

## Rheumatological Diseases

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## Rheumatological Diseases

<u>Disease</u>	<u>Autoantibody</u>
Systemic Lupus Erythematosus	Anti-dsDNA, Anti-SM
Rheumatoid Arthritis	RF, Anti-RA33
Sjogrens Syndrome	Anti-Ro(SS-A), Anti-La(SS-B)
Systemic Sclerosis	Anti-Scl-70, Anti-centromere
Polymyositis/Dermatomyositis	Anti-Jo-1
Mixed Connective Tissue Disease	Anti-U1-RNP
Wegener's Granulomatosis	c-ANCA

## Systemic Lupus Erythematosus

- General
  - autoimmune multisystem disease
  - prevalence 1 in 2,000
  - 9 to 1; female to male (1 in 700)
  - peak age 15-25
  - immune complex deposition

## Systemic Lupus Erythematosus

- Common complaints and presentations
  - Fever
  - Malaise
  - Joint pains
  - Myalgias
  - Fatigue
  - Loss of cognitive abilities

## Systemic Lupus Erythematosus


- Dermatological Manifestations
  - 40-60 % present with some derm symptom
  - 30 – 60 % of them as a malar rash
  - Photodermatitis
  - Discoid lupus -
  - Alopecia
  - Mucosal ulcers

## Systemic Lupus Erythematosus

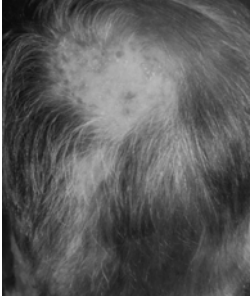
The images illustrate common dermatological manifestations of Systemic Lupus Erythematosus (SLE). The top row shows three different views of a patient's face, highlighting characteristic malar rashes (butterfly-shaped rashes on the cheeks) and photodermatitis. The bottom row shows two views of the oral cavity, illustrating mucosal ulcers, which are common in SLE.

**Systemic Lupus Erythematosus**

- Discoid Lupus: Cutaneous manifestations
- Scar upon healing




**Systemic Lupus Erythematosus**



**Systemic Lupus Erythematosus**

- Musculoskeletal Manifestations
  - Joint pains
    - Often small joints – wrist and fingers
    - Not as disabling as RA of hand and wrist
    - Doesn't cause severe destruction of joints

**Systemic Lupus Erythematosus**



**Systemic Lupus Erythematosus**

- Most common cause of death is end organ damage
- 80% of end organ damage is caused by Prednisone

**Systemic Lupus Erythematosus**

End Organ Damage

- Musculoskeletal 25.2%
- Neuropsychiatric 15%
- Ocular 12.6%
- Renal 11.7%
- Pulmonary 10.4%
- Cardiovascular 10.1%
- Gastrointestinal 7.3%
- Skin 7.4%
- Peripheral Vascular 5.5%
- Diabetes Mellitus

## Systemic Lupus Erythematosus

### Exogenous Estrogens

- Estrogen increases autoantibody production
- 2 alpha vs 16 alpha hydroxylation
- Reversing hydroxylation pathway
- Broccoli helps reverse hydroxylation (clinically relevant?)

## Systemic Lupus Erythematosus

### Exogenous Estrogens SELENA Study

- Hormone Replacement Therapy
  - No increase in severe flares
  - 20% increase in overall flares (Lahita 1981)
- Oral Contraceptive Therapy
  - No increase in flares

But 50% of women have aPL

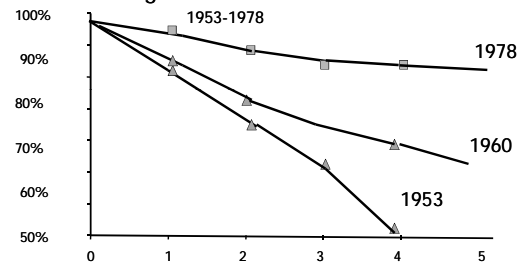
## Systemic Lupus Erythematosus

### Environmental Triggers

- UVA and UVB
- Drugs: Bactrim and Neupogen
- Smoking
- Infections
  - Pets Dogs
  - Lab workers
- Silica
- Mercury

## Systemic Lupus Erythematosus

### Prognosis and Survival



## Anti-Phospholipid Syndrome

- APS occurs either as a primary condition or as a secondary condition in the setting of an underlying disease, particularly disorders in the spectrum of systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE).

