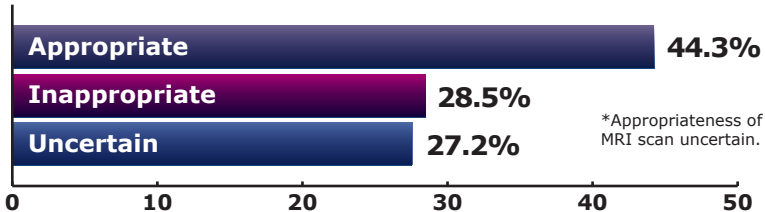


MRI for Back Pain: Not So Fast

An expert panel evaluated 1,000 hospital requests for magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) scans of the lower back, judging less than half to be appropriate:



SOURCE: Emery D, et al. Overuse of magnetic resonance imaging. *Arch Int Med*, March 25, 2013 (epub ahead of print).