



New guidelines for the diagnosis of Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis

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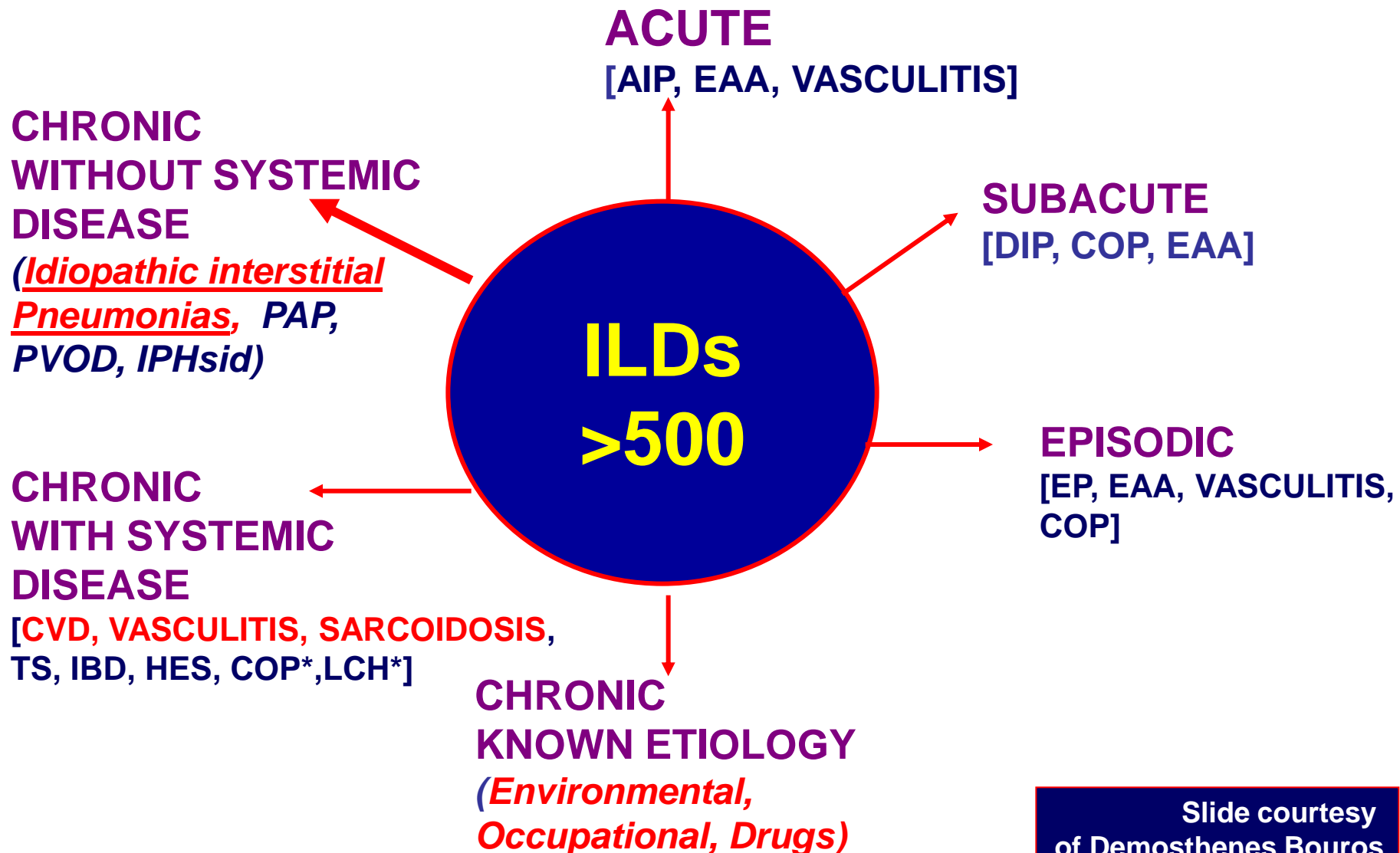
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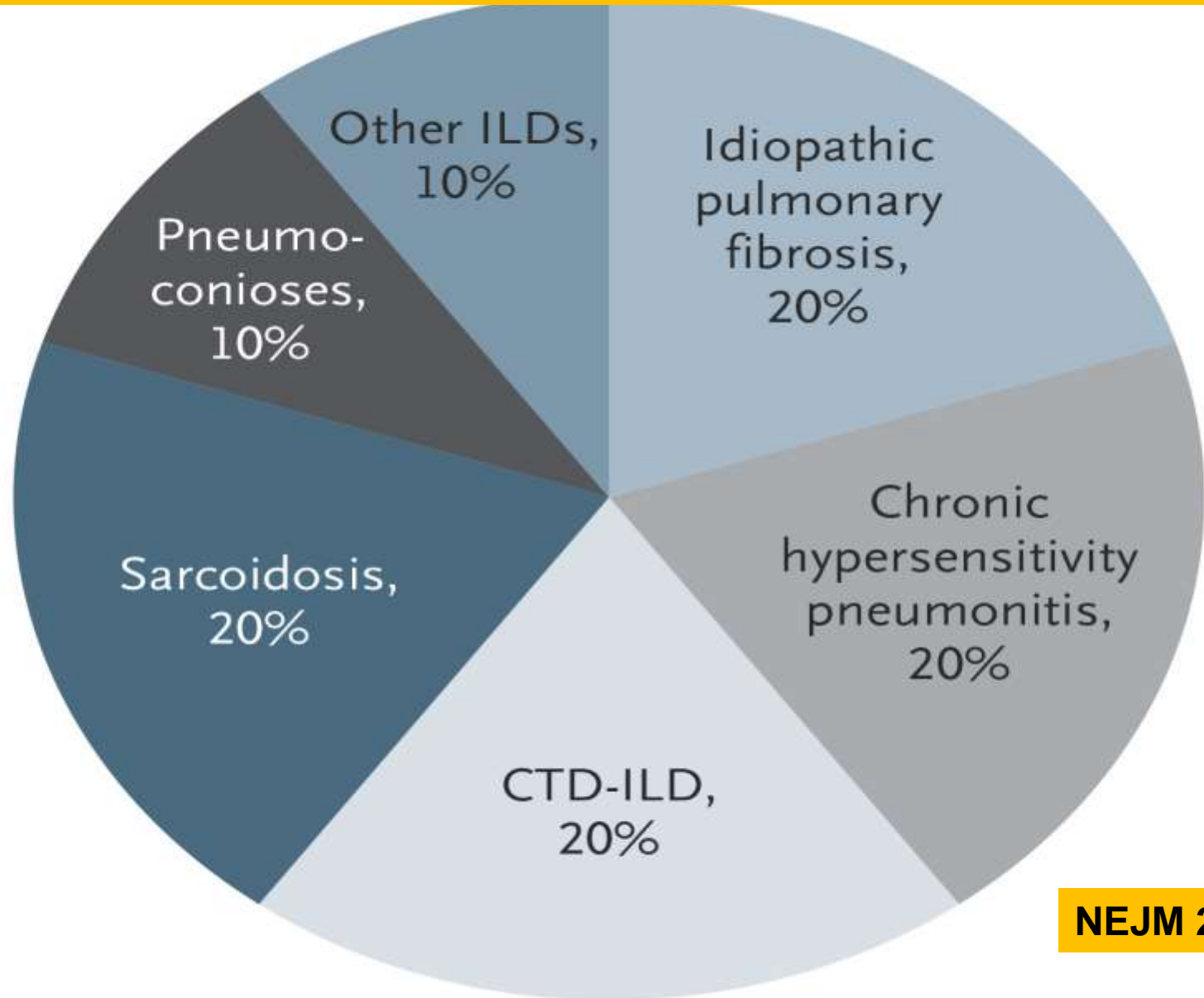




CLASSIFICATION OF ILDS



Estimated Relative Distribution of Specific ILDs in the US



NEJM 2018

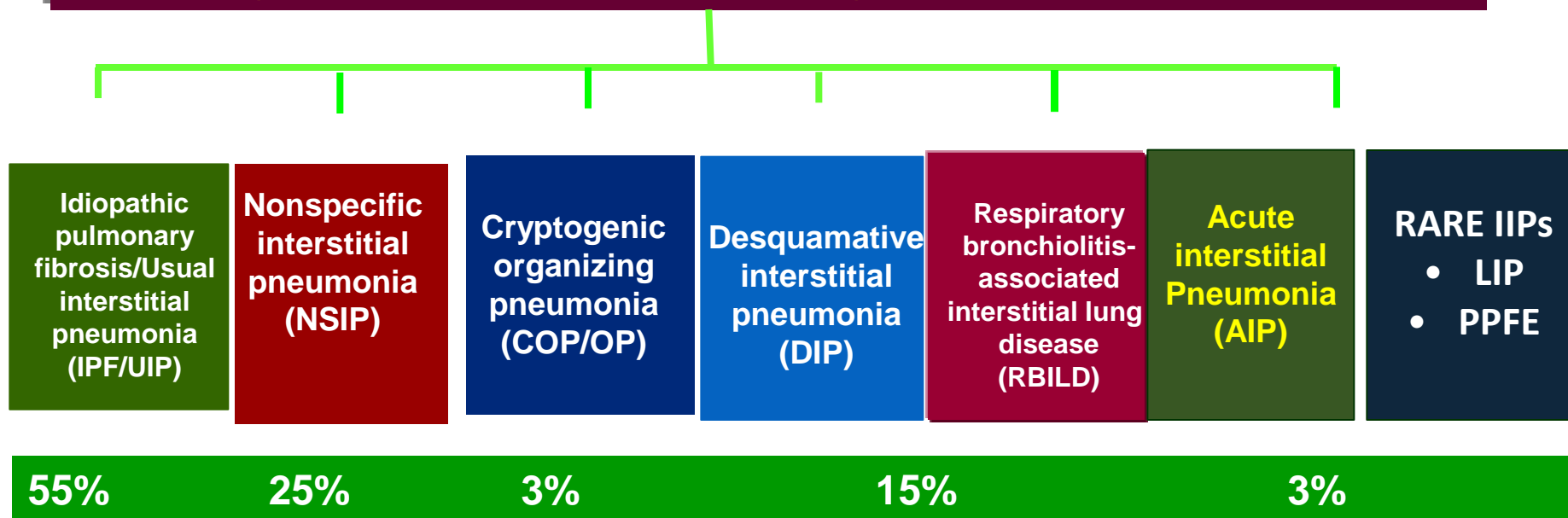


An Official American Thoracic Society/European Respiratory Society Statement: Update of the International Multidisciplinary Classification of the Idiopathic Interstitial Pneumonias

AJRCCM 2013

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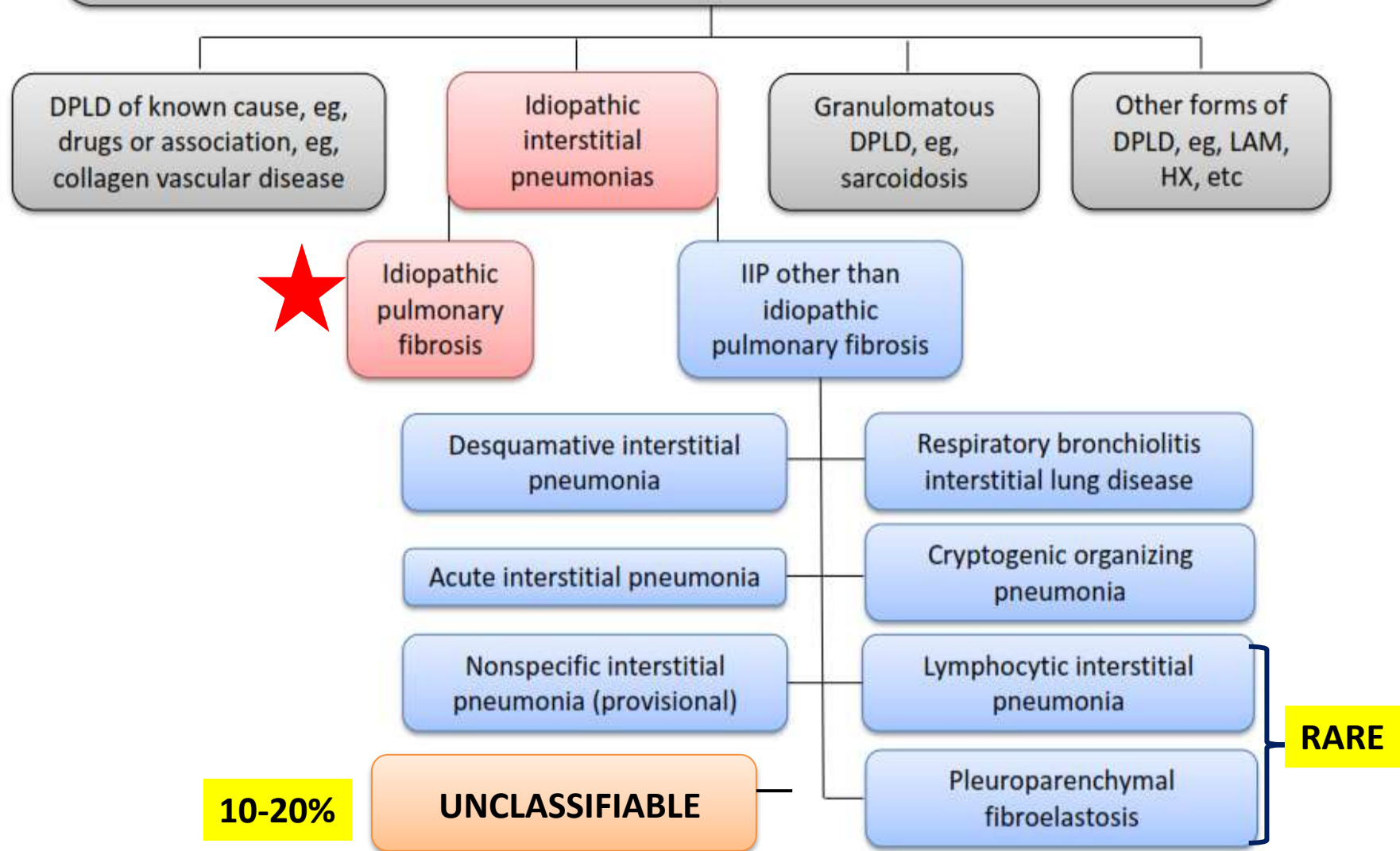
Idiopathic interstitial pneumonias (IIP)





