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- 9. სტატიას თან უნდა ახლდეს: ა) დაწესებულების ან სამეცნიერო ხელმძღვანელის წარდგინება, დამოწმებული ხელმოწერითა და ბეჭდით; ბ) დარგის სპეციალისტის დამოწმებული რეცენზია, რომელშიც მითითებული იქნება საკითხის აქტუალობა, მასალის საკმაობა, მეთოდის სანდოობა, შედეგების სამეცნიერო-პრაქტიკული მნიშვნელობა.
- 10. სტატიის ბოლოს საჭიროა ყველა ავტორის ხელმოწერა, რომელთა რაოდენობა არ უნდა აღემატებოდეს 5-ს.
- 11. რედაქცია იტოვებს უფლებას შეასწოროს სტატია. ტექსტზე მუშაობა და შეჯერება ხდება საავტორო ორიგინალის მიხედვით.
- 12. დაუშვებელია რედაქციაში ისეთი სტატიის წარდგენა, რომელიც დასაბეჭდად წარდგენილი იყო სხვა რედაქციაში ან გამოქვეყნებული იყო სხვა გამოცემებში.

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# EVALUATION OF SERUM LEVELS OF INTERLEUKIN-6, FETUIN-A, LIPOCALIN-2, AND C-REACTIVE PROTEIN IN RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS PATIENTS

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# Abstract.

**Background:** Several biochemical factors have increasingly been reported as diagnostic tools associated with certain diseases. C-reactive protein (CRP) has been widely accepted as a systemic inflammatory marker, nonetheless, non-specificity remains innocent for diagnosis. Hence looking for alternative supportive more specific diagnostic markers was subjective for continuous research.

**Aim:** Identifying whether Interleukin-6, Fetuin-A, and Lipocalin-2 (LCN-2) could have a potential contribution to rheumatoid arthritis (RA) prognosis and diagnosis. **Methods:** RA patients were recruited, and equally matched control healthy individuals were assigned for comparison. Blood was withdrawn and serum was separated and stored at -80 for future analysis. Target parameters were measured including Interleukin-6, Fetuin-A, LCN-2, and CRP.

**Results:** The outcome has revealed potentially significant differences between measured parameters in RA patients compared to the control group, Fetuin, LCN-2, and CRP were significantly (P<0.0) elevated. Conclusion: The measured parameters could be considered as additional parameters for the diagnosis and prognosis of a patient with rheumatoid arthritis.

**Key words.** Interleukin-6, Fetuin-A, Lipocalin-2, C-reactive protein, Rheumatoid arthritis.

# Introduction.

Rheumatoid arthritis (RA) is a progressive inflammatory ailment of illusive etiology with a systemic inflammatory response that affects 1% of the world's population [1,2]. Perhaps, RA characterized by chronic synovial inflammation targeting joints, usually several joints at the same time. The hand, wrist, and knee joints are usually affected by RA [3]. Joints that have RA have inflammation of the joint lining, which damage the joint tissue. This tissue damage can lead to instability (loss of balance), severe or persistent pain, and deformity (misalignment) [4]. It may also be associated with B-cell-induced antibody and T-cell immune responses. 2-Heremans Schmid glycoprotein is another name for fetuin-A (AHSG). The human AHSG gene, with a molecular weight of 60 kDa, is located on chromosome 3q27 and encodes a phosphorylated glycoprotein [5]. It is a plentiful plasma protein that is primarily produced by hepatocytes and discharged into serum, where it is highly concentrated. It has been demonstrated that fetuin-A serves as either a positive or negative acute-phase protein (APP) in pathogenic circumstances [6]. Fetuin-A is considered an inflammatory marker because it has been shown to promote the expression of inflammatory cytokines in adipocytes and macrophages as a positive acutephase protein (APP) [7]. On the other hand, Fetuin-A glycoprotein has been found to have anti-inflammatory or protective effects in various disease states, including infection, sepsis, ischemic brain injury [8], endotoxemia, trauma, autoimmune diseases, and Alzheimer's disease [9].

Fetuin-A prevents the growth and precipitation of alkaline calcium phosphate and apatite precursor minerals (BCP). Without affecting bone mineralization, it prevents unwanted calcification in blood circulation [10]. The resistance mechanism of plasma proteins to apatite production is significantly reduced after the targeted depletion of fetuin-A in the serum. Numerous immune system cells, both innate and adaptive, create small peptides known as cytokines, and their main function is to regulate the development and behavior of immune effector cells [11].

