

# Pulmonary Fibrosis and Sarcoidosis

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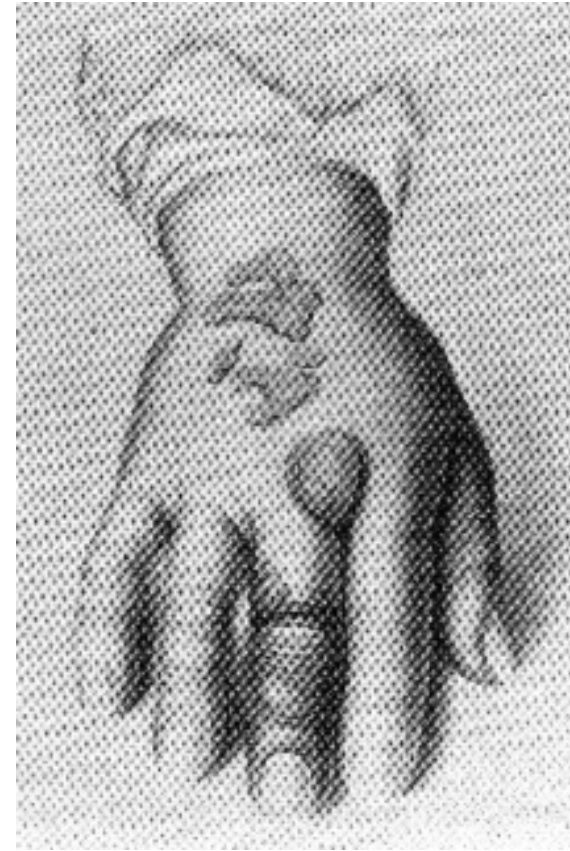
# Objectives

- Review the current classification of the most common causes of interstitial lung disease
- Outline the clinical evaluation of interstitial lung disease
- Provide an update on the assessment and treatment of sarcoidosis
- Review the mortality and morbidity of sarcoidosis by stage and the impact of associated airflow obstruction and extra-pulmonary manifestations on mortality

# First Description



*Jonathan Hutchinson*  
*1828-1913*



“...I prefer to recognize it, by the name of one of its subjects, as Mortimer’s Malady.”

# History

	<b>Hutchinson</b>	<b>Mortimer's Malady</b>	<b>(face and skin lesions)</b>
<b>1889</b>	<b>Besnier</b>	<b>Violaceous skin of face</b>	<b>(lupus pernio)</b>
<b>1899</b>	<b>Boeck</b>	<b>Non-caseating granulomas</b>	<b>(adenopathy, skin nodules)</b>
<b>1914</b>	<b>Schaumann</b>	<b>Systemic Disorder</b>	
<b>1940's-50's</b>	<b>Lofgren</b>	<b>Spontaneously Resolving Syndrome</b>	
<b>1950's</b>	<b>Kveim-Siltzbach</b>		
<b>1970's</b>	<b>Lung Immunology – Bronchoalveolar Lavage</b>		

# ATS/ERS/WASOG Statement on Sarcoidosis

“...a multisystem disorder of unknown cause(s)... frequently presents with bilateral hilar lymphadenopathy, pulmonary infiltration, and ocular and skin lesions. The liver, spleen, lymph nodes, salivary glands, heart, nervous system, muscle, bones, and other organs may also be involved.”

# Epidemiology

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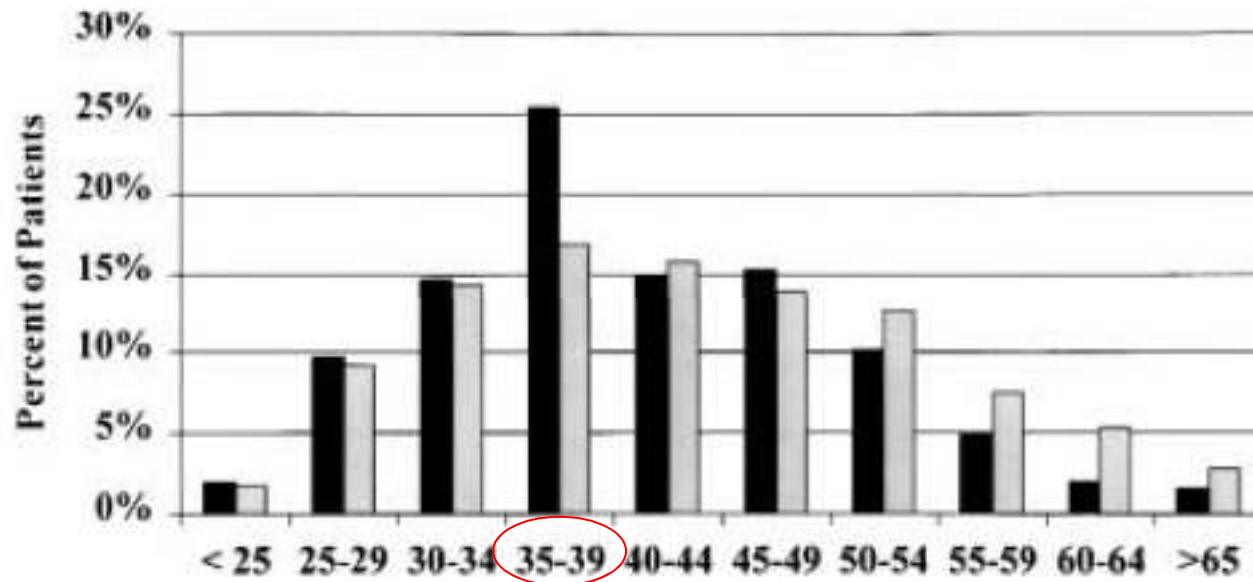


TABLE 2. DISTRIBUTION OF CASES BY SEX AND ETHNIC ORIGIN

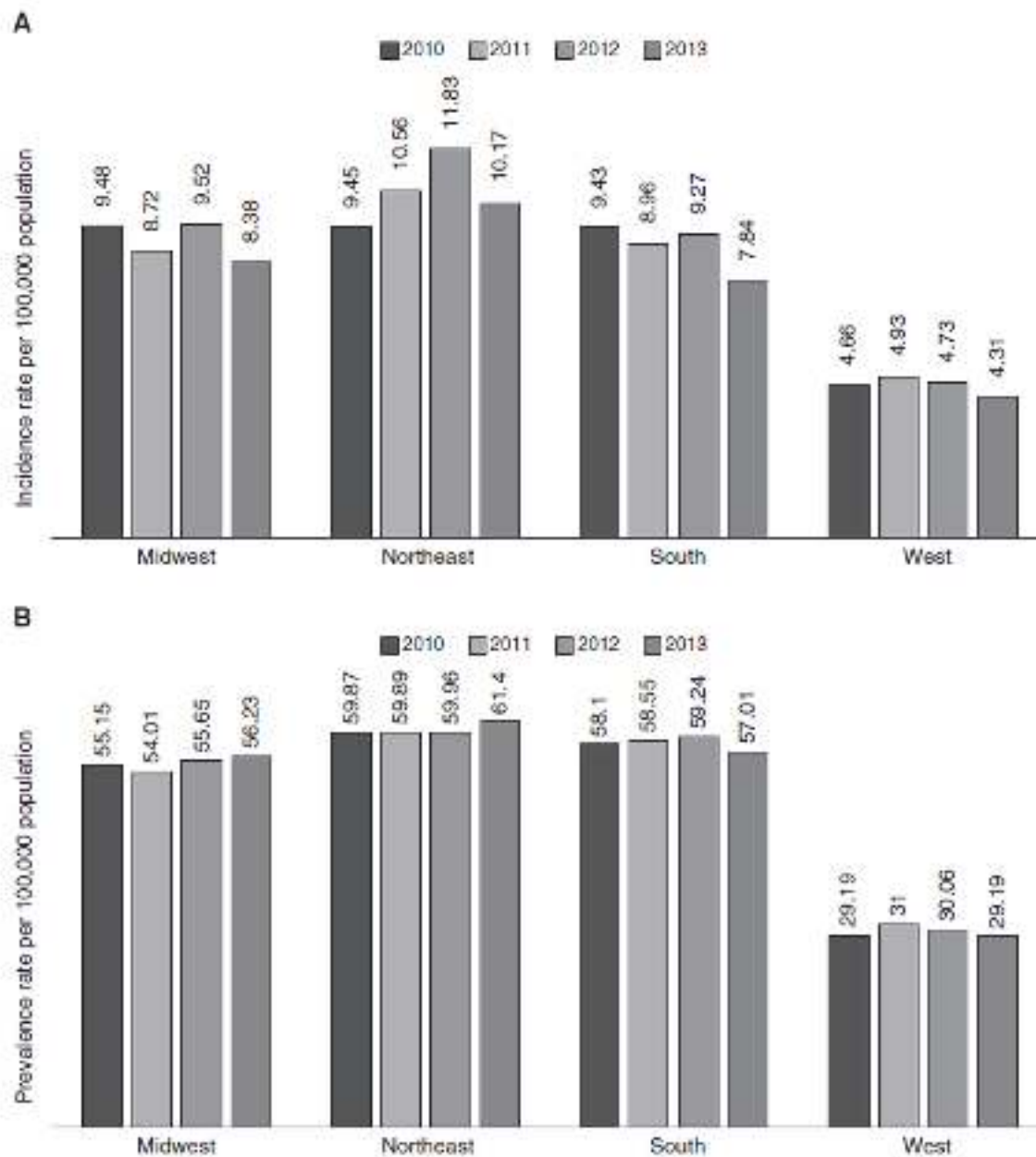
	White	Black	Other	Percent
Female	223	234	11	63.6
Male	170	91	7	36.4
Percent	53.4	44.2	2.4	



**Table 1 Variations in Sarcoidosis Incidence, Presentation, and Genetic Associations across Ethnic Groups**

<b>Ethnic Group</b>	<b>Incidence per 100,000</b>	<b>Peak Decade of Incidence</b>	<b>Percent Increased Risk in Females</b>	<b>Typical Clinical Presentation and Course</b>	<b>Recent Reported Genetic Associations</b>
European Americans	3–10	4th–5th	10–20	Stage I, acute course	<i>BTNL2</i> , <sup>10</sup> <i>HLA-DRB1</i> <sup>4</sup>
African Americans	35–80	3rd–4th	30	Stage I–II, extrathoracic involvement	<i>HLA-DRB1</i> , <sup>4</sup> <i>HLA-DQB1</i> , <sup>7</sup> <i>IGKV</i> <sup>11</sup>
Northern Europeans	15–20	3rd	30	Stage I, acute course	<i>HSP70-hom</i> , <sup>12</sup> <i>BTNL2</i> , <sup>8</sup> <i>NRAMP1</i> , <sup>13</sup> <i>TAP2</i> <sup>14</sup>
Southern Europeans	1–5	4th–5th	33	Löfgren's syndrome	<i>NOD2</i> , <sup>15</sup> <i>CR1</i> <sup>16</sup>
Japanese	1–2	3rd	10–20	Ocular involvement, responsive to therapy	<i>IL-18</i> , <sup>17</sup> <i>IFNA17</i> , <sup>18</sup> <i>VEGF</i> , <sup>19</sup> <i>CCR2</i> <sup>9</sup>

- More common: Scandinavian, Irish, German, and West Indian
- Rare: Japanese, Spanish, Portuguese
- African American have 2.4% lifetime risk vs 0.85% for White Americans
- Adjusted incidence in the US 10 to 35 cases per 100,000



**Figure 4.** The (A) incidence and (B) prevalence of sarcoidosis per insured U.S. residence in 2012 versus geographic area. Patients for whom the region was not specified are not shown. Patients must have been 18 years of age or older and engaged in the affiliated health plan, seen at least twice, been appropriately diagnosed, and been correctly coded. Rates were determined on the basis of all eligible patients in the Optum database.

# Sarcoidosis in Women

- Prevalence in women: 100/100,000
- Incidence increases with age

**Table 1.** Prevalent sarcoidosis (before 1989) in women according to demographic and geographic characteristics at baseline, Nurses' Health Study II

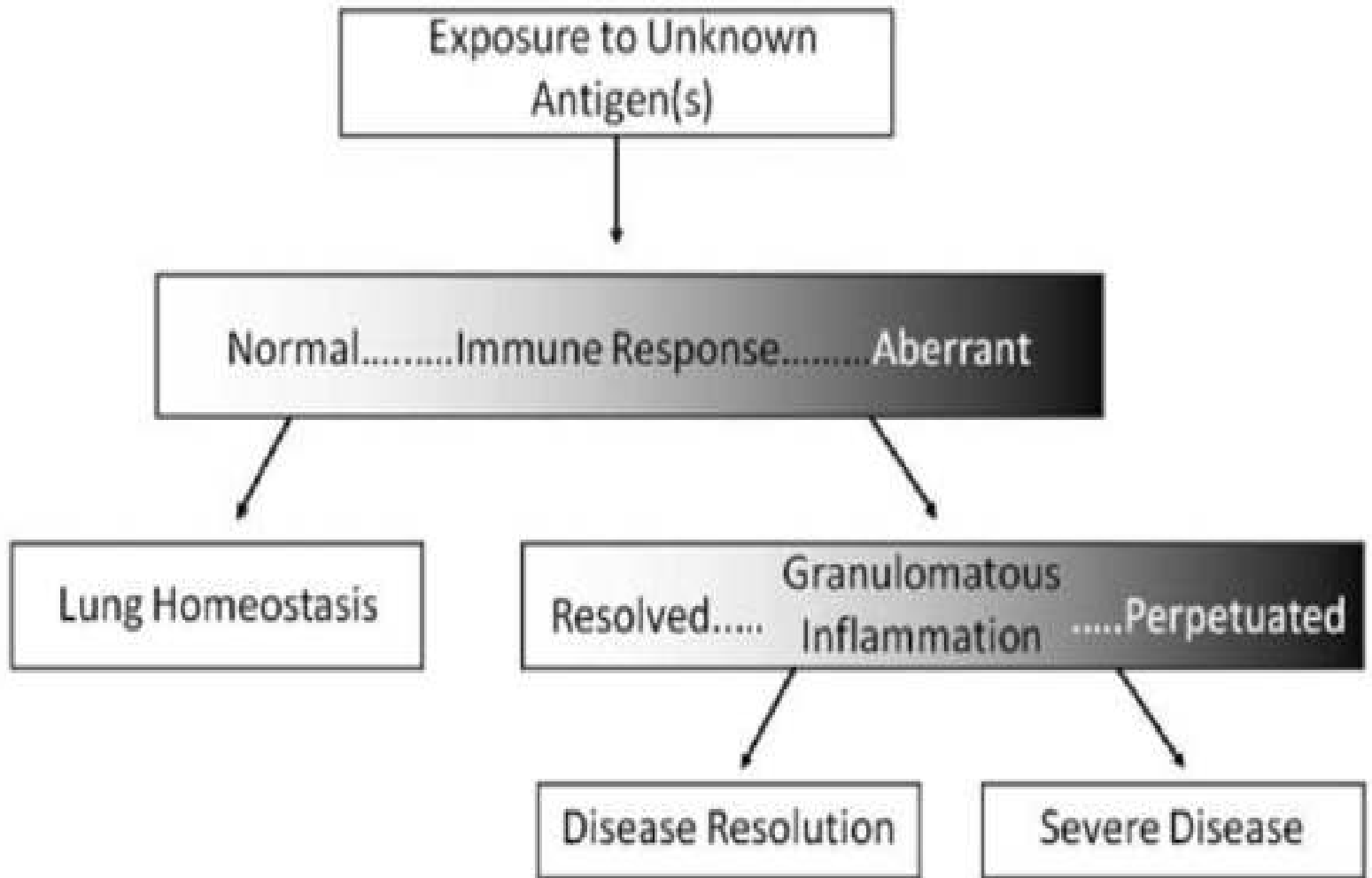
	Total	n	Prevalence	Age-adjusted OR		Mutually adjusted OR	
		cases	*	OR	CI	OR	CI
<b>Race</b>							
White	111,230	102	92	1	-	1	-
Black	2,308	12	519	<b>5.24</b>	<b>2.87-9.55</b>	5.34	2.92-9.77
Other	2,892	2	69	-	-	-	-
<b>Ethnicity</b>							
Non-Hispanic	114,270	116	102	-	-	-	-
Hispanic	2,160	0	-	-	-	-	-
<b>US geographic region†</b>							
West	17,126	13	75	1	-	1	-
Midwest	38,478	30	78	1.16	0.60-2.22	1.18	0.61-2.31
South	20,404	19	93	1.38	0.68-2.81	1.32	0.64-2.73
Northeast	40,225	54	134	<b>1.90</b>	<b>1.04-3.48</b>	<b>1.92</b>	<b>1.02-3.59</b>

\* Cases per 100,000. OR – Odds Ratio; CI – Confidence Interval. Results in bold are statistically significant. †At baseline, NHSII participants resided in 14 states (California, Connecticut, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Massachusetts, Michigan, Missouri, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, and Texas).

