RHEUMATOLOGY GRAND ROUNDS

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Yale School of Medicine’s, Department of Internal Medicine,

Section of Rheumatology

**“Update on Imaging in Spondyloarthritis”**

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**Location: 300 Cedar St., TAC Building Room N-203**

**Time: 8:00-9:00 am**

**Course Director/Host: Insoo Kang, MD**

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This course will fulfill the licensure requirement set forth by the State of Connecticut

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**TARGET AUDIENCE**

Department faculty, attending physicians, subspecialty fellows, community physicians, resident house staff, physician assistants and medical students.

**NEEDS ASSESSMENT**

Spondyloarthritis (SpA) is used for a family of disorders, including ankylosing spondylitis (AS), nonradiographic axial spondyloarthritis (nr-axSpA), forms of arthritis associated with psoriasis and with inflammatory bowel diseases, and other conditions. The different forms of SpA share a group of clinical features; the most distinguishing features are inflammation of axial joints (especially the sacroiliac  joints), asymmetric oligoarthritis (especially of the lower extremities), dactylitis (sausage digits), and enthesitis (inflammation at sites of ligamentous or tendon attachment to bone). Axial SpA patients with definite radiographic sacroiliitis usually can be diagnosed with AS, while patients with axial SpA who do not show radiographic changes of sacroiliitis or have only very mild changes are classified as having nr-axSpA

This talk will focus on the challenges and new imaging modalities of diagnosing this condition particularly when patient's have inflammatory symptoms, but no radiographic changes.

**LEARNING OBJECTIVES**

At the conclusion of this activity, participants will be able to:

1. Review the current imaging methods used in diagnosis and monitoring of axial spondyloarthritis.
2. Discuss the new developments in the field of imaging in spondyloarthritis.
3. Discuss how best to use various imaging techniques in spondyloarthritis.

**DESIGNATION STATEMENT**

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**FACULTY DISCLOSURES**

*Speaker:* Abhijeet Danve, MD – Janssen (Advisory Board), Novartis (Consultant & Research Grant)

*Course Director:* Insoo Kang, MD – NONE

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