## Anti-Phospholipid Syndrome

### Definition:

- Presence in the serum of at least one type of autoantibody known as an antiphospholipid antibody (aPL)
- The occurrence of at least one clinical feature from a diverse list of potential disease manifestations, the most common:
  - venous or arterial thromboses
  - recurrent fetal loss
  - thrombocytopenia



### Rheumatoid Arthritis

- 1% of the population
- Women affected 2-3 X more than men
- Age of onset is 40-50
- Juvenile form

### Rheumatoid Arthritis

- Clinical features
  - Immunological
    - Lymphadenopathy
    - Amyloidosis
  - Haematological
    - Anaemia
  - Skin
    - Rheumatoid nodules
    - Vasculitis

### Rheumatoid Arthritis

- Clinical features
  - Bones and muscles
    - ☐ Muscle weakness
    - ☐ Osteoporosis
  - Eyes
    - ☐ Sjogren's syndrome
    - ☐ Scleritis
  - Nervous system
    - ☐ Peripheral nerve and cord compression

### Rheumatoid Arthritis

BOUTONNIERE AND SWAN-NECK DEFORMITIES

The image shows two rows of diagrams and photographs. The top row is labeled 'Boutonniere deformity' and shows a diagram of a finger joint with a 'Lateral band, volar to axis of motion' and a corresponding photograph of a hand with a boutonniere deformity. The bottom row is labeled 'Swan-neck deformity' and shows a diagram of a finger joint with 'DIP flexion' and 'PIP extension' and a corresponding photograph of a hand with a swan-neck deformity.

### Rheumatoid Arthritis

The image contains four photographs. The top-left photo shows two hands with 'Early RA, Symptomatic thickening of PIP joints and wrists. Deformities minimal.' The top-right photo shows a close-up of a hand with a 'Rheumatoid nodule'. The bottom-left photo shows two hands with 'RA in later stage. Considerable MCP joint thickening, subluxations and ulnar deviation.' The bottom-right photo shows a close-up of a hand with a 'Rheumatoid nodule'.

### Rheumatoid Arthritis

- Clinical features
  - Heart
    - ☐ Acute pericarditis
    - ☐ Endocarditis
    - ☐ Myocarditis
    - ☐ Myocardial infarction
  - Lungs
    - ☐ Pleuritis
    - ☐ Obliterative bronchiolitis
    - ☐ Pulmonary nodules
    - ☐ Interstitial fibrosis

**Rheumatoid Arthritis: Diagnostic Criteria**

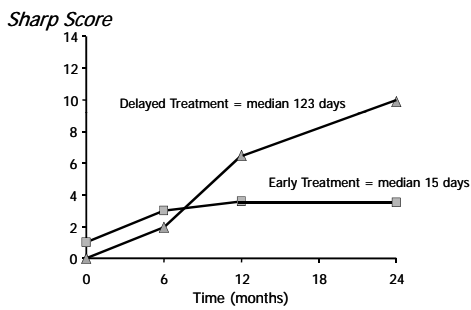
1. Morning stiffness (>1h)
2. Swelling of three or more joints
3. Swelling of hand joints (prox interphalangeal, metacarpophalangeal, or wrist)
4. Symmetric joint swelling
5. Subcutaneous nodules
6. Serum Rheumatoid Factor
7. Radiographic evidence of erosions or periarticular osteopenia in hand or wrists

Criteria 1-4 must have been present continuously for 6 weeks or longer and must be observed by a physician. A diagnosis of rheumatoid arthritis requires that 4 of the 7 criteria are fulfilled.

