

关于IgG4 RD的几个问题

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Mikulicz's disease (14%)



Dacryadenitis

Sialadenitis

Interstitial pneumonia (8%)

Sclerosing cholangitis (60%)

Pseudotumor (2%)

Autoimmune hepatitis (AIH)

Renal involvement

Interstitial nephritis (8%)

GI tract ?



CNS

Hypophysitis

Pachymeningitis



Chronic thyroiditis (8%)

Hilar lymphadenopathy (9%)

Mastopathy

Aortitis

Type 1 AIP n=60 (100%)

Retroperitoneal fibrosis (10%)

Prostatitis



Q1: IgG4RD临床分型？

- Group 1 (31%), Pancreato-Hepato-Biliary disease;
- Group 2 (24%), Retroperitoneal Fibrosis and/or Aortitis;
- Group 3 (24%), Head and Neck-Limited disease
 - female (OR~10)
 - Asian (OR~6)
- Group 4 (22%), classic Mikulicz syndrome with systemic involvement.
 - Higher IgG4 concentration (*9)

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Clinical phenotypes of IgG4-related disease: an analysis of two international cross-sectional cohorts. (n=765)

Q2. 关于血清IgG4的水平：
是 $>2*UNL$ 还是 $>135mg/dl$?

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OBSERVATIONAL STUDY

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Diagnostic Performance of Serum IgG4 Levels in Patients With IgG4-Related Disease

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2901 IgG4-RD and 2740 non IgG4-RD

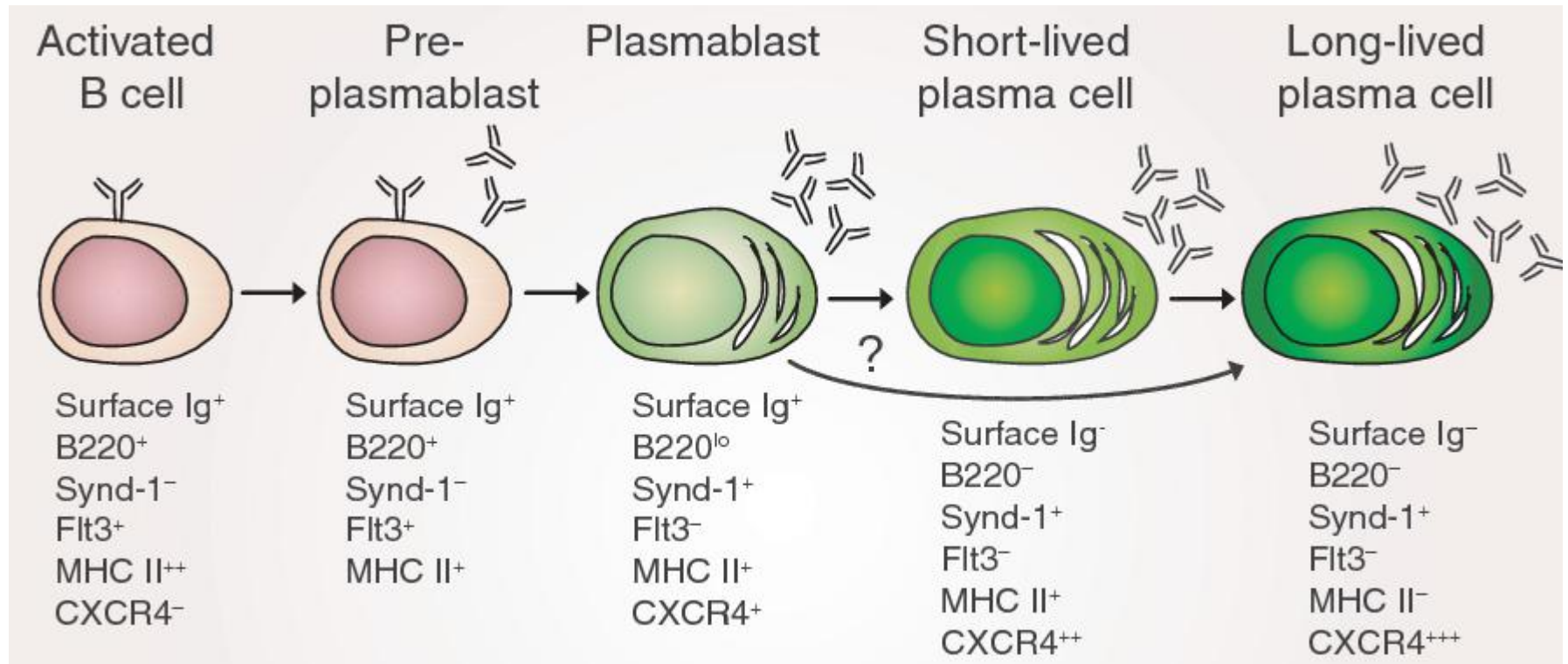
TABLE 2. Characteristics of the 2740 Non-IgG4-RD Subjects and Range of Diseases With Elevated Serum IgG4 Levels

Diseases	Cases, n	Cases %	IgG4 >135 mg/dL [*] , n (%)	IgG4 >201 mg/dL [†] , n (%)
Pancreatic cancer	199	7.3	36 (18.1)	13 (6.5)
Pancreatitis	459	16.8	89 (19.4)	39 (8.5)
Cholangiocarcinoma	63	2.3	13 (20.6)	5 (7.9)
Cholangitis	134	4.9	17 (12.7)	8 (6.0)
Gastrointestinal malignancy	51	1.9	20 (39.2)	10 (19.6)
Lymphoma	32	1.2	11 (34.4)	8 (25.0)
Other malignancy	286	10.4	45 (15.7)	15 (5.2)
Allergic disease	31	1.1	13 (41.9)	10 (32.3)
Systemic lupus erythematosus	109	4.0	9 (8.3)	2 (1.8)
Rheumatoid arthritis	433	15.8	131 (30.3)	82 (18.9)
Sjögren syndrome	54	2.0	10 (18.5)	4 (7.4)
Sarcoidosis	2	0.1	0 (0)	0 (0)
Systemic sclerosis	5	0.2	3 (60.0)	2 (40.0)
Vasculitis	1	0.0	0 (0)	0 (0)
Castleman disease	2	0.1	1 (50.0)	0 (0)
Ankylosing spondylitis/psoriatic arthritis	208	7.6	83 (39.9)	64 (30.8)
Other diseases	671	24.5	154 (23.0)	49 (7.3)
Total	2740	100.0	635 (23.2)	311 (11.4)

TABLE 4. Performance of Serum IgG4 Levels in Patients With and Without IgG4-Related Disease, Stratified by Different IgG4 Cutoff Levels

	IgG4* >135 mg/dL	IgG4* >270 mg/dL	IgG4* >405 mg/dL	IgG4† >201 mg/dL	IgG4† >402 mg/dL	IgG4† >603 mg/dL
Sensitivity	86	75	62	80	62	50
Specificity	77	94	98	89	98	99
PPV	18	43	68	29	68	84
NPV	89	98	98	99	98	97
LR+	3.70	12.79	27.11	7.00	36.21	90.77
LR–	0.19	0.26	0.39	0.23	0.39	0.51

Q2-1. 外周血浆母细胞水平是否可作为IgG4相关性疾病新的诊断/监测指标?