A number of different cell types, including dendritic cells, macrophages, Kupffer cells, and endothelial cells, synthesize the pleiotropic cytokine interleukin-6 (IL-6) [12]. Due to its ability to stimulate macrophages, monocytes, and natural killer and, together with IL-12, induce Th1-type responses, activation of vascular smooth muscle, dendritic cells and Kupffer cells is directly implicated in innate and adaptive immune responses [13]. Thus, depending on the local cytokine environment, IL-6 can act as a cofactor in the formation of Th1 and Th2 cells [13].

Hydrophobic small molecules are transported by neutrophil gelatinase-associated lipocalin (LCN-2), a 25 kDa secreted glycoprotein initially found in active neutrophils [14]. During inflammation and injury, in addition to neutrophils, NGAL may be released by renal tubular cells, macrophages, epithelial cells, adipocytes, and hepatocytes [15].

This study intends to compare the serum concentrations of fetuin-A, interleukin-18, LCN-2, and C-reactive protein in patients who are suffering from rheumatoid arthritis and the healthy individuals who are included in the control group.

## Materials and methods.

The target population for the trial was a total of 100 patients with confirmed rheumatoid arthritis who were identified at baseline using the ACR/EULAR 2010 RA classification criteria. All the participants of the study were between the ages of forty-one to sixty-four years old.

The total target population of the study was divided into two groups, based on the incidence of the disease. Group one was named the RA group, which included the participants with diagnosed RA. Furthermore, the second group included healthy individuals. The control group consisted of 100 subjects of similar geographic and socioeconomic origin, matched for sex and age, but without RA. blood donors from Kirkuk Blood Transfusion Center were used as healthy controls.

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After sampling, the serum is centrifuged to separate it from the cells and stored frozen at -20°. Blood was drawn in dry test tubes. The latex agglutination technique was used to estimate rheumatoid factor (RF). The Westergren method was used to assess the erythrocyte sedimentation rate (ESR) [16]. Commercial ELISA kits from MBL Medical and Biological Laboratories, Japan were used to detect serum levels of IL-6, fetuin-A, and LCN-2according to the manufacturer's instructions.

# Results.

The patient group consisted of 55 men and 45 women with a mean age (of  $46.38\pm11.81$ ) years and a mean disease duration of around zero to ten years. The control group consisted of 100 healthy volunteers, sixty-four men and thirty-six women with a mean age of  $47.84\pm10.80$  years. 93 cases involved RF, while only 7 cases involved negative results (Table 1). RA criteria were used to diagnose RA in these individuals based on the American College of Rheumatology and European League Against Rheumatism collaborated [17].

Significant differences in diagnostic tests for rheumatoid arthritis, including RF, anti-CCP antibody, and ESR concentrations. The recorded values were as follows, RF (IU/mL) was 545.4 in the RA group, and 8 in the control group. Anti-CCP Antibody was 0.32 in the controlled group, and 545.4 in the RA group, and ESR (mm/h) was 11.1 in the controlled group and 53.7 in the RA group (Table 2).

The values of Fetuin-A (pg/ml) were  $470 \pm 320$  in the RA group and 278 (SD  $\pm$  177) in the control group. The LCN-2 (ng/ml) was 67.13 (SD  $\pm$  58.71) in the RA group, and in the control group, the value was 45.82 (SD  $\pm$  31.01). The Interleukin 6 (pg/ml) was 5.27 (SD  $\pm$ 1.23) in the controlled group and  $6.21\pm1.91$  in the RA group. The HDL-cholesterol (mg/dl) was 48.77 (SD  $\pm$ 1.31) in the control group and 52.1 (SD  $\pm$ 1.31). Lastly, the recorded Triglycerides (mg/dl) were 97 (SD  $\pm$ 1.3) in the controlled group and  $94\pm1.3$  in the RA group (Figure 1).

# Discussion.

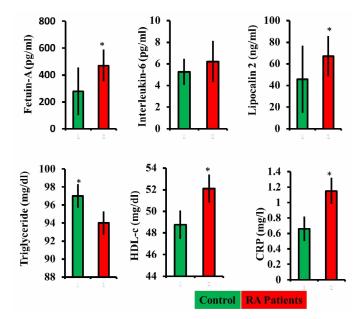
The main finding of this study was that AR patients have significantly higher fetuin-A, LCN-2, CRP, and HDL levels than healthy controls. Triglycerides have significantly reduced in RA patients compared to control. IL-6 level has shown no changes between patients and the control group. A small selection of studies on fetuin-A in RA has produced conflicting findings. Fetuin-A levels were reported to be reduced in RA by

Table 1. Clinical information about healthy controls and patients with RA.

