

ACR 2017 SAN DIEGO HIGHLIGHTS - VASCULITIS

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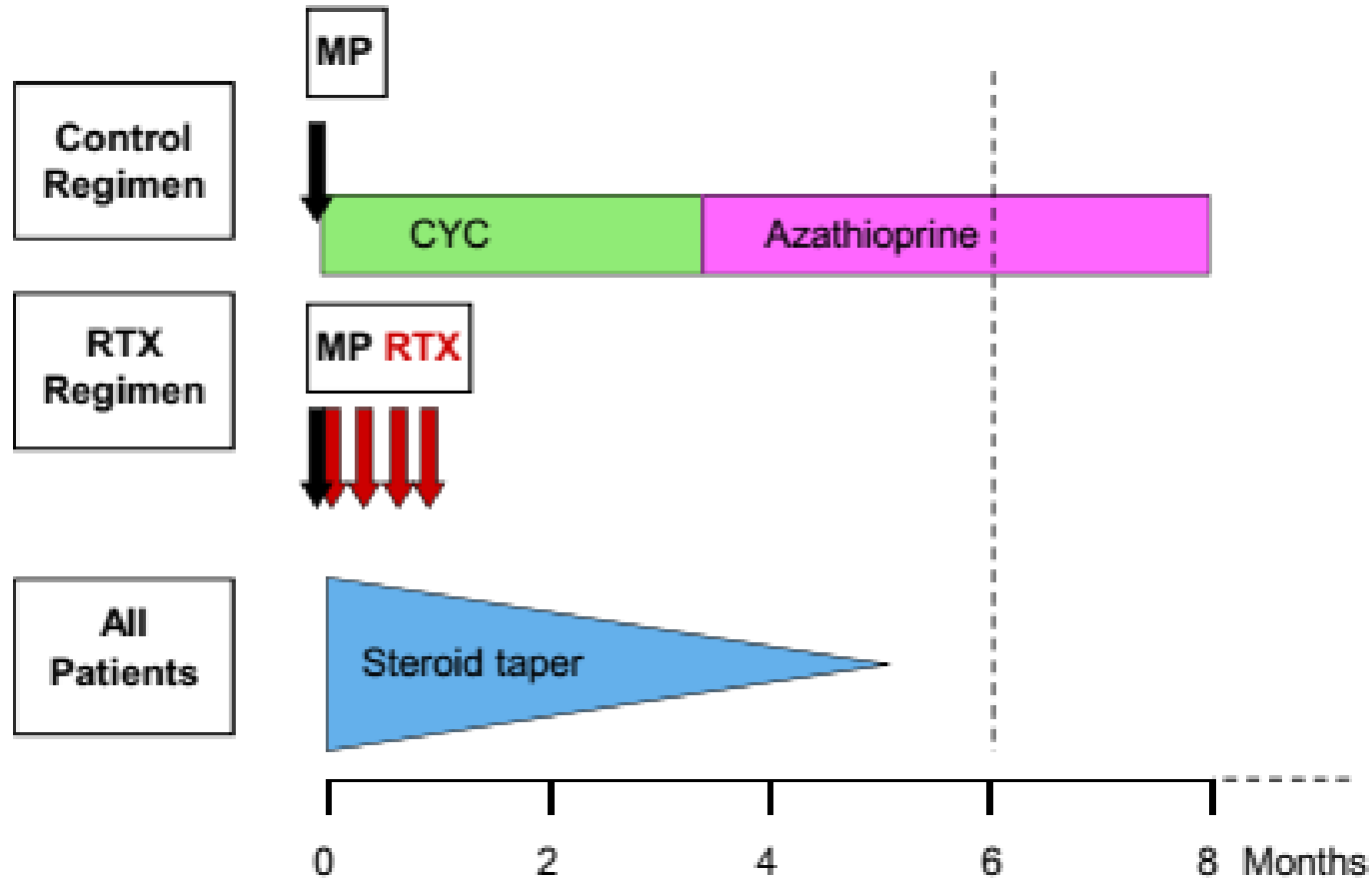
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- No disclosures

▶ Vasculitis, mainly large vessel

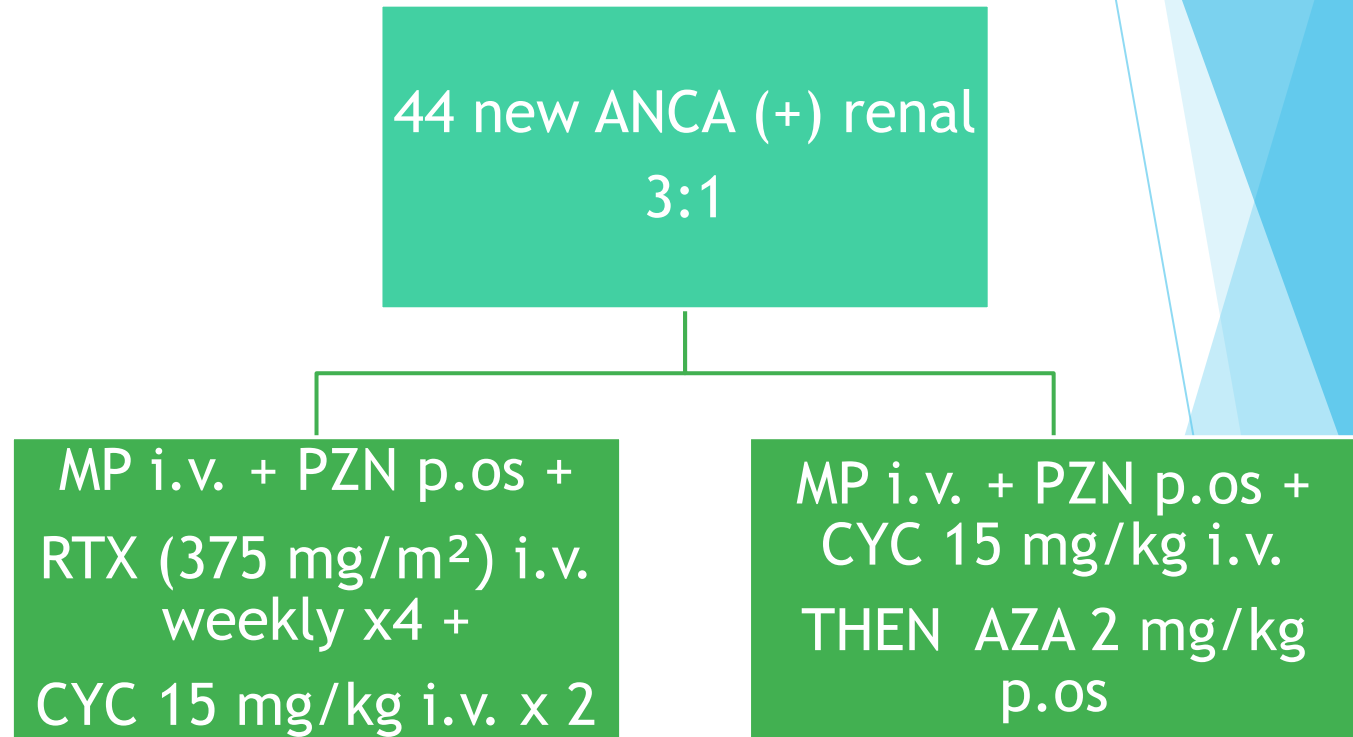
- Update on ANCA-associated - prognosis & treatment
- GCA vascular complications and treatment

