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The Biological Effects of Interleukin-6 and Their Clinical Applications in **Autoimmune Diseases and Cancers**

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Interleukin-6 (IL-6) is one of the pro-infl ammatory cytokines involved in pathogenesis of various autoimmune and chronic infl ammatory diseases. IL-6 through binding to its cellular receptor can transduce both classical- and trans-signaling pathways. ...

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Case Report

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Remission of Glucocorticoid-Resistant Polymyalgia Rheumatica achieved with **Tocilizumab: 2 Case Reports**

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Polymyalgia rheumatica (PMR) is an idiopathic infl ammatory disease characterized by pain and stiffness around the shoulders,neck and hips. IL-6 is an important cytokine in the pathogenesis of the disease. ...

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Idiopathic Intracranial Hypertension: Neuropsychiatric Systemic Lupus Erythematosus or Gonadotropinreleasing hormone agonist side effect? Published On: July 04, 2017 | Pages: 023 - 024

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A 31-year-old systemic lupus erythematotus (SLE) patient presented with headache and blurring of vision. Prior to this, she received 2 doses of monthly triptorelin for endometriosis. On examination, she had bilateral sixth nerve paresis. ...

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IgA Nephropathy Precedes the Onset of the Rheumatic Disease in a Female with **Ankylosing Spondylitis**

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IgA nephropathy (known as Berger's disease) is the most common cause of glomerulonephritis. Its estimated prevalence between 25-50 cases per 100.000 individuals. Gross hematuria (40-50%) and microscopic hematuria (30-40%) are the most common fi ndings which can be related to upper respiratory tract or gastrointestinal infection. ...

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Laryngeal Primary Amyloidosis: Differential Diagnosis of Localized **Granulomatosis with Polyangiitis. Report of Two Cases**

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Primary laryngeal amyloidosis (PLA) and granulomatosis with polyangiitis (GPA) can present rarely with the isolated symptom of dyspnea and/or dysphonia, affecting exclusively the larynx. ...

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Eosinophilic Fasciitis in a Patient with Hepatitis C Virus Infection: Coincidence or **Association?**

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Eosinophilic fasciitis is a rare connective tissue disease characterized by symmetrical and painful swelling with a progressive induration and thickening of the skin and soft tissues. Its etiology is unknown, but possible causes or associated conditions include drugs, physical exercises, autoimmune diseases, neoplasia and infections. ...

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Short Communication

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The Complexity of DNA Transcends Epigenetics

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Availability of new has afforded rheumatologists the opportunity to investigate molecular pathophysiology of joint disease techniques [1,2]. Attempts to relate DNA polymorphisms to disease activity or addresses one aspect susceptibility [3-5]. ...

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