

Table s1. Characteristics of included studies about subgroup analysis

Study	Groups	N	Type of CCM	The ages are relatively balanced between groups		Interpreting the image was masked to the DPN status of the patient		Assessment with CCM			
				Yes	No	yes	No report	NFD	NBD	NFL	TC
Ahmed <sup>5</sup>	Controls	64	LSCM		√		√	√	√	√	√
	No-DPN	56						√	√	√	√
	DPN	33						√	√	√	√
Edwards <sup>6</sup>	Controls	61	LSCM		√		√		√	√	√
	No-DPN	143							√	√	√
	DPN	88							√	√	√
Hertz <sup>7</sup>	controls	20	LSCM	√		√		√	√	√	√
	No-DPN	12						√	√	√	√
	DPN	14						√	√	√	√
Kallinikos <sup>8</sup>	controls	18	SSCM	√			√				√
	DPN	18									√
Malik <sup>9</sup>	controls	18	SSCM	√		√		√	√	√	
	DPN	18						√	√	√	
Mehra <sup>10</sup>	controls	15	SSCM	√		√		√	√	√	√
	DPN	20						√	√	√	√
Petropoulos <sup>11</sup>	controls	55	LSCM	√		√		√	√	√	
	No-DPN	86						√	√	√	
	DPN	100						√	√	√	
Pritchard <sup>12</sup>	controls	154	LSCM		√	√			√	√	
	No-DPN	168							√	√	
	DPN	74							√	√	
Quattrini <sup>13</sup>	controls	15	SSCM	√			√	√	√	√	
	No-DPN	10						√	√	√	
	DPN	44						√	√	√	
Sivaskandarajah <sup>14</sup>	controls	64	LSCM		√		√	√	√	√	√
	No-DPN	63						√	√	√	√
	DPN	33						√	√	√	√
Tavakoli(2010) <sup>15</sup>	controls	17	SSCM	√		√		√	√	√	
	No-DPN	34						√	√	√	
	DPN	67						√	√	√	
Tavakoli(2011) <sup>16</sup>	controls	18	SSCM	√		√		√	√	√	√
	DPN	25						√	√	√	√
Xue <sup>17</sup>	controls	10	LSCM	√			√		√	√	√
	No-DPN	20							√	√	√
	DPN	25	LSCM						√	√	√