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## **ABBREVIATIONS USED**

ANA	Antinuclear antibody
CNS	Central Nervous system
DLC	Differential Leucocyte Count
ECG	Electrocardiogram
EEG	Electroencephalogram
ESR	Erythrocyte sedimentation Rate
HLA	Human Leucocyte Antigen
ITAM	Immune-receptor tyrosine-based activation motif
ITIM	Immune-receptor tyrosine-based inhibition motif
KIR	Killer Immunoglobulin-like Receptor
LIR	Leukocyte Immunoglobulin-like Receptor
LRC	Leukocyte Receptor Complex
MHC	Major Histocompatibility Complex
NCR	Natural cytotoxic receptor
NK	Natural Killer
NSAIDS	Non Steroidal Anti inflammatory Drugs
SLE	Systemic Lupus Erythematosus
TLC	Total Leucocyte Count
TLR	Toll Like receptor