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# ENFERMEDADES AUTOINMUNES Y MEDICINA INTERNA

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# U008 Immunology for Dermies: from Autoimmune to Autoinflammatory, 8/03/2024

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- 1. ¿De dónde viene B de células B? Bolsa de Fabricius.
- 2. Marcadores de células B: CD20, CD 19 y CD79 a/b.
- 3. ¿Qué virus se une a CD21 (pista: el ciclo vital de este virus ocurre en células B)? EBV (HHV4).
- 3. ¿Qué significa BTK? Brutón-quinasa.
- 4. ¿Qué inmunodeficiencia describió Bruton? Agammaglobulinemia ligada a X. Tto: Ig iv.
- 5. ¿Qué fármaco inhibe BTK? Ibrutinib, primer fármaco aprobado para EICH. Antes LLC y otras leucemias/linfomas.
- 6. ¿Qué tipos de anticuerpos?
  - Regla nemotécnica (X-quimérico: 65% humano, Z-humanizado. >90% humano, Totalmente humano: 100% humano, um-humano).
  - A > humanidad, < inmunogenicidad (MTX útil para contrarrestarla).
- 7. ¿Cuál es la diana de belimumab? Células B-Blys (estimulador de linfocitos B).
- 8. ¿Qué inmunoglobulina no fija complemento? IgG4.
- 9. ¿Cuál es el primer fármaco aprobado por FDA para profilaxis de EICH? Abatacept.
- 10. ¿Cuál es el primer fármaco aprobado por FDA para Dermatomiositis? Ig iv.

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Asociación de enfermedades con HLA:

Clase I (HLA-A, -B, -C)

Psoriasis (CW6)

Artritis psoriásica y reactiva (B27)

Behcet (B51)

Liquen plano: B8 (oral) y Bw35 (piel)

Clase II (HLA-DP, -DQ, -DR)

Urticaria: DR4, DRB4, DQ8

Pénfigo vulgar: DR4, DRw6

Dermatitis herpetiforme; DR3, DQw2, B8

Herpes gestationis: DR3



# F030 Autoimmune Blistering Diseases: What's new? PENFIGOIDE 08/03/2024

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**BJD**  
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## Omalizumab in the treatment of bullous pemphigoid resistant to first-line therapy: a French national multicentre retrospective study of 100 patients

### What does this study add?

- Our French nationwide study of 100 patients provides the largest series to date of BP treated with omalizumab.
- This study confirms the good effectiveness and safety of omalizumab in BP, with complete remission in 77% of cases in a median time of 3 months.
- Level of IgE directed to the NC16A region of the target antigen BP180 and detected by enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay was predictive of response to omalizumab.

El papel exacto de dupilumab y omalizumab en penfigoide queda por determinar.

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No eficacia con mepolizumab, ixekizumab, benralizumab, Numerosos ensayos en fase I-II

## Bertilimumab

a first-in-class human monoclonal antibody engineered to deflect the protein cotaxin-1

### Phase 2 Trial (preliminary results release)

- By day 42 a mean reduction in BPD AI Activity Score of 70%
- By day 84, 81% decline in BPD AI from a mean baseline score of 67
- Subjects only received 3 doses of bertilimumab (on days 0, 14, and 28)
- Significantly lower cumulative dose of prednisone

## Nomacopan

- a bifunctional inhibitor of complement component C5 and leukotriene B4 (LTB4)
- a completed phase 2 open label trial (NCT04035733), seven of nine patients responded to nomacopan, with no treatment-related AEs and results promising rapid control and minimizing the need for steroids in BP

## Targeting C5aR1

Treatment of Bullous Pemphigoid With Avdoralimab (IPH5401), an Anti-C5aR1 Monoclonal Antibody (IPH)

The main objective is to investigate the clinical efficacy of **an anti-C5aR1 antibody in addition to superpotent topical steroids**, compared to superpotent topical steroids alone in BP patients **at 3 months**.

It is a case-controlled, randomized, open-labelled, and multicenter phase II clinical trial

### Primary outcome measure

The efficacy will be evaluated through the proportion of patients in complete clinical remission (CCR) at 3 months without any relapse during the study period. The CCR will be defined as the absence of new bullous and skin inflammatory lesions and absence of pruritus for at least 2 weeks.

