



# CLINICAL ADVANCES OF ANTI-TIF1 $\gamma$ AUTOANTIBODY IN A HUNGARIAN MYOSITIS COHORT

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# IDIOPATHIC INFLAMMATORY MYOPATHIES

- Polymyositis (PM)
- Dermatomyositis (DM)
- Juvenile PM/DM
- Inclusion body myositis (IBM)
- Overlap myositis (OM)
  
- Necrotizing autoimmune myopathy (NAM):
  - Cancer associated myositis (CAM)
  - Statin induced myopathy
  - Infection induced myopathy



# IDIOPATHIC INFLAMMATORY MYOPATHIES – SKIN SYMPTOMS



**Gottron's sign and papule**



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**Heliotrop rash**

**Linear extensor erythema**



**Periungual teleangiectasia**



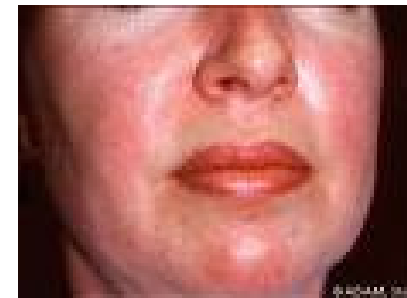
# IDIOPATHIC INFLAMMATORY MYOPATHIES – SKIN SYMPTOMS



**V-sign**



**Shawl sign**



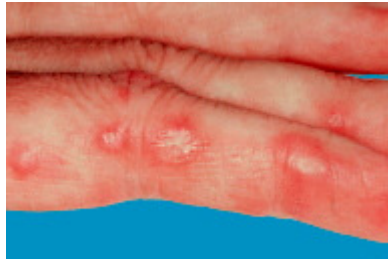
**Facial erythema**

**Periorbital oedema**





# IDIOPATHIC INFLAMMATORY MYOPATHIES – SKIN SYMPTOMS



**Calcinosis cutis**



**Alopecia**



**Poikiloderma  
atrophicans  
vasculare**



**Livedo reticularis**



# CAM (CANCER ASSOCIATED MYOSITIS)

- Frequency 7-66%
- Relative risk for malignancy
  - 3x in DM
  - 1,3x in PM-ben
- Tumor types: ovarium, breast, lung, colon, endometrium, nasopharyngeal, lymphoma, prostata)
- In time:
  - Before myositis symptoms (> 1 years)
  - **Real paraneoplasia (- 1 – +5 years)**
  - After myositis diagnosis (> 5 years) – role of immunosuppressive therapy?

