



*Supplemental tables*

## Sarcopenia in Autoimmune and Rheumatic Diseases: A Comprehensive Review

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**Table 1.** Study Findings of Rheumatoid Arthritis and Sarcopenia.

Author	Study Findings	Definition of Sarcopenia
Vulnerability		
Dao et al. [1]	Female early RA patients in Vietnam had lower appendicular LM.	FFMI (Hull et al. [2])
Doğan et al. [3]	Female RA patients had lower SMI and higher sarcopenia prevalence.	SMI (Janssen et al. [4])
Santo et al. [5]	According to meta-analysis, rheumatoid cachexia is a common comorbidity in RA whose prevalence is 15–32%.	-
Munro et al. [6]	RA patients had lower upper arm muscle mass.	-
Kasher et al. [7]	Female RA patients in Kazakhstan had lower MMI.	-
Associated factors		
Dao et al. [1]	Disease activity, functional status, RF seropositivity was associated with abnormal body composition in female RA patients.	FFMI (Hull et al. [2])
Giles et al. [8]	CRP levels, RF seropositivity, joint deformity, functional limitation was associated with abnormal body composition in RA patients.	SMI (Janssen et al. [4])
Ngeuleu et al. [9]	Bone erosion, normal/over fat BMI were associated to sarcopenia but disease activity and functional status were not associated in RA patients.	SMI (Baumgartner et al. [10])
Lin et al. [11]	Functional limitation (HAQ-DI > 1) and joint damage were positively associated with sarcopenia in RA patients.	SMI (AWGS [12])
Tada et al. [13]	BMI, body fat mass, and MMP3 were associated with sarcopenia in RA patients.	AWGS [12]
Mochizuki et al. [14]	Age, BMI, CRP, hip bone mineral density were significantly associated with sarcopenia in RA patients.	AWGS [12]
Torii et al. [15]	Age, longer disease duration, joint destruction and malnutrition were associated with sarcopenia in RA patients.	EWGSOP [16], AWGS [12]
Vlietstra et al. [17]	Higher body fat was associated with sarcopenia but self-reported fatigue and physical function were not associated in RA patients.	SMI (FNIH [18])
Munro et al. [6]	The acute phase response (ESR, CRP) had a significant correlation with reduced fat free mass in female RA patients.	-
Müller et al. [19]	Higher ESR, CRP, lower protein intake, worse functional status were associated with having low lean mass in early RA patients.	ALM/height <sup>2</sup> (male< 8.0586 kg/h <sup>2</sup> female< 6.0359 kg/h <sup>2</sup> )

Alkan Melikoglu [20]	SMI of RA patients had a negative correlation with functional status.	-
Beenakker et al. [21]	The low handgrip strength was negatively associated with disease duration but not associated with age between 35 and 65 years in RA patients.	-
Drugs/Treatment		
Giles et al. [8]	Not using DMARDs was associated with abnormal body composition in RA patients.	SMI (Janssen et al. [4])
Ngeuleu et al. [9]	There was no significant difference according to duration of steroid use between sarcopenic and non-sarcopenic RA group.	SMI (Baumgartner et al. [10])
Tournadre et al. [22]	TCZ was effective in gain of weight, lean mass, appendicular lean mass and SMI without fat mass gain in RA patients.	SMI (Baumgartner et al. [10])
Torii et al. [15]	Use of bDMARDs was negatively associated with sarcopenia in RA patients.	EWGSOP [16], AWGS [12]
Vlietstra et al. [17]	GC use was associated with sarcopenia in RA patients.	SMI (FNIH [18]) ALM/height <sup>2</sup> (male< 8.0586 kg/h <sup>2</sup> female< 6.0359 kg/h <sup>2</sup> )
Gómez-SanMiguel et al. [23]	In AiA rats, formoterol administration decreased severity of disease and skeletal muscle loss. It was associated with decreased inflammation, myostatin, the p-NF- $\kappa$ B(p65)/TNF pathway, IGFBP-3 and increased Akt and myogenin.	-
Yamada et al. [24]	According to an animal study of AiA rats, antioxidant treatment could prevent skeletal muscle dysfunction in RA patients.	-
Himori et al. [25]	According to an animal study of AiA rats, neuromuscular electrical stimulation could prevent skeletal muscle dysfunction in RA patients.	-
Fenton et al. [26]	In mice models of chronic polyarthritis, GC increased muscle wasting but reduced bone loss.	-
Yamada et al. [27]	GC use could promote sarcopenia in RA patients.	AWGS [12]
Risk		
Ngeuleu et al. [9]	Sarcopenia was associated with cardiometabolic risk in RA patients	SMI (Baumgartner et al. [10])
Torii et al. [15]	The incidence of falls, fractures, and lower bone mineral density were higher in patients with sarcopenia.	EWGSOP [16], AWGS [12]

