

ACR Criteria for Classification of Systemic Lupus Erythematosus

1. Malar rash	Flat or raised erythema, often sparing the nasolabial folds
2. Discoid rash	Raised erythematous patches with keratotic scaling, follicular plugging, and atrophic scarring
3. Photosensitivity	By patient history or physician observation
4. Oral ulcers	Oral or nasopharyngeal ulceration, usually painless
5. Nonerosive arthritis	Involving ≥ 2 peripheral joints, with tenderness and swelling
6. Pleuritis or Pericarditis	Pleuritic pain or rub or evidence of pleural effusion Confirmed by ECG, rub or evidence of pericardial effusion
7. Renal disorder	Persistent proteinuria > 0.5 g per day; <i>OR</i> Cellular casts (RBC, granular, mixed)
8. Neurologic disorder	Seizures - in the absence of other causes or drugs; <i>OR</i> Psychosis - in the absence of other causes or drugs
9. Hematologic disorder	Hemolytic anemia - with reticulocytosis; <i>OR</i> Leukopenia: $< 4000/$ mm; <i>OR</i> Lymphopenia: $< 1500/$ mm; <i>OR</i> Thrombocytopenia: $< 100,000/$ mm
10. Immunologic disorder	Positive anti-DNA; <i>OR</i> positive anti-Sm; <i>OR</i> positive test for antiphospholipid antibodies
11. Positive ANA	By immunofluorescence or ELISA, at any point in time