

Supplementary Materials

TABLES

Table 1. T1 Scoring Scale

Grade	Mercuri et al. 2002	Komblum et al. 2006	Fisher et al. 2008	Garibaldi et al.
0		Normal appearance	Normal appearance	Normal appearance
1	Normal appearance	Discrete moth-eaten appearance with sporadic T1 hyperintense area	Mild: traces of increased signal intensity on the T1-weighted MR equences	Minimal: minimal/initial replacement (one isolated area)
2	Mild involvement: Early moth-eaten appearance with scattered small areas of increased signal or with numerous discrete areas of increased signal with beginning confluence, comprising less than 30% of the volume of the individual muscle	a. Moderate moth-eaten appearance with numerous scattered T1 hyperintense areas b. Late moth-eaten appearance with numerous confluent T1 hyper-intense areas	Moderate: increased T1-weighted signal intensity with beginning confluence in less than 50% of the muscle	Mild: <50% volume replacement
3	Moderate involvement: Late moth-eaten appearance with numerous discrete areas of increased signal with beginning confluence, comprising 30-60% of the volume of the individual muscle	Complete fatty degeneration, replacement of muscle by connective tissue and fat	Severe: increased T1-weighted signal intensity with beginning confluence in more than 50% of the muscle	<u>Moderate</u> : ≥50% replacement
4	Severe involvement: Washed-out appearance, fuzzy appearance due to confluent areas of increased signal or an end-stage appearance, with muscle replaced by increased density connective tissue and fat, and only a rim of fascia and neurovascular structures distinguishable		End-stage appearance, entire muscle replaced by increased density of connective tissue and fat	Severe: complete replacement (≥99%);
5				End-stage atrophy: complete muscle atrophy fibro-fatty replacement not-evaluable

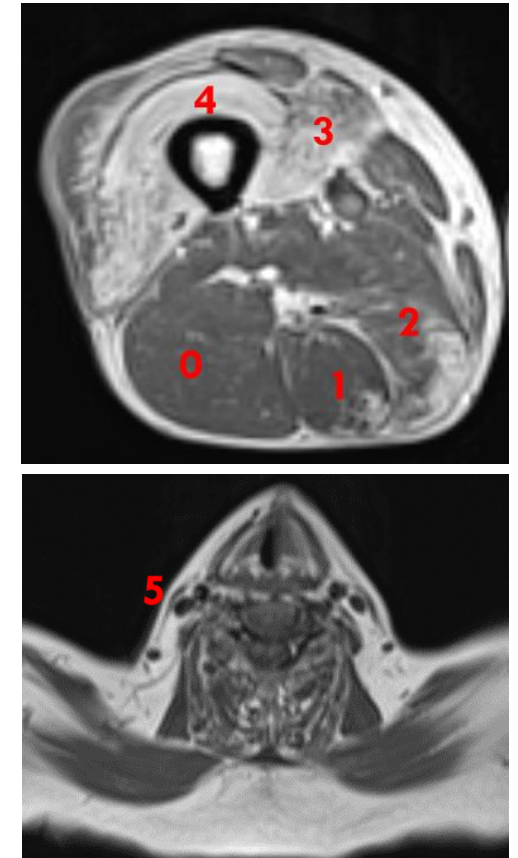
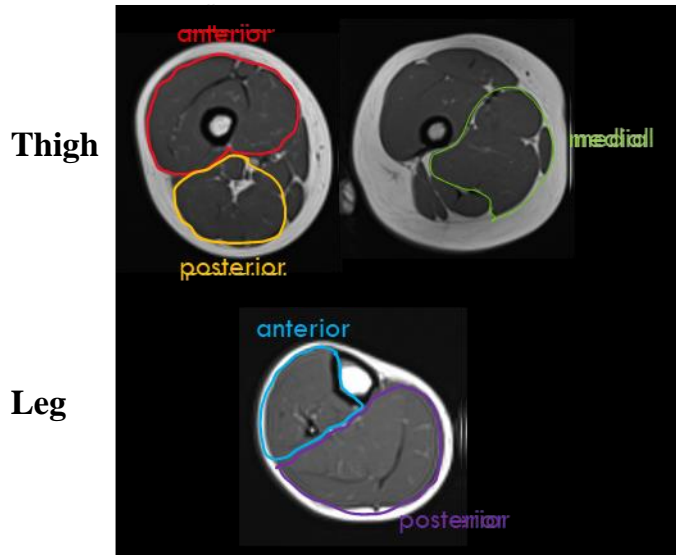


