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# Clinical Updates on Rheumatoid Arthritis: 2nd Edition

### Message from the Guest Editor

Rheumatoid arthritis (RA) is a chronic inflammatory systemic disease induced by a complex interaction between shared epitope genes, microbiota, innate immune mechanisms, autoimmunity, and environmental factors, including tobacco, that primarily involves synovial joints, but that might also evolve into interstitial lung and cardiovascular diseases, and rarely, vasculitis. In recent years, research progress has highlighted that there may be different RA patterns reflected by biopsy-based biomarkers that are gender-oriented. Furthermore, advances in imaging technology, particularly MRI and ultrasonography, have led to an earlier diagnosis of active and erosive pre-radiographic disease. The discovery of new biomarkers has improved our knowledge regarding the predictivity of the evolution of undifferentiated arthritis in definitive and erosive disorders. Furthermore, the COVID-19 pandemic had severe consequences on the daily practice of patients and complicated the course of the disease, but the use of telemedicine and artificial intelligence has improved the traditional follow-up of RA patients.

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