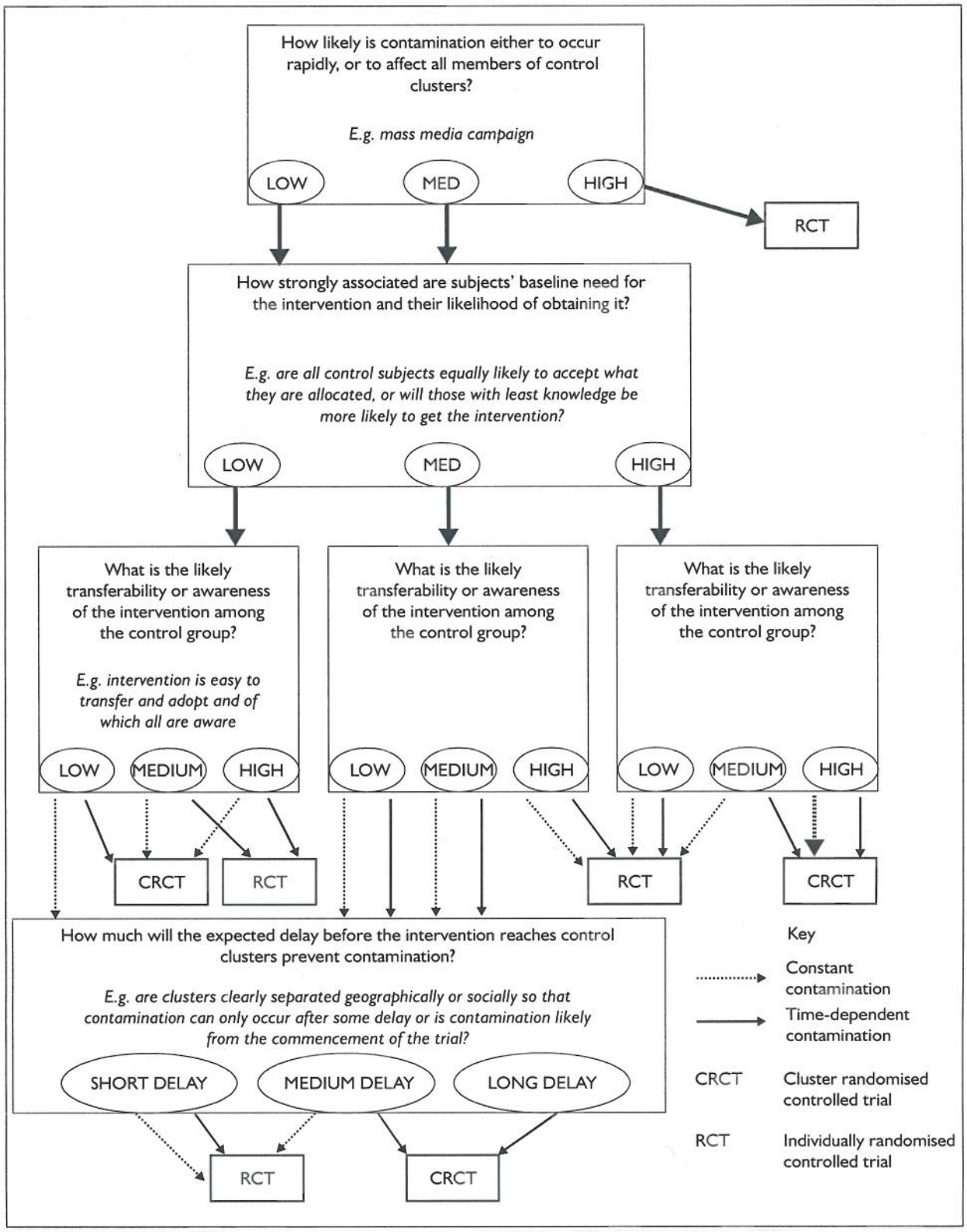
How likely is contamination either to occur rapidly, or to affect all members of control clusters?
E.g. mass media campaign
LOW
MED
HIGH
RCT
How strongly associated are subjects' baseline need for the intervention and their likelihood of obtaining it?
E.g. are all control subjects equally likely to accept what they are allocated, or will those with least knowledge be more likely to get the intervention?
LOW
MED
HIGH
What is the likely transferability or awareness of the intervention among the control group?
E.g. intervention is easy to transfer and adopt and of which all are aware
LOW
MEDIUM
HIGH
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What is the likely transferability or awareness of the intervention among the control group?
LOW
MEDIUM
HIGH
CRCT
RCT
RCT
CRCT
How much will the expected delay before the intervention reaches control clusters prevent contamination?
E.g. are clusters clearly separated geographically or socially so that contamination can only occur after some delay or is contamination likely from the commencement of the trial?
SHORT DELAY
MEDIUM DELAY
LONG DELAY
RCT
CRCT
Key
Constant contamination
Time-dependent contamination
CRCT Cluster randomised controlled trial
RCT Individually randomised controlled trial