

Table 3

ASAS classification criteria for axial spondyloarthritis (SpA) in patients with back pain for ≥ 3 months and age at onset < 45 years¹

Sacroiliitis on imaging* plus ≥ 1 SpA feature

OR

HLA-B27 plus ≥ 2 other SpA features†

SpA features†

- Inflammatory back pain
- Arthritis
- Enthesitis (heel)
- Uveitis
- Dactylitis
- Psoriasis
- Crohn's disease/ulcerative colitis
- Good response to NSAIDs
- Family history of SpA
- HLA-B27
- Elevated CRP

Sacroiliitis on imaging*

- Active (acute) inflammation on MRI highly suggestive of sacroiliitis associated with SpA
- Definite radiographic sacroiliitis according to modified New York criteria