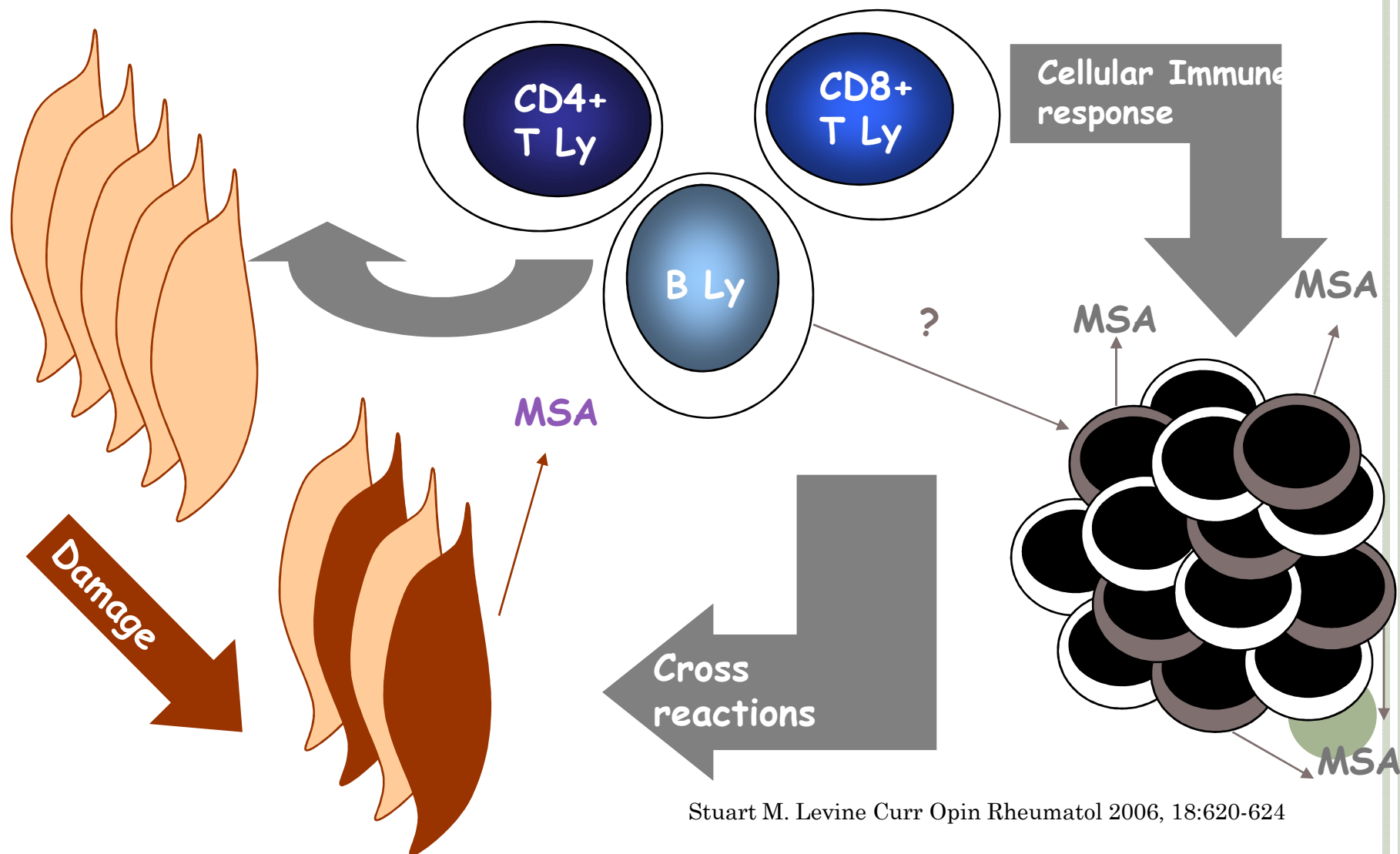
# CAM - ETIOLOGY

- Paraneoplasia
- Cytotoxic/immunesuppressive treatment  
(Methotrexat, cyclophosphamid)
- Common trigger (EBV?)

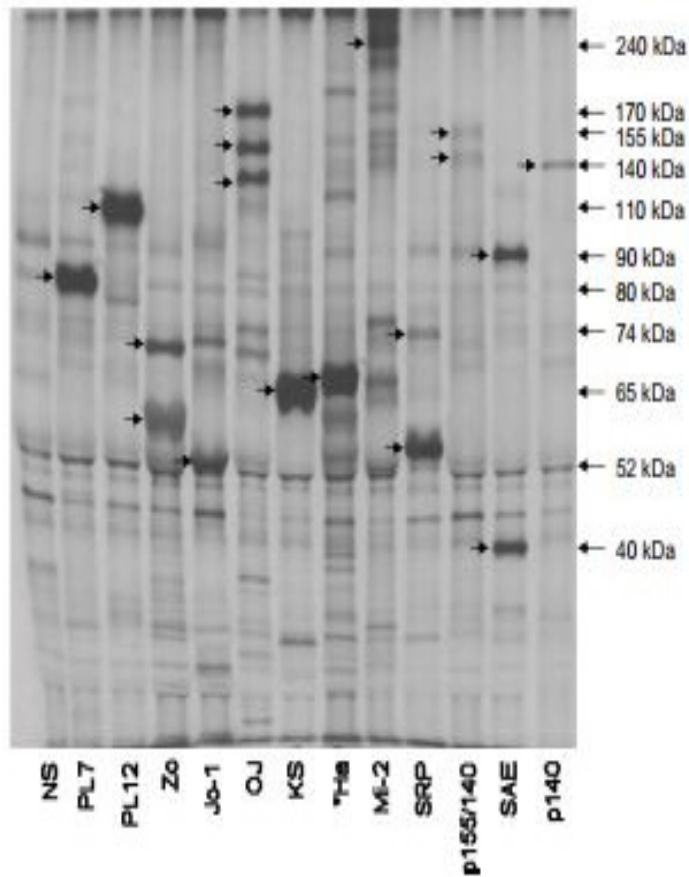




# CROSSOVER IMMUNITY IN CAM



# Anti-TIF1 $\gamma$



- antigen: transcription intermediar factor 1 gamma
  - 155/140kDa protein
- 13–21% in adult and 23–29% in juvenile DM cases
- severe skin symptoms,
- high tumor risk in adults

