Pretest risk: +: 60%, -: 49%</li> </ul> | Stable CAD (not acute coronary syndromes) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Known CAD: NR</li> <li>Suspected CAD: NR</li> <li>Previous MI: 41 studies</li> <li>Previous revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): NR</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sensitivity: 85% (95% CI, 80% to 89%)</li> <li>Specificity: 82% (95% CI, 72% to 89%)</li> <li>LR+: 4.67 (95% CI, 2.95 to 7.41)</li> <li>LR-: 0.18 (95% CI, 0.13 to 0.25)</li> <li>Mean prevalence of CAD: 35.1% to 90.8%</li> </ul> |

CAD = coronary artery disease; CABG = coronary artery bypass graft; ICA = invasive coronary angiography; LR+ = positive likelihood ratio; LR- = negative likelihood ratio; MI = myocardial infarction; NPV = negative predictive value; PCI = percutaneous coronary intervention; PPV = positive predictive value; QUADAS = Quality Assessment of Diagnostic Accuracy Studies; RoB = risk of bias.

\* Suspected and known CAD outcomes include all stress Echo studies, additional row for suspected CAD includes only the single study not looking at known CAD.

**Appendix Table L10. Diagnostic accuracy: Stress echocardiography compared with computed tomography derived fractional flow reserve as reference standard for diagnosis of CAD.**

| Study (Year)<br>Search Dates<br>Amstar-2 rating        | # of<br>Studies | Study Quality  | Reference Standard<br>(threshold)                               | Population<br>Pre-test risk  | History of CAD, MI, or<br>Revascularization  | Diagnostic<br>Accuracy<br>Outcomes   |
|--|-----------------|--|---|--|--|--|
| <b>New systematic reviews or HTAs</b>                  |                 |  |   |  |  |  |
| Pontone (2019)<br><br>01/1966 to<br>03/2017<br><br>Low | 10              | Assessed with QUADAS-2.<br>• RoB items were rated in all studies as unclear in approximately 4% to 6%, and no in approximately 2% to 13% across three domains across three domains. Overall Quadas-2 RoB rating: NR* | Stress Echo (Stenosis NR) vs. FFRct (threshold NR) <sup>†</sup> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• N=361</li> <li>• % female (range across studies): 14% to 48%</li> <li>• Mean age (range across studies): 54 to 69</li> <li>• Condition: Suspected or known CAD</li> <li>• Pretest risk: 20% to 80%</li> </ul> | Suspected or known CAD <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Known CAD: 5 studies</li> <li>• Suspected CAD: 5 studies</li> <li>• Previous MI: NR</li> <li>• Previous revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): NR</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sensitivity: 64% (95% CI, 56% to 71%)</li> <li>• Specificity: 84% (95% CI, 78% to 89%)</li> <li>• PPV: 81% (95% CI: 74% to 88%)</li> <li>• NPV: 70% (95% CI: 64% to 76%)</li> <li>• LR+: 3.51 (95% CI, 2.53 to 4.87)</li> <li>• LR-: 0.45 (95% CI, 0.35 to 0.57)</li> <li>• TP: 106</li> <li>• TN: 164</li> <li>• FP: 31</li> <li>• FN: 60</li> <li>• Diagnostic OR: 11.09 (95% CI: 6.31 to 19.48)</li> </ul> |

CAD = coronary artery disease; CABG = coronary artery bypass graft; ICA = invasive coronary angiography; FFR = fractional flow reserve; FFRct = fractional flow reserve via coronary tomography; FN = false negative; FP = false positive; LR+ = positive likelihood ratio; LR- = negative likelihood ratio; MI = myocardial infarction; NPV = negative predictive value; OR = odds ratio; PCI = percutaneous coronary intervention; PPV = positive predictive value; QUADAS = Quality Assessment of Diagnostic Accuracy Studies; RoB = risk of bias; TN = true negative; TP = true positive.

\* RoB not stratified by test. QUADAS reported across all 77 studies.

† Authors report as a limitation using different diagnostic thresholds to define stenosis.

**Appendix Table L11. Diagnostic accuracy: Non-invasive diagnostic tests (CCTA, SNI, stress echo) compared with invasive coronary angiography as reference standard for diagnosis of CAD in emergency departments**

| Study (Year)<br>Search Dates<br>Amstar-2 rating                  | # of Studies                 | Study Quality   | Reference Standard<br>(threshold)                 | Population<br>Pre-test risk  | History of CAD, MI, or<br>Revascularization  | Diagnostic<br>Accuracy<br>Outcomes   |
|--|------------------------------|---|---|--|--|--|
| <b>Prior Washington State HTAs</b>                               |                              |   |   |  |  |  |
| ICER 2008  | 3<br>prospective<br>studies* | NR  | CCTA (>50%<br>stenosis) vs. ICA<br>(threshold NR) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• N=216</li> <li>• % female (range across studies): 36% to 40%</li> <li>• Mean age (range across studies): 54 to 56</li> <li>• Condition: Patients presenting to the ED with and without ACS, or with possible ischemic chest pain</li> <li>• Pretest risk: NR</li> </ul> | Patients presenting to the ED with and without ACS, or with possible ischemic chest pain <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Known CAD: 9.7% to 38%</li> <li>• Suspected CAD: NR</li> <li>• Previous MI: 9.7% to 24%</li> <li>• Previous revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): 10% to 29%</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sensitivity (range across studies): 94% to 100%</li> <li>• Specificity (range across studies): 77% to 92%</li> <li>• PPV (range across studies): 47% to 87%</li> <li>• NPV (range across studies): 91% to 100%</li> </ul> |
| <b>Other (New) systematic reviews or HTAs</b>                    |                              |   |   |  |  |  |
| Iannaccone (2019) <sup>†</sup><br><br>Search dates NR<br><br>Low | 10                           | Assessed with QUADAS-2. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RoB items were rated as unclear in 5% to 25%, and high in 5% to 20% of studies across some domains. Overall Quadas-2 RoB rating: NR</li> </ul> | CCTA (Stenosis NR) vs. ICA (threshold NR)         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• N=2833</li> <li>• % female (range across studies): 30% to 66%</li> <li>• Mean age (range across studies): 47 to 60.3</li> <li>• Condition: Suspected or known CAD</li> </ul>  | Suspected or known CAD <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Known CAD: 29.4%<sup>‡</sup></li> <li>• Suspected CAD: NR</li> <li>• Previous MI: NR</li> <li>• Previous revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): NR</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sensitivity: 93% (95% CI, 81% to 98%)</li> <li>• Specificity: 90% (95% CI, 93% to 94%)</li> <li>• LR+: 9.40 (95% CI, 5.20 to 16.50)</li> </ul>  |

| Study (Year)<br>Search Dates<br>Amstar-2 rating | # of Studies | Study Quality   | Reference Standard<br>(threshold)                | Population<br>Pre-test risk   | History of CAD, MI, or<br>Revascularization   | Diagnostic<br>Accuracy<br>Outcomes   |
|---|--------------|---|--|---|---|--|
|   |              |   |  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pretest risk: NR</li> </ul>  |   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• LR-: 0.10 (95% CI, 0.02 to 0.20)</li> </ul>   |
|   | 14           | Assessed with QUADAS-2. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RoB items were rated as unclear in 5% to 30%, and high in 5% to 30% of studies across some domains. Overall Quadas-2 RoB rating: NR</li> </ul> | SPECT (Stenosis NR) vs. ICA (threshold NR)       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• N=7044</li> <li>• % female (range across studies): 25% to 60.4%</li> <li>• Mean age (range across studies): 53.8 to 63.7</li> <li>• Condition: Suspected or known CAD</li> <li>• Pretest risk: NR</li> </ul> | Suspected or known CAD <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Known CAD: 29.4%<sup>‡</sup></li> <li>• Suspected CAD: NR</li> <li>• Previous MI: NR</li> <li>• Previous revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): NR</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sensitivity: 85% (95% CI, 77% to 91%)</li> <li>• Specificity: 92% (95% CI, 83% to 96%)</li> <li>• LR+: 10.48 (95% CI, 5.32 to 20.60)</li> <li>• LR-: 0.19 (95% CI, 0.01 to 0.35)</li> </ul> |
|   | 8            | Assessed with QUADAS-2. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RoB items were rated as unclear in 5% to 35%, and high in 5% to 20% of studies across some domains. Overall Quadas-2 RoB rating: NR</li> </ul> | Stress Echo (Stenosis NR) vs. ICA (threshold NR) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• N=3073</li> <li>• % female (range across studies): 25% to 55.3%</li> <li>• Mean age (range across studies): 47 to 63</li> <li>• Condition: Suspected or known CAD</li> <li>• Pretest risk: NR</li> </ul>     | Suspected or known CAD <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Known CAD: 29.4%<sup>‡</sup></li> <li>• Suspected CAD: NR</li> <li>• Previous MI: NR</li> <li>• Previous revascularization (e.g., PCI, CABG): NR</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sensitivity: 75% (95% CI, 59% to 89%)</li> <li>• Specificity: 96% (95% CI, 91% to 98%)</li> <li>• LR+: 18.67 (95% CI, 8.30 to 42.10)</li> <li>• LR-: 0.25 (95% CI, 0.14 to 0.46)</li> </ul> |

CAD = coronary artery disease; CABG = coronary artery bypass graft; CCTA = computed coronary tomography angiography; ICA = invasive coronary angiography; LR+ = positive likelihood ratio; LR- = negative likelihood ratio; MI = myocardial infarction; MPS = myocardial perfusion scintigraphy; PCI = percutaneous coronary intervention; QUADAS = Quality Assessment of Diagnostic Accuracy Studies; RoB = risk of bias; SNI = stress nuclear imaging.

\* Subset of studies included in the ICER 2008 report. Data was abstracted directly from the individual studies.

† Patient population were patients with non-ST segment elevation myocardial infarction (NSTEMI) and without troponin. Authors do not report prevalence of CAD, pretest likelihood, or true and false positives or negative.

‡ Only summary data available.

## APPENDIX M. Definitions of Pretest Risk Assessments

**Appendix Table M1. Definition of pre-test risk assessments commonly used by included studies**  
(taken from the 2016 AHRQ report on Noninvasive Testing for Coronary Artery Disease)

| Risk Criteria  | Description  |
|--|--|
| Cardiac Society of Australia and New Zealand guidelines <sup>1</sup> | <p>Low risk (&lt;2%): Any pain</p> <p>Intermediate risk (2%-10%): Any pain and/or pain at rest, repetitive or prolonged pain</p> <p>High risk (&gt;10%): Any pain, pain at rest, repetitive or prolonged pain, and changes on electrocardiogram or elevated troponin level</p> <p>Risk categories are based on the presence of clinical factors known to increase rates of myocardial infarction and death within 6 months.</p>  |
| CCS Angina Grading Scale <sup>9</sup>                                | <p>Commonly used for the classification of severity of angina:</p> <p>Class I – Angina only during strenuous or prolonged physical activity</p> <p>Class II – Slight limitation, with angina only during vigorous physical activity</p> <p>Class III – Symptoms with everyday living activities, i.e., moderate limitation</p> <p>Class IV – Inability to perform any activity without angina or angina at rest, i.e., severe limitation</p>   |
| Diamond-Forrester risk algorithm <sup>90</sup>                       | <p>“This model takes into account age, sex, and type of chest pain, which was classified as typical, atypical or non-anginal.<sup>9</sup> The commonly used classification cut-offs of 30% and 70% were used.<sup>10</sup> Consequently, a score below 30% was considered low, 30%-70% intermediate and &gt;70% high risk of having significant CAD.”</p>  |
| Established criteria <sup>55</sup>                                   | <p>“patients with very low likelihood atypical chest pain presentations (e.g., costochondral point tenderness) to high-risk patients (e.g., those manifesting a classic ST-elevation MI or arrhythmias or those with unstable hemodynamics) were screened for enrollment”</p>  |
| Framingham risk score <sup>90</sup>                                  | <p>“A multivariable risk function that predicts 10-year risk of developing cardiovascular disease events (coronary heart disease, stroke, peripheral artery disease or heart failure). The sex-specific scores incorporate age, total and high-density lipoprotein cholesterol, systolic blood pressure, treatment for hypertension, smoking, and diabetic status. A score below 10% is considered low, 10%-20% intermediate, and &gt;20% high 10-year risk of cardiovascular events.”</p> |
| Goldman Reilly Criteria <sup>21,24,71</sup>                          | <p><u>Low-risk:</u></p> <p>By these criteria, low-risk patients had no ECG evidence of acute infarction or ischemia (including new left bundle branch block), no pain that was worse than usual angina or like a previous myocardial infarction, no recent revascularization, no rates above both bases, and a systolic blood pressure that was greater than 110 mm Hg.</p>  |
| TIMI risk score <sup>5</sup>   | <p>% risk at 14 days of: all-cause mortality, new or recurrent MI, or severe recurrent ischemia requiring urgent revascularization.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Score of 0-1=4.7% risk</li> <li>• Score of 2=8.3% risk</li> <li>• Score of 3=13.2% risk</li> <li>• Score of 4=19.9% risk</li> <li>• Score of 5=26.2% risk</li> <li>• Score of 6-7=at least 40.9% risk</li> </ul>  |

| Risk Criteria  | Description   |
|--|---|
| Pryor et al. <sup>70</sup>                             | <p>The probability of significant coronary artery disease was calculated as:</p> $1/(1 + e^{-x})$ <p>Where <math>e</math>=base of natural logarithm<br/> <i>Where <math>x=a_1y_1 + a_2y_2 + . . . + a_ky_k + B</math></i><br/>                     Where <math>y_1, y_2, \dots, y_k</math> are the characteristics, <math>a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k</math> are the corresponding logistic regression coefficients, and <math>B</math> is the intercept term (in this case, -7.376).</p>  |
| Predicted annualized risk of death or MI <sup>82</sup> | <p>Determining 10-year (short term) risk for developing CHD is carried out using Framingham risk scoring. The risk factors included in the Framingham calculation are age, total cholesterol, HDL cholesterol, systolic blood pressure, treatment for hypertension, and cigarette smoking. Because of a larger database, Framingham estimates are more robust for total cholesterol than for LDL cholesterol. Note, however, that LDL cholesterol remains the primary target of therapy.</p> <p>Risk score is calculated using a downloadable excel file or risk assessment tool available here: <a href="http://cvdrisk.nhlbi.nih.gov/calculator.asp">http://cvdrisk.nhlbi.nih.gov/calculator.asp</a>.</p> |

CAD=coronary artery disease, CASS=Coronary Artery Surgery Study risk score, CCS=Canadian Cardiovascular Society, ECG=electrocardiogram, MI=myocardial infarction, TIMI=Thrombolysis in Myocardial Infarction

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## APPENDIX O. Supplemental summary tables

**Appendix Table O1. Cumulative frequency of secondary outcomes in trials comparing stress echocardiography versus exercise ECG in stable patients with suspected CAD treated on an outpatient basis**

| Outcome                                      | Author (year)<br>Trial name        | F/U            | Echocardiography<br>% (n/N) | Exercise ECG<br>% (n/N) | Risk Ratio (95% CI)*   |
|--|------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| <b>MACE†</b>                                 | Zacharias 2017,<br>Gurunathan 2018 | 36 months      | 10.5% (20/191)              | 13.4% (26/194)          | RR 0.78 (0.45 to 1.35) |
|  | Sanfilippo 2005                    | Mean 28 months | 7.8% (8/104)                | 7.4% (4/54)             | RR 1.04 (0.33 to 3.29) |
| <b>UA‡</b>                                   | Sanfilippo 2005                    | Mean 28 months | Overall:<br>1.3% (2/158)§   |                         | NA                     |
| <b>MI or UA‡</b>                             | Sanfilippo 2005                    | Mean 28 months | Overall:<br>2.5% (4/158)§   |                         | NA                     |
| <b>Acceleration of chest pain syndrome**</b> | Sanfilippo 2005                    | Mean 28 months | Overall:<br>9.5% (15/158)§  |                         | NA                     |
| <b>Cardiology visit</b>                      | Zacharias 2017,<br>Gurunathan 2018 | 36 months      | 31 visits (n=191)           | 59 visits (n=194)       | NA, p<0.01             |

CAD = coronary artery disease; CI = confidence interval; ECG = electrocardiogram; ETT = exercise treadmill testing; F/U = follow-up period; NA = not applicable; NC = not calculable; N = number; UA = unstable angina.

\*Calculated unless otherwise indicated.

†Zacharias 2017/Gurunathan 2018: defined as death, nonfatal myocardial infarction, late revascularization (>6 months), and hospitalization for chest pain; Sanfilippo 2005: not defined, called “clinical events”.

‡Unstable angina defined as prolonged or accelerating chest pain with EKG changes but no enzyme rise diagnostic of infarction. §Not reported by treatment arm.

\*\*Did not fulfill criteria for myocardial infarction or unstable angina but resulted in frequent presentation to clinic and ED

**Appendix Table O2. Cumulative frequency of secondary outcomes in trials comparing stress echocardiography versus exercise ECG in patients with suspected ACS presenting to the ED and in mixed populations with suspected or known CAD who are hospitalized**

| Outcome                         | Author (year)<br>Trial name                                     | F/U   | Echocardiography<br>% (n/N)           | Exercise ECG<br>% (n/N)           | Risk Ratio (95% CI)*                 |
|---------------------------------|---|---|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <b>MACE†</b>                    | <b>Jeetley, 2006</b><br>(Suspected or known CAD [27% with IHD]) | Mean 8.5 months                             | 12.7% (18/142)                        | 16.6% (25/151)                    | RR 0.77 (95% CI 0.44 to 1.34)        |
|                                 | <b>Desideri, 2005</b><br>COSTAMI-II<br>(Uncomplicated MI)       | 12 months                                   | 19.7% (26/132)                        | 13.8% (18/130)                    | RR 1.42 (95% CI 0.82 to 2.47)        |
| <b>Death or MI</b>              | <b>Jeetley, 2006</b><br>(Suspected or known CAD [27% with IHD]) | Mean 8.5 months                             | 1.4% (2/142)                          | 2.0% (3/151)                      | RR 0.71, 95% CI 0.12 to 4.18         |
| <b>ACS</b>                      | <b>Nucifora 2009</b><br>ASSENCE trial<br>(Suspected ACS)        | 2 months                                    | 3% (2/77)                             | 7% (5/75)                         | RR 0.36 (95% CI 0.07 to 1.94)        |
| <b>UA (requiring admission)</b> | <b>Desideri, 2005</b><br>COSTAMI-II<br>(Uncomplicated MI)       | 12 months                                   | 15.2% (20/132)                        | 12.3% (16/130)                    | RR 1.23 (95% CI 0.67 to 2.27)        |
| <b>Medication changes</b>       | <b>Nucifora 2009</b><br>ASSENCE trial<br>(Suspected ACS)        | Prescribed at discharge                     |                                       |                                   |                                      |
| Beta-blocker                    |   |   | 21% (16/77)                           | 23% (17/75)                       | RR 0.92 (95% CI 0.50 to 1.68)        |
| Calcium channel blockers        |   |   | 21% (16/77)                           | 19% (14/75)                       | RR 1.11 (95% CI 0.59 to 2.12)        |
| Antiplatelet drugs              |   |   | 30% (23/77)                           | 33% (25/75)                       | RR 0.90 (95% CI 0.56 to 1.43)        |
| Nitrates                        |   |   | 13% (10/77)                           | 16% (12/75)                       | RR 0.81 (95% CI 0.37 to 1.76)        |
|                                 |   |   | <b>Echocardiography<br/>Mean (SD)</b> | <b>Exercise ECG<br/>Mean (SD)</b> | <b>Mean Difference<br/>(95% CI)*</b> |
| <b>Hospital length of stay</b>  | <b>Nucifora 2009</b><br>ASSENCE trial (suspected ACS)           | Index visit                                 | mean 40 (42) hours                    | mean 39 (35) hours                | MD 1.0 (–11.4 to 13.4)               |
|                                 | <b>Desideri, 2005</b><br>COSTAMI-II<br>(uncomplicated MI)       | 12 months (index and subsequent admissions) | mean 9 (13.4) days                    | mean 10 (13.3) days               | MD –1.0 (–5.3 to 3.3)                |

|  |   |          |         |         |                       |
|--|---|----------|---------|---------|-----------------------|
| <b>Nottingham Health Profile</b><br>(0-100)‡ | <b>Nucifora 2009</b><br>ASSENCE trial (suspected ACS) | 2 months |         |         |                       |
| Physical mobility                            |   |          | 15 (16) | 14 (16) | MD 1.0 (-4.1 to 6.1)  |
| Pain   |   |          | 7 (10)  | 6 (14)  | MD 1.0 (-2.9 to 4.9)  |
| Social isolation                             |   |          | 4 (9)   | 6 (17)  | MD -2.0 (-6.3 to 2.3) |
| Emotional reactions                          |   |          | 21 (25) | 14 (23) | MD 7.0 (-0.7 to 14.7) |
| Energy levels                                |   |          | 14 (14) | 11 (16) | MD 3.0 (-1.8 to 7.8)  |
| Sleep  |   |          | 22 (17) | 23 (22) | MD -1.0 (-7.3 to 5.3) |

ACS = acute coronary syndrome; CAD = coronary artery disease; CI = confidence interval; ECG = electrocardiogram; ETT = exercise treadmill testing; F/U = follow-up period; IHD = ischemic heart disease; NA = not applicable; NC = not calculable; N = number; UA = unstable angina.

\*Calculated unless otherwise indicated.

†Jeetley 2006: defined as death, MI or revascularization; Desideri 2005: defined as death, nonfatal MI, or UA.

‡Each dimension is scored from 0 (no handicap) to 100 (major handicap); a score of 100 points represented an extensive personal restriction.

**Appendix Table O3. Seattle Angina Questionnaire and SF-36 Quality of Life Questionnaire results from the CECaT trial comparing stress echocardiography with ICA in patient with stable symptoms and suspected or known CAD.**

| Author (year)<br>Trial name<br>Population   | Outcome                     | F/U       | Echocardiography<br>(N=226)<br>Mean (SD) | ICA<br>(N=222)<br>Mean (SD) | MD (95% CI)*                 |
|---|-----------------------------|-----------|--|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>Sharples 2007</b><br><b>Thom 2014</b><br>CECaT<br><br>Suspected or known CAD<br>Low (21%) and high (69%) risk. | <b>SAQ (0-100)§</b>         |           |  |                             |                              |
|   | Exertional capacity         | 6 months  | 81 (20.5)                                | 80.2 (19.3)                 | 0.80 (95% CI -2.90 to 4.50)  |
|   |                             | 18 months | 81.5 (20)                                | 81.7 (19.2)                 | -0.20 (95% CI -3.84 to 3.44) |
|   | Angina stability            | 6 months  | 65.2 (26.6)                              | 66.6 (24.7)                 | -1.40 (95% CI -5.61 to 2.81) |
|   |                             | 18 months | 64.4 (20)                                | 64.6 (25.1)                 | -0.20 (95% CI -4.41 to 4.01) |
|   | Anginal frequency           | 6 months  | 84 (23.1)                                | 83.8 (21.1)                 | 0.20 (95% -3.91 to 4.31)     |
|   |                             | 18 months | 86.8 (21.8)                              | 84.2 (21.4)                 | 2.60 (95% CI 1.41 to 6.61)   |
|   | Treatment satisfaction      | 6 months  | 91.6 (14.8)                              | 90.4 (15.1)                 | 1.20 (95% CI -1.58 to 3.98)  |
|   |                             | 18 months | 91.9 (16.1)                              | 91.8 (15.0)                 | 0.10 (95% CI -2.79 to 2.99)  |
|   | Disease perception          | 6 months  | 75.6 (22.2)                              | 73.1 (22.5)                 | 2.50 (95% CI -1.65 to 6.65)  |
|   |                             | 18 months | 78.4 (22)                                | 77.4 (21.2)                 | 1.0 (95% CI -3.01 to 5.01)   |
|   | <b>SF-36 PCS (0-100), †</b> | 6 months  | NR                                       | NR                          | Adj. MD 0.0 (-2.0 to 1.9)‡   |
|   |                             | 18 months | NR                                       | NR                          | Adj. MD -0.5 (-2.8 to 1.7)‡  |
|   | <b>SF-36 MCS (0-100), †</b> | 6 months  | NR                                       | NR                          | Adj. MD 0.1 (-1.9 to 2.0)‡   |
| 18 months   |                             | NR        | NR                                       | Adj. MD -1.1 (-3.2 to 1.1)‡ |                              |

Adj. adjusted, CAD = coronary artery disease, CI = confidence interval, F/U = follow-up, ICA = invasive coronary angiography, MCS = mental component summary, MD = mean difference, PCS = physical component summary, SAQ = Seattle Angina Questionnaire, SD = standard deviation, SPECT = single photon emission tomography.

\*Calculated unless otherwise indicated

†Negative value favors SPECT over angiography.

‡ Adjusted mean difference provided by authors; adjusted for baseline scores.

**Appendix Table O4. Cumulative Frequency of secondary outcomes in trials evaluating SPECT versus Stress Echocardiography in stable women with suspected CAD treated on an outpatient basis.**

| Author (year)<br>Trial name     | Outcome  | F/U<br>Months   | SPECT<br>% (n/N)        | Exercise ECG<br>% (n/N) | Risk Ratio (95% CI)* |
|---------------------------------|--|-----------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Shaw 2011</b><br>WOMEN trial | <b>MACE† – Overall</b>                           | 24 months       | 2.3% (9/384)            | 1.7% (8/388)            | 1.14 (0.44 to 2.92)  |
|                                 | <b>MACE† – Patients with normal results</b>      |                 | 1.2% (4/347)            | 0.4% (1/249)            | 2.87 (0.32 to 25.53) |
|                                 | <b>MACE† – Patients with abnormal results</b>    |                 | 13.1% (5/37)            | 5.1% (7/139)            | 2.68 (0.90 to 7.97)  |
|                                 | <b>ACS</b> (requiring hospitalization)           | 24 months       | Overall: 1.6% (12/772)‡ |                         | NA                   |
|                                 | <b>Heart failure</b> (requiring hospitalization) | 24 months       | Overall: 0.1% (1/772)‡  |                         | NA                   |
|                                 | <b>Angina-free status</b>                        | 6 months        | 51.0% (196/384)         | 50.6% (196/388)         | 1.01 (0.88 to 1.16)  |
|                                 |  | 12 months       | 49.5% (190/384)         | 48.9% (190/388)         | 1.01 (0.88 to 1.17)  |
| 24 months                       |  | 64.9% (249/384) | 60.4% (234/388)         | 1.08 (0.96 to 1.20)     |                      |

ACS = acute coronary syndrome; CAD = coronary artery disease; CI = confidence interval; ECG = electrocardiogram; ECHO = echocardiogram; ECT = Exercise electrocardiogram test; ETT = exercise treadmill testing; F/U = follow-up period; NA= not applicable; N = number; NC = not calculable; NR = Not reported; RR = risk ratio; SPECT = single photon emission computed tomography; UA = unstable angina; vs = versus

\*Calculated unless otherwise indicated. For dichotomous values, calculated the Risk Ratio/Relative Risk (RR) and associated 95% CI using the Rothman Episheet.

† Composite of cardiac death, nonfatal MI, or hospital admission for an ACS or heart failure

‡Only reports overall % of cases (not by testing arm).

**Appendix Table O5. Cumulative frequency of secondary outcomes in trials comparing SPECT with stress echocardiography in patients with stable or acute symptoms.**

| Author (year)<br>Trial name<br>Population  | Outcome  | F/U         | SPECT<br>% (n/N)                  | Echocardiography<br>% (n/N)     | Risk Ratio (95% CI)*         |
|--|--|-------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Sharples 2007, Thom 2014<br>CECaT trial<br><br>(Stable, suspected or known<br>CAD; outpatient setting) | <b>Total nonfatal events†</b>                                    | 18 months   | 10.7% (24/224)                    | 13.7% (31/226)                  | RR 0.78 (0.47 to 1.29)       |
|  | <b>Total nonfatal plus fatal events‡</b>                         | 18 months   | 12.9% (29/224)                    | 16.4% (37/226)                  | RR 0.79 (0.50 to 1.24)       |
|  | <b>Significant improvement in CCS angina class (≥2 decrease)</b> | 6 months    | 33% (66/224)                      | 31% (67/226)                    | RR 0.99 (0.75 to 1.32)       |
|  |  | 18 months   | 42% (87/224)                      | 34% (70/226)                    | RR 1.25 (0.97 to 1.62)       |
|  | Outcome  | F/U         | SPECT<br>Mean (SD)                | Echocardiography<br>Mean (SD)   | MD (95% CI)*                 |
|  | <b>SAQ (0-100)§</b>  |             |                                   |                                 |                              |
|  | Exertional capacity  | 6 months    | 77.5 (21.3)                       | 81 (20.5)                       | -3.30 (95% CI -7.17 to 0.57) |
|  |  | 18 months   | 78.5 (23)                         | 81.5 (20)                       | -2.7 (95% CI -6.69 to 1.29)  |
|  | Angina stability   | 6 months    | 61.9 (24.1)                       | 65.2 (26.6)                     | -3.3 (95% CI -8.00 to 1.40)  |
|  |  | 18 months   | 62.6 (25.1)                       | 64.4 (20)                       | -1.8 (95% CI -6.00 to 2.40)  |
|  | Anginal frequency  | 6 months    | 83.5 (21.7)                       | 84 (23.1)                       | -0.5 (95% CI -4.65 to 3.65)  |
|  |  | 18 months   | 86.9 (19.4)                       | 86.8 (21.8)                     | 0.10 (95% CI -3.72 to 3.92)  |
|  | Treatment satisfaction   | 6 months    | 92 (12.7)                         | 91.6 (14.8)                     | 0.40 (95% CI -2.16 to 2.96)  |
| 18 months  |  | 91.2 (14.6) | 91.9 (16.1)                       | -0.70 (95% CI -3.55 to 2.15)    |                              |
| Disease perception   | 6 months   | 74.8 (20.1) | 75.6 (22.2)                       | -0.80 (95% CI -4.73 to 3.13)    |                              |
|  | 18 months  | 77 (21.9)   | 78.4 (22)                         | -1.40 (95% CI -5.47 to 2.67)    |                              |
| Salame 2018<br><br>(Acute, ED presentation,<br>subsequently hospitalized)                              | <b>Hospital length of stay (hours)</b>                           | Index       | Median 25.5<br>(IQR 19.4 to 42.5) | Median 26<br>(IQR 20.3 to 40.6) | NC                           |
|  | <b>Duration of imaging (hours)</b>                               | Index       | Median 4.1<br>(IQR 3.2 to 5.2)    | Median 1.8<br>(IQR 1.3 to 2.6)  | NC                           |

ACS = acute coronary syndrome; CAD = coronary artery disease; CCS = Canadian Cardiovascular Society; CI = confidence interval; F/U = follow-up period; IQR = interquartile range; MD = mean difference; NA = not applicable; NC = not calculable; NR = Not reported; RR = risk ratio; SPECT = single photon emission computed tomography.

\*Calculated unless otherwise indicated. For dichotomous values, calculated the Risk Ratio/Relative Risk (RR) and associated 95% CI using the Rothman Episheet.

†Admission for chest pain or acute MI, unplanned PCI or CABG, other (other for the SPECT group = 1 post-CABG wound infection, 1 admission for breathlessness, 1 admission for ICD implant, 1 admission for suspected MI found to be muscular pain, 1 seen in A&E with chest pain in SPECT; and for the echocardiography group = 1 transient ischemic attack).

‡Nonfatal events as above. There were 5 fatal events in the SPECT arm (all 5 cardiac deaths) and 6 in the echocardiography arm (1 cardiac, 2 other cardiovascular and 3 other [pneumonia, respiratory failure, and road traffic accident]).

SSAQ: Scores range from 0 to 100: Physical Limitation (9 items), Angina Stability (1 item), Angina Frequency (2 items), Treatment Satisfaction (4 items), and Quality of Life (3 items). Higher score=better status.