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Plasmablasts As A Biomarker For IgG4-Related Disease, Independent Of Serum IgG4 Concentrations

- 37 IgG4-RD (active, untreated)
- 14 healthy controls
- 21 disease controls with active, untreated inflammatory diseases or malignancies
(5 RA, 4 GPA, 2 pancreatic cancer, 1 DLBC, 3 sarcoidosis, 1 livedoid vasculopathy, 1 SS, 1 PBC, 1 chronic pain, 1 Lyme disease, 1 gout).
- 12 patients treated with RTX (1g*2, 15d)

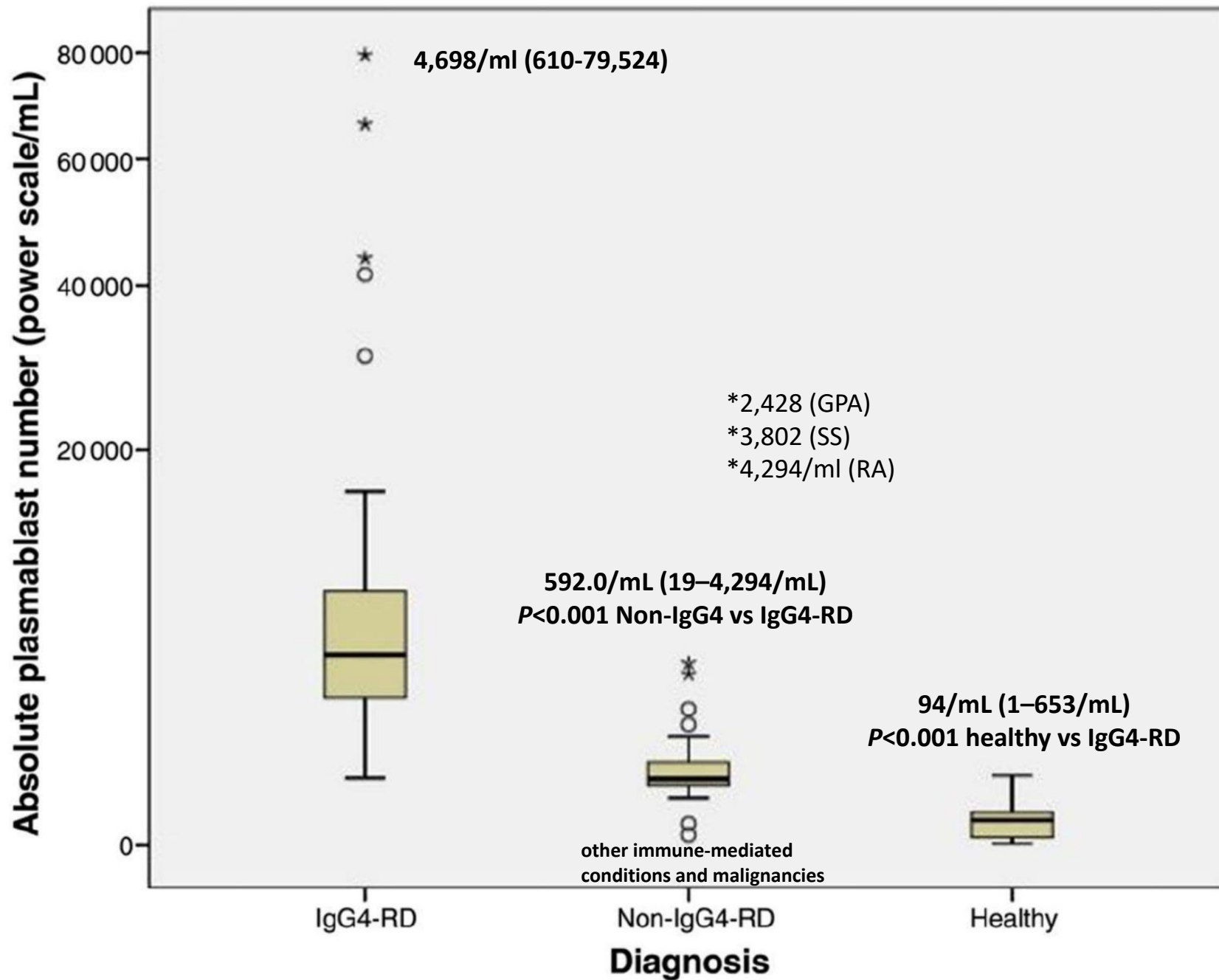
IgG4 concentration

924 (138~4780

59.5 (5.3~123)

p<0.01

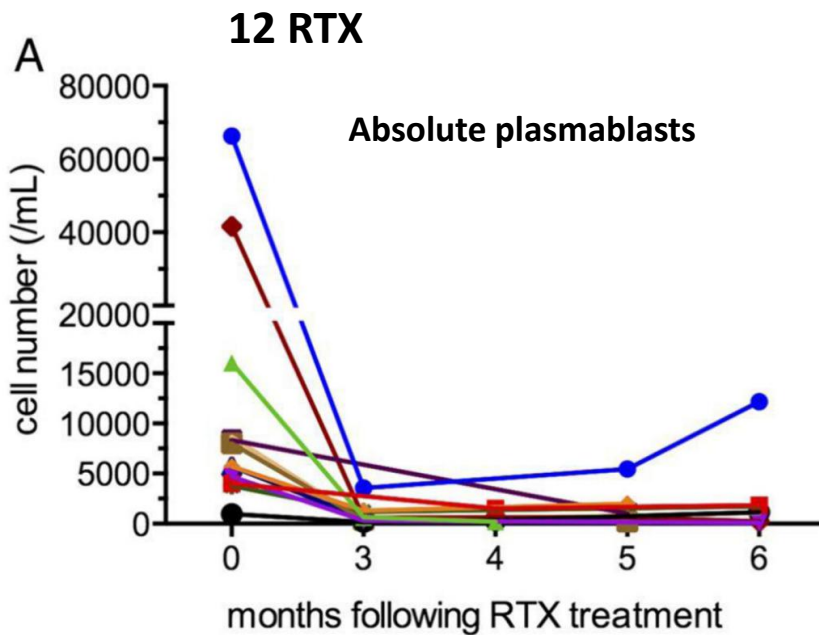
Variable	Elevated Serum IgG4 (n=23)	Normal Serum IgG4 (n=13)	P-value
Gender (% male)	65%	69%	0.81
Age (Years)	64	50	0.001
Number of Organs (mean)	2.9	1.7	0.003
Percentage with ≥ 3 organs involved	57%	15%	<0.01
Median PlasmablastCount (#/mL)	3,981	3,659	0.82
Serum IgG4 (mg/dL)	923.6	59.5	0.001
C3 (mg/dL)	82	113	0.005
C4 (mg/dL)	14.9	22.1	0.017
CRP (mg/L)	23.4	3.1	0.008
ESR (mm/hr)	51	11	<0.001



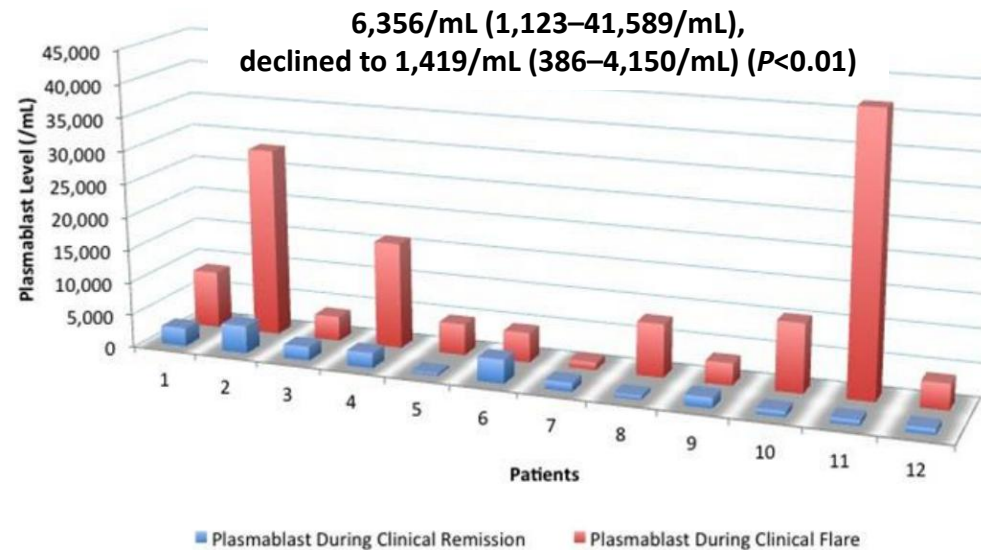
- Plasmablast counts were significantly different between those with multiorgan disease and those with ≤ 2 organs involved (medians 7,370/mL and 3,435/mL; $P=0.01$).
- Correlation between plasmablast counts and the baseline IgG4-RD RI score was modest ($R=0.17$, $P=0.16$).