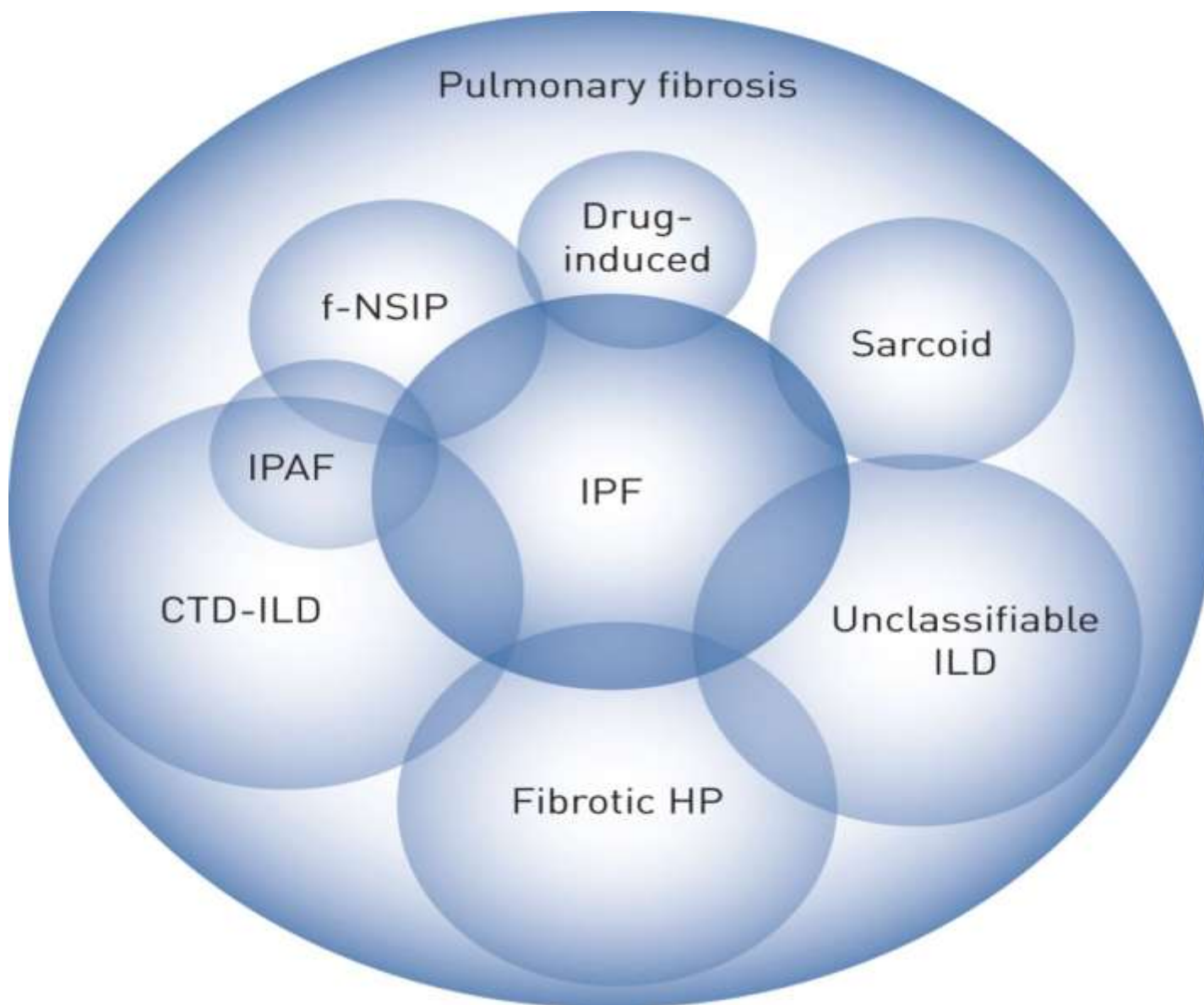


Diffuse Parenchymal Lung Disease (DPLD)





The overlap in longitudinal disease behavior between IPF and other progressive fibrotic disorders .





An Official ATS/ERS/JRS/ALAT Statement: Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis: Evidence-based Guidelines for Diagnosis and Management

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2011 ATS/ERS Diagnostic Criteria for IPF

Exclusion of known
causes of IL^D*

AND

UIP pattern on HRCT without
surgical biopsy

OR

Definite/possible UIP pattern
on HRCT with a surgical lung
biopsy showing
definite/probable UIP

*also known as diffuse parenchymal lung disease, DPLD

Raghu G, et al. *Am J Respir Crit Care Med*. 2011;183:788-824.



Most common first symptoms of ILD (600 US residents responded to the survey)

77%

Shortness
of breath



53%

Cough



38%

Fatigue



Patients diagnosed with IPF (47% of respondents)

Median time to diagnosis: 7 months

For 28% of patients, the diagnostic process took over 2 years

Median number of physician visit: 3

14% of patients saw more than 6 physicians

56% of patients were initially misdiagnosed

most frequent misdiagnoses: asthma, pneumonia, bronchitis and allergies.



Diagnostic criteria for idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis: a Fleischner Society White Paper

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This Review provides an updated approach to the diagnosis of idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis (IPF), based on a systematic search of the medical literature and the expert opinion of members of the Fleischner Society. A checklist is provided for the clinical evaluation of patients with suspected interstitial pneumonia (UIP). The role of CT is expanded to permit diagnosis of IPF without surgical lung biopsy in select cases when CT shows a probable UIP pattern. Additional investigations, including surgical lung biopsy, should be considered in patients with either clinical or CT findings that are indeterminate for IPF. A multidisciplinary approach is particularly important when deciding to perform additional diagnostic assessments, and integrating biopsy results with clinical and CT features, and establishing a working diagnosis of IPF if lung tissue is available. A working diagnosis of IPF should be reviewed at regular intervals since the diagnosis might change as more data are presented to establish confident and working diagnoses of IPF.

Introduction

The approval of medical treatments for idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis (IPF) marks a new era in managing this deadly disease: offering hope to patients and their physicians, a clearer path forward for comparative research in the development of new treatments, and the potential for new biological insights. This new era also offers clinicians the opportunity to review approaches to diagnosis. The diagnostic criteria for IPF published by the American Thoracic Society (ATS), European Respiratory Society (ERS), Japanese Respiratory Society (JRS), and Latin American Thoracic Association (ALAT) in 2011¹ have been crucial for defining diagnostic criteria and ensuring appropriate recruitment for future clinical trials.²⁻⁷ In turn, these trials, with large cohorts of well characterised patients, have provided a valuable new clinically relevant information about disease presentation and its longitudinal behaviour.^{8,9} The specific inclusion and exclusion criteria used in these studies also highlighted the limitations of current diagnostic guidelines, and indicated opportunities for improvement.^{9,10}

The diagnosis of IPF requires the collaboration of multiple specialists, the ability to interpret and communicate complex clinical data patterns, and to integrate often or sometimes conflicting information. The clinician interprets the history and physical examination of the patient to develop a clinical context, the thoracic radiologist interprets the pattern present on high-resolution CT images of the chest and, if needed, the pathologist interprets the histopathological pattern seen in biopsy samples. All the information gained must be shared in a common language to enable clinical decision making. Since so-called classic clinical stories and patterns are uncommon, some degree of clinical uncertainty is often present, and acknowledgment of this limitation and a clear plan to address it are essential.

For this Review, we identified specific questions pertaining to the diagnosis of IPF (panel 1), and did a

search of the medical literature to identify evidence related to the topics identified and that had been published after the 2011 ATS/ERS/JRS/ALAT guidelines.¹ Using this research and the expert opinion of members of the Fleischner Society, we provide IPF diagnostic criteria that we believe will be useful for clinicians, clinical trialists, trial sponsors, and other interested groups.

Systematic review

An international multidisciplinary committee, including 17 members of the Fleischner Society with expertise in interstitial lung disease (ILD) and evidence-based medicine (eight pulmonologists, six radiologists, and three pathologists), and a medical librarian expert (SLK), developed the key questions believed to be important for the diagnosis of IPF (panel 1). Several face-to-face meetings were held, in addition to monthly conference calls. We did a literature search with the assistance of a medical librarian (search strategy and selection criteria and appendix). The committee was divided into subgroups assigned to specific

Key messages

- A confident diagnosis of IPF (idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis) can be made in the correct clinical context when CT imaging shows a pattern of typical or probable UIP (usual interstitial pneumonia)
- If the clinical context is indeterminate for IPF, or the CT pattern is not indicative of typical or probable UIP, biopsy should be considered to confirm the presence of a UIP histological pattern, and a confident diagnosis of IPF could then be made on the basis of a multidisciplinary evaluation
- If diagnostic tissue is not available, a working diagnosis of IPF could be made after a careful multidisciplinary evaluation
- All patients with an IPF diagnosis, particularly those with a working diagnosis, should have this diagnosis reviewed at regular intervals

Fleischner Society white paper. Lancet RM. Nov. 2017



AMERICAN THORACIC SOCIETY DOCUMENTS

2018

Diagnosis of Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis An Official ATS/ERS/JRS/ALAT Clinical Practice Guideline

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ATS/ERS/JRS/ALAT Diagnosis of IPF Guidelines-2018





GUIDELINES ATS 2018


ΕΡΩΤΗΣΕΙΣ-ΠΡΟΤΑΣΕΙΣ ΟΔΗΓΙΩΝ

- ΓΕΝΙΚΕΣ-MOTHERHOOD
- EVIDENCE BASED

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TABLE 1 Diagnosis of idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis (IPF): similarities and differences between the 2018 ATS/ERS/JRS/ALAT clinical practice guideline and the 2018 Fleischner white paper

	ATS/ERS/JRS/ALAT clinical practice guideline [1]		Fleischner white paper consensus statement [2]
Number of authors	34		17
Overlapping authors			8
Endorsing scientific societies	Multiple		Single
Multidisciplinary nature	Yes		Yes
Question-based structure	Yes		Yes
Systematic search of the literature	Yes		Yes
Evidence-based approach (Institute of Medicine standards)	Yes		No
PICO questions/format	Yes		No
Expert opinion-based approach	No		Yes
Grading of recommendations	Yes		No
Published in a peer-reviewed journal	Yes		Yes
Implementation and interest to all stakeholders (policy makers, regulating agencies, IPF community-at-large)	Yes		?




The new guidelines for IPF diagnosis (ATS/ERS/JRS/ALAT 2018)

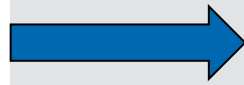
Committee decision after voting

- ❖ *Strong for*
- ❖ *Conditional for*
- ❖ *Strong against*
- ❖ *Conditional against*
- ❖ *Abstain*



Table 2. Implications of Strong and Conditional Recommendations

Strong Recommendation ("We recommend . . .")	
For patients	 <u>The overwhelming majority of individuals in this situation would want the recommended course of action and only a small minority would not.</u>
For clinicians	<u>The overwhelming majority of individuals should receive the recommended course of action. Adherence to this recommendation according to the guideline could be used as a quality criterion or performance indicator. Formal decision aids are not likely to be needed to help individuals make decisions consistent with their values and preferences.</u>
For policy makers	The recommendation can be adapted as policy in most situations, including for use as performance indicators.



Conditional Recommendation ("We suggest . . .")

For patients

The majority of individuals in this situation would want the suggested course of action, but a sizeable minority would not.

For clinicians

**Διαφορετικές επιλογές θα είναι κατάλληλες για διαφορετικούς ασθενείς, και πρέπει να βοηθήσεις τον κάθε ασθενή να αποφασίσει ανάλογα με τις αξίες του και τις προτιμήσεις του.
Ο γιατρός αναμένεται να αφιερώσει περισσότερο χρόνο με τους ασθενείς προκειμένου να αποφασίσουν.**

For policy makers

Policy making will require substantial debates and involvement of many stakeholders. Policies are also more likely to vary between regions. Performance indicators would have to focus on the fact that adequate deliberation about the management options has taken place.