**Appendix Table O6. Seattle Angina Questionnaire and SF-36 Quality of Life Questionnaire results from the CECaT trial comparing SPECT with ICA in patient with stable symptoms and suspected or known CAD.**

| Author (year)<br>Trial name<br>Population   | Outcome                     | F/U       | SPECT (N=224)<br>Mean (SD) | ICA (N=222)<br>Mean (SD)   | MD (95% CI)*                  |
|---|-----------------------------|-----------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>Sharples 2007</b><br><b>Thom 2014</b><br>CECaT<br><br>Suspected or known CAD<br>Low (21%) and high (69%) risk. | <b>SAQ (0-100)§</b>         |           |                            |                            |                               |
|   | Exertional capacity         | 6 months  | 77.5 (21.3)                | 80.2 (19.3)                | -2.7 (95% CI -6.48 to 1.08)   |
|   |                             | 18 months | 78.5 (23)                  | 81.7 (19.2)                | -3.2 (95% CI -7.14 to 0.75)   |
|   | Angina stability            | 6 months  | 61.9 (24.1)                | 66.6 (24.7)                | -4.70 (95% CI -9.34 to -0.06) |
|   |                             | 18 months | 62.6 (25.1)                | 64.6 (25.1)                | -2.0 (95% CI -6.68 to 2.68)   |
|   | Anginal frequency           | 6 months  | 83.5 (21.7)                | 83.8 (21.1)                | -0.30 (95% CI -4.28 to 3.68)  |
|   |                             | 18 months | 86.9 (19.4)                | 84.2 (21.4)                | 2.70 (95% CI -1.10 to 6.50)   |
|   | Treatment satisfaction      | 6 months  | 92 (12.7)                  | 90.4 (15.1)                | 1.60 (95% CI -1.0 to 4.20)    |
|   |                             | 18 months | 91.2 (14.6)                | 91.8 (15.0)                | -0.60 (95% CI -3.20 to 2.0)   |
|   | Disease perception          | 6 months  | 74.8 (20.1)                | 73.1 (22.5)                | 1.70 (95% CI -2.27 to 5.67)   |
|   |                             | 18 months | 77 (21.9)                  | 77.4 (21.2)                | -0.40 (95% CI -4.41 to 3.61)  |
|   | <b>SF-36 PCS (0-100), †</b> | 6 months  | NR                         | NR                         | Adj. MD -0.5 (-2.5 to 1.5)‡   |
|   |                             | 18 months | NR                         | NR                         | Adj. MD 0.8 (-1.4 to 3.0)‡    |
|   | <b>SF-36 MCS (0-100), †</b> | 6 months  | NR                         | NR                         | Adj. MD -0.3 (-2.3 to 1.6)‡   |
| 18 months   |                             | NR        | NR                         | Adj. MD 0.3 (-1.9 to 2.4)‡ |                               |

Adj. adjusted, CAD = coronary artery disease, CI = confidence interval, F/U = follow-up, ICA = invasive coronary angiography, MCS = mental component summary, MD = mean difference, PCS = physical component summary, SAQ = Seattle Angina Questionnaire, SD = standard deviation, SPECT = single photon emission tomography.

\*Calculated unless otherwise indicated

†Negative value favors SPECT over angiography.

‡ Adjusted mean difference provided by authors; adjusted for baseline scores.

§SAQ: Scores range from 0 to 100: Physical Limitation (9 items), Angina Stability (1 item), Angina Frequency (2 items), Treatment Satisfaction (4 items), and Quality of Life (3 items). Higher score=better status.

**Appendix Table O7. Subgroup analyses for NICE classification of non-anginal chest pain**

| Trial name                               | Timing                    | Subgroup (N)  | Test % (n/N) or Mean (SD) | Comparator (n/N) or Mean (SD) | Author reported effect estimate | Author reported interaction p-value |
|--|---------------------------|---|---------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>Fatal and non-fatal MI</b>            |                           |   |                           |                               |                                 |                                     |
| SCOT-HEART, 2018                         | Median 3.2 year follow-up | NICE classification of non-anginal chest pain*      | 1.0% (7/712)              | 1.5% (11/735)                 | HR 0.65 (95% CI 0.25 to 1.69)   | 0.836                               |
|  |                           | NICE classification of possible anginal chest pain* | 1.9% (22/1174)            | 3.2% (37/1149)                | HR 0.58 (95% CI 0.34 to 0.99)   |                                     |
| <b>Fatal MI, non-fatal MI and stroke</b> |                           |   |                           |                               |                                 |                                     |
| SCOT-HEART, 2018                         | Median 3.2 year follow-up | NICE classification of non-anginal chest pain*      | 1.1% (8/712)              | 2.2% (16/735)                 | HR 0.51 (95% CI 0.22 to 1.2)    | 0.554                               |
|  |                           | NICE classification of possible anginal chest pain* | 2.4% (28/1174)            | 3.5% (40/1149)                | 0.69 (0.42 to 1.11)             |                                     |
| <b>Non-fatal MI</b>                      |                           |   |                           |                               |                                 |                                     |
| SCOT-HEART, 2018                         | Median 3.2 year follow-up | NICE classification of non-anginal chest pain*      | 1.2% (9/712)              | 1.0% (7/735)                  | 0.8 (0.3 to 2.14)               | 0.509                               |
|  |                           | NICE classification of possible                     | 1.6% (19/1174)            | 3.0% (34/1149)                | 0.54 (0.31 to 0.96)             |                                     |

|   |                           |   |                |                |                     |       |
|---|---------------------------|---|----------------|----------------|---------------------|-------|
|   |                           | anginal chest pain*                                 |                |                |                     |       |
| <b>Non-fatal stroke</b>                 |                           |   |                |                |                     |       |
| SCOT-HEART, 2018                        | Median 3.2 year follow-up | NICE classification of non-anginal chest pain*      | 0.1% (2/712)   | 0.7% (5/735)   | 0.21 (0.02 to 1.8)  | 0.200 |
|   |                           | NICE classification of possible anginal chest pain* | 0.5% (6/1174)  | 0.5% (6/1149)  | 1.01 (0.32 to 3.12) |       |
| <b>All-cause mortality</b>              |                           |   |                |                |                     |       |
| SCOT-HEART, 2018                        | Median 3.2 year follow-up | NICE classification of non-anginal chest pain*      | 1.0% (7/712)   | 0.5% (4/735)   | 1.81 (0.53 to 6.18) | 0.200 |
|   |                           | NICE classification of possible anginal chest pain* | 1.5% (18/1174) | 1.9% (22/1149) | 0.82 (0.44 to 1.53) |       |
| <b>Coronary Heart Disease Death</b>     |                           |   |                |                |                     |       |
| SCOT-HEART, 2018                        | Median 3.2 year follow-up | NICE classification of non-anginal chest pain*      | 0% (0/712)     | 0.3% (2/735)   | 0 (0 to Infinity)   | 0.998 |
|   |                           | NICE classification of possible anginal chest pain* | 0.3% (3/1174)  | 0.3% (4/1149)  | 0.78 (0.17 to 3.48) |       |
| <b>Non-coronary Heart Disease Death</b> |                           |   |                |                |                     |       |

|                  |                           |   |                |                |                             |       |
|------------------|---------------------------|---|----------------|----------------|-----------------------------|-------|
| SCOT-HEART, 2018 | Median 3.2 year follow-up | NICE classification of non-anginal chest pain*      | 1.0% (7/712)   | 0.3% (2/735)   | 3.64 (0.75 to 17.57)        | 0.096 |
|                  |                           | NICE classification of possible anginal chest pain* | 1.3% (15/1174) | 1.6% (18/1149) | 0.83 (0.42 to 1.65)         |       |
| CABG             |                           |   |                |                |                             |       |
| SCOT-HEART, 2018 | Median 3.2 year follow-up | NICE classification of non-anginal chest pain*      | 0.3% (2/712)   | 0.1% (1/735)   | 1.85 (95% CI 0.16 to 20.92) | 0.704 |
|                  |                           | NICE classification of possible anginal chest pain* | 4.8% (56/1174) | 3.7% (43/1149) | 1.3 (0.87 to 1.94)          |       |

CI = confidence interval; HR = hazard ratio; MI = myocardial infarction; NICE = National Institute for Health and Care Excellence; NR = not reported; PCI = percutaneous coronary intervention; SD = standard deviation.

\* Participants with non-anginal chest pain had the lowest event rates. Patients with possible angina had a higher and time-varying event rate with increased early hazards. Additionally, study reports third group of patients with known CAD that were already on established preventative therapies which were not reported in this data.

**Appendix Table O8. Subgroup analyses for composite outcome (including cardiovascular death and myocardial infarction)**

| Trial name       | Timing                      | Subgroup (N)            | Test % (n/N) or Mean (SD) | Comparator (n/N) or Mean (SD)        | Author reported effect estimate    | Author reported interaction p-value |
|------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| PROMISE trial    | Median follow-up: 25 months | With diabetes (N=NR)    | 1.1% (10/936)             | Any functional test: 2.6% (25/972)   | Adj. HR 0.38, 95% CI 0.18 to 0.79* | 0.020                               |
|                  |                             | Without diabetes (N=NR) | 1.4% (50/3564)            | Any functional test: 1.29% (45/3494) | Adj. HR 1.03, 95% CI 0.69 to 1.54* |                                     |
| SCOT-HEART, 2018 | Median 4.8 year follow-up   | Diabetes (N=NR)         | 2.2% (41/1850)            | 3.5% (64/1852)                       | HR 0.63 (95% CI 0.43 to 0.94)      | 0.40                                |
|                  |                             | No diabetes (N=NR)      | 3.1% (7/223)              | 7.7% (17/221)                        | HR 0.36 (95% CI 0.15 to 0.87)      |                                     |
|                  | Median 4.8 year follow-up   | < 65 years (N=NR)       | 2.1% (32/1538)            | 3.3% (51/1554)                       | HR 0.62 (95% CI 0.40 to 0.96)      | 0.68                                |
|                  |                             | >65 years (N=NR)        | 3.0% (16/535)             | 5.8% (30/519)                        | HR 0.53 (95% CI 0.29 to 0.98)      |                                     |
|                  | Median 4.8 year follow-up   | Female (N=NR)           | 1.2% (11/911)             | 22/910 (2.4)                         | HR 0.50 (95% CI 0.24 to 1.04)      | 0.57                                |
|                  |                             | Male (N=NR)             | 3.2% (37/1162)            | 5.1% (59/1163)                       | HR 0.63 (95% CI                    |                                     |

|                           |   |                |                |                               |               |  |
|---------------------------|---|----------------|----------------|-------------------------------|---------------|--|
|                           |   |                |                |                               | 0.42 to 0.95) |  |
| Median 4.8 year follow-up | 10 year cardiovascular risk <15% (N=NR)       | 1.5% (15/969)  | 2.0% (21/1067) | HR 0.78 (95% CI 0.40 to 1.51) | 0.21          |  |
|                           | 10 year cardiovascular risk ≥15% (N=NR)       | 3.0% (33/1104) | 6.0% (60/1006) | HR 0.50 (95% CI 0.33 to 0.77) |               |  |
| Median 4.8 year follow-up | No previous coronary heart disease (N=NR)     | 1.9% (35/1887) | 3.3% (62/1887) | HR 0.57 (95% CI 0.37 to 0.86) | 0.68          |  |
|                           | Previous coronary heart disease (N=NR)        | 7.0% (13/187)  | 10.1% (19/189) | HR 0.65 (95% CI 0.32 to 1.32) |               |  |
| Median 3.2 year follow-up | NICE classification of non-anginal chest pain | 1.1% (8/712)   | 2.4% (18/735)  | HR 0.45 (95% CI 0.19 to 1.03) | 0.58          |  |
|                           | NICE classification anginal chest pain        | 2.3% (27/1174) | 3.8% (44/1149) | HR 0.60 (95% CI 0.37 to 0.96) |               |  |

CI = confidence interval; HR = hazard ratio; NR = not reported; SD = standard deviation.

\* Author's do not state what they adjusted for.

**Appendix Table O9. Subgroup analyses for any downstream testing**

| Trial name       | Timing           | Subgroup (N)            | Test % (n/N) or Mean (SD) | Comparator (n/N) or Mean (SD) | Author reported effect estimate | Author reported interaction p-value |
|------------------|------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| ROMICAT-II trial | Index Visit      | Females (N=NR)          | 16% (37/239)              | 10% (22/229)                  | NR                              | 0.08                                |
|                  |                  | Males (N=NR)            | 30% (79/262)              | 12% (31/270)                  | NR                              |                                     |
|                  | 28 day follow-up | Females (N=NR)          | 20% (47/239)              | 24% (11/229)                  | NR                              | 0.23                                |
|                  |                  | Males (N=NR)            | 33% (86/262)              | 13% (86/270)                  | NR                              |                                     |
|                  | Index Visit      | With diabetes (N=NR)    | 38% (33/86)               | 5% (4/87)                     | NR                              | 0.001                               |
|                  |                  | Without diabetes (N=NR) | 20% (83/415)              | 12% (49/412)                  | NR                              |                                     |
|                  | 28 day follow-up | With diabetes (N=NR)    | 42% (36/86)               | 7% (6/87)                     | NR                              | 0.002                               |
|                  |                  | Without diabetes (N=NR) | 23% (97/415)              | 13% (54/412)                  | NR                              |                                     |
|                  | Index Visit      | White (N=NR)            | 24% (80/330)              | 13% (42/329)                  | NR                              | 0.16                                |
|                  |                  | Black (N=NR)            | 22% (/141)                | 6% (9/140)                    | NR                              |                                     |
|                  | 28 day follow-up | White (N=NR)            | 29% (95/330)              | 15% (48/329)                  | NR                              | 0.18                                |
|                  |                  | Black (N=NR)            | 23% (32/141)              | 6% (9/140)                    | NR                              |                                     |

NR = not reported; SD = standard deviation.

**Appendix Table O10. Subgroup analyses for ICA**

| Trial name       | Timing                       | Subgroup (N)            | Test % (n/N) or Mean (SD) | Comparator (n/N) or Mean (SD)        | Author reported effect estimate     | Author reported interaction p-value |
|------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| PROMISE trial    | Within 90 days of index test | With diabetes (N=NR)    | 15.1% (141/936)           | Any functional test: 10.2% (99/972)  | Adj. OR 2.12 (95% CI 1.50 to 3.00)* | 0.596                               |
|                  |                              | Without diabetes (N=NR) | 10.9% (388/3564)          | Any functional test: 7.6% (265/3494) | Adj. OR 1.90 (95% CI 1.56 to 2.33)* |                                     |
| ROMICAT-II trial | Index Visit                  | With diabetes (N=NR)    | 19% (16/86)               | 6% (5/87)                            | NR                                  | 0.06                                |
|                  |                              | Without diabetes (N=NR) | 9% (38/415)               | 8% (31/412)                          | NR                                  |                                     |
|                  | 28 day follow-up             | With diabetes (N=NR)    | 20% (17/86)               | 7% (6/87)                            | NR                                  | 0.08                                |
|                  |                              | Without diabetes (N=NR) | 10% (42/415)              | 8% (34/412)                          | NR                                  |                                     |
|                  | Index Visit                  | Females (N=NR)          | 5% (12/239)               | 5% (12/229)                          | NR                                  | 0.15                                |
|                  |                              | Males (N=NR)            | 16% (42/262)              | 9% (24/270)                          | NR                                  |                                     |
|                  | 28 day follow-up             | Females (N=NR)          | 5% (13/239)               | 5% (12/229)                          | NR                                  | 0.24                                |
|                  |                              | Males (N=NR)            | 18% (46/262)              | 10% (28/270)                         | NR                                  |                                     |
|                  | Index Visit                  | White (N=NR)            | 13% (44/330)              | 9% (30/329)                          | NR                                  | 0.83                                |
|                  |                              | Black (N=NR)            | 5% (7/141)                | 3% (4/140)                           | NR                                  |                                     |
|                  | 28 day follow-up             | White (N=NR)            | 15% (48/330)              | 10% (34/329)                         | NR                                  | 0.68                                |
|                  |                              | Black (N=NR)            | 6% (8/141)                | 3% (4/140)                           | NR                                  |                                     |

CI = confidence interval; ICA = invasive coronary angiography; NR = not reported; OR = odds ratio; SD = standard deviation.

\* Adjusted model controls for noninvasive testing results (positive vs. negative), sex, and age.

**Appendix Table O11. Subgroup analyses for any revascularization**

| Trial name       | Timing                    | Subgroup (N)                                       | Test % (n/N) or Mean (SD) | Comparator (n/N) or Mean (SD)        | Author reported effect estimate     | Author reported interaction p-value |
|------------------|---------------------------|--|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| PROMISE trial    | Within 30 days of ICA     | With diabetes (N=NR)                               | 55.7% (78/140)            | Any functional test: 38.0% (38/100)  | Adj. OR 1.51 (95% CI 0.65 to 3.49)* | 0.372                               |
|                  |                           | Without diabetes (N=NR)                            | 49.2% (191/388)           | Any functional test: 38.7% (103/266) | Adj. OR 0.95 (95% CI 0.55 to 1.65)* |                                     |
| ROMICAT-II trial | 28 day follow-up          | With diabetes (N=NR)                               | 8% (7/86)                 | 2% (2/87)                            | NR                                  | 0.26                                |
|                  |                           | Without diabetes (N=NR)                            | 6% (25/415)               | 4% (18/412)                          | NR                                  |                                     |
| ROMICAT-II trial | 28 day follow-up          | Females (N=NR)                                     | 3% (7/239)                | 1% (2/229)                           | NR                                  | 0.33                                |
|                  |                           | Males (N=NR)                                       | 10% (25/262)              | 7% (18/270)                          | NR                                  |                                     |
| SCOT-HEART, 2018 | Median 3.2 year follow-up | NICE classification of non-anginal chest pain      | 2.2% (16/712)             | 1.0% (14/735)                        | 1.2 (95% CI 0.59 to 2.46)           | 0.938                               |
|                  |                           | NICE classification of possible anginal chest pain | 18.7% (220/1174)          | 16.5% (170/1149)                     | 1.16 (0.95 to 1.41)                 |                                     |

CI = confidence interval; ICA = invasive coronary angiography; NR = not reported; OR = odds ratio; SD = standard deviation.

\* Adjusted model controls for noninvasive testing results (positive vs. negative), sex, and age

**Appendix Table O12. Subgroup analyses for PCI**

| Trial name       | Timing                    | Subgroup (N)                                       | Test % (n/N) or Mean (SD) | Comparator (n/N) or Mean (SD) | Author reported effect estimate | Author reported interaction p-value |
|------------------|---------------------------|--|---------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| ROMICAT-II trial | Index Visit               | Females (N=NR)                                     | 2% (5/239)                | 1% (2/229)                    | NR                              | 0.69                                |
|                  |                           | Males (N=NR)                                       | 7% (19/262)               | 4% (12/270)                   | NR                              |                                     |
|                  | 28 day follow-up          | Females (N=NR)                                     | 3% (6/239)                | 1% (2/229)                    | NR                              | 0.45                                |
|                  |                           | Males (N=NR)                                       | 8% (21/262)               | 6% (15/270)                   | NR                              |                                     |
|                  | Index Visit               | With diabetes (N=NR)                               | 7% (6/86)                 | 2% (2/87)                     | NR                              | 0.41                                |
|                  |                           | Without diabetes (N=NR)                            | 4% (18/415)               | 3% (12/412)                   | NR                              |                                     |
|                  | 28 day follow-up          | With diabetes (N=NR)                               | 7% (6/86)                 | 2% (2/87)                     | NR                              | 0.37                                |
|                  |                           | Without diabetes (N=NR)                            | 5% (21/415)               | 4% (15/412)                   | NR                              |                                     |
| SCOT-HEART, 2018 | Median 3.2 year follow-up | NICE classification of non-anginal chest pain      | 2.0% (14/712)             | 1.8% (13/735)                 | 1.13 (0.53 to 2.40)             | 0.978                               |
|                  |                           | NICE classification of possible anginal chest pain | 14.5% (170/1174)          | 13.1% (170/1149)              | 1.11 (95% CI 0.89 to 1.38)      |                                     |

NR = not reported; PCI = percutaneous coronary intervention; SD = standard deviation

**Appendix Table O13. Subgroup analyses for NICE classification of non-anginal chest pain: CABG**

| Trial name       | Timing                    | Subgroup (N)                                   | Test % (n/N) or Mean (SD) | Comparator (n/N) or Mean (SD) | Author reported effect estimate | Author reported interaction p-value |
|------------------|---------------------------|--|---------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| CABG             |                           |  |                           |                               |                                 |                                     |
| SCOT-HEART, 2018 | Median 3.2 year follow-up | NICE classification of non-anginal chest pain* | 0.3% (2/712)              | 0.1% (1/735)                  | 1.85 (95% CI 0.16 to 20.92)     | 0.704                               |

**Appendix Table O14. Subgroup analyses for medication use**

| Trial name  | Timing       | Subgroup (N)            | Test % (n/N) or Mean (SD) | Comparator (n/N) or Mean (SD)          | Author reported effect estimate     | Author reported interaction p-value |
|---|--------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>Aspirin</b>  |              |                         |                           |  |                                     |                                     |
| PROMISE trial   | 60-day visit | With diabetes (N=NR)    | 62.1% (530/854)           | Any functional test: 57.3% (504/879)   | Adj. OR 1.23 (95% CI 1.01 to 1.50)* | 0.907                               |
|   |              | Without diabetes (N=NR) | 52.4% (1658/3167)         | Any functional test: 47.5% (1452/3059) | Adj. OR 1.25 (95% CI 1.13 to 1.38)* |                                     |
| <b>Statin</b>   |              |                         |                           |  |                                     |                                     |
| PROMISE trial   | 60-day visit | With diabetes (N=NR)    | 71.4% (610/854)           | Any functional test: 64.3% (565/879)   | Adj. OR 1.40 (95% CI 1.14 to 1.72)* | 0.783                               |
|   |              | Without diabetes (N=NR) | 52.9% (1675/3167)         | Any functional test: 45.8% (1401/3059) | Adj. OR 1.36 (95% CI 1.23 to 1.50)* |                                     |
| <b>Beta blocker</b>   |              |                         |                           |  |                                     |                                     |
| PROMISE trial   | 60-day visit | With diabetes (N=NR)    | 35.3% (301/854)           | Any functional test: 33.3% (293/879)   | Adj. OR 1.10 (95% CI 0.89 to 1.34)* | 0.941                               |
|   |              | Without diabetes (N=NR) | 28.7% (909/3167)          | Any functional test: 27.3% (835/3059)  | Adj. OR 1.10 (95% CI 0.99 to 1.24)* |                                     |
| <b>Angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitor/angiotensin receptor blocker</b> |              |                         |                           |  |                                     |                                     |
| PROMISE trial   | 60-day visit | With diabetes (N=NR)    | 70.6% (603/854)           | Any functional test: 68.7% (604/879)   | Adj. OR 1.10 (95% CI 0.89 to 1.35)* | 0.339                               |
|   |              | Without diabetes (N=NR) | 37.3% (1180/3167)         | Any functional test: 37.8% (1157/3059) | Adj. OR 0.98 (95% CI 0.88 to 1.09)* |                                     |

CI = confidence interval; NR = not reported; OR = odds ratio; SD = standard deviation.

\* Adjusted model controls for noninvasive testing results (positive vs. negative), sex, and age

**Appendix Table O15. Subgroup analyses for test positive rate (≥70% stenosis in at least one epicardial artery or ≥50% stenosis in the left main**

| Trial name    | Timing     | Subgroup (N)         | Test % (n/N) or Mean (SD) | Comparator (n/N) or Mean (SD)         | Author reported effect estimate     | Author reported interaction p-value               |
|---------------|------------|----------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| PROMISE trial | Index test | Male (N=NR)          | 16.1% (350/2168)          | Any functional test: 14.0% (290/2078) | adj. OR 1.23 (95% CI 1.04 to 1.47)* | CCTA vs. any functional test: <0.001 <sup>†</sup> |
|               |            |                      |                           | Nuclear Stress: 16.9% (230/1362)      | adj. OR 1.03 (95% CI 0.85 to 1.25)* |   |
|               |            |                      |                           | Stress Echo: 7.7% (36/465)            | adj. OR 2.10 (95% CI 1.45 to 3.04)* |   |
|               |            |                      |                           | Ex ECG: 9.6% (24/251)                 | adj. OR 1.79 (95% CI 1.15 to 2.80)* |   |
|               |            | Female (N=NR)        | 7.9% (184/2332)           | Any functional test: 11.5% (274/2388) | adj. OR 0.67 (95% CI 0.55 to 0.82)* |   |
|               |            |                      |                           | Nuclear Stress: 12.0% (205/1704)      | adj. OR 0.66 (95% CI 0.53 to 0.82)* |   |
|               |            |                      |                           | Stress Echo: 7.7% (39/505)            | adj. OR 0.90 (95% CI 0.63 to 1.30)* |   |
|               |            |                      |                           | Ex ECG: 16.8% (30/179)                | adj. OR 0.39 (95% CI 0.25 to 0.61)* |   |
| PROMISE trial | Index test | BMI <35 (N=NR)       | 12.2% (439/3589)          | Nuclear Stress: 13.1% (310/2361)      | NR                                  | 0.003   |
|               |            |                      |                           | Stress Echo: 7.8% (62/795)            | NR                                  |   |
|               |            |                      |                           | Ex ECG: 12.8% (47/368)                | NR                                  |   |
|               |            | BMI ≥35 (N=NR)       | 10.3% (90/872)            | Nuclear Stress: 18.1% (123/679)       | NR                                  |   |
|               |            |                      |                           | Stress Echo: 7.9% (13/165)            | NR                                  |   |
|               |            |                      |                           | Ex ECG: 11.7% (7/60)                  | NR                                  |   |
| PROMISE trial | Index test | Age <65 years (N=NR) | 10.1% (328/3249)          | Any functional test: 11.2% (350/3129) | Adj. OR 1.13 (95% CI 0.96 to 1.33)  | 0.20  |

|               |            |                         |                   |                                       |                                    |       |
|---------------|------------|-------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------|
|               |            | Age 65-74 (N=NR)        | 15.2% (1553/1008) | Any functional test: 15.6% (164/1054) | Adj. OR 1.04 (95% CI 0.82 to 1.33) |       |
|               |            | Age ≥75 (N=NR)          | 21.8% (53/243)    | Any functional test: 17.7% (50/283)   | Adj. OR 0.74 (95% CI 0.48 to 1.15) |       |
| PROMISE trial | Index test | With diabetes (N=NR)    | 14.9% (139/936)   | Nuclear Stress: 17.7% (126/711)       | NR                                 | 0.930 |
|               |            |                         |                   | Stress Echo: 9.2% (17/185)            | NR                                 |       |
|               |            |                         |                   | Ex ECG: 9.2% (7/76)                   | NR                                 |       |
|               |            | Without diabetes (N=NR) | 11.1% (395/3564)  | Nuclear Stress: 13.1% (309/2355)      | NR                                 |       |
|               |            |                         |                   | Stress Echo: 7.4% (58/785)            | NR                                 |       |
|               |            |                         |                   | Ex ECG: 13.3% (47/354)                | NR                                 |       |

CCTA = coronary computed tomography angiography; CI = confidence interval; Ex ECG = exercise electrocardiography; NR = not reported; OR = odds ratio; SD = standard deviation.

\* Adjusted for age, race, body mass index, coronary artery disease (CAD) equivalent, Framingham risk score, ASCVD score, 2011 Diamond and Forrester score, hypertension, dyslipidemia, diabetes, family history of premature CAD, sedentary lifestyle, smoking, typicality of chest pain, and physician's estimation of likelihood of significant CAD.

† All other tests: p=NR.

**Appendix Table O16. Subgroup analyses for single administrative outcomes**

| Trial name                             | Timing      | Subgroup (N)            | Test % (n/N) or Mean (SD) | Comparator (n/N) or Mean (SD) | Author reported effect estimate | Author reported interaction p-value |
|--|-------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>Direct ED Discharge</b>             |             |                         |                           |                               |                                 |                                     |
| ROMICAT-II trial                       | Index Visit | Females (N=NR)          | 55% (132/239)             | 14% (33/229)                  | NR                              | 0.22                                |
|  |             | Males (N=NR)            | 41% (107/262)             | 12% (33/270)                  | NR                              |                                     |
|  | Index Visit | With diabetes (N=NR)    | 40% (34/86)               | 14% (12/87)                   | NR                              | 0.27                                |
|  |             | Without diabetes (N=NR) | 49% (205/415)             | 13% (54/412)                  | NR                              |                                     |
|  | Index Visit | White (N=NR)            | 46% (153/330)             | 11% (35/329)                  | NR                              | 0.27                                |
|  |             | Black (N=NR)            | 43% (61/141)              | 14% (19/140)                  | NR                              |                                     |
| <b>Hospital length of stay (hours)</b> |             |                         |                           |                               |                                 |                                     |
| ROMICAT-II trial                       | Index Visit | Females (N=NR)          | 17.0 (24.5)               | 30.7 (24.1)                   | NR                              | 0.006                               |
|  |             | Males (N=NR)            | 28.8 (44.7)               | 31.0 (30.9)                   | NR                              |                                     |
|  | Index Visit | With diabetes (N=NR)    | 32.2 (43.2)               | 32.0 (20.1)                   | NR                              | 0.08                                |
|  |             | Without diabetes (N=NR) | 21.3 (35.3)               | 30.6 (29.4)                   | NR                              |                                     |
| <b>Hospital admission</b>              |             |                         |                           |                               |                                 |                                     |
| ROMICAT-II trial                       | Index Visit | Females (N=NR)          | 33% (14/239)              | 25% (57/229)                  | NR                              | 0.005                               |
|  |             | Males (N=NR)            | 29% (75/262)              | 26% (69/270)                  | NR                              |                                     |
|  | Index Visit | With diabetes (N=NR)    | 35% (30/86)               | 29% (25/87)                   | NR                              | 0.09                                |
|  |             | Without diabetes (N=NR) | 19% (78/415)              | 25% (101/412)                 | NR                              |                                     |
|  | Index Visit | White (N=NR)            | 23% (75/330)              | 25% (82/329)                  | NR                              | 0.31                                |
|  |             | Black (N=NR)            | 18% (25/141)              | 26% (36/140)                  | NR                              |                                     |

ED = emergency department; NR = not reported; SD = standard deviation.

**Appendix Table O17. Subgroup analyses for repeat ED visit or hospitalization for chest pain**

| Trial name           | Timing                  | Subgroup (N)                  | Test %<br>(n/N) or<br>Mean (SD) | Comparator<br>(n/N) or<br>Mean (SD) | Author<br>reported<br>effect<br>estimate | Author<br>reported<br>interaction<br>p-value |
|----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|--|
| ROMICAT-<br>II trial | 28 day<br>follow-<br>up | Females<br>(N=NR)             | 3% (6/239)                      | 1% (2/229)                          | NR                                       | 0.11   |
|                      |                         | Males<br>(N=NR)               | 3% (9/262)                      | 6% (17/270)                         | NR                                       |  |
|                      | 28 day<br>follow-<br>up | With diabetes<br>(N=NR)       | 0% (0/86)                       | 5% (4/87)                           | NR                                       | 0.97   |
|                      |                         | Without<br>diabetes<br>(N=NR) | 3% (14/415)                     | 4% (15/412)                         | NR                                       |  |
|                      | 28 day<br>follow-<br>up | White<br>(N=NR)               | 2% (8/330)                      | 5% (16/329)                         | NR                                       | 0.049  |
|                      |                         | Black<br>(N=NR)               | 4% (6/141)                      | 1% (2/140)                          | NR                                       |  |

ED = emergency department; NR = not reported; SD = standard deviation.

**Appendix Table O18. Subgroup analyses for primary composite end point\* + catheterization without obstructive CAD**

| Trial name    | Timing                      | Subgroup (N)                                  | Test % (n/N) or Mean (SD) | Comparator (n/N) or Mean (SD) | Author reported effect estimate | Author reported interaction p-value |
|---------------|-----------------------------|---|---------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| PROMISE trial | Median follow-up: 25 months | Age <65 (N=7111)                              | NR                        | NR                            | HR: 0.94 (95% CI 0.78 to 1.13)  | 0.695                               |
|               |                             | Age ≥65 (N=2892)                              | NR                        | NR                            | HR: 0.87 (95% CI 0.68 to 1.12)  |                                     |
|               | Median follow-up: 25 months | Male (N=4733)                                 | NR                        | NR                            | HR: 0.94 (95% CI 0.76 to 1.15)  | 0.633                               |
|               |                             | Female (N=5270)                               | NR                        | NR                            | HR: 0.87 (95% CI 0.70 to 1.09)  |                                     |
|               | Median follow-up: 25 months | White (N=8371)                                | NR                        | NR                            | HR: 0.88 (95% CI 0.74 to 1.03)  | 0.260                               |
|               |                             | Non-white (N=1545)                            | NR                        | NR                            | HR: 1.12 (95% CI 0.75 to 1.69)  |                                     |
|               | Median follow-up: 25 months | Low pre-test risk (≤30%) (N=3755)             | NR                        | NR                            | HR: 0.95 (95% CI 0.73 to 1.24)  | 0.839                               |
|               |                             | Intermediate pre-test risk (31%-70%) (N=5750) | NR                        | NR                            | HR: 0.90 (95% CI 0.74 to 1.10)  |                                     |
|               |                             | High pre-test risk (>70%) (N=481)             | NR                        | NR                            | HR: 0.81 (95% CI 0.50 to 1.30)  |                                     |
|               | Median follow-up: 25 months | Low pre-test probability (N=250)              | NR                        | NR                            | HR: 0.85 (95% CI 0.33 to 2.20)  | 0.980                               |
|               |                             | Intermediate pre-test probability (N=9258)    | NR                        | NR                            | HR: 0.90 (95% CI 0.77 to 1.06)  |                                     |
|               |                             | High pre-test probability (N=495)             | NR                        | NR                            | HR: 0.96 (95% CI 0.57 to 1.61)  |                                     |

CI = confidence interval; HR = hazard ratio; NR = not reported; SD = standard deviation.

\* Primary endpoint includes death from any cause, nonfatal MI, hospitalization for unstable angina, or major procedural complication.

**Appendix Table O19 Subgroup analyses for composite outcome (including cardiovascular death, myocardial infarction, and unstable angina hospitalization)**

| Trial name | Timing | Subgroup (N) | Test % (n/N) or Mean (SD) | Comparator (n/N) or Mean (SD) | Author reported effect estimate | Author reported interaction p-value |
|------------|--------|--------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
|------------|--------|--------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|

|               |                             |                         |                 |                                     |                                    |       |
|---------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------|
| PROMISE trial | Median follow-up: 25 months | With diabetes (N=NR)    | 3.4% (32/936)   | Any functional test: 4.4% (43/972)  | Adj. HR 0.74, 95% CI 0.47 to 1.18* | 0.096 |
|               |                             | Without diabetes (N=NR) | 3.0% (105/3564) | Any functional test: 2.4% (85/3494) | Adj. HR 1.18, 95% CI 0.88 to 1.57* |       |

CI = confidence interval; HR = hazard ratio; NR = not reported; SD = standard deviation.

