

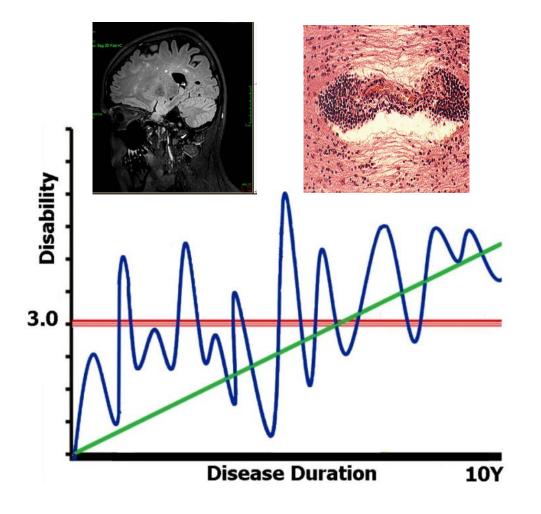
Cytokines profile in acute multiple sclerosis relapses: characterization of pattern and prediction of clinical relapse outcome

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Multiple sclerosis – A devastating disease in young adults

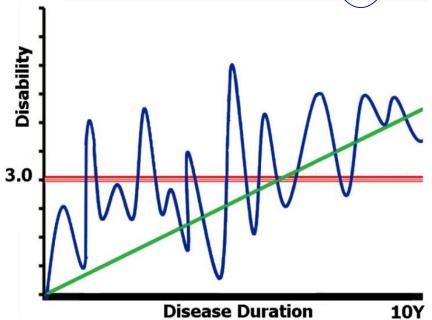
Relapsing-remitting MS (RRMS) occurs in ~85% of patients

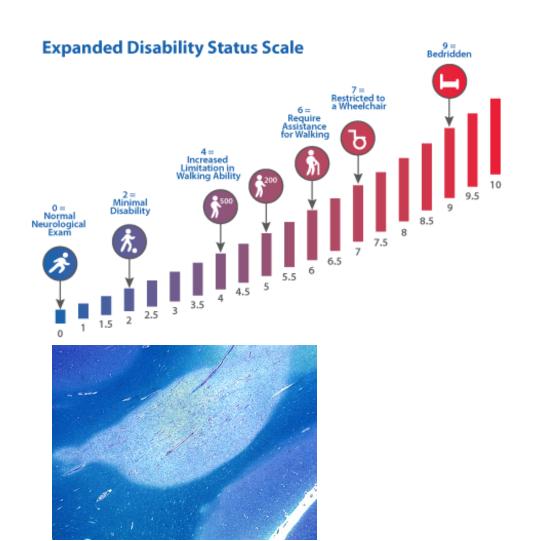


| | At Onset |
|------------|----------|
| Motor | 26.6 |
| Sensory | 25.3 |
| Visual | 21.4 |
| Balance | 14.2 |
| Sphincters | 14.2 |
| Cognition | 1.4 |

MS causing disability progression in young adults

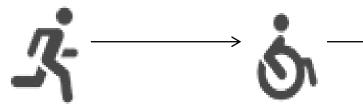
| | At Onset | After 10 to 15 years | |
|------------|----------|----------------------|--|
| Motor | 26.6 | 94.2 | |
| Sensory | 25.3 | 78.2 | |
| Visual | 21.4 | 63.9 | |
| Balance | 14.2 | 71.6 | |
| Sphincters | 14.2 | 71.4 | |
| Cognition | 1.4 | 14.6 | |







