

Polymyalgia rheumatica

Typically inflammatory girdle (shoulder and pelvic) stiffness and pain

Polymyalgia rheumatica →

Myositis

Muscle weakness Muscle pain
CK elevation

Alarm symptoms:
diaphragm paralysis
Myocarditis
Swallowing troubles
Diplopia
Dyspnea due to respiratory muscle involvement



Myositis →

Myasthenia gravis

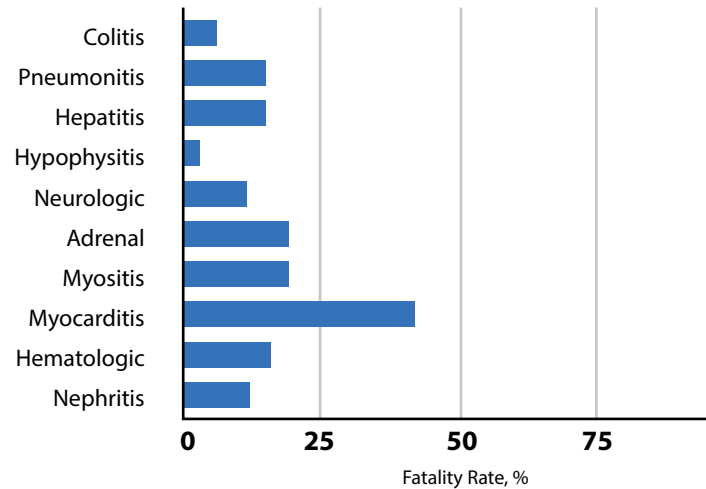
Fluctuating muscle weakness (proximal limb, trunk, ocular, e.g. ptosis/diplopia or bulbar) respiratory muscles may also be involved

Fatigability:
Muscle weakness is induced and aggravated by exercise

Myasthenia gravis →

Abbreviations:

ACPA = anti-citrullinated protein antibody
ANF = anti-nuclear factor
C3/4 = complement factor 3 or 4
CK = creatine kinase
CK MB = creatine kinase muscle
ECG = electrocardiogram
EMG = electromyogram
ICPI = immune checkpoint inhibitor
MRI = magnetic resonance imaging
Pd = per day
PO = per os
Pro-BNP = pro-brain natriuretic peptide
RF = reumafactor
ULN = upper limit of normal



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