\* Author's do not state what they adjusted for.

**Appendix Table O20. Subgroup analyses for MACE\***

| Trial name       | Timing           | Subgroup (N)            | Test % (n/N) or Mean (SD) | Comparator (n/N) or Mean (SD) | Author reported effect estimate | Author reported interaction p-value |
|------------------|------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| ROMICAT-II trial | 28 day follow-up | Females (N=NR)          | 0.4% (1/239)              | 0.4% (1/229)                  | NR                              | 0.48                                |
|                  |                  | Males (N=NR)            | 0.4% (1/262)              | 1.9% (5/270)                  | NR                              |                                     |
| ROMICAT-II trial | 28 day follow-up | With diabetes (N=NR)    | 0% (0/86)                 | 1% (1/87)                     | NR                              | 0.97                                |
|                  |                  | Without diabetes (N=NR) | 0.5% (2/415)              | 1.2% (5/412)                  | NR                              |                                     |

MACE = major adverse coronary event; NR = not reported; SD = standard deviation

\* MACE included death, myocardial infarction, unstable angina, or urgent coronary revascularization

**Appendix Table O21. Subgroup analyses for Primary composite end points (including death from any cause, nonfatal myocardial infarction, hospitalization for unstable angina, or major procedural complication)**

| Trial name    | Timing                      | Subgroup (N)                                  | Test % (n/N) or Mean (SD) | Comparator (n/N) or Mean (SD) | Author reported effect estimate | Author reported interaction p-value |
|---------------|-----------------------------|---|---------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| PROMISE trial | Median follow-up: 25 months | Age <65 (N=7111)                              | NR                        | NR                            | HR: 1.10 (95% CI 0.82 to 1.47)  | 0.591                               |
|               |                             | Age ≥65 (N=2982)                              | NR                        | NR                            | HR: 0.97 (95% CI 0.69 to 1.36)  |                                     |
|               | Median follow-up: 25 months | Male (N=4733)                                 | NR                        | NR                            | HR: 0.99 (95% CI 0.74 to 1.32)  | 0.698                               |
|               |                             | Female (N=5270)                               | NR                        | NR                            | HR: 1.08 (95% CI 0.76 to 1.51)  |                                     |
|               | Median follow-up: 25 months | White (N=8371)                                | NR                        | NR                            | HR: 0.95 (95% CI 0.74 to 1.20)  | 0.100                               |
|               |                             | Non-white (N=1545)                            | NR                        | NR                            | HR: 1.62 (95% CI 0.89 to 2.92)  |                                     |
|               | Median follow-up: 25 months | Low pre-test risk (≤30%) (N=3755)             | NR                        | NR                            | HR: 1.33 (95% CI 0.88 to 2.00)  | 0.341                               |
|               |                             | Intermediate pre-test risk (31%-70%) (N=5750) | NR                        | NR                            | HR: 0.92 (95% CI 0.69 to 1.23)  |                                     |
|               |                             | High pre-test risk (>70%) (N=481)             | NR                        | NR                            | HR: 0.94 (95% CI 0.51 to 1.74)  |                                     |
|               | Median follow-up: 25 months | Low pre-test probability (N=250)*             | NR                        | NR                            | HR: 2.30 (95% CI 0.45 to 11.88) | 0.603                               |
|               |                             | Intermediate pre-test probability (N=9258)*   | NR                        | NR                            | HR: 1.00 (95% CI 0.79 to 1.26)  |                                     |
|               |                             | High pre-test probability (N=495)*            | NR                        | NR                            | HR: 1.08 (95% CI 0.53 to 2.23)  |                                     |

CI = confidence interval; HR = hazard ratio; NR = not reported; SD = standard deviation.

\* Pre-test probability estimated using the Diamond-Forrester model where patients were categorized as being at low risk (<30%), moderate risk (30–70%), or high risk (> 70%) of having obstructive CAD. Additionally, the pretest probability of CAD varied with age and affects interpretation of both positive and negative test results.

**Appendix Table O22. Subgroup analyses for safety outcomes**

| Trial name    | Timing          | Outcome  | Subgroup                           | CCTA<br>% (n/N) or<br>Mean (SD)    | Functional Test<br>% (n/N) or<br>Mean (SD) | Interaction<br>p-value |
|---------------|-----------------|--|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|------------------------|
| PROMISE trial | ≤90 days        | Cumulative radiation effective dose among those patients intended for nuclear stress testing | <65 years                          | 12.2 (8.1)<br>(N=2178)             | 15.3 (6.9)<br>(N=2159)                     | 0.072                  |
|               |                 |  | ≥65 years                          | 12.6 (8.9)<br>(N=968)              | 15.0 (6.7)<br>(N=1044)                     |                        |
|               |                 |  | Male                               | 13.7 (9.0)<br>(N=1452)             | 16.0 (7.4)<br>(N=1694)                     | 0.82                   |
|               |                 |  | Female                             | 11.2 (7.5)<br>(N=1694)             | 14.6 (6.3)<br>(N=1786)                     |                        |
|               |                 |  | Not Obese (<30 kg/m <sup>2</sup> ) | 11.1 (8.0)<br>(N=1556)             | 14.9 (6.9)<br>(N=1537)                     | 0.10                   |
|               |                 |  | Obese (≥30 kg/m <sup>2</sup> )     | 13.6 (8.5)<br>(N=1570)             | 15.5 (6.7)<br>(N=1638)                     |                        |
|               |                 |  | Heart rate <75 bpm*                | 11.9 (8.4)                         | 15.3 (6.9)                                 | 0.042                  |
|               |                 |  | Heart rate ≥75 bpm*                | 13.0 (8.3)                         | 15.0 (6.6)                                 |                        |
| ROMICATT-II   | Index test only | Radiation Dose During the Index Visit  | Female                             | 10.8 (8.7)                         | 4.7 (8.1)                                  | 0.003                  |
|               |                 |  | Male                               | 14.2 (11.2)                        | 4.7 (8.7)                                  |                        |
|               | 28 days         | Mean (SD) cumulative radiation dose (mSv)  | Female                             | 11.0 (8.9)                         | 6.0 (8.2)                                  | 0.002                  |
|               |                 |  | Male                               | 14.7 (12.0)                        | 5.6 (10.7)                                 |                        |
|               |                 |  | With diabetes                      | 18.4 (14.7)                        | 6.6 (10.4)                                 | 0.04                   |
|               |                 |  | Without diabetes                   | 13.4 (9.8)                         | 5.1 (9.5)                                  |                        |
|               |                 |  | White                              | Median (IQR)<br>12.0 (7.9 to 17.2) | Median (IQR)<br>0.0 (0.0 to 12.4)          | 0.60                   |
|               |                 |  | Black                              | Median (IQR)<br>11.7 (8.6 to 16)   | Median (IQR)<br>0.0 (0.0 to 0.0)           |                        |

CCTA = coronary computed tomography angiography; IQR = interquartile range; NR = not reported; SD = standard deviation.

\* Baseline resting heart rate was recorded at the enrollment physical examination.

**Appendix Table O23. Summary table of adverse events related to the use of dobutamine ( $\pm$  atropine\*) during stress echocardiography**

| Adverse event                             | Author Year     | Study design     | % (n/N)          |
|---|-----------------|------------------|------------------|
| Known or suspected CAD                    |                 |                  |                  |
| Hypertension                              | Baudhuin 1993   | Prospective CS   | 3.7% (5/136)     |
|   | Mertes 1993     | Retrospective CS | 1.1% (12/1118)   |
|   | Minardi 2007    | Prospective CS   | 0% (0/265)       |
|   | Poldermans 1994 | Prospective CS   | 0.2% (1/650)     |
|   | Sitges 2000     | Prospective CS   | 7.5% (9/122)     |
| Chest pain                                | Dakik 1996      | Prospective CS   | 30.5% (309/1012) |
|   | Mertes 1993     | Retrospective CS | 37.6% (36/1118)  |
| Arrhythmia, palpitation                   | Sitges 2000     | Prospective CS   | 18% (22/122)     |
|   | Baudhuin 1993   | Prospective CS   | 11.0% (15/136)   |
|   | Dakik 1996      | Prospective CS   | 9.7% (98/1012)   |
|   | Mertes 1993     | Retrospective CS | 2.1% (24/1118)   |
|   | Minardi 2007    | Prospective CS   | 24.2% (64/265)   |
|   | Poldermans 1994 | Prospective CS   | 3.7% (24/650)    |
|   | Sitges 2000     | Prospective CS   | 9.0% (11/122)    |
| Nausea, vomiting                          | Dakik 1996      | Prospective CS   | 8.0% (81/1012)   |
|   | Gordon 1995     | Retrospective CS | 12.6% (16/127)   |
|   | Karabinos 2004  | Retrospective CS | 21% (168/802)    |
|   | Minardi 2007    | Prospective CS   | 3.4% (9/265)     |
|   | Sitges 2000     | Prospective CS   | 9.0% (11/122)    |
| Hypotension                               | Baudhuin 1993   | Prospective CS   | 12.5% (17/136)   |
|   | Mertes 1993     | Retrospective CS | 3.2% (36/1118)   |
|   | Minardi 2007    | Prospective CS   | 1.1% (3/265)     |
|   | Poldermans 1994 | Prospective CS   | 5.2% (34/650)    |
|   | Picano 1999     | Prospective CS   | 0.1% (2/2799)    |
|   | Sitges 2000     | Prospective CS   | 1.5% (2/122)     |
|   | Karabinos 2004  | Retrospective CS | 0.3% (3/802)     |
| Dyspnea                                   | Baudhuin 1993   | Prospective CS   | 4.4% (6/136)     |
|   | Dakik 1996      | Prospective CS   | 13.6% (138/1012) |
|   | Minardi 2007    | Prospective CS   | 0% (0/265)       |
| Headache                                  | Dakik 1996      | Prospective CS   | 13.6% (138/1012) |
|   | Gordon 1995     | Retrospective CS | 1.6% (2/127)     |
|   | Minardi 2007    | Prospective CS   | 1.1% (3/265)     |
|   | Sitges 2000     | Prospective CS   | 0.8% (1/122)     |
| Flushing                                  | Dakik 1996      | Prospective CS   | 10.3% (104/1012) |
|   | Gordon 1995     | Retrospective CS | 1.6% (2/127)     |
| Tremors                                   | Dakik 1996      | Prospective CS   | 1.1% (11/1012)   |
|   | Gordon 1995     | Retrospective CS | 2.4% (3/127)     |
|   | Minardi 2007    | Prospective CS   | 0.4% (1/265)     |
| Anxiety                                   | Gordon 1995     | Retrospective CS | 3.2% (4/127)     |
|   | Karabinos 2004  | Retrospective CS | 31% (248/802)    |
|   | Minardi 2007    | Prospective CS   | 0% (0/265)       |
| Acute MI                                  | Karabinos 2004  | Retrospective CS | 0.1% (1/802)     |
|   | Mertes 1993     | Retrospective CS | 0% (0/1118)      |
|   | Picano 1999     | Prospective CS   | 0.1% (3/2799)    |
| Ventricular, supraventricular tachycardia | Karabinos 2004  | Retrospective CS | 0.6% (5/802)     |
|   | Mertes 1993     | Retrospective CS | 0% (0/1118)      |

| Adverse event                              | Author Year     | Study design     | % (n/N)        |
|--|-----------------|------------------|----------------|
|  | Picano 1999     | Prospective CS   | 0.1% (3/2799)  |
| Atrial or ventricular fibrillation         | Karabinos 2004  | Retrospective CS | 0.3% (3/802)   |
|  | Picano 1999     | Prospective CS   | 0.1% (2/2799)  |
| Bradycardia                                | Mertes 1993     | Retrospective CS | 0.2% (2/1118)  |
|  | Picano 1999     | Prospective CS   | 0.04% (1/2799) |
| Numbness                                   | Gordon 1995     | Retrospective CS | 3.2% (4/127)   |
| ST-segment changes                         | Mertes 1993     | Retrospective CS | 1.1% (12/1118) |
| Back pain                                  | Gordon 1995     | Retrospective CS | 1.6% (2/127)   |
| Dizziness                                  | Gordon 1995     | Retrospective CS | 0.8% (1/127)   |
| Weakness                                   | Gordon 1995     | Retrospective CS | 0.8% (1/127)   |
| Hip spasm                                  | Gordon 1995     | Retrospective CS | 0.8% (1/127)   |
| Urinary retention                          | Karabinos 2004  | Retrospective CS | 0.1% (1/802)   |
| Urinary urgency                            | Karabinos 2004  | Retrospective CS | 3% (25/802)    |
| Abdominal pain-tenesmus                    | Karabinos 2004  | Retrospective CS | 0.3% (3/802)   |
| Unstable angina                            | Karabinos 2004  | Retrospective CS | 0.1% (1/802)   |
| Acute pulmonary edema                      | Karabinos 2004  | Retrospective CS | 0.1% (1/802)   |
| Left ventricular outflow tract obstruction | Mertes 1993     | Retrospective CS | 0.1% (1/1118)  |
| Syncope                                    | Mertes 1993     | Retrospective CS | 0% (0/1118)    |
| General discomfort                         | Minardi 2007    | Prospective CS   | 0.4% (1/265)   |
| Chills                                     | Poldermans 1994 | Prospective CS   | 1.8% (12/650)  |
| Prolonged ischemia                         | Picano 1999     | Prospective CS   | 0.04% (1/2799) |
| Intraventricular gradient                  | Sitges 2000     | Prospective CS   | 4.9% (6/122)   |
| Facial paresthesia                         | Sitges 2000     | Prospective CS   | 73.0% (89/122) |
| Other†                                     | Baudhuin 1993   | Prospective CS   | 1.5% (2/136)   |
| <b>Suspected ACS</b>                       |                 |                  |                |
| Chest pain                                 | Geleijnse 2000  | Prospective CS   | 31.4% (27/86)  |
| Nausea, vomiting                           | Geleijnse 2000  | Prospective CS   | 12.8% (11/86)  |
| Hypotension                                | Geleijnse 2000  | Prospective CS   | 1.2% (1/86)    |
| Headache                                   | Geleijnse 2000  | Prospective CS   | 4.7% (4/86)    |
| Anxiety                                    | Geleijnse 2000  | Prospective CS   | 1.2% (1/86)    |
| Ventricular, supraventricular tachycardia  | Geleijnse 2000  | Prospective CS   | 7.0% (6/86)    |
| ST-segment changes                         | Geleijnse 2000  | Prospective CS   | 2.3% (2/86)    |

ACS = acute coronary syndrome, CAD = coronary artery disease, CS = case series

\* Proportion of patients receiving atropine: Baudhuin 1993 (0%), Dakik 1996 (0%), Gordon 1995 (0%), Karabinos 2004 (96%), Mertes 1993 (38%), Minardi 2007 (0%), Poldermas 1994 (37%), Picano 1994 (NR), Geleijnse 2000 (100%), Stiges 2000 (100%)

† Includes cough, discomfort, facial flush

**Appendix Table O24. Summary table of adverse events related to the use of dipyridamole ( $\pm$  atropine\*) during stress echocardiography**

| Adverse event                  | Author Year   | Study design     | % (n/N)        |
|--------------------------------|---------------|------------------|----------------|
| Known or suspected CAD         |               |                  |                |
| Fatigue                        | Gaibazzi 2009 | Prospective CS   | 0.4% (2/500)   |
| Arrhythmias                    | Gaibazzi 2009 | Prospective CS   | 10.4% (52/500) |
|                                | Minardi 2002  | Retrospective CS | 2.1% (7/337)   |
| Hypotension, bradycardia       | Gaibazzi 2009 | Prospective CS   | 0.8% (4/500)   |
|                                | Ferrara 1991  | Prospective CS   | 6.4% (7/109)   |
|                                | Minardi 2002  | Retrospective CS | 0.9% (3/337)   |
| Troponin I elevation           | Gaibazzi 2009 | Prospective CS   | 0% (0/500)     |
| Xerostomia                     | Gaibazzi 2009 | Prospective CS   | 19% (97/500)   |
| Vomiting, nausea               | Gaibazzi 2009 | Prospective CS   | 0.2% (1/500)   |
|                                | Ferrara 1991  | Prospective CS   | 5.5% (7/109)   |
|                                | Minardi 2002  | Retrospective CS | 1.5% (/337)    |
| Headache                       | Gaibazzi 2009 | Prospective CS   | 43% (214/500)  |
|                                | Ferrara 1991  | Prospective CS   | 30% (33/109)   |
|                                | Minardi 2002  | Retrospective CS | 2.1% (7/337)   |
| Pain at injection site         | Gaibazzi 2009 | Prospective CS   | 0.2% (1/500)   |
| Chest pain                     | Ferrara 1991  | Prospective CS   | 36.7% (40/109) |
| Flushing                       | Ferrara 1991  | Prospective CS   | 22% (24/109)   |
| Dyspnea                        | Ferrara 1991  | Prospective CS   | 11% (13/109)   |
| Dizziness                      | Ferrara 1991  | Prospective CS   | 4.5% (5/109)   |
| ST depression                  | Ferrara 1991  | Prospective CS   | 49.5% (54/109) |
| Right/left bundle branch block | Minardi 2002  | Retrospective CS | 0.6% (2/337)   |

CAD = coronary artery disease, CS = case series

\* Proportion of patients receiving atropine: Gaibazzi 2009 (100%), Ferrara 1991 (0%), Minardi 2002 (75%)

**Appendix Table O25. Summary table of adverse events related to the use of adenosine during stress echocardiography**

| Author Year<br>Study design     | Adverse event                       | % (n/N)          |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------|
| Known or suspected CAD          |                                     |                  |
| Montisci 2017<br>Prospective CS | Arythmias                           | 2.9% (42/1429)   |
|                                 | Hyperpnea                           | 16.7% (239/1429) |
|                                 | Headache                            | 6.6% (95/1429)   |
|                                 | Flushing                            | 9.4% (134/1429)  |
|                                 | Atypical chest pain                 | 9.9% (140/1429)  |
|                                 | Marked asthenia and general malaise | 5.5% (80/1429)   |
|                                 | Typical angina                      | 1.5% (22/1429)   |
|                                 | Palpitations                        | 0.9% (13/1429)   |
|                                 | Symptomatic hypotension             | 0.2% (5/1429)    |

**Appendix Table O26. Summary table of adverse events related to the use of Regadenoson and Dipyridamole during SPECT MPI**

| Adverse event                          | Author Year    | Study design     | Regadenoson, % (n/N) | Dipyrdamole, % (n/N) | p-value |
|--|----------------|------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---------|
| Known or suspected CAD                 |                |                  |                      |                      |         |
| Dyspnea                                | Amer 2017      | Retrospective CC | 52.5% (149/284)      | 2.1% (6/284)         | <0.0001 |
|  | Meyers 2002    | Prospective CS   | N/A                  | 4.5% (27/604 AEs)    | N/A     |
|  | Koutsikos 2017 | Prospective CS   | 30.2% (29/96)        | N/A                  | N/A     |
| Gastrointestinal upset, nausea         | Amer 2017      | Retrospective CC | 27.8% (79/284)       | 8.1% (23/284)        | <0.0001 |
|  | Meyers 2002    | Prospective CS   | N/A                  | 11.1% (67/604 AEs)   | N/A     |
|  | Koutsikos 2017 | Prospective CS   | 3.1% (3/96)          | N/A                  | N/A     |
| Chest pain                             | Amer 2017      | Retrospective CC | 15.8% (45/284)       | 3.9% (11/284)        | <0.0001 |
|  | Meyers 2002    | Prospective CS   | N/A                  | 12.1% (73/604 AEs)   | N/A     |
|  | Koutsikos 2017 | Prospective CS   | 9.4% (9/96)          | N/A                  | N/A     |
| Headache                               | Amer 2017      | Retrospective CC | 11.6% (33/284)       | 12.7% (36/284)       | 0.69    |
|  | Meyers 2002    | Prospective CS   | N/A                  | 37.1% (224/604 AEs)  | N/A     |
|  | Koutsikos 2017 | Prospective CS   | 7.3% (7/96)          | N/A                  | N/A     |
| Dizziness, lightheadedness             | Amer 2017      | Retrospective CC | 7.7% (22/284)        | 5.6% (16/284)        | 0.31    |
|  | Meyers 2002    | Prospective CS   | N/A                  | 5.1% (31/604 AEs)    | N/A     |
|  | Koutsikos 2017 | Prospective CS   | 12.5% (12/96)        | N/A                  | N/A     |
| Ischemic ST-segment depression         | Amer 2017      | Retrospective CC | 7.1% (20/284)        | 3.2% (9/284)         | 0.35    |
| Flushing                               | Amer 2017      | Retrospective CC | 5.6% (16/284)        | 3.5% (10/284)        | 0.23    |
|  | Meyers 2002    | Prospective CS   | N/A                  | 8.4% (51/604 AEs)    | N/A     |
|  | Koutsikos 2017 | Prospective CS   | 4.2% (4/96)          | N/A                  | N/A     |
| Supraventricular tachycardia           | Amer 2017      | Retrospective CC | 1.1% (3/284)         | 2.1% (6/284)         | 0.31    |
| Heart block                            | Amer 2017      | Retrospective CC | 1.1% (3/284)         | 0.4% (1/284)         | 0.32    |
| Hypotension                            | Amer 2017      | Retrospective CC | 1.1% (3/284)         | 0% (0/284)           | NR      |
| Ventricular tachycardia                | Amer 2017      | Retrospective CC | 0.4% (1/284)         | 0.1% (1/284)         | 1.0     |
| Throat, neck, or jaw pain or tightness | Amer 2017      | Retrospective CC | 0.4% (1/284)         | 0.1% (1/284)         | 1.0     |
|  | Meyers 2002    | Prospective CS   | N/A                  | 6.1% (37/604 AEs)    | N/A     |
|  | Koutsikos 2017 | Prospective CS   | 3.1% (3/96)          | N/A                  | N/A     |
| Discomfort                             | Koutsikos 2017 | Prospective CS   | 11.5% (11/96)        | N/A                  | N/A     |
| Epigastric pain                        | Koutsikos 2017 | Prospective CS   | 6.3% (6/96)          | N/A                  | N/A     |
| Heart burn                             | Koutsikos 2017 | Prospective CS   | 4.2% (4/96)          | N/A                  | N/A     |
| Weakness                               | Koutsikos 2017 | Prospective CS   | 1% (1/96)            | N/A                  | N/A     |
| Numbness                               | Koutsikos 2017 | Prospective CS   | 1% (1/96)            | N/A                  | N/A     |
| Other (NOS)                            | Meyers 2002    | Prospective CS   | N/A                  | 7.0% (42/604 AEs)    | N/A     |

AEs = adverse events, CAD = coronary artery disease, CC = comparative cohort, CS = case series, N/A = not applicable, NOS = not otherwise specified, NR = not reported.

**Appendix Table O27. Medication changes in trials evaluating CCTA in patients with suspected CAD, stable patients treated as outpatients**

| Medication  | Author (year)<br>Trial name                      | F/U                                | Medication<br>disposition  | CCTA<br>% (n/N)             | COMPARATOR<br>% (n/N)                     | Risk Ratio (95% CI)*<br>(p-value between groups if no<br>effect size) |
|---|--|------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|---|---|
| Aspirin   | <b>CCTA vs. any functional testing</b>           |                                    |                            |                             |   |   |
|   | Douglas, 2015<br>(Ladapo, 2016)<br>PROMISE trial | 3<br>months<br>(60-day<br>visit)   | Initiated<br>medication    | 11.8%<br>(NR <sup>†</sup> ) | 7.8% (NR <sup>†</sup> ),                  | p<0.0001‡   |
|   |  |                                    | Discontinued<br>medication | 2.7%<br>(NR <sup>†</sup> )  | 2.9% (NR <sup>†</sup> ),                  |   |
|   | <b>CCTA vs. SPECT</b>                            |                                    |                            |                             |   |   |
| Min, 2012   | <2<br>months<br>(Mean<br>55<br>days)             | Percent<br>change in<br>medication | 40%*<br>(40/91)            | 36% (32/89)                 | RR 1.22 (95% CI 0.85 to 1.76),<br>p=0.27* |   |
| ACE inhibitors<br>(Angiotensin<br>converting<br>enzyme<br>inhibitor)<br>or ARBs<br>(Angiotensin<br>receptor<br>blocker) | <b>CCTA vs. any functional testing</b>           |                                    |                            |                             |   |   |
|   | Douglas, 2015<br>(Ladapo, 2016)<br>PROMISE trial | 3<br>months<br>(60-day<br>visit)   | Initiated<br>medication    | 3.6%<br>(NR <sup>†</sup> )  | 3.3% (NR <sup>†</sup> ),                  | p= 0.8552   |
|   |  |                                    | Discontinued<br>medication | 2.5%<br>(NR <sup>†</sup> )  | 2.52% (NR <sup>†</sup> ),                 |   |
|   | <b>CCTA vs. SPECT</b>                            |                                    |                            |                             |   |   |
| Min, 2012   | <2<br>months<br>(Mean<br>55<br>days)             | Percent<br>change in<br>ACE        | 22.2%*<br>(20/91)          | 21.6% (19/89)               | RR 1.03 (95% CI 0.60 to 1.80),<br>p=0.92* |   |
|   |  | Percent<br>change in<br>ARB        | 14.4%*<br>(13/91)          | 19.3% (17/89)               | RR 0.75 (95% CI 0.39 to 1.45) *<br>p=0.39 |   |
| Antiarrhythmic<br>agent (Beta-<br>blocker)  | <b>CCTA vs. any functional testing</b>           |                                    |                            |                             |   |   |
|   | Douglas, 2015<br>(Ladapo, 2016)<br>PROMISE trial | 3<br>months<br>(60-day<br>visit)   | Initiated<br>medication    | 8.1%<br>(NR <sup>†</sup> )  | 5.3% (NR <sup>†</sup> )                   | p<0.0001‡   |
|   |  |                                    | Discontinued<br>medication | 2.3%<br>(NR <sup>†</sup> )  | 1.9% (NR <sup>†</sup> ),                  |   |
|   | <b>CCTA vs. SPECT</b>                            |                                    |                            |                             |   |   |
| Min 2012  | <2<br>months<br>(Mean<br>55<br>days)             | Percent<br>change in<br>medication | 16.7%*<br>(15/91)          | 25% (22/89)                 | RR 0.67 (95% CI 0.37 to 1.20),<br>p=0.17* |   |
| Antiarrhythmic<br>agent (Calcium<br>channel<br>blockers)  | <b>CCTA vs. SPECT</b>                            |                                    |                            |                             |   |   |
| Min 2012  | <2<br>months<br>(Mean<br>55<br>days)             | Percent<br>change in<br>medication | 17.8%*<br>(16/91)          | 19.3% (17/89)               | RR 0.92 (95% CI 0.50 to 1.70),<br>p=0.80* |   |
| Statins   | <b>CCTA vs. any functional testing</b>           |                                    |                            |                             |   |   |

| Medication                                       | Author (year)<br>Trial name   | F/U                         | Medication disposition              | CCTA % (n/N)             | COMPARATOR % (n/N)       | Risk Ratio (95% CI)*<br>(p-value between groups if no effect size)                                     |
|--|---|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|
|  | <b>Douglas, 2015 (Ladapo, 2016)</b><br>PROMISE trial                | 3 months<br>(60-day visit)  | Initiated medication                | 12.7% (NR <sup>†</sup> ) | 6.2% (NR <sup>†</sup> ), | p<0.0001‡  |
|  | <b>Douglas, 2015 (Ladapo, 2016)</b><br>PROMISE trial                | 3 months<br>(60-day visit)  | Discontinued medication             | 2.2% (NR <sup>†</sup> )  | 2.1% (NR <sup>†</sup> ), |  |
|  | <b>CCTA vs. SPECT</b>   |                             |                                     |                          |                          |  |
|  | <b>Min 2012</b>   | <2 months<br>(Mean 55 days) | Percent change in medication        | 34.4%* (31/91)           | 39.8% (35/89)            | RR 0.87 (95% CI 0.59 to 1.27), p=0.47*   |
| <b>Non statin lipid-lowering</b>                 | <b>CCTA vs. SPECT</b>   |                             |                                     |                          |                          |  |
|  | <b>Min 2012</b>   | <2 months<br>(Mean 55 days) | Percent change in medication        | 13.3%* (12/91)           | 15.9% (14/89)            | RR 0.84 (95% CI 0.41 to 1.71), p=0.63*   |
| <b>Prescription or use of medications change</b> | <b>CCTA vs. ETT (ECG)</b>   |                             |                                     |                          |                          |  |
|  | <b>McKavanagh, 2015</b><br>CAPP trial                               | 12 months                   | Medical management                  | 40.7% (99/243)           | 14.3% (35/245)           | RR 2.85 (95% CI 2.03 to 4.02), p<0.001*  |
|  | <b>The SCOT-HEART Investigators, 2015, 2018</b><br>SCOT-HEART trial | 6 weeks                     | Initiated medication                | 14% (293/2073)           | 4% (84/2073)             | RR 3.49 (95% CI 2.76 to 4.41), p<0.001*  |
|  |   | 6 weeks                     | Discontinued medication             | 3.7% (77/2073)           | 0.4% (8/2073)            | RR 9.63 (95% CI 4.66 to 19.89), p<0.001*   |
|  |   | Median 4.8 years            | Initiated medication                | 19.4% (402/2073)         | 14.7% (305/2073)         | RR 1.32 (95% CI 1.15 to 1.51), p<0.001*  |
|  |   | 6 weeks                     | Initiated antianginal medication    | 4.0% (82/2073)           | 0.5% (11/2073)           | RR 7.45 (95% CI 3.98 to 13.95), p<0.001*   |
|  |   | 6 weeks                     | Discontinued antianginal medication | 5.4% (112/2073)          | 0.3% (6/2073)            | RR 18.67 (95% CI 8.23 to 42.34), p<0.001*  |
|  |   | Median 4.8 years            | Initiated antianginal medication    | 13.2% (273/2073)         | 10.7% (221/2073)         | RR 1.24 (95% CI 1.05 to 1.46), p<0.013*<br>initiated medication<br>OR 1.27 (95% CI 1.05 to 1.54), p=NR |

Δ = change; ACE = Angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitor; adj. = adjusted; ARB = angiotensin receptor blocker; CAD = coronary artery disease; CCTA = coronary computed tomography angiography; CI = confidence interval; ECG = electrocardiogram; ETT = exercise treadmill testing; F/U = follow-up period; ICA = invasive coronary angiography; MD = mean difference; NA = not applicable; N = number; NR = not reported; OR= odds ratio; RR = relative risk; SAQ = Seattle Angina Questionnaire; SD= standard deviation; SPECT = single photon emission computed tomography; vs. = versus

\*Calculated unless otherwise indicated. (For **Min, 2021** baseline medication percentages calculated from (n/N) in Table 4.)

†Douglas, 2015 reports the proportion of patients who initiated a preventive medication, and who were not initially using the medication at baseline, only % and p-values reported, sample size not reported.

‡ Authors report chi-square test across categories of medication initiation, discontinuation and continuation and never used.

