

B3. Methodological Quality

a. QUADAS-2 Checklist (Diagnostic Studies)

Item	Assessment
1. Patient Selection	
a. Was a consecutive or random sample of patients enrolled? <i>Support for judgment</i>	
b. Did the study avoid inappropriate exclusions? <i>Support for judgment</i>	
c. Was the study a low risk of bias?	
d. Is the study applicable to the review? <i>Support for judgment</i>	
2. Index Test	
a. Were the index test results interpreted without knowledge of the results of the reference standard? <i>Support for judgment</i>	
b. If a threshold was used, was it pre-specified? <i>Support for judgment</i>	
c. Was the study a low risk of bias?	
d. Is the study applicable to the review? <i>Support for judgment</i>	
3. Reference Standard	
a. Is the reference standard likely to correctly classify the target audience? <i>Support for judgment</i>	
b. Were the reference standard results interpreted without knowledge of the results of the index test? <i>Support for judgment</i>	
c. Was the study a low risk of bias?	
d. Is the study applicable to the review? <i>Support for judgment</i>	
4. Flow and Timing	
a. Was there an appropriate interval between the index test and reference standard? <i>Support for judgment</i>	
b. Did all patients receive the same reference standard? <i>Support for judgment</i>	
c. Were all patients included in the analysis? <i>Support for judgment</i>	
d. Was the study a low risk of bias?	