Evaluation of aerobic capacity and muscle function in a case series of patients with relapsing polychondritis

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Background: To evaluate aerobic capacity and muscle function in patients with Relapsing Polychondritis (RP). Methods: A cross-sectional single center study evaluated seven women with RP (McAdam criteria) that were compared to seven healthy control individuals matched for age, gender, and body mass index. Both groups performed a treadmill-graded maximal exercise. Aer ...

Value of ultrasound examination of the Leeds Enthesitis Index in assessment of disease activity in psoriatic arthritis

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Background: Enthesitis is a major feature of psoriatic arthritis. However, clinical assessment of enthesitis is known to lack accuracy and have poor interobserver reliability. Objective: This study aimed to determine the added value of the US assessment of enthesitis according to LEI over the clinical assessment in determination of PsA activity. Methods: A total of ...