experiences. Data and experiences were iteratively analysed and discussed to identify and further explore themes.

Results: The synthesised written consultation summary was interpreted to be a living document, shared document, valued document, dialogued document and stored document. Our research experiences echoed these themes, in that they were lived, shared, valued, dialogued and recorded. The five themes, and their echoes, will be illustrated with quotes. Implications for patient-centred practice and research will be discussed.

Conclusions: A set of reflective questions will be posed for the consideration of patients, their families and carers and their clinicians, as well as researchers. These questions have scope to inform dialogue about patient-centred communication in rheumatology practice, and guide collaborative research in this space.

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FRIO722-HPR
POSTURAL PROBLEMS AND PAIN IN PATIENTS WITH JUVENILE IDIOPATHIC ARTHRITIS
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Background: Juvenile idiopathic arthritis (JIA) is a chronic autoimmune condition of unknown etiology. JIA combine with joint pain and inflammation that affects children who are less 16 years of age and continue more 6 weeks. JIA is a chronic inflammatory disease resulting in joints arthritides, pain and deformities. Disturbances in the posture may occur before deformities in patients with JIA. In some cases, pain can also lead to postural deterioration. Postural control is the ability to maintain equilibrium in a gravitational field by keeping or returning the center of body mass over its base of support.

Objectives: The first purposes of this study was to assessed postural problems in patients with JIA and compared with healthy peers. The other objective was to examine the pain relationship with postural problems.

Methods: 19 patients with JIA aged 5–17 years (13 girls and 6 boys) diagnosed according to ILAR classification criteria and 19 healthy controls were enrolled in this cross-sectional study. “PostureScreen Mobile® was used to evaluate static posture, “11-point Numeric Analogue Scale (NRS)” was used to evaluate the pain (during rest, activity and exercise). The PostureScreen Mobile® an application facilitates the assessment of posture in a variety of settings. Anterior (Head, Shoulders, Ribcage, Hips) and lateral translation (Head, Shoulders, Hips, Knees) were recorded and calculated as a total score for anterior and lateral. For statistical analysis SPSS Version 21.0 program was used.

Results: The mean age and body mass index of patients and healthy control were 10.79±3.59 and 10.68±2.86 years, 17.05±3.38, and 18.50±2.49 kg/m², respectively. The mean of NRS-rest, activity and exercise scores were 1.81±1.42, 3±2.64 and 1.91±2.02, respectively. As a result of postural assessment for patients and healthy control, the mean of anterior translation scores was significantly higher in patients than JIA healthy control (p=0.014) (table 1). Two significant correlations with NRS-rest between hip anterior translation (r=0.375, p=0.029) and ribcage anterior translation (r=0.534, p=0.027) were found.

Table 1 Anterior and lateral translation in patients with JIA and healthy controls

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Conclusions: We found that children with JIA have minimal postural problems according to their healthy peers. At the same time, pain during rest is associated with anterior postural deterioration. Therefore in future researches, translations in the posture should be evaluated comprehensively in children with JIA for larger sample size. If it is not intervened in the early period, it may lead to overloading of joints and increased pain in later periods.

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FRIO723-HPR
PHYSICAL ACTIVITY AWARENESS AND PREFERENCES IN RHEUMATIC DISEASES: A QUALITATIVE STUDY
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Background: Physical inactivity is the fourth leading cause of death (1) and a risk factor for cardiovascular disease (CVD). Patients with rheumatic diseases (RDs), especially rheumatoid arthritis (RA), report low cardiorespiratory fitness levels (2), placing them at an increased risk of premature mortality and CVD.

Objectives: The aims of the present study were: a) to evaluate if patients with RDs [RA, ankylosing spondylitis (AS), systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE), osteoarthritis (OA), psoriatic arthritis (PSA), systemic sclerosis (SSC), fibromyalgia (FM), enteropathic arthritis-Crohn’s disease (CD), SJögren’s syndrome (SD), Raynaud’s disease (RD)] were aware of the physical activity (PA) benefits, and b) to examine their preferences in terms of PA mode and principles (i.e. intensity, duration, frequency).

Methods: We designed a questionnaire consisted of dichotomous, open-ended and multiple-choice questions. Patients registered with the Hellenic League Against Rheumatism (EL.E.A.N.A), participated by filling in the questionnaire a) online, or b) through phone calls. Content analysis approach was performed for data analysis.