**Rheumatoid Arthritis: Diagnostic Criteria**

Diagnostic Criteria may be less clinically useful in the face of newer treatment strategies

**Short Delay of Therapy Affected Radiographic Outcome**



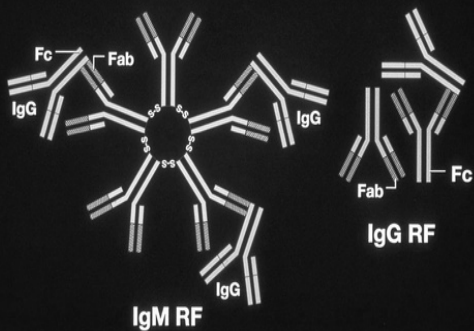
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**Consequences of RA**

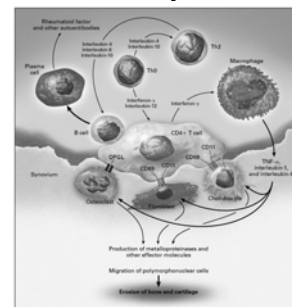
- Premature mortality
- Increased morbidity
- Significant impact on quality of life
  - Pain with associated functional disability
  - Fatigue, 81% of patients; 41% with severe fatigue
  - Depression
- Work disability
  - 25% within 7 years of onset, 50% within 21 years
  - 33% reduction in income vs non work-disabled

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**Rheumatoid Factors**



**Cytokine Signaling Pathways Involved in Inflammatory Arthritis**



Choy E and Panayi G. *N Engl J Med* 2001;344:907-916



### Rheumatoid Arthritis

**Cytokine Disequilibrium in RA**

TNF  $\alpha$   
IL-1

IL-1ra  
sIL-1R  
sTNFR  
IL-10  
IL-4  
IL-11

Proinflammatory      Antiinflammatory

### Methods of Blocking the Activity of an Inflammatory Cytokine

Cytokine-Receptor Interaction

Normal interaction

Cytokine receptor      Inflammatory cytokine

Inflammatory signals

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Cytokine-Receptor Interaction

Neutralization of cytokines

Soluble receptor      Monoclonal antibody

No signal

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Cytokine-Receptor Interaction

Receptor blockade

Receptor antagonist      Monoclonal antibody

No signal

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Cytokine-Receptor Interaction

Activation of antiinflammatory pathways

Antiinflammatory cytokine

Suppression of inflammatory cytokines

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### Chimeric A2 (cA2) Monoclonal Antibody

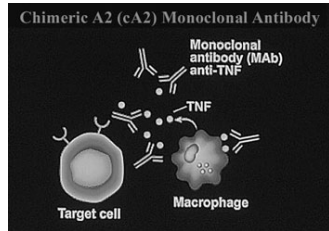
Mouse (binding site for TNF- $\alpha$ )

Human (IgG1)

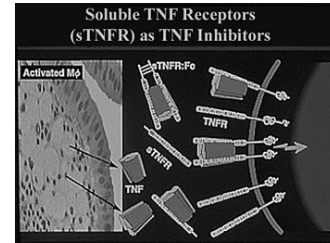
- Chimeric (mouse/human) IgG1 monoclonal antibody
- Binds to TNF- $\alpha$  with high affinity and specificity

Knight, et al. *Mol Immunol.* 1993.