Table 2. Atrophy Scoring system and scale

Lower limbs' compartments

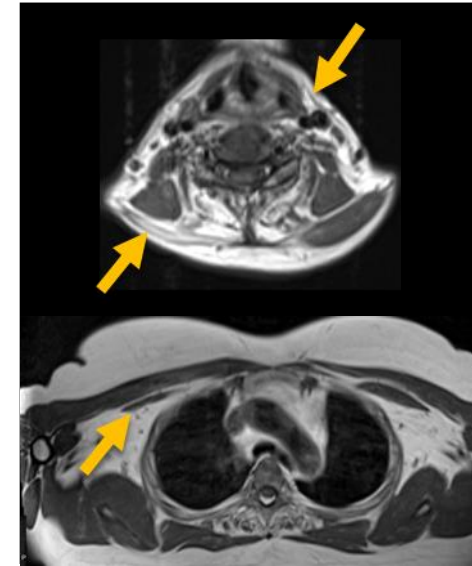


Upper body muscles

Sternocleidomastoideus

Trapezius

Pectoralis



Grade	Brojna et al.2020	Garibaldi et al.	Grade 0	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4
0	Normal	Normal muscle bulk					
1	Mild peripheral muscle volume loss	Minimal: peripheral muscle volume loss					
2	< 50% of muscle volume loss	Mild: < 50% of muscle volume loss					
3	≥ 50% of muscle volume loss	Moderate: ≥ 50% of muscle volume loss					
4		Severe: complete muscle atrophy					
			Quadriceps SCM				

Table 3. Average and Median T1 score per muscle

	Average T1 score	Median T1 score
<i>Gastrocnemius Medialis</i>	2,205223881	3
<i>Sternocleidomastoideus</i>	1,73148148	0
<i>Soleus</i>	1,604477612	1
<i>Flexor Hallucis Longus</i>	1,425373134	1
<i>Multifidus</i>	1,369402985	1
<i>Genioglossus</i>	1,14285714	1
<i>Paraspinous (Thoracic)</i>	1,13913043	1
<i>Paraspinous (Cervical)</i>	1,06086957	1
<i>Tibialis Anterior</i>	1,041044776	0
<i>Gastrocnemius Lateralis</i>	0,98880597	0
<i>Extensor Digitorum/Allucis Longus</i>	0,925373134	0
<i>Vastus Intermedius</i>	0,891791045	1
<i>Vastus Medialis</i>	0,861940299	0
<i>Gluteus Minimus</i>	0,850746269	1
<i>Peroneus Longus/Brevis</i>	0,77238806	0
<i>Rectus Abdominis</i>	0,76119403	0
<i>Vastus Lateralis</i>	0,757462687	0
<i>Iliocostalis Lomborum</i>	0,697761194	0
<i>Tensor Fasciae Latae</i>	0,679104478	0
<i>Semimembranosus</i>	0,611940299	0
<i>Latissimus Dorsi</i>	0,53913043	0
<i>Sartorius</i>	0,537313433	0
<i>Biceps Femoris Caput Brevis</i>	0,496268657	0
<i>Obliquus Ext/Int/Trasv</i>	0,470149254	0
<i>Pectoralis Minor</i>	0,39473684	0
<i>Trapezius</i>	0,33043478	0
<i>Gracilis</i>	0,320895522	0
<i>Tibialis Posterior/Flexor Digitorum Longus</i>	0,317164179	0
<i>Semitendinosus</i>	0,276119403	0
<i>Biceps Femoris Caput Longum</i>	0,25	0
<i>Adductor Longus</i>	0,182835821	0
<i>Rectus Femoris</i>	0,171641791	0
<i>Average upper body T1 score</i>	0,75	
<i>Average lower body T1 score</i>	1,47	

*distal-proximal gradient: 100% (83/83). Not evaluable in the remaining patients because of total muscle sparing; UL: up