# Black Women's Health Study

- Black women experience the highest incidence of sarcoidosis in the US
- Lifetime risk of 2.7% vs 1% for White women
- Average annual incidence of 71/100,000 and prevalence of 2%

Etiology



**Genetic variants may influence progression from each stage to next**

# Etiology

- T- helper 1 cell biased disorder
- Genetically predisposed
- Exposed to yet unknown environmental trigger(s) acting as antigens

# Microorganisms

- Virus and bacteria
  - Microorganisms have not been identified by histologic staining or culture
  - Molecular techniques have been more successful

<b>Table 1 Evidence for etiologic agents in sarcoidosis pathogenesis</b>	
<b>Etiology</b>	<b>Evidence</b>
Mycobacteria	M, I, E <sup>18-22,27,29,30</sup>
Propionibacteria	M, I <sup>13-15,24-26</sup>
Fungal antigens	M <sup>66</sup>
Autoantigens	M, I <sup>45,46</sup>

*Abbreviations:* E, epidemiologic; I, immunologic; M, molecular.



# Occupational and Environmental Factors

- Occupation
  - Healthcare workers
  - Teachers
  - Firefighters
  - Navy recruits
  - Agriculture workers
  - World Trade Center disaster responders
- Environment exposures
  - Mold
  - Birds
  - Pesticides
  - Heavy metals

Newman et al. *NEJM* 1997

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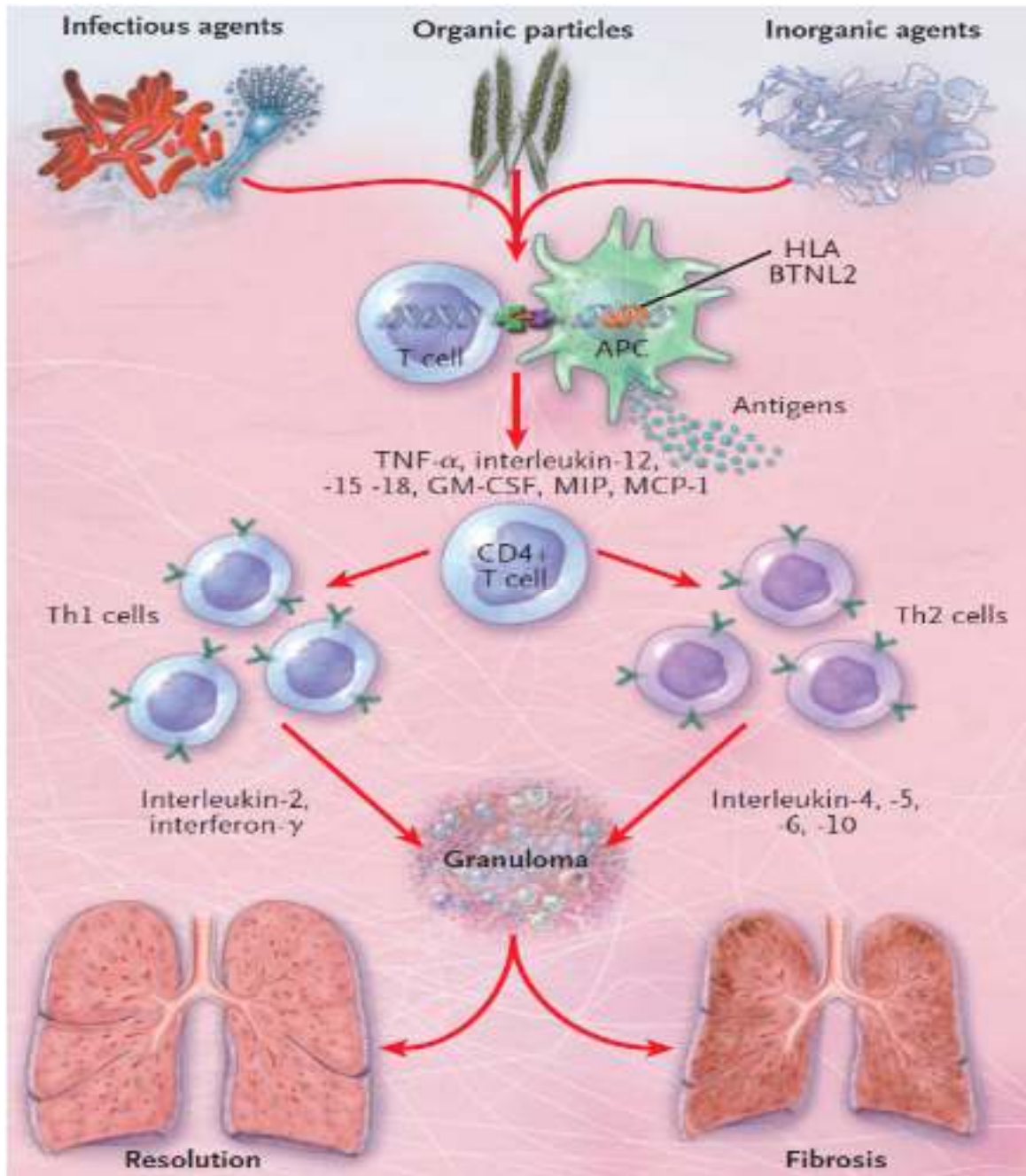
# Genetic Factors

- Familial aggregation, familial linkage, candidate gene, and GWAS
- Studies are challenged by the heterogeneity in presentation and course
  - Reflect differences in underlying genetic susceptibility, environmental triggers, and interaction between two

# Genetic Factors

- Strongest and most consistent region associated with sarcoidosis risk and disease severity risk is the MHC region and HLA-DRB1 variants
- Genes with functional implications: cytokines, cell surface markers, signaling molecules

# Pathogenesis



# Clinical Approach

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1. Confirm Diagnosis
2. Determine organ involvement
3. Determine need for therapy
  - If therapy needed, decide approach

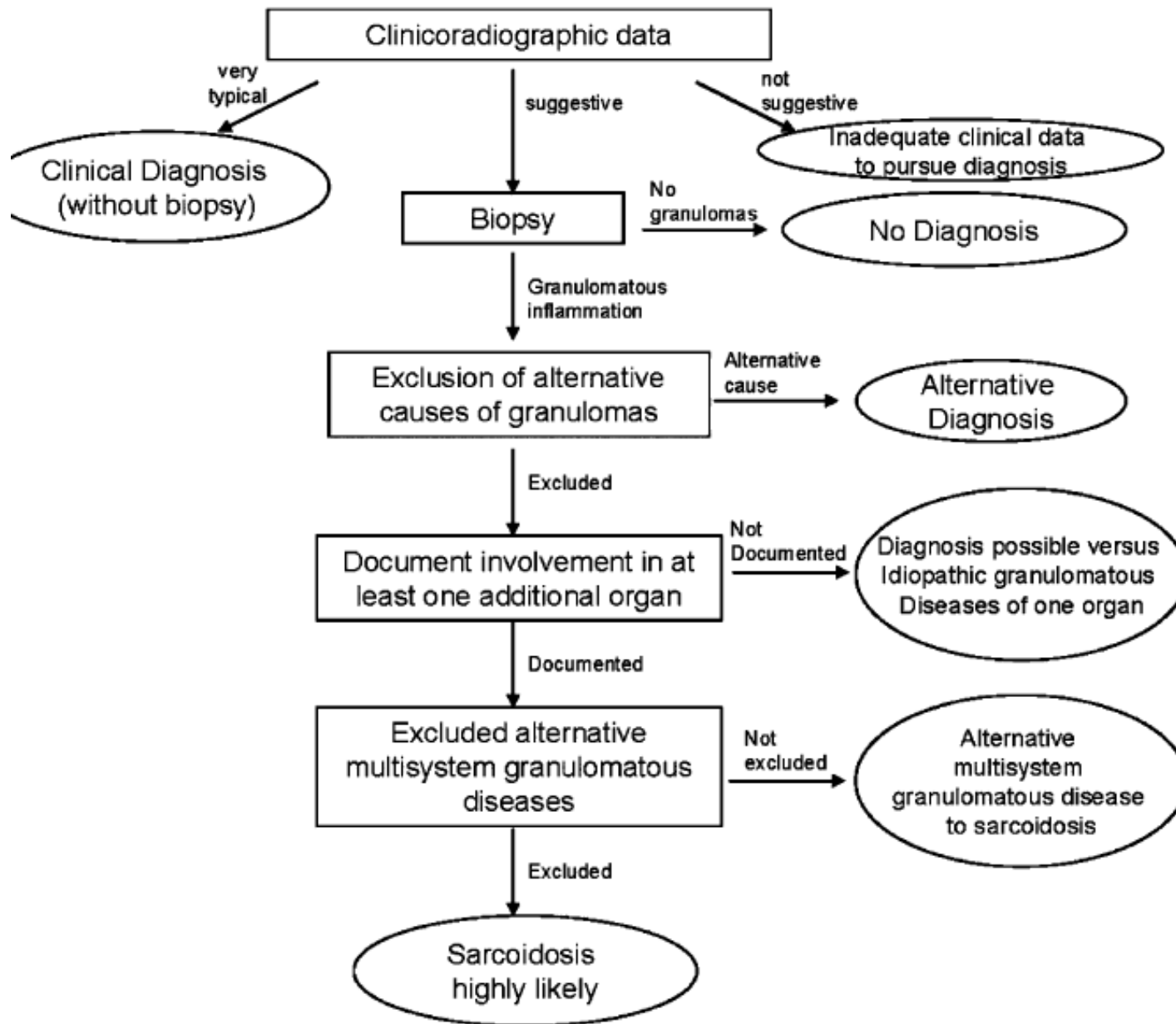
# Diagnosis

1. Clinical presentation
2. Histopathological confirmation
3. Exclusion of other diseases

*“The presence of one without the other is open to misinterpretation.”*

*D Geraint James*





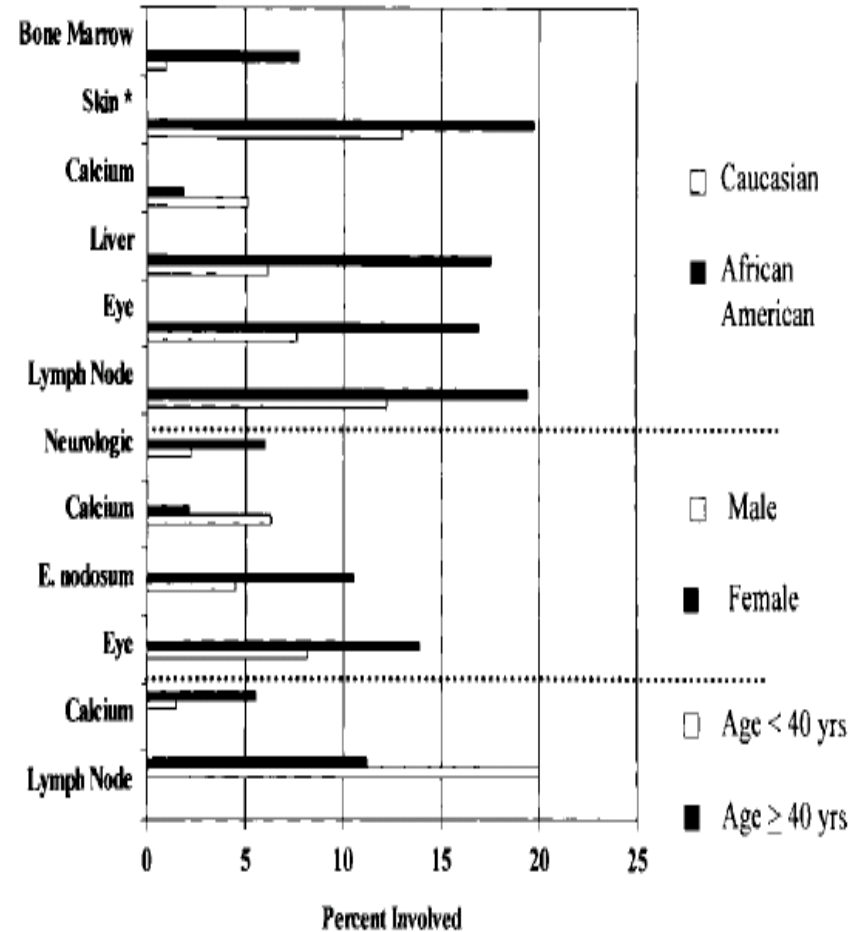
# Organ involvement

TABLE 1. NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF PATIENTS WITH SPECIFIED ORGAN INVOLVEMENT

Organ Involvement	Number	Percent
Lungs	699	95.0
Skin*	117	15.9
Lymph node	112	15.2
Eye	87	11.8
Liver	85	11.5
<i>Erythema nodosum</i>	61	8.3
Spleen	49	6.7
Neurologic	34	4.6
Parotid/salivary	29	3.9
Bone marrow	29	3.9
Calcium	27	3.7
ENT	22	3.0
Cardiac	17	2.3
Renal	5	0.7
Bone/joint	4	0.5
Muscle	3	0.4

Definition of abbreviation: ENT = ear, nose, and throat.

\* Excluding erythema nodosum.