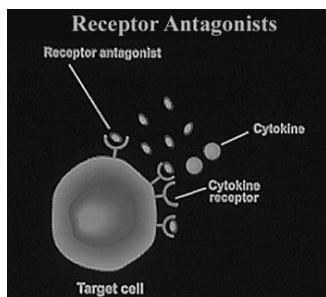
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### Sjogren Syndrome

- Chronic disorder characterized by immune-mediated destruction of exocrine glands
- Primary vs Secondary:
- Primary is diagnosis of exclusion
- Secondary refers to the sicca complex accompanying any of the connective tissue diseases (xerophthalmia, keratoconjunctivitis, xerostomia with/without salivary gland enlargement)

### Sjogren Syndrome

- 1% of the population and in 10-15% of RA patients
- 9:1 female:male preponderance
- Age of onset 40-60 years
- Associated with a 33-44 times increased risk of lymphoma.

### Sjogren Syndrome

- May affect the skin, external genitalia, GI tract, kidneys, and lungs
- Minor salivary gland biopsy demonstrates lymphocytic infiltration.
- Parotid biopsy more sensitive and specific
- Associated with Sjogren Syndrome A (RO-SS-A) in 60% and Sjogren Syndrome B (LA-SS-B) in 30%



### Sjogren Syndrome Diagnostic Criteria

1. Dry eyes (>3mos), sensation of sand or gravel in eyes, or use of tear substitutes >3x per day
2. Dry mouth (>3mos), recurrent or persistent swollen salivary glands, or frequent drinking of liquids to aid in swallowing dry foods.
3. Schirmer-I test (<5mm in 5 min) or Rose Bengal score >4.
4. >50 mononuclear cells/4mm<sup>2</sup> glandular tissue
5. Abnormal salivary scintigraphy or parotid sialography or unstimulated salivary flow <1.5ml in 15 min
6. Presence of anti-Ro/SS-A, anti-La/SS-b, antinuclear antibodies, or rheumatoid factor.

### Sjogren Syndrome

- 80% experience xerostomia
- Difficulty chewing, dysphagia, taste changes, fissures of tongue and lips, increased dental caries and oral candidiasis
- Salivary gland enlargement
- Sicca syndrome

### Sjogren Syndrome



### Sjogren Syndrome: Treatment

- Symptomatic: saliva substitutes, artificial tears, increased oral fluid intake
- Avoid decongestants, antihistamines, anticholinergics, diuretics
- Pilocarpine, antifungals, close dental follow-up, surveillance for malignancy

### Scleroderma

- Also known as systemic sclerosis
- Sclerotic skin changes often accompanied by multisystem disease.
- Progressive fibrosis from increased collagen deposition in interstitium and intima of small arteries and connective tissues
- May be benign cutaneous involvement or aggressive systemic disease.

### Scleroderma

- 4-12 new cases per million per year
- 3-4:1 female preponderance
- Average age of onset between 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> decade

### Scleroderma Diagnostic Criteria

- One major criterion: scleromatous skin changes proximal to the metacarpal-phalangeal joints
- Two of three minor criteria: sclerodactyly, digital pitting scars, bi-basilar pulmonary fibrosis on CXR

### Scleroderma

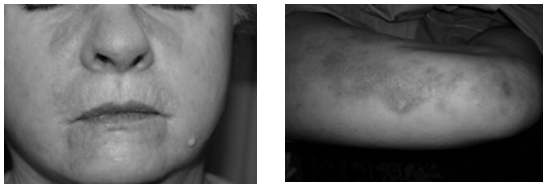
presentation

- Raynaud's phenomenon
- edema fingers and hands
- skin thickening

visceral manifestations

- GI tract, lung, heart, kidneys, thyroid
- arthralgias and muscle weakness often

### Scleroderma



### Scleroderma



### Polymyositis and Dermatomyositis

- Proximal muscle weakness and nonsuppurative inflammation of skeletal muscle
- 5 cases per million per year
- 2:1 female:male
- Age 40-60, but a pediatric variant of 5-15 year old

### Polymyositis/Dermatomyositis Diagnosis

- Proximal muscle weakness
- Elevated serum creatinine kinase
- Myopathic changes on electromyography
- Muscle biopsy with evidence of lymphocytic inflammation

Dx is definitive with all four, probable with three, and possible with two.

