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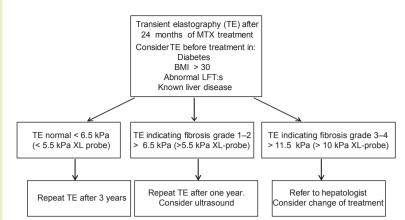


Fig. S2. A proposal for a flowchart for the use of transient elastography (TE) in clinical practice. We propose that TE is performed after 24 months of MTX treatment. If TE is normal, it can be repeated after 3 years. If TE indicates mild liver fibrosis we recommend a new TE in a year if the patient continuous with MTX. If TE indicates severe liver fibrosis we recommend referring the patient to a hepatologist and consider changing the treatment. If the patient has pre-existing risk factors such as obesity, diabetes, abnormal liver function test (LFT's) and/or a known liver disease we suggest TE prior to MTX treatment.

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