Table 4. characteristics of patients

Patient	Age at MRI	Age at Disease onset (ys)	Clinical form (0= cong, 1=inf, 2=juv, 3=classic, 4=late)	Disease duration	Sex (M=0, F=1)	CTG range	CTG average	Expansion_Class (1= E1; 2= E2; 3= E3)	Expansion_Class Revised (1= E1a; 2=E1b; 3= E2a; 4= E2b; 5=E2c; 6=E3a; 7=E3b)	MIRS at 1st MRI	T1	T1	T1	STIR	atrophy SCM	Marble
											LL	UL	TOT			
p1	49	10	1	39	0	350-780	565	2	4	3	36	6	42	16	no	1
p2	43	0	0	43	0	570-1080	825	2	5	4	116	67	183	10	yes	0
p3	44	21	3	23	0	250	250	2	3	3	25	12	37	9	1	0
p4	50	40	3	10	1	680-1250	965	3	5	4	90			1	n.a.	0
p5	53	40	3	13	1	785-965	875	2	5	4	118	40	158	0	yes	0
p6	53	16	2	37	0	96	96	1	1	4	114	44	158	8	yes	0
p7	15	8	1	7	0	350	350	2	3	1	2	0	2	0	no	0
p8	37	22	3	15	1	130	130	2	2	3	24	3	27	6	no	0
p9	25	20	2	5	1	50-1000	475	2	3	2	2	0	2	0	no	0
p10	56	56	4	0	0	50-85	70	1	1	1	13	0	13	4	no	1
p11	55	51	4	4	0	70	70	1	1	2	0	1	1	0	no	1
p12	27	16	2	11	1	390-500	445	2	3	3	18	1	19	4	no	0
p13	29	19	2	10	1	200-450	325	2	3	3	0	0	0	0	no	0
p14	54	18	2	36	0	1000	1000	3	6	4	108	48	156	10	yes	0
p15	20	18	2	2	0	150-1000	575	2	4	3	0	1	1	5	no	0
p16	57	47	4	10	0	90-240	210	2	3	4	112	34	146	8	2	0
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p18	26	0	0	26	1	1000-1500	1250	3	6	3	73	50	123	7	yes	0
p19	18	0	0	18	1	1000	1000	3	6	3	13	4	17	4	no	0
p20	58	35	3	23	1	250	250	2	3	5	140			4	n.a.	0
p21	35	10	1	25	0	372-850	611	2	4	3	23	0	23	11	no	0
p22	31	16	2	15	0	400-570	485	2	3	3	75	28	103	19	no	0
p23	33	0	0	33	0	940-1250	1095	3	6	3	6	8	14	7	1	1
p24	27	25	3	2	0	150-1000	575	2	4	3	16	1	17	4	no	0
p25	57	57	4	0	0	50-150	100	1	2	1	0	3	3	2	no	1
p26	54	30	3	24	0	500	500	2	4	4	117	35	152	9	yes	0
p27	63	53	4	10	0	82	82	1	1	3	11	5	16	5	no	0
p28	55	25	3	30	0	120	120	1	2	3	66	13	79	22	no	0
p29	44	30	3	14	0	360	360	2	3	4	88			20	n.a.	0

p30	41	35	3	6	0	150-1000	425	2	3	2	4	2	6	6	no	1
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p32	47	40	3	7	0	255-580	417	2	4	4	99	11	110	17	no	1
p33	53	48	4	5	0	120	120	1	2	2	0	0	0	4	no	0
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p47	44	0	0	44	0	1250-1800	1525	3	7	3	96	34	130	6	yes	0
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p49	53	53	4	0	1	45	45	1	1	2	15	3	18	3	no	0
p50	71	71	4	0	0	70	70	1	1	1	8	3	11	5	no	1
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p52	36	28	3	8	0	490-630	560	2	4	3	30	22	52	17	yes	1
p53	42	42	4	0	1	73	73	1	1	1	2	0	2	0	no	0
p54	35	28	3	7	0	150-1000	425	2	3	3	20	1	21	12	no	0
p55	40	29	3	11	1	220-365	292	2	3	3	25	5	30	8	no	0
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