## OUR STUDY

- Autoantibody analysis from IIM patients' serum (n=202) with ELISA and/or IPP
- Frequency of anti-TIF1 $\gamma$  positivity
- Frequency of TIF1 $\gamma$  negative CAM
- Clinical and lab findings associated with anti-TIF1 $\gamma$  positivity



# PARAMETERS

## ○ Clinical symptoms

- Proximal muscle weakness
- Distal muscle weakness
- Skin rash
- Dysphagia
- Raynaud phenomenon
- Arthralgia
- ILD
- Fever

## ○ Lab results:

- CK and LDH levels
- CRP
- ESR
- ANF positivity
- Tumor markers



# TIF1 $\Gamma$ POSITIVE PATIENTS (N=12)

- CAM n=3
  - Real paraneoplasia in DM (n=1)
  - After myositis diagnosis in DM (n=1) and in PM (n=1)
- Subsets:
  - DM n=7
  - JDM n=4
  - PM n=1
- Gender:
  - Female 75% (n= 9)
  - Male 25 % (n=3)





# TIF1 $\Gamma$ POSITIVE CAM PATIENT – REAL PARANEOPLASIA

- 34 years old, women
- First symptoms in April 2007:
  - Skin rash
  - Muscle weakness
  - Dysphagia
  - Arthralgia
- In July 2007 – ovarium tumor
- Histology: adenocarcinoma with peritoneal metastasis
- Operation and chemotherapy
- She died in November 2007 due to heart failure