- Plasmablast levels demonstrated excellent performance as a test for IgG4-RD (AUC 0.96, $P < 0.05$).

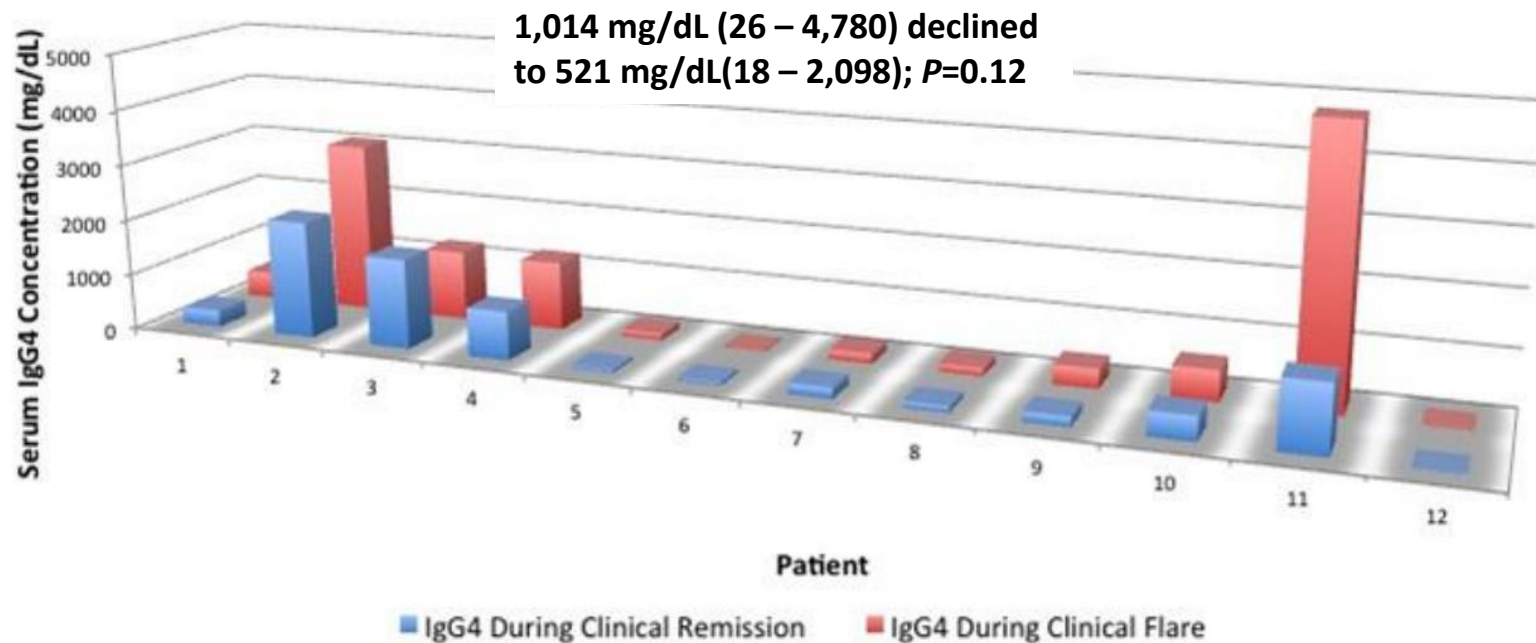
Cutoff of Plasmablast	Sensitivity	Specificity	PPV	NPV
900/ml	95%	82%	86%	97%
2000/ml	87%	91%	91%	87%



Comparing Plasmablast Levels During Flares and Clinical Remission



Comparing Serum IgG4 Concentrations During Flares and Clinical Remission



- Circulating plasmablast count is a more robust diagnostic marker than are serum IgG4 concentrations.
- In several patients, rising plasmablast levels during periods of partial or complete remission preceded overt clinical flares
- The utility of plasmablast levels as biomarkers of disease activity and predictors of flare requires further investigation.

Q3. 关于影像： 18F-FDG-PET/CT

Characterizing IgG4-related disease with ^{18}F -FDG PET/CT: a prospective cohort study

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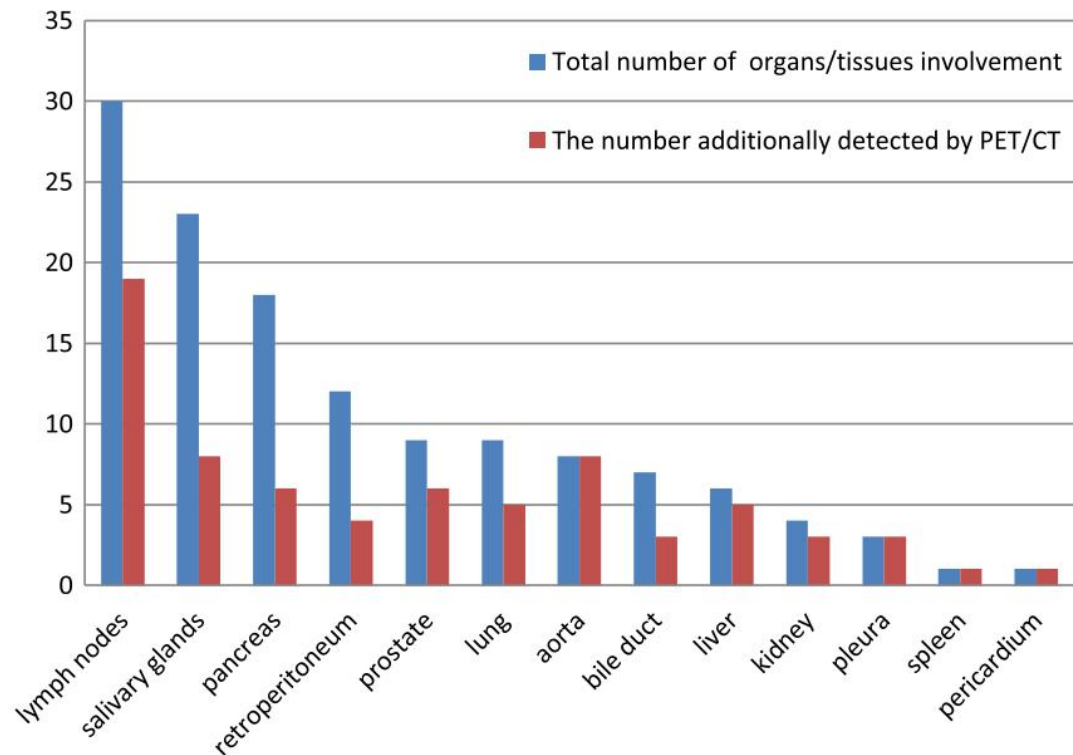
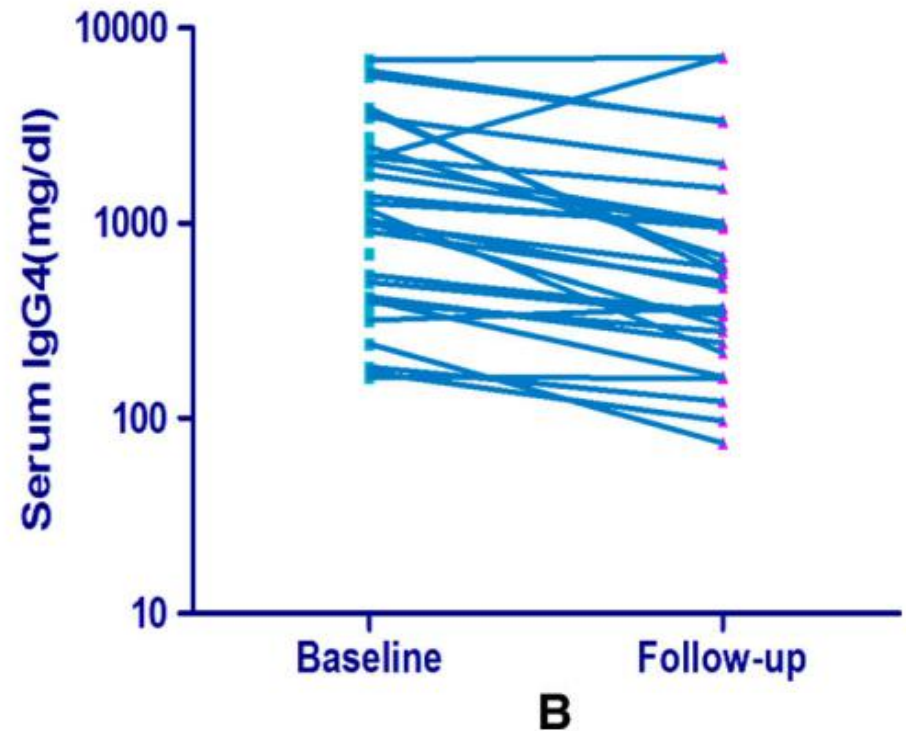
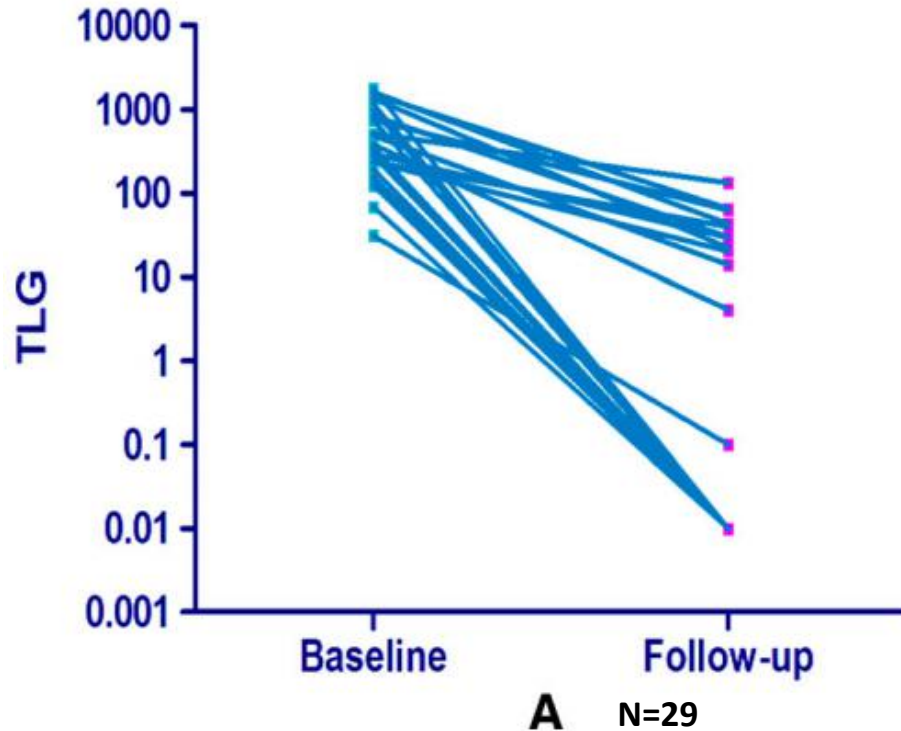