RAVE



RITUXVAS: RTX vs CYC in ANCA-Associated Renal Vasculitis

- RTX not superior to CYC
- Similar AEs



RTX profile

- ▶ Young patient / fertility
- ▶ Cytopenias
- ▶ Malignancy history
- ▶ Urological problems
- ▶ Non-compliant
- ▶ Difficulty lab follow-up

WEGENT: AZA vs MTX maintenance

- ▶ 2 year relapse-free survival: MTX 74,5% vs AZA 71,8% = no difference
- ▶ AEs: MTX 46% vs AZA 56%

Pagnoux C, et al. N Engl J Med. 2008 Dec 25;359(26):2790-803.

IMPROVE: AZA vs MMF maintenance

- ▶ Open label, 2002 - 2009, all new, CYC i.v. + PZN
- ▶ If remission: AZA 2mg/kg vs MMF 2000 mg/d
- ▶ AEs: MMF 42/86 (18 major) vs AZA 30/80 (10 major). Adjusted HR 1,80

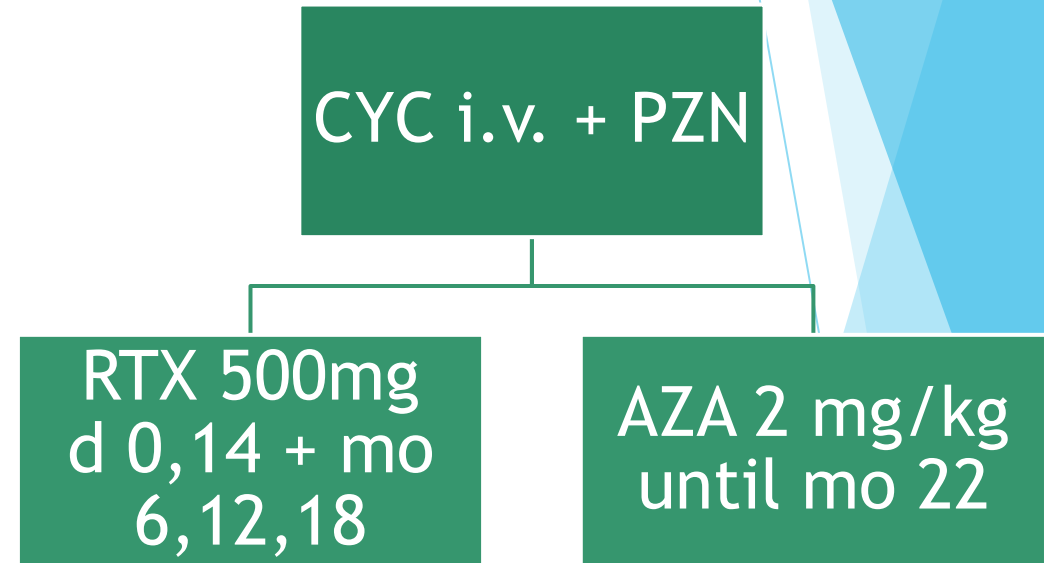
Hiemstra, T. F. et al. JAMA 2010;304:2381-2388

RTX maintenance - Mayo data

- ▶ 10 year, 53 pts refractory GPA, median RTX x 4
- ▶ All relapses after B cell comeback
- ▶ Along with or before ANCA rise
- ▶ No association IgG levels & infection

MAINRITSAN

- Relapse: 29% AZA vs 5% RTX (Hazard Ratio 6,61)
- AEs: No difference
- After 1 yr: AZA reduction to 1,5 then 1mg/kg/d



Other therapies

- ▶ Non threatening - limited - non-renal = MTX + PZN

Jayne DR et al. J Am Soc Nephrol. 2007;18(7):2180

- ▶ Plasma exchange in severe renal: MEPEX trial = reduced ESRD in 1 yr, result not sustained
- ▶ PEXIVAS ongoing, results in a few years
- ▶ TAPIR: ongoing, PZN tapering or not

Walsh M et al. Kidney Int. 2013; Aug;84(2):397-402

- ▶ CYC: iv (less dose accumulated) or pos (less relapses)???
- ▶ RTX + CYC for the very sick

Treatment summary (Pagnoux)

- ❖ INDUCTION: CYC pulse 15mg / kg on D1, 15, 29 then /3w alternatively orally 2mg/kg/d

OR

- ▶ RTX 375 mg/m²/wk x 4 (or 1g on D1 & 15)

AND

- ▶ GC tapering in 3 - 6 mo
- ▶ +/- PEX??