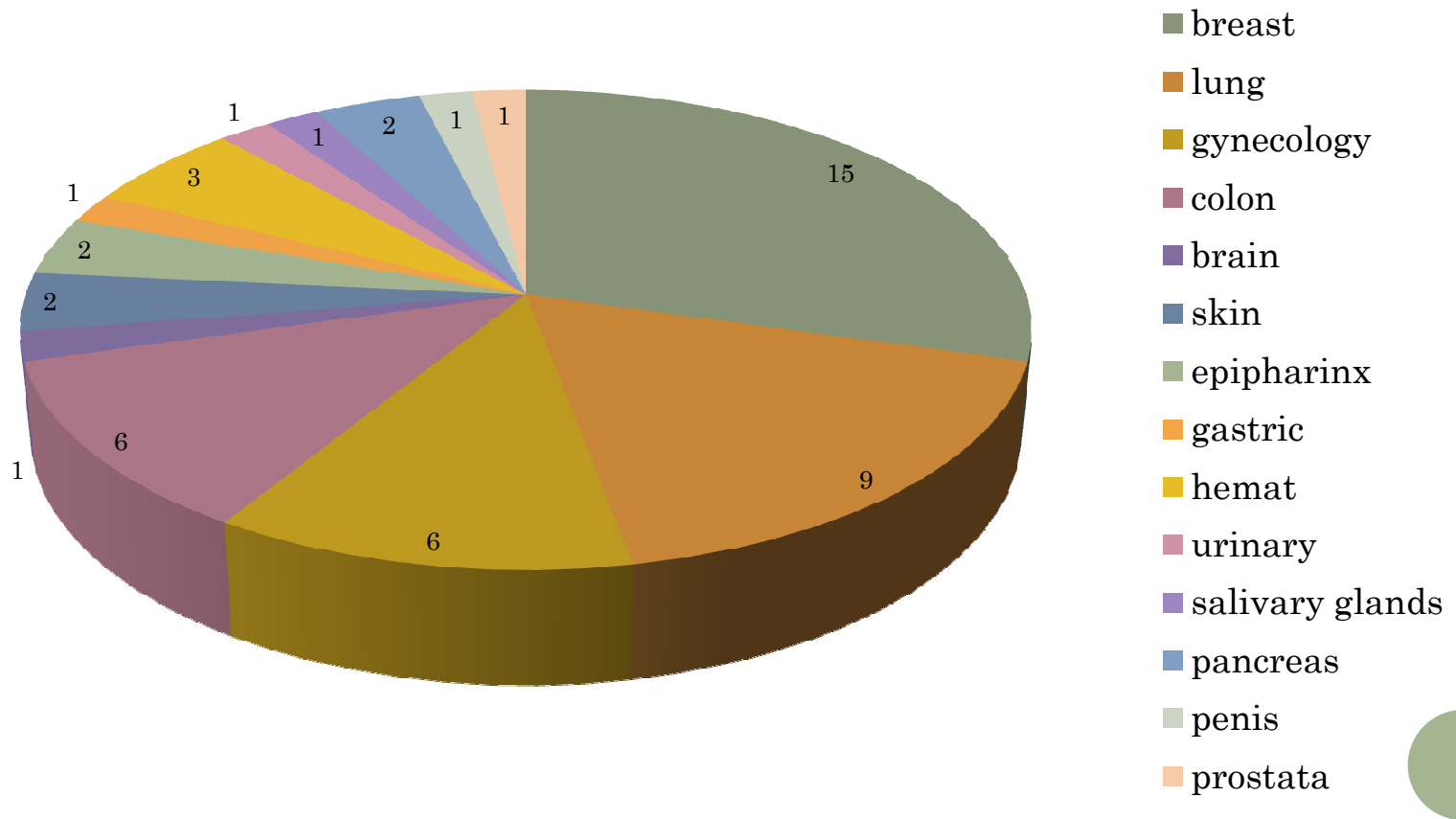


# TIF1 $\Gamma$ NEGATIVE CAM PATIENTS (N=51)

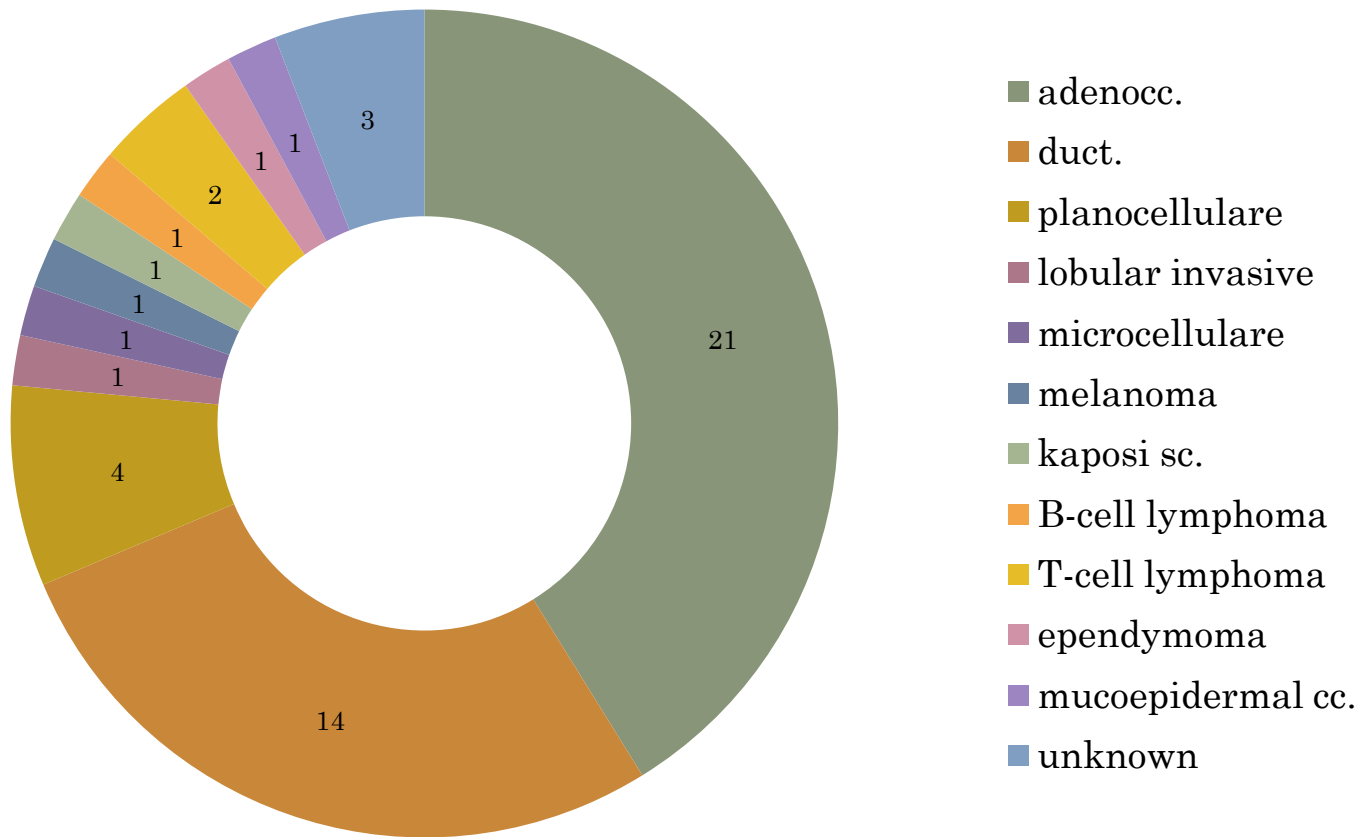
- Subsets:
  - DM(n=33)
  - PM (n=18)
- Gender:
  - Female 68% (n= 35)
  - Male 32 % (n=16)
- In time:
  - real paraneoplasia (n=37) - 5 months
  - before myositis (n=2) - 73,5 months
  - After diagnosis (n=12) – 181 months