Table 2 Summary of the image characteristics that form the pattern of IgG4-related disease on ^{18}F -FDG PET/CT

Image characteristics	Confidence for indication of IgG4-F
1. Diffusely elevated ^{18}F -FDG uptake in organs, mainly involving salivary glands, pancreas, and prostate	
(1) Evenly, symmetrically distributed ^{18}F -FDG uptake in the salivary glands without signs of infection	Strong
(2) Diffusely enlarged pancreas with moderate to intense ^{18}F -FDG uptake without pancreaticobiliary duct obstruction	Strong
(3) Diffusely enlarged prostate with moderate to intense ^{18}F -FDG uptake	Moderate
(4) Broadly involved lymph nodes with moderate to intense ^{18}F -FDG uptake	Moderate
2. Patchy ^{18}F -FDG-avid lesion without signs of infection, mainly involving aorta wall, retroperitoneal region, pancreas, bile duct, liver, kidney, and lung	
(5) Patchy thickness of aorta wall with moderate to intense ^{18}F -FDG uptake not limited to the vascular intima	Strong
(6) Patchy retroperitoneal lesion with moderate to intense ^{18}F -FDG uptake	Strong
(7) Patchy pancreatic lesion	Moderate
(8) Patchy bile duct lesion	Moderate
(9) Patchy liver lesion	Moderate
(10) Patchy lesions in the enlarged irregular kidneys	Moderate
(11) Patchy lung lesion	Weak
(12) Patchy pleural lesion	Weak
(13) Patchy pericardial lesion	Weak
3. Multi-organ involvement, including the following characteristics besides the above-mentioned	
(14) Pancreas nodule or mass	Weak
(15) Kidney nodule or mass	Weak
(16) Lung nodule(s)	Weak
4. Rapid, significant response to steroid-based treatment	
(17) The ^{18}F -FDG-avid lesions had more than 80 % decrease of activity after 2 to 4 weeks of steroid-based treatment at a dosage of 40 mg to 50 mg prednisone per day	Strong



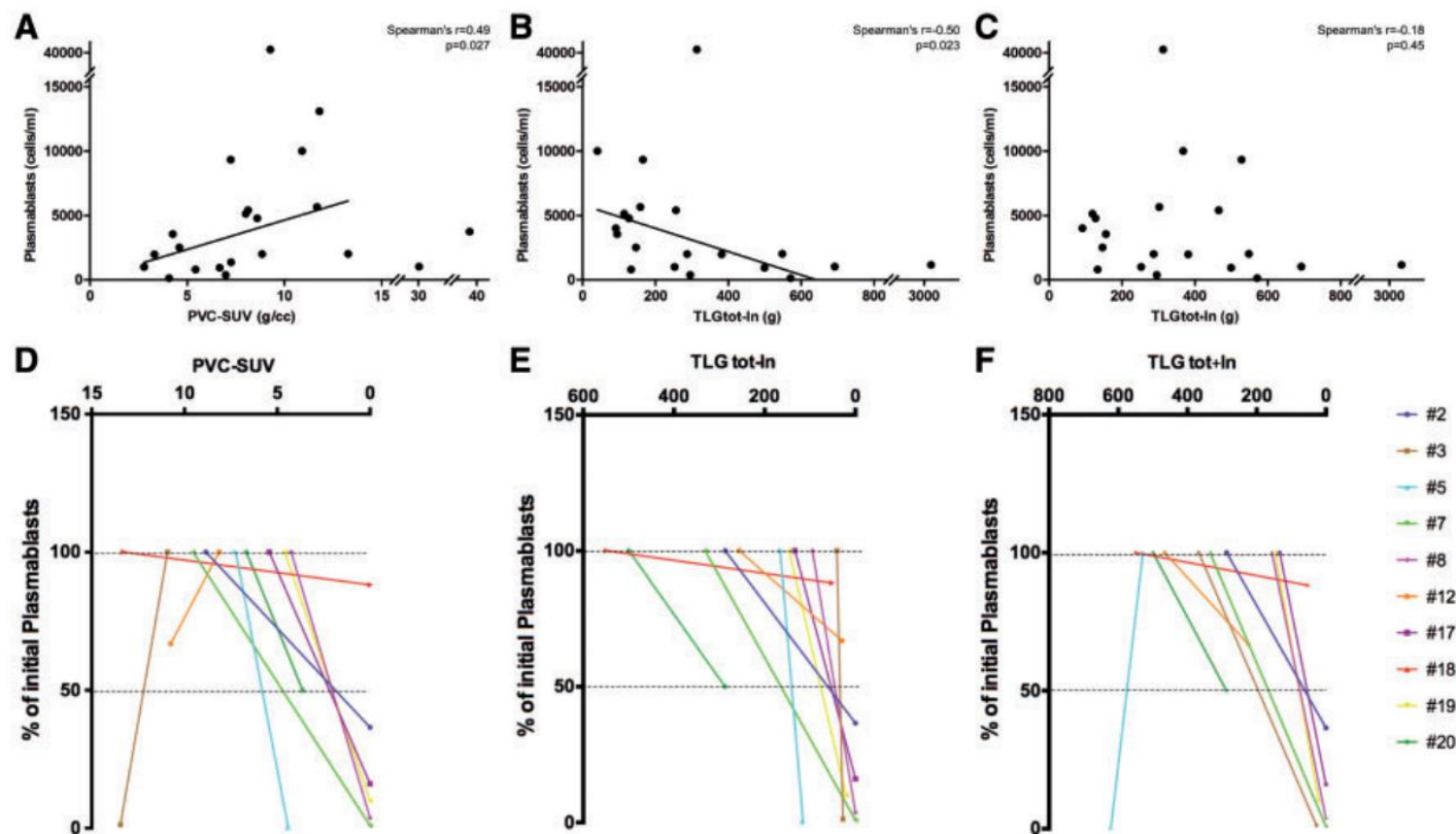
- A PET VCAR analysis reported complete metabolic remission in 21 cases (72 %), whereas the other eight cases showed partial metabolic response with an $89.0 \% \pm 6.4 \%$ decrease in TLG.
- Serum IgG4 levels decreased only in 88.6 % (31/35) cases and with less significance. No significant correlation was found between the TLG and the IgG4 level in these patients ($r=0.37$, $P=0.06$).

