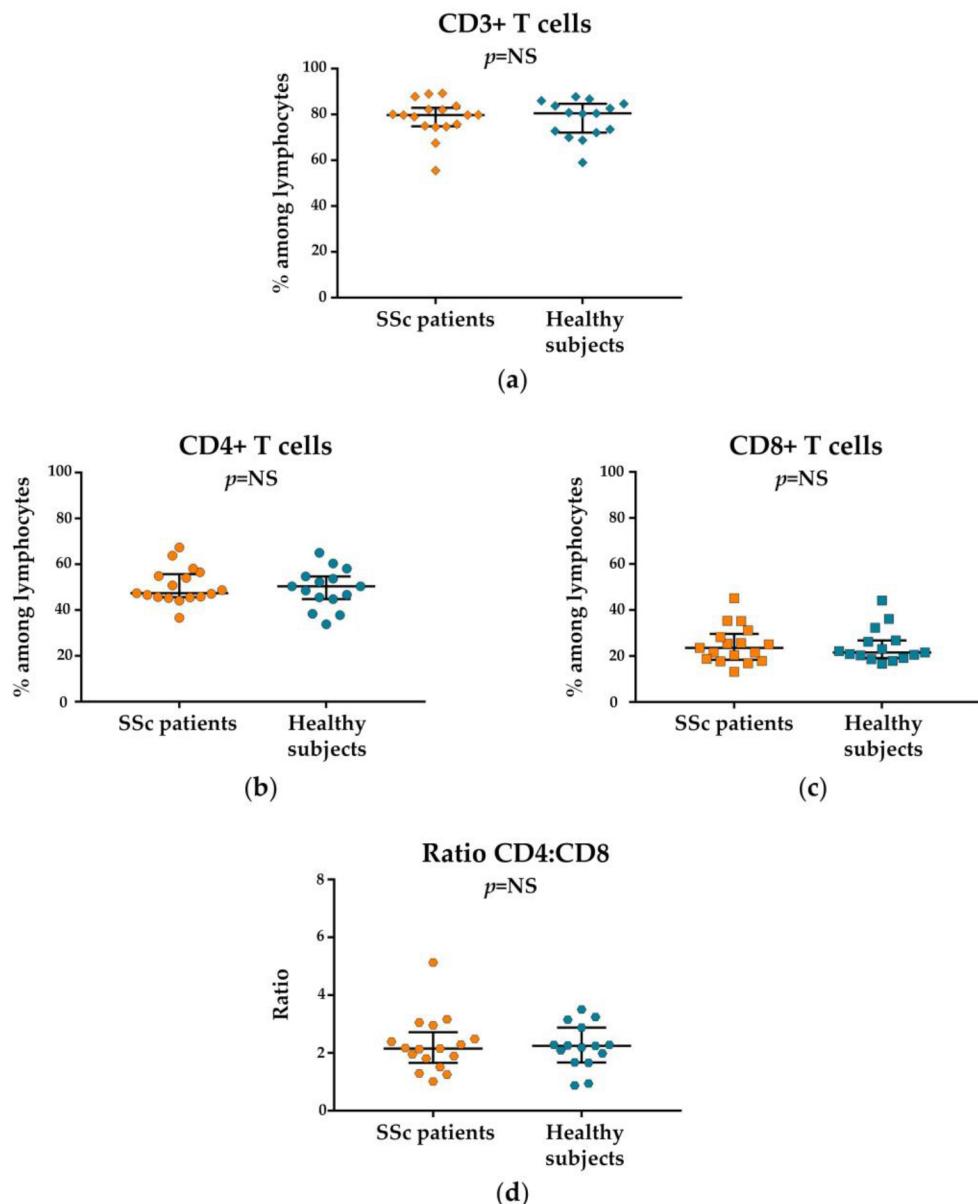


## Supplementary Materials:



**Figure S1.** Analysis of lymphocyte subsets in SSc patients compared to healthy subjects: total CD3+ (a), CD4+ (b), CD8+ (c) T cells and ratio CD4:CD8 (d). For each scatter plot, median and interquartile range are shown. The Mann-Whitney nonparametric test was used to derive  $p$  values (NS=not significant).