IDIOPATHIC INTERSTITIAL PNEUMONIAS: CLASSIFICATION, DIFFERENTIAL DIAGNOSIS

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Summary

Major statements of international agreement on classification of idiopathic interstitial pneumonias which includes idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis, nonspecific interstitial pneumonia, cryptogenic organizing pneumonia, acute interstitial pneumonia, bronchiolitis obliterance, associated with interstitial lung disease, desquamative interstitial pneumonia and lymphoid interstitial pneumonia, developed by European respiratory and American thoracic societies experts, were presented in this article. Clinical, radiological and pathological characteristics of each nosological form were presented. The recommendations for practical use of classification and for differential diagnosis of idiopathic interstitial pneumonias were made.