## IL -23 as a treatment target in BP

### Early Phase 1

#### The Effects of Tildrakizumab in Treatment of Bullous Pemphigoid

- Tildrakizumab, which targets the p19 subunit of IL-23, is FDA approved for the treatment of adult plaque psoriasis
- An open-label, single-arm phase I clinical trial (NCT04465292) is planning to enroll 16 patients to determine the efficacy of tildrakizumab for BP

## Sutimlimab

- Sutimlimab (BIVV009, previously called TNT009) is a humanized IgG4 monoclonal antibody that inhibits C1s, a serine protease necessary for the dissemination of the classical complement pathway
- A first-in-human open-label phase I trial in 10 patients with active or past BP (NCT02502903) found that sutimlimab was both safe and tolerable, with common cold, fatigue, and headache being the most common AEs

# U016 Combining systemic therapies: should you do it? 08/03/2024

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- AMPOLLOSAS Dr Steven T Chen:
  1. opciones en desarrollo: *chimeric antigen receptor T-cell therapy* y efgartigimod.
  2. primera línea rituximab, más coste efectivo que micofenolato.
- Para pénfigo:
  - Rituximab junto a micofenolato: mayores efectos adversos si mejoría en índices de remisión o recidiva.
  - Estudio retrospectivo en MGH y en BIDMC de pacientes con PV o PF últimos 5 años (hasta julio 2023)
  - Grupo en monoterapia 59% menor probabilidad de eventos adversos.
- Para penfigoide:
  - Conveniente terapia de combinación pues hay más caminos inmunológicos a abordar.
  - EN CONECTIVOPATIAS NUEVAS GUIAS EULAR 2023: ANIFROLUMAB Es “add-on” tratamiento al mismo nivel de indicación que metotrexato o micofenolato.

# U037 Inpatient Dermatology from Horses to Zebras: Lessons learned at an academic hospital.

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- RIME:
  - Mínima o ninguna afectación cutánea/mucosa.
  - Asociación con COVID 19.
  - Recurrencias: complicaciones psiquiátricas y oculares.
  - Contactar con Urología/Ginecología para evitar cicatrices.
  - E Gimeno et al. *JEADV* 2022, sept.
  - Si recurrencias: micofenolato.
- Vasculitis:
  - Púrpura retiforme
- Calcifilaxis:
  - Aumento de Calcifilaxis no urémica (sarcoidosis)
  - Biopsia sin epinefrina (telescópica)
  - Dx/Seguimiento: radiografía ósea (*JAAD Int* 2024)
  - Tratamiento: tiosulfato iv, apixaban, cinacalcet

## Recurrent reactive infectious mucocutaneous eruption: A retrospective cohort study

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Role of bone scan in diagnosis of calciphylaxis: A review