Original article

Quantitative measurement of ^{18}F -FDG PET/CT uptake reflects the expansion of circulating plasmablasts in IgG4-related disease

N=20, 10 repeated PET/CT
PK: PET/CT, ESR/CRP, IgG4, RI, plasmablasts

Fig. 2 Correlation between ^{18}F -FDG PET/CT parameters and immunological biomarkers of IgG4-related disease activity



Consensus statement on the pathology of IgG4-related disease

Characteristic histological features
1. Dense lymphoplasmacytic infiltrate
2. Fibrosis, usually storiform in character
3. Obliterative phlebitis

Cases with ≥ 2 pathology features

Cases with 1 pathology feature

	Numbers of IgG4+ plasma cells (/hpf)		Ref
Meningus	>10	>10	55
Lacrimal gland	>100	>100	28
Salivary gland	>100	>100	17,34
Lymph node	>100	>50	27
Lung (surgical specimen)	>50	>50	10,35
Lung (biopsy)	>20	>20	10,35
Pleura	>50	>50	6
Pancreas (surgical specimen)	>50	>50	30,32
Pancreas (biopsy)	>10	>10	56,57
Bile duct (surgical specimen)	>50	>50	49
Bile duct (biopsy)	>10	>10	58,59
Liver (surgical specimen)	>50	>50	49
Liver (biopsy)	>10	>10	12,60
Kidney (surgical specimen)	>30	>30	15
Kidney (biopsy)	>10	>10	61
Aorta	>50	>50	16,51,52
Retroperitoneum	>30	>30	8
Skin	>200	>200	62,63

IgG4+/IgG+ plasma cell ration >40% a mandatory for histological diagnosis of IgG4-RD

Green boxes = Histologically highly suggestive of IgG4-RD

Orange boxes = Probable histological features of IgG4-RD

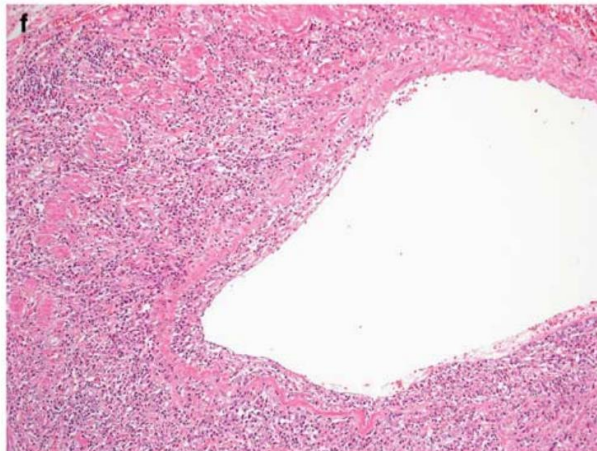
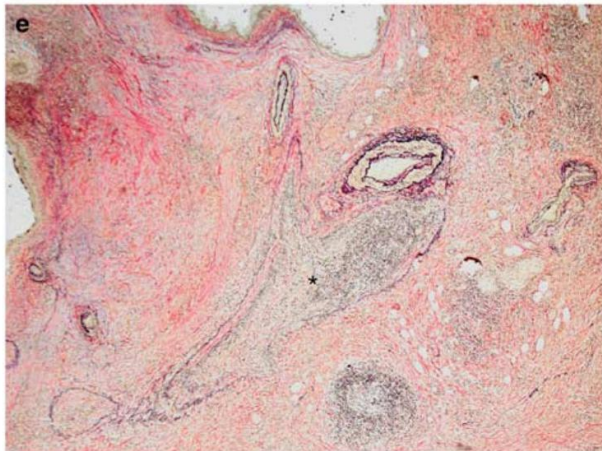
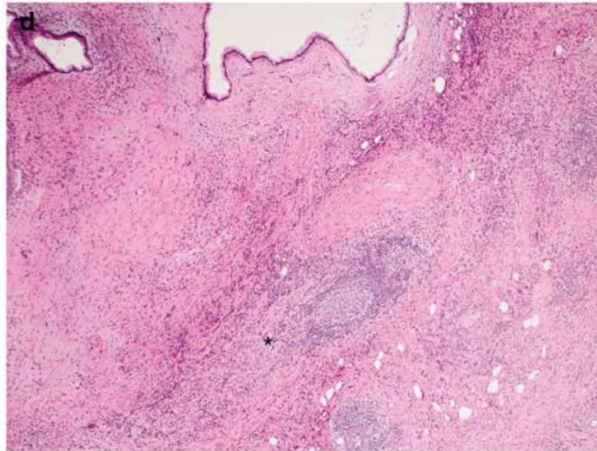
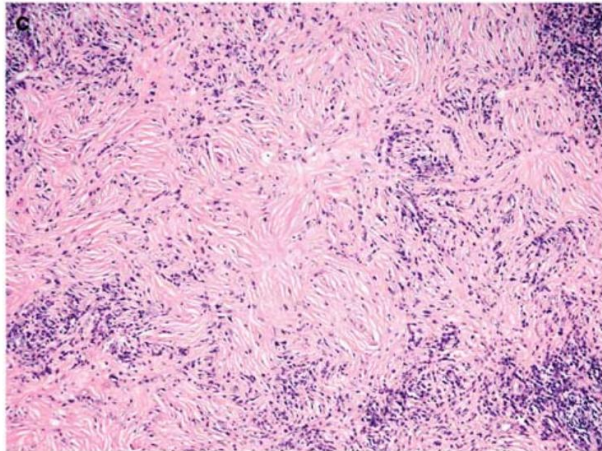
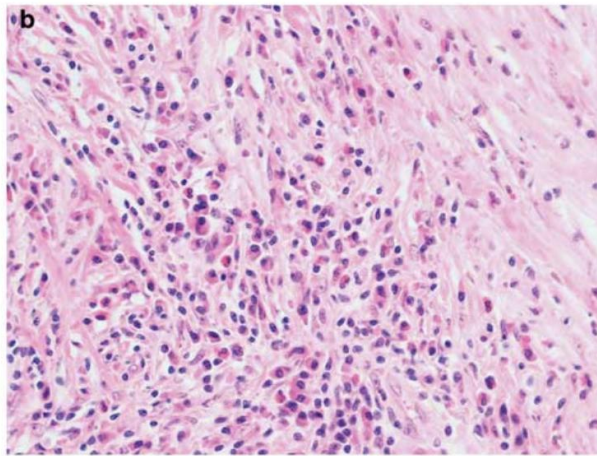
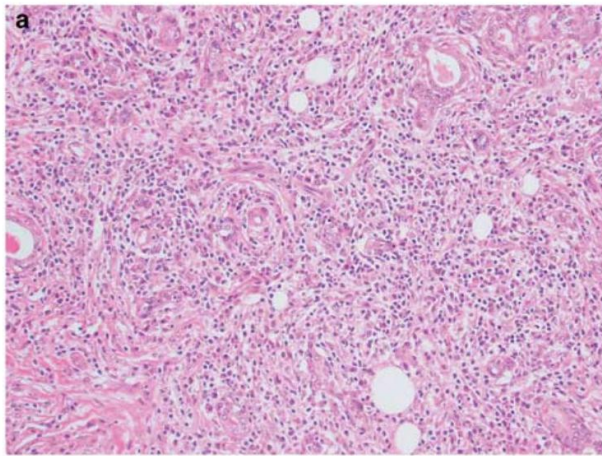
Q4. 关于病理

The three major histopathological features associated with IgG4-RD

- Dense lymphoplasmacytic infiltrate
- Fibrosis, arranged at least focally in a storiform pattern
- Obliterative phlebitis

Other histopathological features associated with IgG4-RD

- Phlebitis without obliteration of the lumen
- Increased numbers of eosinophils



- (a) The salivary gland is extensively infiltrated by lymphocytes and plasma cells.
- (b) A moderate number of eosinophils are present.
- (c) An irregularly whorled pattern of fibrosis (storiform fibrosis).
- (d) Type 1 AIP. The vein (*) is completely obliterated by aggregated inflammatory cell infiltration (obliterative phlebitis).
- (e) *100.
- (f) Type 1 AIP. The partially obliterated vein shows transmural infiltration by inflammatory cells.