Results: Out of the 625 RDs patients registered with the EL.E.A.N.A, 197 (31.5 %) of these patients answered the questionnaire [137 online and 60 via phone calls (69.6% and 30.4% of the sample, respectively)]; 93 patients had RA (47.3% of the sample, age=54.9±14.5) and 104 (52.7% of the sample, age=50.2±13.9) were diagnosed with other RDs [AS (n=29, 14.7%), SLE (n=25, 12.6%), OA (n=15, 7.6%), PSA (n=10, 5%), SSC (n=8, 4%), FM (n=7, 3.5%), CD (n=4, 2%), SD (n=4, 2%) and RD (n=2, 1%)]. In all patients, subjective beliefs about the benefits of PA, concerned three main themes: a) functional ability, b) mental health and c) overall health. Swimming, was revealed as the most frequent PA mode (n=63, 38.1%).

Regardings the principal of RDs patients, reported that they preferred moderate intensity (n=76, 41.7%), a duration of “about an hour” (n=81, 49.3%), a frequency of “2–3 times per week” (n=71, 45.2%) and a blended intervention consisted of group-based, individualised and supervised programmes (n=56, 29.4%). The questionnaire was judged by the patients to be very or fairly understandable in almost all cases (n=196, 99.5%).

Conclusions: According to subjective beliefs from the self-reported data of this study, PA is considered from patients to improve physical and mental health in RDs. Additionally, individualisation and supervision of PA programmes were considered amongst the most important parameters of a program for participation. In planning successful PA regimes in RDs, more qualitative studies with representative sample sizes and demographic data are required to address patients’ PA needs and preferences and help them adhere to a more physically active lifestyle.

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DISEASE ACTIVITY AFFECTS FAT MASS INDEX AND FUNCTIONAL CAPACITY OF RA PATIENTS OVER 12 MONTHS
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Background: Rheumatoid cachexia (RC) is a condition characterized by adverse changes in body composition, specifically in muscle mass and fat mass components [1]. RA patients have life quality and expectative impacted by RC [2], but there are very few prospective data analyzing the evolution of this condition.

Objectives: To assess body composition, RC, clinical features and functional capacity in RA patients followed for 12 months.

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Methods: 81 patients with RA, aged between 40 and 70 years, were recruited. Body composition was assessed by total body dual-energy x-ray absorptiometry (DXA) for measurement of fat mass index (FFMI, kg/m²) and fat free mass index (FFMI, kg/m²). The patients were categorized as rheumatoid cachectic if FFMI was below the 10th percentile and FMI above the 25th percentile [1], and if FFMI was below the 25th percentile and FMI above the 50th percentile [2]. Disease features assessed were disease activity score 28 (DAS28). Functional capacity was assessed by muscle strength (hand grip test, kg) and gait speed (time up and go (TUG, s)). Frequency analysis, McNemar test and GEE analyses were used and statistical significance was considered as p < 0.05.

Results: Of the 81 patients analyzed, most were women (88.9%; 72/81), with mean age of 56.8 ± 7.3 years, mean disease duration of 11.9 ± 5.6 years. At baseline, the prevalences of RA using both diagnostic criteria were similar to the prevalences described in literature (Table 1), and they did not change during the 12 month follow-up (p > 0.05). FMI increased after 12 months and patients with moderate disease activity showed higher FMI when compared with other DAS28 categories (p < 0.05). Thus, over 12 months, DAS28 affected FMI, and had no impact on FFMI (p > 0.05). Muscle strength decreased significantly after 12 months, and patients with high disease activity showed less muscle strength when compared with other DAS28 categories (p < 0.05). Gait speed increased after 12 months (p < 0.05).

Table 1: Patient Perspectives on PRMs

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<td>Ease of responding to questions</td>
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<td>Communication of symptoms</td>
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Conclusions: Challenges in interpreting and answering questions may reduce the accuracy of PRMs of RA symptoms. The PRMs discussed by participants may not fully capture the impact of RA on patients' financial burdens and on their pursuit of life goals and activities. Future efforts to improve the accuracy and comprehensiveness of burden of disease measurement in RA should help to address these issues. Use of qualitative methods (such as ethnography) may also help to illuminate aspects of living with RA that are not captured by existing PRMs.

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