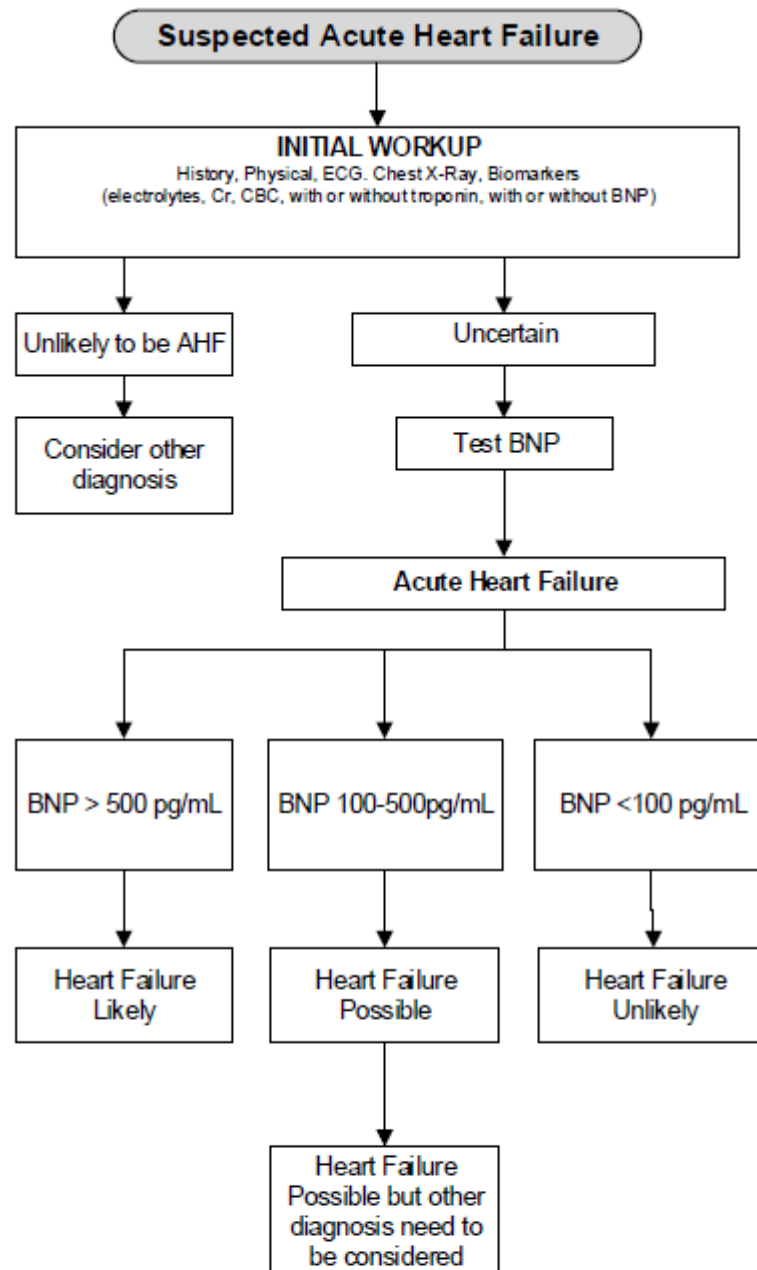


Algorithm for rule in and rule out Acute Heart Failure by BNP test.



*BNP should be interpreted with caution in patients in atrial fibrillation in the acute setting as baseline values tend to be higher, relative to patients in sinus rhythm, and there are not well established cut offs to rule in or out acute heart failure in patients in atrial fibrillation.

** BNP levels can be falsely elevated in patients taking sacubitril/valsartan (Entresto) and that the preferred test for these patients is Nt-proBNP, which would require special authorization to be sent out of province for processing.