**Appendix Table O28. Medication changes in trials evaluating CCTA in patients with suspected ACS presenting to the ED**

| Medication  | Author (year)<br>Trial name                 | F/U                  | Medication disposition       | CCTA % (n/N)  | COMPARATOR % (n/N) | Risk Ratio (95% CI)*  |
|---|---|----------------------|------------------------------|---------------|--------------------|---|
| Aspirin   | <b>CCTA vs. any functional testing</b>      |                      |                              |               |                    |   |
|   | Linde 2013, 2015<br>CATCH Trial             | After index visit    | Initiated medication         | 47% (134/285) | 36% (106/291)      | RR 1.29 (95% CI 1.06 to 1.57), p=0.01*  |
|   | Litt 2012, Hollander 2016<br>ACRIN-PA trial | Index visit          | Initiated medication         | 26% (233/908) | 24% (110/462)      | RR 1.08 (95% CI 0.88 to 1.27), p=0.45*<br>difference 1.9% (95% CI -3.8% to 7.5%), p=NR  |
|   |   | 1 month              | Continued medication         | 22% (196/884) | 25% (113/452)      | RR 0.89 (95% CI 0.72 to 1.09), p=0.25*<br>difference -2.8% (95% CI -8.5% to 2.8%), p=NR |
|   |   | 12 months            | Continued medication         | 34% (283/843) | 37% (159/433)      | RR 0.91 (95% CI 0.78 to 1.07), p=0.26*<br>difference -3.2% (95% CI -8.9% to 2.7%), p=NR |
|   | <b>CCTA vs. SPECT</b>                       |                      |                              |               |                    |   |
|   | Levsky 2009, 2015<br>PROSPECT trial         | 41.7 months (Median) | Initiated medication         | 40% (79/200)  | 34% (63/200)       | RR 1.25 (95% CI 0.96 to 1.64), p=0.10*<br>difference 5.5% (95% CI -4.3% to 15%), p=0.30 |
|   | <b>CCTA vs. ECHO</b>                        |                      |                              |               |                    |   |
|   | Levsky 2014, 2018                           | 2 years (Median)     | Initiated medication         | 13% (27/201)  | 8.0% (15/199)      | RR 1.78 (95% CI 0.98 to 3.25), p=0.55*  |
|   | Uretsky 2017<br>PERFECT trial               | 48.5 hours (Median)  | Percent change in medication | 24% (50/206)  | 16% (33/205)       | RR 1.51 (95% CI 1.02 to 2.24), p=0.04*  |
| ACE inhibitors (Angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitor) or ARBs (Angiotensin receptor blocker) | <b>CCTA vs. any functional testing</b>      |                      |                              |               |                    |   |
|   | Linde 2013, 2015<br>CATCH Trial             | After index visit    | Initiated medication         | 27% (76/285)  | 24% (69/291)       | RR 1.12 (95% CI 0.85 to 1.49), p=0.41*  |
| Antiarrhythmic agent (Beta-blocker)   | <b>CCTA vs. any functional testing</b>      |                      |                              |               |                    |   |
|   | Linde 2013, 2015<br>CATCH Trial             | After index visit    | Initiated medication         | 24% (67/285)  | 19% (54/291)       | RR 1.27 (95% CI 0.92 to 1.74), p=0.15*  |
|   | <b>CCTA vs. ECHO</b>                        |                      |                              |               |                    |   |

| Medication  | Author (year)<br>Trial name                     | F/U                  | Medication disposition       | CCTA % (n/N)  | COMPARATOR % (n/N) | Risk Ratio (95% CI)*                    |
|---|---|----------------------|------------------------------|---------------|--------------------|---|
|   | <b>Levsky 2014, 2018</b>                        | 2 years (Median)     | Initiated medication         | 9% (18/201)   | 4% (7/199)         | RR 2.55 (95% CI 1.09 to 5.96), p=0.025* |
|   | <b>Uretsky 2017, PERFECT trial</b>              | 8.5 hours (Median)   | Percent change in medication | 8% (18/206)   | 6% (13/205)        | RR 1.38 (95% CI 0.69 to 2.74), p=0.36*  |
| <b>Antiarrhythmic agent (Calcium channel blockers)</b>                    | <b>CCTA vs. any functional testing</b>          |                      |                              |               |                    |   |
|   | <b>Linde 2013, 2015 CATCH Trial</b>             | After index visit    | Initiated medication         | 18% (52/285)  | 11% (33/291)       | RR 1.61 (95% CI 1.07 to 2.41), p=0.02*  |
|   | <b>CCTA vs. ECHO</b>                            |                      |                              |               |                    |   |
|   | <b>Uretsky 2017, PERFECT trial</b>              | 8.5 hours (Median)   | Percent change in medication | 5% (11/206)   | 3% (5/205)         | RR 2.19 (95% CI 0.77 to 6.19), p=0.13*  |
| <b>Statins</b>  | <b>CCTA vs. any functional testing</b>          |                      |                              |               |                    |   |
|   | <b>Linde 2013, 2015 CATCH Trial</b>             | After index visit    | Initiated medication         | 44% (125/285) | 38% (110/291)      | RR 1.16 (95% CI 0.95 to 1.41), p=0.14*  |
|   | <b>Litt 2012, Hollander 2016 ACRIN-PA trial</b> | Index visit          | Initiated medication         | 17% (153/908) | 16% (75/462)       | RR 1.04 (95% CI 0.81 to 1.34), p=0.77*  |
|   |   | 1 month              | Continued medication         | 14% (120/885) | 11% (48/452)       | RR 1.28 (95% CI 0.93 to 1.75), p=0.13*  |
|   |   | 12 months            | Continued medication         | 24% (198/835) | 18% (78/431)       | RR 1.31 (95% CI 1.04 to 1.66), p=0.022  |
|   | <b>CCTA vs. SPECT</b>                           |                      |                              |               |                    |   |
|   | <b>Levsky 2009, 2015 PROSPECT trial</b>         | 41.7 months (Median) | New statin prescription      | 25% (50/200)  | 18% (36/200)       | RR 1.39 (95% CI 0.95 to 2.03), p=0.089* |
|   | <b>Levsky 2009, 2015 PROSPECT trial</b>         | 41.7 months (Median) | Increased dose               | 3% (6/200)    | 3% (6/200)         | RR 1.0 (95% CI 0.33 to 3.05), p=1.0*    |
|   | <b>CCTA vs. ECHO</b>                            |                      |                              |               |                    |   |
|   | <b>Uretsky 2017, PERFECT trial</b>              | 8.5 hours (Median)   | Percent change in medication | 18% (37/206)  | 17% (35/205)       | RR 1.05 (95% CI 0.69 to 1.60), p=0.81*  |
| <b>New or increased lipid prescription</b>                                | <b>CCTA vs. ECHO</b>                            |                      |                              |               |                    |   |
|   | <b>Levsky 2014, 2018</b>                        | 2 years (Median)     | New or Increased dose        | 14% (28/201)  | 6% (12/199)        | RR 2.31 (95% CI 1.21 to 4.41), p=0.009* |
| <b>Antiplatelet drugs Adenosine diphosphate (ADP) receptor inhibitors</b> | <b>CCTA vs. any functional testing</b>          |                      |                              |               |                    |   |
|   | <b>Linde 2013, 2015 CATCH Trial</b>             | After index visit    | Initiated medication         | 14% (40/285)  | 6% (18/291)        | RR 2.27 (95% CI 1.33 to 3.86), p=0.002* |

| Medication                                     | Author (year)<br>Trial name                           | F/U                               | Medication disposition | CCTA % (n/N) | COMPARATOR % (n/N)                       | Risk Ratio (95% CI)*                    |  |
|--|---|-----------------------------------|------------------------|--------------|--|---|--|
| <b>Platelet inhibitors<br/>Thienopyridines</b> | <b>Litt 2012 (Hollander 2016) +</b><br>ACRIN-PA trial | Index visit                       | Initiated medication   | 3% (24/908)  | 2% (7/462)                               | RR 1.74 (95% CI 0.76 to 4.02), p=0.18*  |  |
|  |   | 1 month                           | Continued medication   | 4% (31/884)  | 2% (8/452)                               | RR 1.98 (95% CI 0.92 to 4.27), p=0.074* |  |
|  |   | 12 months                         | Continued medication   | 4% (37/830)  | 3% (12/430)                              | RR 1.60 (95% CI 0.84 to 3.03), p=0.15*  |  |
|  | <b>CCTA vs. ECHO</b>                                  |                                   |                        |              |  |   |  |
|  | <b>Levsky 2014, 2018 ‡</b>                            | 2 years (Median)                  | Initiated medication   | 4% (8/201)   | 44% (7/199)                              | RR 1.13 (95% CI 0.42 to 3.06), p=0.81*  |  |
| <b>Uretsky 2017, PERFECT trial</b>             | 48.5 hours (Median)                                   | Percent change in medication      | 3% (6/206)             | 3% (7/205)   | RR 0.85 (95% CI 0.29 to 2.49), p=0.77*   |   |  |
| <b>General:<br/>Anti-hypertensive drugs</b>    | <b>CCTA vs. ECHO</b>                                  |                                   |                        |              |  |   |  |
| <b>Uretsky 2017, PERFECT trial</b>             | 48.5 hours (Median)                                   | Percent change in medication      | 10% (20/206)           | 18% (37/205) | RR 0.54 (95% CI 0.32 to 0.89), p=0.015*  |   |  |
| <b>Nitrates</b>                                | <b>CCTA vs. any functional testing</b>                |                                   |                        |              |  |   |  |
| <b>Linde 2013, 2015 CATCH Trial</b>            | After index visit                                     | Initiated medication              | 17% (49/285)           | 11% (33/291) | RR 1.52 (95% CI 1.01 to 2.28), p=0.045*  |   |  |
| <b>CCTA vs. ECHO</b>                           |   |                                   |                        |              |  |   |  |
| <b>Uretsky 2017, PERFECT trial</b>             | 48.5 hours (Median)                                   | Percent change in medication      | 5% (9/206)             | 4% (9/205)   | RR 1.0.995 (95% CI 0.40 to 2.46), p=1.0* |   |  |
| <b>Diuretics</b>                               | <b>CCTA vs. any functional testing</b>                |                                   |                        |              |  |   |  |
| <b>Linde 2013, 2015 CATCH Trial</b>            | After index visit                                     | Initiated medication              | 21% (61/285)           | 14% (41/291) | RR 1.52 (95% CI 1.06 to 2.18), p=0.022*  |   |  |
| <b>Medication to control diabetes</b>          | <b>CCTA vs. ECHO</b>                                  |                                   |                        |              |  |   |  |
| <b>Uretsky 2017, PERFECT trial</b>             | 48.5 hours (Median)                                   | Percent change Insulin use        | 1% (3/206)             | 1% (2/205)   | RR 1.49 (95% CI 0.25 to 8.84), p=0.66*   |   |  |
|  |   | Percent change Oral Hypoglycemics | 0% (0/206)             | 0% (0/205)   | NC                                       |   |  |

ACE = Angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitor; ACS = acute coronary syndrome; ARB = angiotensin receptor blocker; CAD = coronary artery disease; CCTA = coronary computed tomography angiography; CI = confidence interval; CT = computed tomography; ECG = electrocardiogram; ECHO = echocardiogram; ED = emergency department; ETT = exercise treadmill testing; F/U = follow-up period; HR = hazard ratio; ICA = invasive coronary angiography; IRQ = interquartile range; NA = not applicable; NC = not calculable; N = number; NR = not reported; OR= odds ratio; RR = relative risk; SD= standard deviation; SPECT = single photon emission computed tomography; UA = unstable angina; vs. = versus

\*Calculated unless otherwise indicated.

†Litt 2012 (Hollander 2016): reports Thienopyridines.

‡ Levsky 2014, 2018: reports Clopidogrel.

**Appendix Table O29. Cumulative Frequency of Acute Coronary Syndrome (ACS), Unstable Angina (UA) in trials comparing CCTA versus functional testing in stable outpatients with suspected CAD**

| Outcome                        | Author (year)<br>Trial name  | F/U              | CCTA<br>% (n/N) | COMPARATOR<br>% (n/N)                  | Risk Ratio (95% CI) *                    |
|--------------------------------|--|------------------|-----------------|--|--|
| ACS                            | <b>CCTA vs. any functional testing, CCTA vs. SPECT, CCTA vs. ETT (ECG), and CCTA vs. ICA</b> |                  |                 |  |  |
|                                | <i>No Studies</i>  |                  |                 |  |  |
| UA                             | <b>CCTA vs. any functional testing</b>   |                  |                 |  |  |
|                                | Douglas, 2015†<br>PROMISE trial  | 12 months        | 1% (49/4996)    | 0.7% (34/5007)                         | RR 1.44 (95% CI 0.93 to 2.23), p=0.096 * |
|                                |  | Median 25 months | 1.2% (61/4996)  | 0.8% (41/5007)                         | RR 1.49 (95% CI 1.01 to 2.21), p=0.045 * |
|                                | <b>CCTA vs. ETT (ECG)</b>  |                  |                 |  |  |
| McKavanagh, 2015<br>CAPP Trial | 12 months  | 0.41% (1/243)    | 1.2% (3/245)    | RR 0.34 (95% CI 0.04 to 3.21), p=0.32* |  |

ABBREVIATIONS: ACS = acute coronary syndrome; adj. = adjusted; CAD = coronary artery disease; CCTA = coronary computed tomography angiography; CI = confidence interval; CT = computed tomography; ECG = electrocardiogram; ECT = Exercise stress electrocardiogram test; ETT = exercise treadmill testing; F/U = follow-up period; ICA = invasive coronary angiography; NC = not calculable; N = number; RR = relative risk; SPECT = single photon emission computed tomography; UA = unstable angina; vs = versus

\*Calculated unless otherwise indicated. For dichotomous values, calculated the Risk Ratio/Relative Risk (RR) and associated 95% CI using the Rothman Episheet.

†Douglas, 2015: Hospitalization for unstable angina; included in meta-analysis for cardiac hospitalization, Hazard Ratio (HR) not reported.

**Appendix Table O30. Cumulative Frequency of Acute Coronary Syndrome (ACS), Unstable Angina (UA) in trials comparing CCTA with functional testing in patients with suspected ACS presenting to the ED**

| Outcome                                    | Author (year)<br>Trial name                 | F/U                    | CCTA<br>% (n/N) | COMPARATOR<br>% (n/N)                  | -Risk Ratio (95% CI)*  |
|--|---|------------------------|-----------------|--|--|
| ACS  | <b>CCTA vs. any functional testing</b>      |                        |                 |  |  |
|  | Chang, 2008                                 | 1 month<br>(30 days)   | 29% (39/133)    | 29% (39/133)                           | RR 1.00 (95% CI 0.69 to 1.45), p=1.0*  |
|  | Dedic, 2016 †<br>BEACON trial               | At discharge           | 9% (22/250)     | 7% (17/250)                            | RR 1.29 (95% CI 0.70 to 2.38), p=0.40*   |
|  |   | 1 month                | 0.5% (1/250)    | 1% (3/250)                             | RR 0.33 (95% CI 0.04 to 3.18), p=0.32*   |
|  | Hoffman, 2012<br>ROMICAT-II trial           | 28 days                | 9% (43/501)     | 6% (32/499)                            | RR 1.34 (95% CI 0.86 to 2.08), p=0.19*   |
|  | Linde 2013, 2015<br>CATCH Trial §           | 4 months<br>(120 days) | 0% (0/285)      | 1% (3/291),<br>p=NR                    | (NC)‡  |
|  |   | Median 18.7 months     | 0.7% (2/285)    | 2% (7/291)                             | RR 0.29 (95% CI 0.06 to 1.39), p=0.1*  |
|  | Litt 2012, Hollander 2016<br>ACRIN-PA trial | Index visit            | 3% (28/908)     | 2% (7/462)                             | RR 2.04 (95% CI 0.90 to 4.62), p=0.08*<br>difference 1.6% (95% CI -4.0% to 7.2%), p=NR |
| Hamilton-Craig, 2014<br>CT-COMPARE trial** | Index visit                                 | 5.3% (17/322)          | 2.9% (7/240)    | RR 1.81 (95% CI 0.76 to 4.30) * p=0.17 |  |
| UA   | <b>CCTA vs. any functional testing</b>      |                        |                 |  |  |
|  | Chang, 2008                                 | 1 month<br>(30 days)   | 25% (28/113)    | 18% (24/133)                           | RR 1.37 (95% CI 0.85 to 2.23), p=0.2 *   |
|  | Dedic, 2016                                 | 1 month                | 3% (8/250)      | 1% (3/250)                             | RR 2.67 (95% CI 0.72 to 9.94), p=0.13*   |

|   |                                      |               |                       |  |  |
|---|--------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|--|--|
| BEACON trial  |                                      |               |                       |  |  |
| <b>Hoffman, 2012</b><br>ROMICAT-II trial            | 28 days                              | 0.2% (1/501)  | 0.4% (2/499)          | RR 0.50 (95% CI 0.05 to 5.47), p=0.56* |  |
| <b>Linde 2013, 2015</b><br>CATCH Trial              | 4 months<br>(120 days)               | 0.4% (1/285)  | 0% (0/291)<br>p=NR    | (NC)‡                                  |  |
|   | Median 18.7<br>months                | 1% (3/285)    | 2% (5/291),<br>p=0.72 | RR 0.61 (95% CI 0.15 to 2.54), p=0.50* |  |
| <b>CCTA vs. SPECT</b>                               |                                      |               |                       |  |  |
| <b>Goldstein, 2011</b><br>CT-STAT trial             | Index visit                          | 0.8% (3/361)  | 0.9% (3/338)          | RR 0.94 (95% CI 0.19 to 4.60), p=0.91* |  |
|   | Between<br>discharge and 6<br>months | 0% (0/330)    | 0% (0/297),<br>p=NA   | (NC)‡                                  |  |
| <b>Goldstein, 2007</b>                              | Between<br>discharge and 6<br>months | 0% (0/99)     | 0% (0/98),<br>p=NA    | (NC)‡                                  |  |
| <b>CCTA vs. ECHO</b>                                |                                      |               |                       |  |  |
| <b>Uretsky 2017,</b><br>PERFECT trial               | 12 months                            | 0.5% (1/206)  | 0% (0/205),<br>p=NA   | (NC)‡                                  |  |
| <b>CCTA vs. ETT (ECG)</b>                           |                                      |               |                       |  |  |
| <b>Hamilton-Craig,<br/>2014</b><br>CT-COMPARE trial | Index visit                          | 3.4% (11/322) | 1.7% (4/240)          | RR 2.05 (95% CI 0.66 to 6.36), p=0.20* |  |

ABBREVIATIONS: ACS = acute coronary syndrome; CCTA = coronary computed tomography angiography; CI = confidence interval; CT = computed tomography; ECG = electrocardiogram; ECHO = echocardiogram; ED = emergency department; ETT = exercise treadmill testing; F/U = follow-up period; NA = not applicable; NC = not calculable; N = number; NR = not reported; RR = relative risk; SPECT = single photon emission computed tomography; UA = unstable angina; vs = versus

\*Calculated unless otherwise indicated. (RR and p-values calculated using Rothman Episheet.)

†**Dedic, 2016**: ACS defined as either unstable angina pectoris or myocardial infarction

‡ Relative risk not calculated because n=0, undefined estimate calculated but not reported.

§ **Linde, 2013, 2015**: ACS includes acute myocardial infarction composite data

\*\* **Hamilton-Craig, 2014**: ACU includes Any Acute Coronary Syndrome

**Appendix Table O31. Cumulative Frequency of Stroke, Cardiac Arrest, Continued chest pain, Recurrent ischemia, in trials comparing CCTA with functional testing in stable outpatients with suspected CAD**

| Outcome   | Author (year)<br>Trial name                               | F/U                              | CCTA<br>% (n/N)                    | COMPARATOR<br>% (n/N)   | Risk Ratio (95% CI)*   |
|---|---|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|--|
| Stroke<br>(nonfatal)                                      | <b>CCTA vs. any functional testing</b>                    |                                  |                                    |   |  |
|   | Douglas, 2015**<br>PROMISE trial                          | Within 72 hours<br>of index test | 0.0002%<br>(1/4996)                | 0.0004%<br>(2/5007)   | RR 0.50 (95% CI 0.05 to<br>5.52), p=0.65*  |
|   | <b>CCTA vs. SPECT</b>                                     |                                  |                                    |   |  |
|   | Stillman, 2020<br>RESCUE trial                            | 16.2 months                      | Overall: 0.001% (1/1047)†,<br>p=NR |   | NA   |
|   | <b>CCTA vs. ETT (ECG)</b>                                 |                                  |                                    |   |  |
|   | The SCOT-HEART<br>Investigators, 2015<br>SCOT-HEART trial | Median 1.7 years                 | 0.1%<br>(5/2073)                   | 0.2% (7/2073)   | RR 0.71 (95% CI 0.23 to<br>2.25), p=0.56*<br>adj. HR 0.727 (95% CI<br>0.228 to 2.315), p=0.59§ |
|   | The SCOT-HEART<br>Investigators, 2018<br>SCOT-HEART trial | Median 4.8 years                 | 0.7%<br>(15/2073)                  | 1.0% (20/2073)  | RR 0.75 (95% CI 0.40 to<br>1.46), p=0.40*<br>adj. HR 0.74 (95% CI 0.38<br>to 1.44), p=NR §     |
| Cardiac arrest  | <b>CCTA vs. any functional testing</b>                    |                                  |                                    |   |  |
|   | <i>No Studies</i>   |                                  |                                    |   |  |
| Continued<br>chest pain                                   | <b>CCTA vs. ETT (ECG)</b>                                 |                                  |                                    |   |  |
|   | McKavanagh, 2015<br>CAPP Trial                            | 12<br>Months                     | 3.3% (8/243)                       | 13.1% (32/245)  | RR 0.25 (95% CI 0.12 to<br>0.54), p=0.0001*  |
|   |   | 12<br>Months                     | 0.82%<br>(2/243)                   | 6.9% (17/245)   | RR 0.12 (95% CI 0.03 to<br>0.51), p=0.0005*  |
| The SCOT-HEART<br>Investigators, 2018<br>SCOT-HEART trial | Median 1.7 years  | 3.7%<br>(76/2073)                | 3.3% (69/2073)                     | RR 1.10 (95% CI 0.80 to<br>1.52), p=0.60*<br>adj. HR 1.11 (95% CI 0.81<br>to 1.55), p=0.513 § |  |
| Recurrent<br>ischemia                                     | <b>CCTA vs. SPECT</b>                                     |                                  |                                    |   |  |
|   | Karthikeyan, 2017<br>IAEA-SPECT/CTA trial                 | 12 months                        | 0.7% (1/152)                       | 1.3% (2/151)  | RR 0.50 (95% CI 0.05 to<br>5.42), p=0.56*  |

ABBREVIATIONS: ACS = acute coronary syndrome; adj. = adjusted; CAD = coronary artery disease; CCTA = coronary computed tomography angiography; CI = confidence interval; CTA = computed tomography angiography; ECG = electrocardiogram; ETT = exercise treadmill testing; F/U = follow-up period; HR = hazard ratio; ICA = invasive coronary angiography; NA = not applicable; NC = not calculable; N = number; NR = not reported; RR = relative risk; SPECT = single photon emission computed tomography; UA = unstable angina; vs = versus

**Stillman, 2020:** Only reports overall cases (not by testing arm); not enough information to calculate an effect estimate (95% CI) or p-value for the comparison of interest, p-value provided by the authors. Only reports HR for MACE.

\*Calculated unless otherwise indicated. (Risk Ratio/Relative Risk and p-values calculated using Rothman Episheet.)

† **Stillman 2020:** Only reports overall % of cases (not by testing arm).

‡ Relative risk not calculated because n=0, undefined estimate calculated but not reported.

§ HR reported by the studies adjusted for the following:

- **The SCOT-HEART Investigators, 2018:** adjusted for the variables in the minimization algorithm (per protocol) The hazard ratios were determined with the use of adjusted Cox regression models. The confidence intervals have not been adjusted for multiplicity, so intervals should not be used to infer definitive treatment effects.
- **Chang, 2019:** Only reports adj. HR for MACE
- **Dewey, 2016:** Only reports adj. HR for MACE and revascularization
- **Levsky, 2015:** Only reports HR for cardiac catheterization

- **Douglas, 2015:** All hazard ratios were adjusted for age, sex, CAD risk equivalent (history of either diabetes, peripheral arterial disease, or cerebrovascular disease), and the pre-specification of the intended functional test if randomized to the functional testing arm.

**Appendix Table O32. Cumulative Frequency of Stroke, Cardiac Arrest, Continued chest pain, Recurrent ischemia, in trials evaluating CCTA in patients with suspected ACS presenting to the ED**

| Outcome                   | Author (year)<br>Trial name                          | F/U                    | CCTA<br>% (n/N) | COMPARATOR<br>% (n/N)                  | Risk Ratio (95% CI)*  |
|---------------------------|--|------------------------|-----------------|--|---|
| Stroke<br>(nonfatal)      | <b>CCTA vs. any functional testing or ETT</b>        |                        |                 |  |   |
|                           | <i>No Studies</i>                                    |                        |                 |  |   |
|                           | <b>CCTA vs. SPECT</b>                                |                        |                 |  |   |
|                           | Levsky 2009, 2015<br>PROSPECT trial                  | 12 months              | 0% (0/200)      | 1% (2/200)                             | (NC) ‡  |
| Cardiac<br>arrest         | <b>CCTA vs. any functional testing, SPECT or ETT</b> |                        |                 |  |   |
|                           | <i>No Studies</i>                                    |                        |                 |  |   |
|                           | <b>CCTA vs. ECHO</b>                                 |                        |                 |  |   |
| Levsky 2014, 2018         | 2 years  | 0.5% (1/201)           | 0% (0/199)      | (NC) ‡                                 |   |
| Continued<br>chest pain   | <b>CCTA vs. any functional testing</b>               |                        |                 |  |   |
|                           | Linde 2013, 2015<br>CATCH Trial§                     | 4 months<br>(120 days) | 2% (7/285)      | 4% (11/291)                            | RR 0.65 (95% CI 0.26 to 1.65), p=0.36*                                      |
|                           | <b>CCTA vs. SPECT</b>                                |                        |                 |  |   |
|                           | Goldstein, 2007                                      | 6 months               | 6.1% (6/99)     | 6.1% (6/98)                            | RR 0.99 (95% CI 0.33 to 2.97), p=0.10*                                      |
|                           | Nabi, 2016   | Median<br>6.5 months   | 2.8% (8/283)    | 1.7% (5/300)                           | Outpatient visit<br>RR 1.70 (95% CI 0.56 to 5.12), p=0.34*                  |
|                           |  |                        | 8.5% (24/283)   | 9.0% (27/300)                          | Hospital readmission (chest pain)<br>RR 0.94 (95% CI 0.56 to 1.60), p=0.82* |
|                           |  |                        | 9.9% (28/283)   | 12.3% (37/300)                         | Emergency department visit<br>RR 0.80 (95% CI 0.50 to 1.28), p=0.35*        |
|                           | <b>CCTA vs. ECHO</b>                                 |                        |                 |  |   |
|                           | Levsky 2014, 2018                                    | 1 month                | 28% (54/201)    | 19% (36/199)                           | RR 1.49 (95% CI 1.02 to 2.16), p=0.04*                                      |
|                           | Pineiro-Portela, 2021                                | 12 months              | 4% (4/100)      | 2.9% (3/103)                           | RR 1.37 (95% CI 0.32 to 5.98), p=0.67*                                      |
| 4.7 years                 |  | 12% (12/100)           | 8.7% (9/103)    | RR 1.37 (95% CI 0.61 to 3.12), p=0.45* |   |
| <b>CCTA vs. ETT (ECG)</b> |  |                        |                 |  |   |
| <i>No Studies</i>         |  |                        |                 |  |   |
| Recurrent<br>ischemia     | <b>CCTA vs. any functional testing</b>               |                        |                 |  |   |
|                           | Linde 2013,<br>2015/CATCH Trial                      | 4 months<br>(120 days) | NR†             | 10% (29/284)                           | NA  |

ABBREVIATIONS: ACS = acute coronary syndrome; adj. = adjusted; CAD = coronary artery disease; CCTA = coronary computed tomography angiography; CI = confidence interval; ECG = electrocardiogram; ECHO = echocardiogram; ED = emergency department; ETT = exercise treadmill testing; F/U = follow-up period; HR = hazard ratio; ICA = invasive coronary angiography; NA = not applicable; NC = not calculable; N = number; NR = not reported; RR = relative risk; SPECT = single photon emission computed tomography; vs = versus

\*Calculated unless otherwise indicated.

† Linde 2013, 2015: Only reports control group data for ischemia.

‡ Relative risk not calculated because n=0, undefined estimate calculated but not reported.

§ Defined as readmitted for chest pain

**Appendix Table O33. SAQ in trials comparing CCTA with functional testing in stable outpatients with suspected CAD**

| SAQ Domain†         | Author (year)<br>Trial name   | F/U                         | CCTA<br>Mean (SD)            | COMPARATOR<br>Mean (SD)                                   | Mean difference (95% CI) *                                   |
|---------------------|---|-----------------------------|------------------------------|---|--|
| Physical limitation | <b>CCTA vs. any functional testing</b>                                  |                             |                              |   |  |
|                     | Douglas, 2015 ‡<br>PROMISE trial  | 6 months                    | 93.6 (14.6)                  | 94.0 (13.9)   | MD -0.4 (95% CI -1.2 to 0.4), p=NR                           |
|                     |   | 12 months                   | 94.3 (14.1)                  | 95.0 (12.4)   | MD -0.8 (95% CI -1.6 to -0.0), p=NR                          |
|                     |   | 24 months                   | 95.3 (12.1)                  | 94.8 (13.2)   | MD -0.7 (95% CI -1.5 to 0.1), p=NR                           |
|                     | <b>CCTA vs. SPECT</b>   |                             |                              |   |  |
|                     | Min, 2012   | <2 months<br>(Mean 55 days) | Δ from baseline: 2.5 (21.3)  | Δ from baseline: 4.1 (19.0)                               | MD in change scores: -1.60 (95% CI -7.54 to 4.34) *          |
|                     | <b>CCTA vs. ETT (ECG)</b>   |                             |                              |   |  |
|                     | The SCOT-HEART Investigators, 2015 (Williams, 2017)<br>SCOT-HEART trial | 6 weeks                     | Δ from baseline: -0.5 (0.5)  | Δ from baseline: -0.0 (0.5)                               | MD in change scores: -0.72 (95% CI -2.08 to 0.63), p=0.2957  |
|                     |   | 6 months                    | Δ from baseline: 1.6 (0.6)   | Δ from baseline: 3.0 (0.6)                                | MD in change scores: -1.74 (95% CI -3.34 to -0.14), p=0.0329 |
|                     | McKavanagh, 2015<br>CAPP trial  | 3 months                    | NR                           | NR  | MD in change scores: 20.54 (95% CI -4.3 to 3.3), p=0.779     |
| 12 months           |   | NR                          | NR                           | MD in change scores: 0.33 (95% CI -4.3 to 5.0), p=0.889   |  |
| Angina stability    | <b>CCTA vs. any functional testing</b>                                  |                             |                              |   |  |
|                     | Douglas, 2015<br>PROMISE trial  | 6 months                    | 54.4 (16.5)                  | 53.7 (15.5)   | MD 0.7 (95% CI -0.1 to 1.6), p=NR                            |
|                     |   | 12 months                   | 52.2 (14.5)                  | 52.8 (14.8)   | MD -0.7 (95% CI -1.5 to 0.1), p=NR                           |
|                     |   | 24 months                   | 95.0 (12.9)                  | 51.3 (12.0)   | MD -0.1 (95% CI -0.8 to 0.6), p=NR                           |
|                     | <b>CCTA vs. SPECT</b>   |                             |                              |   |  |
|                     | Min, 2012   | <2 months<br>(Mean 55 days) | Δ from baseline: 30.0 (37.0) | Δ from baseline: 22.9 (30.1)                              | MD in change scores: 7.10 (95% CI -2.834 to 17.03) *         |
|                     | <b>CCTA vs. ETT (ECG)</b>   |                             |                              |   |  |
|                     | The SCOT-HEART Investigators, 2015 (Williams, 2017)<br>SCOT-HEART trial | 6 weeks                     | Δ from baseline: 16.7 (0.9)  | Δ from baseline: 15.8 (0.9)                               | MD in change scores: 1.03 (95% CI -0.61 to 2.68), p=0.2184   |
|                     |   | 6 months                    | Δ from baseline: 13.4 (0.9)  | Δ from baseline: 12.5 (0.9)                               | MD in change scores: 1.27 (95% CI -0.27 to 2.80), p=0.1059   |
|                     | McKavanagh, 2015<br>CAPP trial  | 3 months                    | NR                           | NR  | MD in change scores: -11.1 (95% CI -17.4 to -4.8), p=0.001   |
| 12 months           |   | NR                          | NR                           | MD in change scores: -6.8 (95% CI -12.8 to -0.7), p=0.028 |  |
| Angina frequency    | <b>CCTA vs. any functional testing</b>                                  |                             |                              |   |  |
|                     | Douglas, 2015<br>PROMISE trial  | 6 months                    | 93.1 (12.1)                  | 92.9 (13.1)   | MD 0.2 (95% CI -0.4 to 0.9), p=NR                            |
|                     |   | 12 months                   | 94.0 (11.8)                  | 94.1 (11.6)   | MD -0.1 (95% CI -0.7 to 0.5), p=NR                           |
|                     |   | 24 months                   | 95.0 (11.2)                  | 95.1 (10.8)   | MD -0.2 (95% CI -0.8 to 0.4), p=NR                           |
|                     | <b>CCTA vs. SPECT</b>   |                             |                              |   |  |

|                               |  |                             |                              |   |  |
|-------------------------------|--|-----------------------------|------------------------------|---|--|
|                               | <b>Min, 2012</b>   | <2 months<br>(Mean 55 days) | Δ from baseline: 10.2 (16.4) | Δ from baseline: 7.6 (14.8)                             | MD in change scores: 2.6 (95% CI -1.998 to 7.198)*           |
| <b>CCTA vs. ETT (ECG)</b>     |  |                             |                              |   |  |
|                               | <b>The SCOT-HEART Investigators, 2015 (Williams, 2017)</b><br>SCOT-HEART trial | 6 weeks                     | Δ from baseline: 11.2 (0.6)  | Δ from baseline: 11.8 (0.6)                             | MD in change scores: -0.84 (-2.20 to 0.54), p=0.2277         |
|                               |  | 6 months                    | Δ from baseline: 18.3 (0.6)  | Δ from baseline: 19.2 (0.6)                             | MD in change scores: -1.55 (95% CI -2.85 to -0.25), p=0.0198 |
|                               | <b>McKavanagh, 2015</b><br>CAPP trial  | 3 months                    | NR                           | NR  | MD in change scores: -2.7 (-6.8 to 1.3), p=0.184             |
|                               |  | 12 months                   | NR                           | NR  | MD in change scores: -1.9 (95% CI -6.0 to 2.2), p=0.365      |
| <b>Treatment satisfaction</b> | <b>CCTA vs. any functional testing</b>   |                             |                              |   |  |
|                               | <b>Douglas, 2015</b><br>PROMISE trial  | 6 months                    | 89.4 (18.6)                  | 88.2 (20.9)   | MD 1.4 (95% CI 0.3 to 2.4), p=NR                             |
|                               |  | 12 months                   | 89.4 (18.4)                  | 88.7 (20.0)   | MD 1.0 (95% CI -0.1 to 2.1), p=NR                            |
|                               |  | 24 months                   | 89.8 (17.6)                  | 89.4 (18.6)   | MD 1.0 (95% CI -0.1 to 2.1), p=NR                            |
|                               | <b>CCTA vs. SPECT</b>  |                             |                              |   |  |
|                               | <b>Min, 2012</b>   | <2 months<br>(Mean 55 days) | Δ from baseline: 4.5 (17.8)  | Δ from baseline: 0.6 (18.2)                             | MD in change scores: 3.9 (95% CI -1.395 to 9.195) *          |
|                               | <b>CCTA vs. ETT (ECG)</b>  |                             |                              |   |  |
|                               | <b>The SCOT-HEART Investigators, 2015 (Williams, 2017)</b><br>SCOT-HEART trial | 6 weeks                     | Δ from baseline: -7.0 (0.4)  | Δ from baseline: -7.0 (17.1)                            | MD in change scores: 0.03 (95% CI -1.07 to 1.14), p=0.9525   |
|                               |  | 6 months                    | Δ from baseline: -5.0 (0.4)  | Δ from baseline: -4.3 (0.4)                             | MD in change scores: -0.97 (95% CI -2.14 to 0.21), p=0.1060  |
|                               | <b>McKavanagh, 2015</b><br>CAPP trial  | 3 months                    | NR                           | NR  | MD in change scores: -2.12 (95% CI -5.3 to 1.2), p=0.213     |
|                               | 12 months  | NR                          | NR                           | MD in change scores: -1.4 (95% CI -5.2 to 2.3), p=0.446 |  |
| <b>CCTA vs. ICA</b>           |  |                             |                              |   |  |
| <i>No Studies</i>             |  |                             |                              |   |  |
| <b>QOL</b>                    | <b>CCTA vs. any functional testing</b>   |                             |                              |   |  |
|                               | <b>Douglas, 2015</b><br>PROMISE trial  | 6 months                    | Mean, (SD)<br>80.4 (19.7)    | Mean, (SD)<br>80.6 (20.1)                               | MD -0.2 (95% CI -1.2 to 0.9), p=NR                           |
|                               |  | 12 months                   | 81.7 (19.1)                  | 82.4 (18.8)   | MD -0.5 (95% CI -1.5 to 0.6), p=NR                           |
|                               |  | 24 months                   | 82.8 (18.8)                  | 83.0 (18.6)   | MD -0.2 (95% CI -1.3 to 0.9), p=NR                           |
|                               | <b>CCTA vs. SPECT</b>  |                             |                              |   |  |
|                               | <b>Min, 2012</b>   | <2 months<br>(Mean 55 days) | Δ from baseline: 13.5 (22.6) | Δ from baseline: 11.6 (19.0)                            | MD in change scores: 1.900 (95% CI -4.248 to 8.048) *        |
|                               | <b>CCTA vs. ETT (ECG)</b>  |                             |                              |   |  |
|                               | <b>The SCOT-HEART Investigators, 2015 (Williams, 2017)</b>                     | 6 weeks                     | Δ from baseline: 8.7 (0.5)   | Δ from baseline: 9.9 (0.6)                              | MD in change scores: -1.31 (95% CI -2.66 to 0.05), p=0.0585  |

|  |                                |           |                             |                             |  |
|--|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|--|
|  | SCOT-HEART trial               | 6 months  | Δ from baseline: 15.5 (0.6) | Δ from baseline: 18.6 (0.6) | MD in change scores: -3.48 (95% CI -4.95 to -2.01), p<0.0001       |
|  | McKavanagh, 2015<br>CAPP trial | 3 months  | NR                          | NR                          | MD in change scores: -5.7 (95% CI -10.3 to -1.2), p=0.014          |
|  |                                | 12 months | NR                          | NR                          | MD in change scores: (95% CI) -4.8 (95% CI -9.6 to -0.19), p=0.041 |

ABBREVIATIONS: Δ = change; CAD = coronary artery disease; CCTA = coronary computed tomography angiography; CI = confidence interval; ECG = electrocardiogram; ETT = exercise treadmill testing; F/U = follow-up period; ICA = invasive coronary angiography; MD = mean difference; N = number; NR = not reported; QOL = quality of life; SAQ = Seattle Angina Questionnaire; SD= standard deviation; SPECT = single photon emission computed tomography; vs. = versus

\*Calculated unless otherwise indicated.

