

Cost-effectiveness and services for cardio vascular disease

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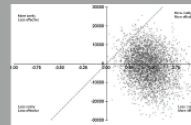
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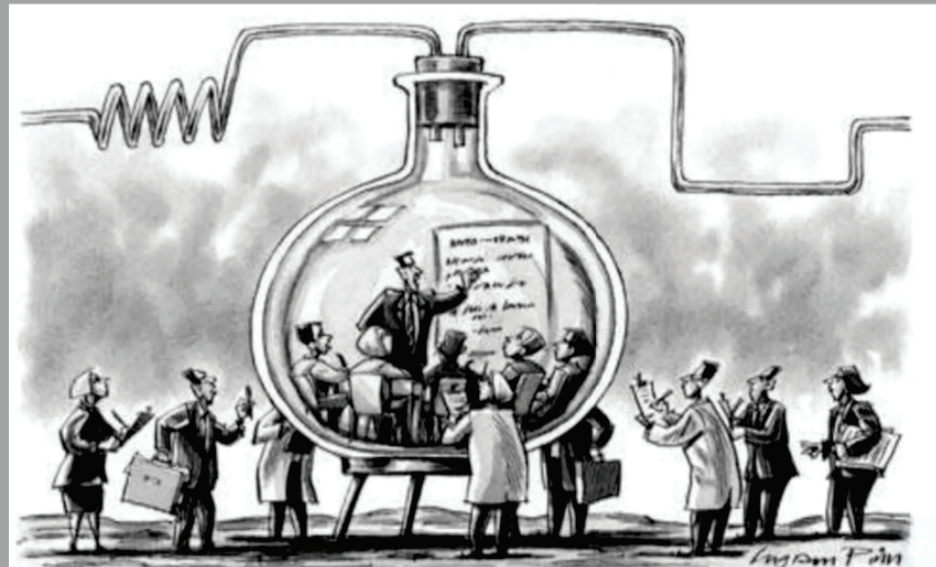


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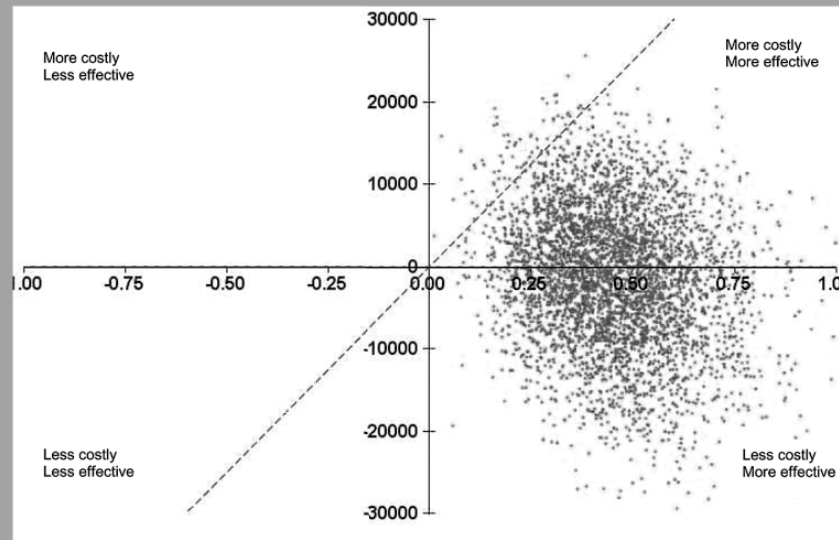
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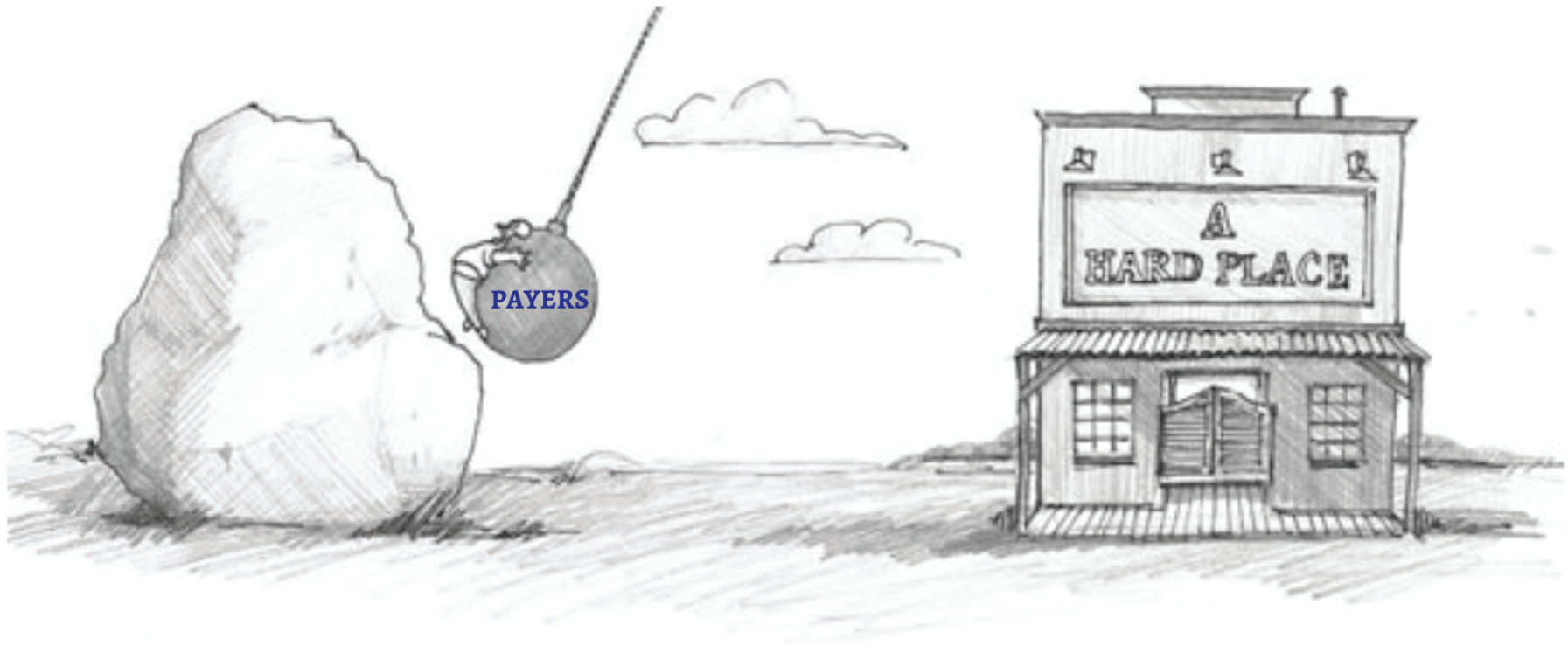
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1 Why economics matters



SCARCITY OF RESOURCES



new demand + new supply

health budgets are finite

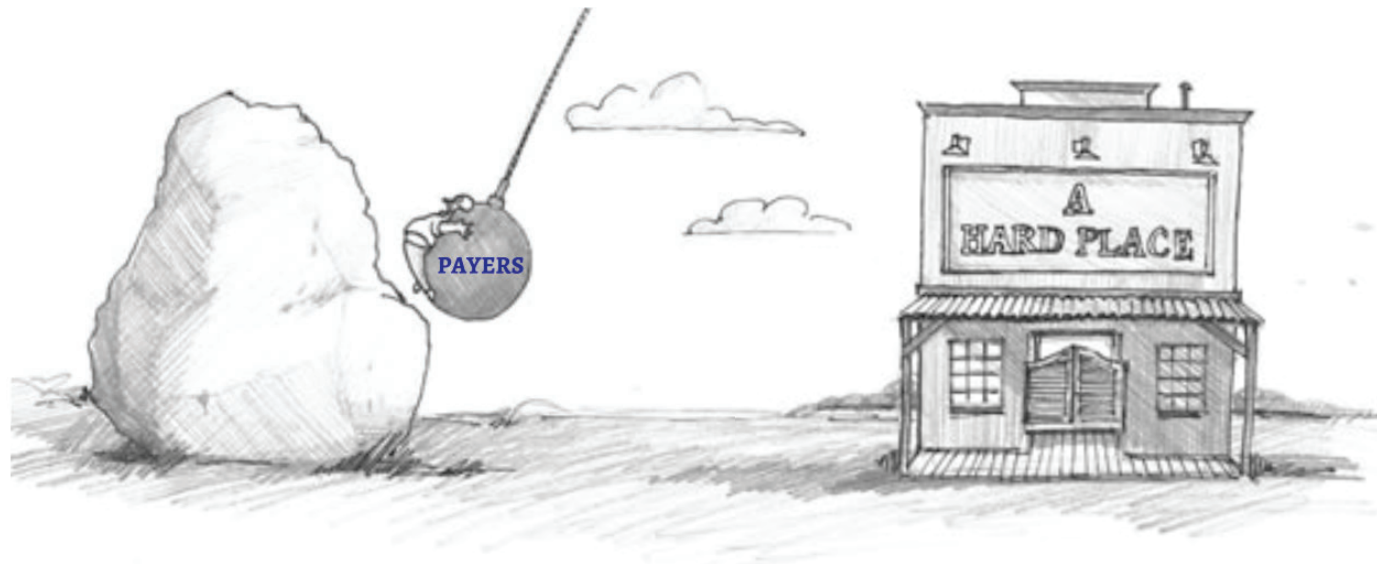
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Concentrate Resources on High Value Activities

