

ACR/ARHP 07 Scientific Meeting

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SUGGESTED FELLOWS-IN-TRAINING EDUCATIONAL SESSIONS

This list is a brief overview of some of the sessions which are particularly highlighted for Fellows-in-Training. This is not an exhaustive list; please refer to the meeting brochure for details about other sessions available.

Tuesday, November 6

8:00AM - 5:15PM

Clinical Research Conference - Pharmacotherapy in Rheumatic Disease: Assessing the Safety, Effectiveness and Value

Fellows currently involved in clinical research may be interested in attending this pre-conference course. Check with your program director if you are not sure whether this would be appropriate for you.

1:00PM - 5:30PM

Basic Science Research Conference (day 1) - Musculoskeletal Engineering and Regeneration

Fellows currently involved in basic science research may be interested in attending this pre-conference course. Check with your program director if you are not sure whether this would be appropriate for you.

4:30PM -10:00PM

Fellows-in-Training Scholarship Educational Session and Reception

All fellows attending the meeting on the FIT scholarship are expected to attend this networking session with their program directors. It is an excellent opportunity to meet fellows from other programs and selected posters will also be presented during this session.

Wednesday, November 7

8:30AM - 5:00PM

Basic Research Conference (day 2) - Musculoskeletal Engineering and Regeneration

8:45AM - 5:00PM

ACR Review Course
Topics: Vasculitis
Fibromyalgia

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Osteoarthritis: hormones and genetics
SLE therapeutics
Care of Adolescents with rheumatic disease
Ophthalmologic manifestations of rheumatic disease
Challenges in the treatment of early RA
Inflammatory muscle disease

5:30PM - 7:30PM

Opening lecture and awards

Dr. David Blumenthal, director of the Institute for Health Policy and Physician at the Massachusetts General Hospital will discuss the impact of health information technology on the quality and efficiency of medical care. The presentation will be followed by a brief awards ceremony and an address by the ACR president Dr. Neal S. Birnbaum.

8:30PM - 10:30PM

Opening Desert Reception, Sheraton Boston Hotel

This informal dessert reception is another opportunity to meet and network with rheumatologists from around the country. ACR shuttle buses will leave from the official hotels, which are not within walking distance.

Thursday, November 8

7:00AM - 8:00AM

Poster session A

Don't forget to hang your poster as early as possible. Your poster acceptance letter will list your assigned poster board number, and signs in the exhibit hall will help you find your location.

7:45AM - 9:00AM

ACR Year in Review

Try not to miss this annual session which is always a big hit. Dr. Mary Crow and Dr. E. William St. Clair will provide a lively and entertaining review of the advances in basic science and clinical rheumatology in the last year.

7:45AM - 9:15AM
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Meet-the-Professor: Pain and soft tissue rheumatism

Hans Carlson, MD; Assistant Professor of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, Oregon Health and Science University. Dr. Carlson will review soft tissue rheumatology for trainees.

7:45AM - 9:15AM

Meet-the-Professor: Scleroderma (013)

Richard Silver, MD; Professor of Medicine and Pediatrics, Medical University of South Carolina. Dr. Silver is a

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world-renowned expert in scleroderma, in particular scleroderma lung disease and played an instrumental role in the design and development of the Scleroderma Lung Study.

7:45AM - 9:15AM

Workshop: Synovial Fluid Analysis (018)

H. Ralph Schumacher, MD; Professor of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania. Dr. Schumacher and colleagues will provide an interactive session on the analysis of synovial fluid and crystal identification. This session is always heavily oversubscribed; signup as soon as possible if you wish to attend.

9:00AM - 11:00AM

Poster Presentations

Poster presenters are expected to be available at their posters to answer questions.

11:00AM - 12:30PM

ACR Plenary Session I

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12:45PM - 2:15PM

Career Choices in Rheumatology

During this session, Dr. Yousaf Ali will discuss his experiences in private practice, Dr. George V. Lawry will provide his take on life as an academician, Dr. Robert A. Colbert will review his experiences as a basic researcher and Dr. Barbara White will discuss opportunities in industry. All of the speakers will be available after the session for questions, and this session is frequently attended by private practitioners looking to recruit graduating fellows so also provides another good networking opportunity.