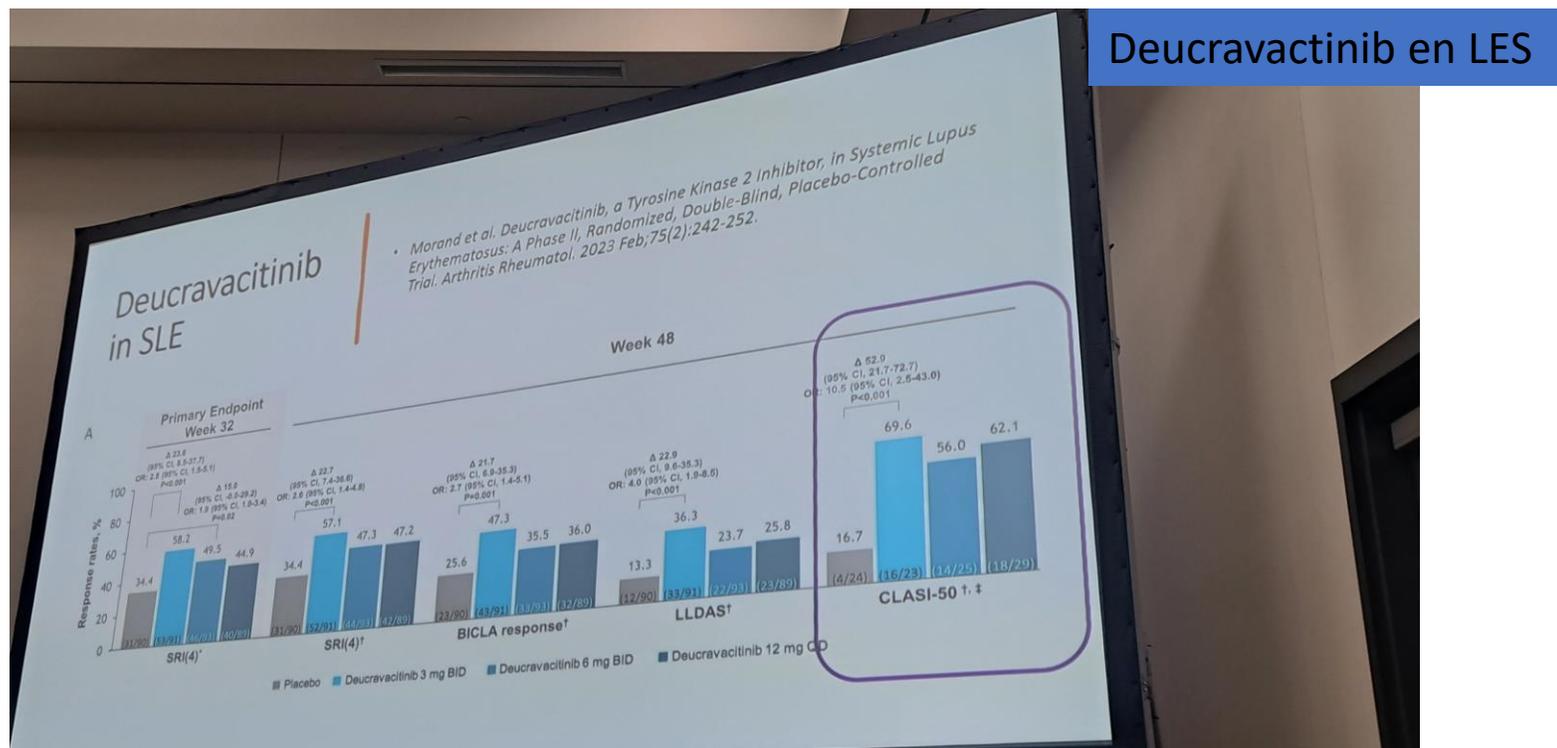
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# S025 JAK inhibitors: a New Frontier in Dermatology 09/03/2024



- Deucravactinib en LES, ensayo en fase 2. *Arthritis Rheumatol* 2023; 75 (2): 242-252: reducción CLASI-50 con dosis de 6 mg dos veces al día.
- Tofactinib en esclerosis sistémica. *Rheumatol Int* 2021; 41 (10): 1743-1753: superior a MTX.
- Tofactinib en morfea profunda y fascitis eosinofílica. *JAAD* 2018 30; 4(5): 443-445.

