

What is Axial Spondyloarthritis?

axSpA is a painful chronic inflammatory disease that primarily affects the spine and sacroiliac joints (SIJs)¹

axSpA is an umbrella term for non-radiographic axSpA (nr-axSpA) and radiographic axSpA, also known as Ankylosing Spondylitis (AS)²

Leading symptom:

Inflammatory back pain that improves with exercise, but not with rest¹

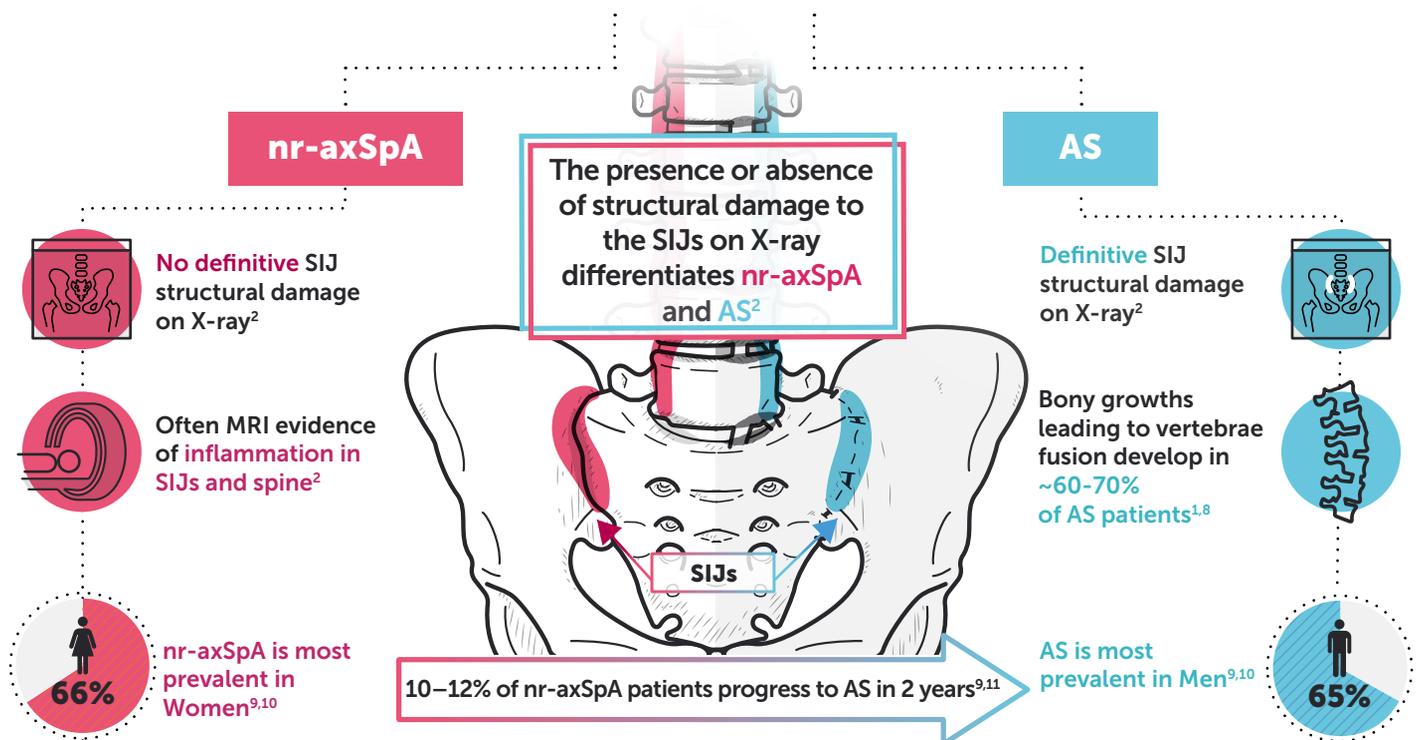
Disease onset:

Usually before the age of 45, often in the 20s^{3,4}

Prevalence:

Similar to Rheumatoid Arthritis, 0.2-1.4% of adults have axSpA^{3,5,6}

axSpA is equally prevalent in both Men and Women^{4,7}



Patients with nr-axSpA and AS share common clinical features^{2,8,11-13} ...

... and experience a significant and similar disease burden²

Uveitis: Eye inflammation

Enthesitis: Inflammation of the points of insertion of tendons and ligaments into bone

Peripheral arthritis

Psoriasis: Skin disease

Inflammatory bowel disease: Chronic inflammation of the digestive tract

Dactylitis: Inflammation of the fingers or toes



... Inflammatory back pain



... Severe stiffness & reduced mobility



... Fatigue & difficulty sleeping



... Decreased quality of life



... Impaired social participation



... Impaired work & home productivity

Abbreviations: axSpA, Axial Spondyloarthritis; nr-axSpA, non-radiographic axSpA; AS, Ankylosing Spondylitis; MRI, magnetic resonance imaging; SIJ, sacroiliac joint



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