

APPENDIX 3 – VASCULITIS ACTIVITY SCORE – BIRMINGHAM

VASCULITIS ACTIVITY SCORE VERSION 2003

Appendix 1 – BVAS 2003 VASCULITIS ACTIVITY SCORE

TOTAL

Check **only** the manifestations indicating an active disease (sequelae lasting for more than 3 months are assessed by the VDI). *If all the manifestations indicate a chronic active activity, although weakly (smoldering / grumbling disease) and there is no recent new manifestation or clear aggravation, check the box in the bottom right corner. The scores indicated are those for a recently active disease / weakly active disease, "grumbling" (bottom box checked). Add up only one of the columns..*

	Yes (maximum 3 / 2)		Yes (maximum 6 / 3)
1. General Signs		6. Cardiac Signs	
Myalgia	1 / 1	Disappearance of a pulse	4 / 1
Arthralgias or arthritis	1 / 1	Valvular impairment	4 / 2
Fever 38°C	2 / 2	Pericarditis	3 / 1
Weight loss of 2 kg	2 / 2	Angina	4 / 2
		Cardiomyopathy	6 / 3
2. Skin signs	(maximum 6 / 3)	Congestive heart failure	6 / 3
Necrosis	2 / 1	Digestive manifestations	(maximum 12 / 6)
Purpura	2 / 1	Peritonitis	9 / 3
Ulceration	4 / 1	Bloody diarrhea	9 / 3
Gangrene	6 / 2	Abdominal pain (intestinal angina)	2 / 6
Other vasculitis related lesions	2 / 1	Kidney signs	(maximum 12 / 6)
3. Mucosal and ocular impairment 	(maximum 6 / 3)	HTA	4 / 1
Mouth ulceration / granuloma	2 / 1	Proteinuria > 1 +	4 / 2
Genital ulceration	1 / 1	Hematuria > 10 GR / field	6 / 3
Lacrimal or salivary inflammation	4 / 2	Creatinine 125-249 pmol/l	4 / 2
Exophthalmos	4 / 2	Creatinine 250-499 pmol/l	6 / 3
Episcleritis	2 / 1	Creatinine > 500 pmol/l	8 / 4
Conjunctivitis / blepharitis / keratitis	1 / 1	Increase in creatinine > 30% or decrease in creatinine clearance > 25%	6 / -
Gradual decrease in visual acuity/blurred vision	3 / 2	Neurological impairment	(maximum 9 / 6)
Sudden decrease in visual acuity / blindness	6 / -	Headaches	1 / 1
Uveitis	6 / 2	Meningitis	3 / 1
Retinal vasculitis	6 / 2	Confusion, disorder of consciousness	3 / 1
Thrombosis / hemorrhage / retinal exudates		Convulsions (not related to high blood pressure)	9 / 3
4. ENT Signs	(maximum 6 / 3)	Spinal cord impairment (myelitis)	3 / 1
Epistaxis / nasal crusting		Stroke	9 / 3
Nasal ulceration or granuloma	6 / 3	Cranial pair impairment	9 / 3
Sinusitis	2 / 1	Peripheral sensory neuropathy	6 / 3
Subglottic stenosis	6 / 3	Peripheral motor neuropathy	9 / 3
Reduced transmission hearing (conduction)	3 / 1	10. Other specific impairment	
Decreased perception hearing (sensory)	6 / 2	Specify:	
		
		
		
5. Lung Signs	(maximum 6 / 3)	CHECK THIS BOX IF ALL OF THE REPORTED IMPAIRMENTS ARE OLD AND PERSISTENT, and not recent or worsened	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wheezing / sibilants	2 / 1		
Nodule(s) / Excavated Nodule(s)	3 / -		
Pleural effusion	4 / 2		
Radiological pulmonary infiltrate	4 / 2		
Endobronchial Stenosis	4 / 2		
Intra-alveolar hemorrhage	6 / 4		
Respiratory distress	6 / 4		