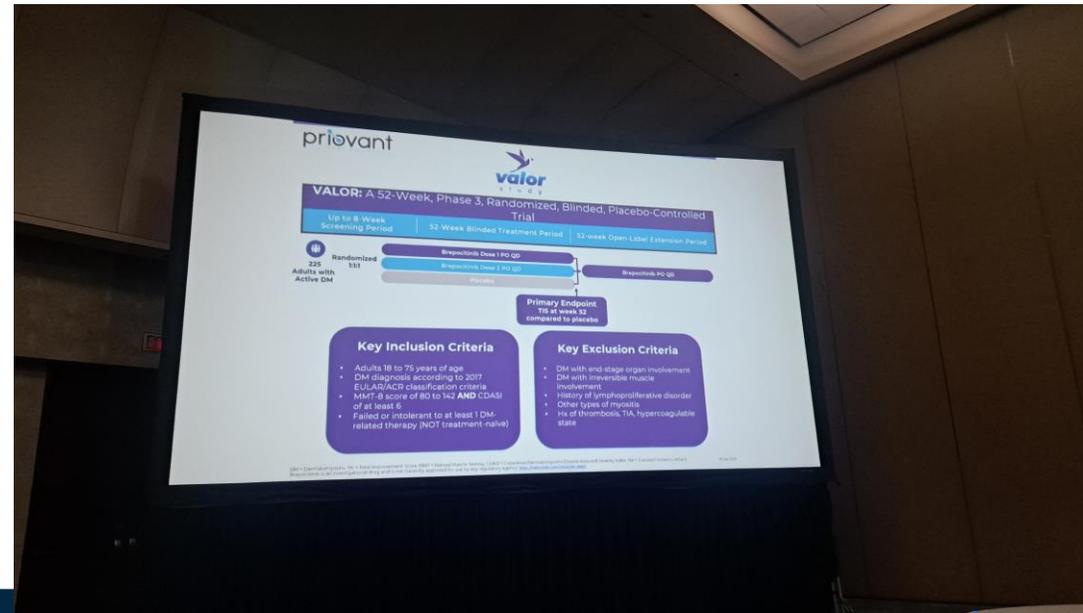


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- DERMATOMIOSITIS: fuerte firma del interfeferon tipo 1 en DM
- Tofactinib ya publicado en JAAD 2022
- Futuro: PF-06823859 (Dazukibart)
  - Anticuerpo monoclonal humanizado IgG1 neutralizante frente a Interferon beta.
  - Resultados en Fase 2 (AAD 2023)
  - Reducción de CDSAÍ > 5 puntos en 100%, 96% y 35,7% en los brazos de 150 mg, 600 mg y placebo.
  - Ensayo en fase III (reclutamiento).
- Ensayo VALOR (preboticinib en DM)
  - Inclusión si fallo a un tto previo de DM,
  - No naive.



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## ENFERMEDADES GRANULOMATOSAS:

### 1. Sarcoidosis

Inhibición de inmunidad tipo 1 con tofacitinib 5 mg/d 6 meses mejora sarcoidosis  
6 RC y 6 RP (*Damsky et al, Nature Communications 2022*)

#### Novedades:

Inhibición tópica de JAK potencialmente útil

**Abrocitinib** (específico de JAK 1) en sarcoidosis (NC05696759) y **Deucravacitinib** (inhibidor alostérico-IL12/23, INF tipo 1) : *open-label proof of concept*

### 2. Granuloma anular

Tópico: AC-1101 Tofacitinib gel 2%, fase 1 completada (13 pacientes)

Oral: abrocitinib y deucravactinib open-label proof of concept

PIODERMA GANGRENOSO: casos anecdóticos con tofacitinib 5 mg dos veces al día

# S035 Challenging adult and pediatric autoimmune connective tissue disease cases: pearls for diagnosis and management 09/03/2024