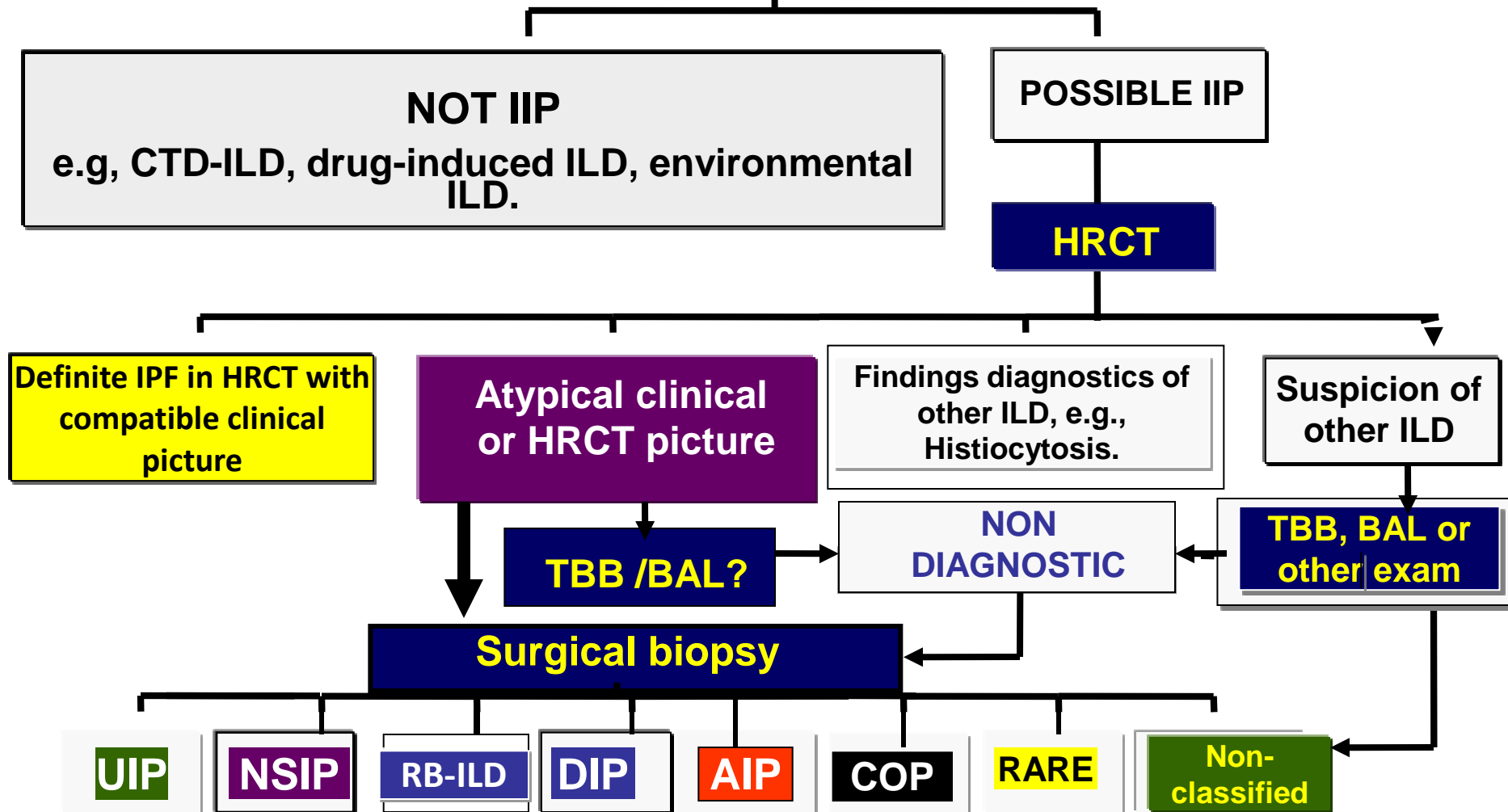
DEFINITION

- IPF is a specific form of chronic, progressive, **fibrosing** interstitial pneumonia of unknown cause.
- It occurs primarily in **older adults**, is limited to the lungs, and is defined by the histopathologic and/or radiologic pattern of **UIP**.
- It should be considered in all **adult** patients with unexplained chronic **exertional dyspnea, cough, bibasilar inspiratory crackles, and/or digital clubbing**, that occur **without constitutional** or other symptoms that suggest a multisystem disease.



DIAGNOSTIC APPROACH OF IIPs

History, physical exam, serology, PFTs, CXR





HISTORY

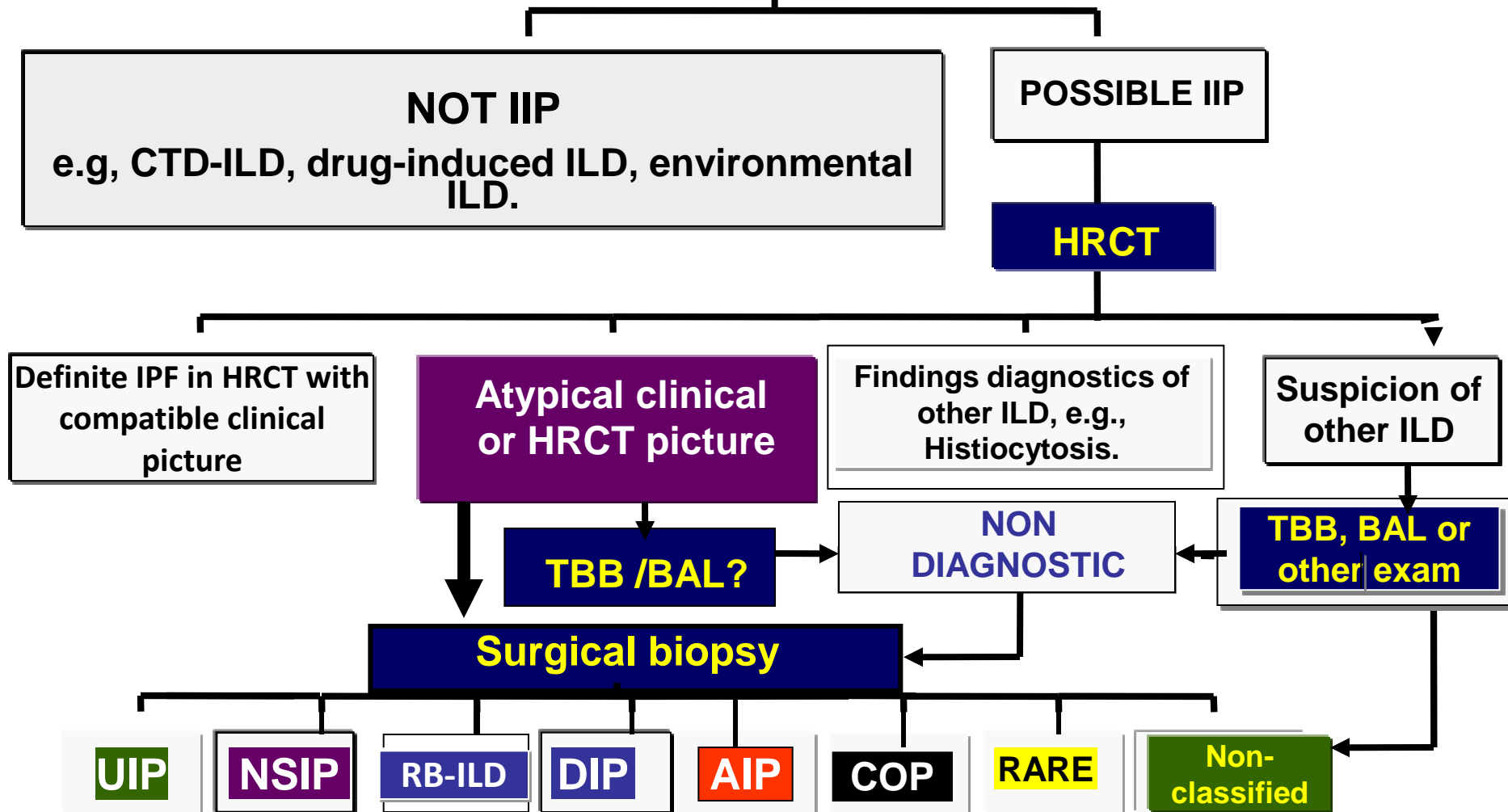
We recommend taking a detailed history of both medication use and environmental exposures at home, work, and other places the patient frequently visits to exclude potential causes of ILD (*motherhood statement*).

- AGE (*>50 years*)
- GENDER (*male>female*)
- SMOKING (*frequently*)
- **DRUGS** (*exclude*)
- Sx DURATION (*months-years*)
- **EXPOSURE** (*organic/inorganic dust*)
- FAMILIAL PULMONARY FIBROSIS (*5-8%*)



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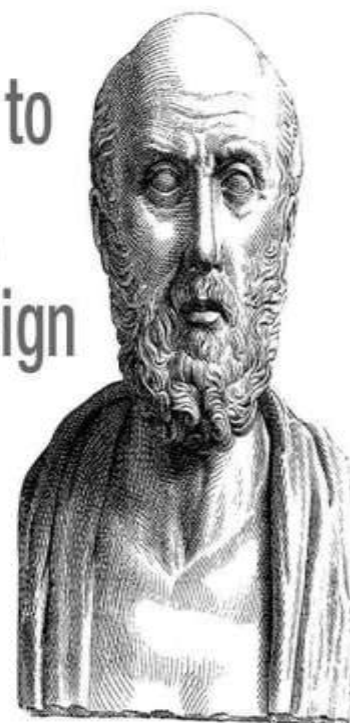


Digital clubbing



Happy Father's Day, Hippocrates!

Hippocrates was the first to describe clubbed fingers, an important diagnostic sign in chronic lung disease.



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> 50% OF THE PATIENTS



Fine end inspiratory basal crackles (velcro). Λεπτοί τελοεισπνευστικοί μη μουσικοί ρόγχοι



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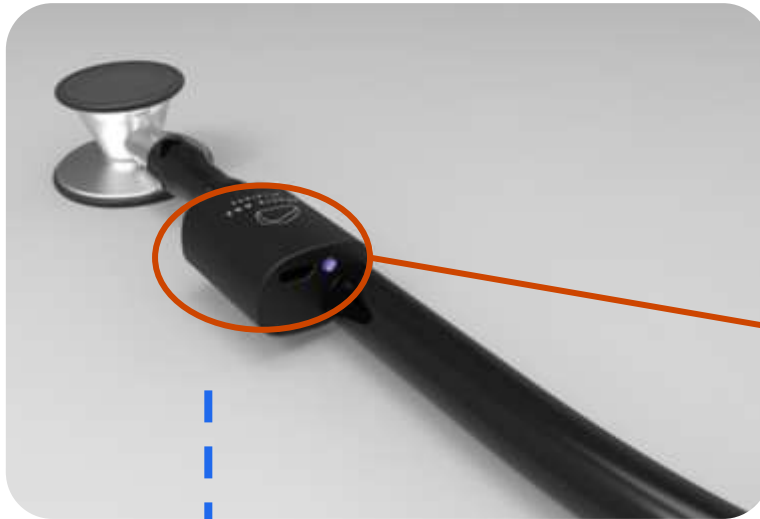
EDITORIAL

Velcro crackles: the key for early diagnosis of idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis?

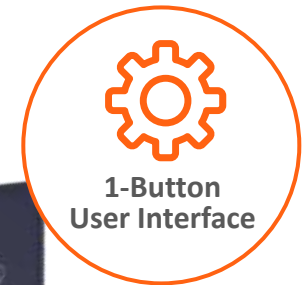
Vincent Cottin and Jean-François Cordier



How Does the Digital Stethoscope Work?



