

central joints may determine the outcome for the patient, and should be taken into account also in therapy. Effusion of the hip joint can also be detected by MRI or CT (8). However, ultrasonography is a relatively cheap and quick method, which can also be used by rheumatologists in daily practice.

It should be a routine method in rheumatological clinics. Hip joint ultrasonography is indicated when the patient has pain in the hips or, especially, if the inward rotation is

limited. Intra-articular glucocorticoid therapy is widely used in the peripheral joints. Experiences of injection therapy of the hip joints are limited, but in principle, it is indicated in active synovitis. The anechogenic joint space decreased significantly after intra-articular glucocorticoid treatment (6), probably indicating a therapeutic effect. Ultrasonography is also of great help in the orientation of the hip joint puncture.

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