

Studies excluded at full paper stage for diagnostic review

Study	Reason for exclusion
Abbasi 1980 ¹⁷⁰	Population not AF, AF study available for diagnostic accuracy of pathology
Aghassi 2005 ¹⁷¹	Grading severity of diagnosed condition, rather than diagnosing condition
Agricola 2008 ¹⁷²	Excluded intervention, stress echocardiography
Alkhadi 2007 ¹⁷³	Grading severity of diagnosed condition, rather than diagnosing condition
Assey 1981 ¹⁷⁴	Population not AF, higher-level evidence available for diagnostic accuracy of pathology
Babic 1991 ¹⁷⁵	Population not AF, AF study available for diagnostic accuracy of pathology
Badran 2009 ¹⁷⁶	Excluded intervention, combination of carotid and thoracic echocardiography
Blanchard 1981 ¹⁷⁷	Population not AF, AF study available for diagnostic accuracy of pathology
Blot-Souletie 2007 ¹⁷⁸	Grading severity of diagnosed condition, rather than diagnosing condition
Bogren 1980 ¹⁷⁹	Review of case reports, cases differed in their use of comparator(s)
Buchner 2008 ¹⁸⁰	Grading severity of diagnosed condition, rather than diagnosing condition
Casiglia 2008 ¹⁸¹	Prognostic study, general population, AF excluded
Charron 1997 ¹⁸²	Excluded comparator, study of familial hypertrophic cardiomyopathy, comparator was genotyping
Chen 1985 ¹⁸³	Population not AF, AF study available for diagnostic accuracy of pathology
Egeblad 1983 ¹⁸⁴	Grading severity of diagnosed condition, rather than diagnosing condition
Fleischmann 1994 ¹⁸⁵	Prognostic study, population with chest pain, population not AF
Gonzalez-Torrecilla 2000 ¹⁸⁶	Excluded intervention, TOE and TTE combined
Hsiao 2006 ¹⁸⁷	Population not AF, higher-level evidence available for diagnostic accuracy of PE
Irani 1996 ¹⁸⁸	Population not AF, higher-level evidence available for diagnostic accuracy of pathology
Khanna 2004 ¹⁸⁹	Grading severity of diagnosed condition, rather than diagnosing condition
Khumri 2007 ¹⁹⁰	TOE, not TTE (prognostic study)
Kruger 2001 ¹⁹¹	Population not AF, AF study available for diagnostic accuracy of pathology
Lembcke 2008 ¹⁹²	Grading severity of diagnosed condition, rather than diagnosing condition
Meng 2002 ¹⁹³	Population not AF, higher-level evidence available for diagnostic accuracy of pathology
Miyatake 1986 ¹⁹⁴	Population not AF, AF study available for diagnostic accuracy of pathology
Mogelvang 2009 ¹⁹⁵	Prognostic study, general population, AF excluded
Nitta 1988 ¹⁹⁶	Grading severity of diagnosed condition, rather than diagnosing condition
Pechacek 1984 ¹⁹⁷	Population not AF, AF study available for diagnostic accuracy of pathology
Peteiro 2008 ¹⁹⁸	Excluded intervention, exercise echocardiography
Roe 2000 ¹⁹⁹	Echocardiography combined with clinical criteria, no separate data for TTE alone
Sallach 2009 ²⁰⁰	Excluded intervention, contrast echocardiography
Stafford 1985 ²⁰¹	Population not AF, higher-level evidence available for diagnostic accuracy of pathology

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Steckleberg 1991 ²⁰²	Prognostic study, population not AF
Stevens 2009 ²⁰³	Prognostic study, population with stable coronary artery disease, population not AF
Takamoto 1985 ²⁰⁴	Population not AF, AF study available for diagnostic accuracy of pathology
Thuny 2005 ²⁰⁵	Prognostic study, population not AF
Visser 1983 ²⁰⁶	Population not AF, AF study available for diagnostic accuracy of pathology
Willens 2006 ²⁰⁷	Prognostic study, population undergoing coronary angiography, population not AF
