Fontaine Classification

Peripheral artery disease of the legs · stages I to IV by symptoms

I	**Asymptomatic** (with demonstrable disease)
IIa	**Mild intermittent claudication** (> 200 m)
IIb	**Moderate to severe claudication** (< 200 m)
III	**Ischemic rest pain**
IV	**Ulcer or gangrene** (tissue loss)

I - II	III - IV	Equivalent
Milder disease: conservative management	Critical limb ischemia: risk of limb loss	Rutherford categories (more steps)

Claudication is exertional pain (stage II) · rest pain (stage III) is already critical ischemia