

Supplementary Table 1 – Refused recommendations

	Comments	L	S
Ethnicity should be taken into account when using MSA to aid risk stratification of patients.	Not enough evidence	3	D
Hydroxychloroquine may be considered as an adjunctive therapy, particularly in those with prominent skin disease.	Not enough evidence. Most experts believed hydroxychloroquine was not helpful from their clinical experience.	4	D
A muscle biopsy, when scored using the modified muscle biopsy tool, may correlate with clinical disease activity.	Not enough evidence	2b	D
Azathioprine may be a useful adjunctive treatment to methotrexate in patients with inadequate response to methotrexate alone.	Only studies scored not valid	4	D
Intensification of treatment in case of calcinosis may include addition of Infliximab / adalimumab or changing from Methotrexate to MMF.	Not enough evidence	4	D
Consideration can be given to the following treatments in case of calcinosis: Biphosphonates and surgical excision in case of local lesion.	Not enough evidence	4	D