LiPo Rechargeable Battery



1-Button User Interface



BLE 5
iOS & Droid



100 hours
between
charges

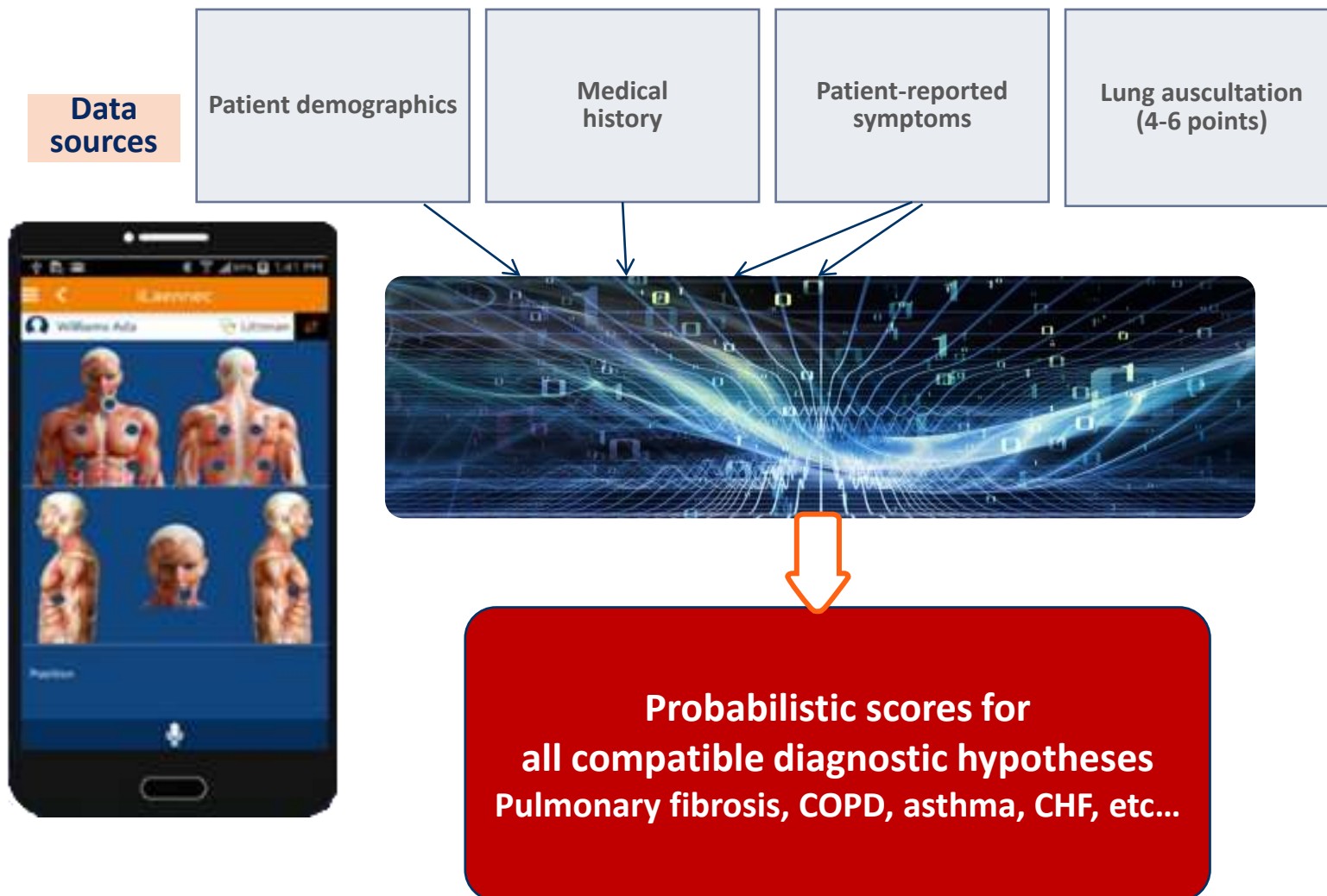
Send lung sound to apps



AI analyses the sound
and shows the results
on apps



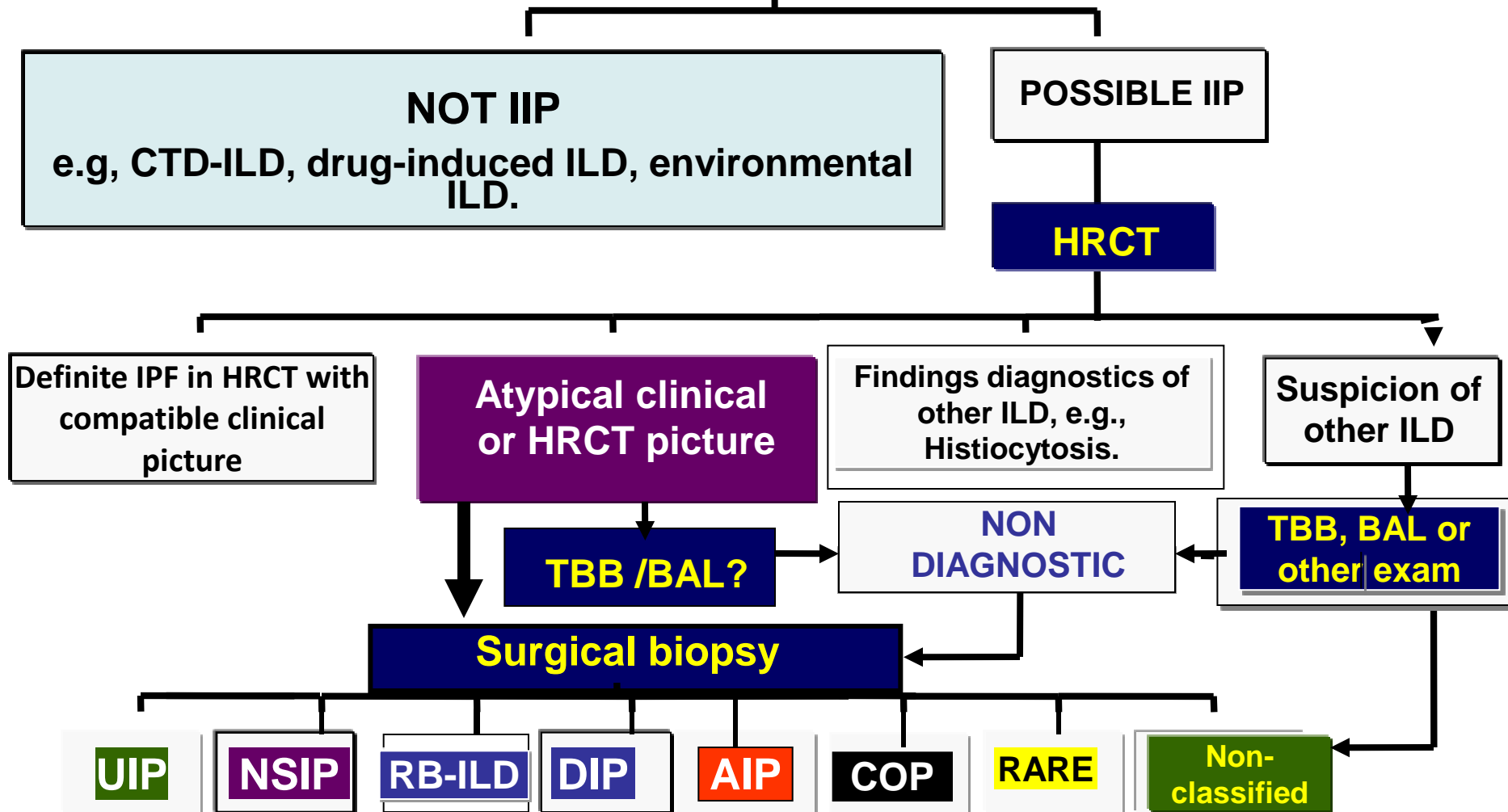
Digital Auscultation Aids





DIAGNOSTIC APPROACH OF IIPs

History, physical exam, serology, PFTs, CXR





Serologic Tests Can Help Identify Other Conditions

We recommend serological testing to exclude connective tissue disease (CTD) as a potential cause of the ILD (*motherhood statement*).

Connective tissue diseases

ANA, RF & anti-CCP (ERS/ATS guidelines)

CK and aldolase

Anti-myositis panel with Jo-1 antibody

ENA panel

- Scl-70, ACA
- Ro (SSA), La (SSB)
- **MPO/PR3 (ANCA)**
- Smith, RNP
- ESR, CRP

Hypersensitivity pneumonitis

Hypersensitivity panel
(*if exposure history*)



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Prevalence and clinical significance of circulating autoantibodies in idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis



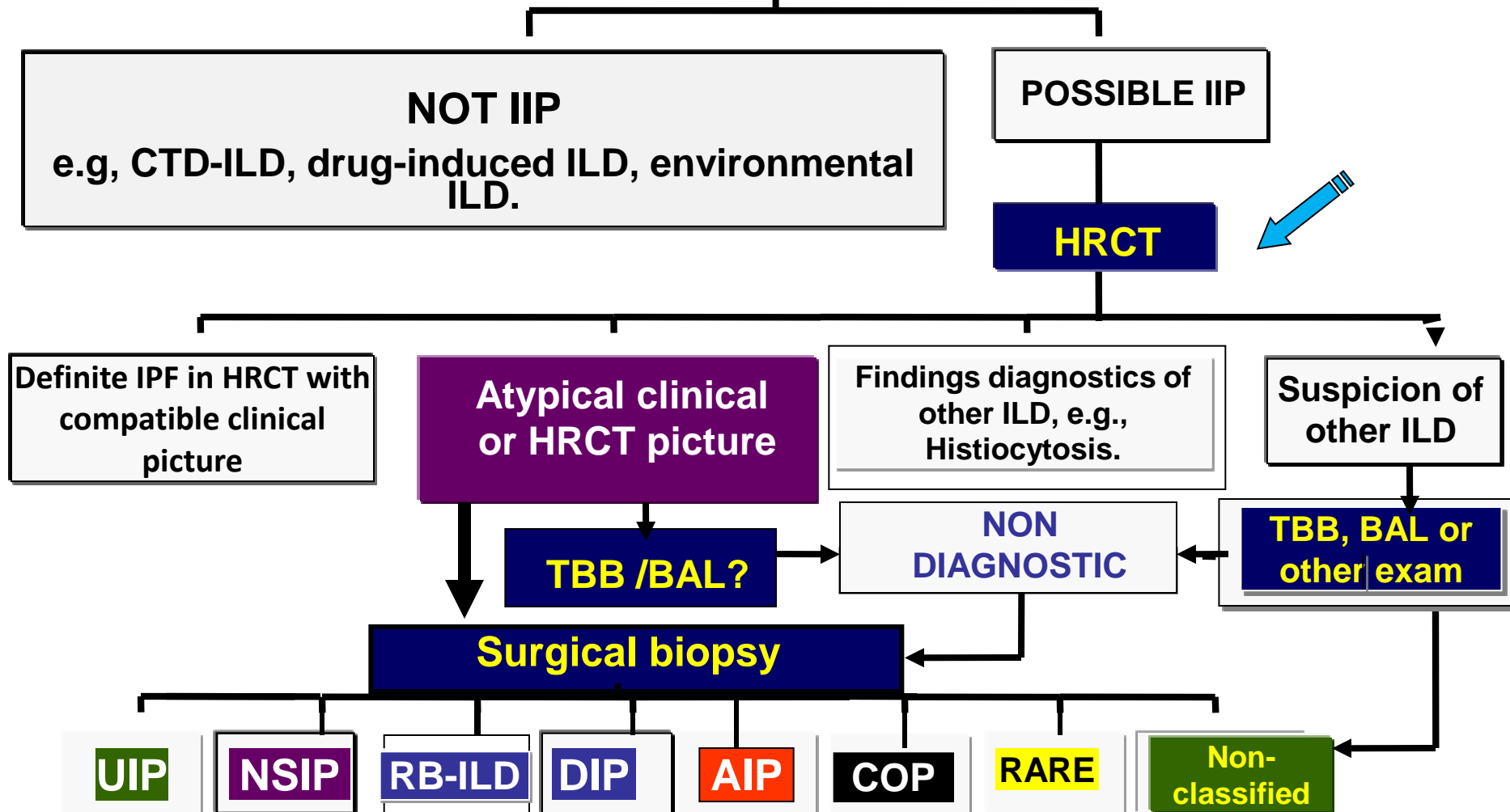
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Positive autoantibodies were found in 22% of patients with IPF and 21% of healthy controls. There were no differences in the types of autoantibodies found between patients with idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis and healthy controls.



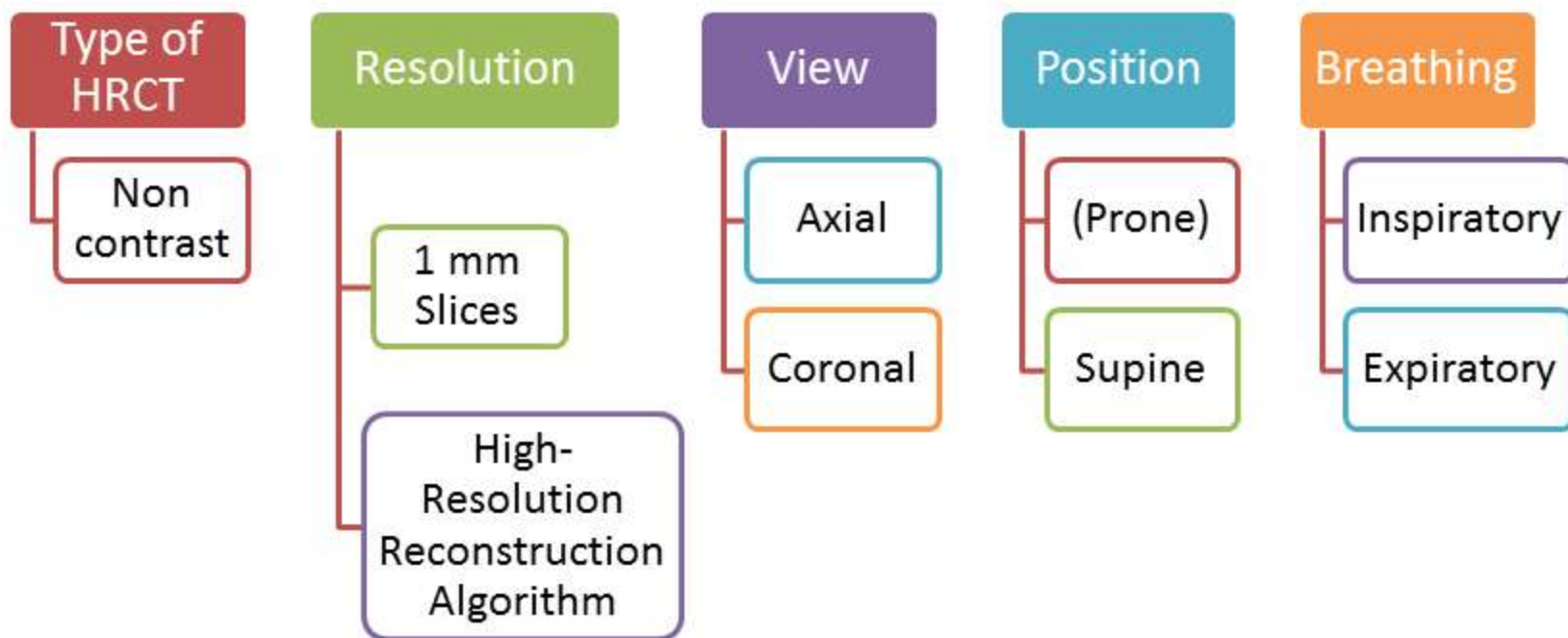
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What are the features of an HRCT?



**Table 3. High-Resolution Computed Tomography Scanning Parameters**

Recommended Scanning Protocol	Advantages of Updated Recommendations
1. Noncontrast examination	—
2. Volumetric acquisition with selection of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sub-millimetric collimation • Shortest rotation time • Highest pitch • Tube potential and tube current appropriate to patient size: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Typically 120 kVp and 9240 mAs ◦ Lower tube potentials (e.g., 100 kVp) with adjustment of tube current encouraged for thin patients • Use of techniques available to avoid unnecessary radiation exposure (e.g., tube current modulation) 	A. Acquisition covering the entire lung volume (vs. analysis of 10% of lung volume with sequential scanning) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No risk of missing subtle infiltrative abnormalities • Possibility of multiplanar reformations, helpful for analysis of the ILD pattern and predominant distribution of lung changes • Possibility of post-processing to optimize detection of subtle hypoattenuated lesions (minimum intensity projection) and micronodular infiltration (maximum intensity projection) • Possibility of detection of additional lesions (e.g., incidental identification of lung nodule or focal consolidation in lung fibrosis that may correspond to lung carcinoma) • Optimal to assess progression or improvement in patient's follow-up B. Dramatic increase in temporal resolution and speed of data acquisition <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion-free images C. Availability of numerous dose-reduction tools
3. Reconstruction of thin-section CT images (91.5 mm): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contiguous or overlapping • Using a high-spatial-frequency algorithm • Iterative reconstruction algorithm if validated on the CT unit (if not, filtered back projection) 	—
4. Number of acquisitions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supine: inspiratory (volumetric) • Supine: expiratory (can be volumetric or sequential) • Prone: only inspiratory scans (can be sequential or volumetric); optional (see text) • Inspiratory scans obtained at full inspiration 	A. Expiratory scans useful to detect air trapping B. Prone scans allow analysis of peripheral lung changes without dependent lung atelectasis that may be mistaken for abnormal lung infiltration or mimic disease (e.g., pseudohoneycombing when combined with paraseptal emphysema) C. Inadequate inspiration increases lung attenuation (which should not be interpreted as ground-glass attenuation) and is responsible for dependent lung atelectasis (which may mimic abnormal lung infiltration or mask subtle abnormalities)
5. Recommended radiation dose for the inspiratory volumetric acquisition: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1–3 mSv (i.e., “reduced” dose) • Strong recommendation to avoid “ultralow-dose CT” (<1 mSv) 	A. Considerable dose reduction compared to sequential scanning

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- **CRITERIA** ARE PRESENTED TO ESTABLISH CONFIDENT AND WORKING DIAGNOSIS OF IPF.
- IF A DIAGNOSTIC TISSUE IS NOT AVAILABLE, A **WORKING DIAGNOSIS** OF IPF COULD BE MADE AFTER A CAREFUL MDD.
- ALL PATIENTS ESPECIALLY THOSE WITH A WORKING DIAGNOSIS SHOULD HAVE THIS **DIAGNOSIS REVIEWED** AT REGULAR INTERVALS.