# Symptoms and Associated Features

**TABLE 1. Major category of presenting manifestations of sarcoidosis (118 patients)\***

Category	%
Respiratory	25
Constitutional	24
Asymptomatic	19
Joint disease	14
Uveitis	7
Hepatosplenomegaly	4
Skin	3
Other	4
Total	100

\*From reference 19.

**TABLE 2. Associated features at time of histologic diagnosis (118 patients)\***

Feature	%
Hilar adenopathy	79
Peripheral adenopathy	66
Pulmonary infiltrates	55
Fever	31
Skin	30
Uveitis	22
Erythema nodosum	14
Muscle disease	3

\*Overlapping features (more than 1 feature for individual patients); from reference 19.

# Physical Exam: The Footprints of Sarcoidosis

- Useful findings:
  - Lupus Pernio
  - Uveitis
  - Bilateral facial nerve palsy
  - Lesions along old scars and tattoos
- Uncommon findings:
  - Clubbing (found in 3-6%)
  - Crackles (found in <2% without fibrosis)
  - Weight loss >10% body weight

# Serum Angiotensin-Converting Enzyme

- Increased in 60% with acute sarcoidosis
- Increased 10% with chronic sarcoidosis
- In isolation not specific or sensitive enough for diagnosis

**Table 4**  
SACE in diseases other than sarcoidosis

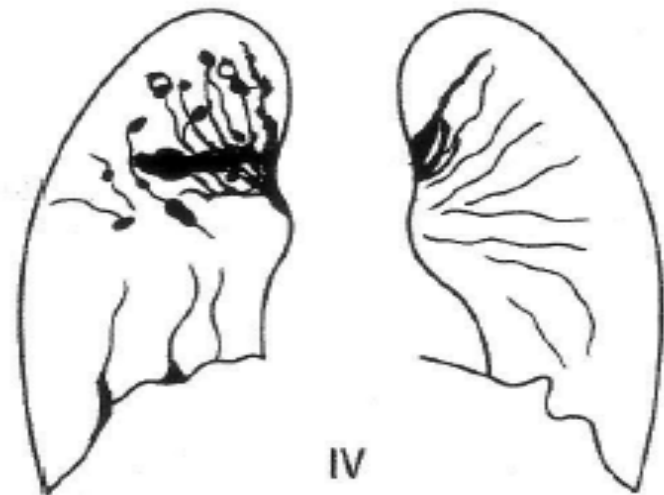
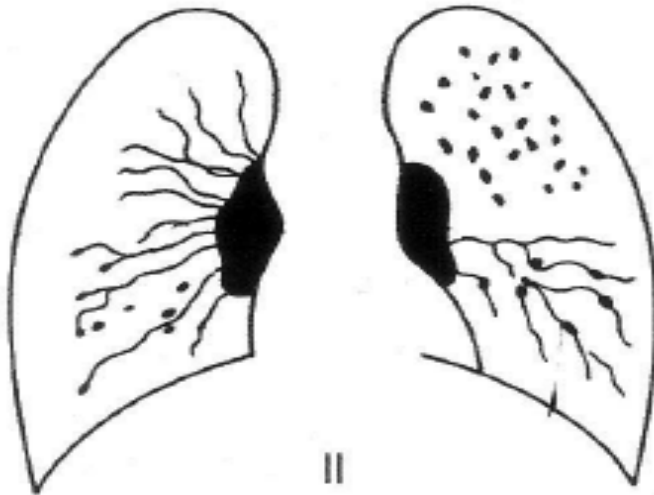
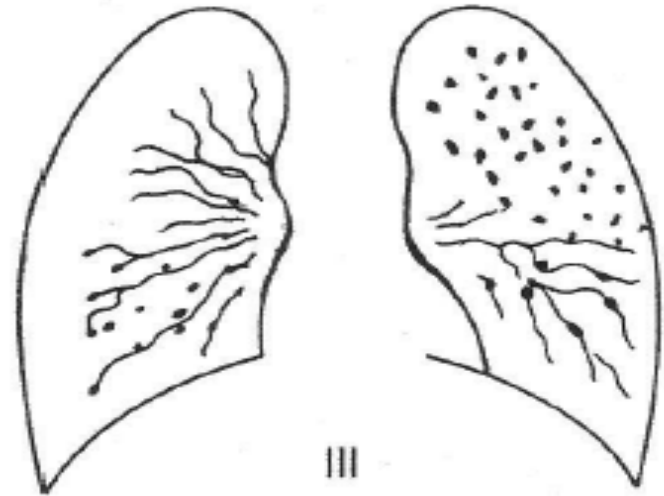
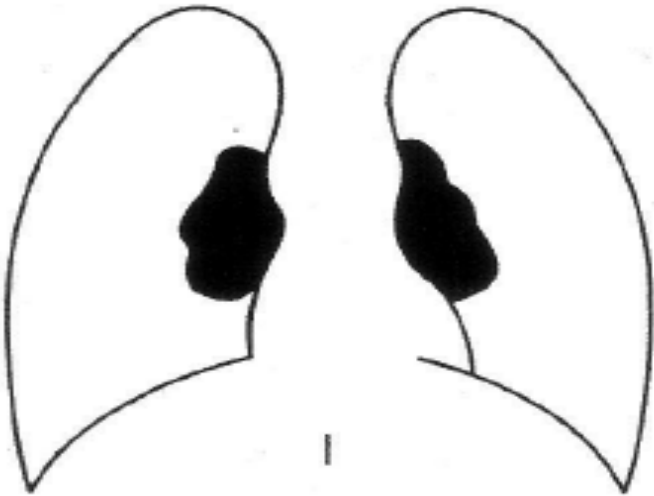
Disease	N	No. (%) of Measurements >2 SD of Controls, n (%)
<b>SACE in diseases that may confused with sarcoidosis</b>		
Miliary tuberculosis	9	8 (89)
Silicosis	65	30 (45)
Primary biliary cirrhosis	55	11 (20)
Asbestosis	32	6 (19)
Leprosy	111	21 (18)
Histoplasmosis	50	7 (14)
Atypical mycobacteria	39	5 (13)
Berylliosis	25	3 (12)
Treated tuberculosis	132	13 (10)
Coccidioidomycosis	18	1 (6)
Hodgkin's disease	108	7 (6)
Lung fibrosis	161	9 (5)
Active tuberculosis	388	15 (4)
Extrinsic allergic alveolitis	67	3 (4)
Lung cancer	374	2 (<1)
<b>SACE in other conditions</b>		
Gaucher's disease	22	19 (80)
Hyperthyroidism	87	51 (61)
Alcoholic liver disease	151	43 (28)
Diabetes mellitus	265	48 (18)
Bronchial asthma	288	4 (1)
Bronchitis and emphysema	374	2 (<1)

Liberman et al. Am J med 1975  
Studdy et al Ann Clin Biochem 1989

# Other Clinical Clues

- Hypergammaglobulinemia
- Peripheral blood lymphopenia
- Hypercalcemia
- Elevated alkaline phosphatase
- Elevated 1, 25 diOH Vitamin D

# Scadding Stages



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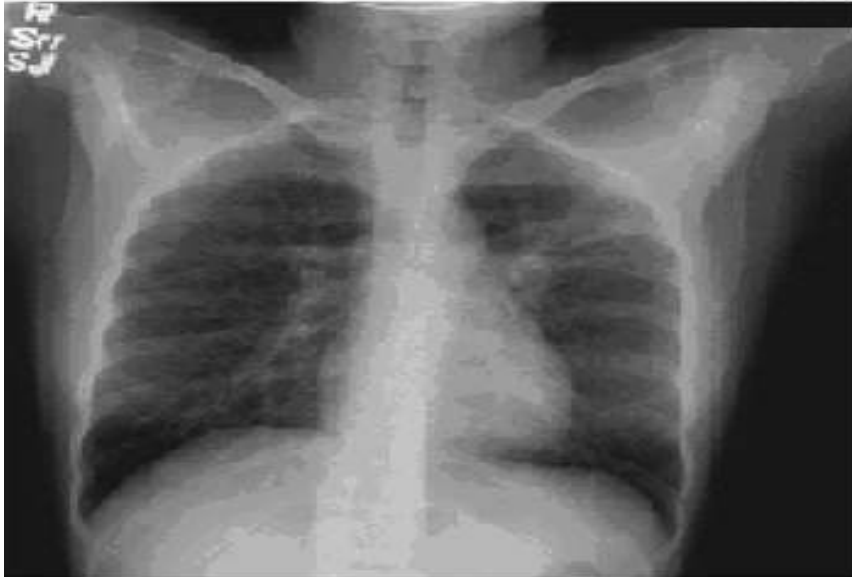
Stage I  
(lymphadenopathy)



Stage II  
(lymphadenopathy and infiltrates)



Stage III  
(infiltrates only)



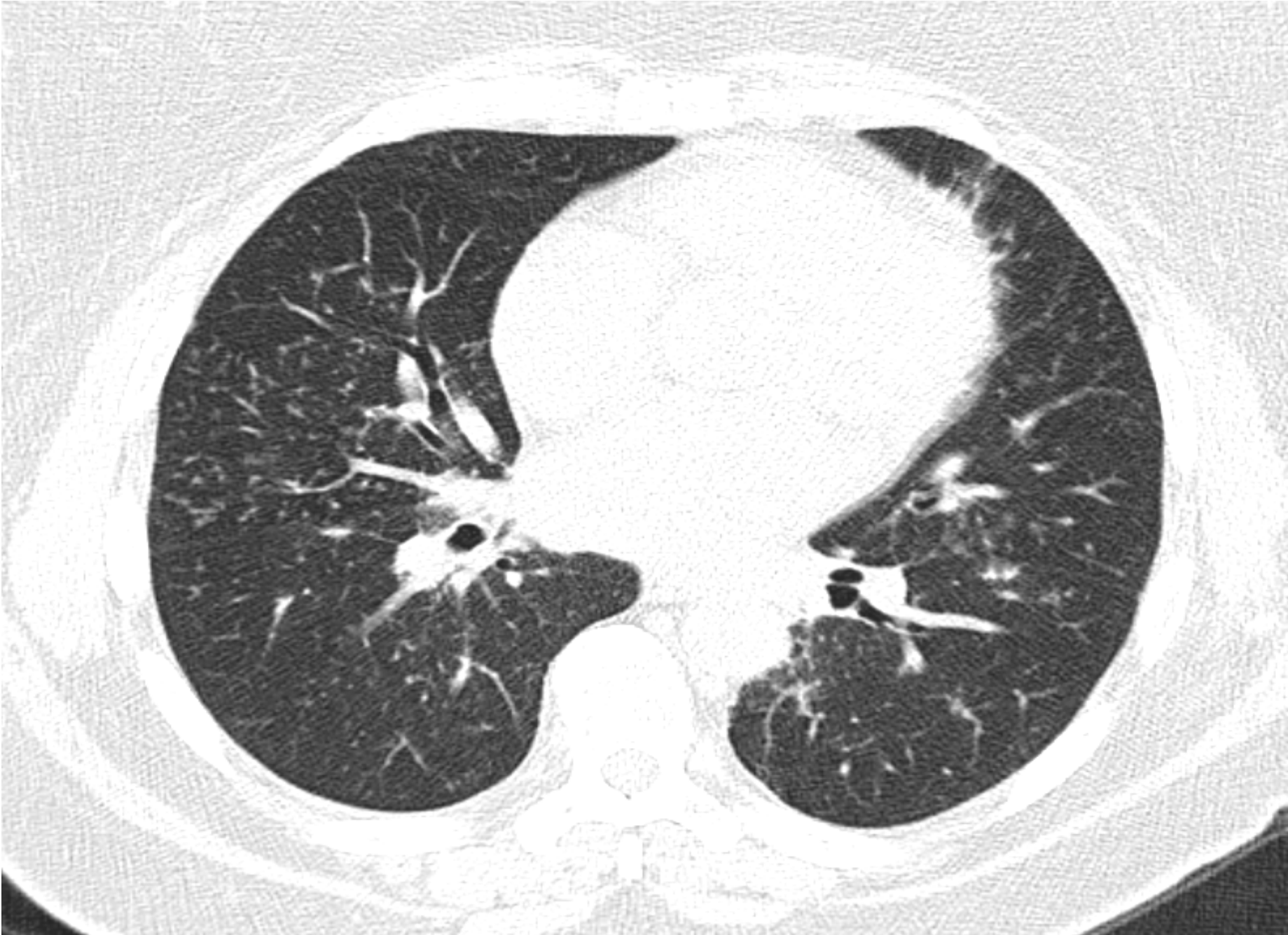
Stage IV  
(fibrosis)





# Classic Findings: Potentially Reversible

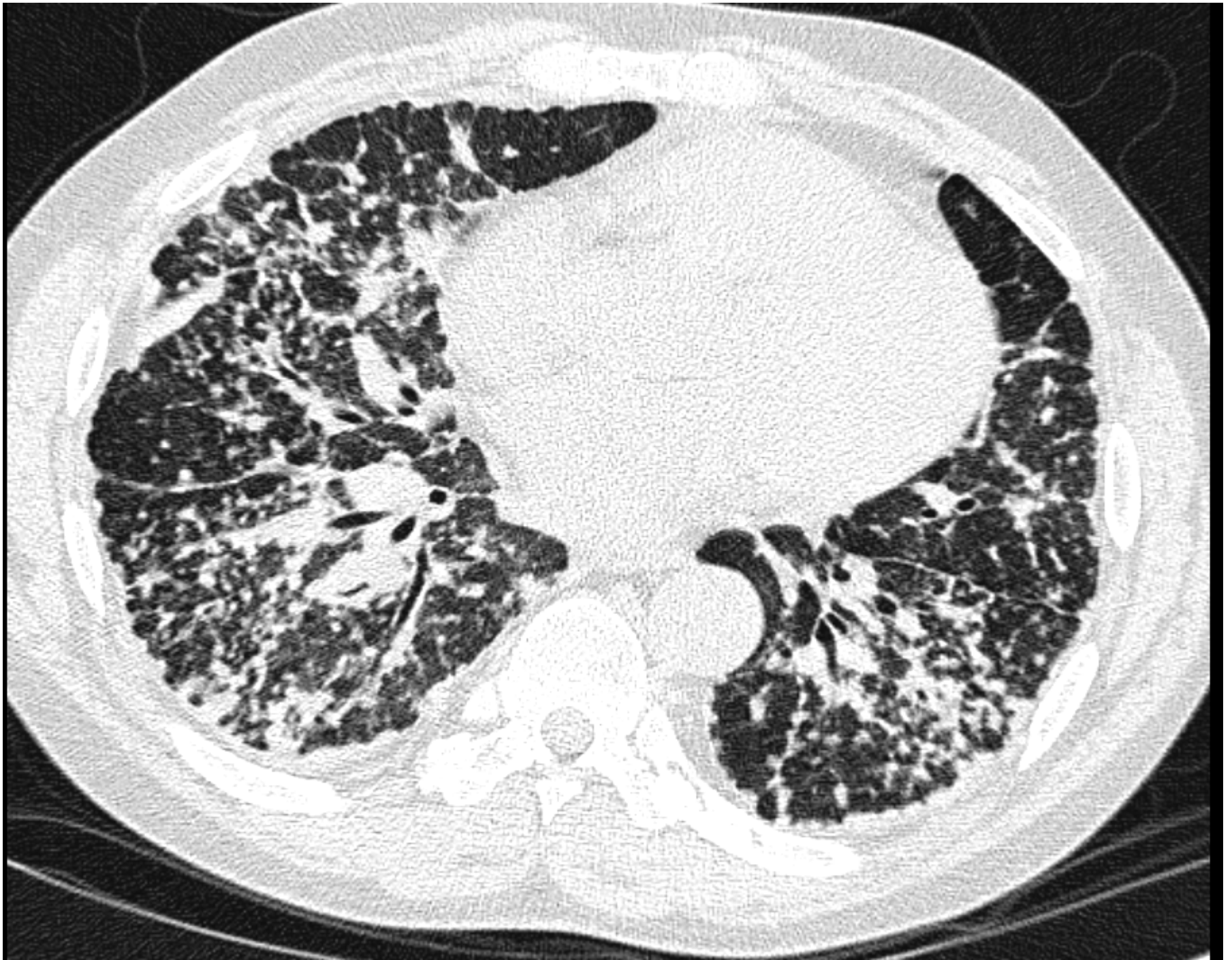
- Lymphadenopathy: BL hilar, mediastinal, right paratracheal, subcarinal, aortopulmonary
- Parenchyma: Nodular, Reticulonodular pattern
- Pattern of nodularity following the lymphatics
  - Peribronchovascular bundle
  - Fissures
  - Subpleural region
  - Interlobular septal
- Upper and middle zone parenchymal abnormalities