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SCARCITY OF RESOURCES





Must respond to scarcity of resources

Interventions to reduce risk of nosocomial infection

Primary prevention of T2 diabetes



proton beam therapy

New therapies for CVD

Must respond to scarcity of resources

Specialist clinics for chronic wounds

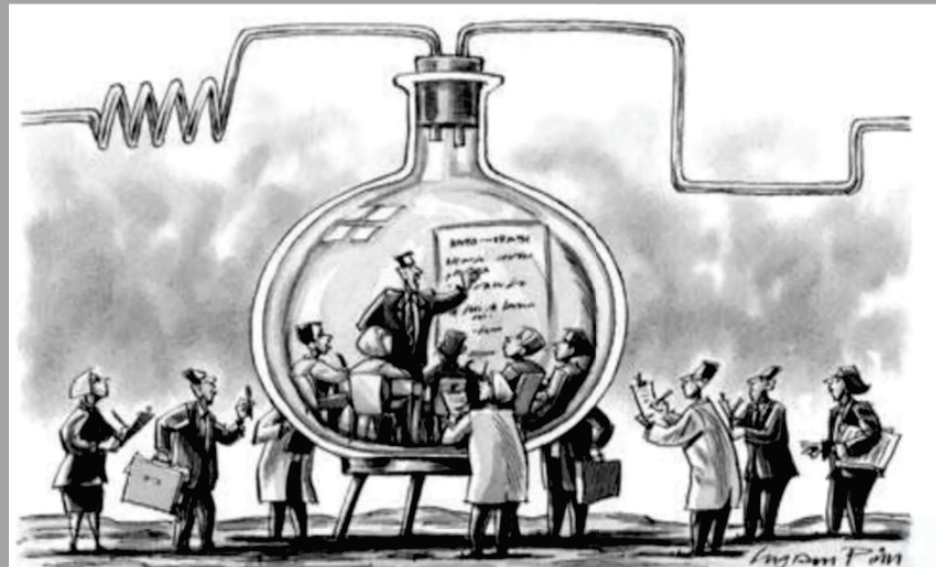
Robot for orthopaedic surgery

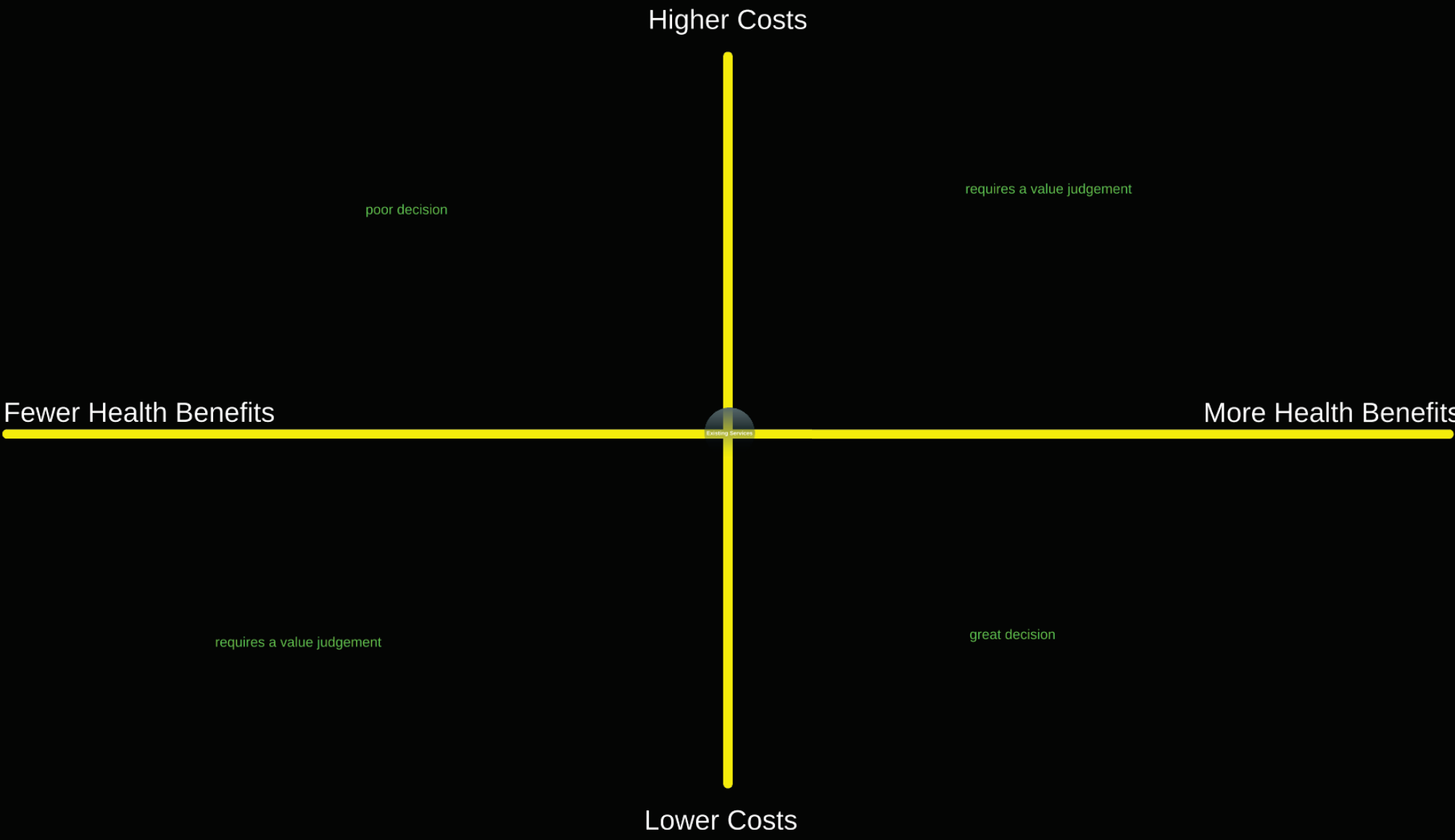
Whole exome sequencing to diagnose rare diseases

Reiki and Homeopathy for renal failure

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The tools that are used







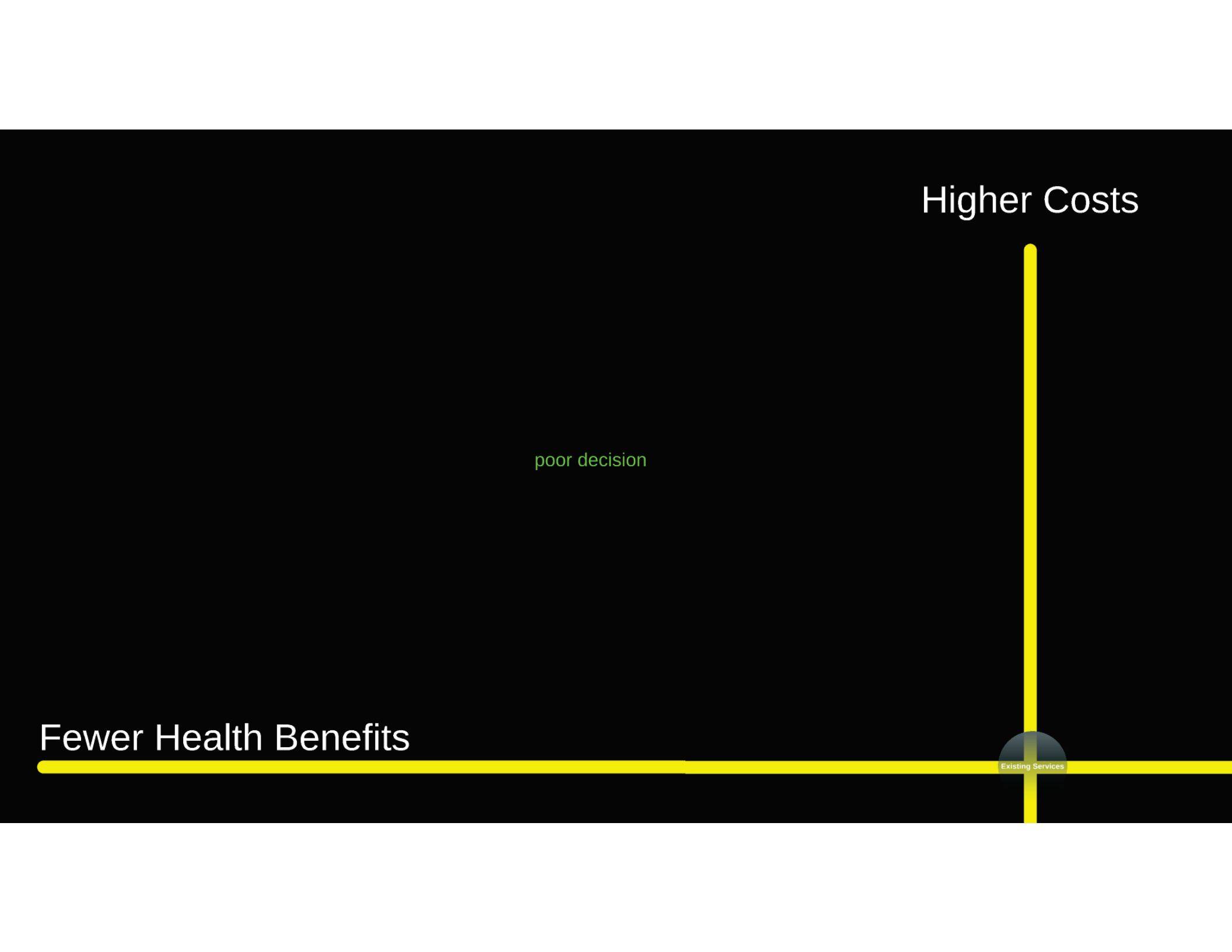
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Higher Costs

poor decision

Fewer Health Benefits

Existing Services



More Health Benefits

Existing Services

great decision

Lower Costs

Higher Costs

requires a value judgement

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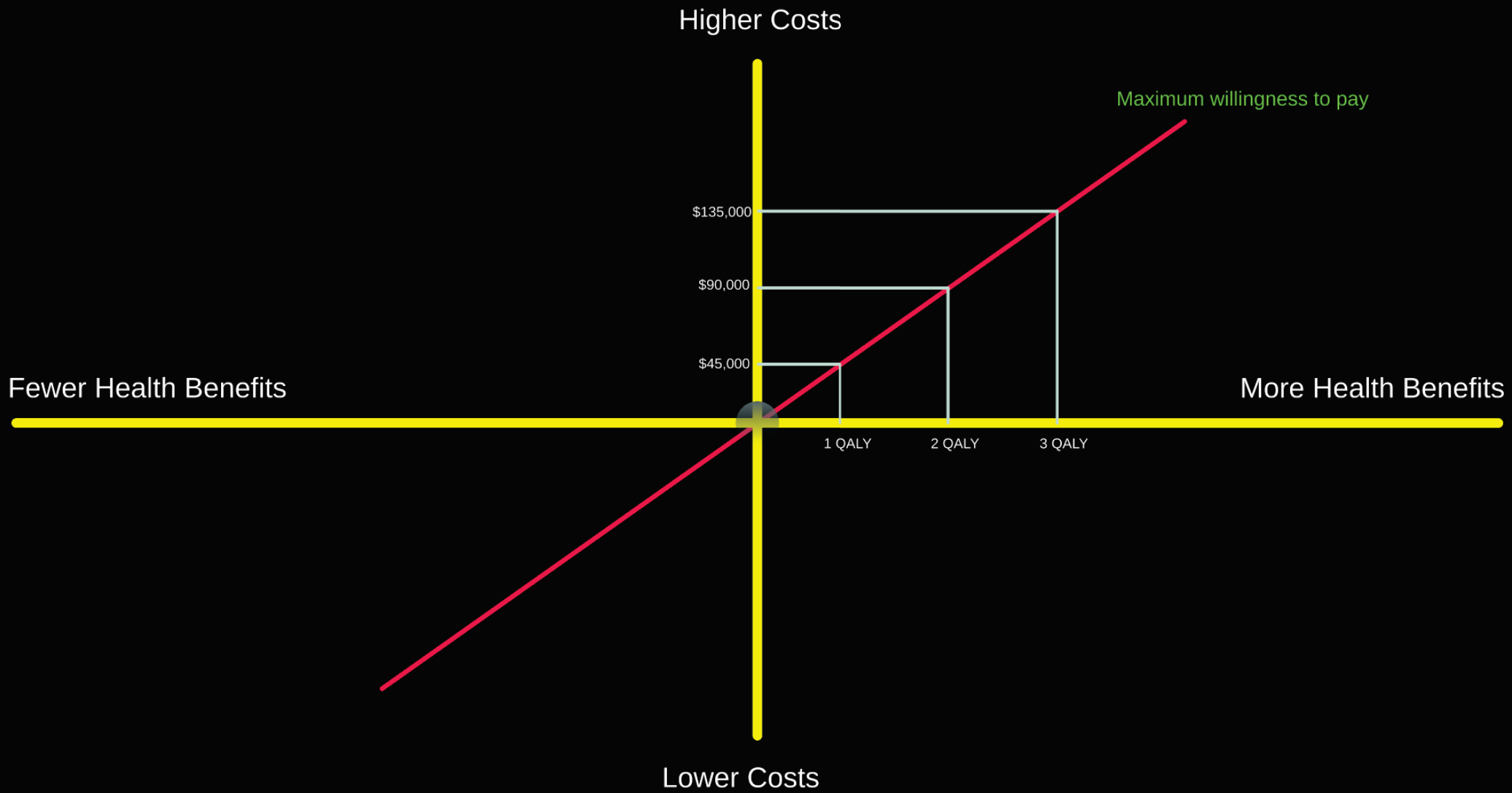
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Extra costs to provide new therapy or service
+
Downstream effects on use of services (+ or -)

