Table I: The 1987 Revised criteria for the Classification of Rheumatoid Arthritis

Criteria: At least 4 of 7 criteria need to be fulfilled; Criteria 1- 4 must
be present for at least 6 weeks
1.Morning stiffness of joints lasting at least one hour
2. Arthritis (swelling) of ≥3 joints (PIP, MCP, wrist, elbow, knee, ankle, MTP)
3. Arthritis (swelling) of ≥ 1 hand joint (wrist, MCP, PIP)
4. Bilateral and same joint involvement (at least 2)

- 5. Rheumatoid nodules
- 6. Positive rheumatoid factor (RF)7. Erosive changes on hand and wrist radiographs