

Appraisal of CT Colonography

The Institute for Clinical and
Economic Review
(ICER)

Structure of the Day

- Introduction to ICER and purpose of today
- Introduction to CTC
- Comparative Clinical Effectiveness
- Comparative Value
- Evidence Ratings
- Close

ICER

- Diverse Funding
- Collaborative academic model
- First cycle of appraisals
 - IMRT for localized prostate cancer
 - Virtual colonoscopy
 - Pegfilgrastim

Goals of ICER

- Stimulate broader national policy to integrate value considerations into comparative effectiveness initiatives
- Test new methods for making technology assessments more accessible and actionable
- Support public dialogue

ICER Appraisal Process

- Topic selection
- Scoping committee
- Technology assessment
 - Clinical effectiveness
 - Comparative value
- Presentation to Evidence Review Group (ERG)
- Final Report with Integrated Evidence Rating

Integrated Evidence Rating

Comparative Clinical Effectiveness

Superior A

Incremental B

Comparable C

Pot/Unprov P/U

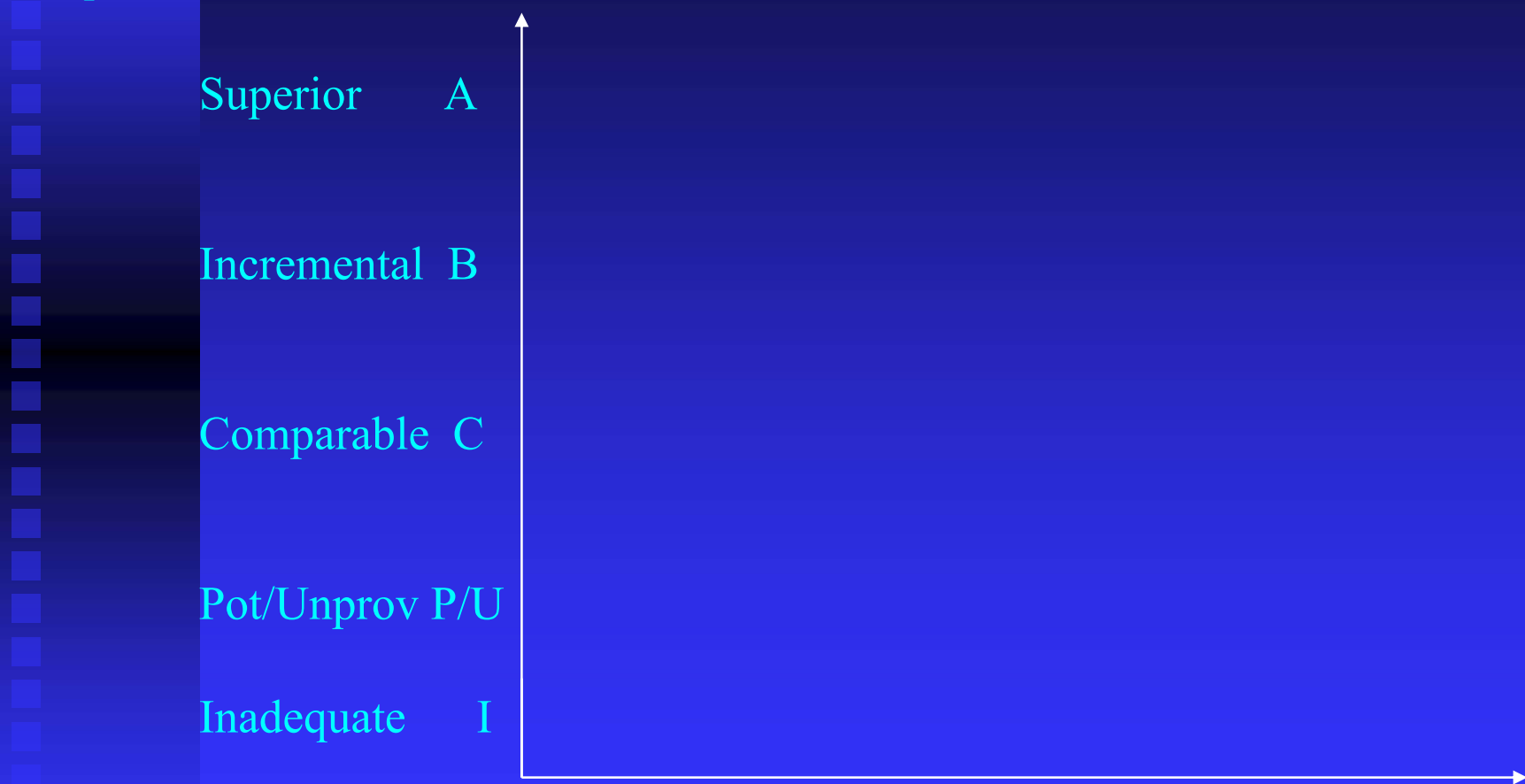
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Comparative Value

a
High

b
Reasonable/
Comparable

c
Low



Comparative Clinical Effectiveness

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Comparing tech ____ vs. ____