- ❖ MAINTENANCE (>18 mo???): AZA 2mg/kg/d OR MTX 0,3 mg/kg/wk
OR LFN 20mg/d OR MMF 2g/d

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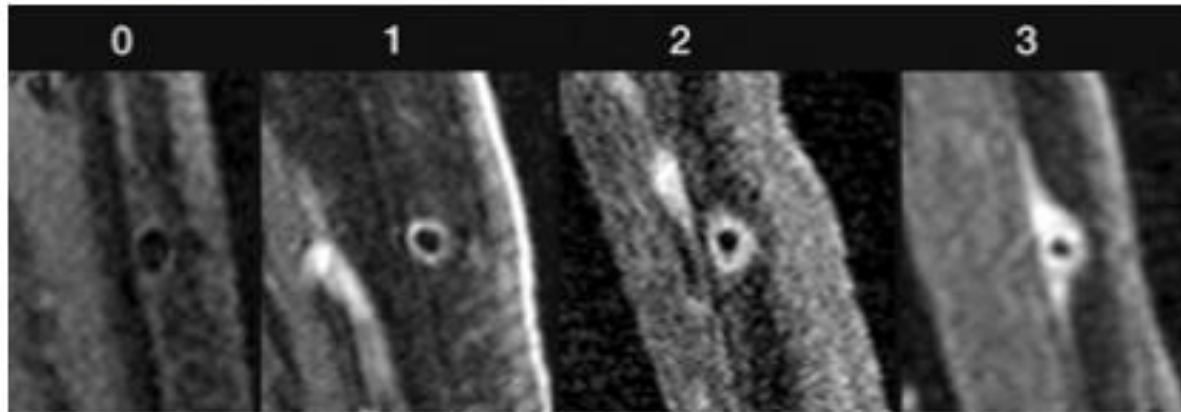
- ▶ RTX 500 - 1000 mg q 4-6 mo or 'on demand'

Giant cell arteritis

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MRI

Temporal Artery MRI



Sensitivity 78-85%, Specificity 86-90%,

0-1 days GC: Sens 85%

>4 days GC: Sens 56%

Klink et al. Radiology 2014

Hauenstein et al. Rheumatology 2012

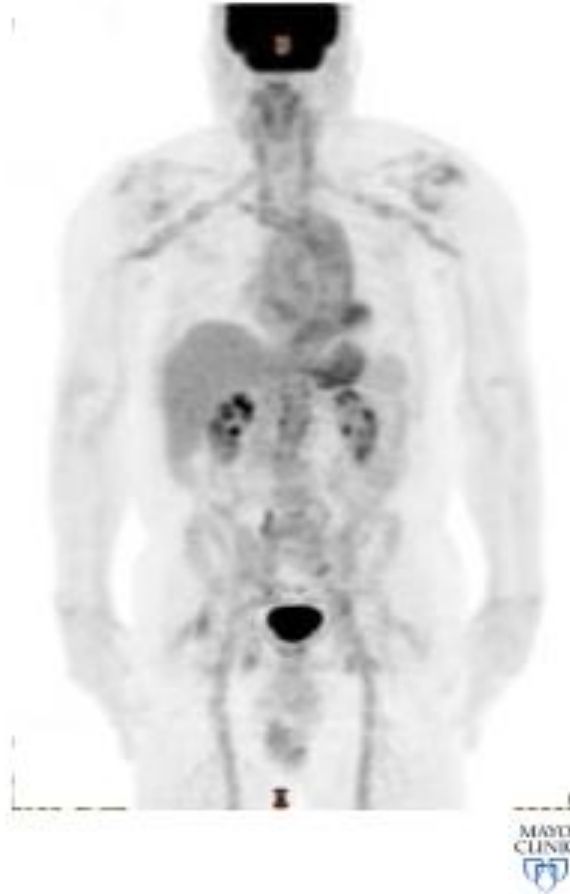


PET / CT

PET/CT

- Positive in up to 83%
- Pooled Sen 93%, Spec 90%
- Cannot assess temporal arteries
- Lack of standardized evaluation criteria
- Cost/availability
- Best uses: FUO, GCA aortitis

Blockmans D Arthritis Rheum 2006
Lee YH et al. Z Rheumatol 2016
Soussan M Medicine 2015



Injection of the substance in the feet:
Less obscure than from carotid vein
= better CT pictures!

Clinical Features



Older
Cranial symptoms
Vision loss



Younger
Often absent
Arm Claudication
Vascular findings



Schmidt WA Rheumatology (Oxford). 2008 Jan;47(1):96-101

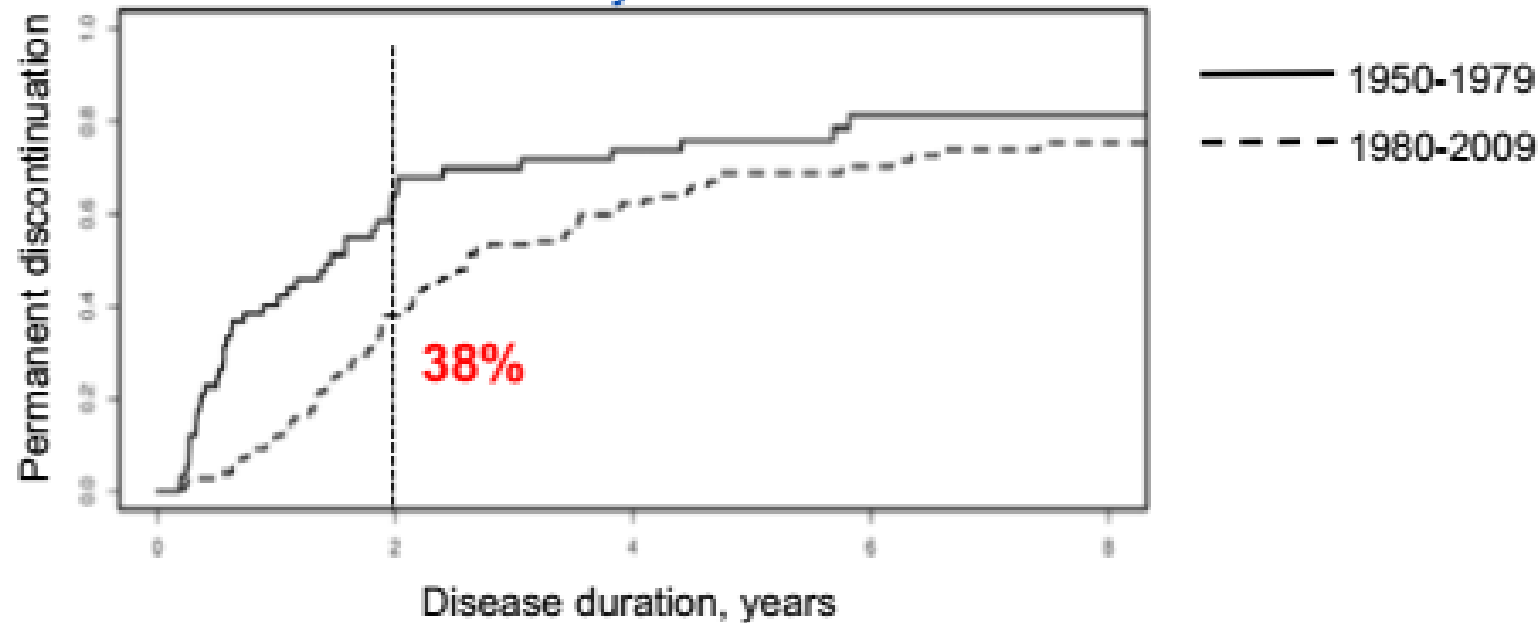
Prieto-Gonzalez S, et al. Ann Rheum Dis 2012;71:1170-6