†Scores range from 0 to 100: Physical Limitation (9 items), Angina Stability (1 item), Angina Frequency (2 items), Treatment Satisfaction (4 items), and Quality of Life (3 items). QOL scale (scale 0-100; higher=increased QOL) with higher scores indicating fewer symptoms and better health status.

‡Douglas 2015 (Mark, 2016 Table 3) PROMISE Trial: Diagnostic testing strategy groups are as randomized. 95% confidence intervals on treatment differences were calculated as CTA minus functional testing.

**Appendix Table O34. Included studies using trial names and associated publications: Primary evidence base for efficacy and safety**

|                  | Trial name  | Index publication                  | Additional associated publications  |
|------------------|---|------------------------------------|---|
| <b>CCTA</b>      |   |                                    |   |
| 1.               | ACRIN-PA trial <sup>32,46</sup>                         | Litt, 2012                         | Hollander, 2016   |
| 2.               | BEACON trial <sup>12</sup>                              | Dedic, 2016                        | None.   |
| 3.               | CAD-Man trial <sup>15</sup>                             | Dewey, 2016                        | None.   |
| 4.               | CAPP trial <sup>52</sup>                                | McKavanagh, 2015                   | None.   |
| 5.               | CATCH trial <sup>44,45</sup>                            | Linde, 2013                        | Linde, 2015   |
| 6.               | CT-STAT trial <sup>23</sup>                             | Goldstein, 2011                    | None.   |
| 7.               | CT-COMPARE trial <sup>29</sup>                          | Hamilton-Craig, 2014               | None.   |
| 8.               | CONSERVE trial <sup>10</sup>                            | Chang, 2019                        | None.   |
| 9.               | IAEA-SPECT/CTA trial <sup>36</sup>                      | Karthikeyan, 2017                  | None.   |
| 10.              | PERFECT trial <sup>89</sup>                             | Uretsky, 2017                      | None.   |
| 11.              | PROMISE trial <sup>17,18,37,47,49-51,64,65,77,78</sup>  | Douglas, 2015a                     | Douglas, 2014<br>Ladapo, 2016<br>Lu, 2017<br>Lowenstern, 2020<br>Mark, 2016<br>Pagidipati, 2016<br>Pagidipati, 2019<br>Litwin, 2019<br>Sharma, 2017<br>Sharma, 2019 |
| 12.              | PROSPECT trial <sup>22,41,42</sup>                      | Levsky, 2015                       | Levsky, 2009<br>Goldman, 2020   |
| 13.              | RESCUE trial <sup>84,85</sup>                           | Stillman, 2016                     | Stillman, 2020  |
| 14.              | ROMICAT-II trial <sup>31,72,87,88</sup>                 | Hoffman, 2012                      | Truong, 2013<br>Truong, 2016<br>Reinhardt, 2018   |
| 15.              | SCOT-HEART trial <sup>2,60,61,76,91,92</sup>            | The SCOT-HEART Investigators, 2015 | Newby, 2012<br>Newby, 2018<br>Williams, 2017<br>Williams, 2018<br>Adamson, 2018   |
| 16.              | N/A <sup>39,40</sup>                                    | Levsky, 2014                       | Levsky, 2018  |
| 17.              | N/A <sup>11</sup>                                       | Chang, 2008                        | None.   |
| 18.              | N/A <sup>55</sup>                                       | Miller, 2011                       | None.   |
| 19.              | N/A <sup>24</sup>                                       | Goldstein, 2007                    | None.   |
| 20.              | N/A <sup>67</sup>                                       | Pineiro-Portela, 2021              | None.   |
| 21.              | N/A <sup>57</sup>                                       | Min, 2012                          | None.   |
| 22.              | N/A <sup>59</sup>                                       | Nabi, 2016                         | None.   |
| <b>CCTA FFR</b>  |   |                                    |   |
| 1.               | PLATFORM study <sup>16,19</sup><br>(prospective cohort) | Douglas, 2015b                     | Douglas, 2016   |
| <b>SPECT-MPI</b> |   |                                    |   |
| 1.               | CE-MARC 2 trial <sup>25</sup>                           | Greenwood, 2016                    | None.   |
| 2.               | WOMEN trial <sup>53,54,80</sup>                         | Mieres, 2011                       | Mieres, 2009  |

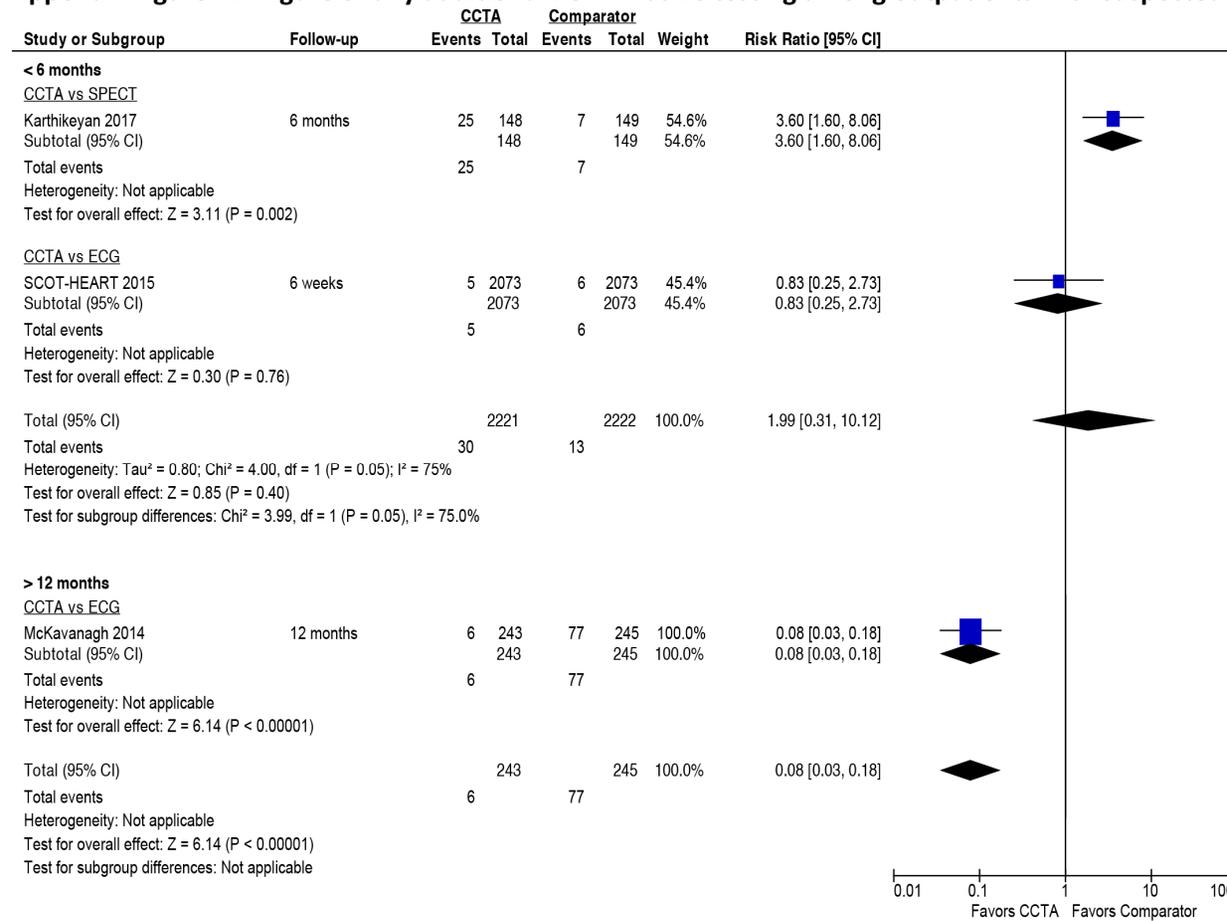
|                         | Trial name                     | Index publication | Additional associated publications |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|
|                         |                                |                   | Shaw, 2011                         |
| 3.                      | CECaT trial <sup>79,86*</sup>  | Sharples, 2007    | Thom, 2014                         |
| 4.                      | N/A <sup>43</sup>              | Lim, 2013         | None.                              |
| 5.                      | N/A <sup>73</sup>              | Sabharwal, 2007   | None.                              |
| 6.                      | N/A <sup>74</sup>              | Salame, 2018      | None.                              |
| PET                     |                                |                   |                                    |
| 1.                      | N/A <sup>58</sup>              | Mullani, 2000     | None.                              |
| 2.                      | N/A <sup>66</sup>              | Patel, 2019       | None.                              |
| Stress Echocardiography |                                |                   |                                    |
| 1.                      | ASSENCE trial <sup>6,62</sup>  | Nucifora, 2009    | Badano, 1999                       |
| 2.                      | COSTAMI-II trial <sup>13</sup> | Desideri, 2005    | None.                              |
| 3.                      | CECaT trial <sup>79,86*</sup>  | Sharples, 2007    | Thom, 2014                         |
| 4.                      | N/A <sup>34</sup>              | Jeetley, 2006     | None.                              |
| 5.                      | N/A <sup>26,93</sup>           | Zacharias, 2017   | Gurunathan, 2018                   |
| 6.                      | N/A <sup>75</sup>              | Sanfilippo, 2005  | None.                              |

CCTA = coronary computed tomography angiography, FFR = fractional flow reserve, MPI = myocardial perfusion imaging, N/A = not applicable, PET = positron emission tomography, SPECT = single photon emission tomography.

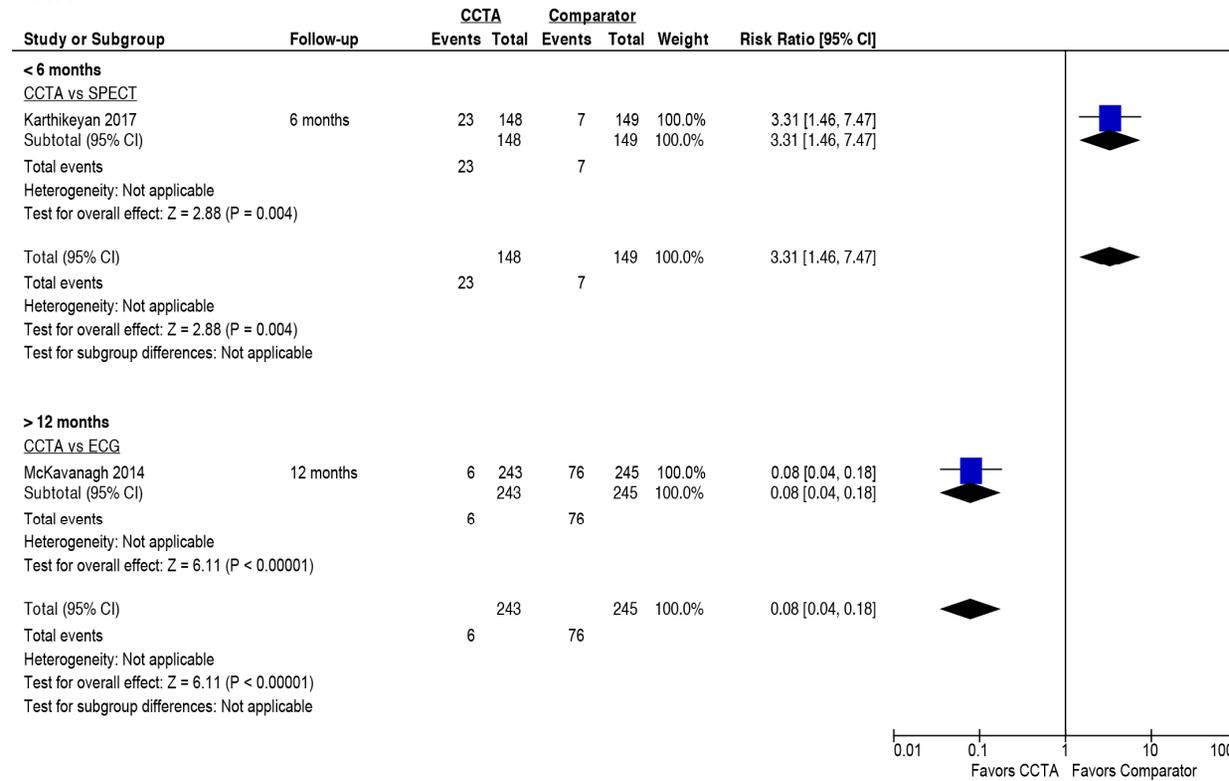
\* The CECaT trial provides data for both SPECT-MPI and stress echocardiography and is therefore listed twice under each test type.

### APPENDIX P. Supplemental summary figures

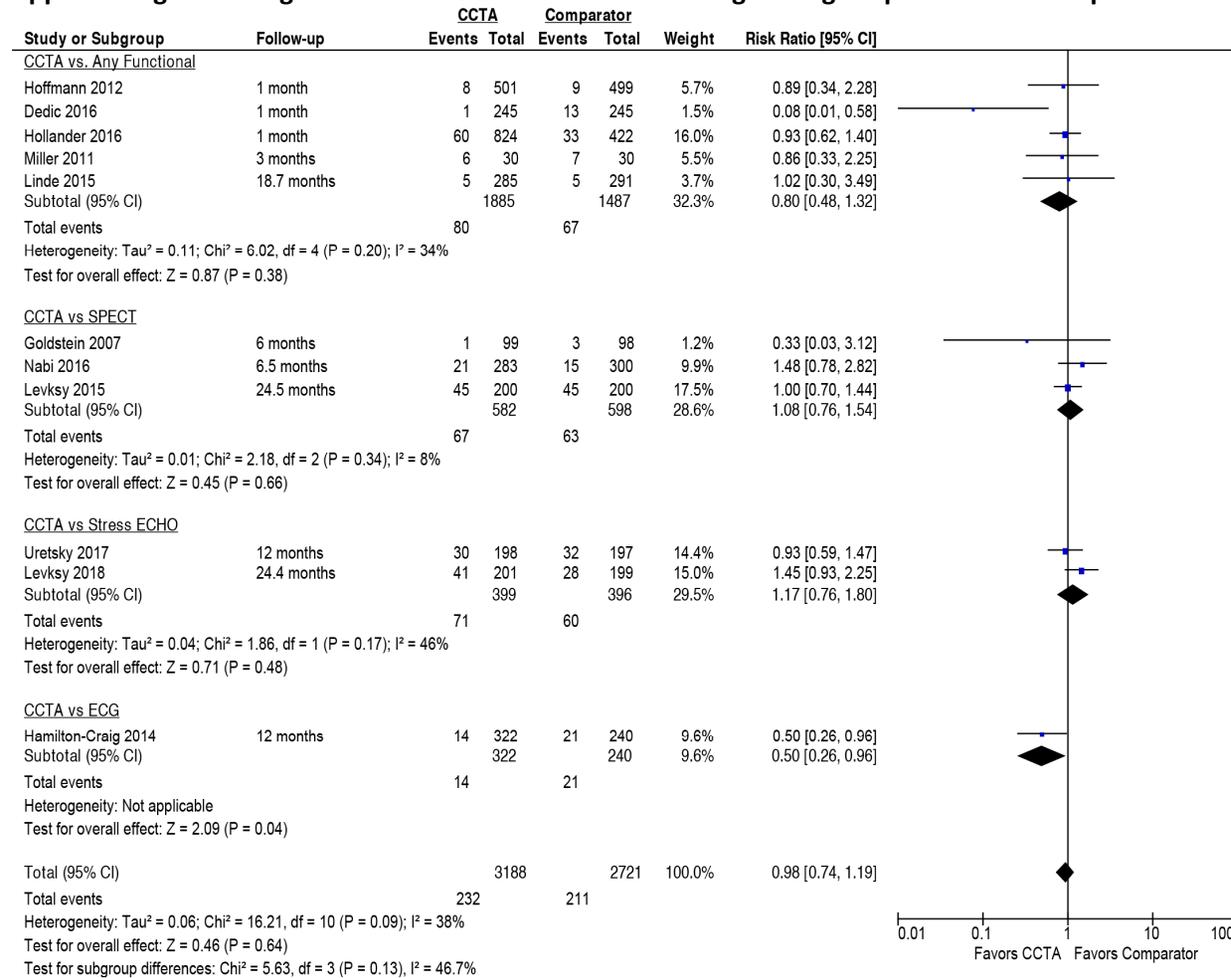
Appendix Figure P1. Figure of any additional non-invasive testing among outpatients with suspected CAD in trials assessing CCTA



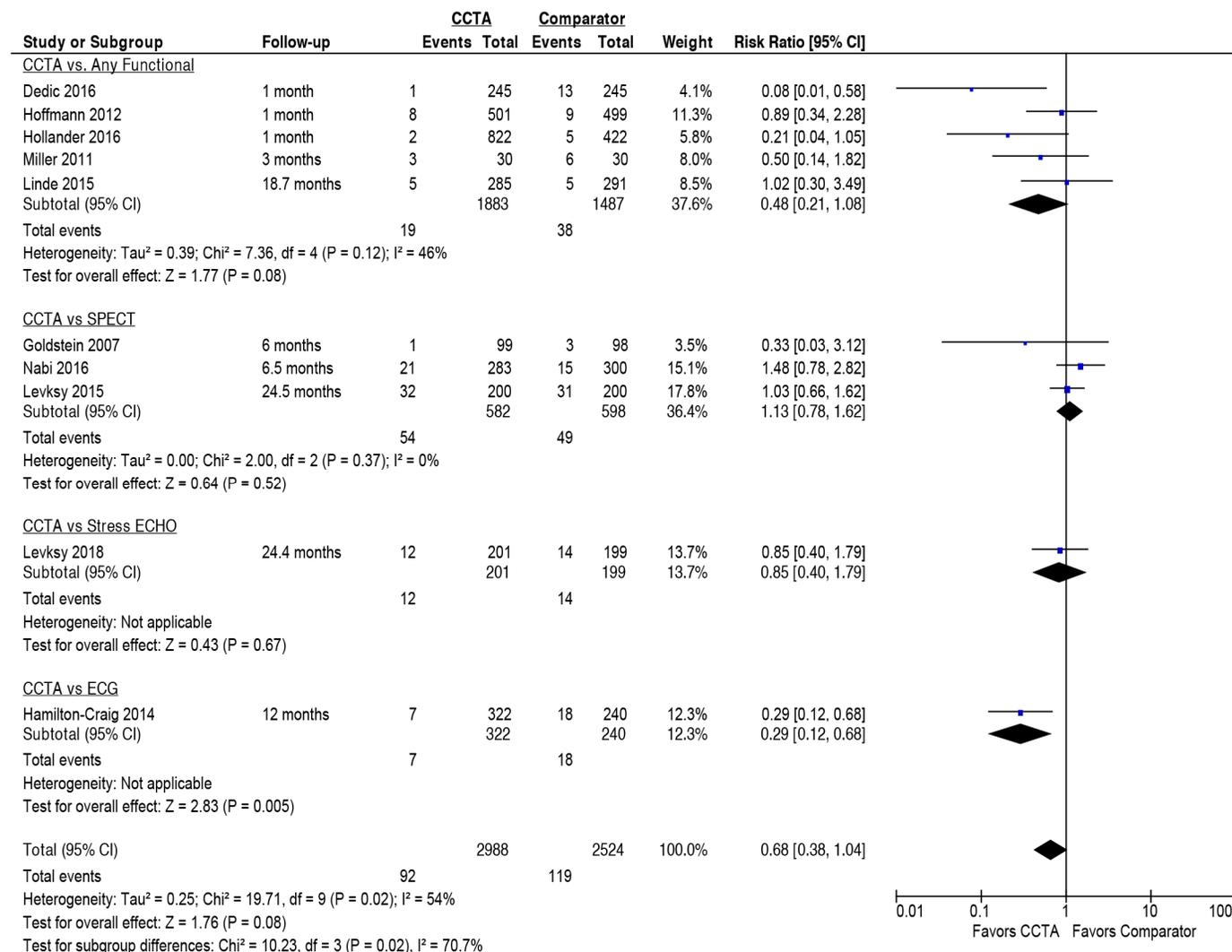
**Appendix Figure P2. Figure of additional non-invasive testing involving radiation among outpatients with suspected CAD in trials assessing CCTA**



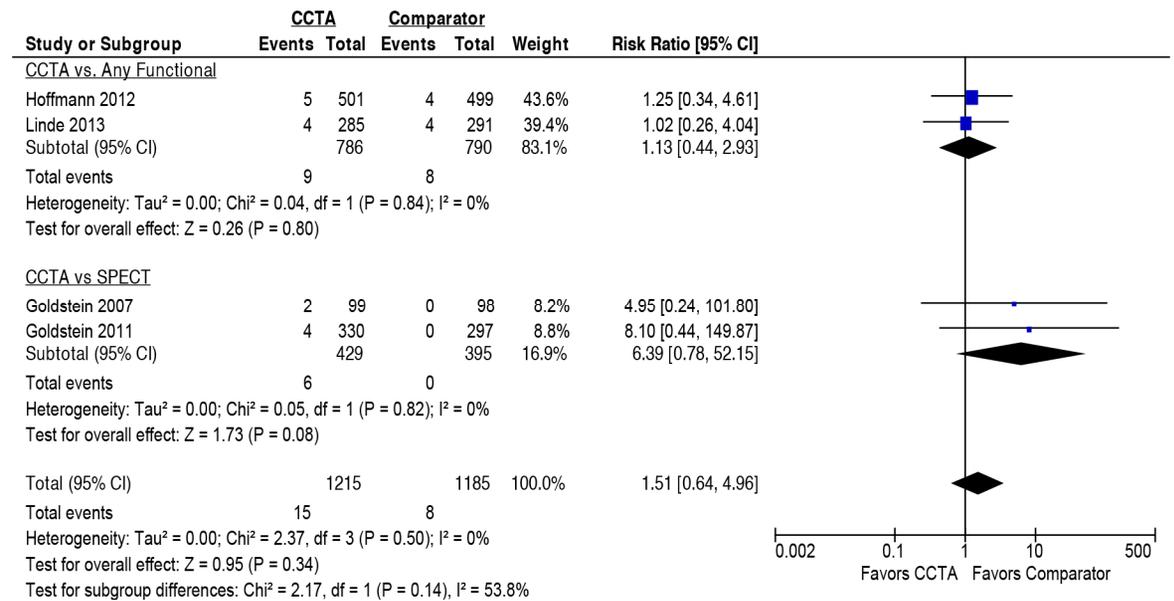
**Appendix Figure P3. Figure of additional non-invasive testing among outpatients with suspected ACS in trials assessing CCTA**



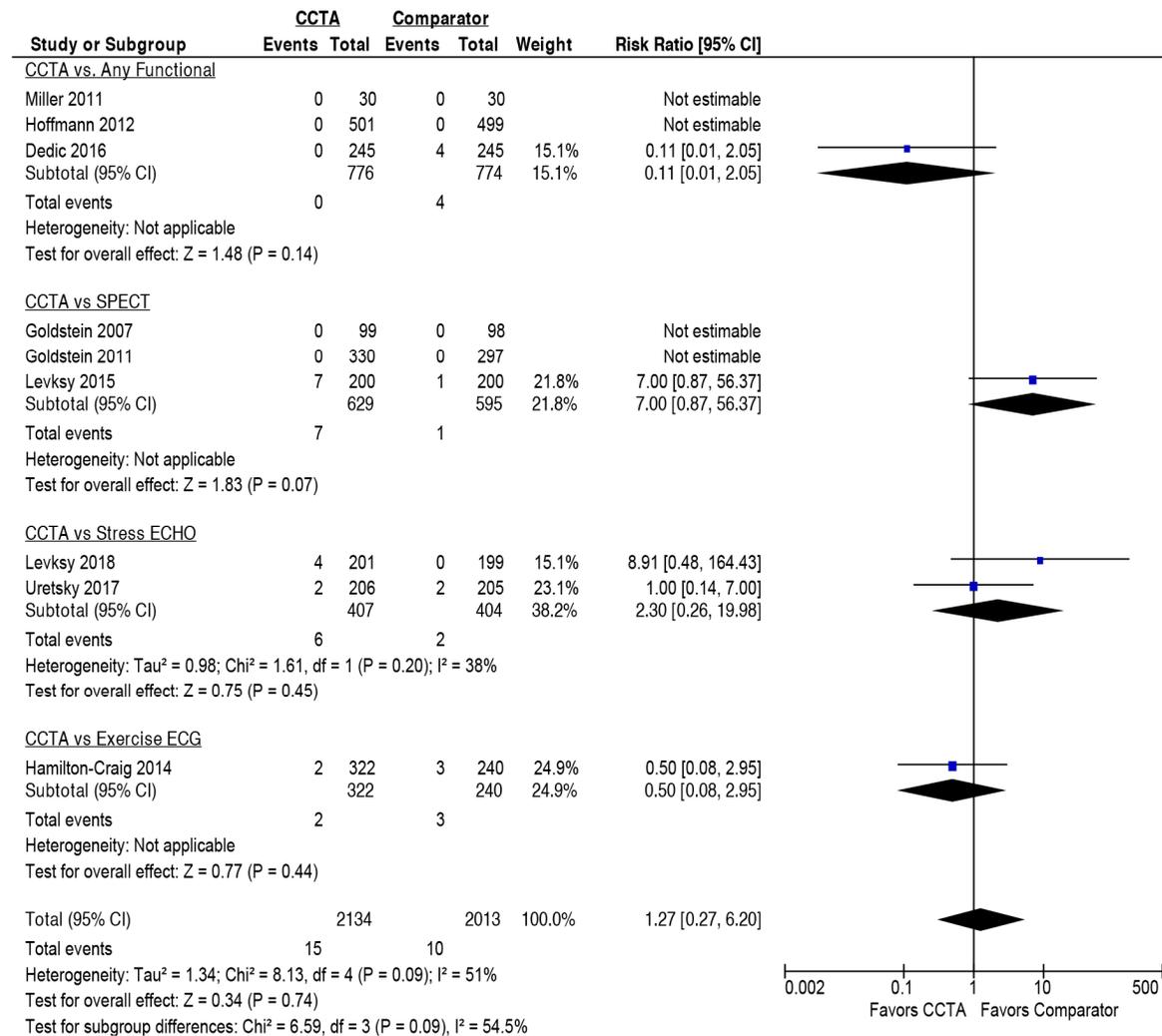
**Appendix Figure P4. Figure of additional non-invasive testing involving radiation among outpatients with suspected ACS in trials assessing CCTA**



**Appendix Figure P5. Figure of the proportion of patients requiring CABG at index visit among outpatients with suspected CAD in trials assessing CCTA**



**Appendix Figure P6. Figure of the proportion of patients requiring CABG after > 1 month among outpatients with suspected CAD in trials assessing CCTA**



## Appendix Q. Summary Tables of Included Studies (Table 1s)

Appendix Table Q1. Demographics for included RCTs comparing CCTA versus any functional testing in populations with suspected CAD (no known history of CAD) and stable chest pain

| Author, year (trial)        |  | Douglas 2015 (PROMISE)  |   |
|-----------------------------|--|---|---|
| Test                        |  | CCTA  | Any functional testing  |
| Sample size                 |  | (n=4996)  | (n=5007)  |
| Index test received, % (n)  | CCTA   | 92% (4589)  | 0.9% (47)‡  |
|                             | CACS only                                      | 2% (97)   |   |
|                             | Nuclear stress imaging                         | 2% (104)  | 63% (3159)  |
|                             | Stress Echocardiography                        | 0.5% (27)   | 21% (1056)  |
|                             | Exercise ECG                                   | 0.3% (14)   | 10% (477)   |
|                             | ICA  | 0.2% (9)  | 0.4% (20)   |
|                             | No test  | 3% (156)  | 5% (246)  |
| Patient demographics        | Female, % (n)                                  | 51.9% (2593)  | 53.4% (2673)  |
|                             | Age (years); mean ± SD                         | 60.7 ± 8.3  | 60.9 ± 8.3  |
|                             | Race, % (n)                                    | Racial or ethnic minority: 23.5%                                      | Racial or ethnic minority: 21.8%                                      |
|                             | Pretest risk, % (n)†                           | Pre-test probability of CAD§:<br>Low: 2.5%<br>IM: 92.6%<br>High: 4.9% | Pre-test probability of CAD§:<br>Low: 2.5%<br>IM: 92.6%<br>High: 4.9% |
|                             | Subgroup                                       | None  | None  |
| Cardiac risk factors, % (n) | Chest pain                                     | 73.6% (3673/4992)   | 71.9% (3599/5004)   |
|                             | Typical angina                                 | 11.8% (590)   | 11.5% (576)   |
|                             | Atypical angina                                | 77.5% (3873)  | 77.9% (3900)  |
|                             | Unstable angina                                | NR  | NR  |
|                             | Nonanginal pain                                | 10.7% (533)   | 10.6% (531)   |
|                             | Other primary presenting symptom**             | 12.2% (607/4992)  | 12.5% (627/5004)  |
|                             | Dyspnea on exertion                            | 14.3% (712/4992)  | 15.5% (778/5004)  |
|                             | Prior MI                                       | 0% (0)  | 0% (0)  |
|                             | Prior revascularization                        | 0% (0)  | 0% (0)  |
|                             | Known CAD                                      | 0% (0)  | 0% (0)  |
|                             | Peripheral arterial or cerebrovascular disease | 5.3% (263)  | 5.8% (289)  |
|                             | Hypertension                                   | 65% (3247)  | 65% (3254)  |
|                             | Diabetes                                       | 21.3% (1065)  | 21.5% (1079)  |
| Hyperlipidemia              | 67.4% (3365/4995)                              | 67.9% (3402)  |   |

| Author, year (trial)  |   | Douglas 2015 (PROMISE)                                      |   |
|-----------------------|---|---|---|
|                       | Current smoker                              | 50.7% (2533/4994)   | 51.4% (2571/5006)   |
| Test details          | CT images (slice)                           | ≥64-slice   | NA  |
|                       | CACS performed                              | No  | NA  |
|                       | Type of stressor                            | NR  | NR  |
|                       | Contrast (dose)                             | NR  | NR  |
| Study characteristics | Setting                                     | Outpatient  | Outpatient  |
|                       | Followup period<br>% completed followup (n) | Median 25 months (IQR 18-34 months,<br>93.5% (9350/10,003)) | Median 25 months (IQR 18-34 months,<br>93.5% (9350/10,003)) |
|                       | Study Design                                | RCT   | RCT   |
|                       | Study Quality                               | Good  | Good  |

CABG=coronary artery bypass graft, CACS=coronary artery calcium score, CAD=coronary artery disease, CCTA=coronary computed tomography angiogram, ECG=electrocardiogram, IM=intermediate risk, IQR=interquartile range, MI=myocardial infarction, NA=not applicable, NR=not reported, PCI=percutaneous coronary intervention, RCT=randomized controlled trial

\*p<0.05 for between group difference

†As defined by the authors. Methods for assessing pretest risk of CAD varied across studies.

