Ultra-high-resolution 40 keV virtual monoenergetic imaging using spectral photon-counting CT in high-risk patients for coronary stenoses

ELECTRONIC SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL

Supplemental Table 1. Attenuation measurements in the aortic root, proximal and distal coronary arteries, along with signal-to-noise ratio (SNR) and contrast-to-noise ratio (CNR) values using epicardial fat as the background, for all reconstructions. SNR is defined as the attenuation divided by the noise. CNR is defined as the attenuation difference divided by the square root of the sum of the squared noise values.

Parameter	40 keV DECT	70 keV DECT	40 keV SPPCT	70 keV SPCCT		
Aortic root attenuation	1519 ± 30	457 ± 22	1355 ± 51	443 ± 44		
(HU) ± sd						
Aortic root SNR	56	23	29	11		
Aortic root CNR	45	20	23	10		
Proximal coronary	1658 ± 86	409 ± 13	1205 ± 75	402 ± 54		
artery attenuation (HU)						
± sd						
Proximal coronary	30	13	20	8		
artery SNR						
Proximal coronary	27	13	16	8		
artery CNR						
Distal coronary artery	906 ± 81	314 ± 38	1205 ± 84	354 ± 55		
attenuation (HU) ± sd						
Distal coronary artery	20	13	22	8		
SNR						
Distal coronary artery	18	12	15	8		
CNR						
Epicardial fat	-165 ± 25	-93 ± 21	-54 ± 43	-86 ± 41		
attenuation (HU)						
DECT, dual-energy CT; SPCCT, spectral photon-counting CT.						

Supplemental Table 2. Median and [IQR] quality scores for the two readers

Parameter	40 keV DECT	70 keV DECT	40 keV SPPCT	70 keV SPCCT
Reader 1				
Proximal lumen	4 [4, 5]	5 [4, 5]	5 [5, 5]	4.5 [4, 5]
Distal lumen	4 [3, 4]	4 [3, 4]	5 [4.25, 5]	4 [4, 4]
Lumen sharpness	4 [4, 5]	4 [4, 5]	5 [4.25, 5]	5 [4, 5]
Lumen conspicuity	5 [5, 5]	4 [4, 5]	5 [5, 5]	5 [5, 5]
Coronary wall	4 [3, 4]	4 [4, 5]	5 [5, 5]	5 [4, 5]
Calcified plaque	3 [3,4]	4 [4, 5]	5 [4.5, 5]	5 [5, 5]
Non-calcified plaque	4 [3, 4]	5 [4.5, 5]	5 [4.5, 5]	5 [4, 5]
Image noise	4 [4, 4]	4 [4, 4]	5 [5, 5]	5 [4, 5]
Overall quality	4 [3, 4]	4 [4, 5]	5 [5, 5]	5 [4.25, 5]
Diagnostic confidence	4 [3, 4.75]	5 [4, 5]	5 [5, 5]	5 [5, 5]
Reader 2				
Proximal lumen	4 [4, 5]	4.5 [4, 5]	5 [4.25, 5]	5 [4, 5]
Distal lumen	3.5 [2.25, 4]	5 [5, 5]	5 [5, 5]	4 [4, 4]
Lumen sharpness	3 [3, 4]	4 [3.25, 5]	5 [4.25, 5]	5 [4, 5]
Lumen conspicuity	5 [5, 5]	4 [4, 5]	5 [5, 5]	5 [5, 5]
Coronary wall	4 [3, 4]	4 [3.25, 5]	5 [5, 5]	5 [4, 5]
Calcified plaque	3 [3, 4]	4 [4, 5]	5 [4.5 5]	5 [5, 5]
Non-calcified plaque	4 [4, 5]	5 [4., 5]	5 [4.5, 5]	5 [4.5, 5]
Image noise	4 [3.25, 4]	4 [4, 4]	5 [5, 5]	5 [4, 5]
Overall quality	4 [3, 4]	4 [4, 5]	5 [5, 5]	5 [4.25, 5]
Diagnostic confidence	4 [3, 4]	5 [4, 5]	5 [5, 5]	5 [5, 5]
DECT, dual-energy CT;	SPCCT, spectral	photon-counting	CT. Data are in per	centages with [95%

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