Supplementary Table 2. Baseline characteristics of control participants and patients with RA

	Control (n = 14)	RA (n = 70)	p value
Age (yr)	55.0 ± 3.4	57.0 ± 6.1	0.100
Sex, women	9 (64.3)	49 (70.0)	0.754
RA-ILD	-	35 (50.0)	-
TL (kb)	9.5 ± 0.8	8.3 ± 2.5	0.002

Values are presented as mean ± standard deviation or number (%).

RA, rheumatoid arthritis; ILD, interstitial lung disease; TL, telomere length.

Control participants and RA patients were matched 1:5 by age and sex.