Delgado-Frías et al. [28]	Sarcopenia in RA patients was associated with lower endothelial function.	SMI (Janssen et al. [4])
Mechanism		
Roubenoff et al. [29]	Loss of body cell mass, high TNF- $\alpha$ and IL-1 were observed and cytokine production was associated with resting energy expenditure in RA patients.	-
Little et al. [30]	In AiA rabbits, reduction of muscle mass and diameter seem to be related with increased IL-1 $\beta$ , NF- $\kappa$ B, p38 MAPK signaling and seem to trigger anabolic compensation of increased myonuclei, Pax7, MyoD, myogenin and reduced pSTAT3, myostatin.	-
Visser et al. [31]	Higher plasma concentrations of IL-6 and TNF- $\alpha$ were associated with lower muscle mass and muscle strength.	-
de Oliveira Nunes Teixeira et al. [32]	In a CIA rat study, muscle atrophy was not associated with decreased mobility.	-
Castillero et al. [33]	In AiA rats, arthritis-induced skeletal muscle atrophy may be due to proteolysis resulting from increased IGFBP-5, IGFBP-3, atrogin-1 and MuRF-1 but not from a decrease in the myogenic regulatory factors.	-

LM, lean mass; FFMI, free fat mass index; SMI, skeletal muscle mass index; MMI, muscle mass index; RF, rheumatoid factor; CRP, C-reactive protein; BMI, body mass index; HAQ-DI, health assessment questionnaire disability index; MMP3, matrix metalloproteinase 3; ESR, erythrocyte sedimentation rate; ALM, appendicular lean mass; DMARD, disease-modifying antirheumatic drug; TCZ, tocilizumab; bDMARD, biologic disease-modifying antirheumatic drug; GC, glucocorticoid; AiA, adjuvant-induced arthritis; NF- $\kappa$ B, nuclear factor kappa-light-chain-enhancer of activated B cells; TNF, tumor necrosis factor; IGFBP, insulin-like growth factor-binding protein; IL-1, interleukin-1; MAPK, mitogen-activated protein kinase; Pax7, paired box 7; pSTAT3, phospho-signal transducer and activator of transcription 3; IL-6, interleukin-6; CIA, collagen-induced arthritis; MuRF-1, muscle RING finger 1.