‡CCTA or Calcium scoring; authors do not present data separately for the functional testing arm.

§Also reports pre-test risk assessment, mean combined Diamond-Forrester/CASS risk score, cad risk factor equivalent present, ten year risk of events.

\*\*Other pain (in descending order of frequency): fatigue or weakness, arm or shoulder pain, palpitations, dizziness or light-headedness, neck or jaw pain.

**Appendix Table Q2. Demographics for included RCTs comparing CCTA versus any functional testing in populations with suspected ACS (no known history of CAD)**

| Author, Year (trial)              |   | Chang 2008   |                                | Dedic 2016 (BEACON) |                                | Hoffman 2012 (ROMICAT-II)  |  | Linde 2013 (CATCH) |                                 |
|-----------------------------------|---|--------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|--|--|--------------------|---------------------------------|
| <b>Test Sample size</b>           |   | CCTA (n=133) | Any Functional testing (n=133) | CCTA (n=250)        | Any functional testing (n=250) | CCTA (n=501)   | Any functional testing (n=499)   | CCTA (n=299)‡      | Any functional testing (n=301)‡ |
| <b>Index test received, % (n)</b> | CCTA                                    | 100% (250)   | 0% (0)                         | 97% (243)           | 2% (7)                         | 94% (473)  | 0% (0)   | 95% (272)§         | 0% (0)                          |
|                                   | ETT                                     | 0% (0)       | 39% (32)                       | 0% (0)              | 0% (0)                         | 0% (0)   | 29% (147)  | 0% (0)             | 76% (221)                       |
|                                   | SPECT MPI                               | 0% (0)       | 8% (11)                        | 0% (0)              | 0% (0)                         | 0% (0)   | 25% (124)  | 0% (0)             | 22% (63)                        |
|                                   | Stress echocardiography                 | 0% (0)       | 3% (4)                         | 0% (0)              | 0% (0)                         | 0% (0)   | 20% (102)  | 0% (0)             | 0% (0)                          |
|                                   | Serial ECGs and Cardiac Biomarkers only | 0% (0)       | 50% (67)                       | 0% (0)              | 100% (250)                     | 0% (0)   | 0% (0)   | 0% (0)             | 0% (0)                          |
|                                   | No test performed                       | 0% (0)       | 0% (0)                         | 3% (7)              | 0% (0)                         | 0% (0)   | 22% (109)  | 0% (0)             | 2% (7)                          |
|                                   | Type of test NR                         | 0% (0)       | 0% (0)                         | 0% (0)              | 0% (0)                         | 6% (28)  | 3% (17)  | 0% (0)             | 0% (0)                          |
|                                   | Functional test (NOS)                   | 0% (0)       | 0% (0)                         | 0% (0)              | 0% (0)                         | 0% (0)   | 0% (0)   | 5% (13)            | 0% (0)                          |
| <b>Patient demographics</b>       | Female, % (n)                           | 39% (52)     | 38% (51)                       | 49% (123)           | 45% (113)                      | 47.9% (240)  | 46.1 (230)   | 44% (125/285)      | 42% (122/291)                   |
|                                   | Age (years); mean ± SD                  | 57 ± 14      | 58 ± 14                        | 55 ± 10             | 53 ± 9                         | 54±8   | 54±8   | 56 ± 12            | 55 ± 12                         |
|                                   | Race, % (n)                             | NR           | NR                             | NR                  | NR                             | White: 65.9% (330)<br>Black: 28.1% (141)<br>Asian: 3.6% (18)<br>Other: 2.4% (12) | White: 66.1% (330)<br>Black: 28.3% (141)<br>Asian: 2.6% (13)<br>Other: 3.6% (18) | NR                 | NR                              |

| Author, Year (trial)               |                         | Chang 2008  |   | Dedic 2016 (BEACON)                            |   | Hoffman 2012 (ROMICAT-II) |              | Linde 2013 (CATCH)  |   |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------|---|---|--|---|---------------------------|--------------|---|---|
|                                    | Pretest risk, % (n)†    | Low: 37.6% (50)<br>IM: 41.4% (55)<br>High: 21.1% (28) | Low: 36.8% (49)<br>IM: 42.1% (56)<br>High: 21.1% (28) | Low: 84% (211)<br>IM: 12% (31)<br>High: 3% (8) | Low 83% (208)<br>IM: 16% (39)<br>High: 1% (3) | Intermediate              | Intermediate | Low: 21.3% (62/291)<br>IM: 69.1% (201/291)<br>High: 9.5% (28/291) | Low: 21.3% (62/291)<br>IM: 69.1% (201/291)<br>High: 9.5% (28/291) |
|                                    | Subgroup                | NR  | NR  | None   | None  | NR                        | NR           | None  | None  |
| <b>Cardiac risk factors, % (n)</b> | Chest pain              | 100% (133)  | 100% (133)  | 100% (250)                                     | 100% (250)                                    | 100% (501)                | 100% (499)   | 100% (285/285)  | 100% (291/291)  |
|                                    | Typical angina          | NR  | NR  | NR   | NR  | 89.0% (446)               | 91.0% (454)  | 12% (34/285)  | 12% (35/291)  |
|                                    | Atypical angina         | NR  | NR  | NR   | NR  | 11.0% (55)                | 9.0% (45)    | 39% (111/285)   | 40% (116/291)   |
|                                    | Unstable angina         | NR  | NR  | NR   | NR  | NR                        | NR           | NR  | NR  |
|                                    | Nonanginal chest pain   | NR  | NR  | NR   | NR  | NR                        | NR           | 49% (140/285)   | 49% (143/291)   |
|                                    | Dyspnea                 | NR  | NR  | NR   | NR  | 1.4% (7)                  | 2.0% (10)    | NR  | NR  |
|                                    | Prior MI                | NR  | NR  | NR   | NR  | 0% (0)                    | 0% (0)       | NR  | NR  |
|                                    | Prior revascularization | NR  | NR  | NR   | NR  | 0% (0)                    | 0% (0)       | NR  | NR  |
|                                    | Known CAD               | 12% (16)  | 17% (23)  | NR   | NR  | 0% (0)                    | 0% (0)       | 15% (43/285)  | 12% (35/291)  |
|                                    | Hypertension            | 46% (61)  | 41% (55)  | 17% (43)                                       | 17% (43)                                      | 53.7% (269)               | 54.5% (272)  | 36% (103/285)   | 47% (137/291)   |
|                                    | Diabetes                | 16% (21)  | 19% (25)  | NR   | NR  | 17.2% (86)                | 17.4% (87)   | 12% (34/285)  | 10% (29/291)  |
|                                    | Hyperlipidemia          | 29% (39)  | 25% (33)  | NR   | NR  | 45.9% (230)               | 44.9% (224)  | 41% (117/285)   | 35% (102/291)   |
| Smoker (past or current)           | 17% (23)                | 23% (31)  | 37% (93)  | 31% (78)                                       | 49.7% (249)                                   | 48.7% (243)               | 15% (43/285) | 12% (35/291)  |   |
| <b>Test details</b>                | CT images (slice)       | 64  | NA  | ≥64  | NA  | ≥64                       | NA           | 320   | NA  |
|                                    | CACS performed          | No  | NR  | No   | NA  | Yes                       | NA           | No  | NA  |

| Author, Year (trial)         |                          | Chang 2008  |         | Dedic 2016 (BEACON) |      | Hoffman 2012 (ROMICAT-II)     |                                  | Linde 2013 (CATCH) |                           |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|---|---------|---------------------|------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|
|                              | Type of stressor         | NA  | NA      | NA                  | NR   | NA                            | exercise or pharmacologic stress | NA                 | Dipyridamole (SPECT only) |
|                              | Contrast (dose)          | Lomeprol (80mL lomeron 400; Bracco, Milan, Italy) | NA      | NR                  | NR   | NR (iodinated contrast agent) | NA                               | NR                 | NR                        |
| <b>Study characteristics</b> | Setting                  | ED  | ED      | ED                  | ED   | ED                            | ED                               | OP                 | OP                        |
|                              | Followup period          | 30 days   | 30 days | 30 days             |      | 28 days                       | 28 days                          | 120 days           |                           |
|                              | % completed followup (n) |   |         | 98% (490/500)       |      | 99.2% (497)                   | 98.2% (490)                      | 96% (576/600)      |                           |
|                              | Study Design             | RCT   | RCT     | RCT                 | RCT  | RCT                           | RCT                              | RCT                | RCT                       |
|                              | Study Quality            | Fair  | Fair    | Good                | Good | Fair                          | Fair                             | Fair               | Fair                      |

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\*p<0.05 for between group difference

†As defined by the authors. Methods for assessing pretest risk of CAD varied across studies.

‡Demographic data only provided for those with follow-up data; n values reported here are total number randomized.

§39 of these 272 patients also had a functional test at index that was used to determine their treatment strategy.

**Appendix Table Q3. Demographics for included RCTs comparing CCTA versus any functional testing in populations with suspected ACS (no known history of CAD)**

| Author, Year (trial)               |                                    | Litt 2012 (ACRIN-PA)   |   | Miller 2011   |  |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|---|---|--|
| Test                               |                                    | CCTA (n=908)‡  | Any functional testing (n=462)‡   | CCTA + Usual Care (n=30)  | Any functional testing (n=30)  |
| <b>Index test received, % (n)</b>  | CCTA                               | 84% (767)  | 6% (26)   | 100% (30)   | 0% (0)   |
|                                    | Stress testing (w/ or w/o imaging) | 14% (124)  | 58% (267)   | 0% (0)  | 0% (0)   |
|                                    | ICA                                | 4% (37)  | 4% (18)   | 0% (0)  | 0% (0)   |
|                                    | No test                            | 9% (80)  | 36% (167)   | 0% (0)  | 0% (0)   |
|                                    | ECG and cardiac biomarkers         | 0% (0)   | 0% (0)  | 0% (0)  | 100% (30)  |
| <b>Patient demographics</b>        | Female, % (n)                      | 51.2% (465)  | 56.3% (260)   | 57% (17)  | 43% (13)   |
|                                    | Age (years); mean ± SD             | 49±9   | 50±10   | 51±10   | 51±10  |
|                                    | Race, % (n)                        | White: 39.8% (361)<br>Black: 57.8% (525)<br>Asian: 1.2% (11)<br>Other: 1.8% (16) | White: 35.1% (162)<br>Black: 62.3% (288)<br>Asian: 1.5% (7)<br>Other: 2.2% (10) | White: 23.3% (7)<br>Black: 46.7% (14)<br>Asian: 0% (0)<br>Hispanic: 30.0% (9) | White: 13.3% (4)<br>Black: 46.7% (14)<br>Asian: 3.3% (1)<br>Hispanic: 36.7% (11) |
|                                    | Pretest risk, % (n)†               | Low-to-intermediate (%NR)  | Low-to-intermediate (%NR)   | Low-to-intermediate (%NR)   | Low-to-intermediate (%NR)  |
|                                    | Subgroup                           | NR   | NR  | NR  | NR   |
| <b>Cardiac risk factors, % (n)</b> | Chest pain                         | 100% (908)   | 100% (462)  | 100% (30)   | 100% (30)  |
|                                    | Typical angina                     | NR   | NR  | NR  | NR   |
|                                    | Atypical angina                    | NR   | NR  | NR  | NR   |
|                                    | Unstable angina                    | NR   | NR  | NR  | NR   |
|                                    | Noncardiac angina                  | NR   | NR  | NR  | NR   |
|                                    | Dyspnea                            | NR   | NR  | NR  | NR   |
|                                    | Prior MI                           | 1% (10)  | 1% (6)  | NR  | NR   |
|                                    | Prior revascularization            | NR   | NR  | 0% (0)  | 0% (0)   |
|                                    | Known CAD                          | NR   | NR  | 0% (0)  | 0% (0)   |
|                                    | Hypertension                       | 51.0% (463)  | 50.2% (232)   | NR  | NR   |
|                                    | Diabetes                           | 14.3% (130)  | 13.9% (64)  | NR  | NR   |
| Hyperlipidemia                     | 27.4% (249)                        | 25.5% (118)  | NR  | NR  |  |
| Smoker (past or current)           | 32.0% (291)                        | 33.8% (156)  | NR  | NR  |  |
| <b>Test details</b>                | CT images (slice)                  | ≥64  | NA  | 64  | NA   |

| Author, Year (trial)  |                          | Litt 2012 (ACRIN-PA) |                            | Miller 2011 |           |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|-------------|-----------|
|                       | CACS performed           | Yes                  | NA                         | Yes         | NA        |
|                       | Type of stressor         | NA                   | exercise or pharmaco-logic | NA          | NR        |
|                       | Contrast (dose)          | NR                   | NA                         | NR          | NA        |
| Study characteristics | Setting                  | ED                   | ED                         | ED          | ED        |
|                       | Followup period          | 30 days              | 30 days                    | 90 days     | 90 days   |
|                       | % completed followup (n) | 98.9% (898)          | 98.9% (457)                | 100% (30)   | 100% (30) |
|                       | Study Design             | RCT                  | RCT                        | RCT         | RCT       |
|                       | Study Quality            | Fair                 | Fair                       | Poor        | Poor      |

CABG=coronary artery bypass graft, CACS=coronary artery calcium score, CAD=coronary artery disease, CCTA=coronary computed tomography angiogram, ECG=electrocardiogram, ED=emergency department, MI=myocardial infarction, NA=not applicable, NR=not reported, PCI=percutaneous coronary intervention, RCT=randomized controlled trial, SPECT=single-photon emission computed tomography

\*p<0.05 for between group difference

†As defined by the authors. Methods for assessing pretest risk of CAD varied across studies.

‡According to how the author's reported their data, patients could have received more than one single test at their index visit

**Appendix Table Q4. Demographics for included RCTs comparing CCTA versus SPECT in populations with suspected CAD (no known history of CAD) and stable chest pain**

| Author, year (trial)       |                        | Karthikeyan 2017 (IAEA-SPECT/CCTA)  |             | Min 2012   |   | Stillman 2020 (RESCUE)    |                                   |                                   |
|----------------------------|------------------------|---|-------------|--|---|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Test                       |                        | CCTA  | SPECT       | CCTA   | SPECT   | CCTA                      | SPECT                             |                                   |
| Sample size                |                        | (n= 152)  | (n= 151)    | (n=91)   | (n=89)  | (n= 516)                  | (n= 531)                          |                                   |
| Index test received, % (n) | CCTA                   | 93% (142)   | 0% (0)      | 100% (91)  | 0% (0)  | 92% (473)                 | 0% (0)                            |                                   |
|                            | CACS                   | 3% (4)  | 0% (0)      | 0% (0)   | 0% (0)  | 0% (0)                    | 0% (0)                            |                                   |
|                            | No test                | 4% (6)  | 5% (8)      | 0% (0)   | 0% (0)  | 8% (43)                   | 13% (67)                          |                                   |
|                            | SPECT                  | 0% (0)  | 95% (146)   | 0% (0)   | 100% (89)   | 0% (0)                    | 87% (464)                         |                                   |
| Patient demographics       | Female, % (n)          | 51% (78)  | 54% (82)    | 41.8% (38)*  | 57.3% (51)*   | 45% (232)                 | 46% (244)                         |                                   |
|                            | Age (years); mean ± SD | 60 ± 11   | 60 ± 12     | 55.9 ± 10*   | 58.9 ± 9.5*   | 57 ± 9                    | 58 ± 9                            |                                   |
|                            | Race, % (n)            | <u>Race</u>   | <u>Race</u> | <u>Race</u>  | NR  | NR                        | American Indian or Alaskan Native | American Indian or Alaskan Native |
|                            |                        | Caucasian   | Caucasian   | Caucasian  |   |                           | 2% (10)                           | 1% (5)                            |
|                            |                        | Indian  | Indian      | Indian   |   |                           | Asian                             | Asian                             |
| 5% (8)                     |                        | 5% (8)  | 5% (8)      |  |   | 2% (10)                   | 3% (16)                           |                                   |
| African                    | African                | African   |             |  | Black or African American   | Black or African American |                                   |                                   |
| 1% (2)                     | 1% (2)                 | 1% (2)  |             |  | 14% (72)  | 15% (80)                  |                                   |                                   |
| Other                      | Other                  | Other   |             |  | Native Hawaiian or other  | Native Hawaiian or other  |                                   |                                   |
| 0% (0)                     | 1% (2)                 | 1% (2)  |             |  | <1% (<5)  | <1% (<5)                  |                                   |                                   |
| <u>Ethnicity</u>           | <u>Ethnicity</u>       | <u>Ethnicity</u>  |             |  | White   | White                     |                                   |                                   |
| Hispanic                   | Hispanic               | Hispanic  |             |  | 78% (402)   | 78% (414)                 |                                   |                                   |
| 25% (38)                   | 20% (30)               | 20% (30)  |             |  | Multiple races  | Multiple races            |                                   |                                   |
|                            |                        |   |             |  | 2% (10)   | 1% (5)                    |                                   |                                   |
|                            |                        |   |             |  | Unknown   | Unknown                   |                                   |                                   |
|                            |                        |   |             |  | 2% (10)   | 2% (11)                   |                                   |                                   |
|                            | Pretest risk, % (n)†   | All patients considered to be at intermediate to high risk based on the Framingham criteria |             | Intermediate-to-high<br>Low 4.1% (4)<br>IM: 62.6% (57)<br>High: 33.0% (30) | Intermediate-to-high<br>Low: 9.0% (8)<br>IM: 67.4% (60)<br>High: 23.6% (21) | NR                        | NR                                |                                   |

| Author, year (trial)        |                         | Karthikeyan 2017 (IAEA-SPECT/CTA) |  | Min 2012           |   | Stillman 2020 (RESCUE)   |            |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|--------------------|---|--------------------------|------------|
|                             | Subgroup                | None                              | None   | None               | None  | None                     | None       |
| Cardiac risk factors, % (n) | Chest pain              | 80% (122)                         | 80% (121)  | NR                 | NR  | 100% (516)               | 100% (531) |
|                             | Typical angina          | NR                                | NR   | 31.9% (29)         | 22.5% (20)  | NR                       | NR         |
|                             | Atypical angina         | NR                                | NR   | 23.1% (21)         | 24.7% (22)  | NR                       | NR         |
|                             | Unstable angina         | NR                                | NR   | NR                 | NR  | NR                       | NR         |
|                             | Nonanginal chest pain   | NR                                | NR   | 27.5% (25)         | 24.7% (22)  | NR                       | NR         |
|                             | Dyspnea                 | 10% (15)                          | 9% (14)  | NR                 | NR  | NR                       | NR         |
|                             | Prior MI                | 0% (0)                            | 0% (0)   | 0% (0)             | 0% (0)  | NR                       | NR         |
|                             | Prior revascularization | 0% (0)                            | 0% (0)   | 0% (0)             | 0% (0)  | 0% (0)                   | 0% (0)     |
|                             | Known CAD               | 0% (0)                            | 0% (0)   | 0% (0)             | 0% (0)  | 0% (0)                   | 0% (0)     |
|                             | Hypertension            | 64% (97)                          | 64% (97)   | 61.5% (56)         | 68.5% (61)  | 62% (320)                | 60% (319)  |
|                             | Diabetes                | 28% (43)                          | 29% (44)   | 23.1% (21)         | 21.3% (19)  | 20% (103)                | 21% (112)  |
|                             | Hyperlipidemia          | 59% (90)                          | 55% (83)   | 52.7% (48)         | 60.7% (54)  | NR                       | NR         |
| Current smoker              | 24% (36)                | 17% (26)                          | 58.2% (53)   | 42.7% (38)         | 14% (72)  | 16% (85)                 |            |
| Test details                | CT images (slice)       | ≥64                               | NA   | 64                 | NA  | ≥64                      | NA         |
|                             | CACS performed          | 3% (4)                            | NA   | No                 | NA  | No                       | NA         |
|                             | Type of stressor        | NA                                | Exercise treadmill: 33% (50)<br>Exercise bike: 25% (38)<br>Dipyridamole: 34% (51)<br>Adenosine: 3% (5) | NA                 | Exercise (treadmill) or pharmacologic (adenosine)             | NA                       | NR         |
|                             | Contrast (dose)         | Used, but type NR                 | NR   | Iodinated contrast | Tc-99m sestamibi (some had dual isotope imaging thallium-201) | 80 mL iodinated contrast | NR         |
|                             | Setting                 | Outpatient                        | Outpatient   | Outpatient         | Outpatient  | Outpatient               | Outpatient |

| Author, year (trial)  |  | Karthikeyan 2017 (IAEA-SPECT/CTA)                                 |   | Min 2012   |  | Stillman 2020 (RESCUE)   |                         |
|-----------------------|--|---|---|--|--|--|-------------------------|
| Study characteristics | Followup period<br>% completed<br>followup (n) | 6 months:<br>98%<br>(297/303)<br>12 months:<br>% followed<br>(NR) | 6 months:<br>98%<br>(297/303)<br>12 months:<br>% followed<br>(NR) | mean 55 ± 34 days<br>Overall: 96.1%<br>(173/180) | mean 55 ± 34 days<br>Overall: 96.1%<br>(173/180) | Mean (SD) 16.2 ± 7.9 months follow up time,<br>% followed (NR) |                         |
|                       | Study Design                                   | Multi-centered (6 sites)  | Multi-Centered (6 sites)  | RCT  | RCT  | Multi-center (44 sites)  | Multi-center (44 sites) |
|                       | Study Quality                                  | Good  | Good  | Poor   | Poor   | Good   | Good                    |

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\*p<0.05 for between group difference

†As defined by the authors. Methods for assessing pretest risk of CAD varied across studies.

**Appendix Table Q5. Demographics for included RCTs comparing CCTA versus SPECT in populations with suspected ACS (no known history of CAD)**

| Author, Year (trial)        |                        | Goldstein 2011 (CT-STAT) |                     | Goldstein 2007  |                 | Levsky 2015 (PROSPECT)  |   | Nabi 2016  |   |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---|---|--|---|
| Test                        |                        | CCTA                     | SPECT               | CCTA            | SPECT           | CCTA  | SPECT   | CCTA   | SPECT   |
| Sample size                 |                        | (n=375)‡                 | (n=374)‡            | (n=99)          | (n=98)          | (n=200)   | (n=200)   | (n= 288)   | (n= 310)  |
| Index test received, % (n)  | CCTA                   | 96% (361)                | 0% (0)              | 100% (99)       | 0% (0)          | 94% (187)   | 0% (0)  | 99% (284)  | 0% (0)  |
|                             | SPECT                  | 0% (0)                   | 90% (338)           | 0% (0)          | 100% (98)       | 4% (7)  | 95% (189)   | 1% (4)   | 100% (310)  |
|                             | No test                | 0% (0)                   | 0% (0)              | 0% (0)          | 0% (0)          | 2% (4)  | 5% (11)   | 0% (0)   | 0% (0)  |
| Patient demographics        | Female, % (n)          | 54.8% (198)              | 53.0% (179)         | 58% (57)        | 43% (42)        | 63.0% (126)   | 62.5% (125)   | 55%  | 56%   |
|                             | Age (years); mean ± SD | 50±10                    | 50±10               | 48±11           | 51±12           | 56.8 ± 11.8   | 56.3 ± 10.5   | 54 ± 13  | 53 ± 12   |
|                             | Race, % (n)            | NR                       | NR                  | NR              | NR              | White: 4.0% (8)<br>Hispanic: 52.5% (108)<br>Black: 39.0% (78)<br>Asian: 3.5% (7)<br>Other: 0.5% (1) | White: 5.0% (10)<br>Hispanic: 54.0% (108)<br>Black: 33.5% (67)<br>Asian: 5.5% (11)<br>Other: 1.0% (2) | Black 27% (78)<br>White 56% (161)<br>Hispanic 14% (40)<br>Asian 2% (6)<br>Other 1% (3) | Black 33% (102)<br>White 56% (174)<br>Hispanic 10% (31)<br>Asian <1% (<3)<br>Other 2% (6) |
|                             | Pretest risk, % (n)†   | Low-to-intermediate      | Low-to-intermediate | Very low-to-low | Very low-to-low | Intermediate  | Intermediate  | Low 76% (219)<br>Intermediate 19% (55)<br>High 5% (14)                                 | Low 77% (239)<br>Intermediate 18% (56)<br>High 5% (16)                                    |
|                             | Subgroup               | None                     | None                | None            | None            | None  | None  | None   | None  |
|                             | Chest pain             | 100% (361)               | 100% (338)          | 100% (99)       | 100% (98)       | 100% (200)  | 100% (200)  | 100% (288)**   | 100% (310)**  |
| Cardiac risk factors, % (n) | Typical angina         | NR                       | NR                  | NR              | NR              | 38.5% (77)§   | 41.5% (83)§   | NR   | NR  |
|                             | Atypical angina        | NR                       | NR                  | NR              | NR              | NR  | NR  | NR   | NR  |
|                             | Unstable angina        | 0.8% (3)                 | 0.9% (3)            | NR              | NR              | NR  | NR  | NR   | NR  |
|                             | Nonanginal chest pain  | NR                       | NR                  | NR              | NR              | NR  | NR  | NR   | NR  |
|                             | Dyspnea                | NR                       | NR                  | NR              | NR              | NR  | NR  | NR   | NR  |
| Prior MI                    | 0.3% (1)               | 1.5% (5)                 | NR                  | NR              | NR              | NR  | NR  | NR   |   |

| Author, Year (trial)         |                          | Goldstein 2011 (CT-STAT) |  | Goldstein 2007 |                    | Levsky 2015 (PROSPECT)     |   | Nabi 2016           |  |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|----------------|--------------------|----------------------------|---|---------------------|--|
|                              | Prior revascularization  | NR                       | NR   | NR             | NR                 | NR                         | NR  | NR                  | NR   |
|                              | Known CAD                | NR                       | NR   | 0% (0)         | 0% (0)             | 0% (0)                     | 0% (0)  | 0% (0)              | 0% (0)   |
|                              | Hypertension             | 35.5% (128)              | 38.8% (131)  | 39% (38)       | 38% (37)           | 70.5% (141)                | 73.5% (147)   | 50% (144)           | 51% (158)  |
|                              | Diabetes                 | 5.5% (20)                | 8.3% (28)  | 8% (8)         | 12% (12)           | 33.0% (66)                 | 30.5% (61)  | 15% (43)            | 15% (47)   |
|                              | Hyperlipidemia           | 31.0% (112)              | 36.1% (122)  | 34% (33)       | 38% (37)           | 48.5% (97)                 | 54.5% (109)   | 39% (112)           | 37% (115)  |
|                              | Smoker (past or current) | 25.2% (91)               | 30.5% (103)  | 15% (15)       | 20% (20)           | 16.5% (33)                 | 13.0% (26)  | 26% (75)            | 27% (84)   |
| <b>Test details</b>          | CT images (slice)        | 64–320                   | NA   | 64             | NA                 | 64                         | NA  | 64                  | NA   |
|                              | CACS performed           | Yes                      | NA   | Yes            | NA                 | Yes                        | NA  | Yes                 | NA   |
|                              | Type of stressor         | NA                       | Exercise (treadmill) or pharmacologic (adenoside or dipyridamole)* | NA             | Exercise (type NR) | NA                         | Treadmill (preferred); if patient unable to exercise then pharmacologic stress (adenosine or regadenoson) was used ± low-level exercise | NA                  | Pharmacologic stress testing: 73% (223)<br>Adenosine: 24% (74)<br>Regadenoson: 48% (148)<br>Dobutamine <1% (1)<br>Treadmill exercise stress testing 27% (84) |
|                              | Contrast (dose)          | Ultravist 300            | Tc-99m sestamibi   | Visipaque      | Tc-99m sestamibi   | Iodixanol-320              | 201 TI rest/99m-Tc-sestamibi stress OR 99m-TC-sestamibi rest/stress   | Visipaque           | NR   |
| <b>Study characteristics</b> | Setting                  | ED                       | ED   | ED             | ED                 | Inpatient (telemetry unit) | Inpatient (telemetry unit)  | SPECT/CT department | SPECT/CT department  |

| Author, Year (trial) |  | Goldstein 2011 (CT-STAT) |                         | Goldstein 2007                             |  | Levsky 2015 (PROSPECT)   |   | Nabi 2016   |   |
|----------------------|--|--------------------------|-------------------------|--|--|--|---|---|---|
|                      | Followup period<br>% completed<br>followup (n) | 6 months<br>88.0% (330)  | 6 months<br>79.4% (297) | 6 months<br>Overall:<br>97.0%<br>(197/203) | 6 months<br>Overall:<br>97%<br>(197/203) | ≥12 months,<br>95.0% (190);<br>6-12 months<br>symptoms:<br>88.5% (177) | ≥12 months,<br>95.5% (191);<br>6-12 months<br>symptoms:<br>90.0%<br>(180) | Median<br>follow-up 6.5<br>months<br>99.2%<br>(593/598) | Median follow-<br>up 6.5 months<br>99.2%<br>(593/598) |
|                      | Study Design                                   | RCT                      | RCT                     | RCT  | RCT                                      | RCT  | RCT   | Single Center   | Single Center   |
|                      | Study Quality                                  | Good                     | Good                    | Fair                                       | Fair                                     | Fair   | Fair  | Fair  | Fair  |

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\*p<0.05 for between group difference

†As defined by the authors. Methods for assessing pretest risk of CAD varied across studies.

‡Demographics reported only for those who completed the protocol and did not withdraw consent (Goldstein 2011).

§6% of the CCTA patients and 5% of the SPECT patients had severe angina within the last 24 hours.

\*\*Described in study as "exertional pain".