The Volcano Eruption of Acute MS Relapse







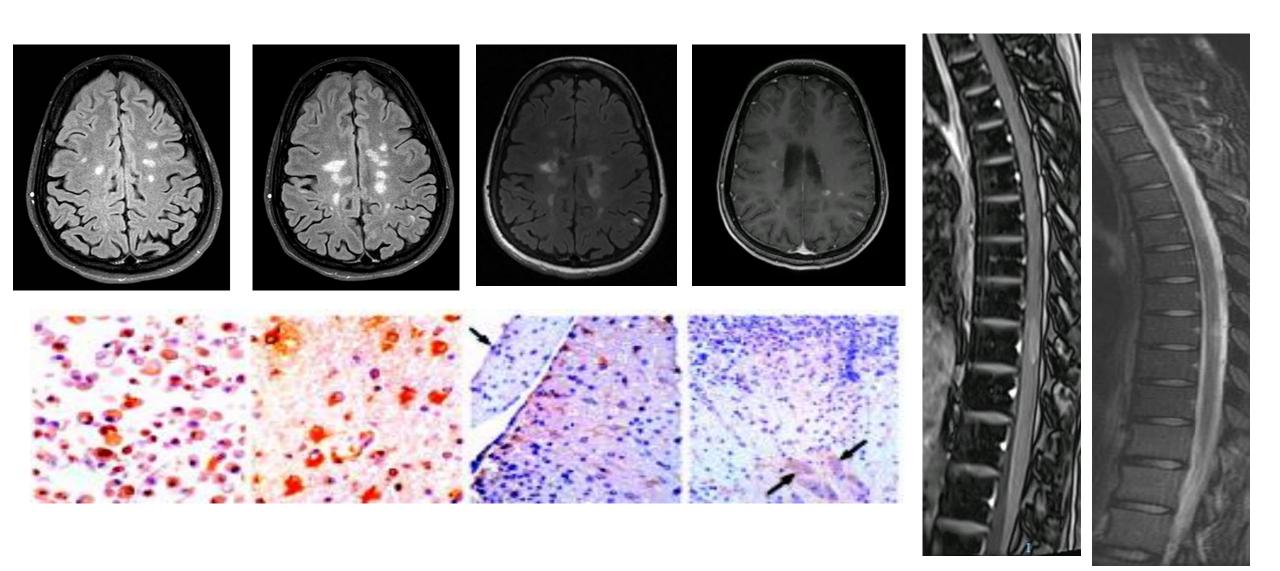




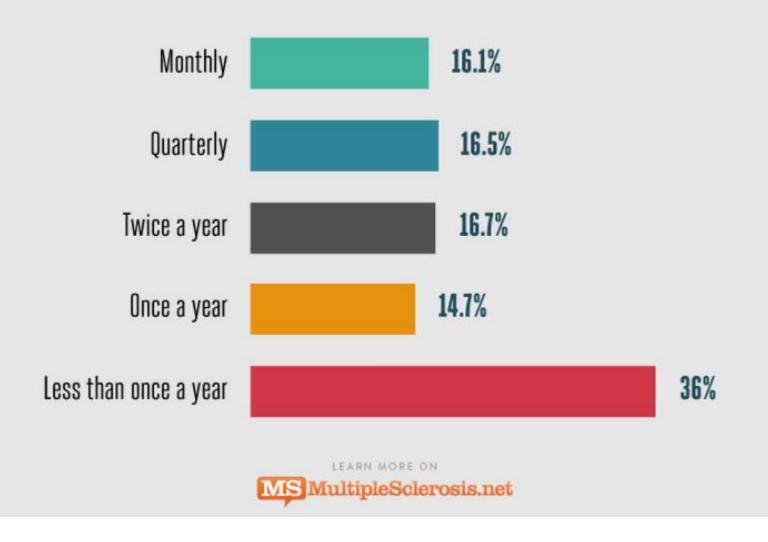
PERSISTENT DAMAGE



Acute Multiple Sclerosis Relapse: Immunological attack in the CNS



How frequently on average do you experience relapses/exacerbations?







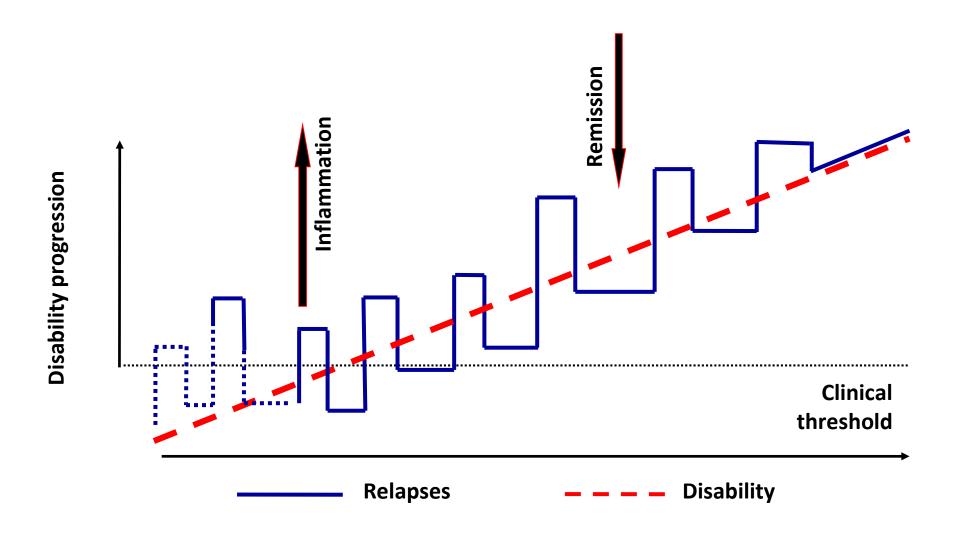
Arrow Project Study

• Aim: Assess cytokines profile in acute multiple sclerosis relapses:

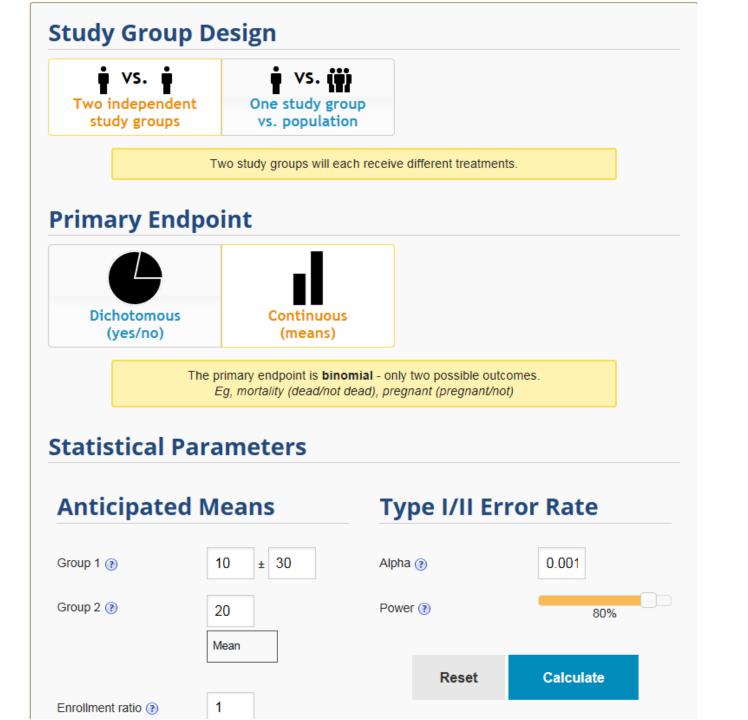
Sample size calculation

- Student role:
 - Characterize relapse time pattern
 - Prediction of clinical relapse outcome

The time pattern of acute MS relapse









Continuous Endpoint, Two Independent Sample Study

| Sample Size | | | | |
|-------------|-----|--|--|--|
| Group 1 | 307 | | | |
| Group 2 | 307 | | | |
| Total | 614 | | | |

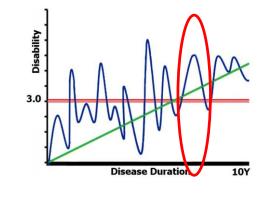
| Study Parameters | | | | |
|------------------|-------|--|--|--|
| Mean, group 1 | 10 | | | |
| Mean, group 2 | 20 | | | |
| Alpha | 0.001 | | | |
| Beta | 0.2 | | | |
| Power | 0.8 | | | |

$$k = rac{n_2}{n_1} = 1$$
 $n_1 = rac{(\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2/K)(z_{1-lpha/2} + z_{1-eta})^2}{\Delta^2}$ $n_1 = rac{(30^2 + 30^2/1)(3.29 + 0.84)^2}{10^2}$ $n_1 = 307$ $n_2 = K * n_1 = 307$

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\begin{array}{l} \Delta = |\mu_2\text{-}\mu_1| = \text{absolute difference between two means} \\ \sigma_1, \, \sigma_2 = \text{variance of mean \#1 and \#2} \\ n_1 = \text{sample size for group \#1} \\ n_2 = \text{sample size for group \#2} \\ \alpha = \text{probability of type I error (usually 0.05)} \\ \beta = \text{probability of type II error (usually 0.2)} \\ z = \text{critical } Z \text{ value for a given } \alpha \text{ or } \beta \\ k = \text{ratio of sample size for group \#2 to group \#1} \end{array}
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What is an acute relapse?

Episodes of acute neurologic function disturbances.



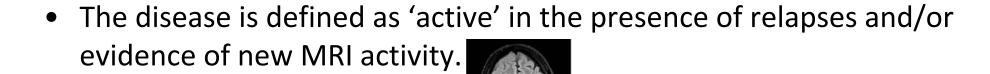
Lasting longer than 24 hours.



Followed by a full recovery (or residual deficits) of at least 30 days.