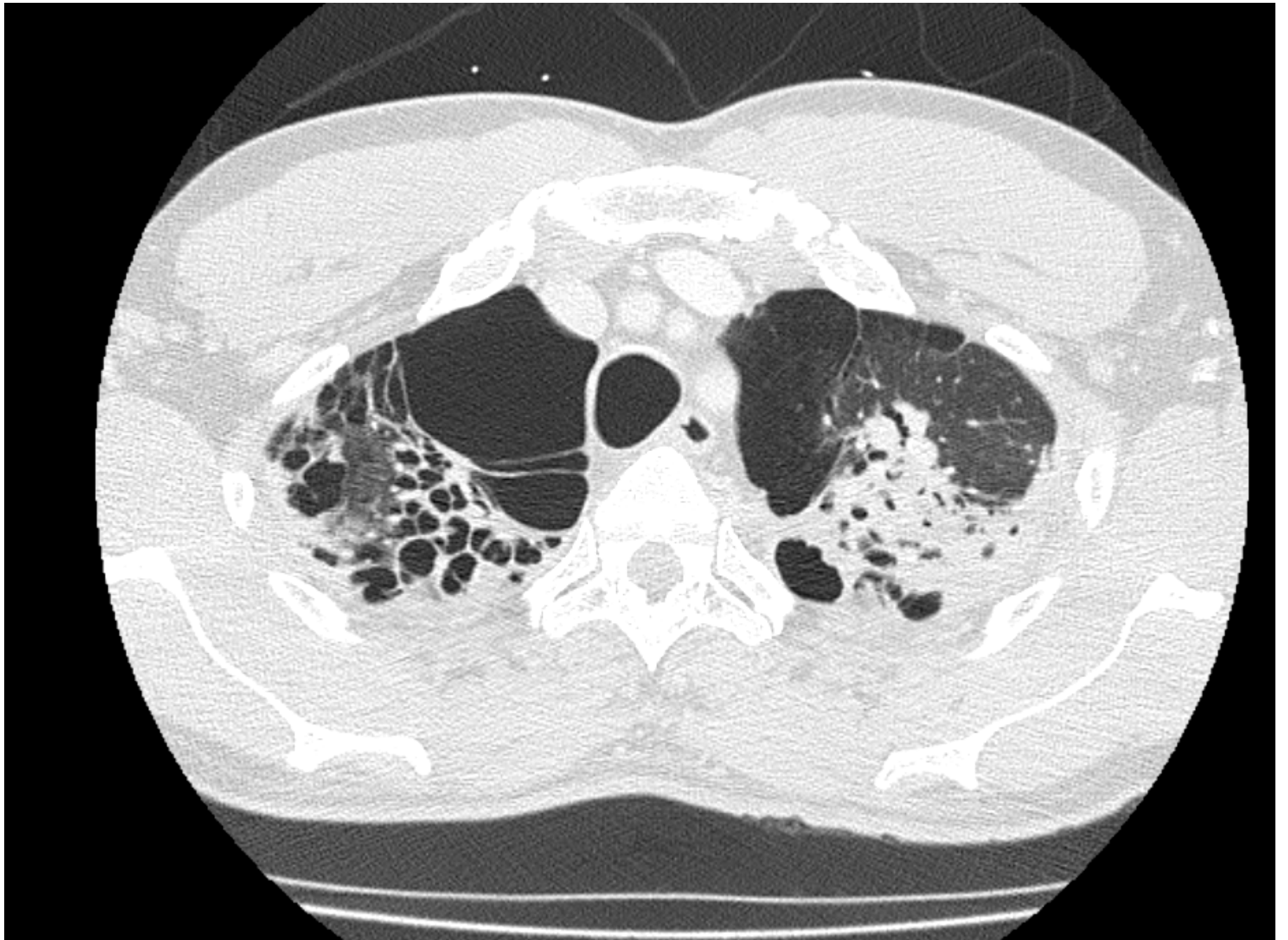




# Classic Findings: Irreversible and Chronic Disease

- Reticular opacities: Upper and middle zones
- Architectural distortion
- Traction bronchiectasis
- Volume loss
- Calcified lymph nodes
- Fibrocystic changes





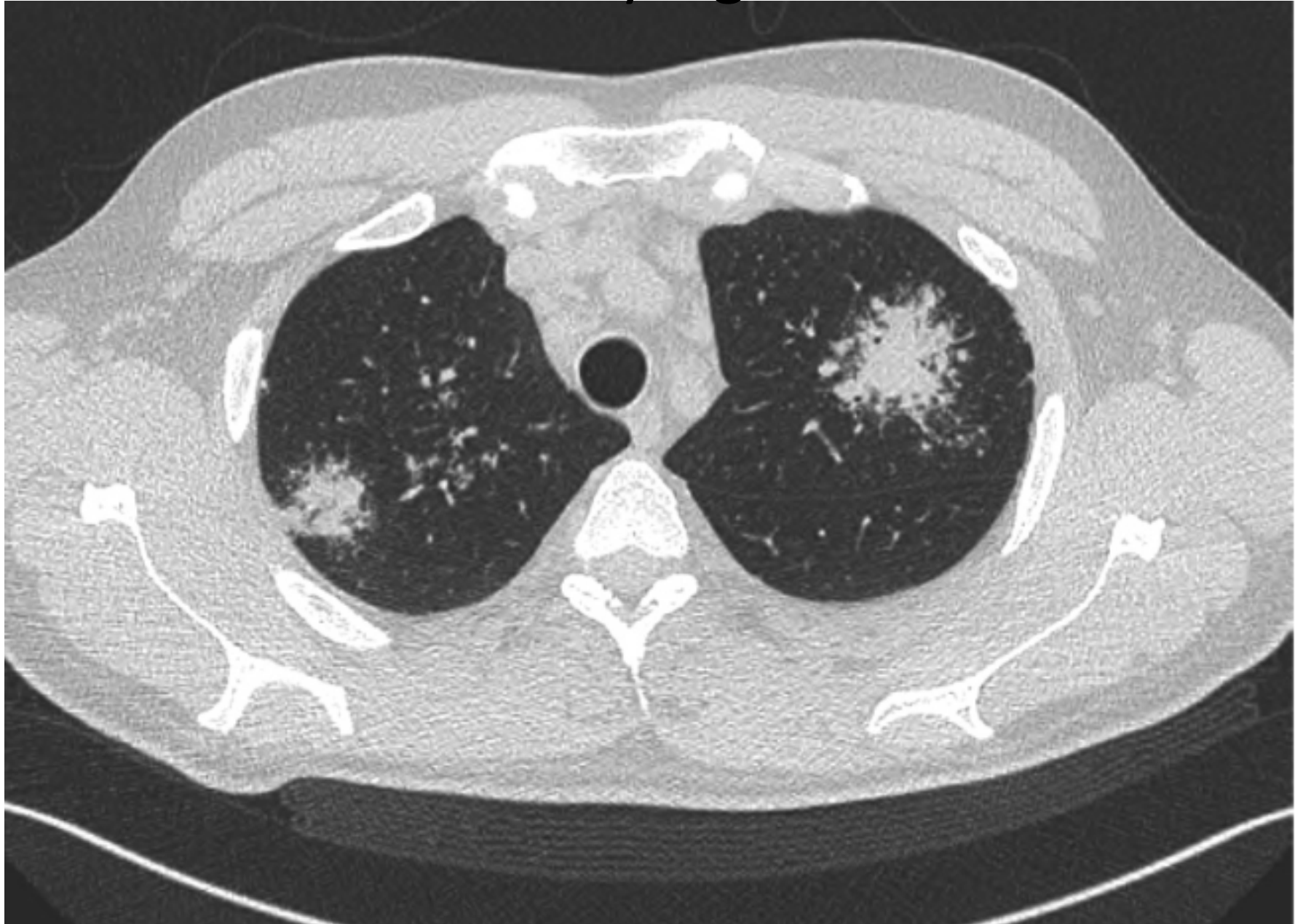


# Uncommon Findings: Potentially Reversible

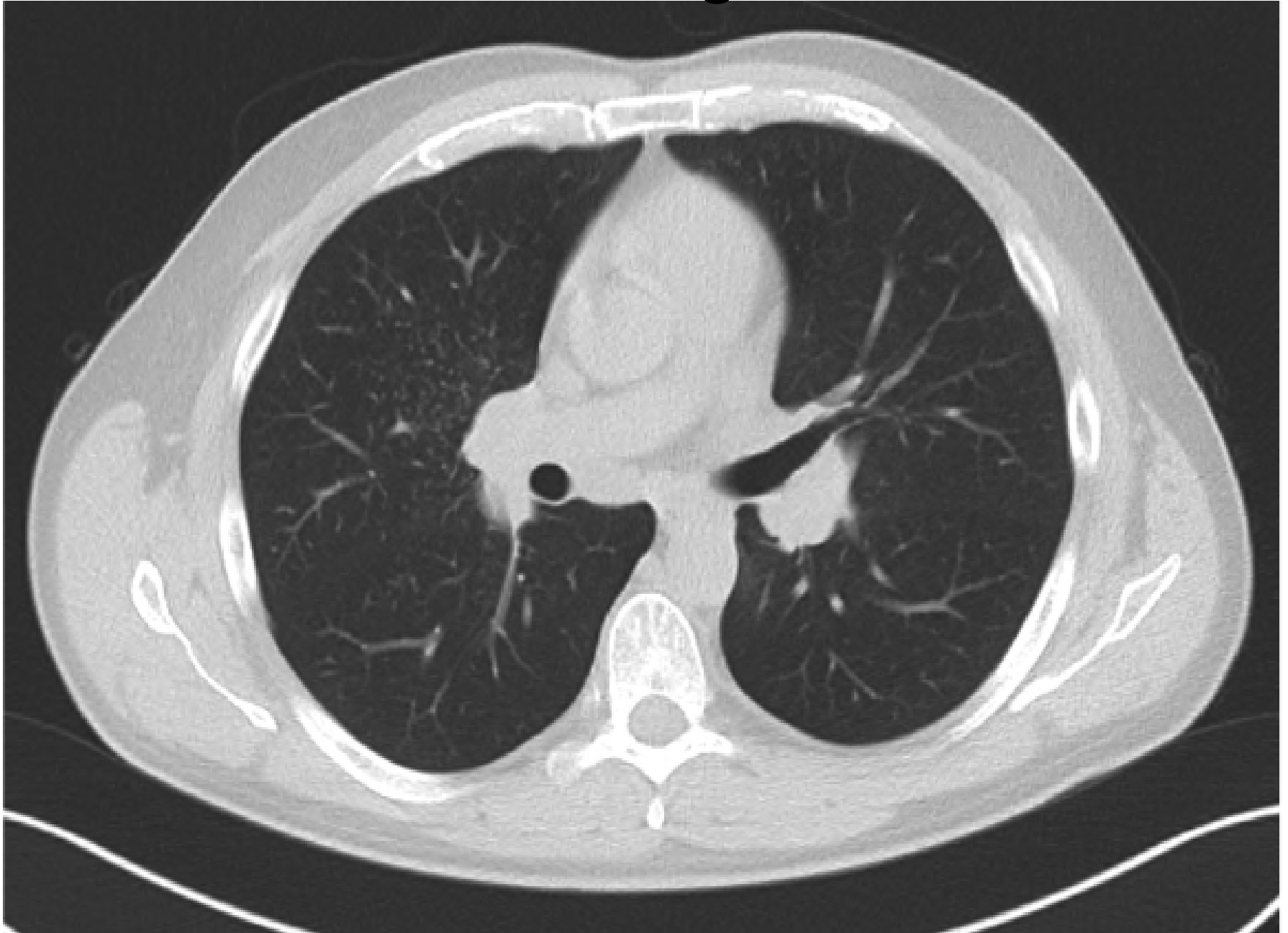
- Lymphadenopathy: unilateral (more common on R), anterior and posterior mediastinal, paracardiac
- Isolated cavitation
- Isolated GGO without micronodules
- Mosaic attenuation
- Pleural disease
- Mycetoma
- Macronodules: Galaxy sign, cluster sign, reverse halo



