TABLE 2

Designs of the Trials, by Comparison Groups

Comparison	Ref	Year	Study Size	Regimen	Followup Time	Other Permitted Therapies	Study Quality Scores (Percentage of 100)					
							Rep	Bias	Tx	Outcomes	Stats	Overall
Calcium-Channel Blockers vs Placebo	15	1988	6	dilt po once	hours	ns	13	63	63	67	50	51
	—	—	—	ver po once	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	16	1989	113	dilt IV	17 minutes	ns	50	75	50	80	75	66
	17	1994	37	dilt IV	4 hours	digoxin	50	67	50	50	75	58
	18	1991	44	dilt IV	24 hours	digoxin	38	75	83	80	83	72
	19	1990	19	dilt po	3 weeks	digoxin	25	67	88	67	67	63
	—	—	—	ver po	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	20	1989	15	ver po	4 weeks	digoxin	38	75	88	50	50	60
	21	1992	21	ver po	2 weeks	digoxin	38	38	75	58	50	59
	22	1983	27	ver po	2 weeks	digoxin	50	75	50	67	17	52
b- Blockers vs Placebo	20	1989	15	aten po	4 weeks	digoxin	38	75	88	50	50	60
	—	—	—	xam po	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	21	1992	21	xam po	2 weeks	digoxin	38	75	75	58	50	59
	23	1990	13	xam po	2 weeks	ns	38	42	50	90	75	59
	24	1985	82	tim IV	hours	ns	63	92	50	75	17	59
	25	1984	17	nad po	4 weeks	digoxin	63	67	50	58	67	61
	26	1987	9	celip po	1 week	digoxin	25	75	38	58	50	49
	27	1986	21	celip po	1 week	digoxin	13	75	50	75	67	56
	28	1994	8	pind po	2 weeks	digoxin	13	67	63	67	83	58
	—	—	—	aten po	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	29	1990	11	labet po	10-14 days	ns	13	75	33	58	33	43
Digoxin vs Placebo	15	1988	6	dig po once	hours	ns	13	63	63	67	50	51
	23	1990	13	dig po	2 weeks	ns	13	75	33	75	50	49
	29	1990	11	dig po	10-14 days	ns	13	75	33	58	33	43
	31	1987	36	dig po once	15 minutes	ns	88	58	100	80	100	85
	32	1997	239	dig IV	16 hours	ver	100	92	83	90	100	93
	33	1997	39	dig IV	30 minutes	ver	38	58	83	90	25	59
	39	1995	45	dig po	4 weeks	ns	50	50	33	58	100	58
Calcium-Channel Blockers vs Digoxin by Same Route	15	1988	6	dilt po once	hours	ns	13	63	63	67	50	51
	—	—	—	ver po once	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	40	1988	14	dilt po	4 weeks	ns	38	75	50	50	100	63
	41	1997	30	dilt IV	3 hours	ns	75	17	50	90	50	56
	42	1987	8	ver po	2 weeks	ns	38	75	88	67	67	67
	43	1989	10	ver po	4 weeks	ns	0	50	33	33	38	31
b-blockers vs Digoxin po	23	1990	13	xam po	2 weeks	ns	13	75	33	75	50	49
	29	1990	11	labet po	10-14 days	ns	13	75	33	58	33	43
	43	1989	10	metop po	4 weeks	ns	0	50	33	33	38	31
	44	1995	25	xam po	ns	ns	25	75	38	67	75	56
Other Drugs vs Placebo	15	1988	6	dig/dilt po	hours	ns	15	63	63	67	50	51
	29	1990	11	dig/labet po	10-14 days	ns	13	75	33	58	33	43
	30	1995	35	dig/dilt po	4 weeks	ns	0	67	50	67	63	71
	—	—	—	dig/betax po	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	34	1992	18	clonidine po once	4 hours	ns	75	33	100	80	67	71
	35	1993	17	clonidine po	3 days	digoxin	25	67	63	75	33	53
	36	1997	105	propaf po	24 hours	ns	63	67	100	90	83	81
	37	1997	40	sotolol po	8 weeks	ns	13	75	33	75	50	49
	38	1994	18	mag sulfate IV	6 hours	digoxin	25	75	67	75	83	65
	39	1995	45	dig/dilt po	4 weeks	ns	50	50	33	58	100	58
	—	—	—	dig/betax po	—	—	—		—	—	—	—