

Guide to Nailfold Capillaroscopy Scoring

Capillary number			
0	1	2	3
> 9 capillaries / 1mm	< 33% of capillary reduction = 7-9 capillaries/mm	33-66% of capillary reduction = 4-6 capillaries/mm	>66% of capillary reduction = 1-3 capillaries/mm

Irregularly enlarged capillaries/Giant capillaries/Microhaemorrhages/Ramifications/Disorganisation (refers to total number of capillaries in 1mm)			
0	1	2	3
No capillary alterations	< 33% of capillary alterations	33-66% of capillary alterations	> 66% of capillary alterations

Eg:

Report

**Early SC Pattern : Capillary count preserved, 2Giants and 1 Haemorrhage, No ramification
CL0-G1-H1-R0**

**Active pattern : Mild capillary loss (6) with present of Giant capillaries(3)with haemorrhages(1), but no remification
consistent with active Scleroderma pattern
CL2-G2-H1-R0**

**Late pattern: Severe loss of capillaries(3) with ramification(3), no giant and haemorrhages consistent with late scleroderma
pattern CL3-G0-H0-R3**