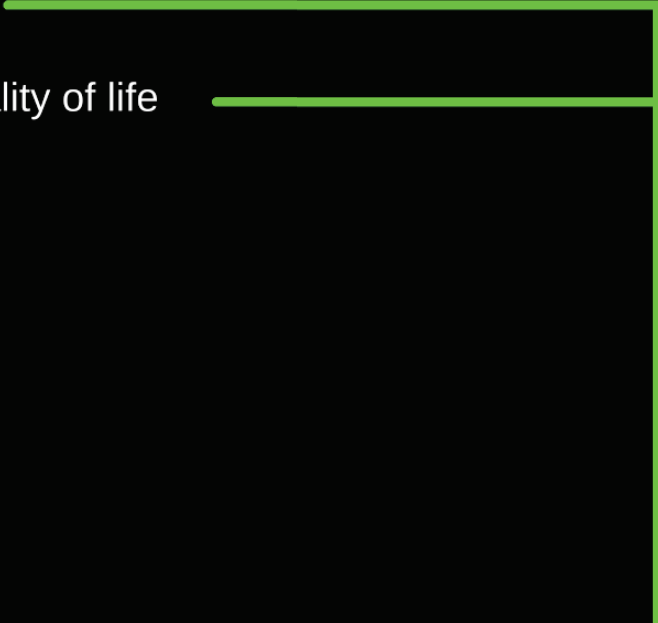


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- Duration of life
 - Value of the quality of life
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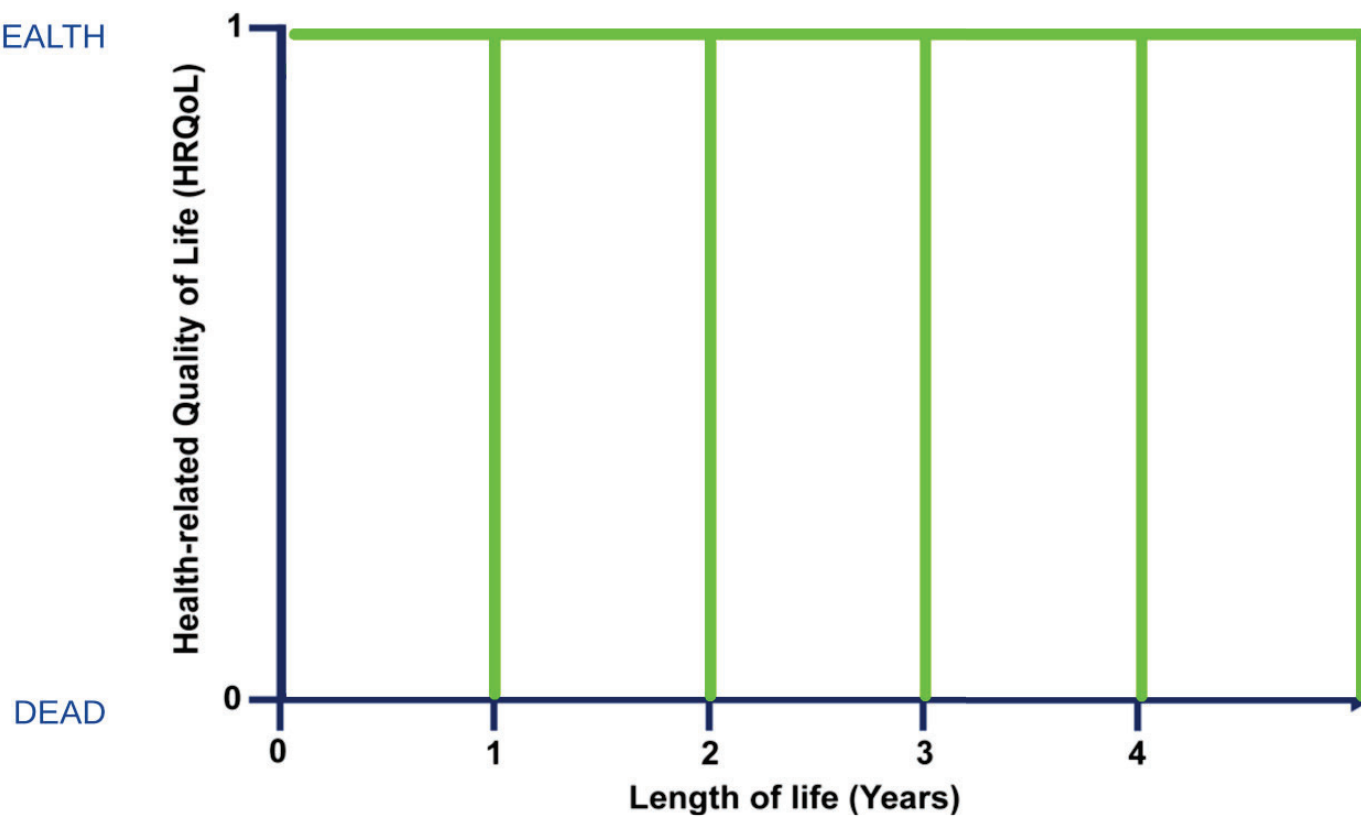
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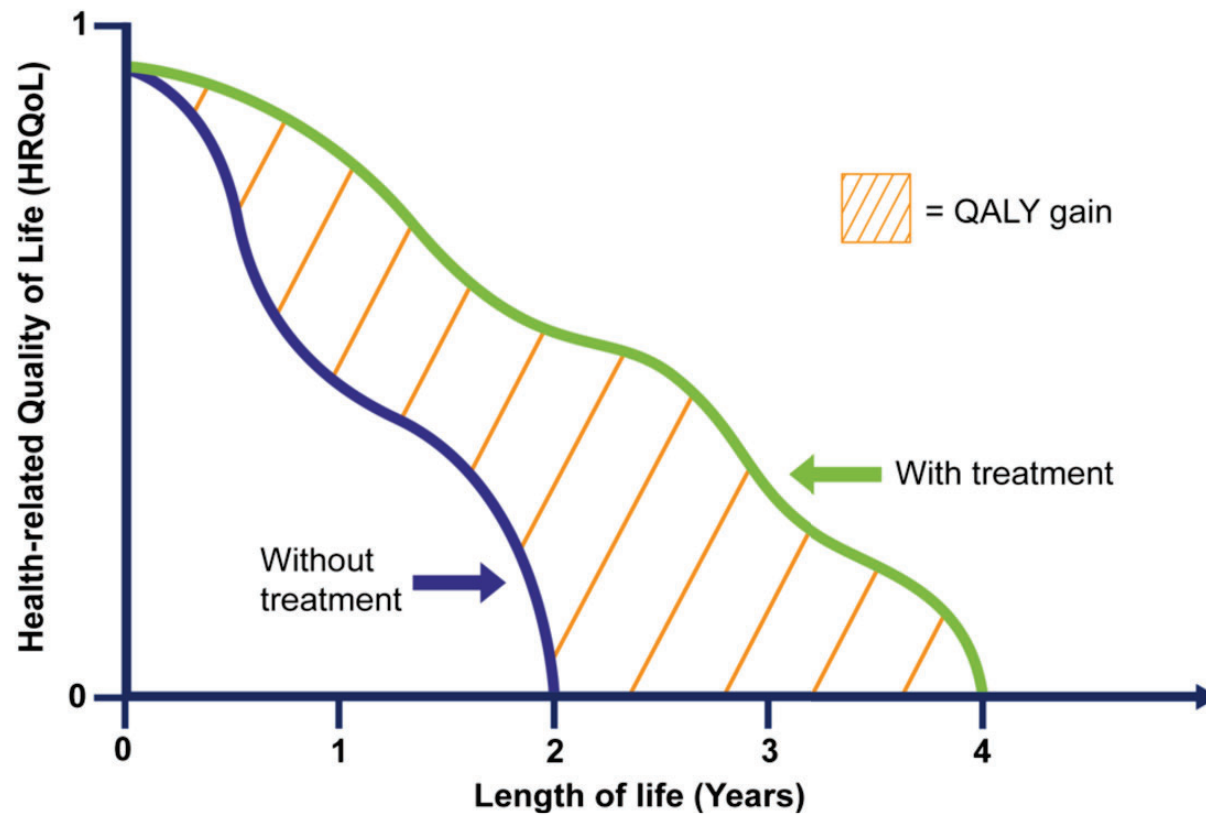


QALY
Quality Adjusted Life Year

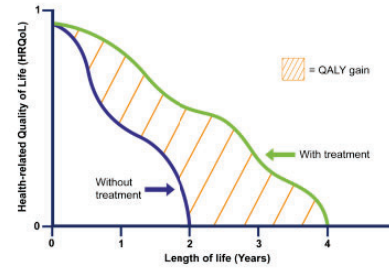
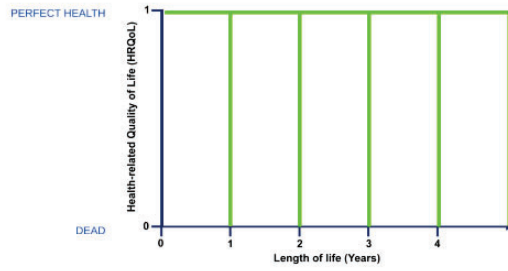
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PERFECT HEALTH