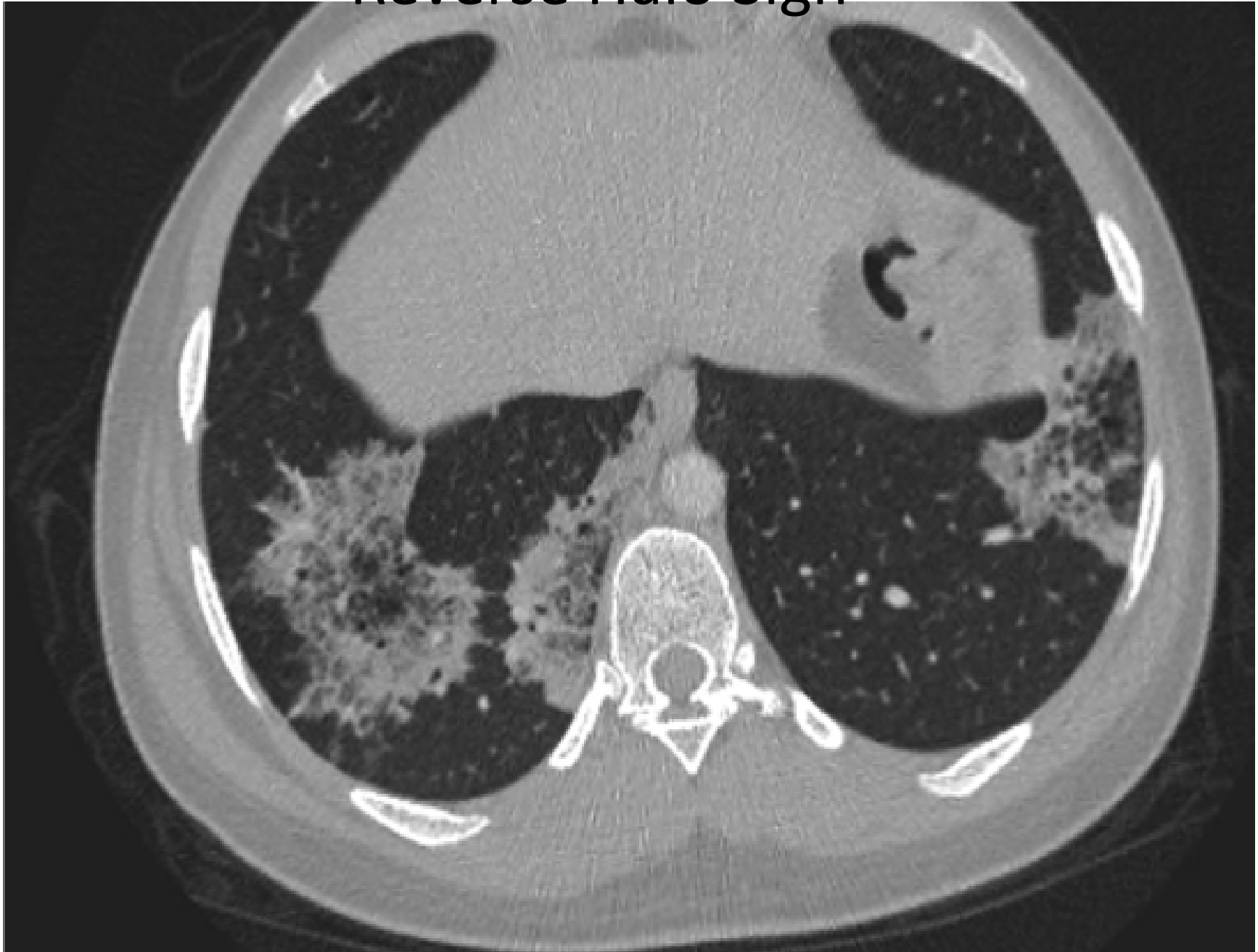
# Galaxy Sign



# Cluster Sign



# Reverse Halo Sign



# Biopsies

- Presentation not typical for sarcoidosis, treatment is required, clinical course does not improve/stabilize
  1. Sample easily accessible site
  2. Sample intrathoracic disease

# Situations where biopsy may not be necessary

## 1. Lofgren Syndrome

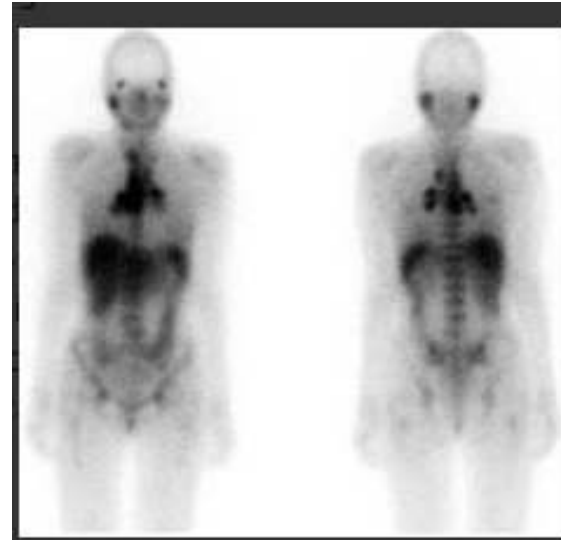
- Bilateral hilar lymphadenopathy
- Erythema nodosum
- Arthralgia
- Fever

## 2. Heerfordt Syndrome

- Uveitis
- Facial paralysis
- Parotid glands swelling

## 3. Asymptomatic bilateral hilar adenopathy with right paratracheal LAD and normal physical exam

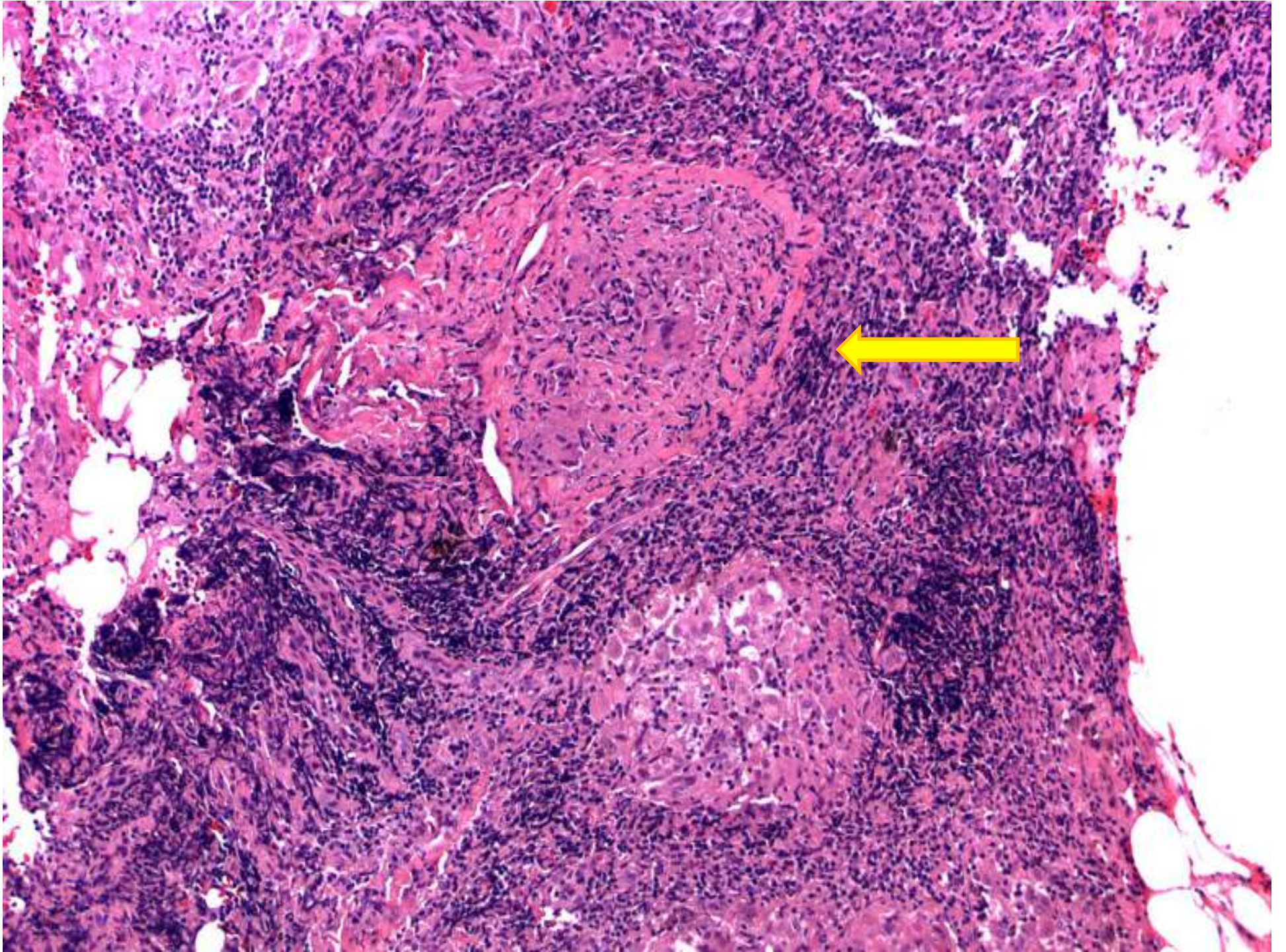
- Pretest probability of 99.95%



# The Granuloma of Sarcoidosis

**TABLE 1. CLASSIFICATION AND CAUSES OF GRANULOMATOUS DISEASES.**

CAUSE	EXAMPLES OF RESULTING DISEASE	CRITERIA USED TO DIFFERENTIATE THE DISEASE FROM SARCOIDOSIS
<b>Infectious agents</b>		
Mycobacteria	Tuberculosis Atypical mycobacterial infection (e.g., due to <i>Mycobacterium avium</i> complex, <i>M. goodii</i> , <i>M. kansasii</i> )	Positive culture or stain for acid-fast bacillus
Fungi	Histoplasmosis  Coccidioidomycosis	History of possible exposure, culture, presence of urinary antigen for histoplasmosis History of exposure, culture, serologic analyses, skin test
Bacteria	Brucellosis Chlamydial infection Tularemia	History of exposure, culture, serologic analyses Serologic analyses, culture
Spirochetes	Treponemal infections (e.g., syphilis)	History of possible exposure, serologic analyses Serologic analyses (e.g., Venereal Disease Research Laboratory test)
Parasites	Leishmaniasis Toxoplasmosis	Smear, culture Serologic analyses, demonstration of the organism in tissue
<b>Occupational and environmental exposure</b>		
Organic or inorganic agents	Hypersensitivity pneumonitis (e.g., bacteria, fungi, animal proteins, isocyanates) Chronic beryllium disease	History of occupational or environmental exposure, presence of precipitins
	Granulomatous disease related to other metals (e.g., titanium, aluminum, zirconium) Talc	History of occupational or environmental exposure, beryllium lymphocyte proliferation test of blood or bronchoalveolar-lavage fluid
	Methotrexate-induced pneumonitis	History of occupational or environmental exposure, analysis of tissue for metals Presence of birefringent particles and hypocellular foreign-body granulomas History of methotrexate use
<b>Other conditions</b>		
Neoplasia	Lymphoma Tumor-related granulomas	Histologic review of biopsy specimen History of a tumor and spatial association of granulomas with tumor in biopsy specimen
Autoimmune disorders	Wegener's granulomatosis	Presence of antineutrophil cytoplasmic antibody, evidence of granulomatous vasculitis or vascular involvement in biopsy specimen
	Primary biliary cirrhosis	Presence of antimitochondrial antibodies, prominent biliary involvement
	Churg–Strauss syndrome	Presence of peripheral eosinophilia and eosinophilic vasculitis
Other	Sarcoidosis	—

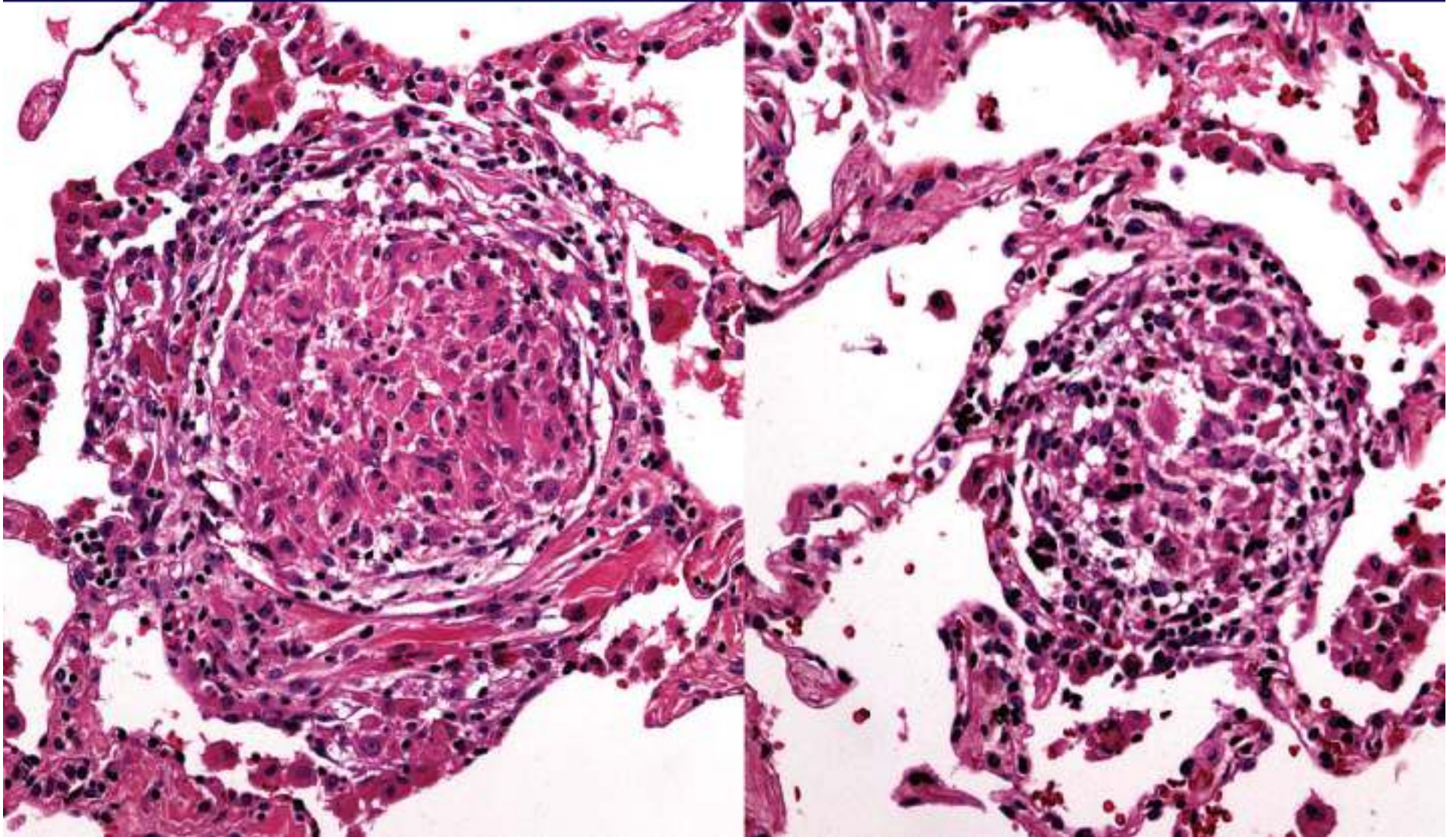




## Two Types of Non-Necrotizing Granulomas

**Well-formed**

**Loosely-formed**



**MAJOR PATHOLOGIC DIFFERENTIAL DIAGNOSIS OF SARCOIDOSIS  
AT BIOPSY AND SURGICAL PATHOLOGY**

Lung	Lymph Node	Skin	Liver	Bone Marrow	Other Biopsy Sites
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tuberculosis</li> <li>• Atypical mycobacteriosis</li> <li>• Cryptococcosis</li> <li>• Aspergillosis</li> <li>• Histoplasmosis</li> <li>• Coccidioidomycosis</li> <li>• Blastomycosis</li> <li>• <i>Pneumocystis carinii</i></li> <li>• <i>Mycoplasma</i>, etc.</li> <li>• Hypersensitivity pneumonitis</li> <li>• Pneumoconiosis:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• beryllium (chronic beryllium disease), titanium, aluminum</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Drug reactions</li> <li>• Aspiration of foreign materials</li> <li>• Wegener's granulomatosis (sarcoid-type granulomas are rare)</li> <li>• Chronic interstitial pneumonia, such as usual and lymphocytic interstitial pneumonia</li> <li>• Necrotizing sarcoid granulomatosis (NSG)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tuberculosis</li> <li>• Atypical mycobacteriosis</li> <li>• Brucellosis</li> <li>• Toxoplasmosis</li> <li>• Granulomatous histiocytic necrotizing lymphadenitis (Kikuchi's disease)</li> <li>• Cat-scratch disease</li> <li>• Sarcoid reaction in regional lymph nodes to carcinoma</li> <li>• Hodgkin's disease</li> <li>• Non-Hodgkin's lymphomas</li> <li>• Granulomatous lesions of unknown significance (the GLUS syndrome)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tuberculosis</li> <li>• Atypical mycobacteriosis</li> <li>• Fungal infection</li> <li>• Reaction to foreign bodies: beryllium, zirconium, tattooing, paraffin, etc.</li> <li>• Rheumatoid nodules</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tuberculosis</li> <li>• Brucellosis</li> <li>• Schistosomiasis</li> <li>• Primary biliary cirrhosis</li> <li>• Crohn's disease</li> <li>• Hodgkin's disease</li> <li>• Non-Hodgkin's lymphomas</li> <li>• GLUS syndrome</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tuberculosis</li> <li>• Histoplasmosis</li> <li>• Infectious mononucleosis</li> <li>• Cytomegalovirus</li> <li>• Hodgkin's Disease</li> <li>• Non-Hodgkin's lymphomas</li> <li>• Drugs</li> <li>• GLUS syndrome</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tuberculosis</li> <li>• Brucellosis</li> <li>• Other infections</li> <li>• Crohn's disease</li> <li>• Giant cell myocarditis</li> <li>• GLUS syndrome</li> </ul>