Rash accompanies these in dermatomyositis

### Dermatomyositis



### Polymyositis: Head and Neck Manifestations

- Difficulty phonating and deglutition 2<sup>nd</sup> to affected tongue musculature
- Nasal regurg 2<sup>nd</sup> to affected pharyngeal and palatal musculature
- 30% with dysphagia 2<sup>nd</sup> to involvement of upper esophagus, cricopharyngeus, pharynx, and superior constrictors
- Aspiration pneumonia

### Polymyositis and Dermatomyositis: Treatment

- Steroids for symptomatic patients
- Methotrexate and immunosuppressants for non-responders

### Mixed Connective Tissue Disease

- Coexisting features of SLE, scleroderma, and polymyositis
- High titers of Anti-U1RNP
- 80% female, 30-60 years
- Head and neck: combination of manifestations of the above.
- Treat with steroids

### Vasculitides

The vasculitides are a group of diseases characterized by non infectious necrotizing vasculitis and resultant ischemia.

The associated phrase is "palpable purpura"

### Henoch-Schoenlein Purpura

- The most common dermatological dilemma presented to me
- Hypersensitivity vasculitis was a common synonym

### Henoch-Schoenlein Purpura

- Most common presentation: purple splotches on legs
- 90% of cases are kids under 10 years old
- Usually follows and upper respiratory infection
- Can follow infections with strep, hepB, HSV, parvovirusB-19, MMR, mycoplasma and more
- Can be idiosyncratic to AtBx, ACE's,
- Only 35% of cases can be traced to an etiology
- The most common vasculitis in childhood 20 per 100,000 children per year

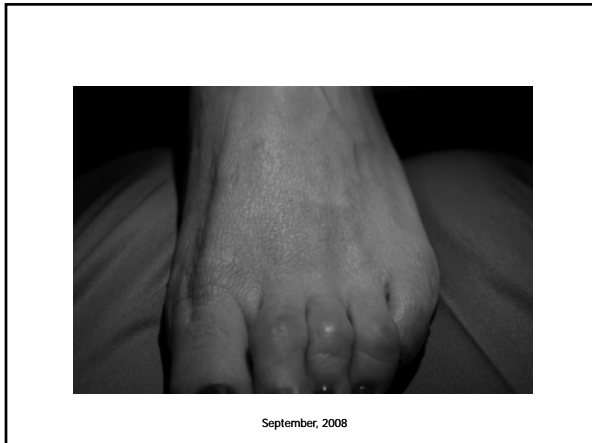
### Henoch-Schoenlein Purpura

- Most common presentation: purple splotches on legs
- Triad of purpura, arthritis and abdominal pain
- 40% have findings on UA
- Can include gastrointestinal hemorrhage
- Can include intussusception
- Most of the time just purple splotches

### Henoch-Schoenlein Purpura

- Needs observation, not treatment unless secondary findings are present
- NSAIDS make joint pain better but GI symptoms worse
- Steroids are avoided
- Very high recovery rate – 90%
- Other Rx: Dapsone, I





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### Hypersensitivity Vasculitis

- General
  - collective term group of diseases
  - inflammation of small vessels
    - arterioles, capillaries, venules
  - circulating and deposited immune complexes
  - skin always involved
    - hemorrhage or classic purpura
  - major organ system involvement less common

### Polyarteritis Nodosa

- Prototype of vasculitis
- Less than 1/100000 per year
- Males = Females
- 50-60 years of age
- Involves small and medium arteries
- May result from Hep B infection (30%)
- GI, hepatobiliary, renal, pancreas and skeletal muscles

### Polyarteritis Nodosa

Head and neck symptoms primarily involve the ear and include SNHL and vestibular disturbance.