**Table 2.** Study Findings of Rheumatic Diseases Other Than Rheumatoid Arthritis and Sarcopenia.

Author	Findings	Definition of Sarcopenia
Spondyloarthritis		
El Maghraoui et al. [34]	Sarcopenia and pre-sarcopenia associated with high BASDAI and low BMD in AS patients.	EWGSOP [16]
Systemic sclerosis		
Caimmi et al. [38]	Sarcopenia was associated with longer disease duration, worse DLCO/VA, lung and skin involvement (Medsger severity score).	SMI (Baumgartner et al. [10])
Siebert et al. [39]	Sarcopenic patients had lower physical function and more immunosuppressive drugs than non-sarcopenic patients.	EWGSOP [16]
Corallo et al. [40]	When defining sarcopenia according to SMI and HS separately, both were associated with malnutrition, disease duration, mRSS, capillaroscopy score, esophageal involvement, ESR and DLCO.	SMI (Baumgartner et al. [10]) or HS (Male: <30, Female:<20)
Pacini et al. [41]	Sarcopenia is positively correlated with overactive bladder.	SMI (Baumgartner et al. [10])
Justo et al. [42]	Female SSc patients had reduced muscle strength, endurance and it was correlated with physical disability.	-
Marighela et al. [43]	Longer disease duration was correlated with SMI.	SMI (Baumgartner et al. [10])
Doerfler et al. [44]	Medical nutrition therapy intervention reversed sarcopenia in GI involvement patients.	SMI (Baumgartner et al. [10])

BASDAI, Bath Ankylosing Spondylitis Disease Activity; BMD, bone mineral density; BASDFI, Bath Ankylosing Spondylitis Function Index; DLCO, diffusing capacity for carbon monoxide; VA, alveolar volume; mRSS, modified Rodnan Skin Score; GI, gastrointestinal.

**Table 3.** Study Findings of Inflammatory Bowel Disease and Sarcopenia.

Author	Findings	Definition of Sarcopenia
Inflammatory Bowel Disease (no separation into CD and UC)		
Adams et al. [45]	Sarcopenia is a predictor of need for surgery.	SMI (Prado et al. [46])
Bryant et al. [47]	SMI continuously decreased over time in newly diagnosed IBD patients, while sarcopenia did not.	SMI, HS (EWGSOP [16])
Pedersen et al. [48]	Sarcopenia is a predictor of postoperative complications in patients younger than 40 years.	Lowest sex quartile of TPI or HUAC.
Werkstetter et al. [49]	Pediatric IBD patients have lower lean body mass, muscle strength and reduced physical activity.	-
Crohn's Disease		
Mager et al. [50]	In children with IBD, sarcopenia is more prevalent in CD than UC. Sarcopenia is associated with suboptimal vitamin D levels (<50 nmol/l) in CD.	SMM z score<-2 [51]
Zhang et al. [52]	Sarcopenia is a predictor of major postoperative complications (grade $\geq$ III on the Clavien-Dindo scale[53]).	SMI (Fearon et al. [54])
Bamba et al. [55]	Sarcopenia is a predictor of need for surgery.	SMI (Nishikawa et al. [56])
Thibierge et al. [57]	SMI was non-significantly lower in the group of patients needing surgery or dying during follow-up.	SMI (Mourtzakis et al. [58])
Lee et al. [59]	CRP was associated with sarcopenia and ESR, serum albumin, hemoglobin were correlated with SMI.	SMI (Kim et al. [60])
Cravo et al. [61]	Lower muscle attenuation was associated with severe phenotypes (stricturing or penetrating)	SMI (Martin et al. [62])
Carvalho et al. [63]	Sarcopenia is a predictor of postoperative complications.	SMI (Prado et al. [46])
Ding et al. [64]	Sarcopenia was associated with primary nonresponse to anti-TNF therapy	Lowest sex quartile of SMI.
Subramaniam et al. [65]	Infliximab increased muscle volume and strength.	-

Ulcerative Colitis		
Zhang et al. [66]	Sarcopenia was associated with high disease activity (high Mayo score) and colectomy reversed sarcopenia.	SMI (Fearon et al. [54])
Cusing et al. [67]	Sarcopenia is a predictor of need for medical rescue therapy or surgery in hospitalized ASUC patients.	SMI (Fearon et al. [54])
Fujikawa et al. [68]	Sarcopenia is a predictor of surgical site infection. Sarcopenia is associated with CRP.	Lowest sex quartile of TPI.

TPI, total psoas index; HUAC, Hounsfield unit average calculations; ASUC, acute severe ulcerative colitis.

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