PULMONARY EMBOLISM UPDATE

APPENDIX – Wells Criteria

3 points
- S/S of DVT (swelling and pain w/ vein palpation)
- Alternative diagnosis less likely than PE

1.5 points
- HR > 100
- Immobilization > 3 d OR surgery < 4 wks
- Prior PE or DVT

1.0 points
- Hemoptysis
- Malignancy (receiving Rx within 6 mos or palliative)

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- 4 or less (“PE Not Likely”) - Safe for d-dimer testing
- 5 or more (“PE Likely”) - Not safe for d-dimer testing

REFERENCES

Risk Factors


Clinical Decision Rules


PERC Rule

D-Dimers


PE and COPD