



## Role of Imaging Modalities in the Evaluation of Nonischemic Cardiomyopathy 2.0

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### Message from the Guest Editor

Patients with nonischemic cardiomyopathies (NICMs) constitute 50% of the total number of patients with cardiovascular diseases. Until recently, the only way to evaluate them was the use of left ventricular ejection fraction, which gives us a rough idea about the disease pathophysiology.

Recently, the tremendous development of various noninvasive imaging modalities has allowed for the detailed evaluation not only of the patients with NICM but also the identification of carriers and those with phenotypically mild disease. Furthermore, they facilitated the classification of various types of NICM according to disease severity and have provided useful information about disease prediction.

In this Special Issue of *Diagnostics*, we will describe the strong and weak points of each modality in parallel with the cost-benefit ratio for both patients and the health care system. Finally, we will focus on the clinical role of various imaging modalities in the evaluation of NICM and give an overview of the present and future perspectives of these modalities in both diagnosis and prognosis of NICM.





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