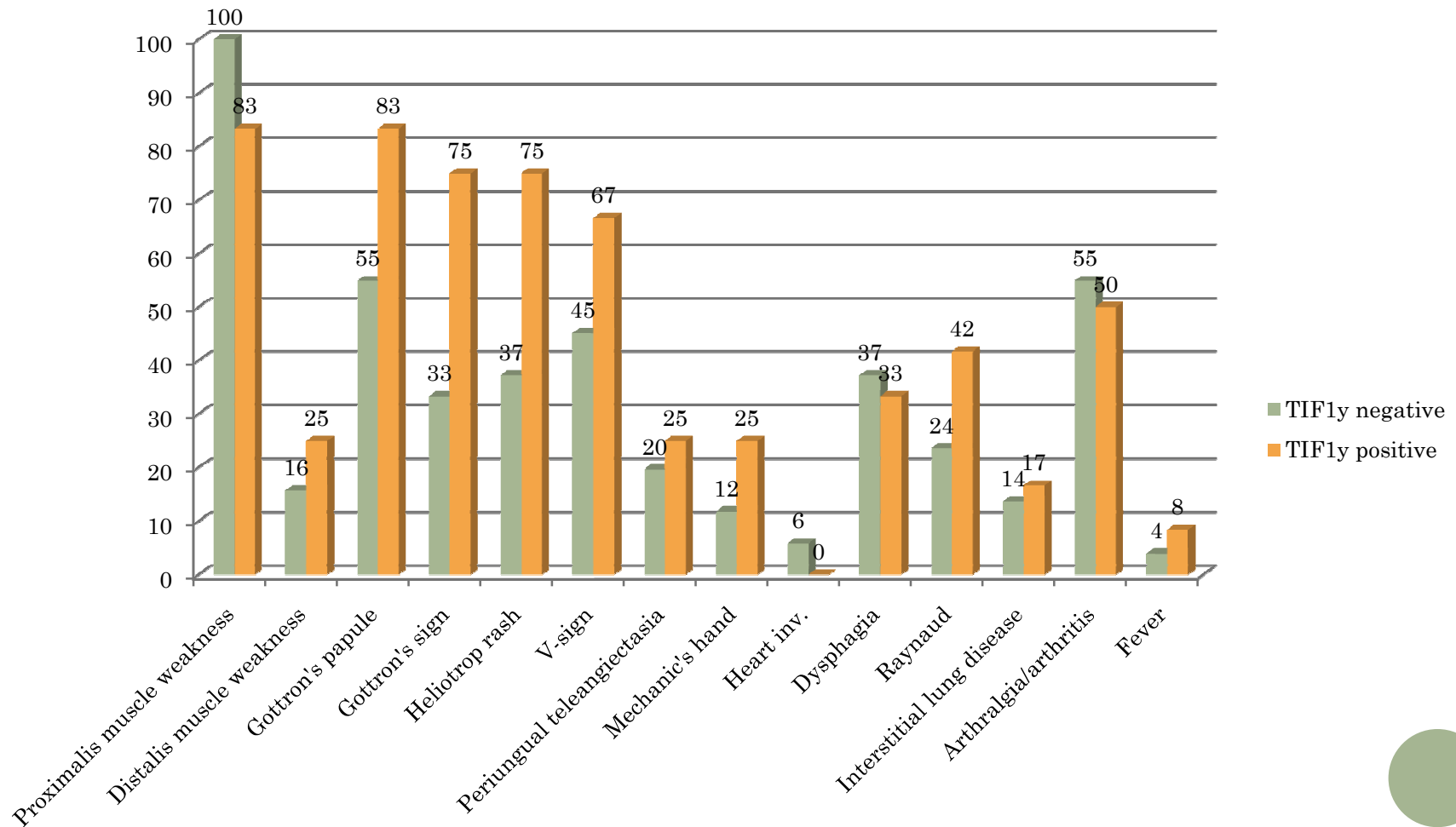
# TIF1 $\Gamma$ NEGATIVE CAM (N=51)