Muratore F et al Rheumatology (Oxford). 2015 Mar;54(3):463-70.



GCA – Olmsted Cohort

Median time to discontinuation (1980-2009) was 2.6 years



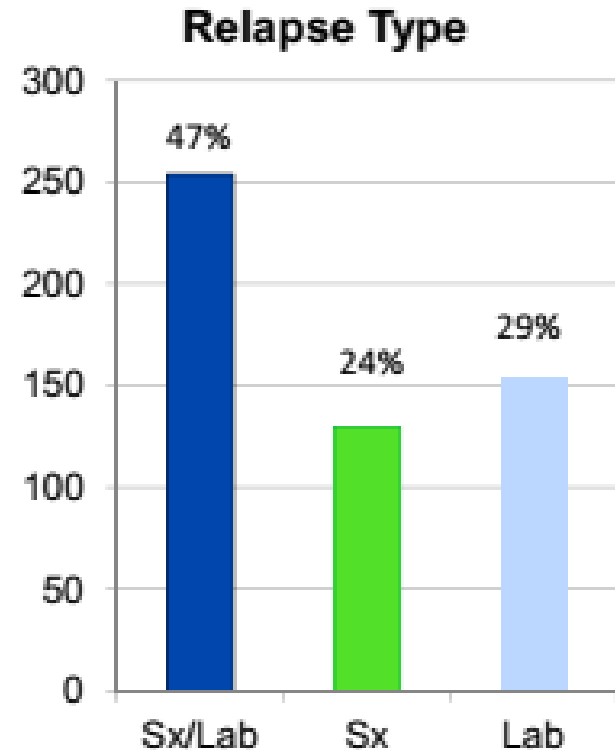
- High relapse rate: female, HT, DM
- > vs < 40mg/d initially = better chance off PZN in 3 yrs
- Relapse symptoms: PMR, headache, fatigue, tenderness **NO VISION LOSS**

Mayo Biopsy (+) Cohort - Relapse

Relapse	Patients, N (%)
0	73
1	80
2	51
≥3	82

75% of patients relapsed

30% had ≥ 3 relapses



Laborico, Koster et al. Rheumatology (Oxford) 2015

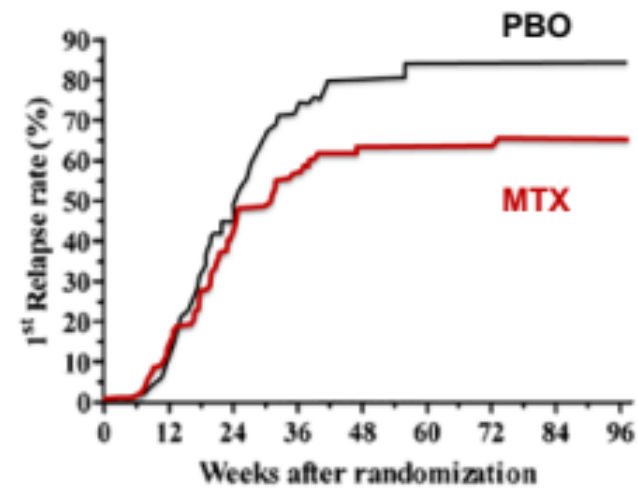


MTX & Relapse

GCA - Methotrexate

- MTX 7,5 – 15 mg/w
- **BUT:** After 9 mo PZN

- MTX reduced:
 - Risk of 1st relapse by **35%**
 - Risk of 2nd relapse by **51%**
 - Exposure to steroids