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Characteristic histopathological findings with an elevated IgG4+ plasma cells and IgG4-to-IgG ratio.

High serum IgG4 concentrations;

Effective response to glucocorticoid;

Reports of other organ involvement that is consistent with IgG4-related disease.

Type 1 AIP (IgG4-related pancreatitis)

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Epithelioid cell granulomas

A prominent neutrophilic infiltrate

Type 2 AIP: neutrophilic infiltrates and (occasionally) epithelioid cell granulomas

Comprehensive diagnostic criteria for IgG4-related disease (IgG4-RD), 2011

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Q5. 关于诊断标准?

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2011 Japan

Table 1 Comprehensive diagnostic criteria for IgG4-related disease, 2011

- **Not specific!!**
- **Exclusion criteria is required.**
- **Involvement of at least one typical organ is required.**

1. Clinical examination showing characteristic diffuse/localized swelling or masses in single or multiple organs
2. Hematological examination shows elevated serum IgG4 concentrations (≥ 135 mg/dl)

3. Histopathological examination shows:

(1) Marked lymphocyte and plasmacyte infiltration and fibrosis

(2) Infiltration of IgG4+plasma cells: ration of IgG4+/IgG+cells $> 40\%$ and > 10 IgG4+plasma cells/HPF

Definite: 1) + 2) + 3)

Probable: 1) + 3)

Possible: 1) + 2)

- The sensitivity of these criteria were comparatively good for diagnosing IgG4-related MD (83 and 70%) and KD (87 and 85%).
- In contrast, patients with IgG4-related AIP could not be diagnosed by the comprehensive diagnostic criteria (0% for definite, nearly 70% for possible, and 10–30% for unlikely) because biopsies could not be obtained from most of these patients.

New criteria-exclusion criteria

EXCLUSION	MIMICKERS	CASES
FEVER	44 (17%)	1 (<1%)
NO RESPONSE TO STEROIDS	23 (9%)	1 (<1%)
LEUKOPENIA <u>AND</u> THROMBOCYTOPENIA	19 (7%)	1 (<1%)
PERIPHERAL EOSINOPHILIA (>3,000mm ³)	9 (4%)	4 (1%)

Clinical

EXCLUSION	MIMICKERS	CASES
Rapid Radiographic Progression	5 (2%)	0 (0%)
Long Bone Abnormalities (e.g., ECD*)	3 (1%)	0 (0%)
Splenomegaly	14 (5%)	3 (1%)
Concern re: Infectious/Malignancy	4 (2%)	2 (1%)

Radiology

Serology

EXCLUSION	MIMICKERS	CASES
PR3 or MPO-ANCA+	48 (19%)	2 (1%)
Anti-Ro or La+	51 (20%)	5 (1%)
Extractable Nuclear Antibody +	6 (2%)	0 (0%)
Cryoglobulins	10 (4%)	0 (0%)
Other disease-specific autoantibody	0 (0%)	0 (0%)

Pathology

EXCLUSION	MIMICKERS	CASES
Malignant Infiltrate	26 (10%)	1 (<1%)
Inflammatory Pseudotumor Pathology	2 (1%)	0 (0%)
Prominent Neutrophilic Infiltrate	6 (2%)	0 (0%)
Necrotizing Vasculitis	36 (14%)	0 (0%)
Prominent Necrosis	2 (1%)	0 (0%)
Primarily Granulomatous Inflammation	39 (15%)	0 (0%)
Prominent Histiocytic Infiltrate	7 (3%)	1 (<1%)
Multi-Centric Castleman's Pathology	6 (2%)	0 (0%)

New criteria

-8 weighted inclusion domains

- Serum IgG4
- Histopathology
- Immunostaining
- Glandular enlargement
- Chest & thoracic aorta
- Pancreas & biliary tree
- Kidney
- Retroperitoneum

Serum IgG4

a. Normal	0.0
b. > Normal but < 2X ULN*	3.7
c. 2X ULN to 5X ULN	6.1
d. >5X ULN	10.8

Pathology

--Histopathology

a. Uninformative biopsy	0.0
b. Dense lymphoplasmacytic infiltrate (DLI)	3.7
c. b + obliterative phlebitis (OP)	6.1
d. DLI + storiform fibrosis	13.3

--Immunostaining

Missing

Involved Organs

Lacrimal & Major Salivary Glands

One set of glands is involved	+ 5.9
Two or more sets of glands are involved	+ 13.8

Chest & Thoracic Aorta

Peribronchovascular and septal thickening	+ 3.8
Paravertebral Band-Like Soft Tissue in the Thorax	+ 9.8

Pancreas & biliary Tree

Diffuse pancreas enlargement (loss of lobulations)	+ 8.0
Diffuse pancreas enlargement and capsule-like rim with decreased enhancement	+ 10.5
Pancreas and biliary tree involvement	+ 18.7

Kidney

Hypocomplementemia	+ 5.8
Renal pelvis thickening/soft tissue	+ 8.1

Retroperitoneum

Diffuse thickening of the abdominal aortic wall	+ 4.1
Circumferential or antero-lateral soft tissue around the infra-renal aorta or iliac arteries	+ 7.8

	Sensitivity	Specificity
New criteria	85.5%	99.2%
Without exclusion criteria	90.0%	88.5%

Scoring rules
Scoring refers to manifestations of disease activity present in the last 28 days

Scoring: 0	Normal or resolved
1	Improved
2	Persistent (unchanged from previous visit; still active)
3	New / recurrence
4	Worsened despite treatment

Organ/site score: the overall level of IgG4-RD **activity** within a specific organ system
Symptomatic: is the disease manifestation in a particular organ system symptomatic? (Y = yes; N = no)
Urgent disease: disease that requires treatment immediately to prevent serious organ dysfunction (Y = yes; N = no)
(presence of **urgent disease** within an organ leads to **doubling** of that organ system score)
Damage: organ dysfunction that has occurred as a result of IgG4-RD and is considered permanent (Y = yes; N = no)

		Activity	
Organ/site	Organ/site score (0-4)	Symptomatic (Yes/No)	Urgent (Yes/No)
Pachymeninges			
Pituitary gland			
Orbits and lacrimal glands			
Salivary glands			
Thyroid			
Lymph nodes			
Lungs			
Aorta and large blood vessels			
Retroperitoneum, mediastinum, and mesentery			
Pancreas			
Bile duct and liver			
Kidney			
Skin			
Other sclerosis/mass formation			

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Descriptor	Level mg/dl	Score
Serum IgG4 concentration		

