

Myopathy

Myopathy is a general term referring to any disease that affects the **muscles** that control voluntary movement in the body. Patients experience **muscle weakness** due to a dysfunction of the muscle fibers.

statin-induced myopathy: can vary from mild (with symptoms of muscle aches, symptoms usually abate rapidly after discontinuation of the statin, although occasionally up to 2 months may be required) to severe (with rhabdomyolysis which can → nephropathy)

critical illness myopathy: Muscles not excitable with direct stimulation. EMG: low or normal CMAP with a normal SNAP. **Muscle biopsy**: abnormalities may range from Type II fiber atrophy to necrosis (severe necrosis may not recover)

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