**Appendix Table Q6. Demographics for included RCTs comparing CCTA versus stress echocardiography in populations with suspected ACS (no known history of CAD)**

| Author, year (trial)               |                                  | Uretsky 2017 (PERFECT trial)   |  | Pineiro-Portela 2021                         |             | Levsky 2018   |  |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|--|--|-------------|---|--|
| Test                               |                                  | CCTA   | Stress Echo  | CCTA   | Stress Echo | CCTA  | Stress Echo  |
| Sample size                        |                                  | (n= 206)   | (n= 205)   | (n= 100)                                     | (n= 103)    | (n= 201)  | (n=199)  |
| <b>Index test received, % (n)</b>  | CCTA                             | 90% (185)  | 2% (3)   | 100% (100)                                   | 0% (0)      | 94% (189)   | 3% (5)   |
|                                    | CACS only                        | 1% (2)   | 0% (0)   | 0% (0)                                       | 0% (0)      | 0% (0)  | 0% (0)   |
|                                    | Stress test (NOS)                | 5% (10)  | 0% (0)   | 0% (0)                                       | 0% (0)      | 0% (0)  | 0% (0)   |
|                                    | Stress SPECT                     | 0% (0)   | 4% (9)   | 0% (0)                                       | 0% (0)      | 0% (0)  | 0% (0)   |
|                                    | ICA                              | 0.5% (1)   | 0% (0)   | 0% (0)                                       | 0% (0)      | 0% (0)  | 0% (0)   |
|                                    | No test                          | 3.5% (8)   | 6% (13)  | 0% (0)                                       | 0% (0)      | 2% (5)  | 3% (6)   |
|                                    | Stress echo                      | 0% (0)   | 88% (180)  | 0% (0)                                       | 100% (103)  | 3% (7)  | 94% (188)  |
| <b>Patient demographics</b>        | Female, % (n)                    | 54% (111)  | 53% (109)  | 50% (50)                                     | 50% (52)    | 43% (86)  | 42% (83)   |
|                                    | Age (years); mean ± SD           | 59 ± 10  | 60 ± 10  | 64 ± 11                                      | 64 ± 11     | 55 ± 9  | 54 ± 10  |
|                                    | Race, % (n)                      | Hispanic 41% (84)<br>African-American 39% (80)<br>Caucasian 14% (29)<br>Asian 3% (6)<br>Other 4% (8) | Hispanic 40% (82)<br>African-American 33% (68)<br>Caucasian 20% (41)<br>Asian 3% (6)<br>Other 4% (8) | NR   | NR          | Hispanic 46% (92)<br>African-American 32% (64)<br>Caucasian 12% (24)<br>Asian 5% (10)<br>Other 4% (8) | Hispanic 45% (90)<br>African-American 32% (64)<br>Caucasian 13% (26)<br>Asian 6% (12)<br>Other 5% (10) |
|                                    | Pretest risk, % (n) <sup>†</sup> | NR   | NR   | TIMI I 68% (138/203)<br>TIMI II 32% (65/203) |             | All patients were at low to intermediate risk   |  |
|                                    | Subgroup                         | All patients were determined to need hospitalization for further examination                         |  | None   | None        | None  | None   |
| <b>Cardiac risk factors, % (n)</b> | Chest pain                       | 100% (206)   | 100% (205)   | 100% (100)                                   | 100% (103)  | 100% (201)  | 100% (199)   |

| Author, year (trial)         |  | Uretsky 2017 (PERFECT trial)  |   | Pineiro-Portela 2021   |   | Levsky 2018  |  |
|------------------------------|--|-------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
|                              | Typical angina                                 | NR                            | NR  | 56% (56)   | 64% (66)  | NR   | NR   |
|                              | Atypical angina                                | NR                            | NR  | 44% (44)   | 32% (33)  | NR   | NR   |
|                              | Unstable angina                                | NR                            | NR  | NR   | NR  | NR   | NR   |
|                              | Nonanginal chest pain                          | NR                            | NR  | 0% (0)   | 4% (4)  | NR   | NR   |
|                              | Dyspnea  | 49% (101)                     | 49% (100)   | NR   | NR  | NR   | NR   |
|                              | Prior MI                                       | NR                            | NR  | NR   | NR  | NR   | NR   |
|                              | Prior revascularization                        | NR                            | NR  | NR   | NR  | NR   | NR   |
|                              | Known CAD                                      | 0% (0)                        | 0% (0)  | NR   | NR  | 0% (0)   | 0% (0)   |
|                              | Hypertension                                   | 68% (140)                     | 69% (141)   | 71% (71)   | 70% (72)  | 54% (109)  | 60% (119)  |
|                              | Diabetes                                       | 24% (49)                      | 33% (68)  | 27% (27)   | 29% (30)  | 29% (58)   | 28% (56)   |
|                              | Hyperlipidemia                                 | 43% (89)                      | 53% (109)   | NR   | NR  | 45% (90)   | 43% (86)   |
|                              | Current smoker                                 | 45% (93)                      | 46% (94)  | 39% (39)   | 34% (35)  | 25% (50)   | 24% (48)   |
| <b>Test details</b>          | CT images (slice)                              | 64                            | NA  | 64   | NA  | 64   | NA   |
|                              | CACS performed                                 | 1% (2)                        | NA  | No   | NA  | No   | NA   |
|                              | Type of stressor                               | NA                            | Stress Echo:<br>88% (180)<br>SPECT:<br>4% (9)<br>CCTA:<br>2% (3)<br>No Test:<br>6% (13) | NA   | None used   | NA   | Treadmill (Bruce protocol), if unable to exercise then dobutamine/atropine infusion 16% (32) |
|                              | Contrast (dose)                                | Iodinated contrast            | Not necessary for any patients  | Iodinated contrast   | Echocardiography contrast was not necessary for any patient | NR   | Left Ventricular   |
| <b>Study characteristics</b> | Setting  | ED                            | ED  | Chest Pain Unit  | Chest Paint Unit  | ED   | ED   |
|                              | Followup period<br>% completed<br>followup (n) | 1 month (NR)<br>6 months (NR) | 1 month (NR)<br>6 months (NR)<br>1 year 96% (395/411)                                   | Mean (SD) follow up of 4.7 (2.7)<br>Years:<br>100% (203/203) |   | 1 month 100% (400/400)<br>12 months (400/400)<br>12 months 97% (387/400) | 1 month 100% (400/400)<br>12 months 97% (387/400)  |

| Author, year (trial) |               | Uretsky 2017 (PERFECT trial) |      | Pineiro-Portela 2021 |      | Levsky 2018   |      |
|----------------------|---------------|------------------------------|------|----------------------|------|---------------|------|
|                      |               | 1 year 96% (395/411)         |      |                      |      | 97% (387/400) |      |
|                      | Study Design  | RCT                          | RCT  | RCT                  | RCT  | RCT           | RCT  |
|                      | Study Quality | Fair                         | Fair | Fair                 | Fair | Fair          | Fair |

\*p<0.05 for between group difference

†As defined by the authors. Methods for assessing pretest risk of CAD varied across studies.

**Appendix Table Q7. Demographics for included RCTs comparing CCTA versus exercise ECG in populations with suspected CAD (no known history of CAD) and stable chest pain, and suspected ACS (no known history of CAD)**

| Author, year (trial)        |                            | Suspected CAD, stable                                  |   |  |              | Suspected ACS                    |                            |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|--|---|--|--------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|
|                             |                            | McKavanagh 2014 (CAPP)                                 |   | SCOT-HEART 2015  |              | Hamilton-Craig 2014 (CT-COMPARE) |                            |
| Test                        |                            | CCTA   | Exercise ECG  | CCTA   | Exercise ECG | CCTA                             | Exercise ECG               |
| Sample size                 |                            | (n=250)‡   | (n=250)‡  | (n=2073)   | (n=2073)     | (n=322)                          | (n=240)                    |
| Index test received, % (n)  | CCTA                       | 98% (246)  | 2% (5)  | 86% (1778)   | 0.2% (3)     | 100% (322)                       | 0% (0)                     |
|                             | Exercise ECG               | 0% (0)   | 0% (0)  | 14% (295)  | 99.8% (2070) | 0% (0)                           | 100% (240)                 |
|                             | Other test (not specified) | 2% (4)   | 98% (245)   | 0% (0)   | 0% (0)       | 0% (0)                           | 0% (0)                     |
| Patient demographics        | Female, % (n)              | 43.2% (105)  | 46.5% (114)   | 44% (912)  | 44% (912)    | 43.5% (140)                      | 41.6% (100)                |
|                             | Age (years); mean ± SD     | 57.8 ± 10.0  | 58.9 ± 10.2   | 57 ± 10  | 57 ± 10      | 52.2±10.7                        | 52.3±9.8                   |
|                             | Race, % (n)                | NR   | NR  | NR   | NR           | NR                               | NR                         |
|                             | Pretest risk, % (n)†       | Low: 41.6% (101)<br>IM: 21.8% (53)<br>High: 36.6% (89) | Low: 43.7% (107)<br>IM 25.3% (62)<br>High: 31.0% (76) | <u>Estimated pre-test probability (according to NICE 2010 guideline criteria)</u><br><10%: 11% (415/3770)<br>10%-29%: 19% (716/3770)<br>30%-59%: 26% (980/3770)<br>60%-89%: 25% (942/3770)<br>>90%: 19% (716/3770) |              | Low-to-intermediate (% NR)       | Low-to-intermediate (% NR) |
|                             | Subgroup                   | None   | None  | None   | None         | None                             | None                       |
|                             |                            |  |   |  |              |                                  |                            |
| Cardiac risk factors, % (n) | Chest pain                 | 100% (243)   | 100% (245)  | 100% (2073)  | 100% (2073)  | 100% (322)                       | 100% (240)                 |
|                             | Typical angina             | 34.6% (84)   | 27.8% (68)  | 36% (746)  | 35% (726)    | NR                               | NR                         |
|                             | Atypical angina            | 6.6% (16)  | 8.2% (20)   | 24% (498)  | 23% (477)    | NR                               | NR                         |
|                             | Unstable angina            | NR   | NR  | NR   | NR           | NR                               | NR                         |
|                             | Nonanginal chest pain      | NR   | NR  | 40% (829)  | 41% (850)    | NR                               | NR                         |
|                             | Noncardiac angina          | NR   | NR  | NR   | NR           | NR                               | NR                         |
|                             | Dyspnea                    | NR   | NR  | NR   | NR           | NR                               | NR                         |
| Prior MI                    | NR                         | NR   | NR  | NR   | NR           | NR                               |                            |

|                              |                         | Suspected CAD, stable           |                                 |                               |                               | Suspected ACS |                            |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------|----------------------------|
|                              | Prior revascularization | NR                              | NR                              | NR                            | NR                            | NR            | NR                         |
|                              | Known CAD               | 0% (0)                          | 0% (0)                          | NR                            | NR                            | 0% (0)        | 0% (0)                     |
|                              | Hypertension            | 31.7% (77)                      | 29.8% (73)                      | 34% (705)                     | 33% (684)                     | 30.7% (99)    | 30.8% (74)                 |
|                              | Diabetes                | 5.8% (14)                       | 4.9% (12)                       | 11% (228)                     | 11% (228)                     | 7.1% (23)     | 6.3% (15)                  |
|                              | Hyperlipidemia          | NR                              | NR                              | NR                            | NR                            | 25.2% (81)    | 23.8% (57)                 |
|                              | Current smoker          | 18.9% (46)                      | 19.2% (47)                      | 53% (1099)                    | 53% (1099)                    | 23.9% (77)    | 22.9% (55)                 |
| <b>Test details</b>          | CT images (slice)       | 64                              | NA                              | 64 & 320                      | NA                            | 64 to 128     | NA                         |
|                              | CACS performed          | Yes                             | NA                              | Yes                           | NA                            | No            | NA                         |
|                              | Type of stressor        | NA                              | Treadmill (Bruce protocol)      | NA                            | Exercise                      | NA            | Treadmill (Bruce protocol) |
|                              | Contrast (dose)         | Opitray (ioversol) (dose NR)    | NA                              | Iodinated contrast            | NR                            | Iomeron 350   | NA                         |
| <b>Study characteristics</b> | Setting                 | Rapid Access Chest Pain Clinics | Rapid Access Chest Pain Clinics | Cardiology chest pain clinics | Cardiology chest pain clinics | ED            | ED                         |
|                              | Followup period         | 12 months                       | 12 months                       | 6 weeks: (NR)                 | 6 weeks: (NR)                 | 12 months     | 12 months                  |
|                              | % completed             | 97.2%                           | 98.0%                           | 5 years: 98% (4080/4146)      | 5 years: 98% (4080/4146)      | Overall: 100% | Overall: 100%              |
|                              | followup (n)            | (243/250)                       | (245/250)                       |                               |                               |               |                            |
|                              | Study Design            | RCT                             | RCT                             | Multi-center                  | Multi-center                  | RCT           | RCT                        |
| Study Quality                | Fair                    | Fair                            | Good                            | Good                          | Fair                          | Fair          |                            |

\*p<0.05 for between group difference

†As defined by the authors. Methods for assessing pretest risk of CAD varied across studies.

‡Demographic data are only reported for those patients that received their allocated test and had complete follow-up (N=243 for CCTA and 245 for Exercise ECG).

**Appendix Table Q8. Demographics for included RCTs comparing CCTA versus ICA in populations with suspected CAD (no known history of CAD) and stable chest pain**

| Author, year (trial)               |                        | CAD-Man trial  |   | CONSERVE trial  |  |
|------------------------------------|------------------------|--|---|---|--|
| <b>Test</b>                        |                        | CCTA   | ICA   | CCTA  | ICA  |
| <b>Sample size</b>                 |                        | (n= 168)‡  | (n= 172)‡   | (n= 823)§   | (n= 808)§  |
| <b>Index test received, % (n)</b>  | CCTA                   | 98% (165)  | 94% (162)   | 95% (784)   | 0% (0)   |
|                                    | ICA                    | 1.2% (2)   | 6% (10)   | 0% (0)  | 89% (719)  |
|                                    | No test                | 0.6% (1)   | 0% (0)  | 5% (39)   | 11% (89)   |
| <b>Patient demographics</b>        | Female, % (n)          | 53% (88)   | 48% (78)  | 48% (395)   | 44% (316)  |
|                                    | Age (years); mean ± SD | 60 ± 11  | 60 ± 11   | 60 ± 12   | 61 ± 12  |
|                                    | Race, % (n)            | NR   | NR  | Asian:<br>86% (671)<br>White:<br>13% (103)<br>African American:<br><1% (4)<br>Hispanic:<br><1% (4)<br>Unknown:<br><1% (2) | Asian:<br>84% (604)<br>White:<br>14% (102)<br>African American:<br>1% (10)<br>Hispanic:<br><1% (3)<br>Unknown:<br>0% (0) |
|                                    | Pretest risk, % (n)†   | <10%:<br>11% (19)<br>10-60%:<br>74% (124)<br>>60%:<br>14% (24) | <10%:<br>15% (25)<br>10-60%:<br>61% (98)<br>>60%:<br>24% (39) | Mean(SD)<br>probability of CAD:<br>51% (30%)  | Mean(SD)<br>probability of CAD:<br>52% (30%)   |
|                                    | Subgroup               | None   | None  | Stable patients   | Stable patients  |
|                                    | Chest pain             | 100% (167)   | 100% (162)  | 73% (576)   | 70% (504)  |
| <b>Cardiac risk factors, % (n)</b> | Typical angina         | NR   | NR  | 31% (243)   | 30% (216)  |
|                                    | Atypical angina        | 39% (65)   | 49% (79)  | 40% (315)   | 39% (278)  |
|                                    | Unstable angina        | NR   | NR  | NR  | NR   |
|                                    | Nonanginal chest pain  | 58% (97)   | 49% (80)  | 2% (18)   | 1% (10)  |
|                                    | Asymptomatic           | 0% (0)   | 0% (0)  | 12% (90)  | 11% (76)   |
|                                    | Dyspnea                | NR   | NR  | 14% (106)   | 18% (127)  |

| Author, year (trial)  |   | CAD-Man trial   |               | CONSERVE trial  |   |
|-----------------------|---|---|---------------|---|---|
|                       | Prior MI                                    | 0% (0)  | 0% (0)        | 0% (0)  | 0% (0)  |
|                       | Prior revascularization                     | 0% (0)  | 0% (0)        | 0% (0)  | 0% (0)  |
|                       | Known CAD                                   | 5% (9)  | 6% (10)       | 0% (0)  | 0% (0)  |
|                       | Hypertension                                | NR  | NR            | 57% (446)   | 59% (424)   |
|                       | Diabetes                                    | 67% (113)   | 69% (119)     | 26% (203)   | 30% (212)   |
|                       | Hyperlipidemia                              | 57% (95)  | 51% (81)      | 33% (259)   | 35% (249)   |
|                       | Current smoker                              | 25% (41)  | 21% (34)      | 14% (108)   | 14% (98)  |
| Test details          | CT images (slice)                           | NR  | NA            | 64  | NA  |
|                       | CACS performed                              | Yes   | NA            | No  | NA  |
|                       | Type of stressor                            | NA  | NA            | NA  | NA  |
|                       | Contrast (dose)                             | Iodinated contrast agents                                   | NA            | Iodinated contrast agents                                     | NA  |
| Study characteristics | Setting                                     | Inpatient:<br>57% (194/340)<br>Outpatient:<br>43% (146/340) |               | Outpatient, non-emergent                                      | Outpatient, non-emergent                                      |
|                       | Followup period<br>% completed followup (n) | Mean 3.3 years:<br>97% (329/340)                            |               | 6 months:<br>91% (1472/1611)<br>12 months:<br>79% (1278/1611) | 6 months:<br>91% (1472/1611)<br>12 months:<br>79% (1278/1611) |
|                       | Study Design                                | Single-center   | Single-center | Multi-center  | Multi-center  |
|                       | Study Quality                               | Good  | Good          | Fair  | Fair  |

\*p<0.05 for between group difference

†As defined by the authors. Methods for assessing pretest risk of CAD varied across studies.

‡Only those with follow-up data are included in the patient demographic data (n=167 for CCTA and n=162 for ICA).

§Only those with follow-up data are included in the patient demographic data (n= 784 for CCTA and n=719 for ICA).

**Appendix Table Q9. Demographics for included RCTs comparing PET versus SPECT in populations with mixed suspected or known CAD or known CAD**

| Author, Year (trial)               |                             | Mixed suspected or known CAD |                                   | Known CAD                           |                         |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|
|                                    |                             | Mullani 2000                 |                                   | Patel 2019                          |                         |
| <b>Test</b>                        |                             | PET (n=105)                  | SPECT (n=105)                     | PET (n= 161)                        | SPECT (n=161)           |
| <b>Sample size</b>                 |                             |                              |                                   |                                     |                         |
| <b>Patient demographics</b>        | Female, % (n)               | 41% (43)                     | 60% (63)                          | 37% (60)                            | 33% (53)                |
|                                    | Age (years); mean ± SD      | 63 ± 12                      | 65 ± 11                           | 67 ± 9                              | 66 ± 10                 |
|                                    | Race, % (n)                 | NR                           | NR                                | NR                                  | NR                      |
|                                    | Pretest risk, % (n)         | NR                           | NR                                | NR                                  | NR                      |
|                                    | Subgroup                    | None                         | None                              | None                                | None                    |
| <b>Cardiac risk factors, % (n)</b> | Chest pain                  | 37% (78)*                    |                                   | 84% (136)                           | 78% (125)               |
|                                    | Typical angina              | 10% (20)* ‡                  |                                   | 44% (60)                            | 36% (45)                |
|                                    | Atypical angina             | 15% (32)*                    |                                   | 29% (40)                            | 38% (47)                |
|                                    | Angina at Rest              | 9% (19)*                     |                                   | NR                                  | NR                      |
|                                    | Noncardiac angina           | NR                           |                                   | NR                                  | NR                      |
|                                    | Nonanginal                  | NR                           |                                   | 27% (36)                            | 26% (33)                |
|                                    | Silent ischemia             | NR                           |                                   | NR                                  | NR                      |
|                                    | Dyspnea                     | 16% (33)*                    |                                   | 66% (106)                           | 71% (114)               |
|                                    | Prior MI                    | 11% (23)*                    |                                   | NR                                  | NR                      |
|                                    | Prior revascularization     | NR                           |                                   | NR                                  | NR                      |
|                                    | Prior CABG/PCI              | NR                           |                                   | NR                                  | NR                      |
|                                    | Known CAD                   | 30% (31)                     | 30% (32)                          | 100% (161)                          | 100% (161)              |
|                                    | Chest pain frequency        | NR                           |                                   | NR                                  | NR                      |
|                                    | Hypertension                | NR                           |                                   | 86% (139)                           | 93% (150)               |
|                                    | Diabetes                    | NR                           |                                   | 27% (43)                            | 29% (46)                |
|                                    | Hyperlipidemia              | NR                           |                                   | 99% (160)                           | 99% (160)               |
|                                    | Smoker (past or current)    | NR                           |                                   | 17% (27)                            | 20% (32)                |
|                                    | Family history of CAD       | 19% (40)*                    |                                   | 41% (66) [CVD]                      | 46% (74) [CVD]          |
|                                    | Cerebrovascular accident    | NR                           |                                   | 15% (24)                            | 16% (25)                |
|                                    | Peripheral vascular disease | NR                           |                                   | 27% (43)                            | 27% (43)                |
| Atrial Fibrillation                | NR                          |                              | 20% (32)                          | 12% (19)                            |                         |
| <b>Test details</b>                | Radioactive tracer          | Rb-chloride                  | Tl-chloride, Tc-labeled Sestamibi | Tc-99m Sestamibi, RB-82             | Tc-99m Sestamibi, RB-82 |
|                                    | Type of stressor            | Dipyridamole                 | Dipyridamole<br>Dobutamine        | Dipyridamole<br>Regadenoson         |                         |
| <b>Index test received, % (n)</b>  | PET                         | 100% (105)                   | 0% (0)                            | 100% (165; evaluable scans n=161) § | 0% (0)                  |

| Author, Year (trial)  |                          | Mixed suspected or known CAD |            | Known CAD            |                                    |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|------------|----------------------|------------------------------------|
|                       |                          | Mullani 2000                 |            | Patel 2019           |                                    |
|                       | SPECT                    | 0% (0)                       | 100% (105) | 0%(0)                | 100% (165; evaluable scans n=161)§ |
|                       | Stress Echocardiography  | NR                           | NR         | NR                   | NR                                 |
|                       | Exercise ECG             | NR                           | NR         | NR                   | NR                                 |
|                       | ICA                      | NR                           | NR         | NR                   | NR                                 |
|                       | No test                  | NR                           | NR         | NR                   | NR                                 |
| Study characteristics | Setting                  | Outpatient                   |            | Outpatient           |                                    |
|                       | Followup period          | 9 months†                    |            | 3 months 98% (322)*  |                                    |
|                       | % completed followup (n) | 87% (182)*                   |            | 6 months 95% (314)*  |                                    |
|                       |                          |                              |            | 12 months 95% (314)* |                                    |
|                       | Study Design             | RCT                          | RCT        | RCT                  | RCT                                |
|                       | Study Quality            | Poor                         | Poor       | Good                 | Good                               |

CABG=coronary artery bypass graft, CACS=coronary artery calcium score, CAD=coronary artery disease, CCTA=coronary computed tomography angiogram, ECG=electrocardiogram, ED=emergency department, ICA = invasive coronary angiography, MI=myocardial infarction, NA=not applicable, NR=not reported, PCI=percutaneous coronary intervention, RCT=randomized controlled trial, SPECT=single-photon emission computed tomography.

\* Reported for entire population not treatment arms.

† Reported mean follow-up time; range 6-12 months.

‡Reported stress angina and exertional angina separately. Combined to represent individuals with a history of typical angina.

§ A total of n=330 patients were randomized. However, only patients with an evaluable scan at baseline were followed for up to 1 year and included in the analytic cohort. Eight patients (n=4 in each group A and group B) did not have an evaluable scan at baseline. Patient characteristics and follow-up are described out of persons with an evaluable scan at baseline (n=322).

**Appendix Table Q10. Demographics for included RCTs comparing SPECT VS ECHO and SPECT VS ICA in Suspected CAD or known CAD populations.**

| Author, Year (trial)        |   | Sharples 2007, Thom 2014                    |                         | Sharples 2007, Thom 2014                    |                       |
|-----------------------------|---|---|-------------------------|---|-----------------------|
| Test                        |   | SPECT (n= 224)                              | ECHO (n=226)            | SPECT (n= 224)                              | ICA (n=222)           |
| Sample size                 |   |   |                         |   |                       |
| Patient demographics        | Female, % (n)                                 | 30% (67)                                    | 29% (66)                | 30% (67)                                    | 33% (73)              |
|                             | Age (years); mean ± SD                        | 62 ± 10                                     | 62 ± 10                 | 62 ± 10                                     | 61 ± 9                |
|                             | Race, % (n)                                   | NR  | NR                      | NR  | NR                    |
|                             | Pretest risk, % (n)                           | Low-risk: 31% (69)*<br>High risk: 69% (155) | 31% (70)<br>69% (156)   | Low-risk: 31% (69)*<br>High risk: 69% (155) | 31% (69)<br>69% (153) |
|                             | Subgroup                                      | None  | None                    | None  | None                  |
| Cardiac risk factors, % (n) | Chest pain                                    | NR  | NR                      | NR  | NR                    |
|                             | Typical angina                                | NR  | NR                      | NR  | NR                    |
|                             | Atypical angina                               | NR  | NR                      | NR  | NR                    |
|                             | Unstable angina                               | NR  | NR                      | NR  | NR                    |
|                             | Noncardiac angina                             | NR  | NR                      | NR  | NR                    |
|                             | Nonanginal                                    | NR  | NR                      | NR  | NR                    |
|                             | Noncardiac angina                             | NR  | NR                      | NR  | NR                    |
|                             | Silent ischemia                               | NR  | NR                      | NR  | NR                    |
|                             | Dyspnea                                       | NR  | NR                      | NR  | NR                    |
|                             | Prior MI                                      | 23% (52)                                    | 26% (59)                | 23% (52)                                    | 28% (63)              |
|                             | Prior revascularization                       | NR  | NR                      | NR  | NR                    |
|                             | Prior CABG/PCI                                | NR  | NR                      | NR  | NR                    |
|                             | Known CAD                                     | NR  | NR                      | NR  | NR                    |
|                             | Chest pain frequency                          | NR  | NR                      | NR  | NR                    |
|                             | Hypertension                                  | Treated 59% (132)                           | Treated 57% (129)       | Treated 59% (132)                           | Treated 53% (117)     |
|                             | Diabetes                                      | 12% (26)                                    | 12% (27)                | 12% (26)                                    | 12% (28)              |
|                             | Hyperlipidemia                                | Treated 76% (171)                           | Treated 79% (179)       | Treated 76% (171)                           | Treated 74% (164)     |
|                             | Smoker (past/never)                           | 58% (130)                                   | 56% (127)               | 58% (130)                                   | 53% (113)             |
|                             | Smoker (current)                              | 42% (94)                                    | 43% (99)                | 42% (94)                                    | 47% (104)             |
|                             | Family history of CAD                         | 25% (55)                                    | 26% (59)                | 25% (55)                                    | 27% (60)              |
| Cerebrovascular accident    | 6% (13)                                       | 5% (12)                                     | 6% (13)                 | 5% (10)                                     |                       |
| Peripheral vascular disease | 9% (21)                                       | 8% (18)                                     | NR                      | NR  |                       |
| Atrial Fibrillation         | NR  | NR  | NR                      | NR  |                       |
| Test details                | Radioactive tracer (SPECT) or contrast (Echo) | 99mTc-sestamibi, 99mTc MIBI                 | Yes (microspheres, NOS) | 99mTc-sestamibi, 99mTc MIBI                 | NR                    |

| Author, Year (trial)       |                          | Sharples 2007, Thom 2014   |            | Sharples 2007, Thom 2014   |           |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|------------|----------------------------|-----------|
|                            | Type of stressor         | Pharmacological, adenosine | Dobutamine | Pharmacological, adenosine | NR        |
| Index test received, % (n) | PET                      | NR                         | NR         | NR                         | NR        |
|                            | SPECT                    | 98% (220)                  | 0% (0)     | 98% (220)                  | 0% (0)    |
|                            | Stress Echocardiography  | 0% (0)                     | 96% (218)  | 0% (0)                     | 0% (0)    |
|                            | Exercise ECG             | NR                         | NR         | NR                         | NR        |
|                            | ICA                      | 1% (3)                     | 3% (6)     | 1% (3)                     | 98% (218) |
|                            | No test                  | <1% (1)                    | <1% (2)    | <1% (1)                    | 2% (4)    |
| Study characteristics      | Setting                  | OP                         | OP         | OP                         | OP        |
|                            | Followup period          | 6 Months 83%(187)          | 91% (206)  | 83% (187)                  | 88% (195) |
|                            | % completed followup (n) | 18 Months 88% (198)        | 84% (190)  | 88% (198)                  | 84% (187) |
|                            | Study Design             | RCT                        | RCT        | RCT                        | RCT       |
|                            | Study Quality            | Good                       | Good       | Good                       | Good      |

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\* Represents patient population

**Appendix Table Q11. Demographics for included RCTs comparing Suspected ACS & Chest Pain patients**

|                             |                          | Suspected ACS   |   | Suspected or known Chest Pain  |  |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| Author, Year (trial)        |                          | Lim 2013  | Lim 2013  | Salame 2018  | Salame 2018  |
| Test                        |                          | SMPI (n=1004)   | CA (n= 504)   | SPECT MPI (n= 116)   | Stress Echocardiography (n= 113)                                       |
| Sample size                 |                          |   |   |  |  |
| Patient demographics        | Female, % (n)            | 40% (405)   | 43% (219)   | 55% (64)   | 53% (60)   |
|                             | Age (years); mean ± SD   | 52 ± 12   | 52 ± 13   | 58 ± 10  | 55 ± 9   |
|                             | Race, % (n)              | Chinese 70% (703)<br>Malay 11% (105)<br>Indian 18% (179)<br>Other 2% (16) | Chinese 68% (343)<br>Malay 13% (64)<br>Indian 17% (87)<br>Other 2% (10) | Black/African-American 19% (22)<br>Other Race 5% (6)<br>White 76% (88) | Black/African-American 21% (24)<br>Other Race 7% (8)<br>White 72% (81) |
|                             | Pretest risk, % (n)      | NR  | Low risk 82% (415)<br>Intermediate or High risk 18% (89)                | NR   | NR   |
|                             | Subgroup                 |   |   | None   | None   |
| Cardiac risk factors, % (n) | Chest pain               | NR  | NR  | 100% (116)   | 100% (113)   |
|                             | Typical angina           | NR  | NR  | NR   | NR   |
|                             | Atypical angina          | NR  | NR  | NR   | NR   |
|                             | Unstable angina          | NR  | NR  | NR   | NR   |
|                             | Noncardiac angina        | NR  | NR  | NR   | NR   |
|                             | Nonanginal               | NR  | NR  | NR   | NR   |
|                             | Noncardiac angina        | NR  | NR  | NR   | NR   |
|                             | Silent ischemia          | NR  | NR  | NR   | NR   |
|                             | Dyspnea                  | NR  | NR  | NR   | NR   |
|                             | Prior MI                 | 1% (10)   | 2% (8)  | 15% (17)   | 16% (18)   |
|                             | Prior revascularization  | NR  | NR  | NR   | NR   |
|                             | Prior CABG/PCI           | NR  | NR  | NR   | NR   |
|                             | Known CAD                | 4% (40)   | 4% (20)   | 27% (31)   | 21% (24)   |
|                             | Chest pain frequency     | NR  | NR  | NR   | NR   |
|                             | Hypertension             | 43% (434)   | 39% (198)   | 77% (89)   | 75% (85)   |
|                             | Diabetes                 | 18% (180)   | 18% (90)  | 39% (45)   | 39% (44)   |
|                             | Hyperlipidemia           | NR  | NR  | 47% (55)   | 49% (55)   |
|                             | Smoker (past or current) | 33% (331)   | 31% (155)   | NR   | NR   |
|                             | COPD                     | NR  | NR  | 11% (13)   | 9% (10)  |
|                             | Family history of CAD    | NR  | NR  | NR   | NR   |
| Cerebrovascular disease     | NR                       | NR  | 8% (9)  | 8% (9)   |  |
| Peripheral artery disease   | NR                       | NR  | 1% (1)  | 0% (0)   |  |
| Atrial Fibrillation         | NR                       | NR  | NR  | NR   |  |

| Author, Year (trial)       |   | Suspected ACS  |        | Suspected or known Chest Pain                   |  |
|----------------------------|---|--|--------|---|--|
|                            |   | Lim 2013   | NA     | Salame 2018                                     | Optison  |
| Test details               | Radioactive tracer (SPECT) or contrast (Echocardiography) | Tc-99m tetrofosmin,  | NA     | technetium Tc-99m sestamibi                     | Optison  |
|                            | Type of stressor  | Exercise Bruce protocol (preferred), dipyridamole, or dobutamine | NA     | Dipyridamole (73%) or Exercise treadmill (27%), | Dobutamine (58%) or exercise stress test (42%) |
| Index test received, % (n) | PET   | NR   | NR     | NR  | NR   |
|                            | SPECT   | 99.9 (1003)  | NR     | 97% (116)                                       | NR   |
|                            | Stress Echocardiography                                   | NR   | NR     | NR  | 94% (113)                                      |
|                            | Exercise ECG  | NR   | NR     | NR  | NR   |
|                            | ICA   | NR   | NR     | NR  | NR   |
|                            | No test   | >0.1 (1)   | 0% (0) | 3% (4)  | 6% (7)   |
| Study characteristics      | Setting   | ED   | ED     | ED  | ED   |
|                            | Followup period % completed followup (n)                  | 30 days (100%)*<br>1-Year NR                                     |        | 30 days 97% (116/120)                           | 30 days 94% (113/120)                          |
|                            | Study Design  | RCT  | RCT    | RCT   | RCT  |
|                            | Study Quality   | Fair   | Fair   | Fair  | Fair   |

CA= clinical assessment protocol, CABG=coronary artery bypass graft, CACS=coronary artery calcium score, CAD=coronary artery disease, CCTA=coronary computed tomography angiogram, ECG=electrocardiogram, ED=emergency department, ICA = Invasive coronary angiogram; MI=myocardial infarction, NA=not applicable, NR=not reported, PCI=percutaneous coronary intervention, RCT=randomized controlled trial, SMPI=stress myocardial perfusion imaging, SPECT=single-photon emission computed tomography.