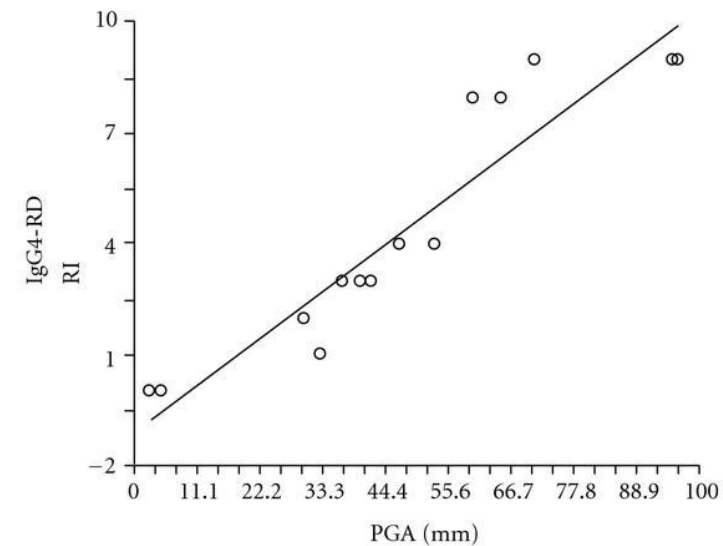
Steroid dose at the time of assessment (prednisone equivalent):
 ____ mg/day
 Cumulative steroid dose in the past 28 days:
 ____ mg prednisone equivalent

Total activity score

Organ/sites ($\times 2$ if urgent) + serum IgG4 score: _____

Total number of urgent organs: _____

Total number of damaged organs: _____



Q6. 关于病情评估：IgG4-RD RI (ACR2012)

“Damage”

- The severity of fibrosis is dependent on the individual organs involved. Storiform fibrosis. The response to glucocorticoids varies according to the affected organs and the degree of fibrosis.
 - Wait and see: Overall ~20%, 70%~ of lymphadenopathy, 30%~ of salivary glands; Spontaneous resolution: 40%~ of patients (but with higher relapse rates compared to those treated with glucocorticoids) ; may be appropriate in asymptomatic patients with lymphadenopathy or mild salivary gland enlargement.
 - However, uncontrolled disease in certain organs can lead to irreversible damage. Urgent treatment is therefore recommended for the following types of IgG4-RD: aortitis, RPF, sclerosing cholangitis, TIN, pachymeningitis, and pericarditis.

“High risk” patients

- Multi-organ disease,
 - Significant elevation of serum IgG4 levels
 - Proximal extrahepatic/intrahepatic biliary strictures
 - With a history of relapse
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- However, as IgG4-RD patients are typically elderly and are at high risk of developing steroid-related complications such as osteoporosis and diabetes mellitus, cessation of the medication should be attempted.
 - Cessation of maintenance therapy should be planned within 3 years in cases with radiological and serological improvement.

Prognosis

- The short-term clinical, morphological, and **functional** outcomes of most IgG4-RD patients treated with steroid therapy are good, although the long-term outcomes are less clear.
- However, there are several unknown factors such as relapse, developed fibrosis, and associated malignancy that influence long-term outcomes.
- 10%~30% manifestations of chronic pancreatitis (pancreatic stones, pancreatic calcification, pancreatic atrophy)
- Malignancy concern: Chronic pancreatitis has been reported as one of the risk factors for pancreatic cancer. Case reports of AIP patients developing pancreatic cancer. (2.4%-10%).

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Q7. 关于治疗

- 无症状的患者是否可以暂时观察，暂不进行干预？
- IgG4相关性疾病是否首选需用激素治疗？剂量应为：
- IgG4相关性疾病的治疗是否需加激素助减剂？何时加？（初始、维持、激素无法控制或依赖）
- 激素助减剂您更倾向选择传统免疫抑制剂还是生物靶向药物如利妥昔单抗？
- 您认为糖皮质激素的维持治疗时间应为？维持剂量应为？
- 您认为IgG4相关性疾病的复发常见吗？
- 复发患者的治疗应为？

Standard steroid treatment for autoimmune pancreatitis

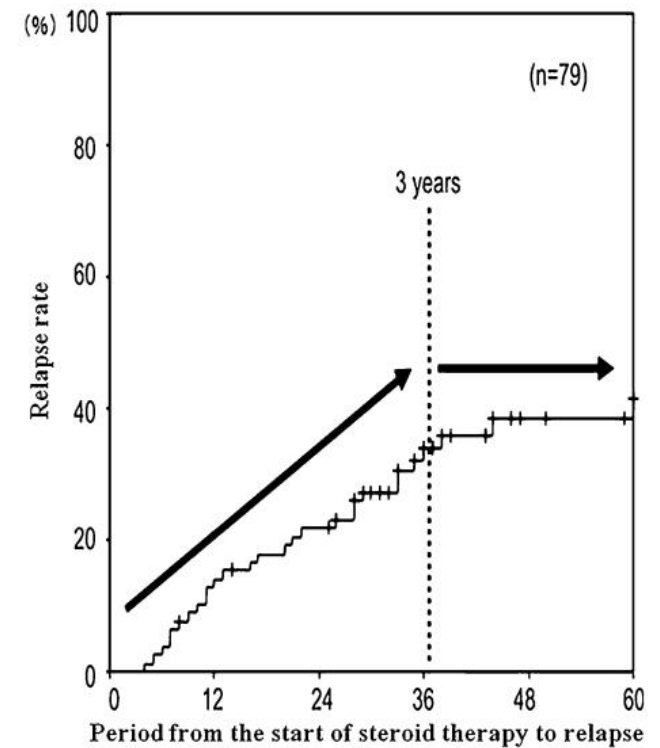
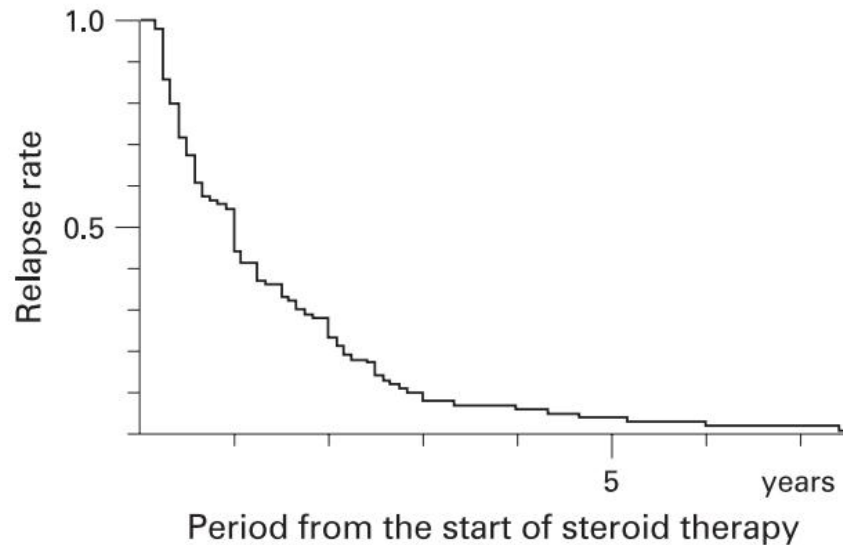
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Table 1 Remission and relapse rate in patients with autoimmune pancreatitis treated with and without steroid

	With steroid	Without steroid	p Value
Remission rate	451/459 (98%)	77/104 (74%)	<0.0001
Relapse rate	110/451 (24%)	32/77 (42%)	0.003

Table 2 Period to yield a remission and relapse rate in patients with autoimmune pancreatitis treated with initial prednisolone of 40 and 30 mg/day

	40 mg/day	30 mg/day	p Value
Period to remission (mean (SD), months)	6.34 (8.13)	6.82 (6.11)	0.401
Relapse rate	31/160 (19%)	65/283 (23%)	0.402



- 32% (32/99) relapsed within 6 months
- 56% (55/99) relapsed within 1 year
- 76% (75/99) relapsed within 2 years
- 92% (91/99) relapsed within 3 years
- Relapse rate: 23%, 63/273 with maintenance treatment
vs 34%, 35/104 without maintenance ; $p = 0.048$).