12:45PM - 2:15PM

Meet-the-Professor: Pediatric Rheumatology for Adult Rheumatologists (024)

Helen M. Emery, MBBS; Professor of Pediatrics; Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center, Seattle. Dr. Emery will provide an overview of pediatric rheumatology for adult rheumatology fellows. Given the shortage of

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pediatric rheumatologists this overview will be indispensable as you transition to practice.

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testing (024)

Meet-the-Professor: Osteoporosis - pitfalls in DXA

Maria W. Greenwald, MD; University of California, Los Angeles. Dr. Greenwald will highlight some of the common pitfalls in DXA scanning a topic which is a required part of the fellowship curriculum.

12:45PM - 2:15PM

Meet-the-Professor: Novel Treatments in SLE (027)

David Isenberg, MD; Professor of Rheumatology, University College London. Dr. Isenberg is world renowned in the field of Lupus and will provide insights into some of the cutting edge treatments available. Bring difficult cases along for Dr. Isenberg's input and advice.

12:45PM - 2:15PM

Meet-the-Professor: JIA for adult rheumatologists (031)

Marilynn Punaro, MD; Associate Professor of Pediatrics, Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children. Dr. Punaro will review Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis for the adult rheumatology fellow. Given the shortage of pediatric rheumatologists this overview will be indispensable as you transition to practice.

12:45PM - 2:15PM

Meet-the-Professor: Antiphospholipid Syndrome (036)

Daniel J. Wallace, MD; Los Angeles, California. Dr. Wallace will review the pathogenesis and management of antiphospholipid syndrome. Be prepared to present difficult and challenging cases for Dr. Wallace's input and advice.

12:45PM - 2:15PM

Meet-the-Professor: Vasculitis (049)

Carol Langford, MD; Director, Cleveland Clinic Center for Vasculitis. Dr. Langford is world renowned in the field of vasculitis and will provide a stimulating discussion on the diagnosis and management of the vasculitides along with new therapeutic advances.

2:30PM - 4:00PM

ACR Clinical Symposium: Challenges in the Management of Lupus

This symposia aims to translate research into patient care. Dr. Caroline Gordon will review the management of

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pregnancy in Lupus, Dr. Melanie Harrison will present the latest understanding of lupus “fog” and Dr. Frederic Housseau will assess new treatments for Lupus nephritis.

4:30PM - 6:00PM

ACR Clinical Symposium: Sjögren’s Syndrome

This symposia aims to translate research into patient care. Dr. Ann Parke will review the systemic nature of Sjögren’s Syndrome. Dr. Haralampos Moutsopoulos will discuss its pathogenesis and Dr. E. William St. Clair will present data on the use of biologic therapy for Sjögren’s syndrome.

Friday, November 10

7:00AM - 8:00AM

Poster session B

Don’t forget to hang your poster as early as possible. Your poster acceptance letter will list your assigned poster board number, and signs in the exhibit hall will help you find your location. Posters submitted to the fellow’s abstract deadline will also be displayed during this session.

7:45AM - 9:15AM

Meet-the-Professor: Rheumatology practice 101: Starting out for the graduating fellow (058)

Herb S. Baraf, MD, Arthritis and Rheumatism Associates, Clinical Professor of Medicine, George Washington University School of Medicine. Dr. Baraf runs a very successful private practice in the Washington DC area. During this session he will review the nuts and bolts of choosing a practice and negotiating contracts. It will be invaluable to any trainee considering private practice.

7:45AM - 9:15AM

Meet-the-Professor: Osteoporosis - pitfalls in DXA testing (063)

Maria W. Greenwald, MD; University of California, Los Angeles. Dr. Greenwald will highlight some of the common pitfalls in DXA scanning a topic which is a required part of the fellowship curriculum.

