

On-line Table: Demographic and clinical characteristics of patients with MS and healthy controls enrolled at 7 European centers

Group	Center I		Center II		Center III		Center IV		Center V		Center VI		Center VII		P ^a	P ^b	P ^c
	HC	MS	HC	MS	HC	MS	HC	MS	HC	MS	HC	MS	HC	MS			
Men/women	3/6	4/4	2/5	3/6	9/3	5/2	4/5	3/4	4/6	3/7	3/5	3/8	2/8	1/9	.2 ^d	.2 ^d	.7
Mean age (SD) (yr)	45.2 (6.7)	49.3 (4.5)	28.2 (6.7)	35.0 (8.2)	34.6 (6.3)	37.8 (9.5)	32.2 (5.0)	39.4 (9.7)	33.8 (8.2)	37.4 (8.3)	34.8 (10.5)	38.8 (7.9)	39.7 (12.5)	39.7 (6.2)	.004	.01	.006
Median EDSS (range)	3.5 (2.0–4.0)			1.5 (1.0–4.0)		2.5 (0.0–3.5)		2.0 (1.0–4.0)		1.5 (1.0–4.0)		1.5 (1.0–6.0)		1.5 (1.0–4.0)		.01	
Mean disease duration (SD) (yr)	7.3 (4.4)			6.3 (2.6)		10.0 (7.3)		4.4 (2.4)		7.3 (9.1)		12.3 (7.9)		8.1 (4.3)		.17	
Patients who were CP/CI		4/4		8/1		5/2		3/4		4/6		6/5		9/1		.1 ^d	

^a ANOVA models for site heterogeneity in control subjects.

^b ANOVA models for site heterogeneity in patients with MS.

^c ANOVA models for site heterogeneity in main effect of group (ie, difference between controls and patients with MS).

^d Pearson χ^2 test.