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**EFFECT OF SECUKINUMAB ON THE REDUCTION OF MYOCARDIAL DYSFUNCTION IN PATIENTS WITH ANKYLOSING SPONDYLITIS**

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**Background:** In ankylosing spondylitis (AS), early subclinical changes in the myocardium mostly remain undiagnosed. The impact of genetic engineering biological therapy on these changes is also unclear.

**Objectives:** Aim: to establish the relationship between taking of secukinumab and changes in systolic and diastolic myocardial function in patients with AS.

**Methods:** 69 patients with AS were examined, of which the first group included 33 people (average age 38.8±4.74, 63.6% of men) who received the interleukin 17 inhibitor (IL17) - secukinumab, the second group - 36 people who did not receive biological therapy, average age 42.5±11 years, 66.7% of men. The control group included 40 healthy individuals, comparable in gender and age. Patients underwent tissue dopplerography of the heart and transthoracic echocardiography. The research materials were subjected to statistical processing using the program STATITICA 10.0.

**Results:** The patients with AS had significantly higher left ventricular mass index and ejection fraction (p<0.01) compared to the control group. Moreover, among patients who do not take biological therapy, the indicators were the highest (tabl.1).

**Conclusion:** The patients with AS have significantly higher left ventricular mass index and ejection fraction compared to the control group. There were no significant differences in the incidence of tendinitis (erosions and enthesophytis) was more frequent in the second group (p = 0.025 and p = 0.00002). Enthesitis (echogenicity reduction and thickening) without vascularization were more common in the second group compared to the control group (91%) (p = 0.009). The rate of vascularized enthesitis in the two groups was significantly higher in the second group patients (p < 0.001). There were no significant differences in the incidence of tendinosis and tenosynovitis between the two groups.

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**Table 1. Comparison of transthoracic echocardiography parameters in the study groups according to the Crassell-Wallis test.**

| Parameter | Group 1 | Group 2 | Control Group | p
|-----------|---------|---------|---------------|---
| LVM       | 85 [81; 100] | 93 [81.3; 114.2] | 79 [72; 86.5] | 0.002
| EF        | 63 [62; 64] | 64.5 [63; 66] | 60 [59.5; 64.5] | 0.003

LVM – ventricular myocardial mass index, EF – ejection fraction.

A comparison of tissue dopplerography of the heart between the groups established statistically higher values of peak velocity of the ring of the mitral valve in early diastole (e’L) in the 1st group (14 [9.5; 14]) and control (13 [11; 15.5]) compared with the indicator of the second group (10.5 [8.3; 13]), p<0.01; the peak speed of movement of the septum in early diastole, (e’S) in patients with seckinumab is higher (11 [9; 11]) compared to 2th (8.1 [7; 12]) and control groups (8.5 [8.1; 11]), p<0.05, and in the 2nd group lower than in the control (p=0.03).

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**AB0513 THE RELATIONSHIP OF PERIARTICULAR TISSUES LESIONS AND JOINTS DEGENERATIVE CHANGES IN PATIENTS WITH INFLAMMATORY BOWEL DISEASES**

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**Background:** Inflammatory bowel diseases (IBD) are associated with a variety of extra-intestinal manifestations. The most frequent of these is joint involvement, which affects 16–33 % of IBD patients, whereas 5–10 % are affected by enthesitis [1, 2]. Recent studies have shown the superiority of ultrasound over clinical findings in the evaluation of joints and periarticular tissues [3].

**Objectives:** To assess of joint and enthesal involvement in patients with Crohn's disease (CD) and ulcerative colitis (UC) using ultrasound with Power Doppler.

**Methods:** We prospectively included 70 IBD patients into the study. Peripheral joints and entheses were imaged by ultrasound, using Samsung Accuvix A30 5-13 MHz linear array transducer. Ultrasound examination of 14 peripheral joints (hip, knee, ankle, shoulder, acromioclavicular, elbow, wrist) and 35 entheses was performed. Vascularization was assessed with Power Doppler (PD). Statistical analysis was done by Mann-Whitney test by "Statistica" software.

**Results:** In 70 patients UC was in 40 (57%), CD - in 30 (43%). The mean age of patients was 32 (27; 36) years. The mean duration of the disease was 48 (12; 84) months. The majority of patients had highly active disease: moderate and severe activity was observed in 47 (67%).

Osteophytes were found in 32 (46%) IBD pts, in 10 pts (14%) - osteophytes were found in three or more joints. We divided pts into two groups. In first group we included pts without degenerative changes in the joints, in the second - with identified osteophytes.

Osteophytes were found more often in the acromioclavicular joints - 13 pts (41%) and in the hip joints - 10 pts (31%). With the same frequency (9 pts), osteophytes were detected in the wrist, knee and ankle joints. The mean age of pts with degenerative changes of IBD were significantly higher in the second group patients (p = 0.00002 and p = 0.019).

**Conclusion:** Joint and periarticular tissues damage in IBD patients increases with age and duration of the disease. The presence of degenerative changes in the joints is associated with more frequent detection of enthesitis and enthesopathy.

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**AB0512 CLINICAL AND RADIOLOGICAL FEATURES OF SHOULDER INVOLVEMENT IN SPONDYLARTHITIS**

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**Background:** Peripheral joint involvement is frequent among patients with peripheral spondylarthritids (SA). However, the root joint involvement, such as hip involvement, has been described as being associated with axial spondylarthritids, while data for shoulder involvement are scarce. Cuff tendinitis and enthesitis are common features in the shoulder in patients with SA.