FLEISCHNER society 2017 white paper

Diagnostic criteria for IPF. Lancet RM 2017

- **HRCT categories**

- Typical UIP
- Probable UIP (*“possible” in ATS/ERS 2011*)
- Indeterminate for UIP
- Consistent with alternative diagnosis (*inconsistent with UIP*)

- **Histopathologic categories**

- UIP
- Probable UIP
- Indeterminate for UIP
- Consistent with alternative diagnosis



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Diagnostic categories of UIP based on CT patterns

Typical UIP CT pattern

Distribution	<u>Basal predominant</u> (occasionally diffuse), and subpleural predominant; distribution is often heterogeneous
Features	<u>Honeycombing</u> ; <u>reticular pattern</u> with peripheral traction bronchiectasis or bronchiolectasis*; absence of features to suggest an alternative diagnosis

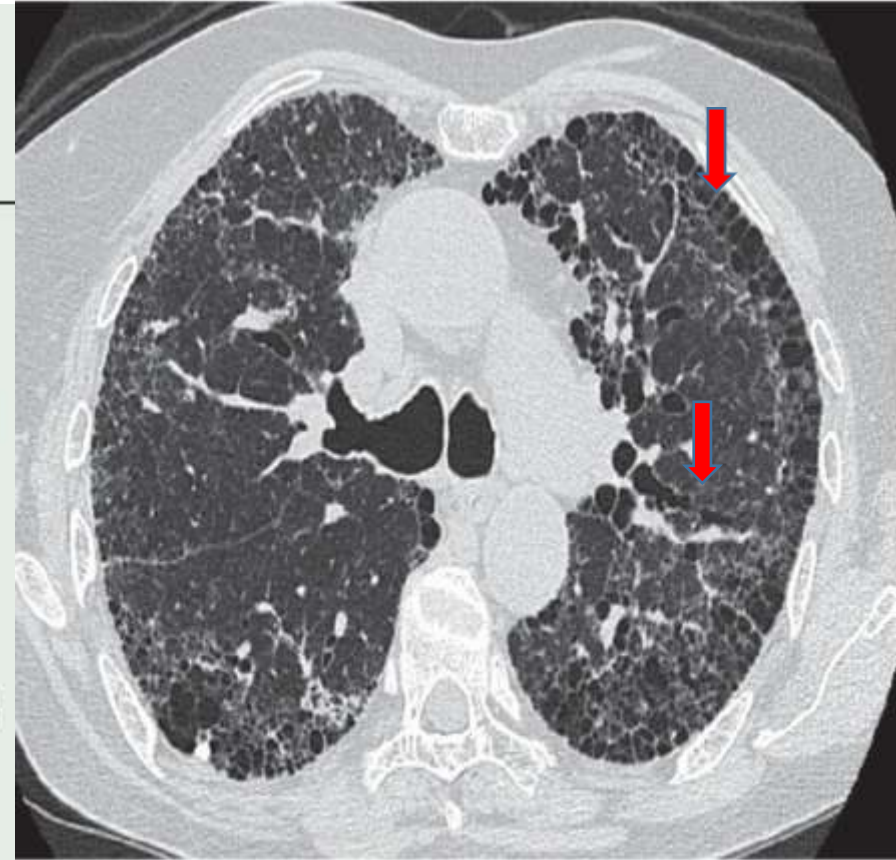


Figure 4: High-resolution computer tomography in idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis. Predominantly basal and subpleural reticular fibrosis with honeycombing



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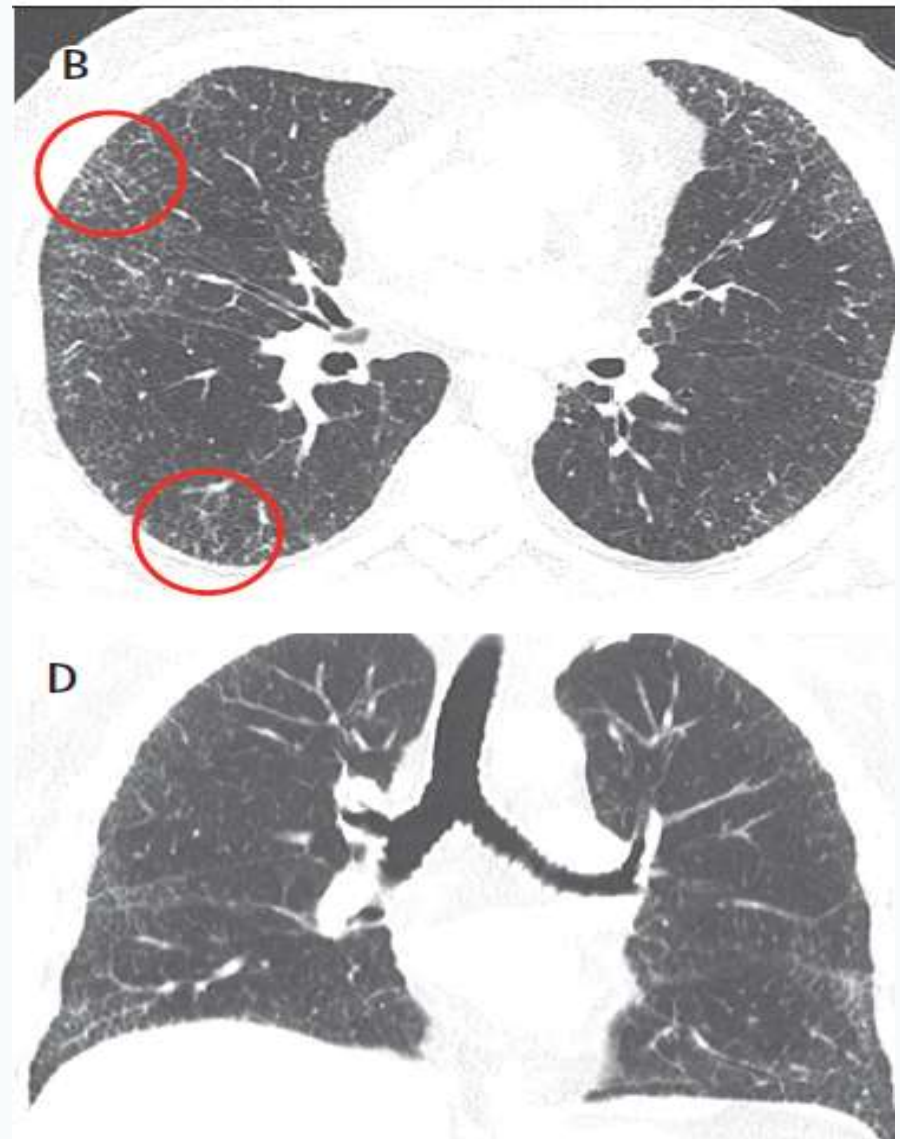
Probable UIP CT pattern

Distribution

Basal and subpleural predominant;
distribution is often
heterogeneous

Features

Reticular pattern with peripheral
traction bronchiectasis or
bronchiolectasis*; honeycombing
is absent; absence of features to
suggest an alternative diagnosis





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Usual interstitial pneumonia pattern in the diagnosis of idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis?

Probable UIP has high positive predictive value for IPF

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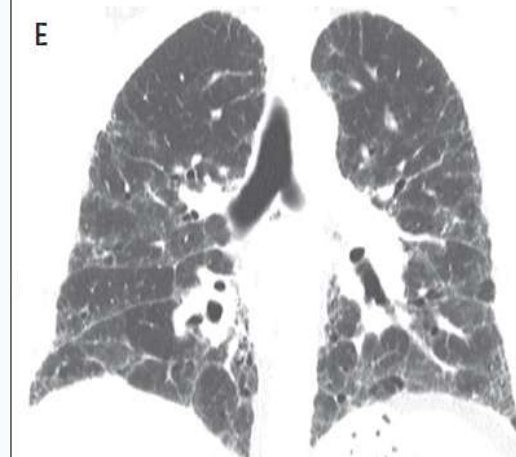
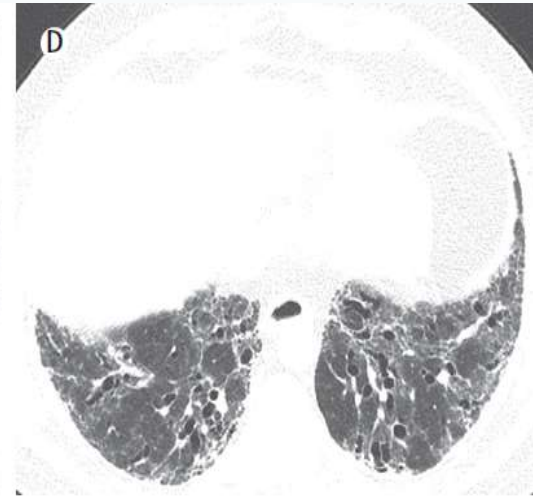
CT pattern
indeterminate for UIP

Distribution

Variable or diffuse

Features

Evidence of fibrosis with
some inconspicuous
features suggestive
of non-UIP pattern





Diagnostic categories of UIP based on CT patterns

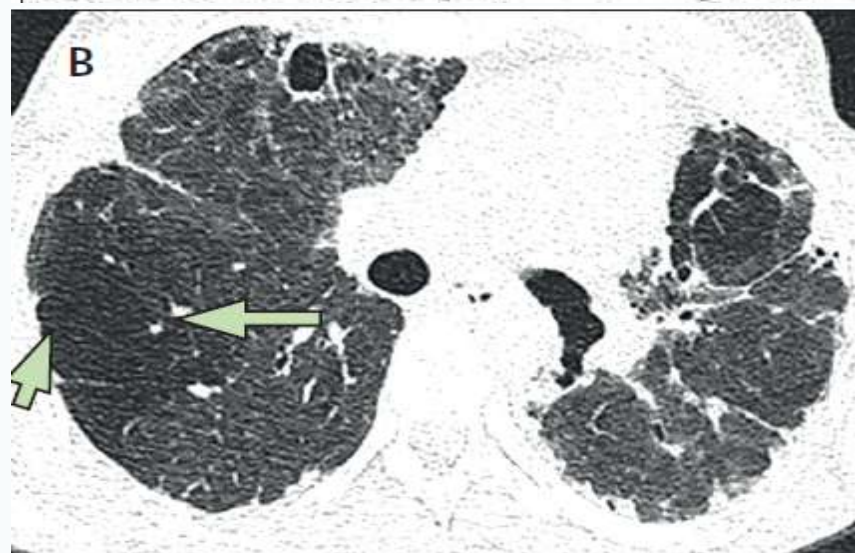
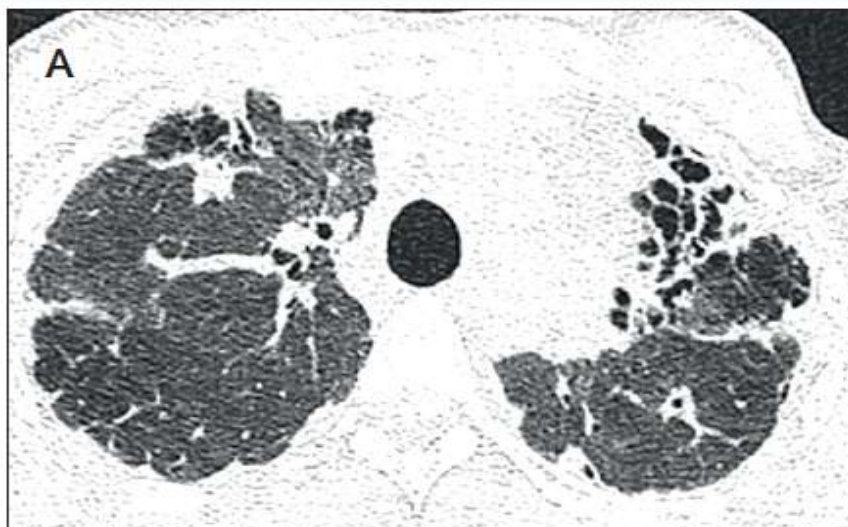
CT features most consistent with non-IPF diagnosis

Distribution

Upper-lung or mid-lung predominant fibrosis; peribronchovascular predominance with subpleural sparing

