

Table 1. Clinical data of the MS and control cases used in this study

	Case	Sex	Age, years	PMD, hours	Disease duration, years	Cause of death	Course	Lesions analyzed				
								Active	Chronic active	Chronic silent	Shadow plaques	NAWM
MS												
	MS47	F	66	17	34	Multiple sclerosis	SP		1			
	MS49	M	75	8	38	Aspiration pneumonia, cerebrovascular accident, MS	RR		1			
	MS54	F	69	11	31	Acute pyelonephritis, hydronephrosis, MS	PP				1	
	MS55	F	47	15	32	Pneumonia	SP	1				1
	MS56	M	63	11	39	Pneumonia, MS	SP					1
	MS57	F	77	9	31	General deterioration, lung infection, treatment withheld	PP			2	1	1
	MS58	F	51	15	21	MS	SP	1				1
	MS74	F	64	7	36	Gastrointestinal bleed/obstruction, aspiration pneumonia	SP	1	1			

								Lesions analyzed					
MS79	F	49	7	21	Bronchopneumonia , MS	SP	3	2				1	
MS92	F	37	26	17	MS	SP	1	1					
MS100	M	46	7	8	Pneumonia	SP		1					
MS106	F	39	18	21	Bronchopneumonia	PP		1					
MS107	M	38	19	>16	Aspiration pneumonia, pulmonary edema	RP	1				1		
MS127	M	51	21	10	MS, bronchopneumonia	SP	1	1					
MS136	M	50	10	9	Respiratory failure, sepsis, MS	SP	2	2					
MS153	F	50	12	NS	MS	SP		1					
MS154	F	34	12	9	Pneumonia	SP	1	1					
Control													
	C20	F	84	24		Congestive cardiac failure							
	C05	F	95	10		Bronchopneumonia							
	1026	M	44	NS		Cirrhose							
	1152	M	27	NS		Embolie pulmonaire							
	1154	F	43	NS		Overdose							

PMD, postmortem delay; NS, not specified; PP, primary progressive; SP, secondary progressive; RR, relapsing-remitting; RP, relapsing progressive.