Proposed mechanism is thromboembolic occlusion of inner ear arteries

May also see CN palsies

### Wegener's Granulomatosis

- General
  - necrotizing granulomas of upper airway, lower airway, kidney
  - bilateral pneumonitis 95%
  - chronic sinusitis 90%
  - mucosal ulceration of nasopharynx 75%
  - renal disease 80%
  - hallmark pathologic lesion
    - necrotizing granulomatous vasculitis

### Wegener's Granulomatosis

- antineutrophil cytoplasmic antibody (c-ANCA)
  - sensitivity 65-90%
  - high specificity
- need to confirm diagnosis
  - often 3-4 biopsies necessary
  - nasopharynx commonly involved good site
  - open pulmonary biopsy occasionally needed
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### Wegener's Granulomatosis

- Head and Neck Manifestations
  - nasal symptoms
    - crusting, epistaxis, rhinorrhea, erosion of septal cartilage, saddle deformity, recurrent sinusitis
  - oral cavity
    - hyperplasia of gingiva, gingivitis

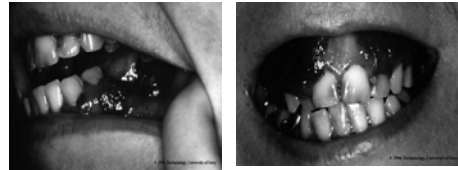
### Wegener's Granulomatosis

- Treatment
  - meticulous dental and nasal care
  - middle ear drainage
  - cyclophosphamide 2 mg/kg plus prednisone 1 mg/kg
    - remission 93%
  - azathioprine or methotrexate alternative to cyclophosphamide

## Wegener's Granulomatosis

- Treatment
  - isolated sinonasal disease
    - low dose steroids, saline irrigation, antibiotics as needed
  - subglottic stenosis
    - may warrant tracheotomy

## Wegener's Granulomatosis



## Giant Cell Arteritis (Temporal Arteritis)

- Only extracranial vessels involved
- Focal granulomatous inflammation of medium and small arteries
- Most common vasculitis
- Prevalence: 850/100000
- Age 80+

## Giant Cell Arteritis

- Most common initial complaint: Headache-boring and constant (47%), up to 90% will develop headache
- ESR >50mm/hr
- Confirmed by temporal artery biopsy of affected side: 5-7cm in length. If negative, biopsy contra lateral side. False negative rate of 5-40%
- Tender and erythematous temporal artery 50%
- Tender scalp
- Jaw ischemia 50%
- Lingual ischemia 25%

## Giant Cell Arteritis

- Otologic: vertigo and hearing loss
- Dysphagia: ascending pharyngeal involvement
- CN deficits, vertebrobasilar insufficiency, psychosis=intracranial disease
- Blindness: 1/3 untreated patients
- Treatment with prednisone and normalization of ESR

## Giant Cell Arteritis (Temporal Arteritis)



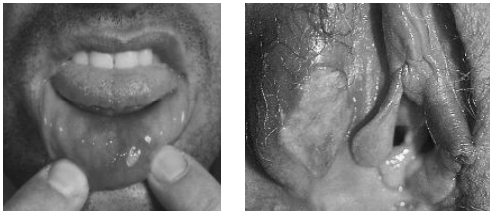
### Polymyalgia Rheumatica

- Seen in 50% of patients with giant cell arteritis
- Muscular pain, morning stiffness of proximal muscles, elevated ESR without inflammatory joint or muscle disease
- Low grade fever, wt loss, malaise
- Low dose prednisone

### Behcet's Disease

- Vasculitis with triad of oral and genital ulcers and uveitis or iritis
- Aphthous like ulcers, covered in pale pseudomembrane
- Painful, on lips, gingiva, buccal mucosa, tongue, palate and oropharynx
- Genital ulcers similar in appearance
- Heal in days to weeks with scarring

### Behcet's Disease



### Kawasaki Disease

- Mucocutaneous lymph node syndrome
- Disease of children
- Fever, conjunctivitis, red dry lips, erythema of oral mucosa, polymorphous truncal rash, desquamation of the fingers and toes, cervical lymphadenopathy
- Oral cavity erythema and cervical adenopathy are presenting symptoms
- Cardiac abnormalities cause 1-2% mortality rate