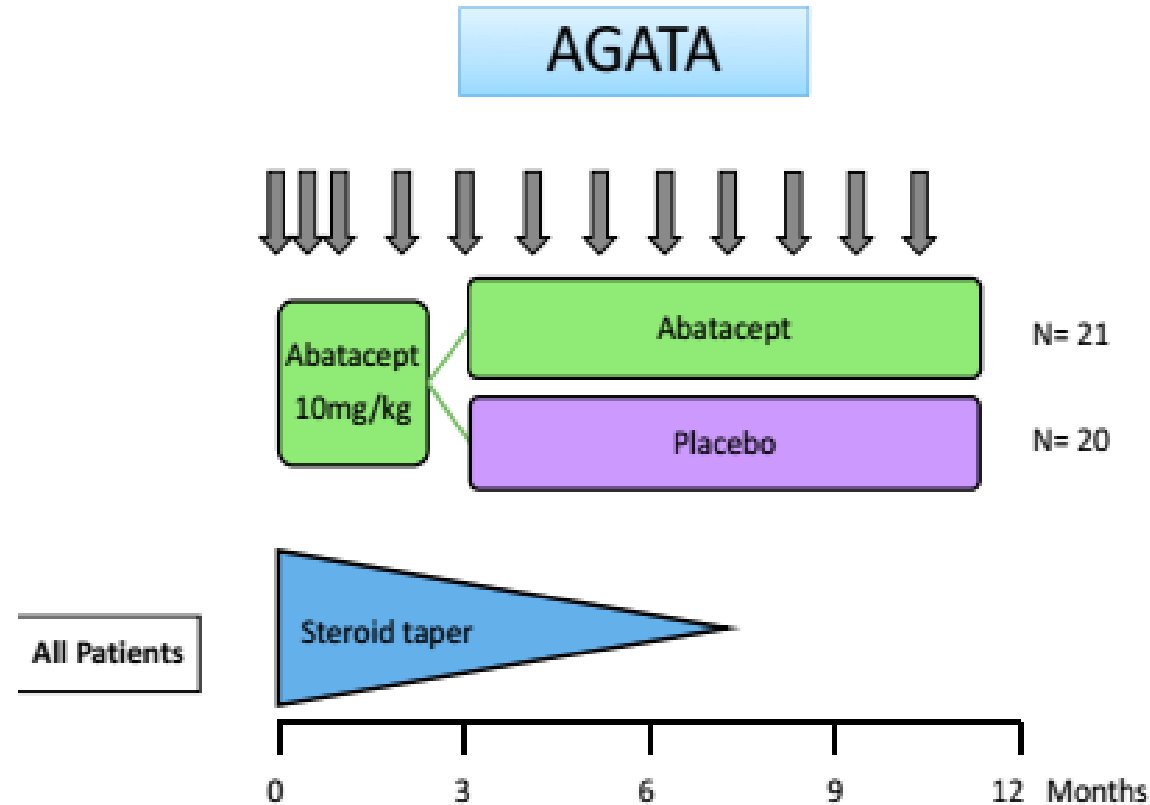


Mahr A et al Arthritis Rheum. 2007 Aug;56(8):2789-97.