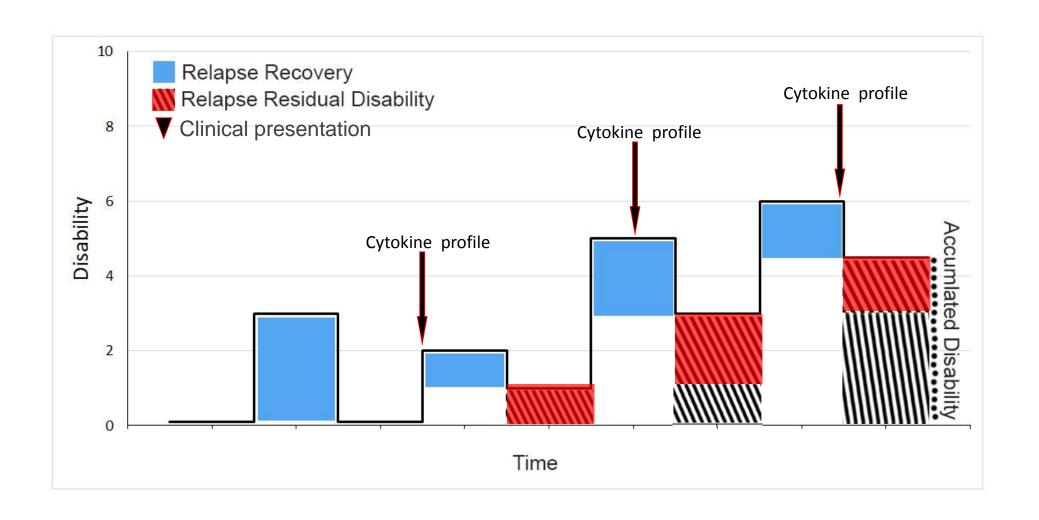


 Periods between disease relapses characterized by a lack of disease progression.



