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AGENDA

07:00 - 07:05

Welcome & Introduction

Dr. Khalid Alnaqbi

07:05 - 07:30

Introduction to DICOM Imaging and Assessment of Early SpA

Recent International Consensus Update on MRI Lesions in AxSpA and Role of MRI as a Diagnostic and Prognostic Tool. Impact on Treatment Decisions.

Prof. Walter P. Maksymowych

07:30 - 08:10

Differential Diagnosis of AxSpA Cases Discussion (Poll Questions)

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08:10 - 08:50

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08:50 - 09:00

Wrap-up

Closing

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Dr. Khalid Alnaqbi

OBJECTIVES

Lecture

- sacroiliac joint and spine, to understand what type of MRI should be conducted in routine practice, and to understand the standardized approach to routine evaluation.
- To understand the evolution of early disease and recognize the contribution of different MRI sequences. When is MRI examination appropriate? Which sacroiliac joint lesions are sensitive/specific for SpA on DICOM imaging?

Cases Discussion

- To recognize the abnormalities that often cause difficulties in differentiates SpA from normal variation of the sacroiliac joint? What differentiates SpA from osteitis condensans ilii, degenerative disease, sepsis, fracture, malignancy?
- To recognize abnormalities that often cause difficulties in discrimination from SpA in the spine. Should the spine be routinely scanned or just the sacroiliac joints? What differentiates SpA from degenerative disorders, DISH, SAPHO, sepsis, malignancy?

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