# HISTOLOGY

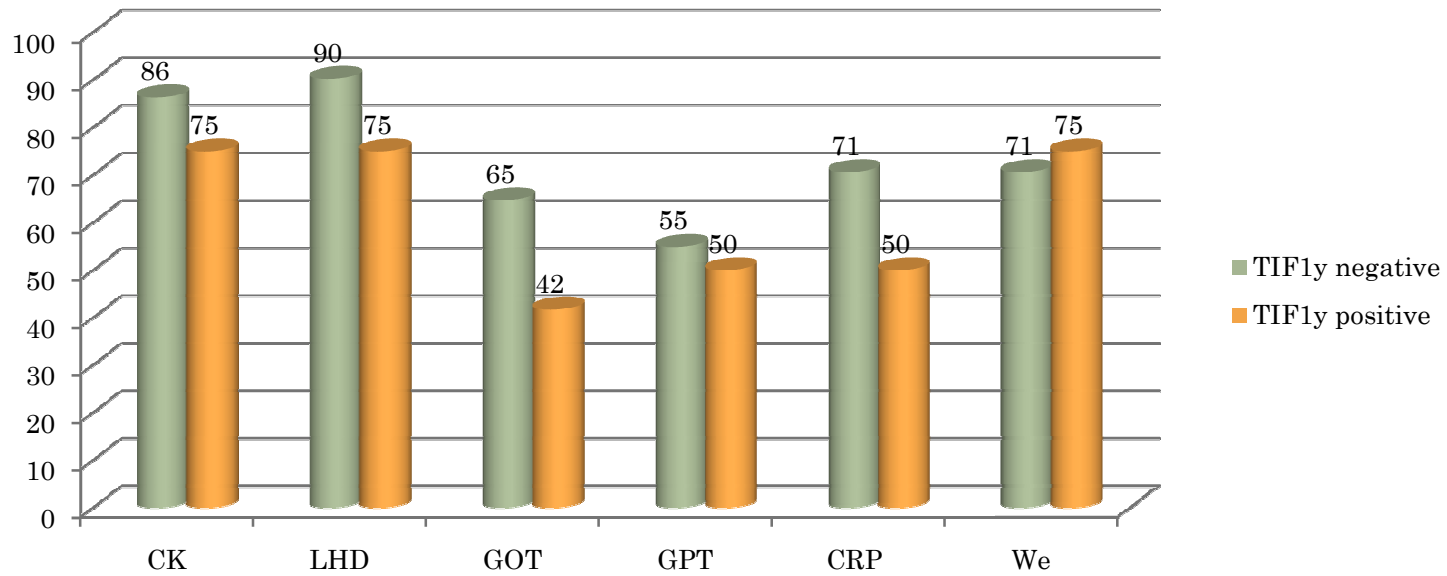


# DIFFERENCES IN CLINICAL SYMPTOMS (%)





# LAB FINDINGS (%)



- No differences in tumor markers
- No differences in other antibodies (ANF, APA)



# CONCLUSION

- TIF1 $\gamma$  positivity is associated with several and severe skin rashes
- Tumor specificity did not confirmed
- Autoantibody tests help us in the diagnosis
- But tumor searching is necessary, specially in DM



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