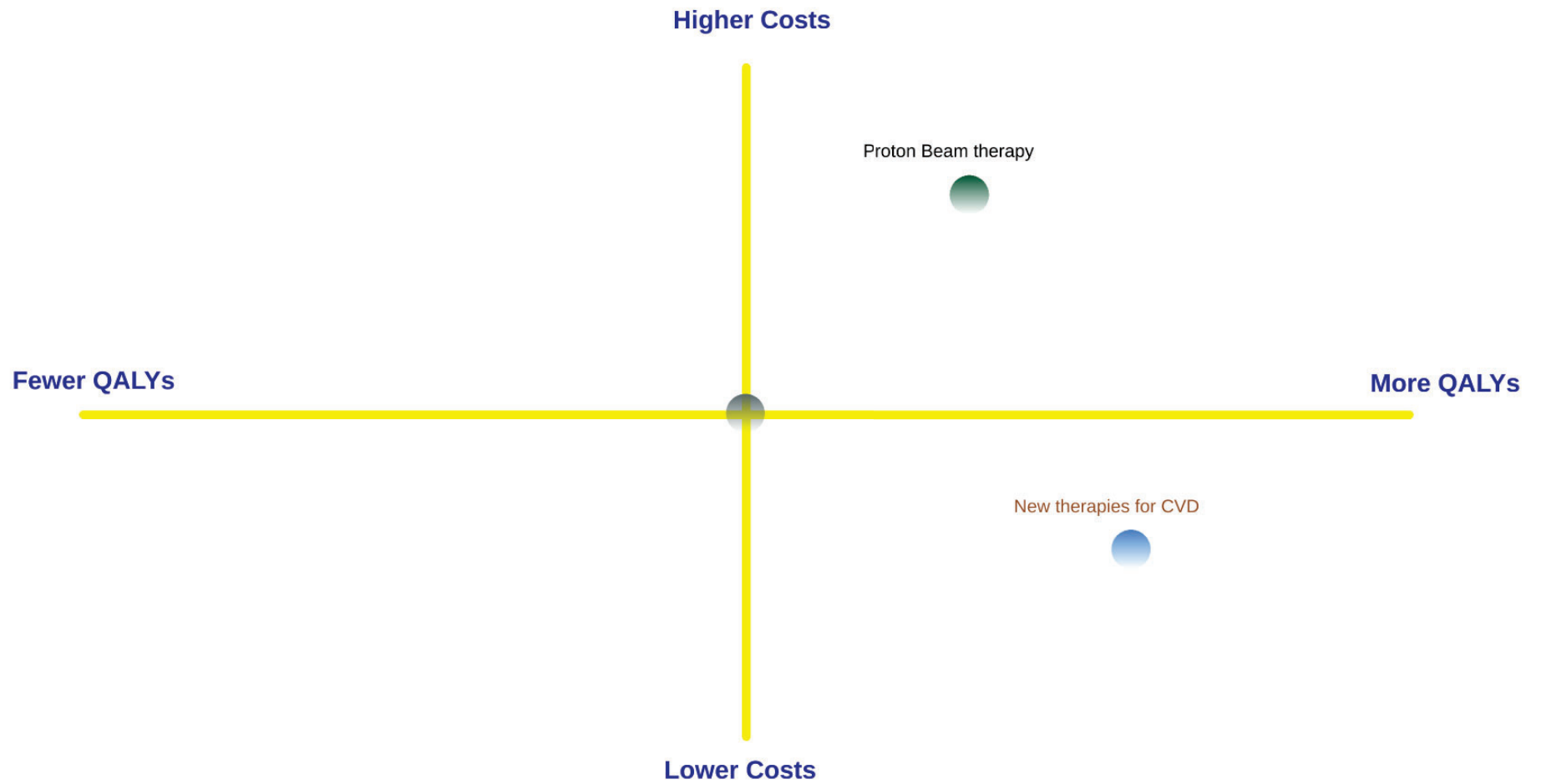


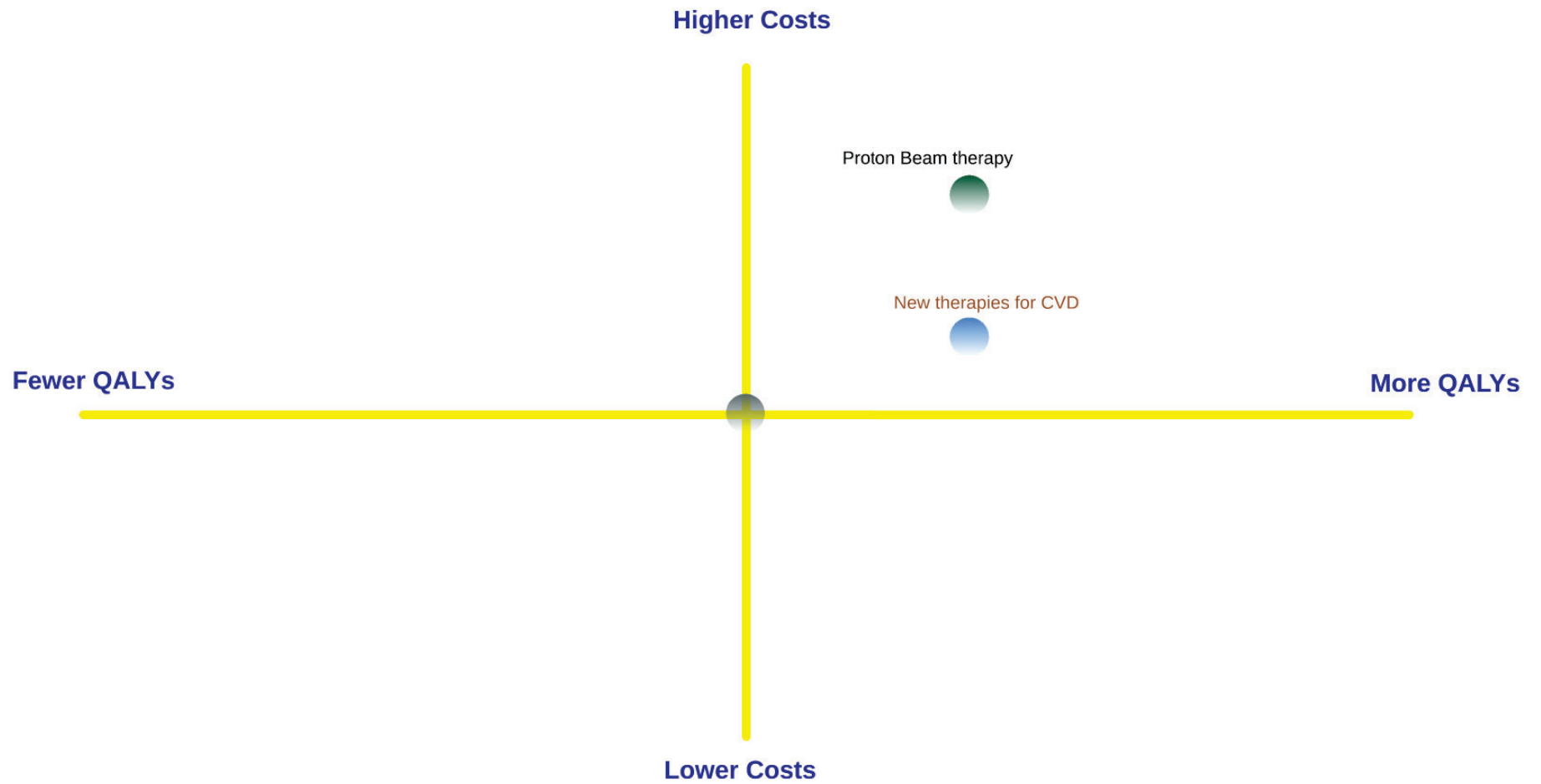


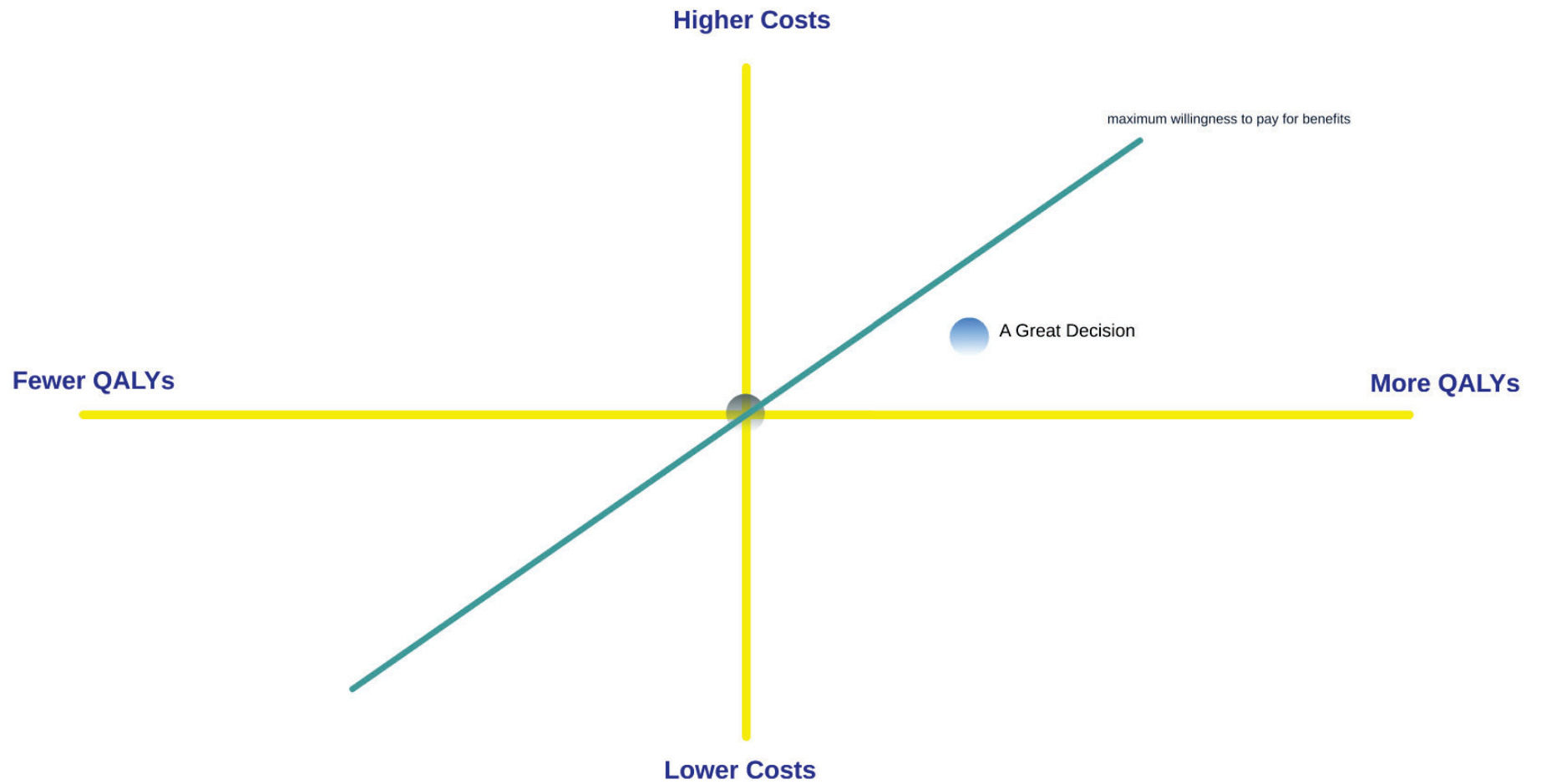
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Heath Benefits shown by QALY gains from avoided morbidity & mortality









For Debate . . .