\* Mean Population

† For all patients undergoing pharmacologic stress

**Appendix Table Q12. Demographics for included RCTs looking at comparing SPECT with ETT or NICE GDC in populations with suspected CAD (no known CAD).**

| Author, Year (trial)               |                         | Suspected CAD population  |              |  |   |  |   |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------|---|--------------|--|---|--|---|
|                                    |                         | Mieres 2009 & 2011, Shaw 2011 (WOMEN)§§   |              | Sabharwal 2007   |   | Greenwood 2016   |   |
| <b>Test Sample size</b>            |                         | SPECT (n=412)   | ETT (n=412)  | SPECT (n=250)  | ETT (n=207)   | SPECT (n= 481)   | NICE GDC (n= 240)                                     |
| <b>Patient demographics</b>        | Female, % (n)           | 100% (384)  | 100% (388)   | 44% (111)  | 43% (88)  | 47% (225)  | 47% (112)   |
|                                    | Age (years); mean ± SD  | 63 (59-68) *†   |              | 60 ± 12  | 59 ± 11   | 56 ± 9   | 57 ± 9  |
|                                    | Race, Ethnicity % (n)   | Ethnicity:<br>Black 7% (54/824)<br>Hispanic 3% (24/824)<br>Asian 2% (16/824)<br>Caucasian 87% (717/824) |              | Origin:<br>Caucasian 52% (258) *<br><br>Indian-subcontinent origin 40% (236) * |   | Nonwhite 8% (38)   | Nonwhite 8% (19)                                      |
|                                    | Pretest risk, % (n)     | Intermediate-High risk (NR)   |              | Low 11% (27)<br>Intermediate 71% (178)<br>High 18% (45)                        | Low 21% (44)<br>Intermediate 49% (102)<br>High 29% (61) | 10-29‡ 26% (125)<br>30-60‡ 38% (183)<br>61-90‡ 36% (173) | 10-29‡ 25% (61)<br>30-60‡ 37% (88)<br>61-90‡ 38% (91) |
|                                    | Subgroup                | None  | None         | None   | None  | None   | None  |
| <b>Cardiac risk factors, % (n)</b> | Chest pain              | 90% (346) ††  | 89% (347) †† | 100% (250)   | 100% (207)  | NR   | NR  |
|                                    | Typical angina          | 60% (230)   | 61% (237)    | NR   | NR  | 32% (156)  | 34% (82)  |
|                                    | Atypical angina         | 9% (35)   | 9% (35)      | NR   | NR  | 68% (325)  | 66% (158)   |
|                                    | Unstable angina         | NR  | NR           | NR   | NR  | NR   | NR  |
|                                    | Noncardiac angina       | NR  | NR           | NR   | NR  | NR   | NR  |
|                                    | Nonangina               | NR  | NR           | NR   | NR  | NR   | NR  |
|                                    | Nonspecific angina      | 28% (108)   | 27% (105)    | NR   | NR  | NR   | NR  |
|                                    | Silent ischemia         | NR  | NR           | NR   | NR  | NR   | NR  |
|                                    | Dyspnea                 | 48% (184)   | 54% (210)    | NR   | NR  | NR   | NR  |
|                                    | Prior MI                | 0% (0)  | 0% (0)       | NR   | NR  | 0% (exclusion criteria)                                  |   |
|                                    | Prior revascularization | 0% (0)  | 0% (0)       | NR   | NR  | 0% (exclusion criteria)                                  |   |
|                                    | Prior CABG/PCI          | NR  | NR           | NR   | NR  | 0% (exclusion criteria)                                  |   |
| Known CAD                          | 0% (0)                  | 0% (0)  | 0% (0)       | 0% (0)   | NR  | NR   |   |

| Author, Year (trial)       |                             | Suspected CAD population                   |  |   |                                       |                                 |  |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|--|--|---|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
|                            |                             | Mieres 2009 & 2011, Shaw 2011 (WOMEN)§§    |  | Sabharwal 2007  |                                       | Greenwood 2016                  |  |
|                            | Chest pain frequency        | Almost daily: 19%<br>≥3 episodes/week: 26% | Almost daily: 16%<br>≥3 episodes/week: 29% | NR  | NR                                    | NR                              | NR   |
|                            | Hypertension                | 52% (200)                                  | 55% (213)                                  | 53% (133)   | 46% (96)                              | 38% (182)                       | 41% (99)   |
|                            | Diabetes                    | 14% (54)                                   | 13% (50)                                   | 19% (48)  | 15% (30)                              | 15% (73)                        | 10% (24)   |
|                            | Hyperlipidemia              | 54% (208)                                  | 55% (213)                                  | NR  | NR                                    | NR                              | NR   |
|                            | Dyslipidemia                | NR   | NR   | NR  | NR                                    | 41% (198)                       | 41% (99)   |
|                            | Smoker (past or current)    | 42% (161)                                  | 49% (190)                                  | 13% (32)  | 16% (34)                              | 56% (271)                       | 61% (147)  |
|                            | Family history of CAD       | 46% (177)                                  | 47% (182)                                  | 43% (102)   | 46% (96)                              | 54% (259)                       | 58% (140)  |
|                            | Esophageal reflux           | 40% (154)                                  | 37% (144)                                  |   |                                       |                                 |  |
|                            | Cerebrovascular disease     | NR   |  | NR  | NR                                    | 4 (17)                          | 3 (8)  |
|                            | Peripheral vascular disease | NR   |  | NR  | NR                                    | 2% (9)                          | 4% (10)  |
|                            | Atrial Fibrillation         | NR   |  | NR  | NR                                    | 0% (exclusion criteria)         |  |
| Test details               | Radioactive tracer          | Tc-99m tetrofosmin                         | NA   | Tc-99m Sestamibi  | NA                                    | Tc-99m tetrofosmin or sestamibi | NA   |
|                            | Type of stressor            | Exercise stress testing Bruce protocol*    |  | Exercise treadmill 62% (155)<br>Dipyridamole or dobutamine 38% (95)** | Symptom-limited Bruce, Modified Bruce | Treadmill exercise or adenosine | SPECT: see SPECT group<br>Cardiac CT: none, but iodinated contrast used<br>Stress echo: dobutamine |
| Index test received, % (n) | CMR                         | NR   | NR   | NR  | NR                                    | 1% (4)                          | <1% (1)  |
|                            | SPECT                       | NR   | NR   | 100% (250)  | NR                                    | 93% (446)                       | 36% (86)   |
|                            | Stress Echocardiography     | NR   | NR   | NR  | NR                                    | 1% (5) §                        | <1% (1)  |
|                            | Exercise ECG                | 100% (412)                                 | 100% (412)                                 | NR  | 98% (204)                             | NR                              | NR   |
|                            | ICA                         | NR   | NR   | NR  | NR                                    | 1% (5)                          | 35% (85)   |
|                            | No test                     | 0% (0)                                     | 0% (0)                                     | 0% (0)  | 1% (3)                                | 4% (21)                         | 5% (11)  |
|                            | Setting                     | Outpatient                                 | Outpatient                                 | Outpatient  | Outpatient                            | Outpatient                      | Outpatient   |

|                       |  | Suspected CAD population                |                          |                                      |                |   |   |
|-----------------------|--|---|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------|---|---|
| Author, Year (trial)  |  | Mieres 2009 & 2011, Shaw 2011 (WOMEN)§§ |                          | Sabharwal 2007                       | Greenwood 2016 |   |   |
| Study characteristics | Followup period % completed followup (n) | 24 months, 93% (384/412)                | 24 months, 94% (388/412) | Mean of 20 ± 6 months, 98% (447/457) |                | Median 15.8 (IQR 12.1 to 24.2) months (12 month minimum), 97% (468/481) | Median 15.8 (IQR 12.1 to 24.2) months (12 month minimum), 98% (234/240) |
|                       | Study Design                             | RCT                                     | RCT                      | RCT                                  | RCT            | RCT   | RCT   |
|                       | Study Quality                            | Fair                                    | Fair                     | Fair                                 | Fair           | Good  | Good  |

CABG=coronary artery bypass graft, CACS=coronary artery calcium score, CAD=coronary artery disease, CCTA=coronary computed tomography angiogram, ECG=electrocardiogram, ED=emergency department, GDC= guideline directed care, ICA = invasive coronary angiogram, ;MI=myocardial infarction, NA=not applicable, NICE= National institute for health and care experience, NR=not reported, PCI=percutaneous coronary intervention, RCT=randomized controlled trial, SPECT=single-photon emission computed tomography.

\* Patient population

† Median and interquartile range measurements

‡ Categories use to decide stratification in the NICE guidelines group

§Reported in the same value

\*\*dipyridamole with or without treadmill or dobutamine infusion

†† Author reports all women had Angina or Dyspnea

‡‡ Pretest likelihood %

§§ With the exception of race/ethnicity, demographics out of the those followed/analyzed (384 vs. 388)

**Appendix Table Q13. Demographics for included RCTs comparing ECHO versus Exercise ECG and versus Standard Care in the ED or Hospital Setting**

| Author, Year (trial)        | Test Sample size              | Suspected ACS           |                        |                          | Suspected or Known CAD                                 |  | Desideri 2005 (COSTAMI-II)                    |                       |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|--|--|---|-----------------------|
|                             |                               | Nucifora 2009 (ASSENCe) |                        |                          | Jeetley 2006   |  | Desideri 2005 (COSTAMI-II)                    |                       |
|                             |                               | ECHO (n= 110) ‡         | Exercise ECG (n= 89) ‡ | Standard care† (n =91) ‡ | ECHO (n= 148)  | Exercise ECG (n= 154)                      | ECHO (n= 132)                                 | Exercise ECG (n= 130) |
| Patient demographics        | Female, % (n)                 | 47% (36/77)             | 32% (24/75)            | 45% (25/55)              | 43% (64)   | 44% (67)                                   | 12% (16)                                      | 15% (19)              |
|                             | Age (years); mean ± SD        | 52 ± 10                 | 50 ± 10                | 56 ± 14                  | 61 ± 13  | 60 ± 13                                    | 58 ± 10                                       | 59 ± 11               |
|                             | Race, Ethnicity % (n)         | NR                      | NR                     | NR                       | Caucasian 51% (75)<br>South Asian 41% (60)             | Caucasian 45% (69)<br>South Asian 47% (72) | NR  | NR                    |
|                             | Pretest risk, % (n)           | Low (NR)§               | Low (NR)§              | Low (NR)§                | Low 20% (30)<br>Intermediate 72% (107)<br>High 9% (13) | 21% (32)<br>65% (100)<br>14% (22)          | NR - Presenting with uncomplicated acute MI‡‡ |                       |
|                             | Subgroup                      | None                    | None                   | None                     | None   | None                                       | None  | None                  |
| Cardiac risk factors, % (n) | Chest pain                    | 65% (50/77)**           | 71% (53/75)**          | 69% (38/55)**            | NR   | NR   | NR  | NR                    |
|                             | Typical angina                | 77% (59/77)             | 76% (57/75)            | 85% (47/55)              | NR   | NR   | NR  | NR                    |
|                             | Atypical angina               | 23% (18/77)             | 24% (18/75)            | 15% (8/55)               | NR   | NR   | NR  | NR                    |
|                             | Unstable angina               | NR                      | NR                     | NR                       | NR   | NR   | NR  | NR                    |
|                             | Noncardiac angina             | NR                      | NR                     | NR                       | NR   | NR   | NR  | NR                    |
|                             | Nonanginal                    | NR                      | NR                     | NR                       | NR   | NR   | NR  | NR                    |
|                             | Silent ischemia               | NR                      | NR                     | NR                       | NR   | NR   | NR  | NR                    |
|                             | Dyspnea                       | NR                      | NR                     | NR                       | NR   | NR   | NR  | NR                    |
|                             | Prior angina                  | NR                      | NR                     | NR                       | NR   | NR   | 20% (27)                                      | 22% (29)              |
|                             | Prior unstable angina         | 1% (1/77)               | 4% (3/75)              | 2% (1/55)                | NR   | NR   | NR  | NR                    |
|                             | Prior MI                      | 3% (2/77)               | 3% (2/75)              | 2% (1/55)                | 12% (18)   | 18% (27)                                   | 6% (8)  | 11% (14)              |
|                             | Prior revascularization (any) | 2% (2/77)               | 3% (2/75)              | 5% (3/55)                | 18% (26)   | 32% (49)                                   | 4% (5)  | 5% (7)                |
|                             | Prior PCI                     | 1% (1/77)               | 3% (2/75)              | 5% (3/55)                | 9% (13)  | 19% (29)                                   | NR  | NR                    |
|                             | Prior CABG                    | 1% (1/77)               | 0% (0/75)              | 0% (0/55)                | 9% (13)  | 13% (20)                                   | NR  | NR                    |
|                             | Known CAD                     | NR                      | NR                     | NR                       | 23% (34) (IHD)   | 31% (48) (IHD)                             | NR  | NR                    |
|                             | Chest pain frequency          | NR††                    | NR††                   | NR††                     | NR   | NR   | NR  | NR                    |
|                             | Hypertension                  | 38% (29/77)             | 35% (26/75)            | 49% (27/55)              | 70% (103)  | 62% (95)                                   | 43% (57)                                      | 41% (54)              |
| Diabetes                    | 12% (9/77)                    | 7% (5/75)               | 11% (6/55)             | 23% (34)                 | 25% (39)   | 17% (23)                                   | 16% (21)                                      |                       |
| Hyperlipidemia              | NR                            | NR                      | NR                     | 55% (81)                 | 65% (100)  | NR   | NR  |                       |

| Author, Year (trial)              |  | Suspected ACS          |                      |                      | Suspected or Known CAD                    |  |                            |                     |
|-----------------------------------|--|------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|--|----------------------------|---------------------|
|                                   |  | Nucifora 2009 (ASSENC) |                      |                      | Jeetley 2006                              |  | Desideri 2005 (COSTAMI-II) |                     |
|                                   | Smoker (past or current)                 | 48% (37/77)            | 44% (33/75)          | 49% (27/55)          | 38% (56)                                  | 49% (76)                               | 65% (85)                   | 61% (79)            |
|                                   | Family history of CAD                    | NR                     | NR                   | NR                   | 48% (71)                                  | 47% (73)                               | NR                         | NR                  |
|                                   | Cerebrovascular accident                 | NR                     | NR                   | NR                   | NR  | NR                                     | NR                         | NR                  |
|                                   | Peripheral vascular disease              | NR                     | NR                   | NR                   | NR  | NR                                     | NR                         | NR                  |
|                                   | Atrial Fibrillation                      | NR                     | NR                   | NR                   | NR  | NR                                     | NR                         | NR                  |
| <b>Test details</b>               | Type of stressor                         | Dobutamine-atropine    | Exercise             | NA                   | Dobutamine-atropine or treadmill exercise | Exercise Bruce/modified Bruce protocol | Dobutamine                 | Treadmill stress    |
| <b>Index test received, % (n)</b> | PET                                      | NR                     | NR                   | NR                   | NR  | NR                                     | NR                         | NR                  |
|                                   | SPECT                                    | NR                     | NR                   | NR                   | NR  | NR                                     | NR                         | NR                  |
|                                   | Stress Echocardiography                  | 100% (77/77)           | NR                   | 11% (6/55)           | 100% (148)                                | NR                                     | 100% (132)                 | NR                  |
|                                   | Exercise ECG                             | NR                     | 100% (75/75)         | 13% (7/55)           | NR  | 100% (154)                             | NR                         | 100% (130)          |
|                                   | ICA                                      | NR                     | NR                   | NR                   | NR  | NR                                     | NR                         | NR                  |
|                                   | No test                                  | NR                     | NR                   | 71% (39/55)          | NR  | NR                                     | NR                         | NR                  |
| <b>Study characteristics</b>      | Setting                                  | ED                     | ED                   | ED                   | ED  | ED                                     | ED                         | ED                  |
|                                   | Followup period % completed followup (n) | 2 Months 70% (77/110)  | 2 months 84% (75/89) | 2 months 60% (55/91) | 8.5 ± 4.9 months, 96% (142/148)           | 8.5 ± 4.9 months, 98% (151/154)        | 6-month 100% (262)         | 12-month 100% (262) |
|                                   | Study Design                             | RCT                    | RCT                  | RCT                  | RCT                                       | RCT                                    | RCT                        | RCT                 |
|                                   | Study Quality                            | Poor                   | Poor                 | Poor                 | Poor                                      | Poor                                   | Fair                       | Fair                |

CABG=coronary artery bypass graft, CACS=coronary artery calcium score, CAD=coronary artery disease, CCTA=coronary computed tomography angiogram, DASE= dobutamine-atropine stress echocardiography, EET= electrocardiogram exercise testing ECG=electrocardiogram, ED=emergency department, ICA = invasive coronary angiography, MI=myocardial infarction, NA=not applicable, NR=not reported, PCI=percutaneous coronary intervention, RCT=randomized controlled trial, SPECT=single-photon emission computed tomography.

† The final diagnosis was achieved using clinical judgement only without performing additional diagnostic examinations.

‡The test sample size reported based on the randomized population (n= 290), the data reported those who followed up in the 2 months after (n= 207).

§Because of nondiagnostic ECG and negative myocardial injury biomarker

\*\*On admission

††Last ACP attack:

0-3 hours: 47% (36) vs. 56% (42) vs. 55% (30)

3-6 hours: 21% (16) vs. 23% (17) vs. 25% (14)

6-12 23% (18) vs. 15% (11) vs. 13% (7)

‡‡ (1) no recurrent ischaemic chest pain (with documented ECG changes) lasting five minutes or longer and occurring at least 24 hours after hospital admission; (2) no clinical or radiographic evidence of heart failure; (3) no major arrhythmias; and (4) echocardiographic left ventricular ejection fraction at rest. 40% on day 3.

**Appendix Table Q14. Demographics for included RCTs comparing ECHO versus ECG, and versus ICA in the outpatient setting**

|                             |                         | Suspected stable CAD                                   |  |                     |                      | Mixed Suspected or Known Stable CAD    |                                |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|--|--|---------------------|----------------------|--|--------------------------------|
| Author, Year (trial)        |                         | Zacharias 2017, Gurunathan 2018                        |  | Sanfilippo 2005     |                      | Sharples 2007, Thom 2014 (CECaT trial) |                                |
| Test                        |                         | ECHO (n=191)   | Exercise ECG (n=194)                                   | ECHO (n= 104)       | Exercise ECG (n= 54) | ECHO (n= 226)                          | ICA (n= 222)                   |
| Sample size                 |                         |  |  |                     |                      |  |                                |
| Patient demographics        | Female, % (n)           | 30% (58)   | 34% (65)   | 100% (104)          | 100% (54)            | 29% (66)                               | 33% (73)                       |
|                             | Age (years); mean ± SD  | 55 ± 11  | 54 ± 11  | 55 ± 11             | 53 ± 10              | 62 ± 10                                | 61 ± 9                         |
|                             | Race, % (n)             | NR   | NR   | Caucasian 97% (101) | Caucasian 100% (54)  | NR                                     | NR                             |
|                             | Pretest risk, % (n)     | Low 41% (79)<br>Intermediate 31% (59)<br>High 28% (53) | Low 40% (78)<br>Intermediate 38% (73)<br>High 22% (43) | NR                  | NR                   | Low 31% (70)<br>High 69% (156)         | Low 31% (69)<br>High 69% (153) |
|                             | Subgroup                | None   | None   | Women               | Women                | None                                   | None                           |
| Cardiac risk factors, % (n) | Chest pain              | 100% (191)   | 100% (194)   | NR                  | NR                   | NR                                     | NR                             |
|                             | Typical angina          | NR   | NR   | NR                  | NR                   | NR                                     | NR                             |
|                             | Atypical angina         | NR   | NR   | NR                  | NR                   | NR                                     | NR                             |
|                             | Unstable angina         | 0% (0)   | 0% (0)   | NR                  | NR                   | NR                                     | NR                             |
|                             | Noncardiac angina       | NR   | NR   | NR                  | NR                   | NR                                     | NR                             |
|                             | Nonanginal              | NR   | NR   | NR                  | NR                   | NR                                     | NR                             |
|                             | Silent ischemia         | NR   | NR   | NR                  | NR                   | NR                                     | NR                             |
|                             | Dyspnea                 | NR   | NR   | NR                  | NR                   | NR                                     | NR                             |
|                             | Prior MI                | 0% (0)   | 0% (0)   | NR                  | NR                   | 26% (59)                               | 28% (63)                       |
|                             | Prior revascularization | 0% (0)   | 0% (0)   | NR                  | NR                   | NR                                     | NR                             |
|                             | Prior CABG/PCI          | NR   | NR   | NR                  | NR                   | NR                                     | NR                             |
|                             | Known CAD               | 0% (0) (Exclusion)                                     | 0% (0) (Exclusion)                                     | 0% (0) (Exclusion)  | 0% (0) (Exclusion)   | NR                                     | NR                             |
|                             | Chest pain frequency    | NR   | NR   | NR                  | NR                   | NR                                     | NR                             |
|                             | Hypertension            | 21% (40)   | 16% (31)   | 54% (56)            | 39% (21)             | 57% (129) (treated)                    | 53% (117) (treated)            |
|                             | Diabetes                | 7% (14)  | 9% (17)  | 11% (11)            | 7% (4)               | 12% (27)                               | 12% (28)                       |
| Hyperlipidemia              | NR                      | NR   | 41% (43)   | 43% (23)            | 79% (179) (treated)  | 74% (164) (treated)                    |                                |

|                                   |  | Suspected stable CAD  |                                   |  |                    | Mixed Suspected or Known Stable CAD    |           |
|-----------------------------------|--|---|-----------------------------------|--|--------------------|--|-----------|
| Author, Year (trial)              |  | Zacharias 2017, Gurunathan 2018   |                                   | Sanfilippo 2005                                    |                    | Sharples 2007, Thom 2014 (CECaT trial) |           |
|                                   | Smoker (past or current)                 | 7% (14)   | 9% (18)                           | 18% (19)   | 26% (14)           | 43% (99)                               | 47% (104) |
|                                   | Family history of CAD                    | 12% (24)  | 14% (27)                          | 23% (24)   | 24% (13)           | 26% (59)                               | 27% (60)  |
|                                   | Cerebrovascular accident                 | NR  | NR                                | NR   | NR                 | 5% (12)                                | 5% (10)   |
|                                   | Peripheral vascular disease              | NR  | NR                                | 3% (3)   | 4% (2)             | 8% (18)                                | 9% (20)   |
|                                   | Atrial Fibrillation                      | NR  | NR                                | NR   | NR                 | NR                                     | NR        |
|                                   | Postmenopausal                           | NR  | NR                                | 75% (78)   | 78% (42)           |  |           |
| <b>Test details</b>               | Type of stressor                         | Treadmill exercise Bruce protocol*  |                                   | Dobutamine 45% (47)<br>Treadmill exercise 55% (57) | Treadmill exercise | Dobutamine                             | NA        |
| <b>Index test received, % (n)</b> | PET                                      | NR  | NR                                | NR   | NR                 | NR                                     | NR        |
|                                   | SPECT                                    | NR  | NR                                | NR   | NR                 | 0% (0)                                 | 0% (0)    |
|                                   | Stress Echocardiography                  | 100% (191)  | 0% (0)                            | 100% (104)   | 0% (0)             | 96% (218)                              | 0% (0)    |
|                                   | Exercise ECG                             | 0% (0)  | 100% (194)                        | 0% (0)   | 100% (54)          | NR                                     | NR        |
|                                   | ICA                                      | NR  | NR                                | NR   | NR                 | 3% (6)                                 | 98% (218) |
|                                   | No test                                  | NR  | NR                                | NR   | NR                 | <1% (2)                                | 2% (4)    |
| <b>Study characteristics</b>      | Setting                                  | OP  | OP                                | OP   | OP                 | OP                                     | OP        |
|                                   | Followup period % completed followup (n) | Mean 21 ± 5 months, 100% (385/385); 79% (303/385) contacted by telephone 21% (82/385) collected via PCP or records search |                                   | Mean 28 ± 14.2 months 100% (158) *                 |                    | 6 Months 91% (206)                     | 88% (195) |
|                                   |  | Mean 3 ± 0.7 years, 98% (188/191)   | Mean 3 ± 0.7 years, 98% (190/194) |  |                    | 18 Months 84% (190)                    | 84% (187) |
|                                   | Study Design                             | RCT   | RCT                               | RCT  | RCT                | RCT                                    | RCT       |
|                                   | Study Quality                            | Good  | Good                              | Poor   | Poor               | Good                                   | Good      |

CABG=coronary artery bypass graft, CACS=coronary artery calcium score, CAD=coronary artery disease, CCTA=coronary computed tomography angiogram, ECG=electrocardiogram, ED=emergency department, ICA = invasive coronary angiogram, MI=myocardial infarction, NA=not applicable, NR=not reported, OP= Outpatient, PCI=percutaneous coronary intervention, RCT=randomized controlled trial, SPECT=single-photon emission computed tomography.

\* Not reported separately by test

**Appendix Table Q15. Demographics for included comparative cohort comparing CCTA FFR versus any noninvasive testing, and versus ICA in the outpatient setting**

| Author, Year (trial)               |                               | Douglas 2015 & 2016 (PLATFORM study)                                     |                                  |   |                |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|---|----------------|
| Test                               |                               | CCTA FFR<br>(n=104)  | Any non-invasive test<br>(n=100) | CCTA FFR<br>(n=193)                                     | ICA<br>(n=187) |
| <b>Sample size</b>                 |                               |  |                                  |   |                |
| <b>Index test received, % (n)</b>  | CCTA                          | 100% (104)   | 0% (0)                           | 100% (193)  | 0% (0)         |
|                                    | FFR                           | 64% (67)   | 0% (0)                           | 69% (134)   | 0% (0)         |
|                                    | ICA                           | 0% (0)   | 0% (0)                           | 0% (0)  | 100% (187)     |
|                                    | Other non-invasive test†      | 0% (0)   | 100% (100)                       | 0% (0)  | 0% (0)         |
| <b>Patient demographics</b>        | Female, % (n)                 | 34%  | 42%                              | 38%   | 42%            |
|                                    | Age (years); mean ± SD        | 59.5 ± 9.3   | 57.9 ± 10.7                      | 60.7 (10.2)*  | 63.4 (10.9)*   |
|                                    | Racial/ethnic minority, % (n) | 0% (0)   | 5% (5)                           | 0.5% (1)  | 1.1% (2)       |
|                                    | Pretest risk, %               | 45%  | 45%                              | 49%   | 52%            |
|                                    | Subgroup                      | Patients who had originally been planned to receive non-invasive testing |                                  | Patients who had originally been planned to receive ICA |                |
| <b>Cardiac risk factors, % (n)</b> | Chest pain                    | 100% (104)   | 100% (100)                       | 100% (193)  | 100% (187)     |
|                                    | Typical angina                | 17% (18)   | 8% (8)                           | 23% (45)  | 28% ( )        |
|                                    | Atypical angina               | 77% (80)   | 91% (91)                         | 74% (142)   | 65%            |
|                                    | Non-cardiac chest pain        | 6% (6)   | 1% (1)                           | 3% (5)  | 7%             |
|                                    | Dyspnea                       | NR   | NR                               | NR  | NR             |
|                                    | Prior MI                      | NR   | NR                               | NR  | NR             |
|                                    | Prior revascularization       | NR   | NR                               | NR  | NR             |
|                                    | Known CAD                     | 0% (0)   | 0% (0)                           | 0% (0)  | 0% (0)         |
|                                    | Hypertension                  | 55% (57)*  | 38% (38)                         | 58% (111)   | 59% (111)      |
|                                    | Diabetes                      | 6% (6)   | 8% (8)                           | 16% (30)  | 19% (36)       |
|                                    | Hyperlipidemia                | 27% (28)   | 22% (22)                         | 40% (77)  | 41% (76)       |
| Smoker (past or current)           | 57% (59)                      | 52% (52)   | 52% (101)                        | 55% (103)   |                |
| <b>Test details</b>                | CT images (slice)             | ≥64  | ≥64                              | ≥64   | NA             |
|                                    | CACS performed                | No   | No                               | No  | No             |
|                                    | Type of stressor              | NA   | NR                               | NA  | NR             |
|                                    | Contrast (dose)               | NR   | NR                               | NR  | NR             |
| <b>Study characteristics</b>       | Setting                       | Outpatient   | Outpatient                       | Outpatient  | Outpatient     |
|                                    | Followup period               | 12 months  |                                  |   |                |
|                                    | % completed followup (n)      | 96.4% (581)  |                                  |   |                |
|                                    | Study Design                  | Prospective comparative cohort   |                                  |   |                |
| Study Quality                      | Good                          |  |                                  |   |                |

**APPENDIX R. List of on-going trials****Appendix Table R1. List of on-going RCTs from clinicaltrials.gov**

| Title  | Intervention vs. comparator                               | Anticipated Enrollment | Anticipated Completion Date | NCT Number                  |
|--|---|------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Diagnostic Imaging Strategies for Patients With Stable Chest Pain and Intermediate Risk of Coronary Artery Disease   | CCTA vs. ICA  | 3546                   | 3/1/2022                    | <a href="#">NCT02400229</a> |
| Computed Tomography Coronary Angiography for the Prevention of Myocardial Infarction (The SCOT-HEART 2 Trial)  | CCTA vs. Assign score only                                | 6000                   | 4/1/2027                    | <a href="#">NCT03920176</a> |
| Cardiac cT in the Treatment of Acute Chest Pain 2 - Myocardial CT Perfusion  | CCTA vs. CCTA + CT myocardial perfusion                   | 600                    | 6/1/2022                    | <a href="#">NCT02014311</a> |
| CCTA, CACS and ECG Stress Testing in Patients With Suspected CAD: Precision Phenotyping and Financial Evaluation   | CCTA vs. ECG stress testing vs. ECG stress testing + CACS | 900                    | 12/31/2023                  | <a href="#">NCT04424121</a> |
| CT Stress Myocardial Perfusion, Fractional Flow Reserve and Angiography in Patients With Stable Chest Pain Syndromes                                       | CCTA vs. FFR CT vs. Stress MPI                            | 2000                   | 5/1/2031                    | <a href="#">NCT04709900</a> |
| Randomised Controlled Trial to Assess Whether Computed Tomography Cardiac Angiography Can Improve Invasive Coronary Angiography in Bypass Surgery Patients | CCTA vs. ICA  | 688                    | 6/8/2022                    | <a href="#">NCT03736018</a> |
| Coronary CT Angiography in Non ST-elevation Myocardial Infarction  | CCTA vs. ICA  | 300                    | 10/1/2023                   | <a href="#">NCT04537741</a> |
| Angiographic Control vs. Ischemia-driven Management of Patients Treated With PCI on Left Main With Drug-eluting Stents                                     | CCTA vs. ischemic management only                         | 550                    | 10/15/2022                  | <a href="#">NCT04144881</a> |
| Troponin in Acute Chest Pain to Risk Stratify and Guide Effective Use of Computed Tomography Coronary Angiography  | CCTA vs. usual care                                       | 2270                   | 11/1/2023                   | <a href="#">NCT03952351</a> |
| Coronary Computed Tomographic Angiography in Intermediate-risk Chest Pain Patients   | CCTA vs. usual care (any non-invasive test)               | 3500                   | 12/1/2025                   | <a href="#">NCT04748237</a> |
| Impact of Stress CT Myocardial Perfusion on Downstream Resources and Prognosis   | CCTA vs. usual care (any non-invasive test)               | 2000                   | 10/1/2022                   | <a href="#">NCT03976921</a> |
| Role of On-site CT-derived FFR in the Management of Suspect CAD Patients   | CCTA w/ FFR CT vs. usual care (any non-invasive test)     | 1216                   | 12/1/2021                   | <a href="#">NCT03901326</a> |

| Title  | Intervention vs. comparator                                     | Anticipated Enrollment | Anticipated Completion Date | NCT Number  |
|--|---|------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| The PRECISE Protocol: Prospective Randomized Trial of the Optimal Evaluation of Cardiac Symptoms and Revascularization   | CCTA w/ selective FFR CT vs. usual care (any non-invasive test) | 2103                   | 4/1/2022                    | <a href="https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/study/NCT03702244">NCT03702244</a> |
| The MATCH Investigation: CT Myocardial Perfusion and CT-FFR vs PET MPI   | FFR CT vs. CT-MPI vs. PET-MPI                                   | 30                     | 12/1/2022                   | <a href="https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/study/NCT04316676">NCT04316676</a> |
| Follow-up With CT-FFR in CHD Patients After DCB  | FFR CT vs. ICA  | 92                     | 6/30/2022                   | <a href="https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/study/NCT04664439">NCT04664439</a> |
| Safety and Cost-efficiency of New Imaging Techniques in Patients Suspected of Coronary Artery Disease  | FFR CT vs. ICA FFR  | 825                    | 4/1/2025                    | <a href="https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/study/NCT04939207">NCT04939207</a> |
| Fractional Flow Reserve Derived From Computed Tomography Coronary Angiography in the Assessment and Management of Stable Chest Pain  | FFR CT vs. usual care   | 1400                   | 12/1/2020                   | <a href="https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/study/NCT03187639">NCT03187639</a> |
| Stress Echocardiography Versus Exercise ECG (ExECG) in Women With Chest Pain   | Stress echocardiography vs. Exercise ECG                        | 416                    | 12/1/2020                   | <a href="https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/study/NCT02346565">NCT02346565</a> |
| Alternative Imaging Modalities in Ischemic Heart Failure (AIMI-HF) Project I-A of Imaging Modalities to Assist With Guiding Therapy and the Evaluation of Patients With Heart Failure (IMAGE-HF) | PET/CT or CMR vs. SPECT   | 1511                   | 6/30/2022                   | <a href="https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/study/NCT01288560">NCT01288560</a> |
| Evaluation of a Strategy Guided by Imaging Versus Systematic Coronary Angiography in Elderly Patients With Ischemia: a Multicentric Randomized Non Inferiority Trial.                            | SPECT vs. ICA   | 1759                   | 12/1/2023                   | <a href="https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/study/NCT03289728">NCT03289728</a> |
| Assessment of Patients With suspected Coronary Artery Disease by Coronary calcium first strategy versus Usual Care Approach.   | PET vs. non-PET medical management                              | 2500                   | 11/1/2027                   | <a href="https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/study/NCT03972774">NCT03972774</a> |

CACS = coronary artery calcium scoring, CCTA = coronary computed tomography, CHD = coronary heart disease, CMR = cardiac magnetic resonance, CT = computed tomography, ECG = electrocardiogram, FFR = fractional flow reserve, ICA = invasive coronary angiogram, MPI = myocardial perfusion imaging, NCT = National Clinical Trial, PCI = percutaneous coronary intervention, PET = positron emission tomography, SPECT = single photon emission computed tomography.

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