### Kawasaki Disease



### Kawasaki Disease Lab Features

- ↑ WBC
- ↑ ESR, positive CRP
- Anemia
- Mild ↑ transaminases
- ↓ albumin
- Sterile pyuria, aseptic meningitis
- ↑ platelets by day 10-14



### Kawasaki Disease Differential Diagnosis

- Measles
- Scarlet fever
- Drug reactions
- Viral exanthems
- Toxic Shock Syndrome
- Stevens-Johnson Syndrome
- Systemic Onset Juvenile Rheumatoid Arthritis
- Staph scalded skin syndrome

### Kawasaki Disease Difficulties with Diagnosis

- Clinical diagnosis
- No single test
- Diagnosis of exclusion
- Atypical KD
  - Do not fulfill all criteria
  - More common in < 1 year and > 8 years

### Kawasaki Disease Treatment

- Admit to monitor cardiac function
- Complete cardiac evaluation
  - CXR, EKG, echo
- IV Ig
- ASA

### Kawasaki Disease Treatment

- IV Ig 2 g/kg as single dose
  - Expect rapid resolution of fever
  - Decrease coronary artery aneurysms from 20% to < 5%
- ASA - low dose vs high dose
  - 80-100 mg/kg/day until day 14
  - 3-5 mg/kg/day for 6 weeks
- Repeat echocardiogram at 6 weeks





**Spondyloarthritis  
(Ankylosing Spondylitis)**

- Characteristics
  - Axial skeletal involvement
  - Absence of serum rheumatoid factors

**Psoriatic Arthritis**

- Epidemiology
  - Prevalence: affects approximately 10% of patients with psoriasis
    - 0.1-0.2% of the population
  - Age: Usually 30-40 years old
  - Affects women and men equally
  - Genetics:
    - 50% with psoriatic spondylitis HLA B27 gene positive

**Psoriatic Arthritis**

- Clinical features
  - Mild and intermittent
  - 15% arthritis precedes rash
  - No correlation
    - Skin involvement and severity of arthritis
  - Eye conjunctivitis, iridocyclitis, episcleritis

**Psoriatic Arthritis**

- Clinical features
  - Arthritis
    - Mono/Oligo:70%
    - Axial:25%
    - poly:10%
    - DIP joint:10%
    - Arthritis mutilans:5%

### Psoriatic Arthritis

- Prognosis
  - 5% develop severe disabling and deforming arthritis

### Sexually Acquired Reactive Arthritis (SARA)

- Characteristics
  - Oligoarticular asymmetrical arthritis
  - Urethritis/cervicitis
  - Conjunctivitis
  - Eponym
    - Reiter's syndrome

### Sexually Acquired Reactive Arthritis (SARA)

- Epidemiology
  - Incidence: Uncommon. About 1% of people with urethritis develop SARA
  - Age: Usually 16-35 years of age
  - Sex: About 95% of patients are male
  - Race: No association

### Sexually Acquired Reactive Arthritis (SARA)

- Epidemiology
  - Genetics: HLA-B27 gene present 60-90% of patients
  - Geography: worldwide

### Sexually Acquired Reactive Arthritis (SARA)

- Aetiology and Pathogenesis
  - Triggered by infectious agent
    - Chlamydia trachomatis
    - Ureaplasma urealyticum
  - Arthritis is reactive
    - Not caused by direct infection of the joint

### Sexually Acquired Reactive Arthritis (SARA)

- Clinical features
  - Early
    - Mild systemic
    - Intermittent mucopurulent penile discharge
    - Dysuria
  - Eye
    - Conjunctivitis, uveitis, keratitis, optic neuritis