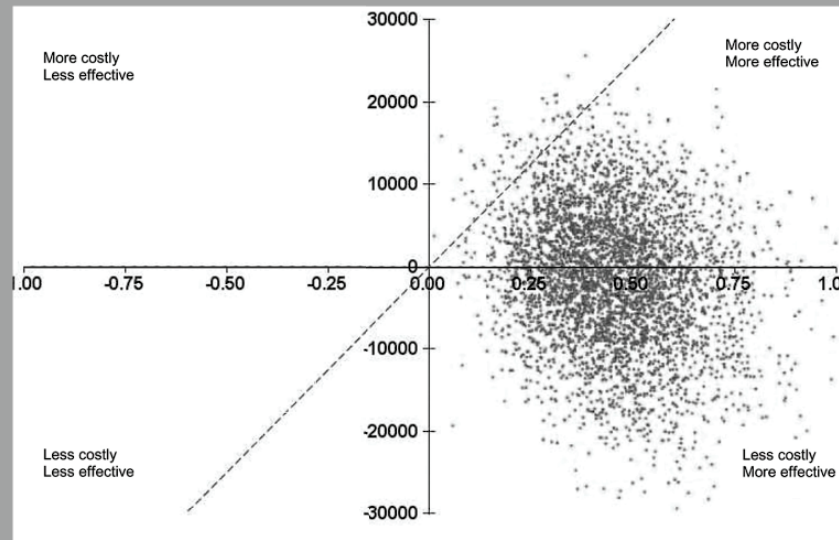
Economics of coronary artery bypass grafting

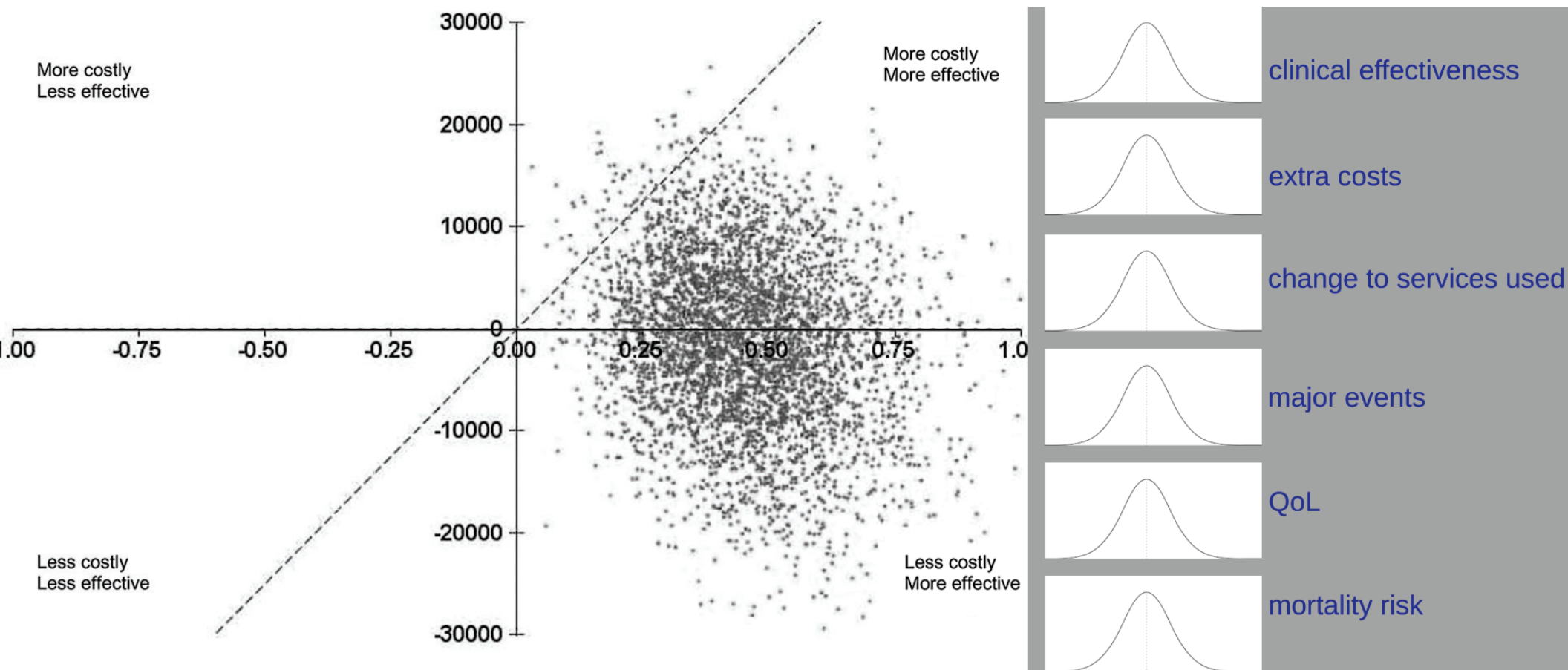
ALAN WILLIAMS

"Procedures should be ranked so that activities that generate more gains to health for every \$ of resources used take priority over those that generate less; thus the general standard of health in the community would be correspondingly higher"

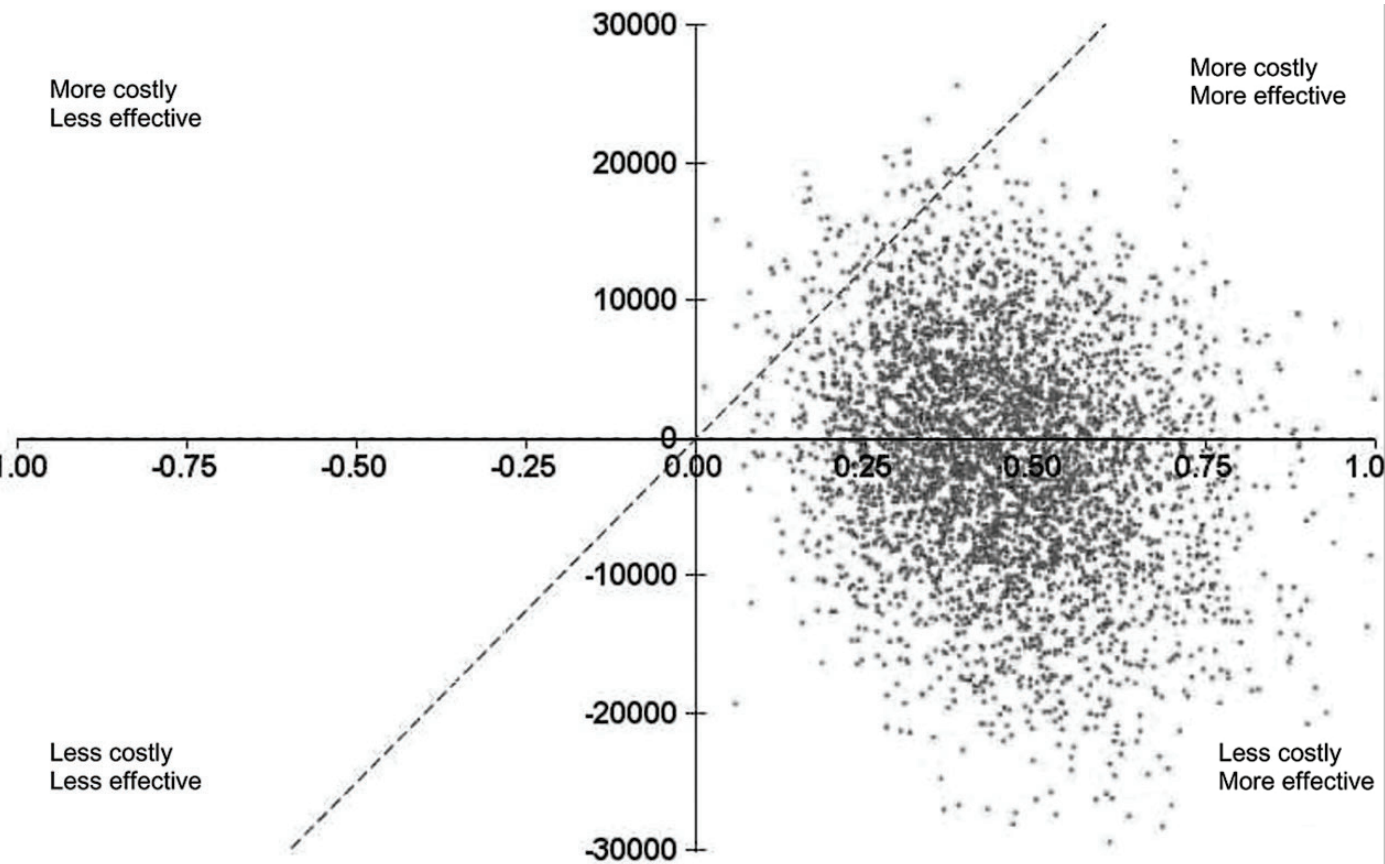
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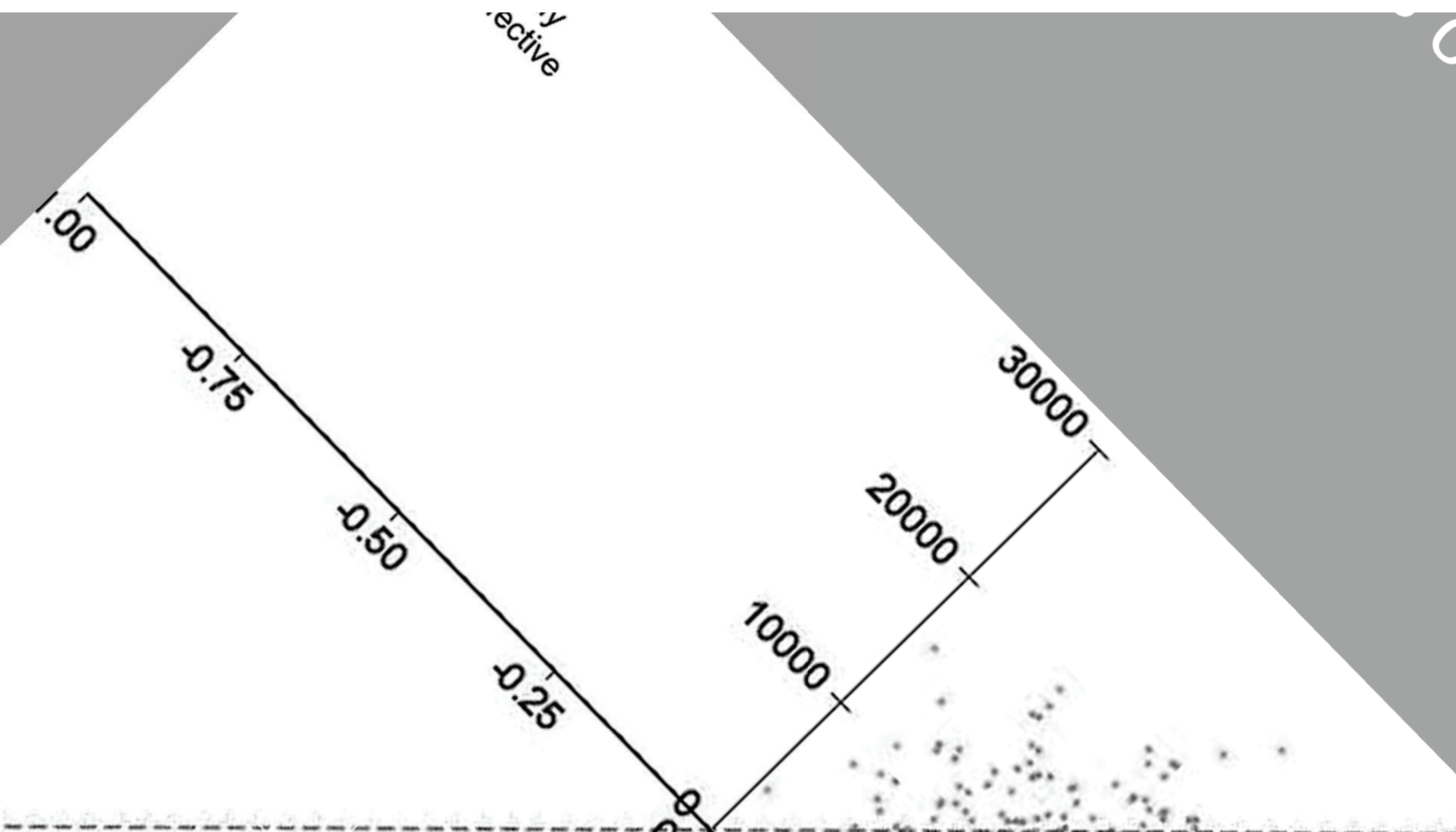
Evidence can be synthesised from many sources
Simulate thousands of possible versions of all outcomes

