ILD IS A COMMON, EARLY, AND POTENTIALLY FATAL MANIFESTATION OF AUTOIMMUNE DISEASES¹

EVERY PATIENT WITH SSc IS AT RISK OF DEVELOPING ILD²

80%

of patients with SSc develop ILD^{3,4}

31%

of those patients may develop progressive pulmonary fibrosis^{5*}

RISK FACTORS FOR ILD DEVELOPMENT IN SSc



Older age⁶



Male gender⁶



Short disease duration⁷

dcSSc

Diagnosis of dcSSc²

ATA + (anti-ScI-70)

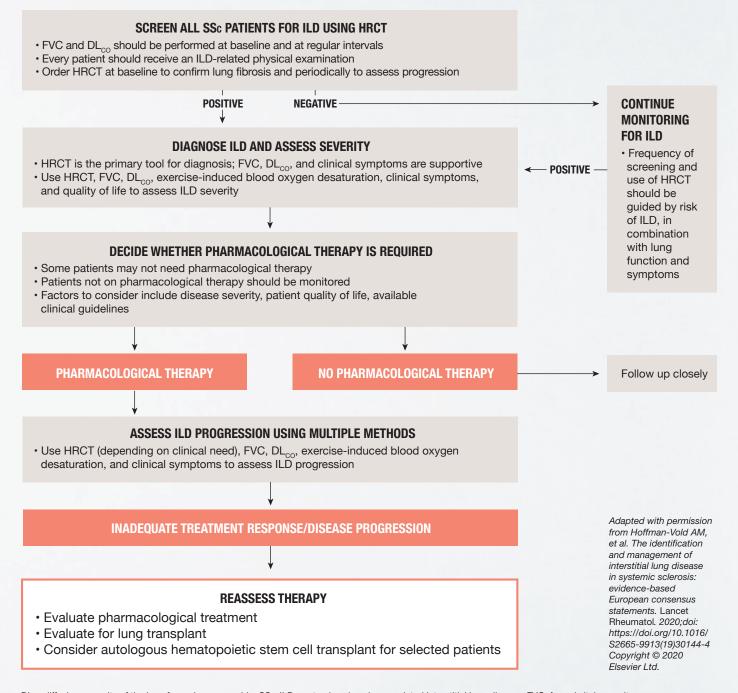
Presence of ATA (anti-ScI-70)⁸

VIGILANT AND PROACTIVE MONITORING IS IMPORTANT TO IDENTIFY PULMONARY FIBROSIS AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE IN SSc PATIENTS⁹

ATA, anti-topoisomerase antibodies; dcSSc, diffuse cutaneous systemic sclerosis; ILD, interstitial lung disease; SSc, systemic sclerosis.

*Data from a global, online survey of physicians (n=486).

A CLINICAL MANAGEMENT ALGORITHM FOR SSc WAS DEFINED10*



DL_{co}, diffusing capacity of the lung for carbon monoxide; SSc-ILD, systemic sclerosis-associated interstitial lung disease; FVC, forced vital capacity; HRCT, high-resolution computed tomography.

*A study using a robust modified Delphi process was conducted to establish expert consensus statements for the identification and management of SSc-ILD. This study provides the first evidence-based expert consensus statements for SSc-ILD management developed using well-established methods. It is based on a panel of 27 Europe-based pulmonologists, rheumatologists, and internists with expertise in SSc-ILD.¹⁰

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