## Sexually Acquired Reactive Arthritis (SARA)

- Clinical features
  - Musculoskeletal
    - Arthritis
      - sausage shaped digits - dactylitis
      - acute asymmetrical oligoarticular
      - knees, ankles, MTPJs, IPJs
      - Sacroiliitis
    - Achilles tenosynovitis
    - Enthesitis
      - Plantar fasciitis

## Sexually Acquired Reactive Arthritis (SARA)

- Clinical features
  - Skin
    - Keratoderma blenorrhagica
    - Circinate balanitis
    - Papules: palms, soles and glans penis

## Sexually Acquired Reactive Arthritis (SARA)

- Prognosis
  - Recovery from initial symptoms - several months
  - 33% chronic disease
  - 15-25% permanent disability

## Sexually Acquired Reactive Arthritis (SARA)

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- Preceding infection — Two types of bacteria can cause reactive arthritis: those causing enteric infections and those causing urethritis. The enteric bacteria associated with reactive arthritis include:

## Reactive Arthritis

### CLINICAL FEATURES

- Two types of bacteria can cause reactive arthritis: those causing enteric infections and those causing urethritis.

## Reactive Arthritis

### CLINICAL FEATURES

- Salmonella of various serovars
- Shigella especially Shigella flexneri but also Shigella dysenteriae and sonnei
- Yersinia including Yersinia enterocolitica 0:3 and 0:9 and Yersinia pseudotuberculosis
- Campylobacter especially Campylobacter jejuni
- Clostridium difficile

## Arthritis Associated with Gastrointestinal Disease

- Diseases include:
  - Post-dysenteric reactive arthritis
  - Inflammatory bowel disease
    - Crohn's disease
    - Ulcerative colitis

## Arthritis Associated with Gastrointestinal Disease

- Epidemiology
  - Prevalence (post-dysenteric) 27/100,000
  - IBD-associated arthritis:
    - Peripheral arthritis 12% UC
    - 20% of CD
    - Axial arthritis 6% UC and CD

## Arthritis Associated with Gastrointestinal Disease

- Epidemiology
  - Age: IBD-associated peripheral arthritis 25-45 years
  - Sex/Race: No association
  - Genetics: 50% IBD-associated axial arthritis and HLA-B27 50%
  - Geography: Post-dysenteric reactive arthritis more common mainland Europe

## Arthritis Associated with Gastrointestinal Disease

- Etiology and pathogenesis
  - Post-dysenteric reactive arthritis
    - Shigella dysenteria
    - Shigella flexneri
    - Salmonella typhimurium
    - Yersinia enterocolitica
    - Campylobacter jejuni

## Arthritis Associated with Gastrointestinal Disease

- Clinical features
  - Arthritis usually follows IBD by 6 months to several years
  - Exacerbations related to severity of arthritis
  - Clinical features of post-dysenteric reactive arthritis similar to SARA

## Arthritis Associated with Gastrointestinal Disease

- Prognosis
  - IBD-associated arthritis
    - Peripheral arthritis mild
    - Axial arthritis usually progressive

## Sarcoidosis

- Characteristics
  - Multi-system granulomatous disease
    - Systemic
    - Skin
    - Eyes
    - Lungs
    - Joints

## Sarcoidosis

- Epidemiology
  - Prevalence: 5/100,000 population
  - Age: Peak early adult life
  - Sex: More common in women
  - Race: Severe 16 x Afro-Caribbeans. Least common Asian and Chinese
  - Geography: Most common large black populations

## Sarcoidosis

- Clinical features
  - Acute illness
  - Pyrexia, malaise, lymphadenopathy
  - Erythema nodosum, skin sarcoid
  - Polyarthralgia
  - Uveitis and keratoconjunctivitis
  - Shortness of breath

## Sarcoidosis

- Additional investigations
  - Serum angiotensin converting enzyme
  - Raised calcium
  - Chest radiography
    - Bilateral hilar lymphadenopathy
    - Parenchymal infiltration

## Sarcoidosis



