CRITICAL APPRAISAL WORKSHEET ON AN ARTICLE ON DIAGNOSIS

1. ARE THE RESULTS VALID?
2. Was there an independent, blind comparison with a reference standard?

YES NO CANNOT TELL

1. Did the patient sample include an appropriate spectrum of patients to whom the diagnostic test will be applied in clinical practice?

YES NO CANNOT TELL

1. Did the results of the test being evaluated influence the decision to perform the reference standard?

YES NO CANNOT TELL

1. Were the methods for performing the test described in sufficient detail to permit replication?

YES NO CANNOT TELL

1. WHAT WERE THE RESULTS?
2. Are likelihood ratios for the test results presented or data necessary for their calculation provided?

YES NO CANNOT TELL

1. WILL THE RESULTS HELP ME IN CARING FOR MY PATIENT?
2. Will the reproducibility of the test result and its interpretation be satisfactory in my setting?

YES NO CANNOT TELL

1. Are the results applicable to my patient?

YES NO CANNOT TELL

1. Will the results change my management?

YES NO CANNOT TELL



1. Will patients be better off as a result of the test?