Appendix II: Data extraction instrument

Author/Date	
Inclusion/exclusion criteria: i.e. presenting symptoms, results from previous tests	Inclusion: Exclusion:
Sample size	
Participant demographics (i.e. age, sex, spectrum of presenting symptoms, comorbidity, current treatments, recruitment centres)	
Study methodology (consecutive or random; retrospective or prospective)	
Period that study was carried out (beginning and end date)	
Index test description (including criteria for positive test)	
Reference test description (including criteria for positive test)	
Geographical location of data collection	
Setting of data collection	
Persons executing and interpreting index tests (numbers, training, and expertise)	
Persons executing and interpreting reference test	
Index/reference time interval (and treatments carried out in between)	
Distribution of severity of disease in those with target condition	
Other diagnoses in those without target condition	
Adverse events from index test	
Adverse events from reference test	

Index test results Threshold=	Condition positive	Condition negative	Total
Index test positive (T+)			
Index test negative (T-)			
Total			