

of TAK activity. A ROC curve was used to determine the predictive value of TC/HDL-C ratio in patients group.

Results: The TG level was higher in patients with TAK than in the controls ($p=0.000$). The TC, LDL-C, and HDL-C levels were significantly lower in patients with TAK than in the controls ($p=0.000$, $p=0.000$, and $p=0.000$, respectively). The HDL-C level was significantly lower in the active TAK group than in the inactive TAK group ($p=0.005$). The TC/HDL-C ratio was significantly increased in patients with disease activity ($p=0.001$), and it exhibited a positive relationship with the high-sensitivity C-reactive protein level ($r=0.234$, $p=0.003$) and Kerr score ($r=0.219$, $p=0.031$). In addition, the TC/HDL-C ratio of 3.698 was determined as a predictive cut-off value of TAK (sensitivity 61.0%, specificity 78.6%, area under the curve=0.743) (Figure 1).

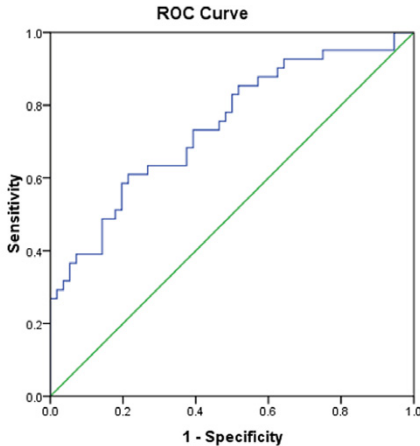


Figure 1. Receiver-operating characteristic curve for the TC/HDL-C ratio. The area under the curve was 0.743, with sensitivity and specificity of 61.0% and 78.6%.

Conclusions: For the first time, we showed that serum levels of TC, LDL-C, and HDL-C were significantly lower in patients with TAK, and the TC/HDL-C ratio has a positive relationship with the disease activity of TAK, suggesting that the TC/HDL-C ratio may be a potential indicator for monitoring the disease activity of patients with TAK.

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THU0328 PREDICTORS OF SEVERE DAMAGE IN ANCA-ASSOCIATED VASCULITIS: DATA FROM A MONOCENTRIC INCEPTION COHORT

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Background: Granulomatosis with polyangiitis (GPA) and microscopic polyangiitis (MPA) are multi-systemic diseases associated with anti-neutrophil cytoplasmic antibodies (ANCA). Patients develop severe and irreversible damage, even in early stages of the disease, but data about prognostic factors are limited.

Objectives: To assess items and predictors of severe damage in a monocentric cohort of ANCA-associated vasculitis (AAV) patients, classified as GPA or MPA.

Methods: Clinical and serological data of patients, followed-up in a daily practice setting, were retrospectively revised. Severe damage, defined as a Vasculitis Damage Index (VDI) ≥ 5 , was assessed after 12 months and at last examination (LE). The five most important items, predictors of severe damage and their increase rate were analysed at the beginning and at the last examination.

Results: 69 patients were included, 53 (76.8%) classified as GPA and 16 (23.2%) as MPA. According to EUVAS classification 7 (10.1%) were affected by limited disease, 14 (20.3%) by early systemic disease, 35 (50.7%) by generalized disease and 13 (18.9%) by severe disease. Patients were middle aged at diagnosis (54.6 ± 15 years) with a diagnostic latency of 9.6 ± 16.4 months, mostly caucasian (98.6%) and equally represented in sex (female 53.6%). Mean follow-up was 54.5 ± 41.9 months. The number of flare/year at LE was significantly higher in anti-PR3 patients if compared to anti-MPO (1.0 ± 1.1 vs 0.3 ± 0.5 , $p=0.028$). The VDI items most frequently observed are listed in Figure 1.

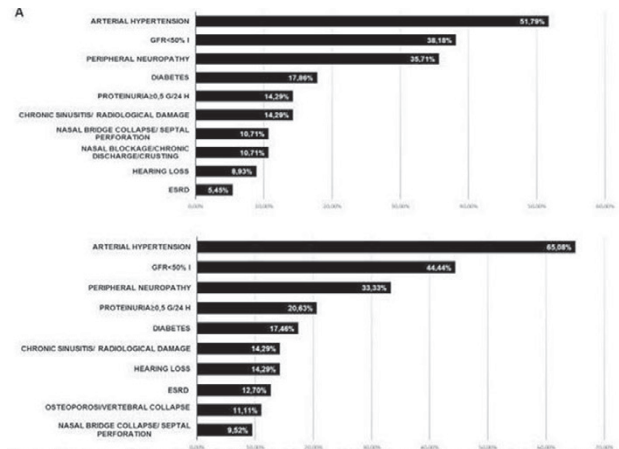


Figure 1: A Most frequent VDI items observed at 12 months (56 patients); B Most frequent VDI items observed at Last examination (63 patients). ESRD: End stage renal disease.

We measured their frequencies and increase rate from diagnosis to the LE: arterial hypertension increased from 3 (4.7%) to 41 (65.1%) (+60.3% (IC 95% 48–71%), $p<0.0001$), GFR $<50\%$ from 1 patient (1.6%) to 28 (44.4%) (+42.8 (IC 95: 31–55), $p<0.0001$), neuropathy from 4 (6.3%) to 22 (34.9%) (+28.6% (IC 18–41), $p<0.0001$), diabetes from 0 (0%) to 11 (17.5%) (+17.5% (IC 10–29); $p=0.0011$) and proteinuria >0.5 g 24 h from 1 (1.6%) to 13 (20.6%) (+19% (IC 11–31); $p=0.0006$).

Severe damage, defined as $VDI \geq 5$, increased over time, being present in none patient at diagnosis and in 14 (25.9%) at last examination.

At univariate analysis, number of flares/year ($p=0.012$), BVASv3 at diagnosis ($p=0.03$), steroid pulses therapy ($p=0.04$) and steroid cumulative dose ($p=0.03$) were identified as predictive factors of severe damage in the first year. Conversely, creatinine at LE ($p=0.04$), numbers of hospitalizations ($p=0.009$) and steroid cumulative dose at LE ($p=0.47$) were found to be predictors of long-term severe damage. Interestingly, ANCA pattern did not influence damage severity and only slightly differences in VDI items was noted between anti-PR3 and anti-MPO positive patients.

Conclusions: Our results highlights that knowing severe damage predictors is key in short and long term treat to target patient's management.

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THU0329 BUDD-CHIARI SYNDROME IN BEHÇET'S DISEASE: A RETROSPECTIVE MULTICENTER STUDY

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Background: The aim of this study was to determine the demographic, clinical,