Initial dose of steroid

0.6 mg/kg/day

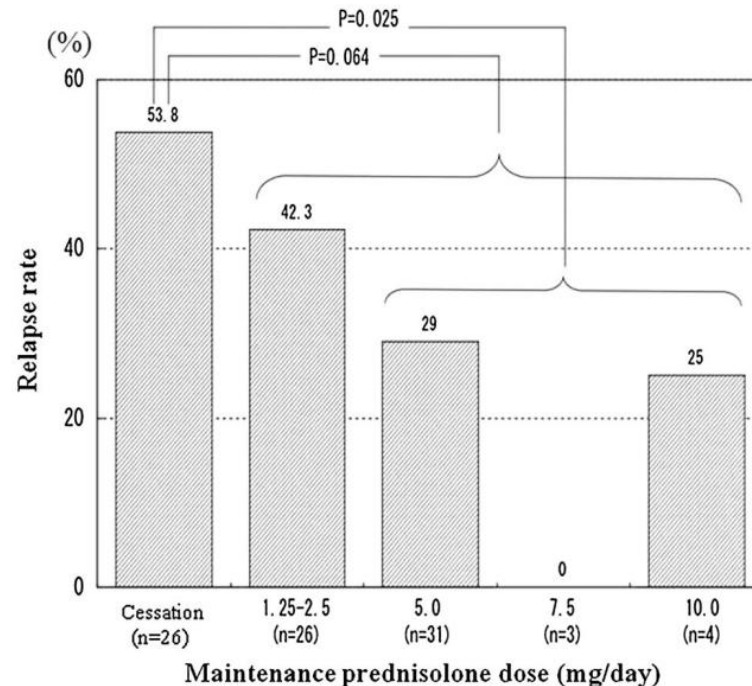
Maintenance dosage

2.5 - 5 mg/day

**Tapering
And
withdrawal**

**Induction of remission
(2 – 3 months)**

**Maintenance therapy
(6 - 12 months)**



- Similar findings (Korea, UK, US), maintenance therapy with low-dose prednisolone (2.5–5 mg/day) was recommended to prevent relapse

How are relapsers treated? (参照AIP)

- Re-administration or dose-up of steroid is effective. (A)
- In most relapsed cases, remission can be achieved with the same prednisolone dose as the initial dose, although it may be necessary to taper more gradually. (B)
- Application of **immunomodulatory drugs** is considered for AIP patients who prove resistant to steroid therapy. (B)

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- In cases where the steroid dosage cannot be tapered due to persistently active disease, the addition of immunomodulatory drugs such as azathioprine or mycophenolate mofetil has been considered to be appropriate.

ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Treatment of relapsing autoimmune pancreatitis with immunomodulators and rituximab: the Mayo Clinic experience

Table 1 Treatment protocols used for steroid, immunomodulator and rituximab (RTX) therapy

	Induction regimen	Taper	Maintenance
Steroids	Prednisone 40 mg daily×4 weeks	5 mg/wk until discontinued	None
Immunomodulator	Azathioprine 2.0–2.5 mg/kg/day (alternate: 6-MP 1 mg/kg/day) (alternate: MMF 750–1000 mg twice daily)	N/A	Continue×12–18 months
RTX	375 mg/m ² intravenous BSA weekly×4 weeks Coadminister: oral diphenhydramine 50 mg and oral paracetamol 1000 mg once	N/A	Repeat infusions every 2–3 months×24 months (total of 8 additional doses)

6-MP, 6-mercaptopurine; BSA, body surface area; MMF, mycophenolate mofetil.

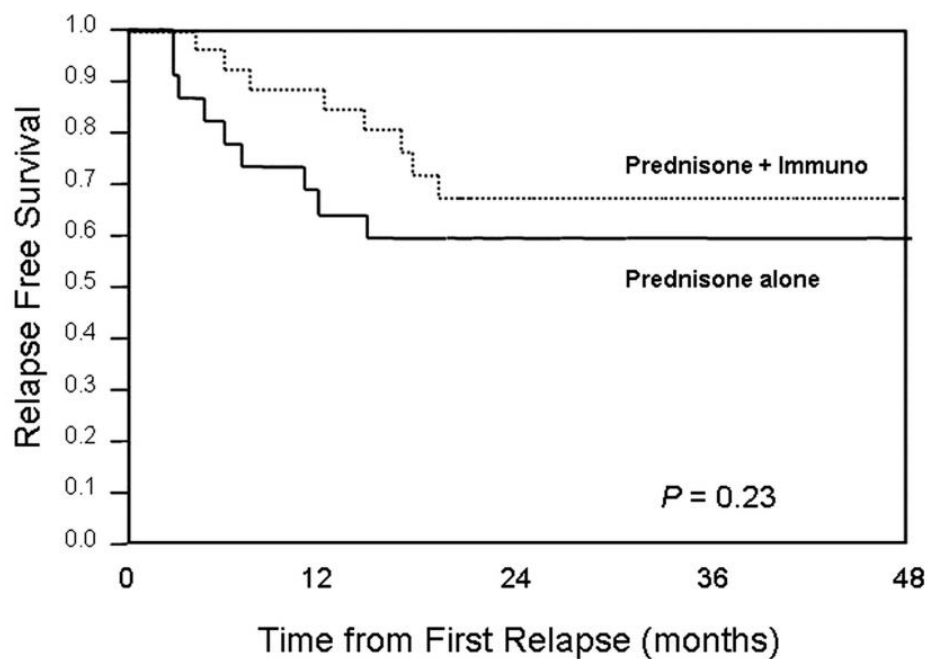


Table 5 Univariate analysis of risk factors for immunomodulator (IM) resistance

	IM responsive (n=21)	IM resistant (n=15) [†]	p Value [*]
Age >65 years at diagnosis	10 (48)	8 (53)	0.61
IgG4 >ULN	18 (86)	13 (87)	0.68
IgG4 >2×ULN	7 (33)	6 (40)	0.81
Initial treatment by surgery	3 (14)	0	0.16
Diffuse pancreatic enlargement at presentation	13/19 (68)	7/13 (54)	0.45
Other organ involvement			
OOI ever	12 (57)	14 (93)	0.03
IgG4-related SC at presentation	7 (33)	7 (47)	0.34
OOI (other than IgG4-related SC)	6 (29)	12 (80)	<0.01
Retroperitoneal fibrosis	0	7 (47)	<0.01
>6 months duration from diagnosis to IM initiation	15 (71)	8 (53)	0.20

Data presented as n (%), unless otherwise indicated.

^{*}p Values were calculated using the log-rank test from Kaplan–Meier analyses.

[†]IM resistant column does not include the two patients who did not tolerate treatment.

OOI, other organ involvement; SC, sclerosing cholangitis; ULN, upper limit of normal.

- 12 patients with steroid or IM intolerance/resistance were treated with RTX, an antiCD20 antibody; 10 (83%) experienced complete remission and had no relapses while on maintenance therapy.

RTX

EXTENDED REPORT

Rituximab for IgG4-related disease: a prospective, open-label trial

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- 30 IgG4-RD patients with two doses of RTX (1000 mg each).
- The participants were either treated with RTX alone (n = 26; 87%) or required to discontinue baseline glucocorticoids (GC) within 2 months (n = 4; 13%).

Table 2 Primary and secondary outcomes

Outcome	Proportion of participants (%)
Primary outcome	23/30 (77%)
Disease response (6 months)	29/30 (97%)
Sustained disease response	22/30 (73%)
Complete remission (6 months)	14/30 (47%)
Complete remission (6 months), exclusive of serum IgG4	18/30 (60%)
Complete remission (any time point)	18/30 (60%)
Complete remission (any time point), exclusive of serum IgG4	20/30 (67%)
Relapses occurring before month 6	3
Relapses occurring between months 6 and 12	4
Time to endpoint	Duration (days)
Time to disease response (mean±SD)*	43±37
Time to complete remission (mean±SD)*	198±87
Time to relapse (mean±SD)	210±105
Treatment	
Total prednisone dose equivalent (mg) administered in the 28 days prior to the 6 month study visit (mean, range)	15 (0–280)
Retreatment with RTX for relapses during the 12 months after enrolment	4/30 (13%)

The primary outcome, measured at 6 months

- decline of the IgG4-RD RI ≥ 2 points compared with baseline;
- no disease flares before month 6;
- no GC use between months 2 and 6.

Complete remission

- RI score of 0 with no GC use.

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