

CRITICAL REVIEW FORM: DIAGNOSTIC TEST UNIT

Citation:

Haig et. al. The sensitivity and specificity of electrodiagnostic testing for the clinical syndrome of lumbar spine stenosis. Spine 2005; 30(23):2667–2676

Guide		Comments
I	Are the results of the study valid?	
1	Did participating patients present a diagnostic uncertainty?	
2	Did investigators compare the test to an appropriate, independent reference standard?	
3	Were those interpreting the test and reference standard blind to the other results?	
4	Did investigators perform the same reference standard to all patients regardless of the results of the test under investigation?	
II	What are the Results?	
1	What likelihood ratios are associated with the range of possible test results?	
III	How can I apply the results to patient care?	
1	Will the reproducibility of the test result and its interpretation be satisfactory in my setting?	

2	Are the results applicable to patients in my practice?	
3	Will the results change my management?	
4	Will patients be better off as a result of the test?	