

# ASAS-GRAPPA AXIS Study (Axial Involvement in PsA)

The Axial Involvement in Psoriatic Arthritis (AXIS) study is a prospective cross-sectional study that has been conducted under the umbrella of ASAS and GRAPPA.

**The overarching aim** of the AXIS study is to systematically evaluate clinical and imaging manifestations indicative of axial involvement (based on local and central assessments) in patients with PsA to develop classification criteria and a unified nomenclature for axial involvement in PsA that would allow defining a homogeneous subgroup of patients for research.

Study Population includes:

- **Consecutive** patients diagnosed with PsA
- Fulfilling the CASPAR classification criteria for PsA
- Symptom duration of up to 10 years
- Not receiving b- or ts- DMARDs (b- or ts- DMARDs naïve)

## **PATIENT ENROLLMENT STARTED:**

A total of 58 centers from 21 countries have been selected for participation.

Patient enrollment has started in 5 countries: USA, Germany, Singapore, Spain, and UK. We are pleased to share that 47 patients have been enrolled so far, of which 43 patients have successfully completed eCRF and 18 patients' imaging has been centrally reviewed.

## **CONTRACTING:**

14 national coordinating centers outside North America (corresponding to 42 centers) and 4 centers in North America signed the contract.

Contracting procedures are still ongoing with the other countries!

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| ✓ Argentina | ✓ Italy        | ✓ Taiwan |
| ✓ Brazil    | ✓ Mexico       | ✓ Turkey |
| ✓ Canada    | ✓ Netherlands  | ✓ UK     |
| ✓ India     | ✓ Singapore    | ✓ USA    |
| ✓ Germany   | ✓ South Africa |          |
| ✓ Hong Kong | ✓ Spain        |          |

## **TEST MRI & ETHICS APPROVAL:**

- The imaging will be the cornerstone of the the project. For this reason, in order to ensure the imaging quality, a test MRI:
  - Has been requested from 49 of 58 centers that have signed agreement in their countries
  - Received from 37 center, and 30 of those were approved so far!
- **23 centers have the EC/IRB approval!**
- In the next steps of the project, we are waiting for each country's contract and ethical approval procedures to be completed so that all centers can start enrolling patients.
- We'd like to underline that the inclusion of patients will be competitive and will include maximum patient numbers per center and per country!!!
- We would like to thank all participant centers & researchers for their collaboration!

Please find below an overview about included patients in the AXIS study.

## Total Number of Inclusions