## Imaging to Diagnose Calciphylaxis

**Imaging Modalities**

- Plain x-ray
- CT scan
- Mammography
- **Bone scintigraphy**

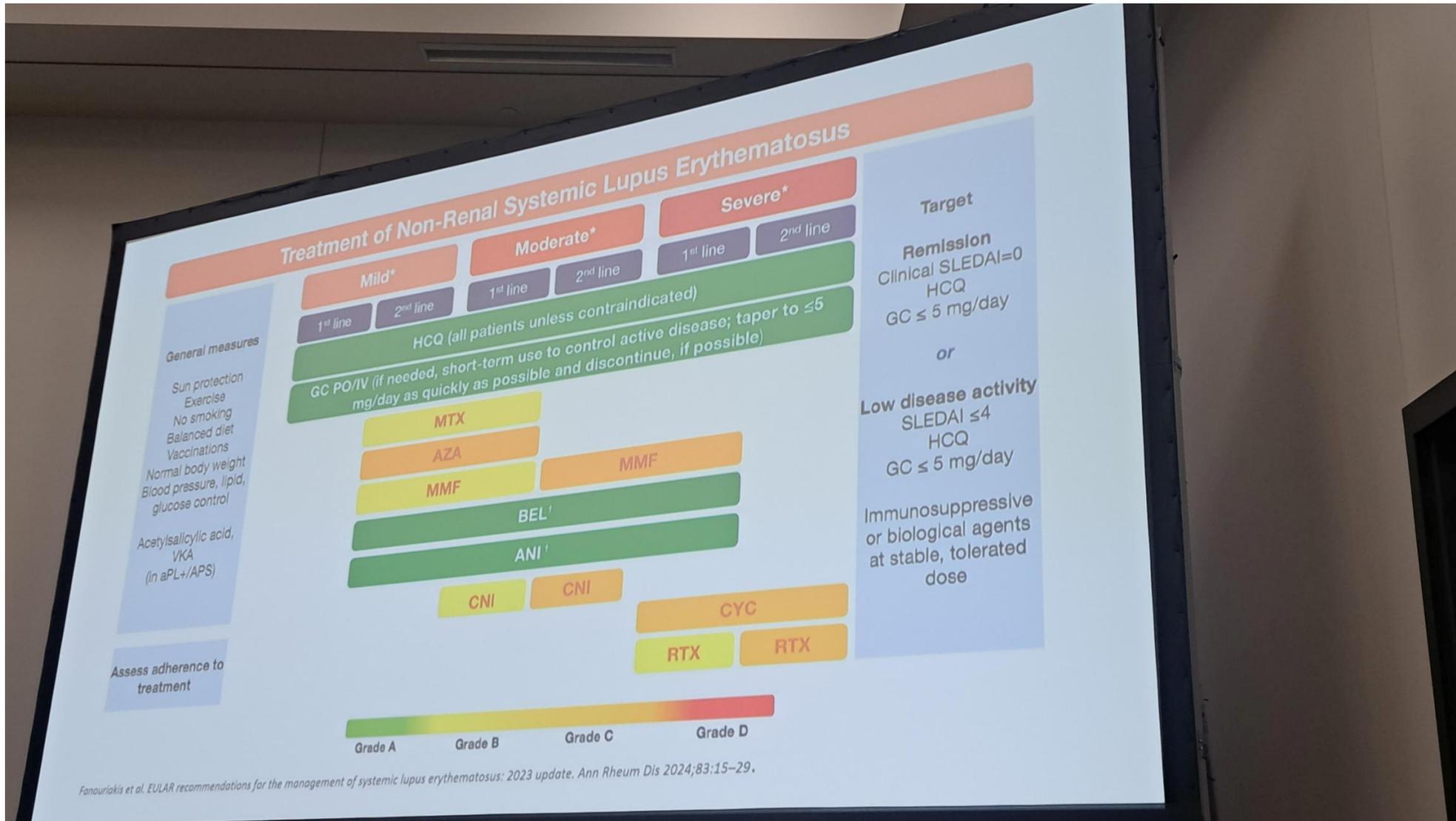


❖ Sensitivity 63-94%, specificity 97% (comparable to biopsy, n=102)<sup>1</sup>

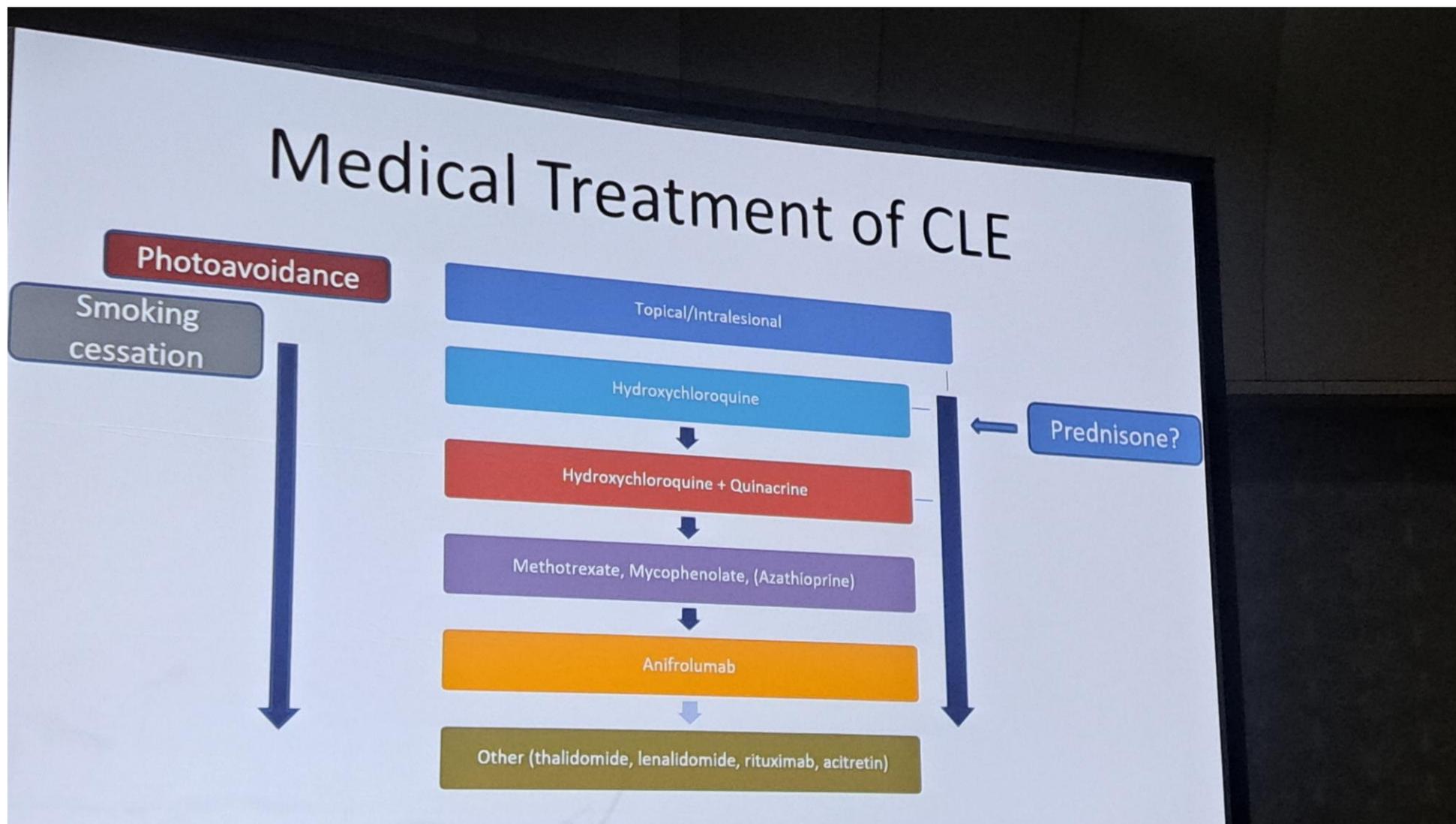
❖ Follow treatment response

