

**Table 4.** High-Resolution Computed Tomography Scanning Patterns

UIP	Probable UIP	Indeterminate for UIP	Alternative Diagnosis
Subpleural and basal predominant; distribution is often heterogeneous*	Subpleural and basal predominant; distribution is often heterogeneous	Subpleural and basal predominant Subtle reticulation; may have mild GGO or distortion ("early UIP pattern")	Findings suggestive of another diagnosis, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• CT features:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◦ Cysts</li><li>◦ Marked mosaic attenuation</li><li>◦ Predominant GGO</li><li>◦ Profuse micronodules</li><li>◦ Centrilobular nodules</li><li>◦ Nodules</li><li>◦ Consolidation</li></ul></li><li>• Predominant distribution:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◦ Peribronchovascular</li><li>◦ Perilymphatic</li><li>◦ Upper or mid-lung</li></ul></li><li>• Other:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◦ Pleural plaques (consider asbestosis)</li><li>◦ Dilated esophagus (consider CTD)</li><li>◦ Distal clavicular erosions (consider RA)</li><li>◦ Extensive lymph node enlargement (consider other etiologies)</li><li>◦ Pleural effusions, pleural thickening (consider CTD/drugs)</li></ul></li></ul>
Honeycombing with or without peripheral traction bronchiectasis or bronchiolectasis†	Reticular pattern with peripheral traction bronchiectasis or bronchiolectasis May have mild GGO	CT features and/or distribution of lung fibrosis that do not suggest any specific etiology ("truly indeterminate for UIP")	

*Definition of abbreviations:* CT = computed tomography; CTD = connective tissue disease; GGO = ground-glass opacities; RA = rheumatoid arthritis; UIP = usual interstitial pneumonia.

\*Variants of distribution: occasionally diffuse, may be asymmetrical.

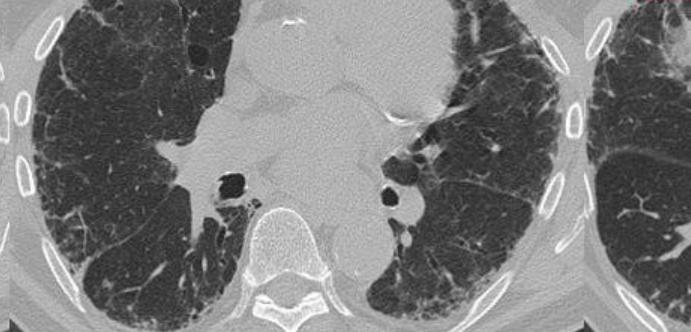
†Superimposed CT features: mild GGO, reticular pattern, pulmonary ossification.

Accordingly to the 2011 ATS/ERS guidelines, UIP pattern is defined by four criteria:

1. Reticular abnormalities



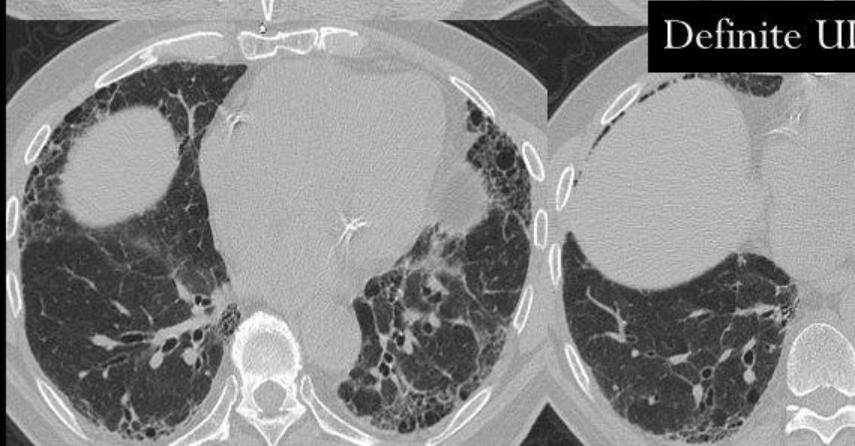
2. Subpleural and basal predominance



Definite UIP pattern



3. Honeycombing with traction bronchiectasis



4. Absence of features listed as «inconsistent with UIP»