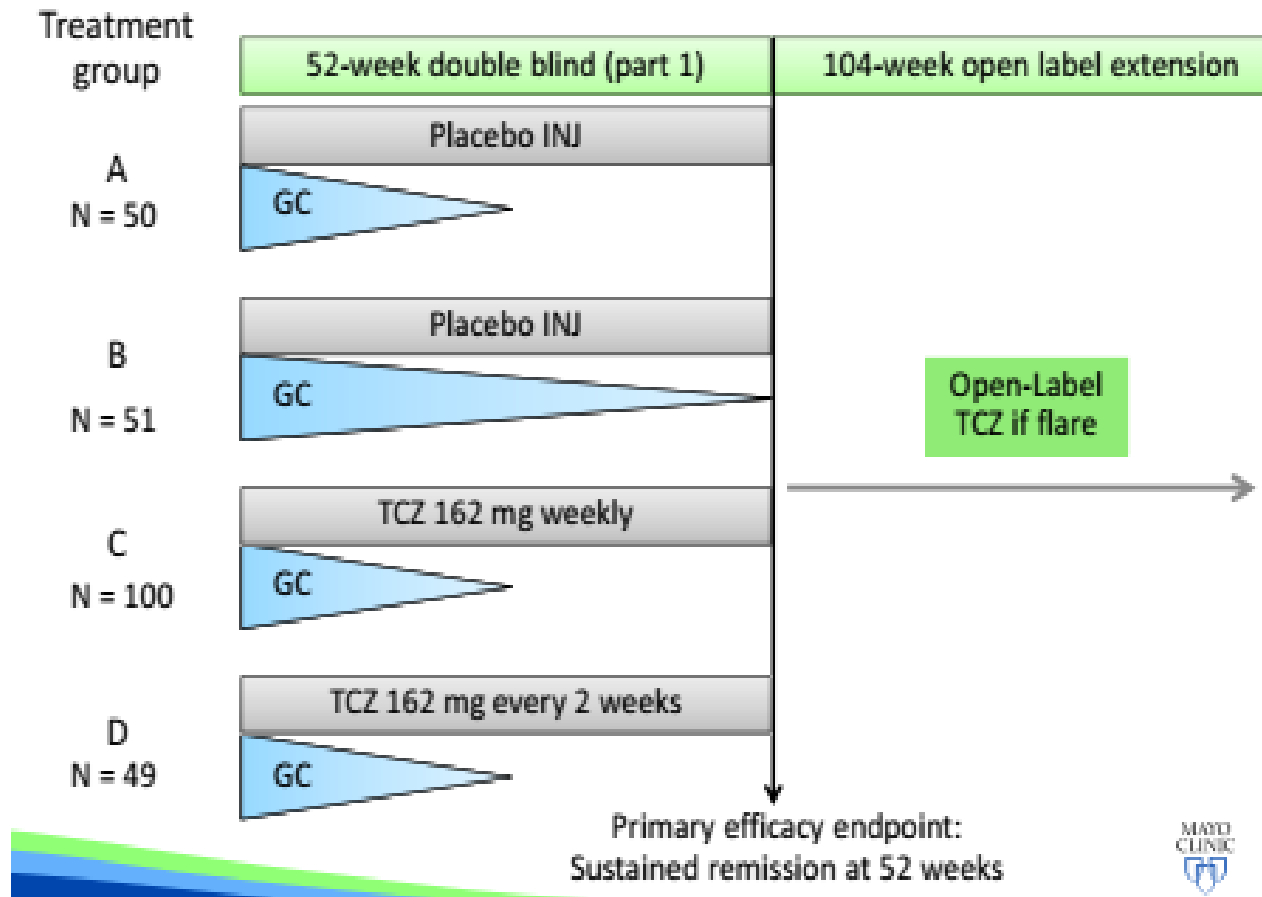


Abatacept for GCA

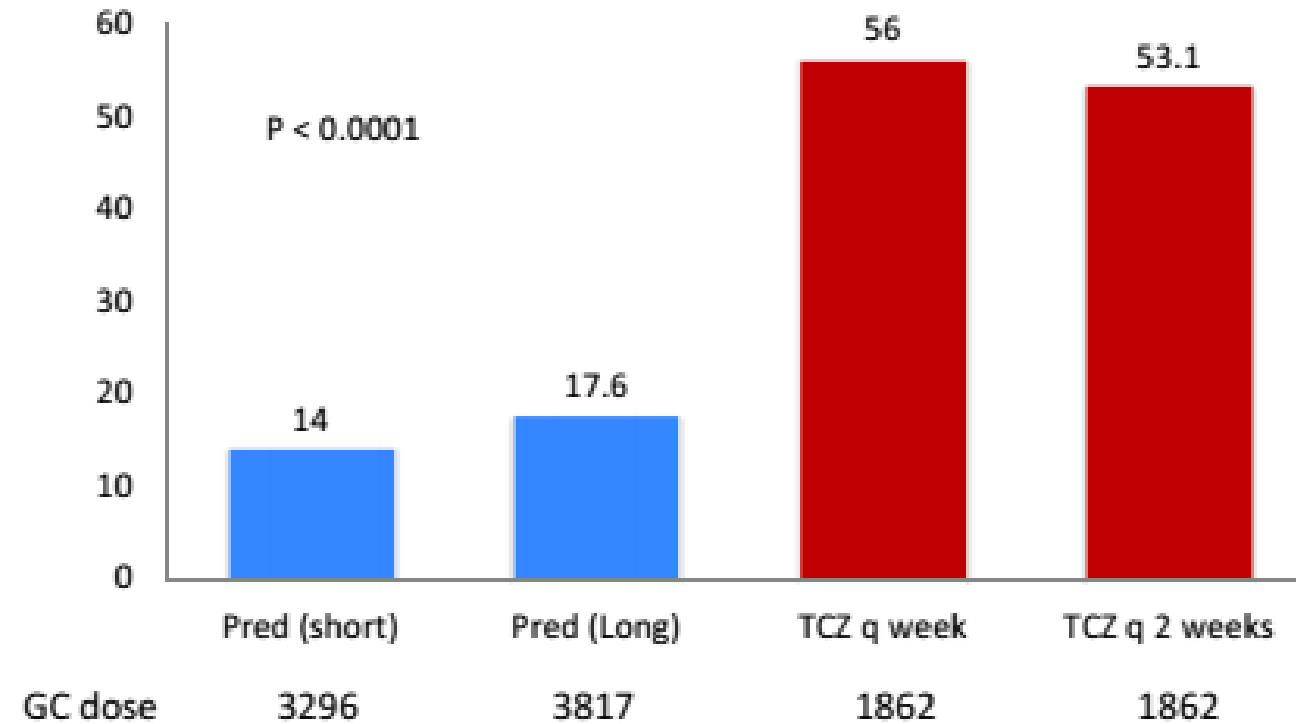
- All ABA + GC, mo 3
- ABA vs PLC
- 48% vs 31% relapse free at 12 mo
- No difference in severity or frequency of AEs



GiACTA study design



Primary Endpoint: Patients in sustained remission at 52 weeks, (%)



Stone JH et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2017 Jul 27;377(4):317-328



Future Therapies

Baricitinib in relapsing GCA: phase II, open-label pilot study



Inclusion criteria

- Diagnosis of GCA
- Relapse with active GCA Symptoms **AND** ESR ≥ 30 mm/hr **OR** CRP ≥ 10 mg/L



Other therapy

- TNF inhibitors
 - Clinical trial data - No efficacy
- Aspirin
 - May reduce ischemic events
 - Generally recommended
 - Retrospective data
 - Conflicting evidence
- Statins
 - No evidence of benefit

Hoffman et al., Arthritis Rheum 2004; 50: 2296-2304
Salvarani C, et al. Rheumatology (Oxford). 2009 Mar;48(3):250-3
Schmidt et al. J Rheumatol. 2013 Jun;40(6):910-5.

Ongoing in Mayo Clinic

Complications: Aortic aneurysm

- ▶ 17,3 x risk, 12-33% incidence in 10yr, aortic regurgitation as clinical predictor?
- ▶ CT / MRI every 2-5yrs or ECHO

Evans JM et al. Ann Intern Med 1995;122(7):502-7

Robson JC. Ann Rheum Dis. 2013 Oct 4

Kermani TA, Warrington KJ, et al. Ann Rheum Dis. 2012 Dec 19.

García-Martínez A, et al Ann Rheum Dis. 2013 Jul 19



Salvarani C et al Lancet. 2008 Jul 19;372(9634):234-45

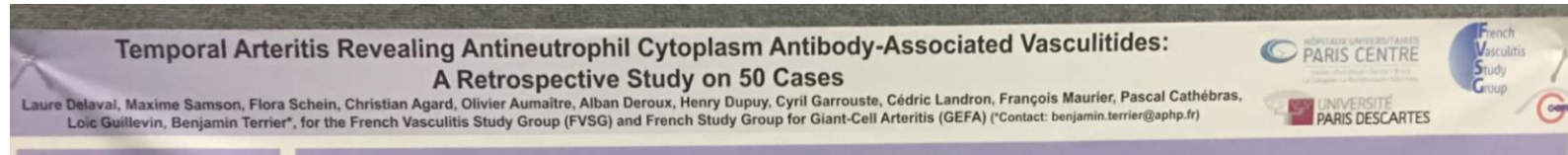
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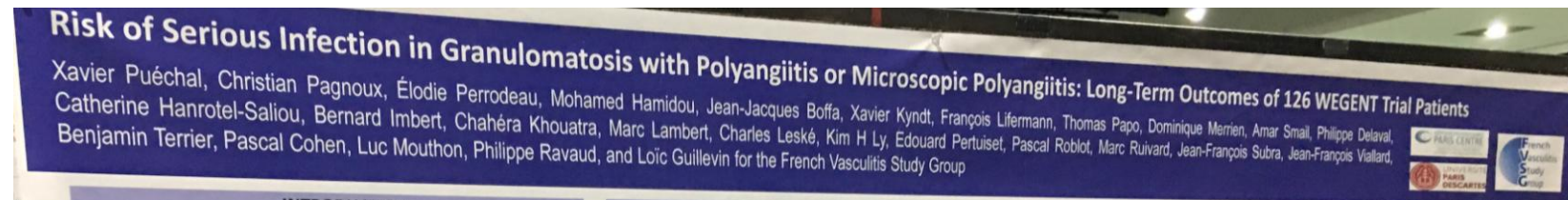
Mayo proposal

