

Figure S1. Graphical representation (box plot) of modified Rodnan total skin thickness score (mRSS) in systemic sclerosis(SSc) patients with elevated serum calponin 3 levels and those with normal levels. Statistical analysis was carried out by Mann-Whitney's U-test for the two-group comparisons.

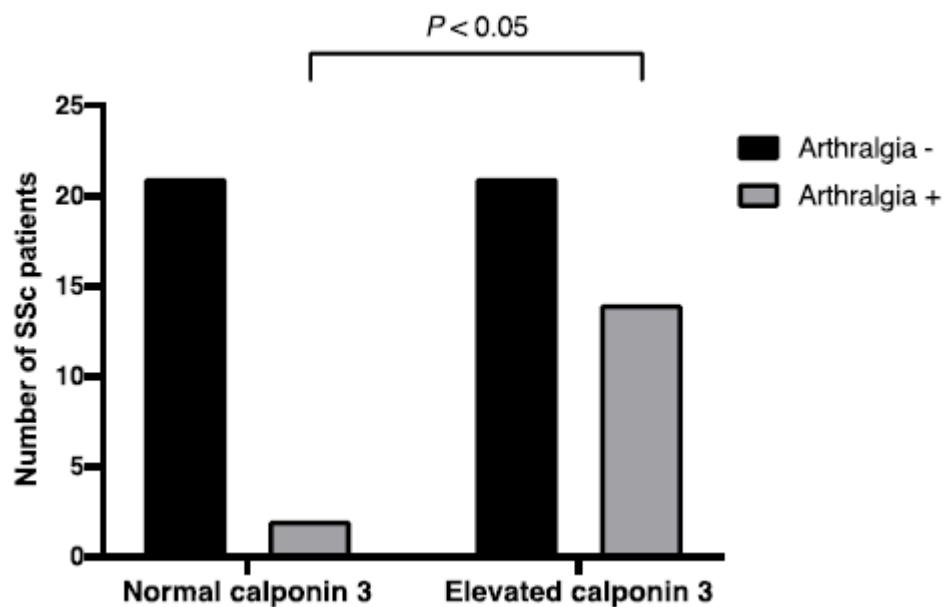


Figure S2. The number of patients with or without arthralgia in systemic sclerosis(SSc) patients with elevated serum calponin 3 levels and those with normal levels. Statistical analysis was carried out by Fisher's exact probability test for comparison of arthralgia frequency.