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Meet-the-Professor: Pediatric rheumatology for adult rheumatologists (070)

Emily Von Scheven, MD; Director, Pediatric Rheumatology Clinic, University of California, San Francisco. Dr. Von Scheven will provide an overview of pediatric rheumatology for aimed at adult rheumatology fellows. Given the shortage of pediatric rheumatologists

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ACR Plenary Session II

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12:45PM - 2:15PM

ACR Young Investigators Session - Young Investigators Session: The New Triple Threat: Successful Academic Investigator, Balanced Family Life, Financial Solvency: A Roadmap for Success

This session is aimed at young rheumatologists pursuing an academic career and will discuss the issues of maintaining a balanced family life and financial solvency while still achieving academic success. Dr. Elizabeth W. Karlson will discuss how to successfully balance family and career, while Dr. John Peyman will review strategies to maintain financial solvency in the first five years after fellowship.

12:45PM - 2:15PM

Meet-the-Professor: Dermatologic manifestations of rheumatic diseases (082)

Jeffrey P. Callen, MD; Professor of Dermatology, University of Louisville, Kentucky. Dr. Callen is widely published on the dermatologic manifestations of rheumatic diseases and this is an excellent and informative session. Feel free to bring along difficult cases for Dr. Callen's advice.

12:45PM - 2:15PM

Meet-the-Professor: Scleroderma (090)

Richard Silver, MD; Professor of Medicine and Pediatrics, Medical University of South Carolina. Dr. Silver is a world renowned expert in scleroderma, in particular scleroderma

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1:15PM - 3:15PM

Workshop: Musculoskeletal Ultrasonography (092)

George Bruyn, MD, PhD; Medisch Centrum Leeuwarden, WB Loenga, Netherlands. Wolfgang A. Schmidt, MD; Medical Center for Rheumatology, Berlin-Buch, Berlin, Germany. Drs. Bruyn and Schmidt will discuss the indications for ultrasound in rheumatic diseases along with a a brief introduction to ultrasound techniques and how to recognize normal and abnormal anatomical structures.

2:30PM - 4:00PM

ACR Clinical Symposia: Evidence based Rheumatoid Arthritis Treatment

This symposia aims to translate research into patient care. The methods used to develop evidence based guidelines and the evidence base will be reviewed, along with the new ACR guidelines for treating RA.

2:30PM - 4:00PM

ACR Clinical Symposia: Therapeutic Decisions in Systemic Vasculitis

This symposia aims to translate research into patient care. The various options for inducing remission in vasculitis will be discussed along with how to manage patients who relapse after cyclophosphamide treatment. The outcomes of stenting and vascular bypass in patients with large vessel arteritis will also be reviewed.

2:30PM - 4:00PM

ACR CORC Forum: Building a Stronger Physician Practice

The Committee on Rheumatologic Care have compiled this session to provide assistance for those in private practice. Robert J. Conroy, JD, MPA, MPH will discuss what to do after a malpractice suit. Dr. E. Robert Harris will review how to get involved in clinical research studies and Kori A. Dewing, MN, ARNP, will discuss the business aspects of NPs and PAs.

4:30PM - 6:00PM

Meet-the-Professor: Basic Immunology for Clinical Rheumatology Fellows (102)

Michael P. Davey, MD, PhD; Portland Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Portland, Oregon. Dr. Davey will review

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the normal functioning of the immune system and identify abnormalities of immune regulation that lead to autoimmunity. His session is always highly scored and is recommended for fellows who do not have access to good immunology teaching through their fellowship programs.

4:30PM - 6:00PM

Meet-the-Professor: SLE novel treatments (104)

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Meet-the-Professor: Antiphospholipid syndrome (112)

Daniel J. Wallace, MD; Clinical Professor of Medicine, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA, Los Angeles, California. Dr. Wallace will review the pathogenesis and management of antiphospholipid syndrome. Be prepared to present difficult and challenging cases for Dr. Wallace's input and advice.

