MENARI PLUS as Self Assessment Checklist For Detecting Atrial Fibrillation In General Population

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Conclusion: In this study, we suggest that MENARI PLUS has a high sensitivity but relatively low specificity for atrial fibrillation. It is therefore useful for ruling out atrial fibrillation. It may also be a useful screen to apply opportunistically for previously undetected atrial fibrillation.