

Supplementary Table S1. Results of linear regression with number of drugs as the dependent variable and variables which showed a $p < 0.15$ in the univariate analysis as independent ones.

Model	Unstandardised coefficients	Standardised coefficients	Standard error	<i>t</i>	<i>p</i>	95% confidence interval for B	
	B	Beta				lower bound	upper bound
(Constant)	-2.73		2.04	-1.33	0.186	-6.8	1.34
Age	0.07	0.3	0.03	2.93	0.004	0.02	0.13
Hip girdle pain	-1.5	-0.28	0.55	-2.75	0.008	-2.6	-0.41
MS (min)	0	0.04	0	0.36	0.717	-0	0.01
MS	1.36	0.25	0.6	2.29	0.025	-0.18	2.55
Fever	-1.5	-0.25	0.6	-2.48	0.015	-2.7	-0.3
MTX	0.82	0.13	0.56	1.47	0.146	-0.29	1.94

Supplementary Table S2. Results of linear regression with RDCI as the dependent variable and variables which showed a $p < 0.15$ in the univariate analysis as independent ones.

Model	Unstandardised coefficients	Standardised coefficients	Standard error	<i>t</i>	<i>p</i>	Standardised interval for B	
	B	Beta				lower bound	upper bound
(Constant)	-3.55		1.19	-2.98	0.004	-5.92	-1.17
Age	0.05	0.36	0.01	3.64	<0.001	0.02	0.08
Weight	-0	-0.03	0	-0.34	0.738	-0	0
MS (min)	0	0.18	0	1.87	0.065	-0	0.01
WBC count	0.14	0.26	0.05	2.61	0.011	0.03	0.25
Fever	-0.76	-0.23	0.33	-2.3	0.024	-1.42	-0.1