- Sarcoid-like Reaction in malignancy (lymphoma and adenocarcinoma)
- Granulomatous lymphocytic interstitial lung disease (GLILD): [(LIP +/-follicular bronchiolitis)+ granulomas]
- TNF-Alpha antagonist (Infliximab, Etanercept)
- Methotrexate
- Amiodarone
- Sulfasalazine

*AJRCCM* 1999;160:736

Bricker et al. *APMIS* 1991

**Table 1** Incidence of various causes of granulomatous lung disease in lung biopsies and resections

	No of cases (%)		
	USA (n = 200)	Non-US (n = 300)	Total (n = 500)
<b>Specific diagnoses</b>	<b>133 (67)</b>	<b>157 (52)</b>	<b>290 (58)</b>
Sarcoidosis	61 (31)	75 (25)	136 (27)
Infection	55 (28)	70 (23)	125 (25)
Hypersensitivity pneumonitis (EAA)	11 (6)	6 (2)	17 (3.4)
Wegener granulomatosis	2 (1)	3 (1)	5 (1.0)
Aspiration pneumonia	2 (1)	0 (0)	2 (0.4)
Lymphoma or LIP	1 (0.5)	1 (0.3)	2 (0.4)
Churg–Strauss syndrome	0 (0)	1 (0.3)	1 (0.2)
ANCA-associated disease*	1 (0.5)	0 (0)	1 (0.2)
Rheumatoid nodule	0 (0)	1 (0.3)	1 (0.2)
<b>Unknown aetiology</b>	<b>67 (33)</b>	<b>143 (48)</b>	<b>210 (42)</b>

# Prognosis

- **60-70% spontaneous remission**
- 30-40% chronic or progressive clinical course
- 4-7% severe extra pulmonary involvement
- 1-5% mortality (lungs, heart, CNS) at 5 years

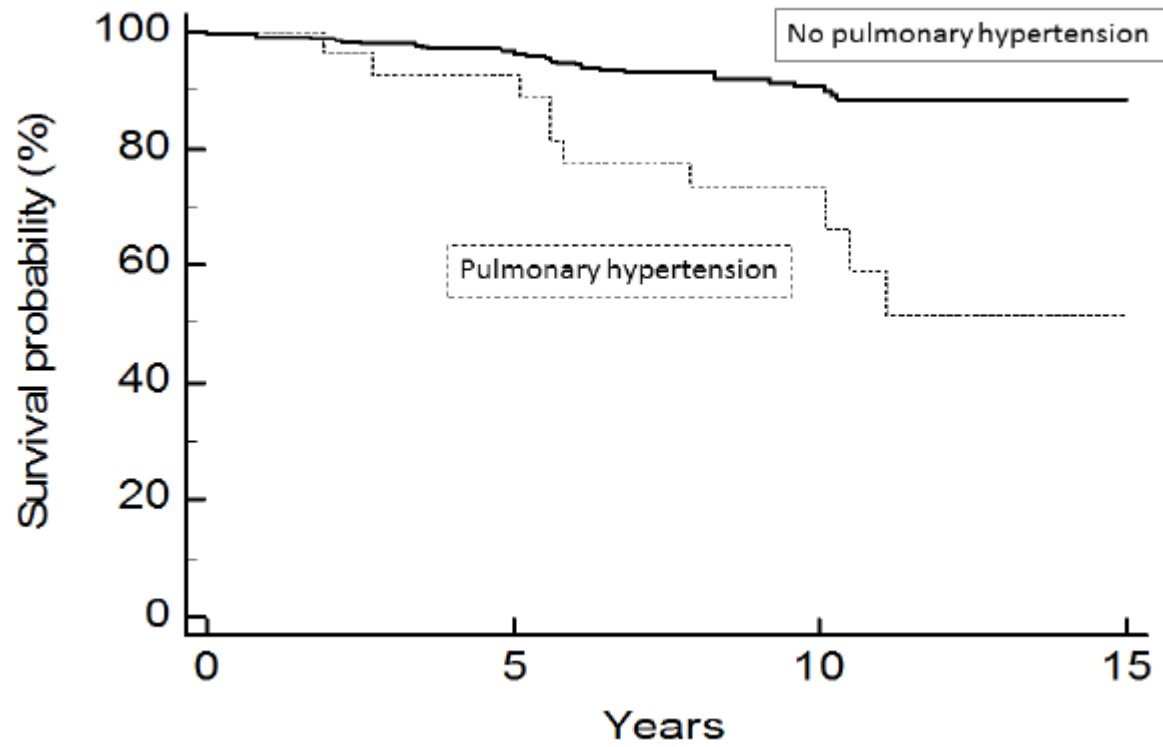
# Poor Prognostic Signs

- Obstruction on spirometry
- Persistent dyspnea
- Pulmonary fibrosis (Scadding Stage IV)
- Neurosarcoidosis
- Lupus pernio
- Heart failure
- Nephrolithiasis
- Bone cysts
- Posterior uveitis

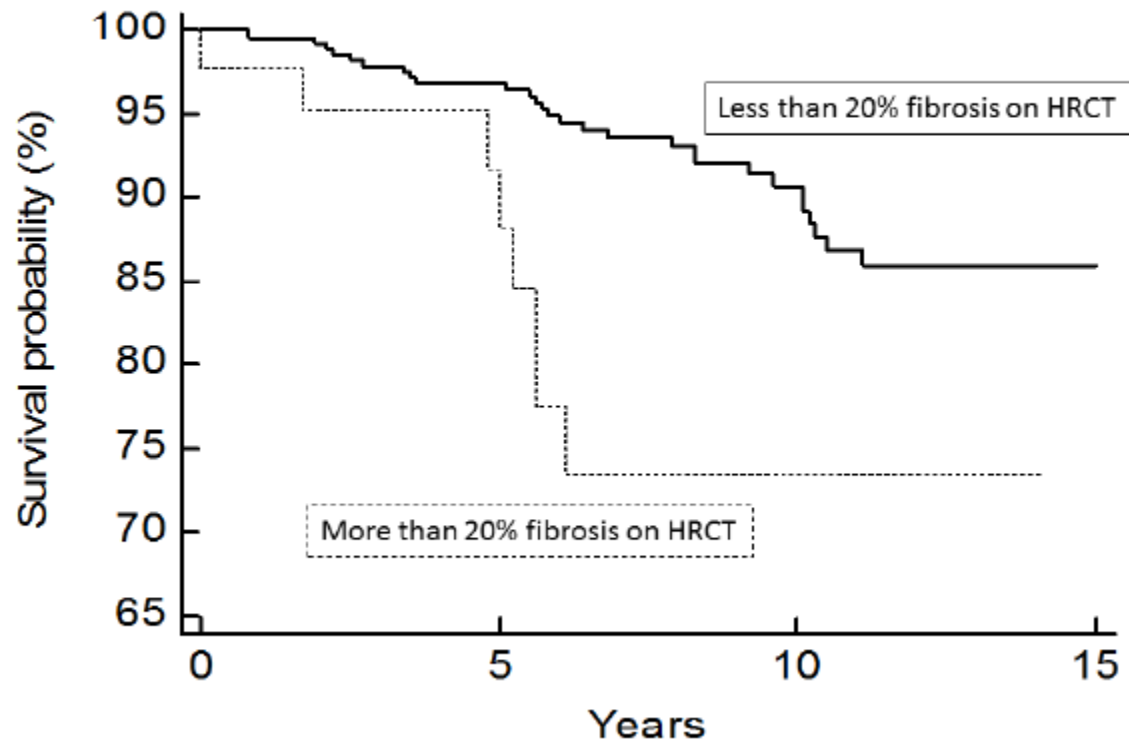
# Prognosis

Chest X-ray stage *	Number of patients in group	Percent of Total Patients		Number patients who died from sarcoidosis	Percent of chest x-ray stage who died
Stage 0	47	10.4%		4	8.51%
Stage I	104	23.0%		2	1.92%
Stage II	114	25.2%		6	5.26%
Stage III	109	24.1%		13	11.93%
Stage IV	78	17.3%		13	16.67%

# Prognosis

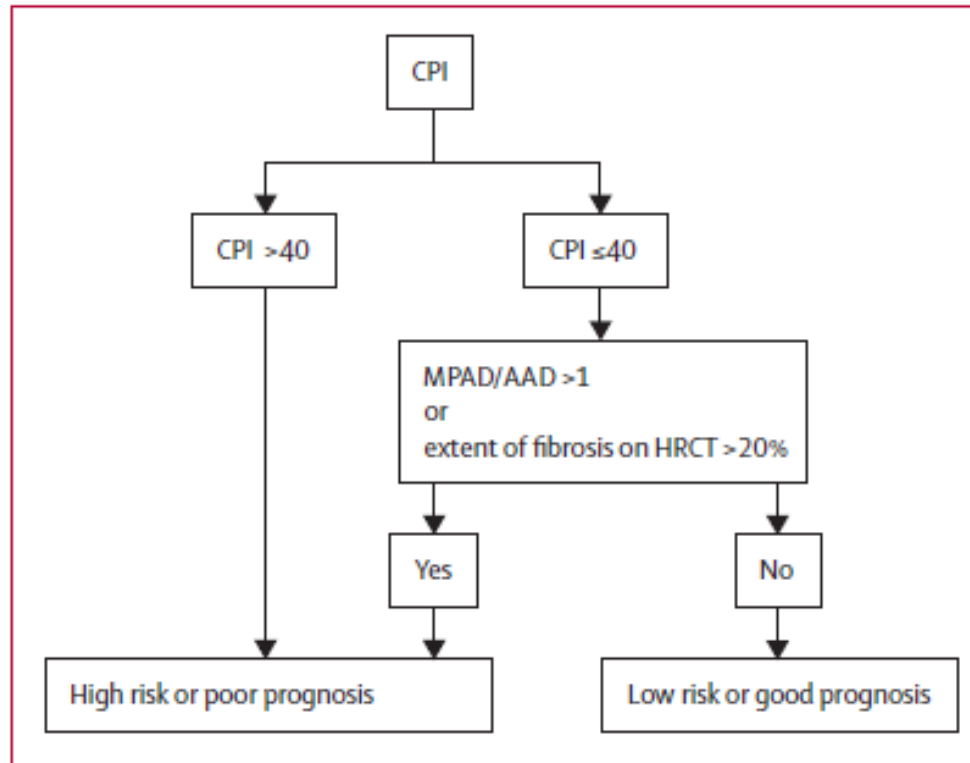


# Prognosis





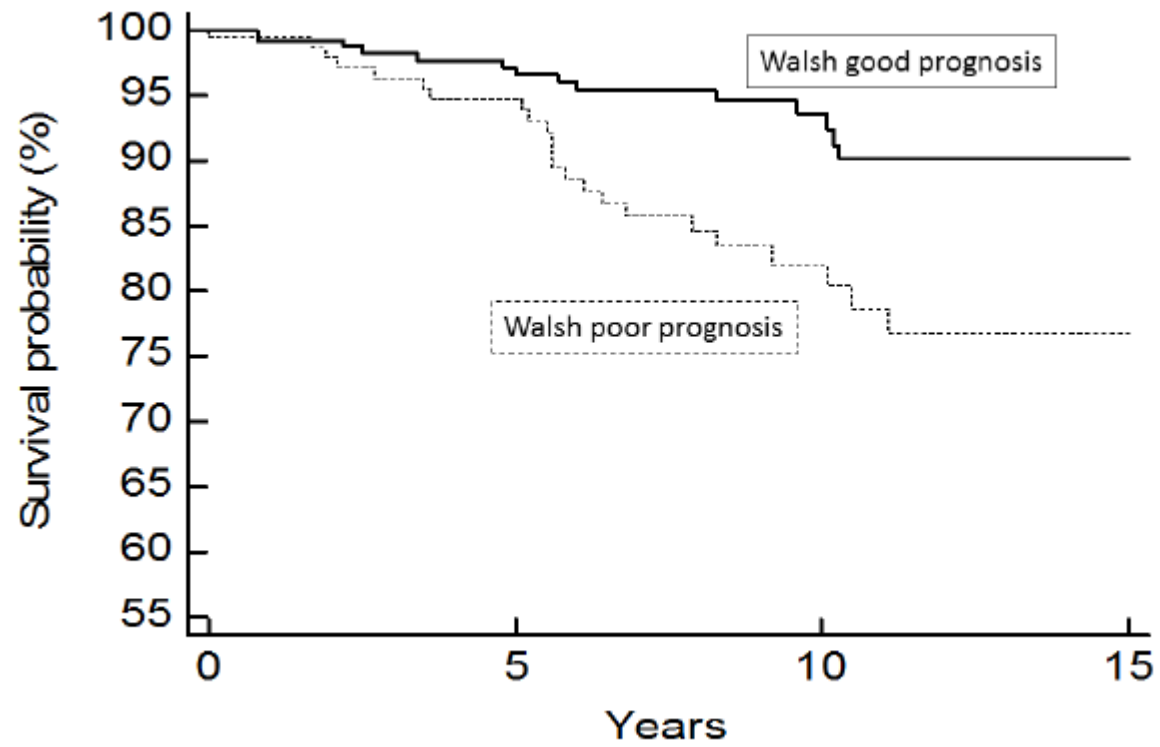
# Walsh score



**Figure 1: Clinical staging algorithm for stratification of clinical risk in pulmonary sarcoidosis**

CPI-composite physiological index. HRCT-high-resolution computed tomography. MPAD/AAD-main pulmonary artery diameter to ascending aorta diameter ratio.