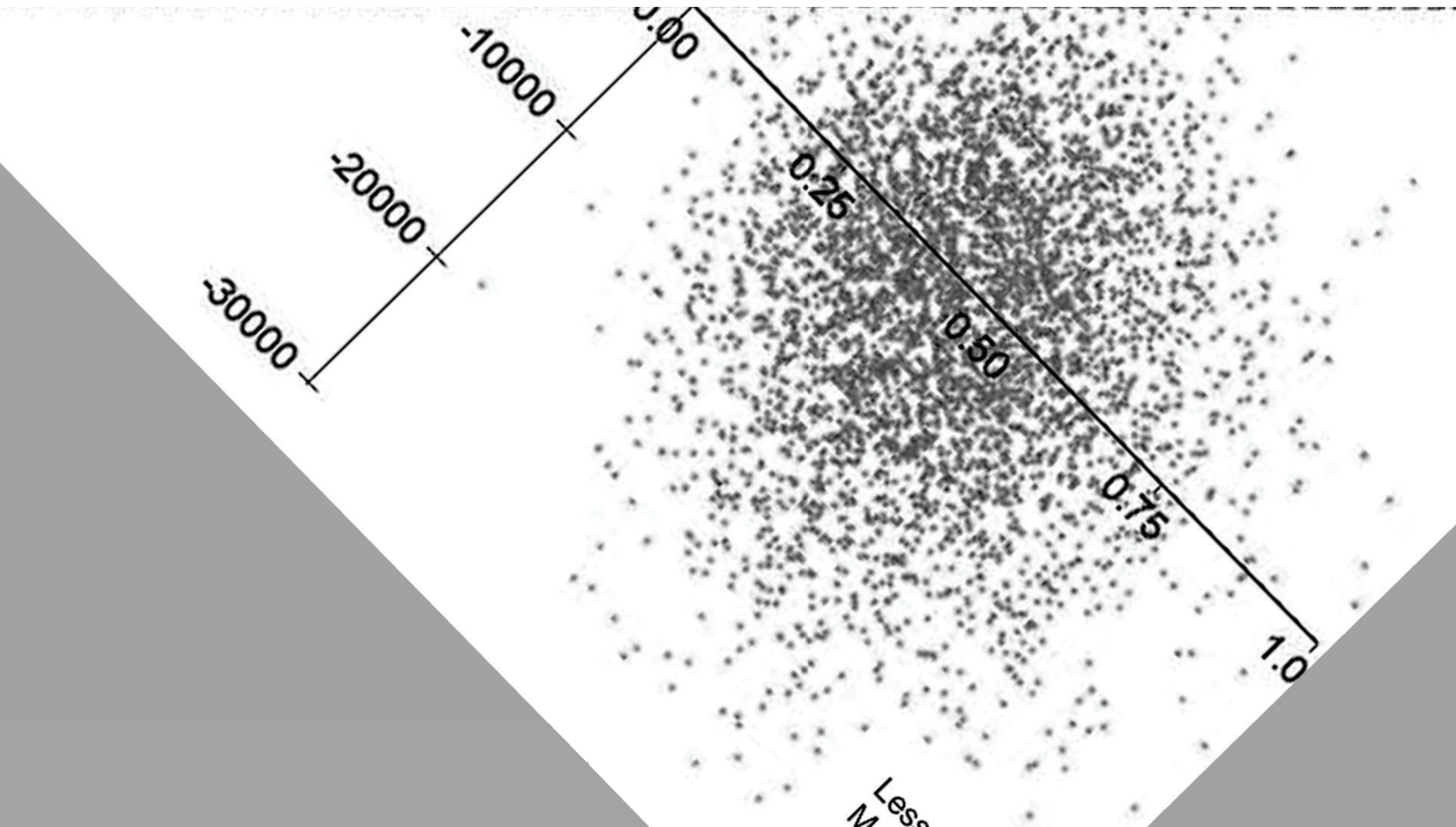


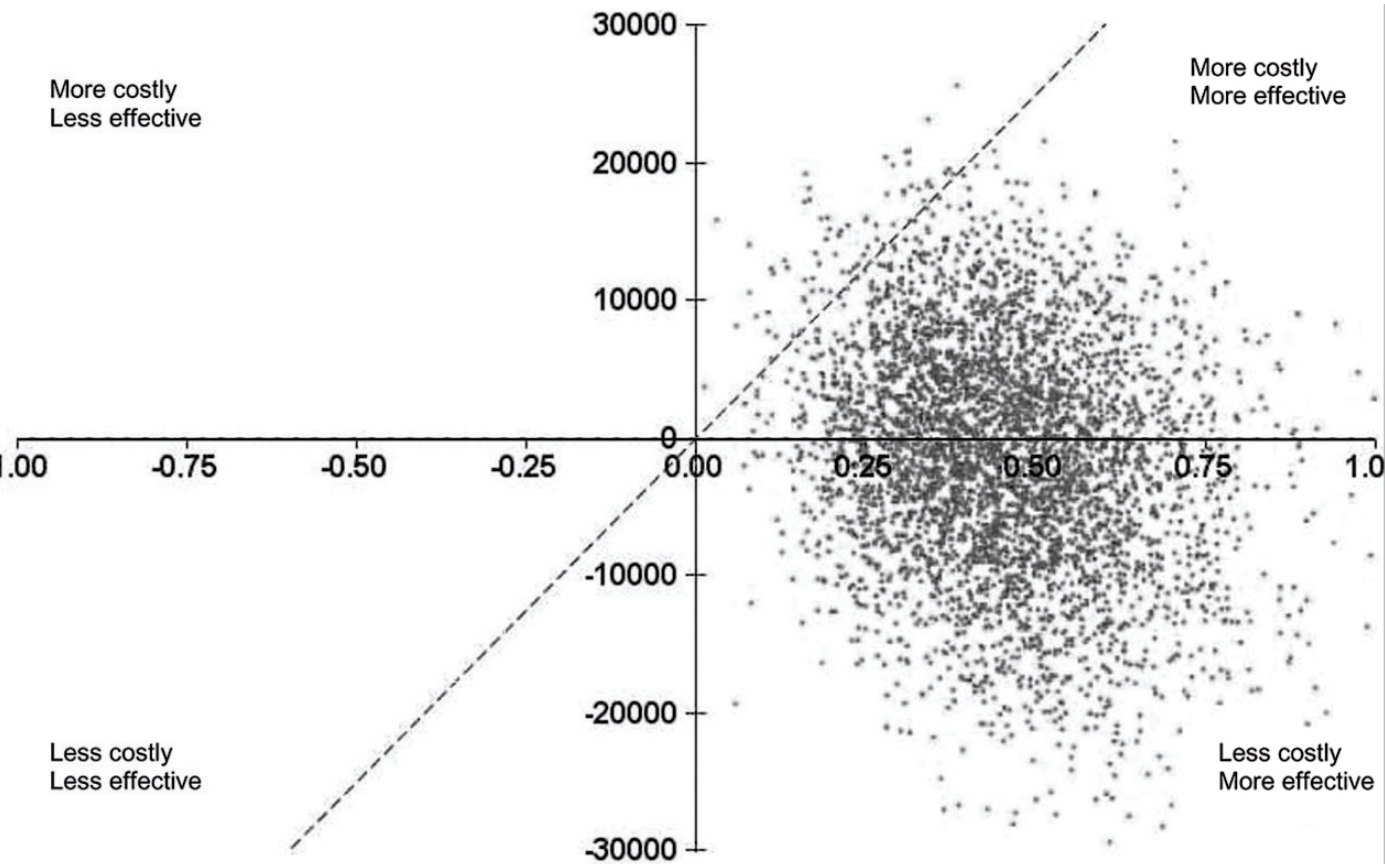
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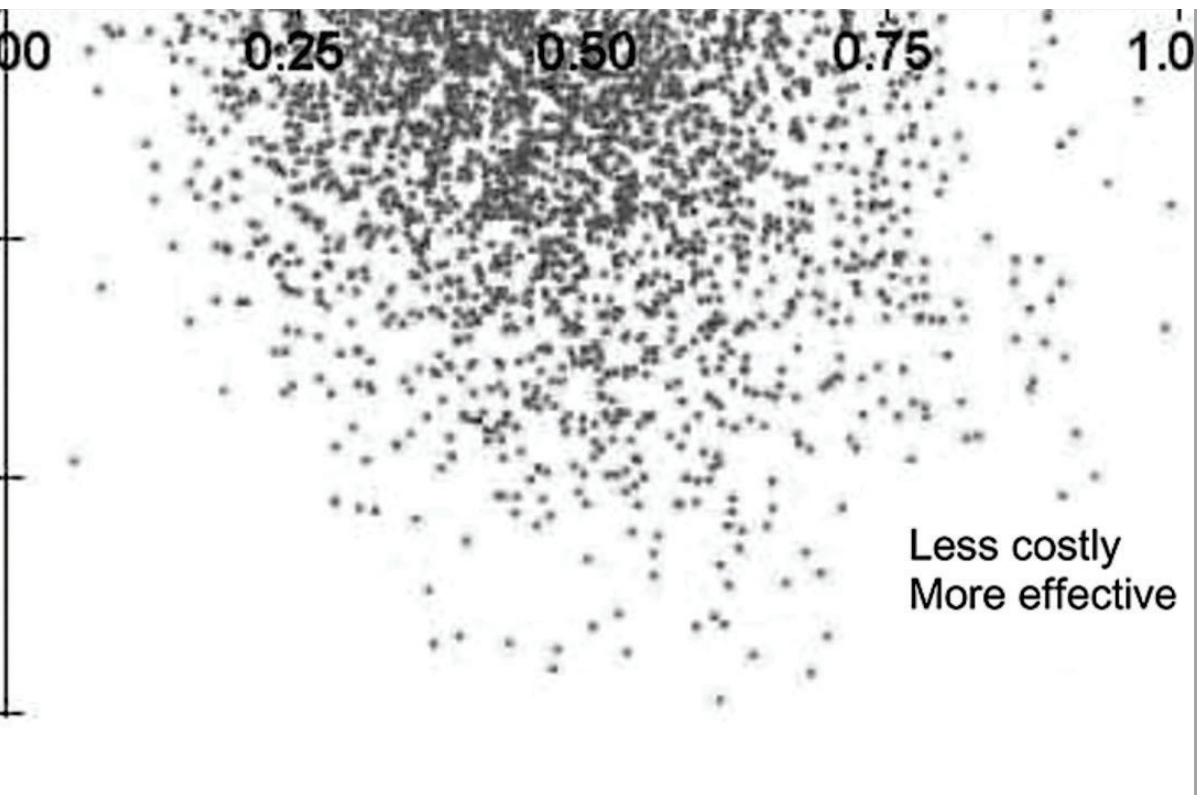