Group	RA (n=100)	Control (n=100)
Age (years)	$46.38 \pm 11.81$	$47.84 \pm 10.80$
Sex (F/M)	45/55	36/64

**Table 2.** Biochemical parameters of study groups.

Group	Control	RA
RF (IU/mL)	8	545.4
Anti-CCP Antibody (RU/mL)	0.32	75.02
ESR (mm/h)	11.1	53.7



**Figure.1.** Biomolecules profile in RA patients compared to control group. Data expressed as mean $\pm$ SD, \*p<0.05.

HDL-c=High-density lipoprotein cholesterol, CRP=C-reactive protein.

Sato et al. [18]. Nevertheless, this research did not account for the potential impact of corticosteroid use on fetuin-A levels. According to Biswas et al. [19], RA patients had considerably greater fetuin-A levels in their synovial fluid than those in the control group. The current investigation found that RA patients' fetuin-A levels were not statistically significantly higher than those of the peripheral spondyloarthritis and control groups.

Regardless of the disease's severity, the elevated fetuin-A marker in RA raises the possibility that the condition is linked to vascular calcification or atherosclerosis. This could also confirm our results of the elevated plasma triglyceride levels with concomitant elevation of HDL in RA patients compared to the control group [20].

IL-6 has shown non-significant elevation in RA patients compared to the control group. Effects of IL 6 on disease activity, general complaints, and activation are evident in the aetiology of RA [21]. Additionally, research suggests that IL 6 might function as a biomarker for the foretelling of structural damage [21,22]. It is yet unknown what causes the elevated serum of RA patients to rise. IL6 values were not significantly greater than the control group in our investigation, nevertheless. A considerable rise in IL6 values in patients with high disease severity is indicated by elevated IL6 levels in the high disease activity and the significant link with ESR.

Despite the complicated aetiology of RA, the involvement of IL-1, IL-6, and LCN-2 is reported. A glycoprotein called LCN-2—also known as "neutrophil gelatinase-associated lipocalin"—was initially isolated from the renal cells of mice and people. Its participation in inflammation is indicated by the tissue distribution and expression of LCN-2 in neutrophils, bone marrow, and tissues exposed to pathogens, including the trachea, lung, stomach, salivary gland, and colon [23]. Lipopolysaccharide (LPS) and TNF- are the two potent inducers of LCN-2 synthesis in neutrophils, and LCN-2 secretion is

closely regulated by infection and the induction of inflammation [24].

In our study, RA patients had greater LCN-2 values than healthy patients. Parallel findings were made by Katano et al. [25], who discovered that RA patients had greater plasma LCN-2 values than osteoarthritis patients compared to healthy controls. However, negative outcomes were also mentioned [26]. Moreover, an alternative study conducted by Gulkesen et al. (2017), who have elucidated that LCN-2 is reciprocally matched with the severity of the RA indicated by fluctuation of plasma concentration of LCN-2 obtained in mild or moderate RA compared to severe cases. In addition to these factors, several other cytokines should be considered for inflammation regulation including IL-4, IL-8, IL-10, and IL-13[27,28]

Nevertheless, other parameters need to be considered, such as vitamin D deficiency [29] and osteoporosis [30]. Tissue hypoxia leads to cytokine profile modulation or cellular behaviour change [31-34].

# Conclusion.

Future thorough investigations will reveal more about the key roles played by Feutin-A and IL-6 in the human inflammatory cascade. The results of our study could spotlight on the pathogenesis, diagnosis, and treatment of joint arthritis. But further investigation appears to be required for better understanding. The protein fetuin A has the possibility to be employed both as a joint treatment follow-up tool and as an indicator of the illness. So, in order to get the right strategy to the patient's sickness and therapy, as well as for other inflammatory conditions, we should be aware of the fetuin A as a marker of functioning. The assessment of LCN-2, IL-6, and Feutin A serum levels as a diagnostic tool in the etiological agent of joint diseases is also anticipated to be confirmed by further clinical research. Combining the determination of these parameters with a clinical evaluation of the patients increases the likelihood of both identifying the condition even in an initial point and minimizing the necessity for additional joint preservation techniques like complete arthroplasty.

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