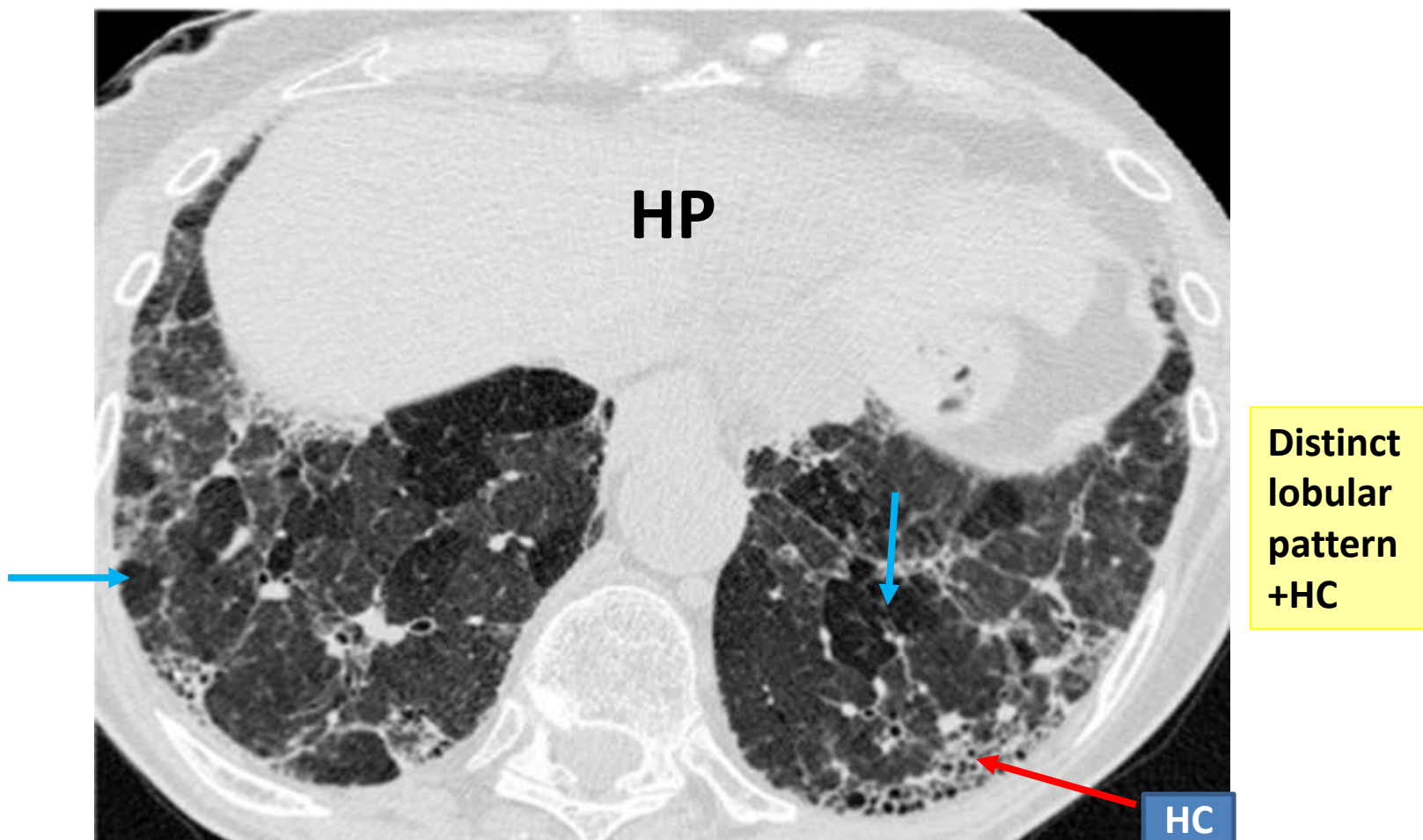
Features

Any of the following:
predominant consolidation, extensive pure ground glass opacity (without acute exacerbation), extensive mosaic attenuation with extensive sharply defined lobular air trapping on expiration, diffuse nodules or cysts





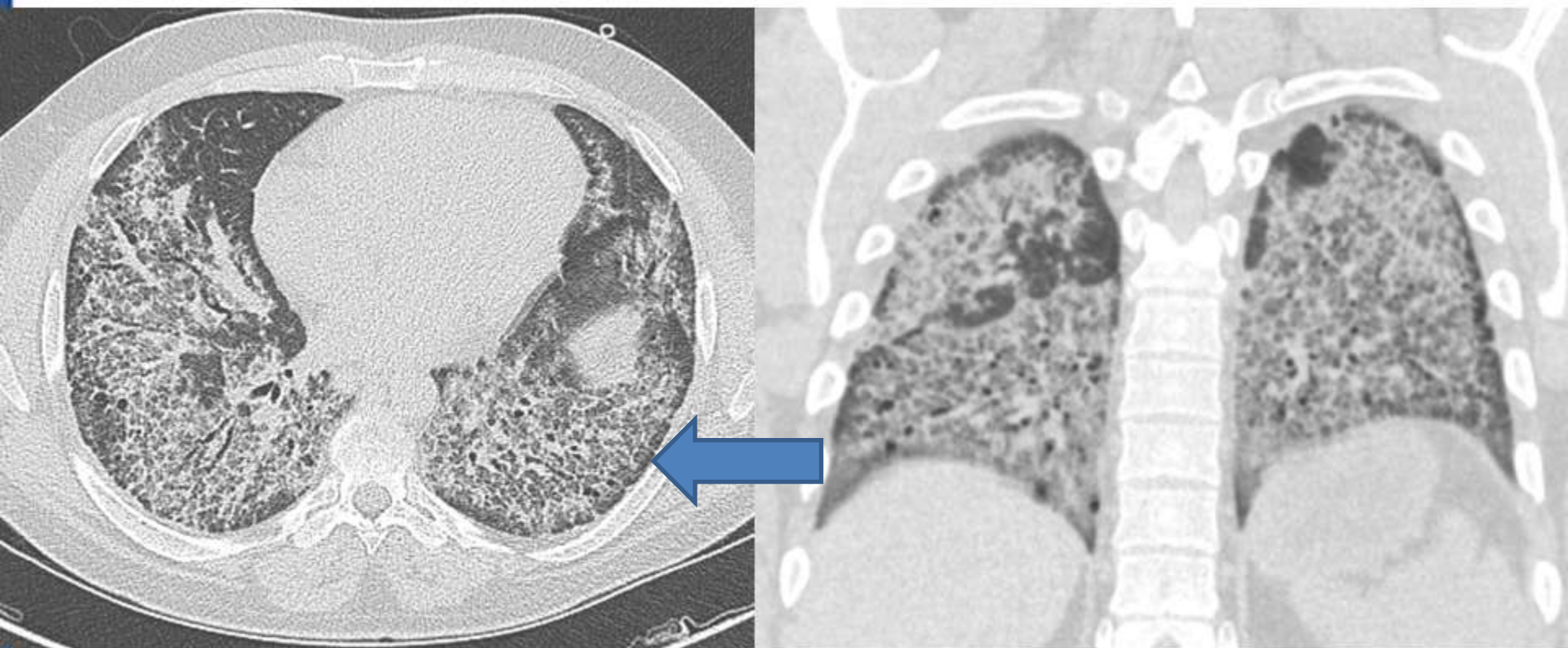
Inconsistent With UIP



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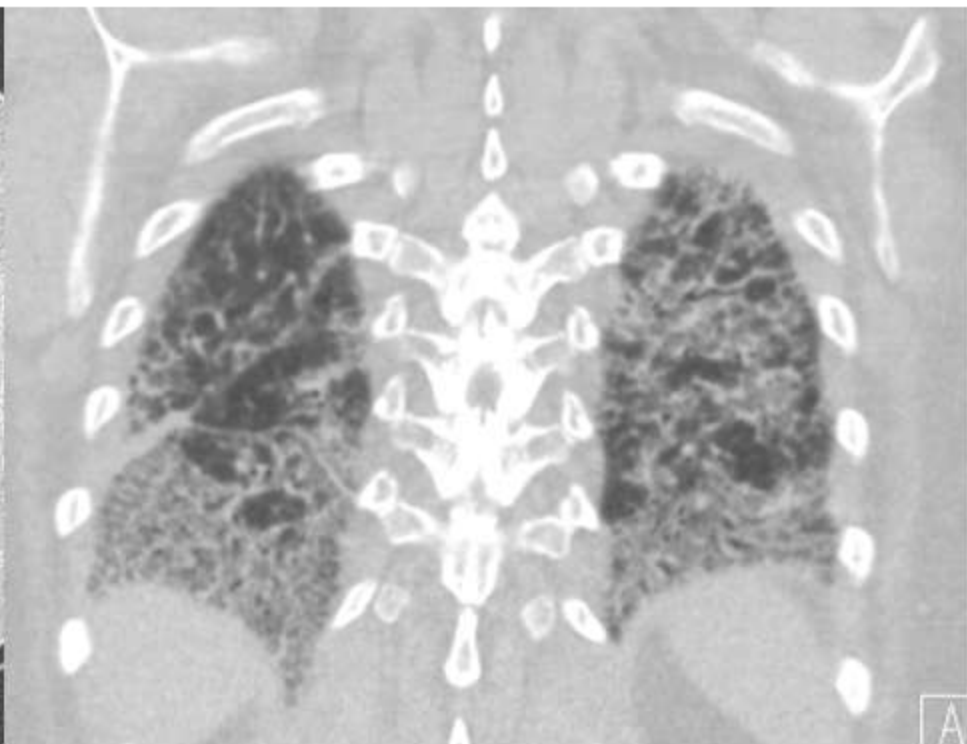
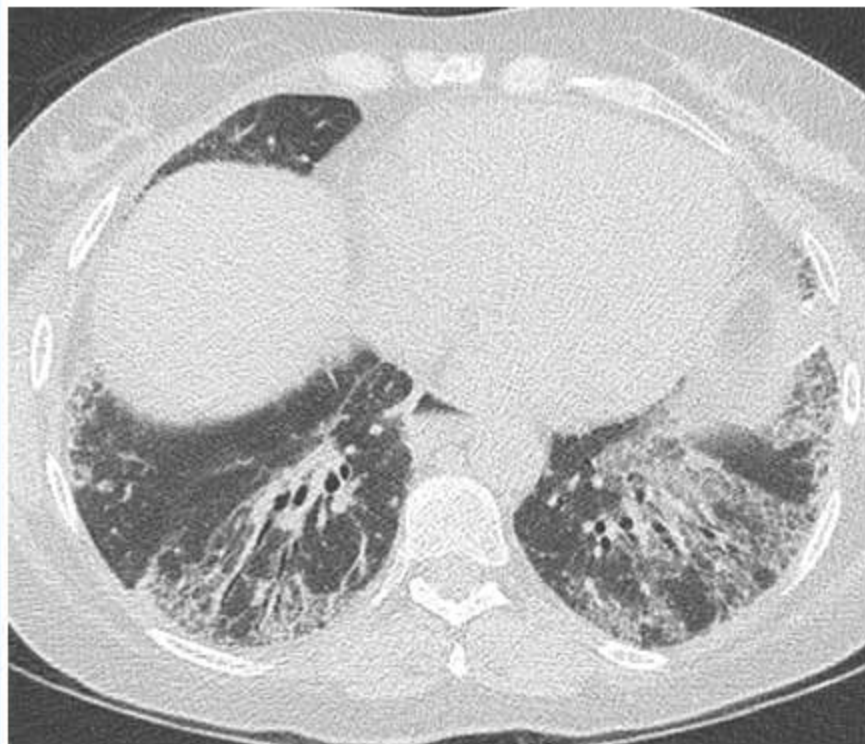


Fibrotic NSIP: subpleural sparing





MTX toxicity: GGO > reticular, peribronchovascular





Positive Predictive Value of UIP on HRCT for IPF

UIP pattern (honeycombing) on HRCT:

- PPV for IPF 90-100%

UCSF study: other HRCT classifications

- Possible UIP: 63% (94% Mayo)
- Inconsistent with UIP: 23%
 - Even if inconsistent, still can be IPF



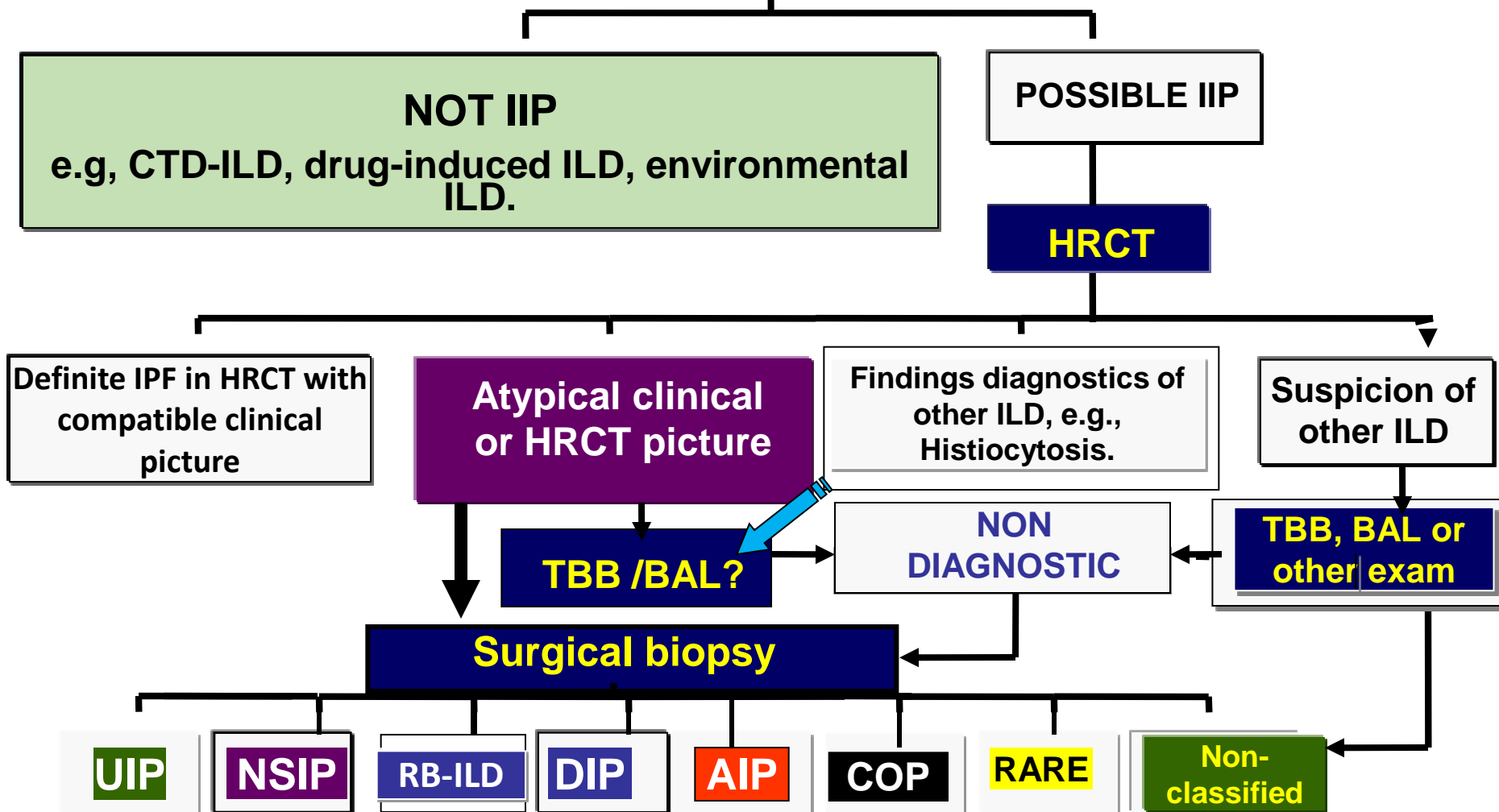
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DIAGNOSTIC APPROACH OF IIPs

History, physical exam, serology, PFTs, CXR





Diagnosis of IPF- 2018 guidelines

For patients with newly detected ILD of apparently unknown cause who are clinically suspected of having IPF and have an HRCT pattern of UIP:

- We suggest NOT performing cellular analysis of their BAL fluid (*conditional recommendation, very low quality of evidence*).
- We recommend NOT performing SLB (*strong recommendation, very low quality of evidence*).
- We recommend NOT performing TBBx (*strong recommendation, very low quality of evidence*).
- We recommend NOT performing lung cryobiopsy (*strong recommendation, very low quality of evidence*).