6:15PM - 9:15PM

Study Groups

These sessions are designed to bring together attendees with a common interest in one diseases, a group of related disorders or specialized field of study for discussion and dissemination of information.

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7:00AM - 8:00AM

Poster session C

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7:45AM - 9:15AM

Meet-the-Professor: Pediatric rheumatology for Adult Rheumatologists (118)

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Workshop: Joint injection techniques (129)

Atul Deodhar, MD, MRCP; Oregon Health and Science University, Portland, Oregon. Kenneth S. O'Rourke, MD; Wake Forest University Medical School; Winston-Salem, North Carolina. This superb session by Drs. Deodhar and O'Rourke is always oversubscribed so sign-up as soon as possible. Attendees will be taught indications and contraindications for joint injections along with common mistakes in injection procedures. Participants will then have the opportunity to practice common joint and soft tissue injections.

9:00AM - 11:00AM

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Meet-the-Professor: JIA for adult rheumatologists (145)

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1:15PM - 3:15PM

Workshop: Osteoporosis: Focus on DXA Interpretation (151)

Chad L. Deal, MD; Center for Osteoporosis and Metabolic Bone Disease, Department of Rheumatic and Immunologic Diseases, Cleveland Clinic Foundation. Dr. Deal will present an interactive workshop on DXA interpretation, a required skill for the graduating fellow.

1:15PM - 3:15PM

Workshop: Renal histopathology in SLE and vasculitis (152)

Megan Troxell, MD, PhD; Assistant Professor of Pathology, Oregon Health and Science University. Dr. Troxell will provide an interactive workshop to review the renal pathology of SLE and vasculitis.

2:30PM - 4:00PM

ACR Great Debate: Peripheral MRI Results Should Guide Early Intervention with Biologics in Rheumatoid Arthritis

Dr. Paul Emery and Dr. Michael Weisman will argue for and against the use of MRI to guide early intervention in RA.

4:00PM - 6:00PM

Workshop: Musculoskeletal Imaging (155)

Mark D. Murphey, MD; Department of Radiologic Pathology, Armed Forces Institute of Pathology, Washington, DC. Dr. Murphey will present an interactive workshop on Musculoskeletal Imaging. This session is likely to be oversubscribed so sign-up early.

4:30PM - 6:30PM

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4:30PM - 6:00PM

ACR Clinical Symposium: Why is My Patient With Myositis Not Getting Better?

This symposia aims to translate research into patient care. Dr. Hume Gultekin will review the histopathologic findings which might predict refractory myopathies. Dr. Anthony Amato will discuss the principal clinical features of metabolic myopathies and Dr. Mark Gourley will provide an evidence-based treatment approach to the patient with refractory myositis.

Sunday, November 12

7:45AM - 9:00AM

Rheumatology Round-up

The annual rheumatology round-up presents highlights from the ACR 2007 Annual Scientific Meeting. This year, Dr. John Cush and Dr. Arthur Kavanaugh promise to make it an educational yet entertaining session.

8:00AM - 9:00AM

ACR Practice Issues

This session will review the proper coding guidelines for a rheumatology practice including those regarding infusions and injections. New codes which may affect practicing rheumatologists will also be discussed.

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9:15AM - 10:45AM

ACR Clinical Symposium: Challenging Topics in Bone Disease

This symposia aims to translate research into patient care. Dr. Michael McClung will review the controversies and complications associated with bisphosphonates. Dr. Nancy Lane will discuss pitfalls in the interpretation of bone densitometry scans and Dr. Clifford Rosen will consider the management of pre-menopausal low bone mass.

11:00AM - 12:30PM

ACR Clinical Symposium: Rheumatologic Skin Disease

This symposia aims to translate research into patient care. Dr. Warren Piette will review the local and systemic management of cutaneous vasculitis. Dr. Jonathan Kay will discuss the recently described condition of nephrogenic fibrosing dermopathy, and Dr. Marco Matucci-Cerinic will provide an update on the management of digital ulceration and calcinosis.