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(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to a method of identifying a subject being susceptible to a cardiac intervention based on the determination of GDF- 15 in a sample of a subject in need of a cardiac intervention. Moreover, the present invention pertains to a method for predicting the risk of mortality or a further acute cardiovascular event for a subject suffering from a cardiovascular complication based on the determination of GDF- 15 and a natriuretic peptide and/or a cardiac Troponin in a sample the said subject. Also encompassed by the present invention are devices and kits for carrying out the aforementioned methods.

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