High Confidence	D	C	B	A
Limited Confidence	I	I	P/U	P/U
Low Confidence	I ←————→ I			
	Inferior Net Benefit	Comparable Net Benefit	Small Net Benefit	Mod-Large Net Benefit

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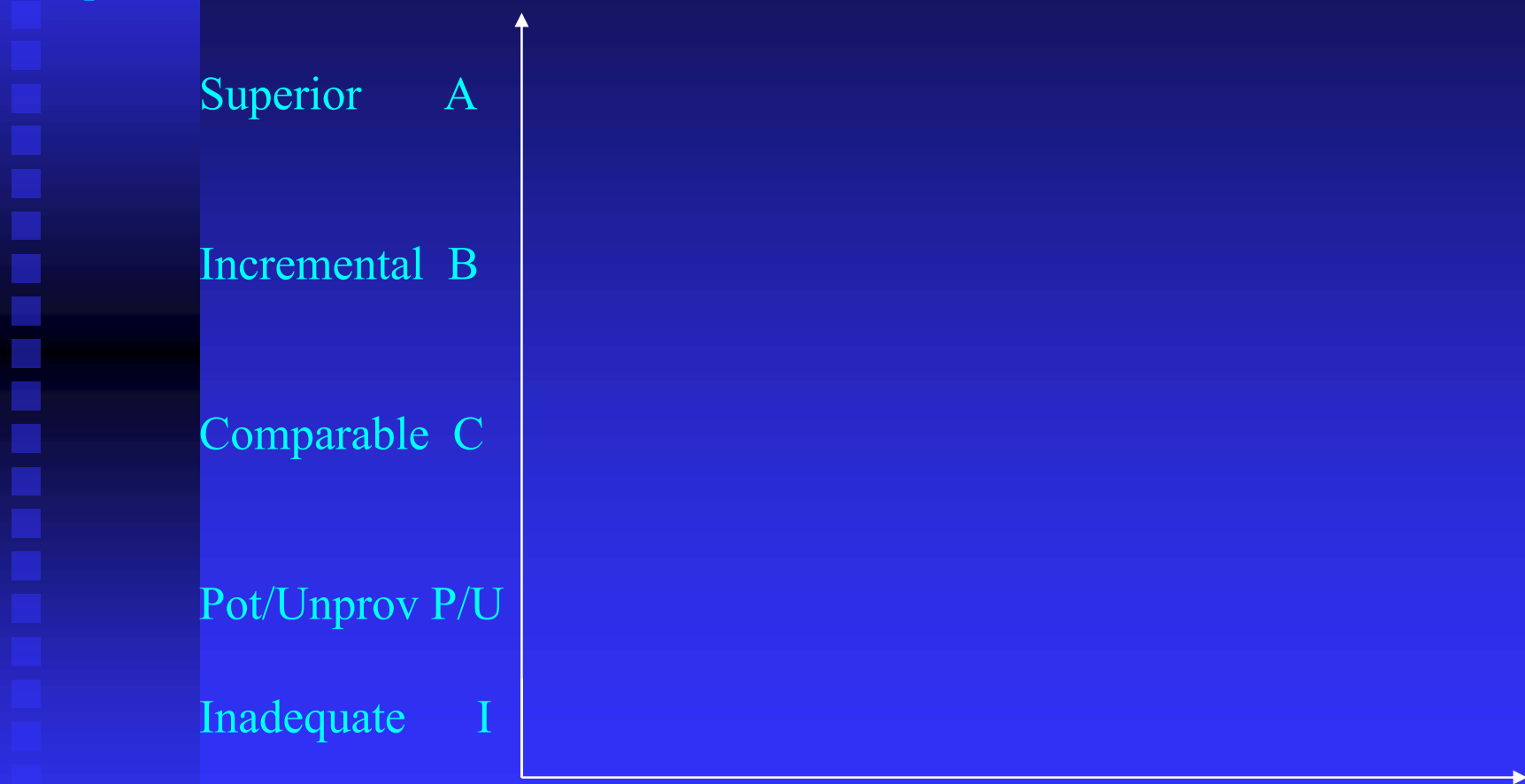
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Comparative Value Rating