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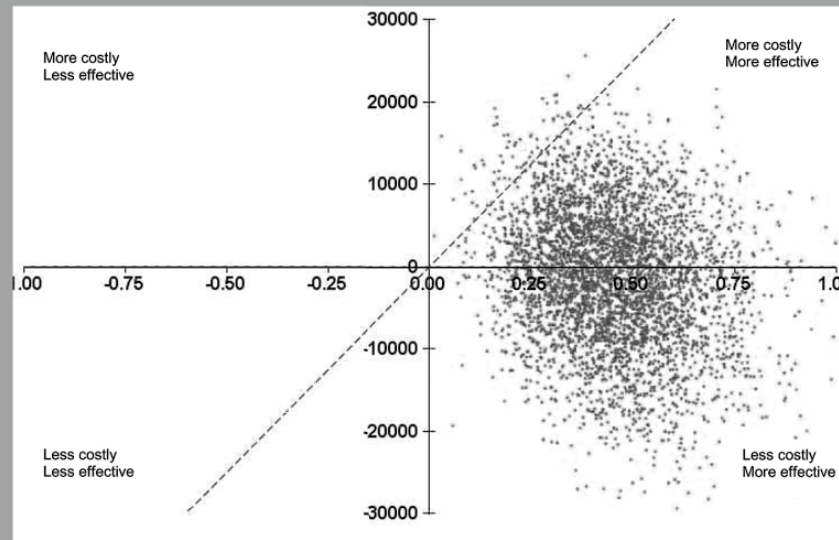
Logically

If the probability adoption was cost effective >50% *ADOPT*

If the probability adoption was not cost effective >50% *REJECT*

3

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Based on current (uncertain) information about the disease and treatments



We will make statements about the probability that adoption of a new treatment will be cost-effective



Against a stated threshold of "value for money" in a decision making jurisdiction



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Published Studies

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Original research

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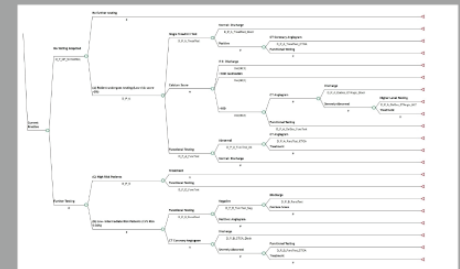
To evaluate change to costs from a novel diagnostic pathway for referrals to cardiology outpatients with symptoms of chest pain.

All new referrals to OP (n=10,622) for 2017

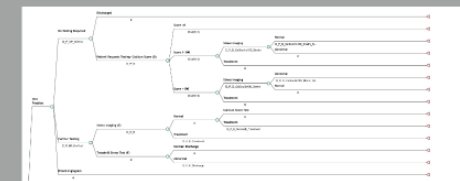
Current practice vs New practice

Outcomes will be similar.

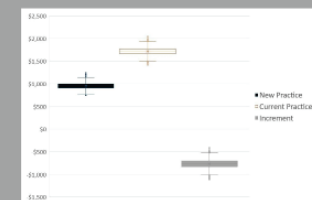
Costs will be saved.



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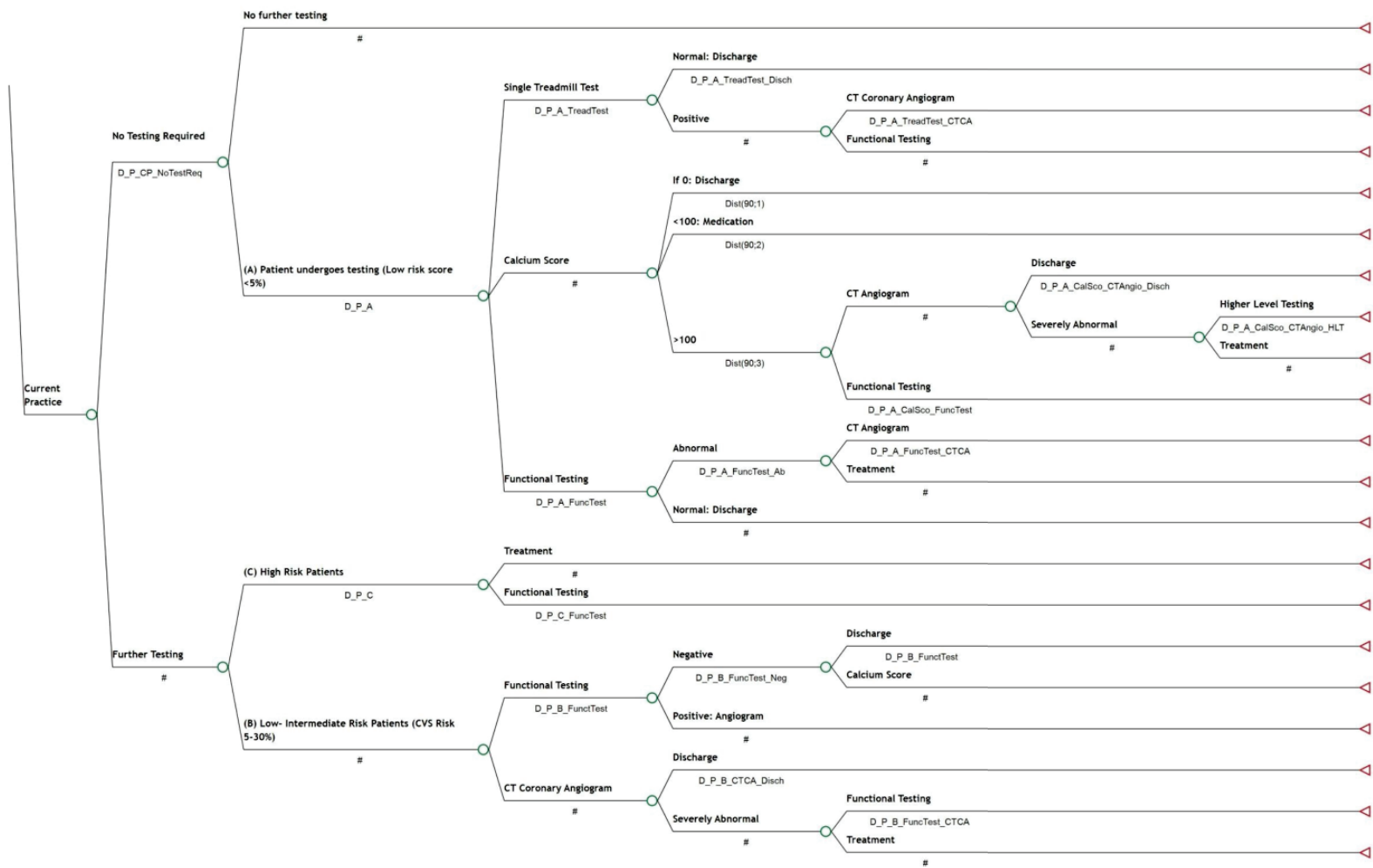


some offered angiogram directly and for low-risk patients a calcium score is used to refine risk stratification.

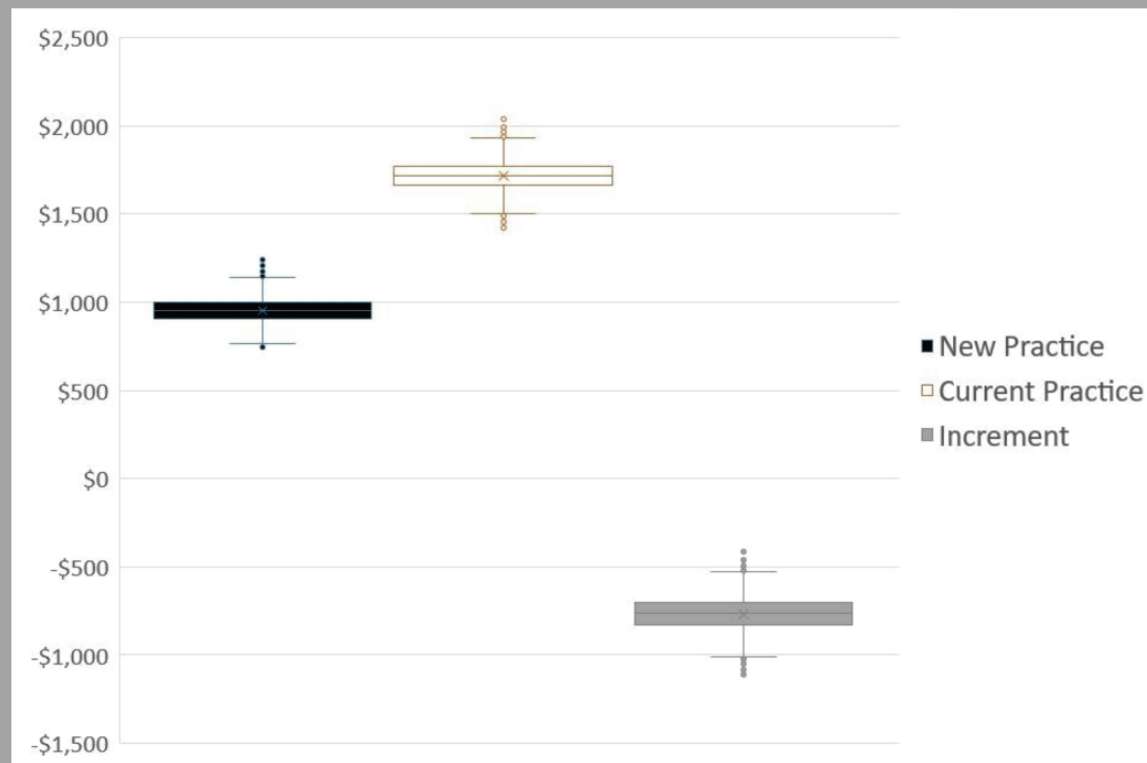


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Invasive CABG & PCI frequently used as a starting treatment, yet they are much more costly than optimal medical therapy.