<sup>1</sup>Gupta K, et al. *World J Nucl Med.*;2023.      <sup>1</sup>Groover M, et al. *JAAD Int.*;2024.

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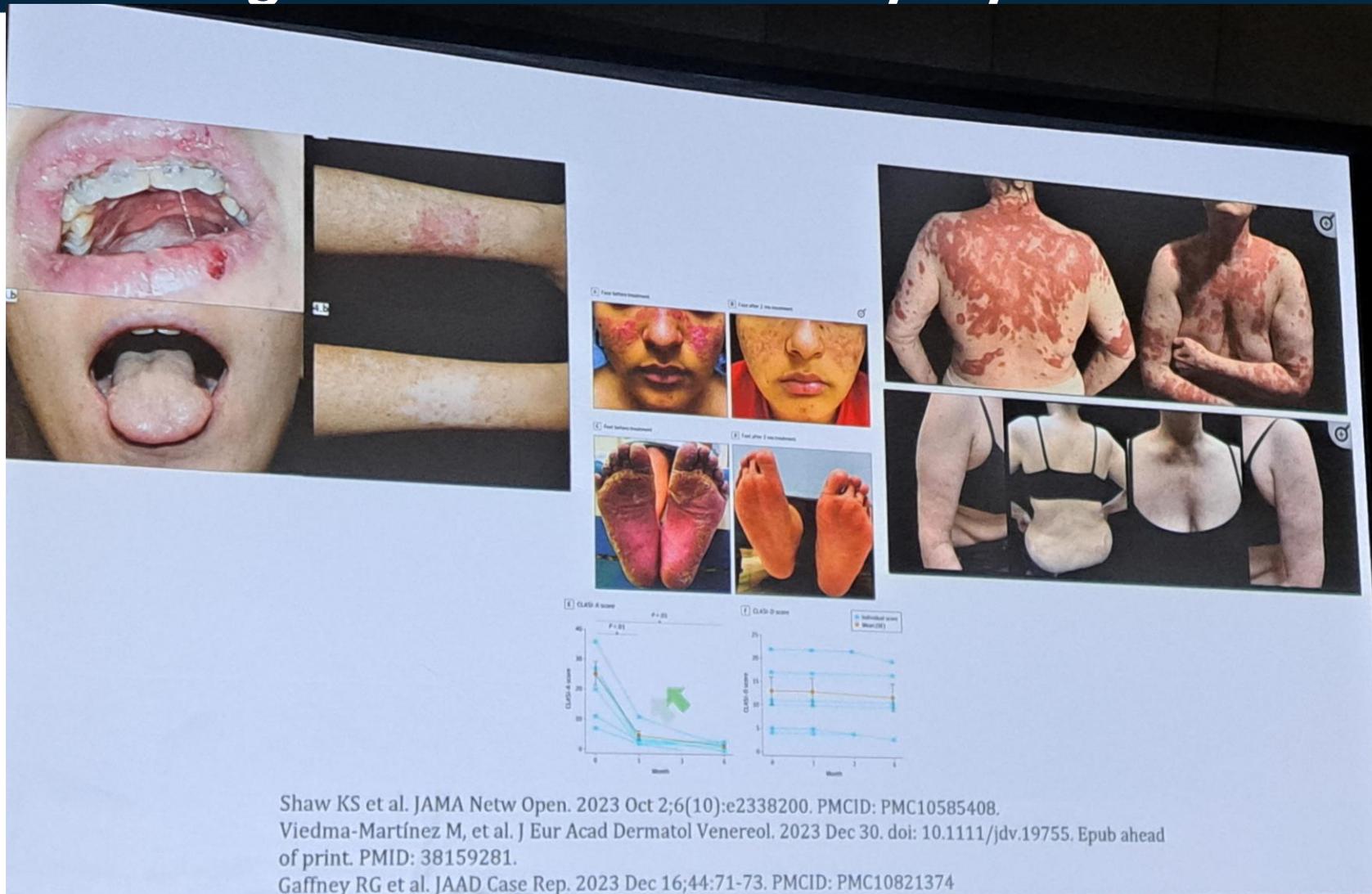
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Gaffney RG et al. JAAD Case Rep. 2023 Dec 16;44:71-73. PMID: 38159281.