# Prognosis



Treatment

# Is treatment appropriate?

- What are the symptoms of the sarcoidosis?
  - Sometimes the most bothersome symptoms are not due to sarcoidosis
- How severe are the symptoms (how much is it interfering with my patients life)?
- How severe is the disease on tests (PFTs, Chest xray)?
- Will treatment with medications improve the symptoms?
- Are the risks of treatment worth the benefits?

# Well's Law

**Table 1.** Indications for treating sarcoidosis

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## Danger

- Organ failure
  - Respiratory
  - Cardiac
  - Neurologic
  - Liver
  - Ocular
- Death

## Quality of Life

- Pulmonary
    - Cough
    - Dyspnea
  - Eye
    - Visual loss
  - Cosmetically important skin lesions
  - Calcium dysregulation
  - Fatigue
  - Small fiber neuropathy
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# Major Categories of Medications for Treatment

1. Corticosteroids
2. Cytotoxic Drugs
3. Immune system modifiers and antibodies
4. Other

# Corticosteroids

- Prednisolone, methylprednisolone
- “First line” since rapid response obtained
- Prednisolone is most commonly used at doses of 20-40mg (although higher maybe needed initially in some)
- Broad immunosuppressive activity
- Systematic review
  - Improved symptoms
  - Improved chest xray
  - Improved PFTs 3-24 month

# Cytotoxic Drugs

- Methotrexate, leflunomide, azathioprine, mycophenylate, hydroxychloroquin
- Considered “second-line” but maybe started at the same time as corticosteroids
- Limited evidence
- High risk medications but side effects are sometimes better tolerated than those of corticosteroids
- Require close drug monitoring

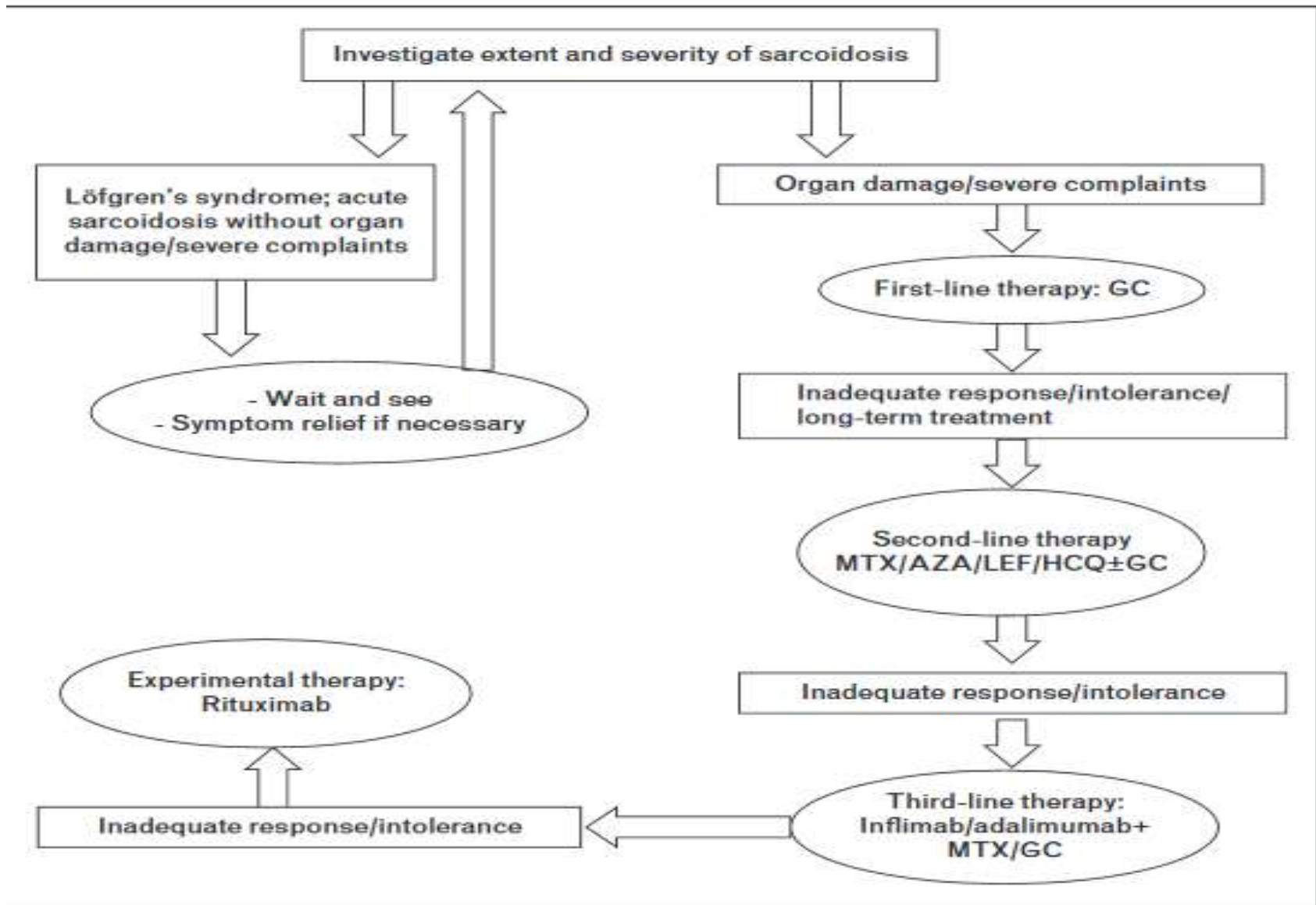


# TNF- alpha inhibitor

- Infliximab, adalimumab
- “Third line” but maybe used earlier in some situations
- Infliximab is most studied and widely used
- High risk for opportunistic infections
- Risks for use in patients with cardiomyopathy

# Other therapies

- Repository Corticotropin
- Rituximab
- Cyclophosphamide
- Pentoxifylline
- Thalidomide
- Minocycline



# Supportive Therapies

- Topical medications:
  - Skin, ocular
- Bronchodilators and inhaled steroids
- Oxygen
- Pulmonary rehabilitation
- Physical therapy
- Exercise
- Treatment of sleep apnea
- Treatment of depression

# INTERSTITIAL LUNG DISEASE (ILD)

# Where is the interstitium?

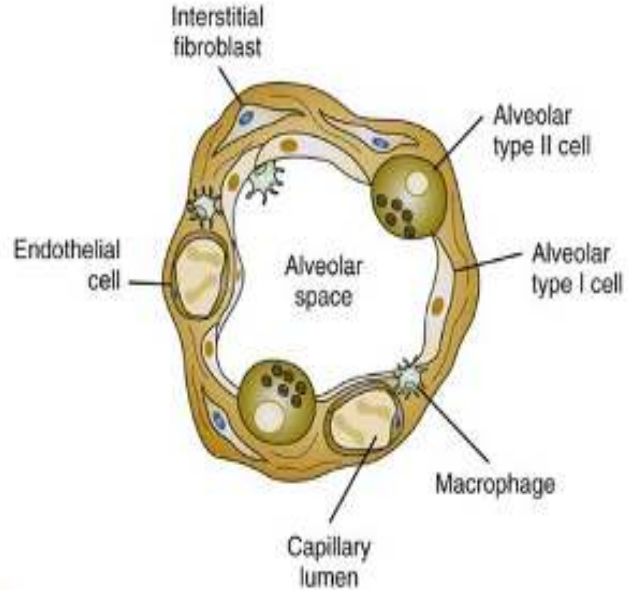



FIGURE 57-1  Schematic depiction of the lung parenchyma surrounding an alveolar sp...

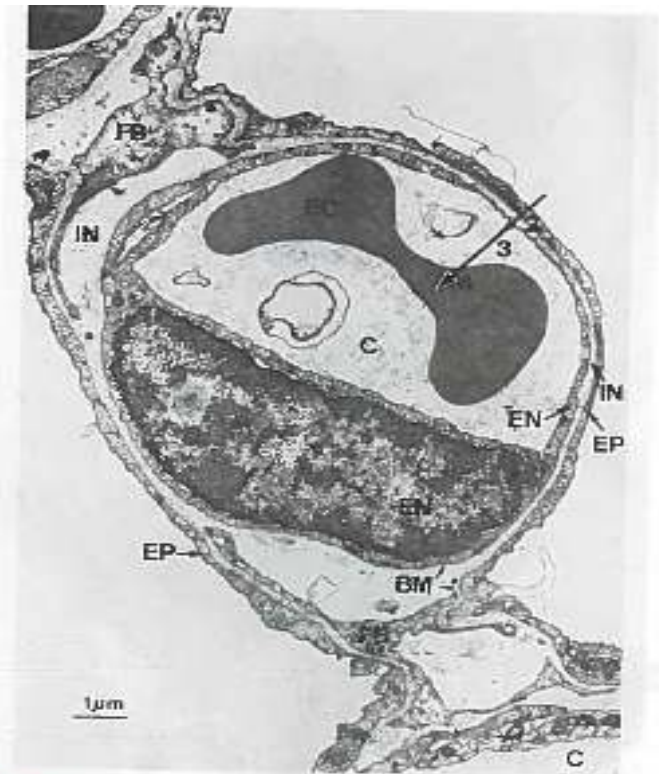


Figure 3-1. Electron micrograph showing a pulmonary capillary (C) in the alveolar wall. Note the extremely thin blood-gas barrier of about 0.3 μm in some places. The large arrow indicates the diffusion path from alveolar gas to the interior of the erythrocyte (EC) and includes the layer of surfactant (not shown in the preparation), alveolar epithelium (EP), interstitium (IN), capillary endothelium (EN), and plasma. Parts of structural cells called fibroblasts (FB), basement membrane (BM), and a nucleus of an endothelial cell are also seen.

# Characteristics

- Histologic hallmark is fibroblastic proliferation and excessive collagen deposition
- “Diffuse parenchymal lung disease” may describe the disease better than “ILD” since the process may start in the interstitium but in most cases invariably involves alternations in alveolar and airway architecture
- ILD can be due to underlying systemic processes or are idiopathic

# Clinical Classifications

## CONNECTIVE TISSUE DISEASES

Scleroderma  
 Polymyositis-dermatomyositis  
 Systemic lupus erythematosus  
 Rheumatoid arthritis  
 Mixed connective tissue disease  
 Ankylosing spondylitis

## TREATMENT-RELATED OR DRUG-INDUCED DISEASES

Antibiotics (nitrofurantoin, sulfasalazine)  
 Antiarrhythmics (amiodarone, tocainide, propranolol)  
 Anti-inflammatories (gold, penicillamine)  
 Anticonvulsants (dilatant)  
 Chemotherapeutic agents (mitomycin C, bleomycin, busulfan, cyclophosphamide, chlorambucil, methotrexate, azathioprine, BCNU [carmustine], procarbazine)  
 Therapeutic radiation  
 Oxygen toxicity  
 Narcotics

## OCCUPATIONAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL DISEASES

Inorganic  
 Silicosis  
 Asbestosis  
 Hard-metal pneumoconiosis  
 Coal worker's pneumoconiosis  
 Berylliosis  
 Talc pneumoconiosis  
 Siderosis (arc welder)  
 Stannosis (tin)  
 Organic (hypersensitivity pneumonitis)  
 Bird breeder's lung  
 Farmer's lung  
 (For complete listing, see Chapter 68.6.)

## IDIOPATHIC FIBROTIC DISORDERS

Acute interstitial pneumonitis (Hamman-Rich syndrome)  
 Idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis/usual interstitial pneumonia  
 Familial pulmonary fibrosis  
 Respiratory bronchiolitis/desquamative interstitial pneumonitis  
 Cryptogenic organizing pneumonia  
 Nonspecific interstitial pneumonia  
 Lymphocytic interstitial pneumonia (Sjögren's syndrome, connective tissue disease, AIDS, Hashimoto's thyroiditis)  
 Autoimmune pulmonary fibrosis (inflammatory bowel disease, primary biliary cirrhosis, idiopathic thrombocytopenic purpura, autoimmune hemolytic anemia)

## PRIMARY (UNCLASSIFIED) DISEASES

Sarcoidosis  
 Primary pulmonary Langerhans cell histiocytosis (eosinophilic granuloma)  
 Amyloidosis  
 Pulmonary vasculitis

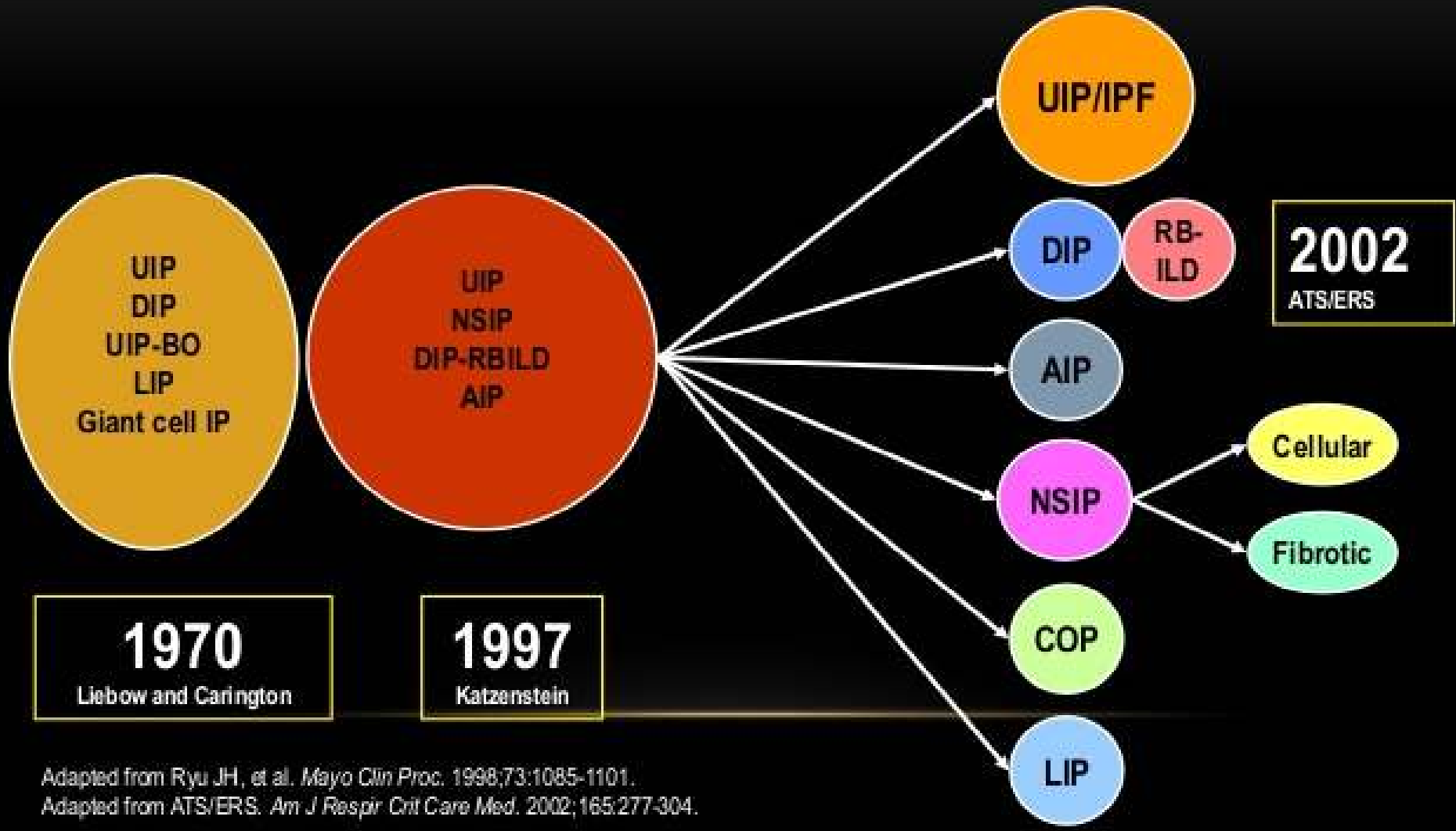
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Lipoid pneumonia  
 Lymphangitic carcinomatosis  
 Bronchoalveolar carcinoma  
 Pulmonary lymphoma  
 Gaucher's disease  
 Niemann-Pick disease  
 Hermansky-Pudlak syndrome  
 Neurofibromatosis  
 Lymphangioleiomyomatosis  
 Tuberosus sclerosis  
 Acute respiratory distress syndrome  
 AIDS  
 Bone marrow transplantation  
 Postinfectious  
 Eosinophilic pneumonia  
 Alveolar proteinosis  
 Diffuse alveolar hemorrhage syndromes  
 Alveolar microlithiasis  
 Metastatic calcification



