Important Dates

Registration .........................Now Open
Early Bird Registration Closes........August 1
Advance Registration Closes........October 3
Late-Breaking Abstract Submission....Opens: August 16
                                   Deadline: September 13
                                               (noon ET)

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#ACR18
What’s in it for me?

Find the education you need with 400+ sessions and participate in knowledge exchange using educational tracks relevant to your area(s) of specialty and interest:

- Basic Science
- Business/Administration
- Clinical Practice
- Clinical Science

LEARN NEW SKILLS AND STAY UP TO DATE

Align the meeting’s educational offerings with your personal and professional interests with a wide array of methodologies to fit your learning style:

- 30+ Workshops
  - hands-on skills training
- 70+ Meet the Professor sessions
  - face-to-face exchanges
- 30+ Guided Poster Tours
  - opportunities to ask questions
- 3,000+ Abstract Presentations
  - didactic talks on original research
- 30+ Study Groups
  - small networking groups

INVALUABLE NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES

- Learn about new rheumatology products and services from 100+ companies in the Exhibit Hall
- Join rheumatology professionals from 100+ countries at our networking events:
  - First-Timers Orientation
  - Opening Reception
  - Exhibit Hall Networking
  - CareerConnection
  - Topic Roundtables
  - Discipline Roundtables
  - Poster Tours
  - Study Groups

THOUGHT LEADERS FROM AROUND THE GLOBE

700+ speakers from 30+ countries

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The ACR/ARHP Annual Meeting is the largest rheumatology meeting in the world and the premier educational event for physicians, healthcare professionals, and scientists who treat or research rheumatic and musculoskeletal diseases, and is attended by more than 15,000 rheumatology professionals from over 100 countries.

Who attends the ACR Annual Meeting?

WORK SETTINGS
- Academic Setting
- Biomedical Industry
- Hospital-Based Practice
- Private Practice
- Government

PRIMARY SPECIALTIES
- Adult Rheumatologist
- Pediatric Rheumatologist
- Healthcare Professional
- Researcher

Why do attendees go to the meeting?

1. Professional development
2. Access to the latest research and abstracts
3. Networking with colleagues

87% of attendees were satisfied with the 2017 Annual Meeting.

86% of 2017 survey respondents are likely to recommend the Annual Meeting to colleagues.

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What’s in it for me? continued

MEET YOUR COMPLIANCE AND CERTIFICATION NEEDS

01
Earn Continuing Medical Education (CME) Credits

02
Earn MOC points by attending designated interactive MOC sessions with complementary online activities—at no additional cost to you

03
Earn state required CME credits on Ethics, Pain Management, and Patient Safety

PARTICIPATE IN THE ADVANCEMENT OF RHEUMATOLOGY AND GET FIRSTHAND ACCESS TO GROUND-BREAKING RESEARCH

Abstract submissions received from 60 countries
Accepted abstracts are published in Arthritis & Rheumatology online supplement

How do I maximize my time at #ACR18?

Utilize the many attendee tools and resources available:

- AGR Beyond
- Annual Meeting App
- Printed Program (Session Tracker)
- Abstract Supplement

Free 12-month access to past sessions
Download the app!
Navigate the meeting on-site and online
Browse accepted 2018 abstracts

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Sneak peek of 2018 sessions

01 BASIC SCIENCE

What’s New in the Genomics of AAV?
Learn about the latest genomic findings based on a large study of patients with vasculitis-associated eosinophilia, and what they may mean for future AAV diagnosis and treatment

Missing Microbes: Lost From Our Clinics
Discover new technologies as they begin to reveal important aspects of host-microbe interactions; discuss known pathways under investigation in which components of the microbiome may affect host metabolism, and immune set points and defenses

Autoimmune Pathogenesis & the Lung
Examine new data on the immune response of the lung in rheumatic disease, how it is affected by immune exposures that serve as triggers involved in autoimmune etiopathogenesis, as well as the clinical features of pulmonary parenchymal complications of autoimmune and inflammatory rheumatic diseases

Unraveling the Epigenomic Landscape in OA
Explore gene expression and transfer in the affected joints of a person with OA, a highly prevalent disease where there are no effective forms of therapy

Bones of Contention: Controversies in Rheumatic Diseases and Bone
Review activation of the immune system and its impact on bone in rheumatic disease; explore the role of biologic agents used to treat patients with rheumatic diseases and subsequent alterations to bone

02 CLINICAL SCIENCE/CLINICAL PRACTICE

The Great Debate: Guidelines for SLE: HCQ Dose Should Be No More Than 5 mg/kg in All Patients
Join the debate to weigh opposing viewpoints on HCQ effects that affect a wide variety of patients managed by rheumatologists

Hot Topics in Myositis
Three topics will be presented on issues related to inflammatory myositis, including an update in inflammatory myositis classification and diagnostic tools, myositis occurring in conjunction with other connective tissue diseases, and a timely update in inclusion body myositis

Anatomy in a Day
A 3-part series on anatomy and rheumatology designed for rheumatologists and rheumatology health professionals

03 BUSINESS/ADMINISTRATION

Integrating Pharmacists Into the Workforce
Learn how to build an interprofessional team that includes a pharmacist in the ambulatory care setting to improve patient care and outcomes

Optimize the EHR to Maximize Productivity in the Rheumatology Clinic (Workshop)
Learn tips from experts on how to train staff to gain the necessary technical knowledge to use the EHR effectively, and find out how your practice can select the right EHR even if you lack significant resources

Mindfulness for the Physician: Techniques & Skills (Workshop)
Learn the basic constructs of mindfulness and application to daily life, explore research findings supporting mindfulness meditation for health and well-being, and practice several mindfulness meditation exercises

04 HEALTH PROFESSIONALS

ACR/ARHP Immunology Breakthroughs: Impact on Diagnosis and Therapy
Designed in a case study format, this new pre-meeting course will provide a more in-depth look at immunology for both rheumatologists and rheumatology health professionals

Immunology Bootcamp
This 3-part series will focus on innate versus adaptive immunity, autoimmune, and how to apply principles of immunology to make strong clinical decisions
Access our Attendance Justification Toolkit: [https://acr.tw/18AJT](https://acr.tw/18AJT)

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**NEW!** Radiology Bootcamp
Review basic radiology concepts and applications for the rheumatology healthcare provider

**Get Smart: Mobile & Wearable Technology in Rheumatology**
Learn more about the use of wearable technologies in clinical care settings, research, and rehabilitation specific to rheumatology, as well as the latest in wearable technology and other digital health advances

**ARHP Distinguished Lecturer: Living Well with Scleroderma: Evidence-Based Discussion**
Get a brief overview of how scleroderma affects participation in daily life activities and a summary of evidence for non-pharmacological management of scleroderma, including psychological, educational, and rehabilitation interventions

Visit 2018ACRProgram.org to learn more about 2018 sessions.

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**Should I attend #ACR18?**

**Yes!** You don't want to miss a minute of #ACR18 in the “Windy City”—Chicago, Illinois!

Chicago is the largest metropolitan area in the United States and has often been called a global architecture capital. McCormick Place, Chicago’s premier convention center and the venue of this year’s meeting, offers the largest exhibition space in the world. As a multicultural city that thrives on the harmony and diversity of its neighborhoods, Chicago embodies the values of America’s heartland—integrity, hard work, and community.

**How do I register?**

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**How can I share the value of #ACR18...**

...and justify my attendance?

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