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## Rapid Improvement in Recalcitrant Cutaneous Juvenile Dermatomyositis With Anifrolumab Treatment

Juvenile dermatomyositis (JDM) is an idiopathic inflammatory myopathy of childhood that manifests with proximal muscle weakness and varying degrees of extramuscular pathologic findings. Although muscle disease is often responsive to first-line systemic corticosteroids and traditional steroid-sparing immunosuppressants, cutaneous involvement in JDM may persist, precluding complete disease remission.<sup>1</sup> Recent transcriptomic analyses have demonstrated striking upregulation of type I interferon (IFN)-stimulated genes in the peripheral blood, muscle, and lesional skin of patients with JDM, with higher IFN scores corresponding to increased disease severity.<sup>2</sup> As such, type I IFN has emerged as an attractive therapeutic target for patients with dermatomyositis (DM), although US Food and Drug Administration (FDA)-approved therapies are lacking.<sup>3,4</sup> We pre-

sented a case of refractory cutaneous JDM demonstrating rapid improvement with anifrolumab, a monoclonal antibody targeting type I IFN receptor subunit 1.

**Report of a Case |** A 14-year-old girl presented with a 6-year history of a photosensitive eruption involving her face, neck, trunk, and extremities. She had been diagnosed with JDM at age 8 years based on radiographic evidence of myositis, confirmatory skin biopsy, and the presence of antitranscriptional intermediary factor-1 $\gamma$  (TIF-1 $\gamma$ ) autoantibodies. Despite trials of systemic steroids, hydroxychloroquine,

Figure 2. Rapid Improvement in Cutaneous Juvenile Dermatomyositis Disease Activity With Anifrolumab Initiation



A 14-year-old girl with a 6-year history of refractory, antitranscriptional intermediary factor-1 $\gamma$  juvenile dermatomyositis presented with violaceous erythema on her forehead and midface, as well as diffuse poikiloderma involving her upper chest (A), anterolateral thighs (B), and extensor arms (C). Erythematous, flat-topped papules were present on the extensor joints of her hands, and nailfold examination revealed dilated capillary loops, capillary



Although the patient experienced improvement in muscle strength and radiographic resolution of myositis after a 5-month trial of tofacitinib and intravenous immunoglobulin, she continued to experience severe cutaneous disease activity as exemplified by persistent, deep red erythema and poikiloderma on her neck, chest (A), upper back (C), and extensor arms (E). Within 72 hours of receiving anifrolumab, the patient experienced dramatic improvement in erythema, which was sustained at clinical follow-up 56 days

Herein, we describe the successful treatment of refractory cutaneous DM with anifrolumab. The selection of anifrolumab was motivated by the patient's severe, disabling, and recalcitrant disease (including to JAK inhibition) and serologic evidence of elevated IFN- $\beta$ . The patient demonstrated significant clinical improvement with just 1 infusion of anifrolumab and the rapidity of clinical improvement within a matter of days was striking. We aim to highlight the importance of the type I IFN axis in patients with refractory cutaneous DM and highlight anifrolumab as a viable therapeutic option for patients with contraindications to standard therapies.