- ▶ Important to know type of aortitis: IgG4 = RTX, GCA = TCZ
- ▶ If TCZ for 1-1,5 year & no relapse: either reduction of dose (mg/kg/mo) or space out dose intervals.
- ▶ IL-1 (inhibited by PZN) promotes one pathway, IL-6 (inhibited by TCZ) promotes the other = **BOTH NEEDED!!!**

ANCA Poster



- ▶ French study: 50 pts with cranial symptoms, 2000-2001. 33 screened for ANCA with 62% MPO, 38% PR3. 2/3 GPA, 1/3 MPA, few EGPA.
- ▶ 14 relapses in 42 mo of follow-up // Peripheral neuropathy, lung, renal, ear, nose, throat involvement more often.
- ▶ Necrosis instead for granulomatosis.



- ▶ Older age & previous cumulative CYC dose as prognostic factors of serious infections in 124 WEGENT pats.

- ▶ TAB (-): Younger at diagnosis
- ▶ Shorter time from symptoms to diagnosis
- ▶ Seldom fulfill ACR GCA classification criteria
- ▶ Frequent scalp tenderness, arm claudication, anorexia & fatigue
- ▶ Seldom jaw claudication - PMR
- ▶ Lower CRP
- ▶ Later GC discontinuation

A Patient Based Reliability Exercise of Omeract Ultrasound Definitions in Giant Cell Arteritis

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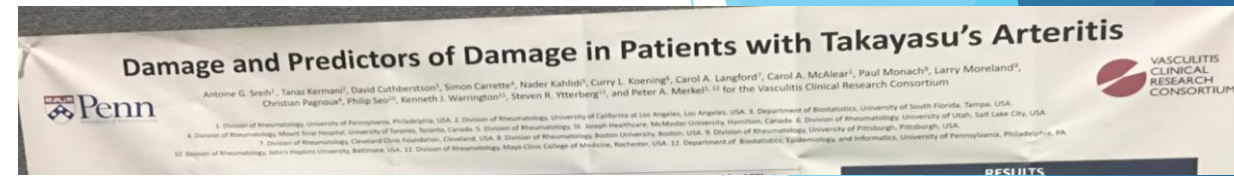


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- ▶ 4 pts vasculitic lesions axillary & temporal, 2 normal
- ▶ 12 sonographers, 2 rounds
- ▶ 1 day UK, 3 day inclusive US training
- ▶ Before training: poor to fair inter - observer reliability
- ▶ After training: moderate to perfect

Takayasu



- ▶ 128 Japanese pts, 3,5 yr median follow up. 25% damage in 6 mo, 75% later, most 1st yr.



- ▶ Most pts without clinical or laboratory findings prior / during flare. Carotid & subclavian most likely to respond to therapy.

TCZ even in PMR???

The Efficacy and Safety of the Anti-IL-6 Receptor Antibody Tocilizumab for Polymyalgia Rheumatica Patients with Resistance or Intolerance to Glucocorticoids and Methotrexate

- ▶ 8 pts in Japan, refractory / non-responders to GCs & MTX that received TCZ = all managed to taper GCs.

Behcet

- ▶ IFX effective in relapsing retinal Behcet - Spanish study of 103 pts
- ▶ Apremilast for mucocutaneous ulcers: very good results where other therapies & biologics have failed in 14 Spanish pts.

IgA

- ▶ 52 adult pts from centra in Turkey, 50% follow-up for 2 years. 45% FFS>1, 30% at least one damaged item.
- ▶ Late onset disease associated more frequently with renal involvement in a French study of 260 pts.

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ΑΤΥΠΗ ΚΛΙΝΙΚΗ ΕΙΚΟΝΑ SJÖGREN (20%)

- ▶ Οροθετική πολυαρθρίτις
- ▶ Ρευματική πολυμυαλγία
- ▶ Λευκοκυτταροκλαστική αγγειίτις
- ▶ Απομυελινωτική νόσος
- ▶ Περιφερική νευροπάθεια
- ▶ Φλεγμονώδη μυοσίτις
- ▶ Διόγκωση σιελογόνων αδένων
- ▶ Προοδευτική τερηδόνα
- ▶ Νεφρική σωληναριακή οξέωση
- ▶ Πυρετός αγνώστου αιτιολογίας
- ▶ Σύνδρομο χρονίου πόνου
- ▶ Αυξημένη ΤΚΕ
- ▶ ANA / Rf σε ασυμπτωματικό ασθενή
- ▶ Διάτρηση κερατοειδούς

* F. Vivino F, *Medscape Rheumatology* 5(2), 2004.

** FB Vivino, P Minerva, CH Huang, SE Orlin . *J Rheumatol*, 28, 379, 2001.

ΔΙΑΦΟΡΙΚΗ ΔΙΑΓΝΩΣΗ

- ▶ Αμυλοείδωση
- ▶ Χρόνια σιαλαδενίτις
- ▶ ΣΔ
- ▶ Δυσαυτονομία
- ▶ Σύνδρομο ηωσινοφιλίας – μυαλγίας
- ▶ Σύνδρομο μοσχεύματος – ξενιστή
- ▶ Ηπατίτις C
- ▶ IgG 4 σχετιζόμενες νόσοι
- ▶ Ξηρότητα σχετιζόμενη με φάρμακα
- ▶ Αναπνοή από το στόμα
- ▶ Σκλήρυνση κατά πλάκας
- ▶ Μετά ακτινοβολία
- ▶ Σαρκοείδωση
- ▶ Σιαλαδένωση
- ▶ HIV – DILS (Διάχυτο διηθητικό λεμφοκυτταρικό σύνδρομο)
- ▶ Νόσος από σιλικονούχα προθέματα στήθους
- ▶ Σύνδρομο Sjögren (1^ο παθές, 2^ο παθές)
- ▶ Υπερλιπιδαιμία τύπου V

ΚΡΙΤΗΡΙΑ ΤΑΞΙΝΟΜΗΣΗΣ

- ▶ 1965 – 2017: 13 διαφορετικά σετ!!
Αλγόριθμος? Τέστ?
- ▶ American-European Consensus Group Criteria (AECGC) - 2002:
ξηροστομία, ξηροφθαλμία,
παθολογικά τέστ δακρύων, σιέλου,
anti-SSA/SSB, βιοψία χείλους
(4/6).