We used existing data on

OMT (n=19,467, 81.9%)

PCI (n=3,205, 13.5%)

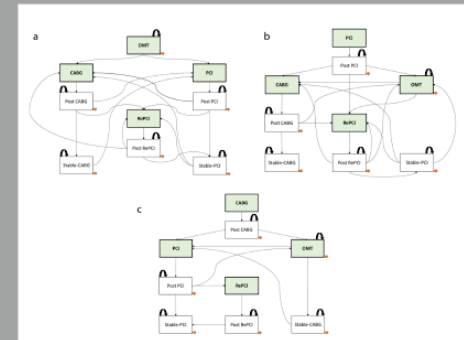
CABG (n=1,102, 4.6%)

Model costs and QALY outcomes for 'Existing Practice' vs. 'Recommeneded' policy

RECOMMENDED

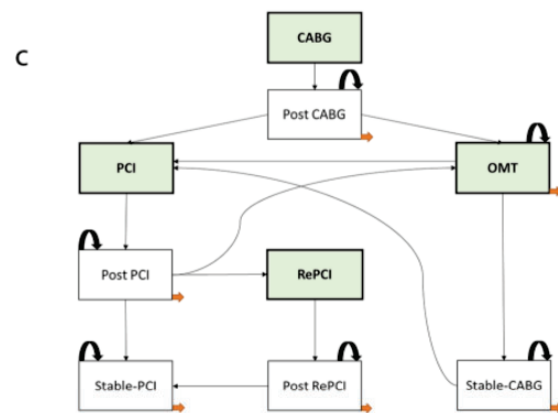
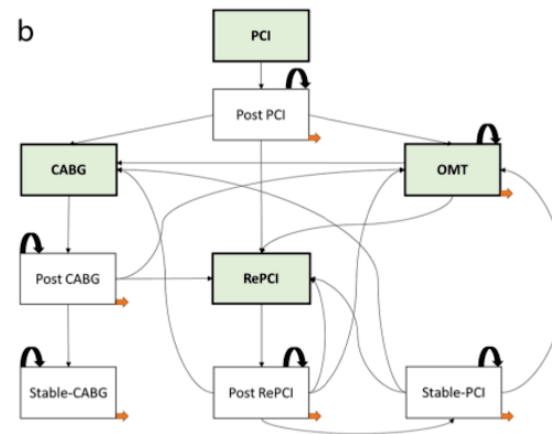
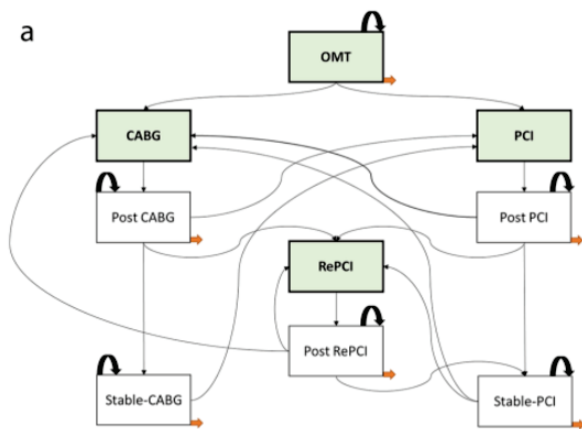
14% suitable for CABG and 86% OMT.

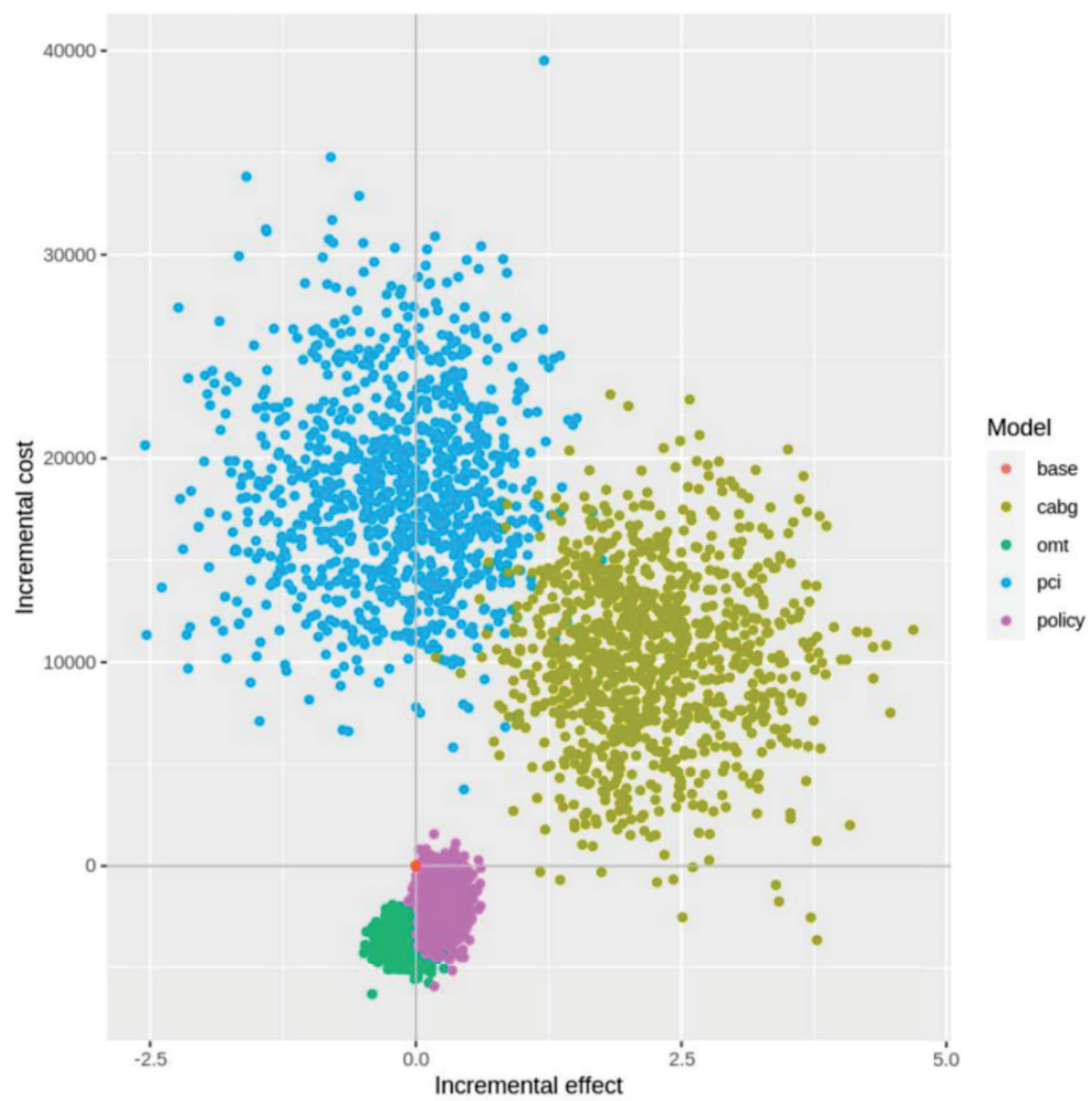
Zero patients stent PCI as the starting treatment.

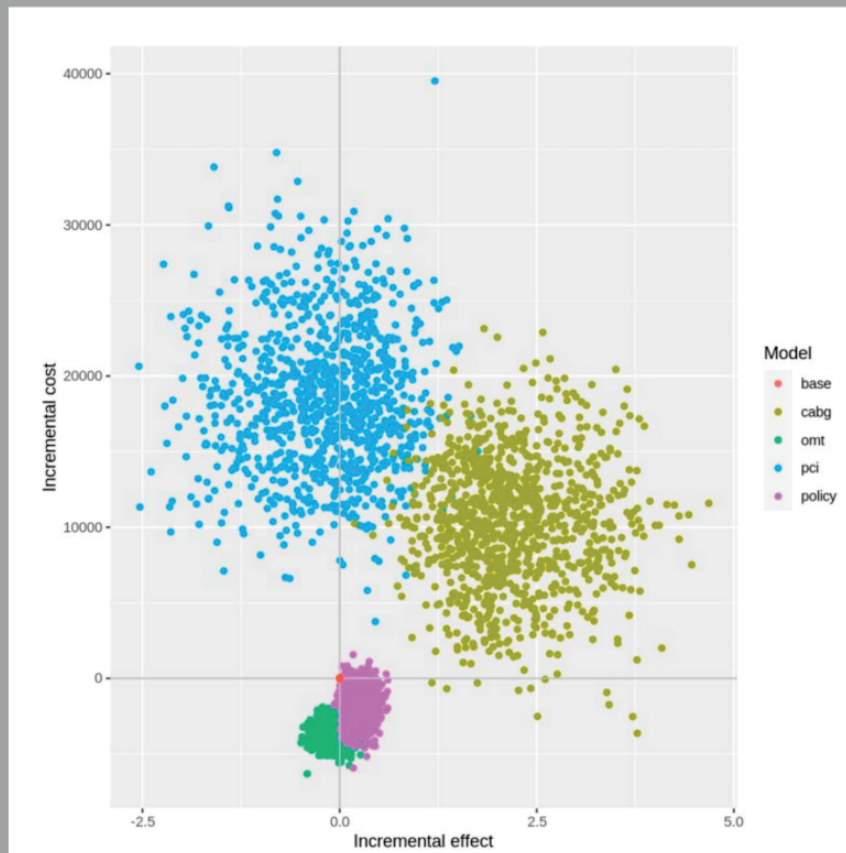


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Planned Studies

Cardiovascular Disease ENational Collaborative
Enterprise (**CADENCE**)

National Clinical Translational Program (**NCTP**)

JOINT PLATFORM 1

DATA, IMAGING & TISSUE
REPOSITORY

*Leads - NHCS, NUHCS, A*STAR*
(Input from MOH, TTSH, CGH, SKH,
NTFGH, IHiS, NTU, Duke-NUS, NUS)

JOINT PLATFORM 2

EARLY PHASE MECHANISTIC
CLINICAL TRIALS

Leads - NHCS, NUHCS, TTSH
(Input from CGH, SKH, NTFGH,
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JOINT PLATFORM 3

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE, DIGITAL
HEALTH & HUMAN POTENTIAL

Leads - LKCMed, NUS, SGH
(Input from NHCS, NUHCS, TTSH,
CGH, SKH, NTFGH, A*STAR)

1

Increasing interest in detecting cancer therapy-associated cardiac dysfunction (CRTCD) early so that the patient can receive appropriate heart failure treatment.

Clinical trial and economic evaluation of AI Point-of-Care Echocardiographic Imaging Solution for early detection.

2

For participants receiving lipid-lowering medication with suboptimal LDL-c control.

Intervention: Human coach-supported digital personal health assistant (App intervention)

Comparator: Standard care (Prescription of a statin without additional effort to support adherence)

Randomised clinical trial and economic evaluation

3

Understanding the economics of existing heart failure medical therapies.

The objective is to assess the cost-effectiveness of a decision to adopt 'quadruple therapy' for patients with heart failure with reduced ejection fraction in Singapore as compared to existing practice, which comprises triple therapy or less.

Thanks For Listening

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