

Table 1. Variables used to determine patient pretest probability for PE

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| • Clinical signs and symptoms of DVT (minimum of leg swelling and pain with palpation of the deep veins) | 3.0 points |
| • PE as or more likely than an alternative diagnosis | 3.0 points |
| • Heart rate greater than 100 | 1.5 points |
| • Immobilization or surgery in the previous 4 weeks | 1.5 points |
| • Previous DVT/PE | 1.5 points |
| • Hemoptysis | 1.0 points |
| • Malignancy (on treatment, treated in the last 6 months or palliative) | 1.0 points |

Low probability: <2.0; moderate probability: 2.0–6.0; high probability: >6.0.