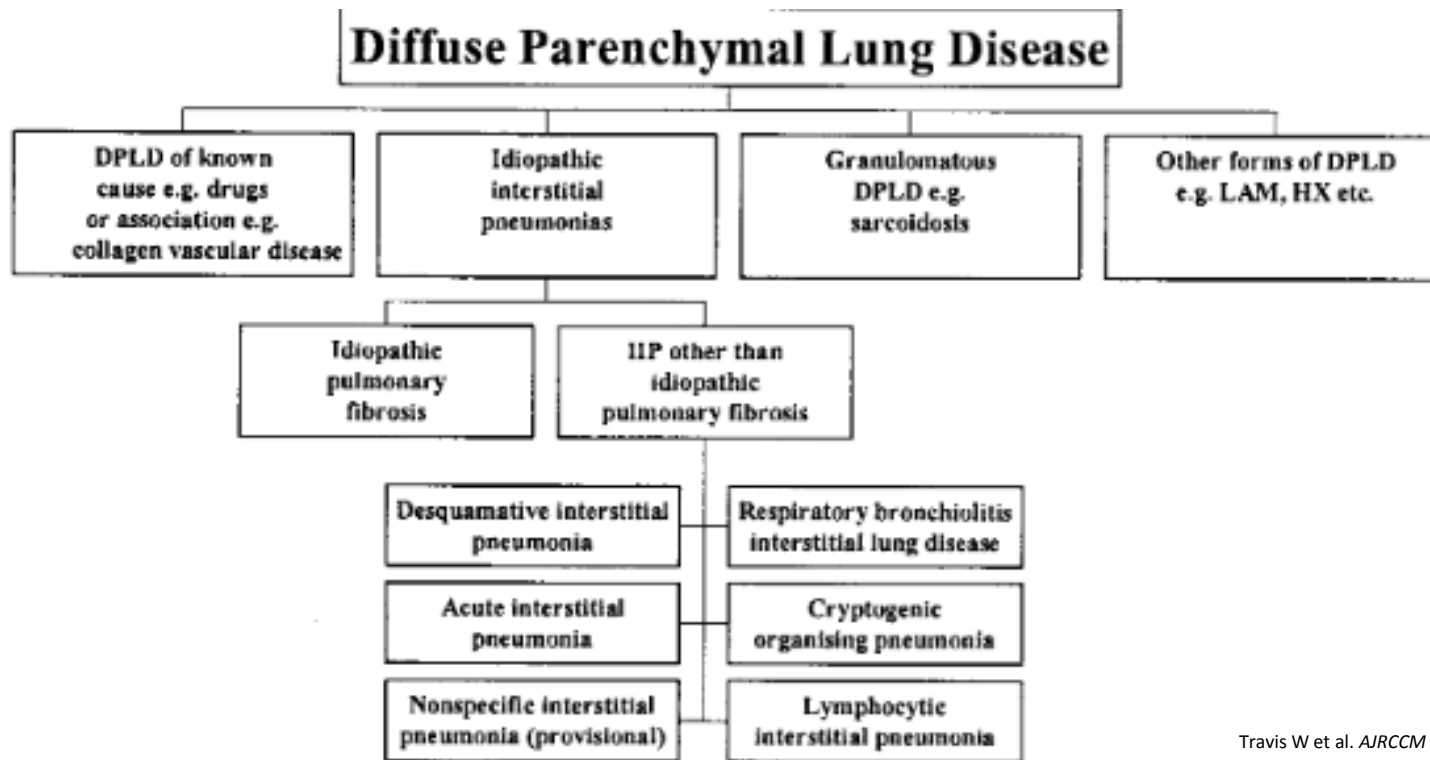
# Incidence

- 31.5/100,000/yr in men
- 26.1/100,000/yr in women
- Rises with age



Adapted from Ryu JH, et al. *Mayo Clin Proc.* 1998;73:1085-1101.  
 Adapted from ATS/ERS. *Am J Respir Crit Care Med.* 2002;165:277-304.

# ATS/ERS 2002 Classification



## **Known Causes**

- Drug induced
- CTD-ILD

## **Idiopathic (IIPs)**

- Sarcoidosis
- COP
- IPF
- NSIP
- DIP
- RBILD
- AIP

**TABLE 1. REVISED AMERICAN THORACIC SOCIETY/EUROPEAN  
RESPIRATORY SOCIETY CLASSIFICATION OF IDIOPATHIC  
INTERSTITIAL PNEUMONIAS: MULTIDISCIPLINARY DIAGNOSES**

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Major idiopathic interstitial pneumonias

Idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis

Idiopathic nonspecific interstitial pneumonia

Respiratory bronchiolitis–interstitial lung disease

Desquamative interstitial pneumonia

Cryptogenic organizing pneumonia

Acute interstitial pneumonia

Rare idiopathic interstitial pneumonias

Idiopathic lymphoid interstitial pneumonia

Idiopathic pleuroparenchymal fibroelastosis

Unclassifiable idiopathic interstitial pneumonias\*

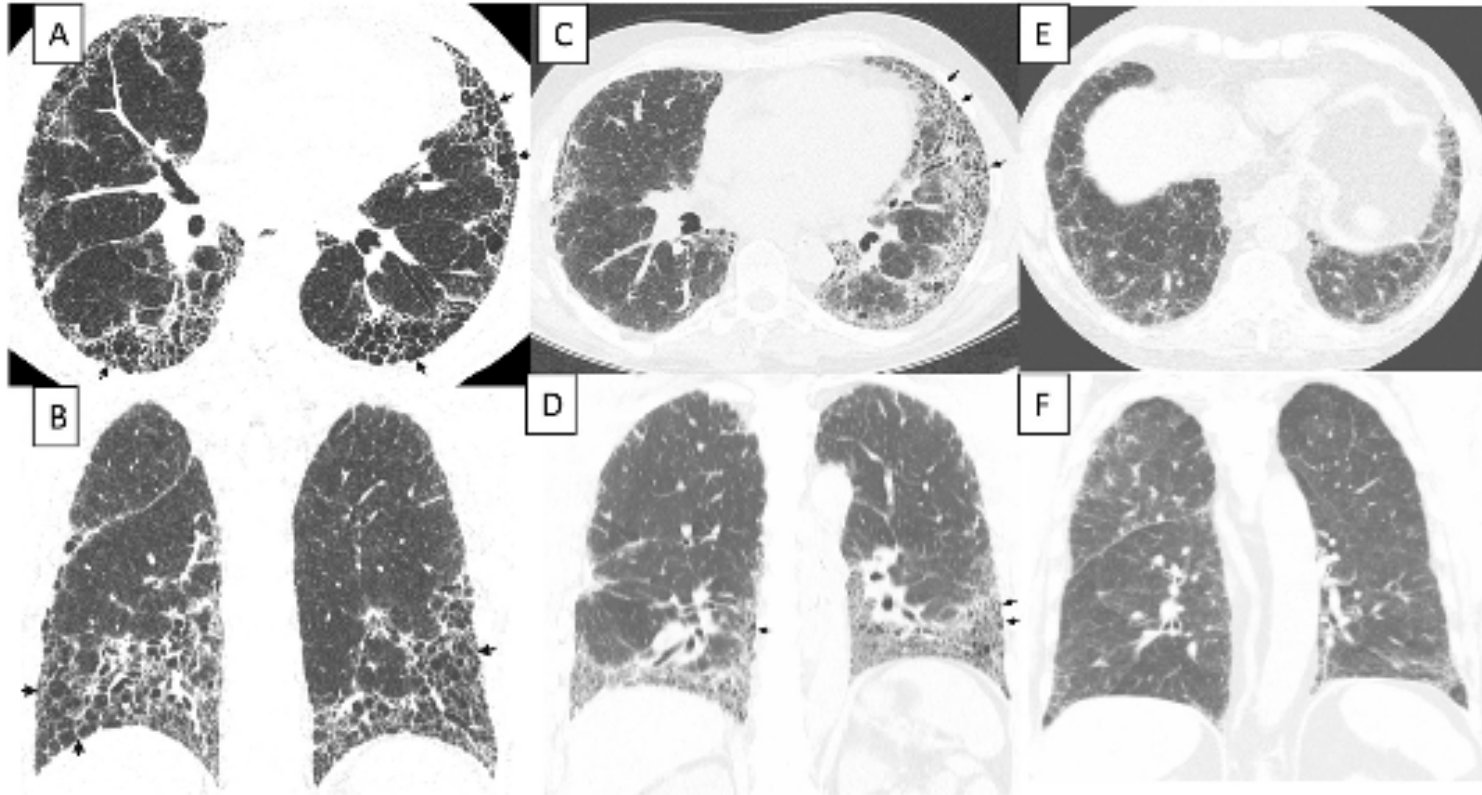
**TABLE 2. CATEGORIZATION OF MAJOR IDIOPATHIC INTERSTITIAL PNEUMONIAS**

Category	Clinical–Radiologic–Pathologic Diagnoses	Associated Radiologic and/or Pathologic–Morphologic Patterns
Chronic fibrosing IP	Idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis Idiopathic nonspecific interstitial pneumonia	Usual interstitial pneumonia Nonspecific interstitial pneumonia
Smoking-related IP*	Respiratory bronchiolitis-interstitial lung disease Desquamative interstitial pneumonia	Respiratory bronchiolitis Desquamative interstitial pneumonia
Acute/subacute IP	Cryptogenic organizing pneumonia Acute interstitial pneumonia	Organizing pneumonia Diffuse alveolar damage

*Definition of abbreviation:* IP = interstitial pneumonia.

\*Desquamative interstitial pneumonia can occasionally occur in nonsmokers.

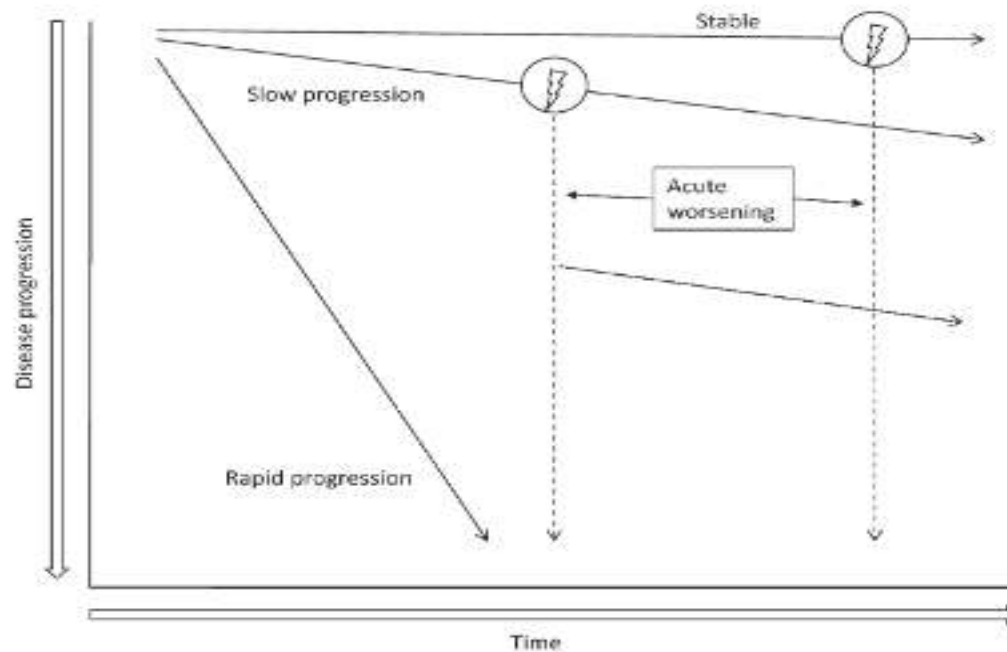






# Natural History

- Progressive decline in subjective and objective pulmonary function until eventual death
- Median survival time 2 to 3 years from time of diagnosis (maybe an underestimate)



**Figure 4.** Natural history of IPF. There appear to be several possible natural histories for patients with IPF. The majority of patients experience a slow but steady worsening of their disease (“Slow progression”). Some patients remain stable (“Stable”), while others have an accelerated decline (“Rapid progression”). A minority of patients may experience unpredictable acute worsening of their disease (lightning bolt), either from a secondary complication such as pneumonia, or for unrecognized reasons. This event may be fatal or may leave patients with substantially worsened disease. The relative frequency of each of these natural histories is unknown.

**TABLE 7. SELECTED FEATURES ASSOCIATED WITH INCREASED RISK OF MORTALITY IN IDIOPATHIC PULMONARY FIBROSIS**

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Baseline factors\*

Level of dyspnea<sup>†</sup>

D<sub>LCO</sub> < 40% predicted

Desaturation ≤ 88% during 6MWT

Extent of honeycombing on HRCT<sup>†</sup>

Pulmonary hypertension

Longitudinal factors

Increase in level of dyspnea<sup>†</sup>

Decrease in Forced Vital Capacity by ≥ 10% absolute value

Decrease in D<sub>LCO</sub> by ≥ 15% absolute value

Worsening of fibrosis on HRCT<sup>†</sup>

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*Definition of abbreviations:* 6MWT = 6-minute-walk test; D<sub>LCO</sub> = diffusion capacity for carbon monoxide; HRCT = high-resolution computed tomography.

\* Baseline forced vital capacity is of unclear predictive value.

† Currently, there is no uniformity in approach to quantification.

# Treatment

- Depends of type of ILD
- Steroids
- Smoking cessation
- Nintedanib
- Pirfenidone

**THANK YOU**