



DIAGNOSTIC CRITERIA

AXIAL SPONDYLOARTHRITIS

INTRODUCTION:

- Sensitivity: 82.9%
- Specificity: 84.4%

REFERENCE VALUES:

Sacroiliitis by MRI/X-ray plus at least one SpA feature or HLA B27 positive plus at least two or other SpA features. One of the primary criteria is required for classification as Axial SpA.

Entry criteria	
Back pain ≥ 3 months and age at onset < 45 years	
Primary criteria	
Sacroiliitis by MRI/X-ray	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Active (acute) inflammation on MRI highly suggestive of sacroiliitis associated with SpA or• Definite radiographic sacroiliitis according to modified New York Criteria	
HLA B27 positive	
Secondary criteria	
Inflammatory back pain	Arthritis
Enthesitis (heel)	Uveitis
Dactylitis	Psoriasis
Crohn's colitis	Good response to NSAIDs
Family history of SpA	Elevated CRP

REFERENCES:

2009 ASAS criteria for axial spondyloarthritis: Rudwaleit M, van der Heijde D, Landewé R, et al. The development of Assessment of Spondyloarthritis international Society classification criteria for axial spondyloarthritis (part II): validation and final selection. *Ann Rheum Dis* 2009 Jun; 68(6):777-83. Pub 2009 Mar 17.