Other considerations:

- Cost per key outcome(s)
- Relative cost to similar treatments/situations

Integrated Evidence Rating

Comparative Clinical Effectiveness

Superior	A	Aa	Ab	Ac
Incremental	B	Ba	Bb	Bc
Comparable	C	Ca	Cb	Cc
Pot/Unprov	P/U	Pa	Pb	Pc
Inadequate	I	I	I	I

Comparative Value

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Radiation treatments for prostate cancer

Comparative Clinical Effectiveness

Superior	A	Aa	Ab	Ac
Incremental	B	Brachytherapy	Bb	IMRT
Comparable	C	Ca	Cb	Cc
Pot/Unprov P/U		Pa	Pb	Pc
Inadequate	I	Proton Beam Therapy		

Comparative Value

a	b	c
High	Reasonable/ Comparable	Low

Purpose of the Day

- What is the structure and role of the Evidence Review Group?
 - Independent
 - Composition
 - Review of Draft Assessment
 - Recommend ratings of comparative clinical effectiveness and value

Introduction to CT Colonography

Mike Zalis, M.D.

Appraisal of CT Colonography

Background

Scope

- Patient population
- Comparator(s)
- Key questions
 - ◆ Technical issues
 - ◆ Sensitivity and specificity vs. OC
 - ◆ Safety
 - ◆ Patient acceptance
 - ◆ Extracolonic findings
 - ◆ Impact on population screening
 - ◆ Cost-effectiveness vs. no screening and vs. alternatives

Background

- Colorectal cancer screening
 - ~50% of eligible get screened
 - Non-invasive methods
 - Invasive methods: screening = prevention
 - Polyps
 - ◆ ≥ 10 mm
 - ◆ 6-9 mm
 - ◆ ≤ 5 mm

CT Colonography

- Potential benefits
 - Minimally invasive = fewer complications, no sedation
 - Availability and acceptance = More patients screened overall
 - ? Less costly overall
- Potential harms
 - False negatives
 - False positives
 - Hassle for patients of dual-phase testing
 - Loss to follow-up between positive CTC and OC
 - ? More costly overall

Assessing a diagnostic technology

- Evolution of data on devices/procedures
 - Technical effectiveness in selected patients and best hands
 - Generalizability to community patients and practice

Previous HTA on CTC

- MSAC (2006)
- ICSI (2006)
- NICE (2005)*
- BCBSA TEC (2004)
- CTAF (2004)

* Found evidence adequate to support its use

Clinical Guidelines

- NCCN (2007)
- ACR (2006)
 - CTC = 6 on appropriateness scale of 1-9
- ACS (2003)
- USPSTF (2002)
- ACG (2002)

Systematic Review of the Literature

Roberta Scherer, Ph.D

Draft Integrated Evidence Rating

Interpretation of Key Findings

- Safe, well accepted
- Test characteristics compare favorably to alternative screening methods other than OC
- Comparable to OC for large polyps
- Less sensitive for medium polyps but with q 5y strategy unlikely to miss many significant lesions
- Cost per LYS vs. no screening = \$1,500
- Cost/LYS vs. OC
 - \$630,000 if cost of CTC = colonoscopy
 - \$100,000 if cost of CTC half price of colonoscopy
 - <\$50,000 if cost of CTC one third of colonoscopy

Draft Integrated Evidence Ratings

CT Colonography vs. no screening and OC

Comparative Clinical Effectiveness

Superior	A	CTC	Ab	Ac
Incremental	B	Ba	Bb	Bc
Comparable	C	CTC 1/3-price	CTC half-price	CTC full-price
Pot/Unprov P/U		Pa	Pb	Pc
Inadequate	I	I	I	I
Comparative Value		a High	b Reasonable/ Comparable	c Low

ERG Feedback

- ICER format: useful?
- What information would you have liked?
 - Draft ratings before the meeting?
- What information did you not find useful?
- Process: a vote, consensus, or some blend for rating determination?
- Best role for patients, clinical experts, and manufacturers?
- Other?

Thank you!