NO



Diagnosis of IPF- 2018 guidelines

For patients with newly detected ILD of apparently unknown cause who are clinically suspected of having IPF and have an HRCT pattern of probable UIP, indeterminate, or an alternative diagnosis:



- We suggest cellular analysis of their BAL fluid (conditional recommendation, very low quality of evidence).
- We suggest surgical lung biopsy (SLB) (conditional recommendation, very low quality of evidence).
- The panel made no recommendation for or against transbronchial lung biopsy (TBBx).
- The panel made no recommendation for or against lung cryobiopsy.



Diagnosis of IPF. 2018 guidelines

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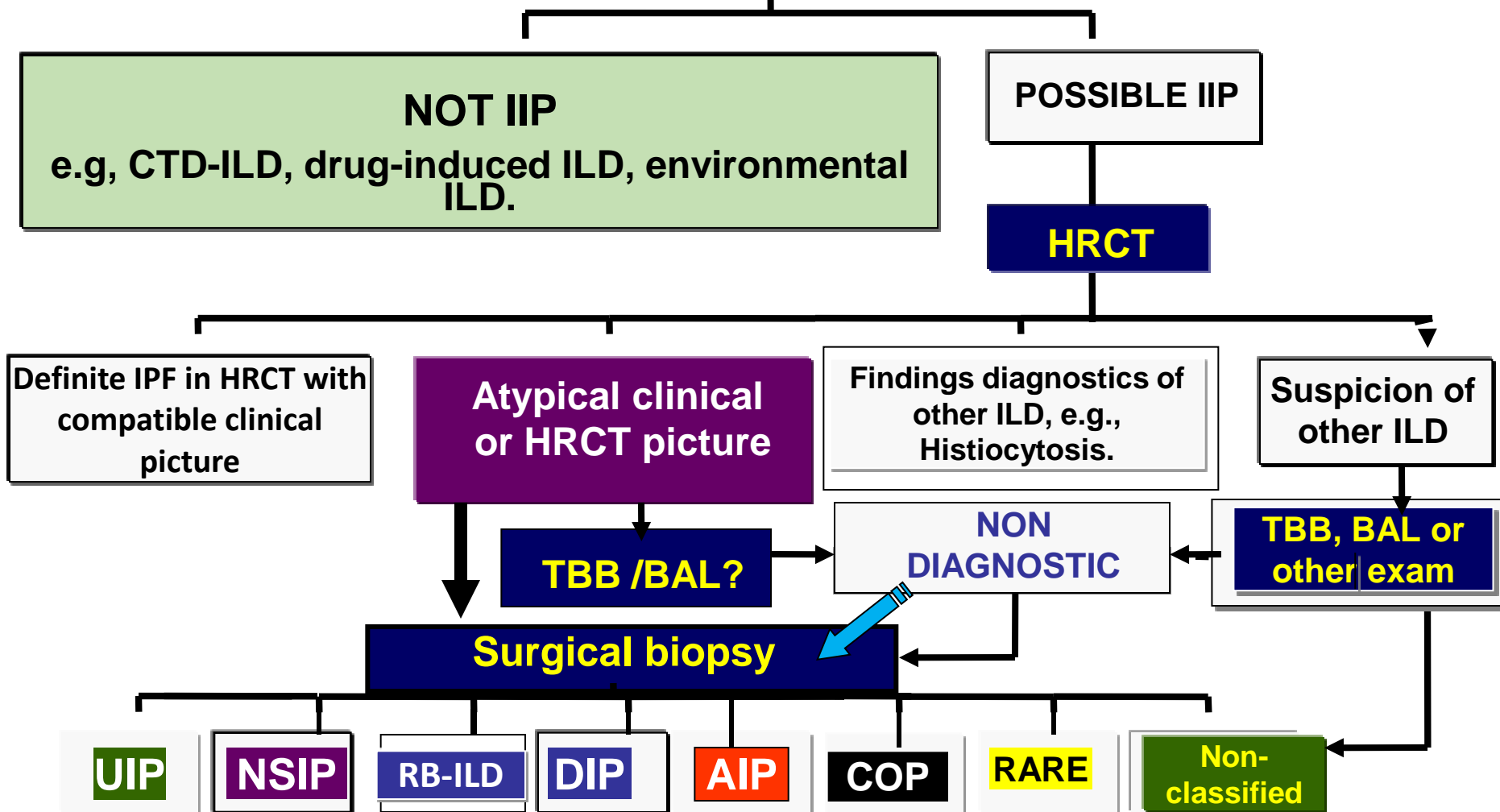
We recommend NOT measuring serum MMP (matrix metalloproteinase)-7, SPD (surfactant protein D), CCL (chemokine ligand)-18, or KL (Krebs von den Lungen)-6 for the purpose of distinguishing IPF from other ILDs (*strong recommendation, very low quality of evidence*).

(ATS/ERS/JRS/ALAT 2018)



DIAGNOSTIC APPROACH OF IIPs

History, physical exam, serology, PFTs, CXR





FLEISCHNER society 2017 white paper

Diagnostic criteria for IPF. *Lancet RM 2017*

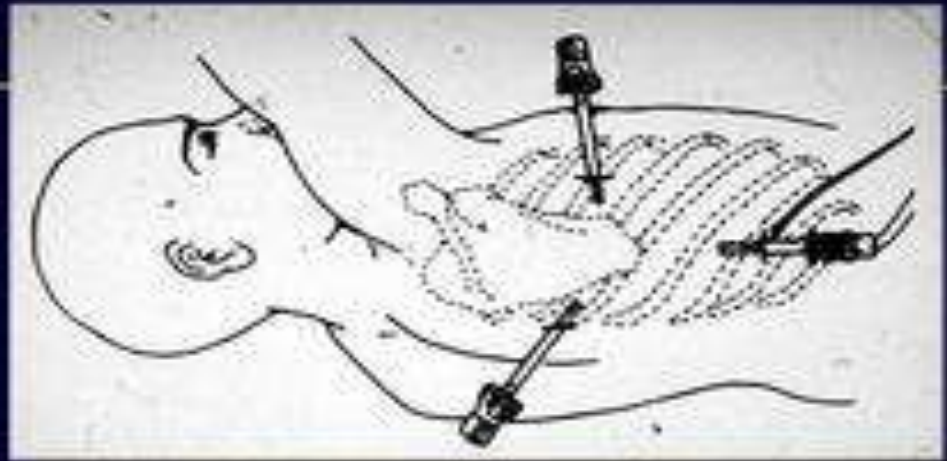
When can one make a confident diagnosis of IPF without biopsy?

- Clinical context of IPF*, with CT pattern of typical or probable UIP

When is a diagnostic biopsy necessary to make a confident diagnosis of IPF?

- Clinical context of IPF* with CT pattern either indeterminate or suggestive of an alternative diagnosis
- Clinical context indeterminate for IPF† with any CT pattern

Video-Assisted Thoracoscopic Surgery VATS



The patient is positioned on the operating table as depicted. The three trocars and videoscope used for video thoracoscopic lung biopsy are placed as illustrated.

Chest 102:765, 1993

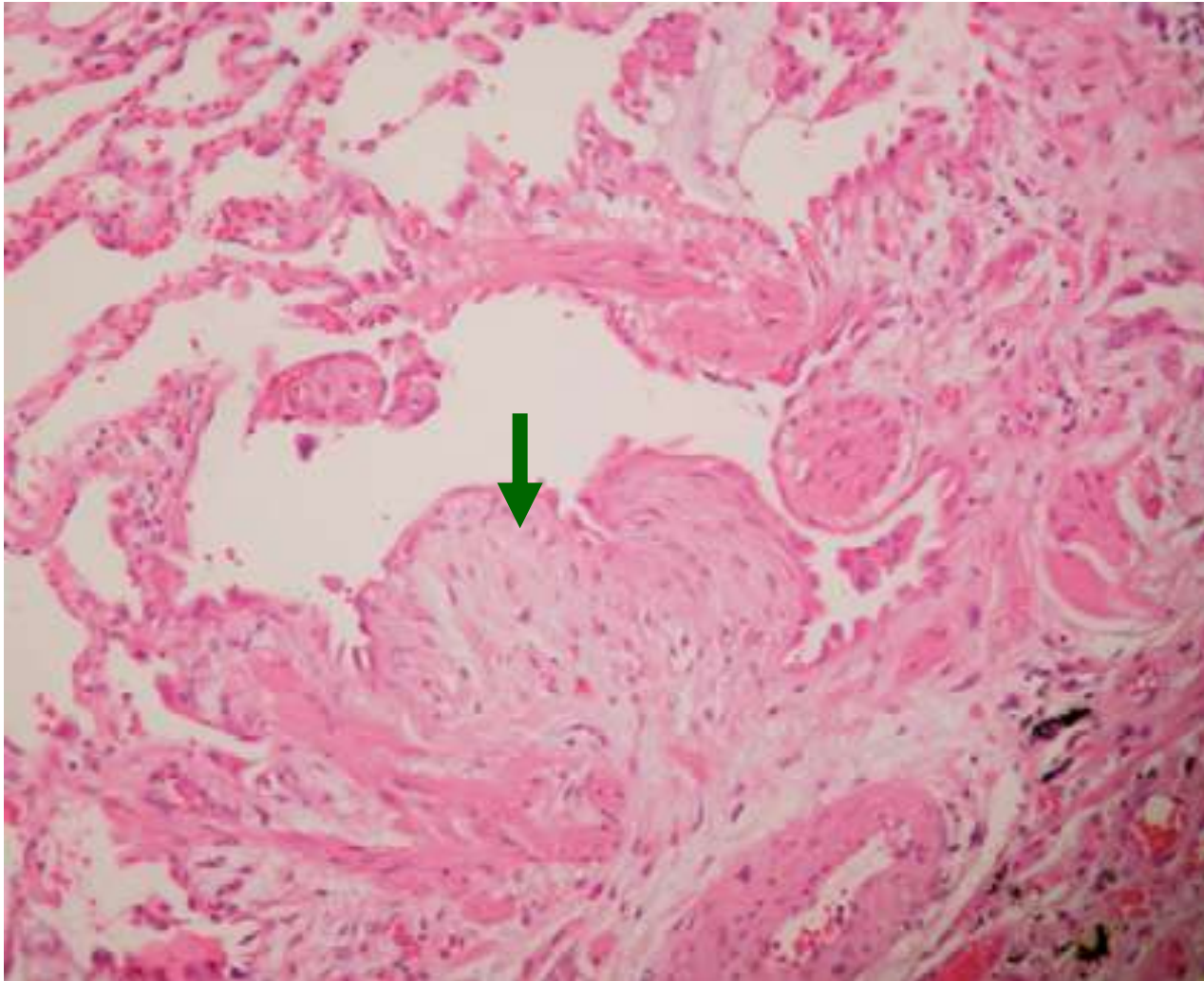




Histologic criteria of UIP

	Definite UIP-IPF	Probable UIP-IPF	Indeterminate for UIP-IPF
General comments	Patients show features with <u>all four criteria</u> , and do not show features that might suggest an alternative diagnosis (eg, non-UIP)	Patients show either honeycomb fibrosis only, or a severe fibrosing process that falls short of showing all four criteria for definite UIP-IPF and do not show features that might suggest an alternative diagnosis	Patients show evidence of a fibrosing process but with features that are more in favour of either a <u>non-UIP pattern</u> , or <u>UIP in a setting other than IPF</u>
Specific criteria	<u>Dense fibrosis causing architecture remodelling with frequent honeycombing; patchy lung involvement by fibrosis; subpleural or paraseptal distribution, or both; fibroblast foci</u> at the edge of dense scars	Honeycomb fibrosis only or; dense fibrosis causing architecture remodelling with frequent honeycombing; patchy lung involvement by fibrosis; fibroblast foci at the edge of dense scars may or may not be present	Patients have less compelling histological changes than those classified by the final column (eg, occasional foci of centrilobular injury or scarring, rare granulomas or giant cells, only a minor degree of lymphoid hyperplasia or diffuse inflammation, or diffuse homogenous fibrosis favouring fibrotic non-specific interstitial pneumonia); these features, and the differential diagnoses they call to mind, become part of the multidisciplinary discussion and decision with regard to a multidisciplinary diagnosis of IPF, or not

VATS biopsy shows UIP: heterogeneous appearance with alternating areas of normal lung, interstitial inflammation, fibrosis, fibroblastic foci and honeycomb change.

