



## Imaging of Rheumatoid Arthritis

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The purpose of this issue is to review hot topics in the imaging of RA, such as: The use of US and MRI in clinically suspect arthralgia (CSA)-a pre-RA stage in which a patient with arthralgia presents with features clinically suspicious of the development of RA; New MRI sequences that avoid contrast administration (Dixon technique, diffusion); Nuclear medicine, including PET with  $^{18}\text{F}$ -FDG,  $^{18}\text{F}$ -NaF, or other specific radiopharmaceuticals. In addition, the current status of the following topics will be reviewed: Conventional radiography in RA; Imaging of RA of wrist and hand; Imaging of RA of the foot and ankle; Imaging of RA of the cervical spine; Imaging of RA of great joints (shoulder, elbow, hip and knee); Imaging of thoracic manifestations of rheumatoid arthritis.





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