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Table 1: Classification of Evidence on Diagnosis

Class I Evidence Level I (or A) Recommendation	Evidence provided by 1 or more well-designed clinical studies of a diverse population using a “gold standard” reference test in a blinded evaluation appropriate for the diagnostic applications and enabling the assessment of sensitivity, specificity, positive and negative predictive values, and, when applicable, likelihood ratios.
Class II Evidence Level II (or B) Recommendation	Evidence provided by 1 or more well-designed clinical studies of a restricted population using a “gold standard” reference test in a blinded evaluation appropriate for the diagnostic applications and enabling the assessment of sensitivity, specificity, positive and negative predictive values, and, when applicable, likelihood ratios.
Class III Evidence Level III (or C) Recommendation	Evidence provided by expert opinion or studies that do not meet the criteria for the delineation of sensitivity, specificity, positive and negative predictive values, and, when applicable, likelihood ratios.