

CRITICAL REVIEW FORM: DIFFERENTIAL DIAGNOSIS

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Guide		Comments
I	Are the results of the study valid?	
1	Did the study patients represent the full spectrum of those with this clinical problem?	
2	Was the diagnostic evaluation definitive?	
II	What are the Results?	
1	What were the diagnoses and their probabilities?	
2	How precise are the probability estimates?	
III	How can I apply the results to patient care?	
1	Are the study patients and clinical setting similar to mine?	
2	Is it unlikely that the disease possibilities or probabilities have changed since this information was gathered?	