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## DERMATOMIOSITIS 10/03/2024

### International Guideline for Idiopathic Inflammatory Myopathy-Associated Cancer Screening: an International Myositis Assessment and Clinical Studies Group (IMACS) initiative

Alexander G. S. Oldroyd<sup>1,2,3,4</sup>, Jeffrey P. Callen<sup>5</sup>, Hector Chinoy<sup>1,2,3</sup>, Lorinda Chung<sup>6,7</sup>, David Fiorentino<sup>8</sup>, Patrick Gordon<sup>9</sup>, Pedro M. Machado<sup>10,11,12,13</sup>, Neil McHugh<sup>14</sup>, Albert Selva-O'Callaghan<sup>15</sup>, Jens Schmidt<sup>16</sup>, Sarah L. Tansley<sup>14,17</sup>, Ruth Ann Vleugels<sup>18</sup>, Victoria P. Werth<sup>19,20</sup>, International Myositis Assessment and Clinical Studies Group Cancer Screening Expert Group\* & Rohit Aggarwal<sup>21,22</sup>

Category	"High risk" factors
IIM subtype	<input type="checkbox"/> Dermatomyositis
MSA and MAA	<input type="checkbox"/> Anti-TIF1-γ antibodies <input type="checkbox"/> Anti-NXP2 antibodies
Clinical features	<input type="checkbox"/> Age >40 years at IIM onset <input type="checkbox"/> Persistent high disease activity despite therapy <input type="checkbox"/> Dysphagia (moderate to severe) <input type="checkbox"/> Cutaneous necrosis

**Screening at time of diagnosis:**  
Basic and enhanced screening panels

**Screening at follow up:**  
Basic screening panel at 1, 2 and 3 years after IIM onset

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**Consider additional screening:**  
18F-FDG PET-CT, upper and lower GI endoscopy

**Basic screening panel**

- Comprehensive history
- Comprehensive physical examination
- Complete blood count
- Serum liver function tests
- Serum ESR and/or plasma viscosity
- Serum CRP
- Serum protein electrophoresis
- Urinalysis
- Plain chest X-ray radiograph

**Enhanced screening panel:**

- CT scan of the neck, thorax, abdomen and pelvis
- Cervical screening<sup>b</sup>
- Mammography<sup>b</sup>
- Prostate-specific antigen<sup>b</sup>
- CA-125
- Pelvic or transvaginal ultrasonography for ovarian cancer
- Faecal occult blood<sup>b</sup>

Oldroyd et al. Nat Rev Rheumatol. 2023 Dec;19(12):805-817.

### Emerging therapies in DM

- Tyk2/Jak1 inhibitor (brepocitinib, Priovant)
- Anti-IFNβ (Pfizer)
- Empasiprubarat, Efgartigimod (Argenx)

NYU Grossman School of Medicine

### Clinical characteristics and symptom progression of dermatomyositis subtypes: A retrospective analysis of a prospective database

Reichman-Pfeiffer, BA, MD, Deborah Kormanik, BA, MD, Steven Kim, MD, PhD, and Victoria P. Werth, MD, PhD

- 269 patients: 51% DM, 49% CADM
- 40% of DM become postmyopathic (avg 3.8 yrs)
  - PmDM: 2 years w/o muscle disease
- 5% of CADM become myopathic (avg 6.3 yrs)
- Little if any affect of treatment on conversion

J Am Acad Dermatol. 2024 Feb 9;50(9):9622-9693.14. UR Dermatology 19

- Importancia de los conocimientos actualizados en inmunología para el dermatólogo.
- En estudio el potencial de omalizumab y dupilumab en penfigoide ampoloso resistente.
- Revolución en el manejo de lupus cutáneo con Anifrolumab, rápida respuesta (300mg iv cada 4 semanas)
- Potencial eficacia de Anifrolumab en Dermatomiositis.
- Inmunoglobulina iv aprobada para Dermatomiositis por FDA.
- Recomendable el uso de inhibidores de JAK para dermatomiositis resistentes a tratamiento y para enfermedades autoinmunes que se solapan.

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