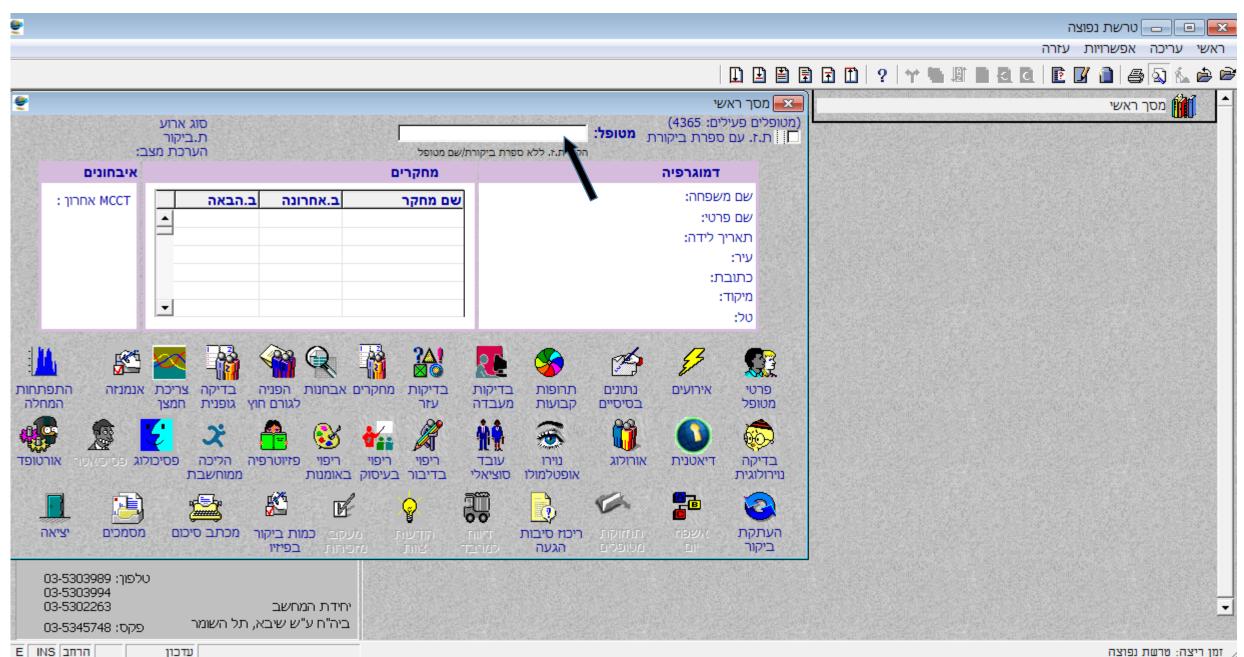


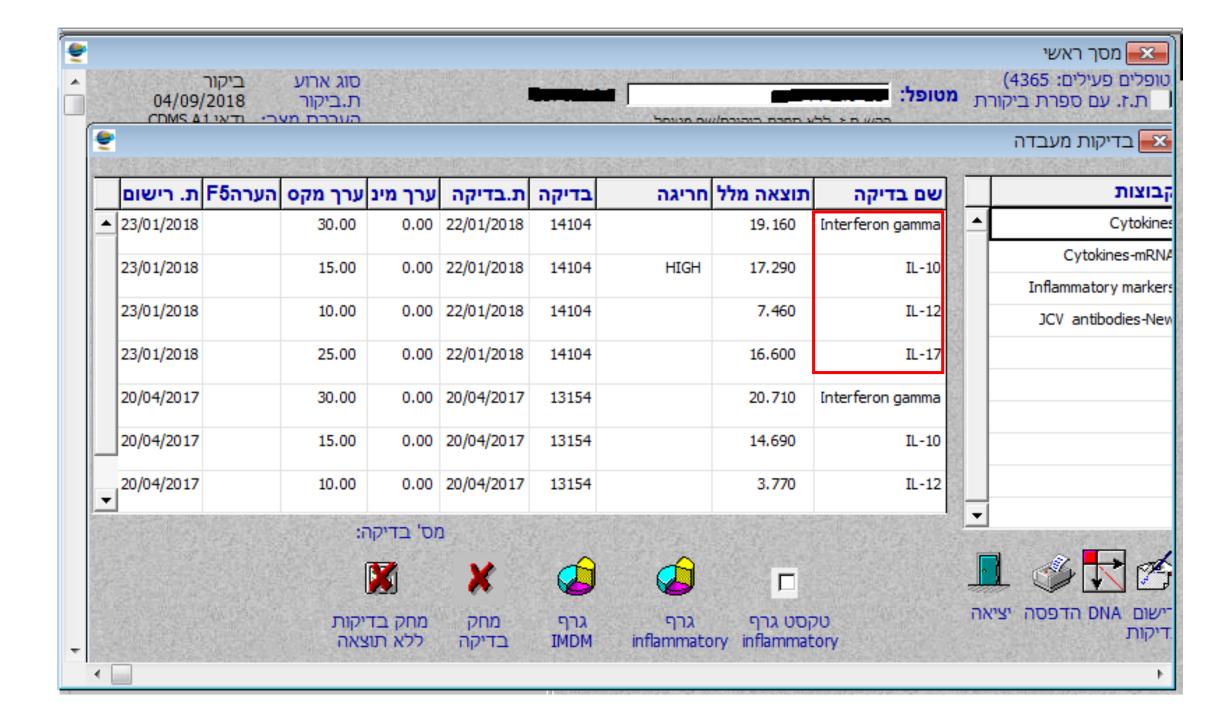
Acute relapses are the major cause that determines disease activity and future disability





My part





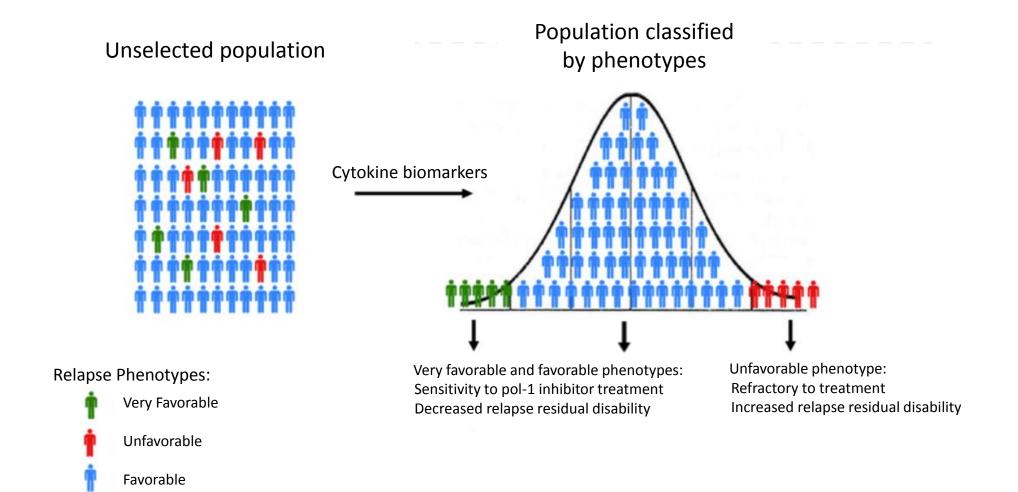
Trying to find a pattern

- The relationship between cytokines in the acute relapse setting.
- Is there a correlation between which cytokines are elevated and the course of the relapse?
- Is there a correlation between certain cytokines or their levels to the severity of the relapse?





Prediction of Acute relapse outcome by cytokinerelated biomarkers





THANK YOU!