2016 ACR – EULAR κριτήρια

- ▶ Βιοψία χείλους (FS>1/4 mm²) = **3**
 - ▶ Anti Ro = **3**
 - ▶ OSS > 5 (van Bijsterveldt>4) = **1**
 - ▶ Schirmer < 5mm / 5min = **1**
 - ▶ Unst. salivary flow <0,1ml/min = **1**
- 9**

Positive score 4/9

Αυτοαντισώματα

- ▶ ANA 70-90%
- ▶ Rf 60-90%
- ▶ Anti – SSA (Ro) 40-60%
- ▶ Anti – SSB (La) 20-40%
- ▶ Anti-CCP 7-19%
- ▶ Anti – centromere 4-13%
- ▶ Anti – M3R 62-90%
- ▶ Anti – a fodrin 1-50%
- ▶ Anti CA-6 ??
- ▶ Anti –SP1 ??
- ▶ Anti PSP??

Sjo – kit or Early Sjögren profile,
commercially available

SICCA REGISTRY – NIH

2003 - present

- ▶ Sjögren International Clinical Collaborative Alliance (9 sites)
- ▶ Συλλογή κλινικών πληροφοριών & βιοδειγμάτων
- ▶ Παροχή πόρων για έρευνα
- ▶ Εξέλιξη νέων κριτηρίων

ACR – SICCA κριτήρια ταξινόμησης 2012

1. Ορολογικά: SSA ή SSB (+) ή Rf (+) / ANA > 1:320
2. Ιστολογικά: Βιοψία με Focus score > ¼ mm²
3. Ξηρά κερατοεπιπεφυκίτις: Ocular staining score >3 (έναν οφθαλμό)

- ▶ Ασθενείς με **θετικά αντισώματα** είχαν 12x συχνότερα **θετική βιοψία** (95% CI // 9,3 – 15,5)
- ▶ Αυτοί με **θετικές βιοψίες** 4x συχνότερα **ocular staining score** (95% CI // 3,1-5,3)
- ▶ Αυτοί με **θετικό OSC** 4,8x συχνότερα **αντισώματα** (95% CI // 3,6-6,4)

▶ Πλεονεκτήματα

- ▶ Απλό
- ▶ 90-95% ευαισθησία & ειδικότητα
- ▶ Βασισμένο σε αντικειμενικά τέστ
- ▶ Καλύτερη εκτίμηση της οφθαλμικής επιφάνειας

▶ Μειονεκτήματα

- ▶ Σε μεγάλο βαθμό εξάρτηση από βιοψία
- ▶ Ειδικές χρώσεις οφθαλμού μόνο σε κέντρα

Διαγνωστική χρησιμότητα anti – SSB??

- ▶ 3514 συμμετέχοντες
- ▶ 3297 δεδομένα (9/2013)
- ▶ Προσοχή στην ερμηνεία anti-SSB σε ασθενή με πιθανό Sjögren
- ▶ Επιπρόσθετα στοιχεία, όπως βιοψία χείλους αναγκαία

Baer A et al. *Ann Rheum Dis*, 2015

Πολυκλωνική ενεργοποίηση Β-λεμφοκυττάρων

Λέμφωμα

RTX??

- ▶ 5% ασθενών με NHL εντός 10ετίας
- ▶ Συχνότερα σε σιελογόνους αδένες // MALT ή Marginal Zone B cell lymphoma
- ▶ 23-33% θνησιμότητα
- ▶ Κρυσφαιριναιμική αγγειίτις
- ▶ Αγγειίτις
- ▶ Έντονη διόγκωση παρωτίδων
- ▶ Φλεγμονώδης αρθρίτις
- ▶ Πνευμονική νόσος
- ▶ Περιφερική νευροπάθεια, ειδικά μονονευρίτις

ΚΑΤΕΥΘΥΝΤΗΡΙΕΣ ΟΔΗΓΙΕΣ ΟΔΟΝΤΙΑΤΡΩΝ - ΟΦΘΑΛΜΙΑΤΡΩΝ

- ▶ Τοπική χρήση φθοριούχων σκευασμάτων
- ▶ Διαλύματα επιμετάλλωσης

Zero D et al. *JADA*, 2016

- ❖ Μηχανισμός ξηροφθαλμίας: Μειωμένη παραγωγή (ανεπάρκεια δακρύων) ή αυξημένη εξαέρωση (δυσλειτουργία αδένων του Meibom)???
- ▶ Τάξης 1: Τεχνητά δάκρυα, gel
- ▶ Τάξης 2: Αντιφλεγμονώδεις σταγόνες, Ω-3 λιπαρά, εκκριταγωγά // αζιθρομυκίνη, ερυθρομυκίνη
- ▶ Τάξης 3: Αυτόλογα δάκρυα, φακοί επαφής, καυτηρίαση δακρυικού πόρου
- ▶ Τάξης 4: Χειρουργική επέμβαση

Foulks G et al. *Ocular Surface*, 2015

Take home messages

- ▶ Βιοψία χείλους // αντισώματα αναγκαία για διάγνωση
- ▶ Σημαντικά τα αντικειμενικά ευρήματα.
- ▶ DMARDs – PLQ για μυοσκελετικό πόνο.
- ▶ Κόπωση συχνή, άσκηση η λύση.
- ▶ RTX σε ασθενείς με βαρύτερη, πολυσυστηματική νόσο.
- ▶ Φθορισμός οδόντων σε όλους.
- ▶ Διερεύνηση μηχανισμού ξηροφθαλμίας για καλύτερη αντιμετώπιση.

Thank you!