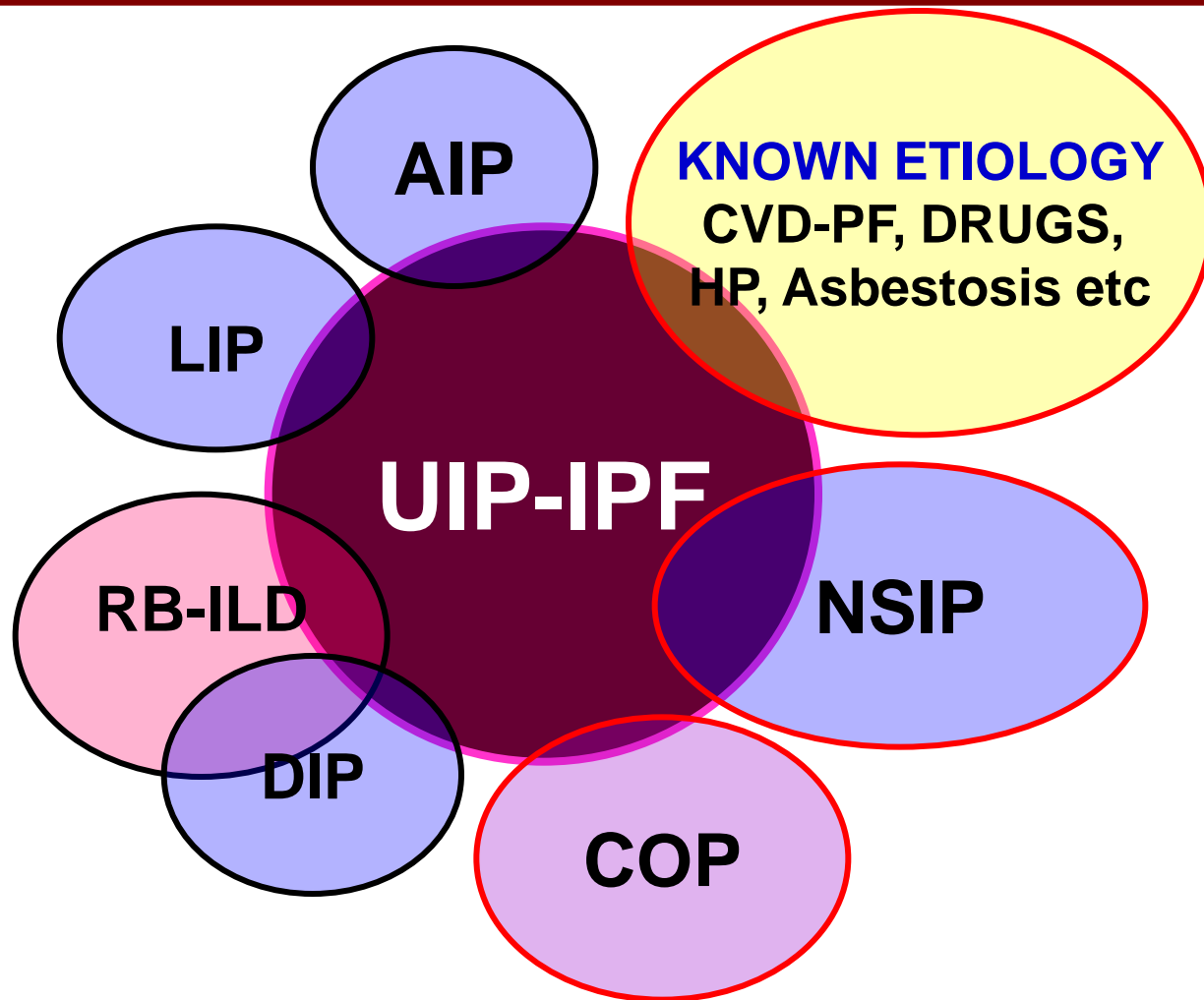


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USUAL INTERSTITIAL PNEUMONIA AND IDIOPATHIC PULMONARY FIBROSIS



Most UIPs are “IPF”, ALL UIPs ARE NOT IPF

Slide courtesy
of Demosthenes Bouros



POINTING TO ANOTHER DIAGNOSIS

Features most consistent with an alternative diagnosis

Patients show either a UIP pattern with ancillary features strongly suggesting an alternative diagnosis, or a non-UIP pattern (see cell below)

Non-UIP pattern:

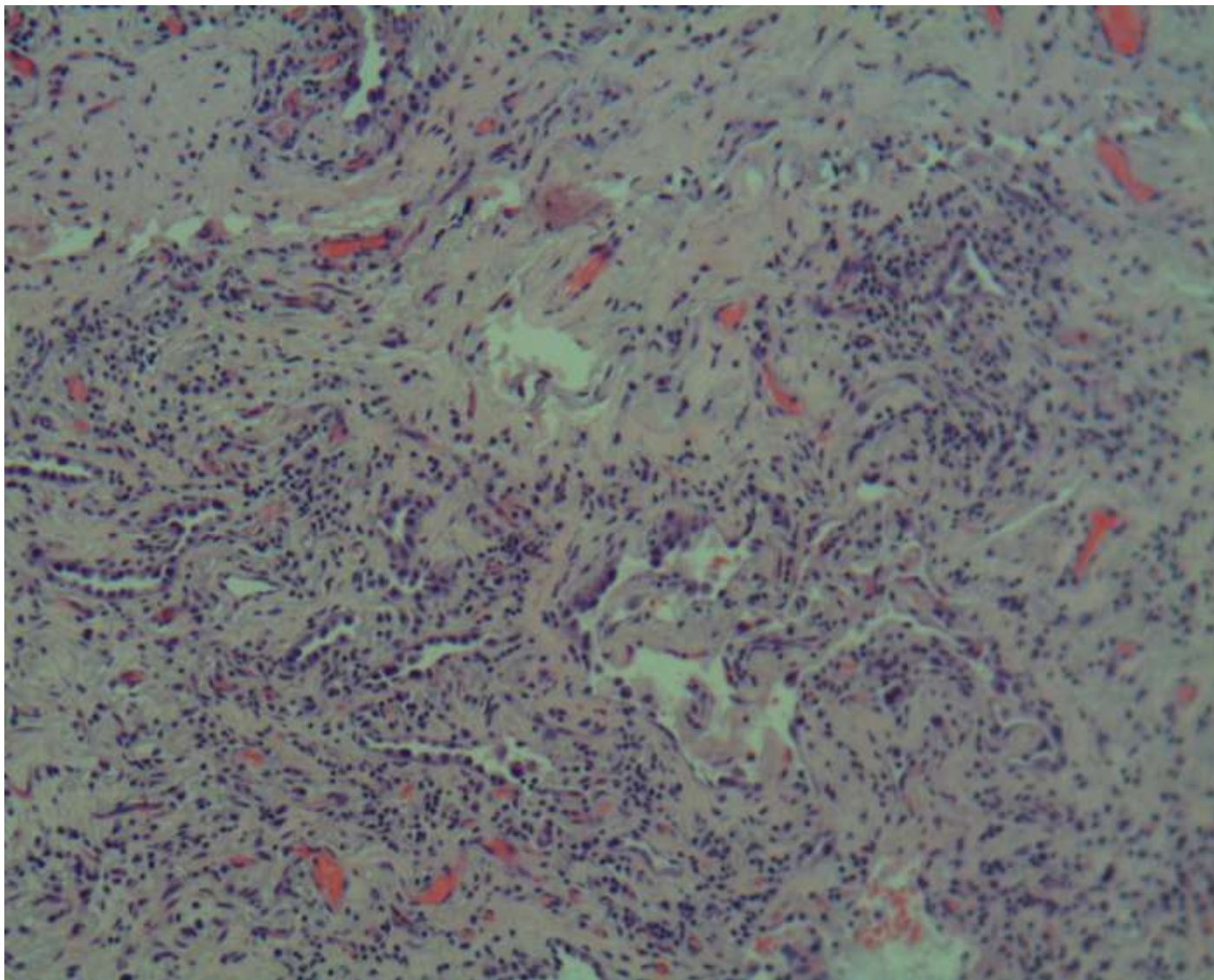
patients with features of other fibrotic disorders—eg, fibrotic hypersensitivity pneumonitis, fibrotic non-specific interstitial pneumonia, fibrosing organising pneumonia, pleuroparenchymal fibroelastosis, pulmonary Langerhans cell histiocytosis, or smoking-related interstitial fibrosis;

UIP pattern with ancillary features strongly suggesting an alternative diagnosis:

eg, prominent diffuse alveolar damage or organising pneumonia (consider acute exacerbation of UIP), granulomas, (consider hypersensitivity pneumonitis, sarcoid, infection), marked interstitial inflammatory cell infiltrate away from areas of UIP (consider hypersensitivity pneumonitis)



Possible UIP pattern



No fibroblastic foci / honeycomb

Courtesy R. Trigidou



ATS/ERS/JRS/ALAT clinical practice guideline [1]

Fleischner white paper consensus statement [2]

Histopathology pattern

UIP

Dense fibrosis with architecture remodelling
Predominant subpleural or paraseptal distribution of fibrosis
Patchy lung involvement by fibrosis
Presence of fibroblastic foci

Definite UIP

Probable UIP

Honeycomb fibrosis only
Fibroblastic foci may or may not be present

Indeterminate for UIP

Fibrosis with or without architecture
distortion
Some histological features from the UIP
pattern

Occasional foci of centrilobular injury or scarring
Rare granulomas or giant cells
Minor degree of lymphoid hyperplasia or diffuse inflammation
Diffuse homogenous fibrosis favouring fibrotic nonspecific
interstitial pneumonia

Alternative diagnosis

Histological findings indicative of other
diseases

Features most consistent with an alternative diagnosis

A UIP pattern with ancillary features strongly suggesting an
alternative diagnosis
A non-UIP pattern



Diagnosis of IPF

Diagnosis of IPF requires the following:

1. **Exclusion of other known causes** (*e.g., domestic and occupational environmental exposures, CTD, drug toxicity*),
and either #2 or #3:
2. **The presence of the HRCT pattern of UIP**
3. **Specific combinations of HRCT and histopathology patterns**

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HRCT pattern	Histopathology pattern				
	UIP	Probable UIP	Indeterminate for UIP	Alternative diagnosis	No biopsy
UIP	IPF	IPF	IPF	Non-IPF	IPF
Probable UIP	IPF	IPF	IPF (Likely)	Non-IPF	IPF (Likely)
Indeterminate	IPF	IPF (Likely)	Unclassified *	Non-IPF	Unclassified *
Alternative diagnosis	IPF (Likely)	Non-IPF	Non-IPF	Non-IPF	Non-IPF



Diagnosis of IPF- 2018 guidelines

We suggest multidisciplinary discussion (MDD) for diagnostic decision-making (*conditional recommendation, very low quality of evidence*).

clinician

(radiologist behind the camera)....

pathologist



Approach to the Diagnosis of IPF

Clinical

- History
- Physical
- Laboratory
- PFTs

Radiology

- Chest X-ray
- HRCT

Pathology

- Surgical lung biopsy

Primary care
physicians

Pneumonologist

Radiologist

Pathologist

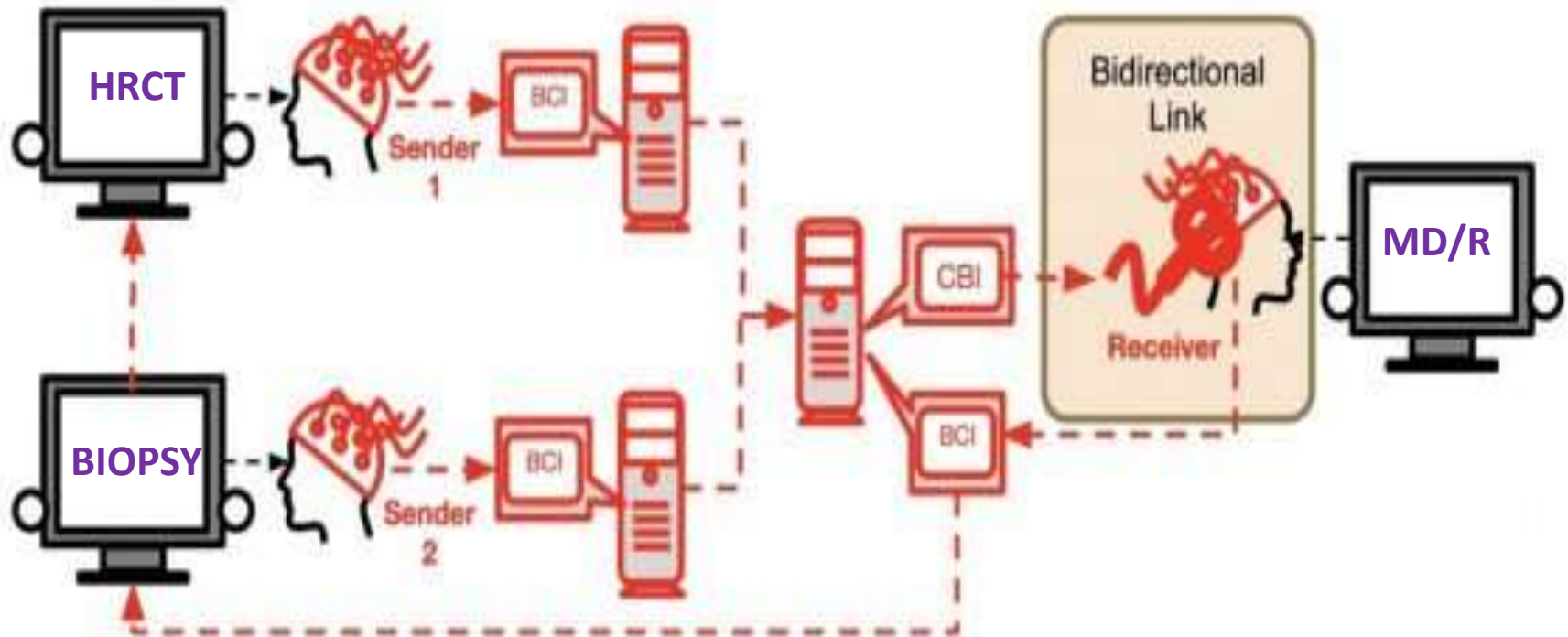
Multidisciplinary discussion
GOLD STANDARD



REFERENCE CENTER

BrainNet allows collaborative problem-solving using direct brain-to-brain communication.

The first “social network” of brains lets three people transmit thoughts to each other’s heads





PARTHENON-ACROPOLIS





QUESTIONS?

