



## Current Perspectives and Gaps in the Diagnosis and Management of Rheumatic Diseases

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The diagnosis and management of rheumatic diseases remain challenging due to the complexity of the immune system, heterogeneity in presentation, diagnostic dilemmas, and gaps in management. More than 100 rheumatic diseases have been identified, encompassing a spectrum from degenerative diseases such as osteoarthritis to prototypical autoimmune inflammatory disorders such as rheumatoid arthritis, systemic lupus erythematosus, vasculitis, spondyloarthritis, and others to auto-inflammatory syndromes. Rheumatic diseases affect up to one-third of the general population [1]. Furthermore, the impact on the quality of life, both in terms of morbidity and in the number of years lost, is tremendous [1]. In this Special Issue entitled "Current Perspectives and Gaps in the Diagnosis and Management of Rheumatic Diseases," we invite investigators to contribute original research or review articles that focus on the current understanding of rheumatic diseases, with a focus on various perspectives and gaps in their diagnosis and management.





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