**Objectives:** This study aimed to identify the prevalence of shoulder involvement in SA patients and describe its clinical and radiological features.

**Methods:** We conducted a retrospective study including SA patients, all fulfilling the assessment of Spondyloarthritids International Society (ASAS) criteria.

For all patients, we collected the following data: Age, the clinical presentation of SA, the inflammatory biomarkers C-reactive protein (CRP), and the disease activity assessed by the Bath Ankylosing Spondylitis Disease Activity Index (BASDAI).

Regarding shoulder involvement, we assessed the following items: tenerness, mobility, rotator cuff tests, as well as the results of X-ray and Ultrasound examination (US).

**Results:** We included one hundred and thirty-one SA patients (mean age 39.77 years). Among them, sixty-two percent were male. Ten percent of patients were smokers. 46.6% had the peripheral beginning of the disease. Fourteen patients complained of shoulder pain. The majority of them were male. X-rays showed no abnormalities (n=2), while a destructive form was noted in (n=7). Rotator cuff rupture or enthesopathy was also revealed by the reduction of sub-acromial space (n=5), condensation of the greater tuberosity (n=3), crooked aspect of the acromion (n=2), and Moloney’s line disruption(n=1).

US showed no abnormalities (n=1), supraspinatus tendinopathy (n=5), supraspinatus -transfixing tear (n=1), infraspinatus tendinopathy (n=2), supraspinatus enthesopathy (n=2), infraspinatus enthesopathy (n=1), moderate synovitis (n=1), subacromioid bursitis (n=1). Shoulder involvement was correlated significantly with the peripheral beginning of SA (P < 0.05). There were no significant differences in gender, tobacco use, CRP value, and the disease activity between the two groups (P > 0.05).

**Conclusion:** The shoulder involvement was rare in our study. It is characterized by cuff tendinitis and enthesitis, especially in supraspinatus insertion. However, the glenohumeral synovitis was uncommon in our series, even in the peripheral form of the disease.

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AB0514 PRELIMINARY DATA ON THE STUDY OF THE POSSIBILITY OF USING ULTRASOUND TO OBJECTIFY THE MOBILITY OF THE SPINE IN ANKYLOSING SPONDYLITIS

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Background: Spinal damage with limited mobility requires the search for diagnostic methods that allow us to accurately and quantitatively assess the developing decline in function and track this change in dynamics. One of these possible methods is ultrasound examination of the spine, which was recently described in the article Yurdakul Ö. V. [1].

Objectives: To study the possibility of using ultrasound for dynamic monitoring of sagittal mobility of the spine in ankylosing spondylitis (AS).

Methods: Ultrasound of the spine was performed in 15 patients with AS according to the method described in the article Yurdakul Ö. V. - determination of the sonographic distance between the spinous processes C5-C6, Th11-Th12 and L4-L5 of the vertebra (initial - vertical position, and when tilted - maximum sagittal flexion). All patients underwent a double examination: at inclusion in the study and after 2 weeks. The average age of the patients was 40.8±11.4 years, and the average duration of the disease was 5.6±3.5 years. 93.3% of patients were positive for HLA-B27. All patients were treated with nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs, and 9 (60%) had biological therapy. The differences (∆) between the indicators at maximum sagittal flexion were calculated and further compared.

Results: During 2 weeks of follow-up, ESR practically did not change (it was 16 [6.84], after 2 weeks 14 [6.27], p=0.45). CRP decreased by 3.5 times (22.3 [2.5;40.5] and 5.9 [3.0;23.7], p=0.45). CRP decreased by 3.5 times (22.3 [2.5;40.5] and 5.9 [3.0;23.7], p=0.45). BASDAI (7.2-3.1, p=0.003), ASDAS-CRP (16 [6;48], after 2 weeks 14 [6;27], p=0.45), CRP decreased by 3.5 times (22.3 [2.5;40.5] and 5.9 [3.0;23.7], p=0.4), BASFI (7.2-3.1, p=0.003), but BASMI 10 (24-22, p=0.18). There were also no significant changes in mobility indicators according to sonographic measurements for 2 weeks. However, the correlation analysis of the dynamics of indicators for the study period showed the following results (see the Table 1):

- ∆ESR -0.5* -0.4* -0.3 -0.2 -0.5* -0.4*<P<0.05
- ∆CRP -0.3 -0.1 -0.4 -0.5 -0.4* -0.7*<P<0.05
- ∆ASDAS -0.4 -0.5 0.1 -0.3 0.1 0.2
- ∆BASDAI -0.2 -0.1 -0.2 -0.3 -0.3* -0.5*
- ∆BASFI -0.6* -0.5* -0.5 0.2 0.3 -0.3
- ∆BASMI 10 -0.2 -0.1 -0.2 -0.3 -0.3* -0.5*

Note: *-p<0.05, ∆i - C5-6, Th11-12, L4-5, mm – the difference between the indicators obtained in the vertical position at admission and after 2 weeks.

Conclusion: The method of ultrasound examination of spinal mobility in AS allows not only to objectively the indicators, but can also be used to monitor the function of the axial skeleton during follow-up.

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