



Epidemiology



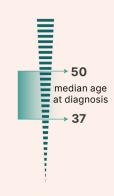
Estimate of the global prevalence of SLE



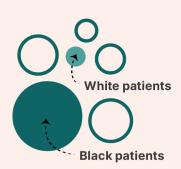
Tropical Latin America reports the highest prevalence¹



per 100,000 people (more common in females)

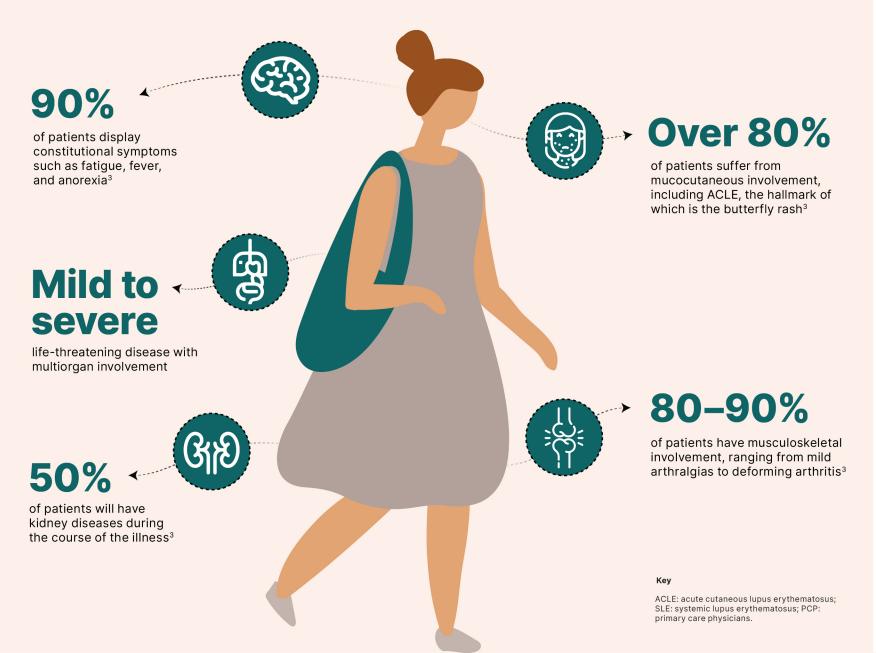


Onset of symptoms usually during childbearing years

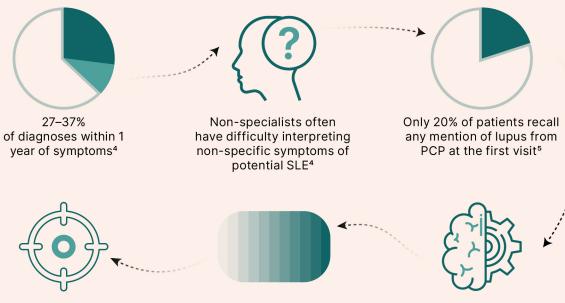


Highest and lowest incidence rate in population groups²

Clinical Manifestations

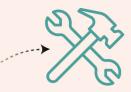


The Implications of Lupus Diagnosis Ambiguity and Recommendations for the Future



Reduce diagnostic delay so that targeted therapies can be initiated early, reducing long term damage⁴ Adopting a spectrum definition of lupus could help address diagnosis-related challenges⁴ Diagnosis relies heavily on the adaptation of SLE classification criteria, clinical judgement, and probabilistic diagnostic reasoning⁴

Next steps in improving diagnosis:



Implement provider training and provide tools to improve patient care



Send alerts and resources on the latest developments



Conduct prevention trials to understand whether biomarkers can contribute to earlier diagnosis⁴



Leverage emerging research and work with global regulatory health agencies to expand the definition of lupus⁴



Develop a clear pathway for referral from PCP to specialist⁴

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