

ARTHRITIS AUSTRALIA NATIONAL RESEARCH PROGRAM 2014 RECIPIENTS

Fellowships

AFA-ARA Heald Fellowship - \$50,000

(funded jointly by Australian Rheumatology Association and Vincent Fairfax Family Foundation) Dr Sarah Jones Southern Clinical School, Monash University Project: GILZ as a target for rheumatoid arthritis

The Ken Muirden Overseas Training Fellowship - \$100,000 (funded jointly by an educational research grant by Australian Rheumatology Association and Roche Products Pty Limited) Dr Kristy Yap Lupus Clinic, Toronto Western Hospital, Centre for Prognosis Studies in the Rheumatic Diseases Project: The significance of vitamin D in Systemic Lupus Erythematosus

The ARA Victorian Fellowship - \$25,000

(funded by Australian Rheumatology Association – Victoria) Dr Kate Franklyn Centre for inflammatory Diseases, Monash University Project: That the maintenance of a novel lupus low disease activity state (LLDAS) is associated with a reduction in morbidity and mortality associated with SLE

The ARA Victorian Fellowship - \$25,000

(funded by Australian Rheumatology Association – Victoria) Dr Claire Owen (\$25,000) Department of Rheumatology, Austin Hospital Project: Predictors of failure to achieve clinical remission in polymyalgia rheumatica patients treated with low-dose glucocorticoids

Scholarships

Arthritis Australia and State & Territory Affiliate Grant - \$25,000 (funded by Arthritis South Australia)
Mr Raul Chavez Valencia
Department of Paediatrics, University of Melbourne
Project: Investigating the epigenetic profiles of children with Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis (JIA) disease

SA LSS Support Group Grant - \$25,000 (funded by Arthritis South Australia) Dr Lucy Croyle Centre for Inflammatory Disease, Monash University Project: Azathioprine use in SLE

Grant-in-aid

Arthritis Australia and State & Territory Affiliate Grant - \$10,000 (funded by Arthritis South Australia) Dr Anak Dharmapatni Discipline of Anatomy and Pathology, School of Medical Sciences, University of Adelaide Project: Autophagy in Rheumatoid Arthritis

Arthritis Australia and State & Territory Affiliate Grant - \$14,000

(funded jointly by Arthritis South Australia) Dr Michael Wiese School of Pharmacy and Medical Sciences, University of South Australia Project: Identification of factors that influence Efficacy and Toxicity with Leflunomide in the Treatment of Rheumatoid Arthritis

Philip Benjamin Grant - \$15,000

(funded jointly by Mrs Benjamin) Dr Susan Slade Monash Department Clinical Epidemiology, Cabrini Health Project: Standardised method for reporting exercise programs

Zimmer Australia Grant - \$10,000

(funded by Zimmer Australia) Dr Siobhan Schabrun School of Science and Health, the University of Western Sydney Project: Boosting the effects of exercise with non-invasive brain stimulation in knee osteoarthritis

Zimmer Australia Grant - \$10,000

(funded by Zimmer Australia) Dr Tasha Stanton School of Health Sciences, the University of South Australia Project: Joint pain without a joint? An investigation into the nature of postsurgical pain following joint replacement

Project Grants

Arthritis Australia and State & Territory Affiliate Grant - \$30,000 (funded by Arthritis Australia and Arthritis Queensland) Dr Allison Pettit Mater Research Institute, University of Queensland Project: Influence of macrophage activation phenotype on fracture repair

Arthritis Australia and State & Territory Affiliate Grant - \$15,000 (funded by Arthritis South Australia)
Dr Helen Benham
Autoimmunity Division, Diamantina Institute University of Queensland
Project: Chlamydia induced uveitis in the SKG mouse model of spondyloarthropathy

Arthritis Australia and State & Territory Affiliate Grant - \$15,000

(funded by Arthritis South Australia) Dr Manuela Ferreira Musculoskeletal Division, the George Institute for Global Health Project: Trends of spinal stenosis surgery in Australia

ARA Project Grant - \$15,000

(funded by Australian Rheumatology Association) **Prof David Burgner** Susceptibility to Paediatric Infection, Murdoch Childrens Research Institute **Project:** Cardiovascular Phenotype in Children with Chronic Inflammatory Disease (CUPID)

ARA Project Grant - \$30,000

(funded by Australian Rheumatology Association) Ms Laura Laslett Menzies Research Institute Tasmania, University of Tasmania Project: Does either zoledronic acid or denosumab change back pain and morphology of Modic changes: a randomised open label pilot study

ARA Project Grant - \$30,000

(funded by Australian Rheumatology Association) Assoc Prof Michael Shanahan Department of Rheumatology, Flinders University Project: Suprascapular nerve block for the treatment of adhesive capsulitis

H J & G J McKenzie Grant - \$38,000

(funded by the Estate of the Late Heather Joy McKenzie) **Prof Jiake Xu** School of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, the University of Western Australia **Project:** Molecular Mechanisms and Therapeutic Effects of Helenalin on Collagen-induced Arthritis and osteolysis

Zimmer Australia Grant - \$30,000

(funded by Zimmer Australia) Dr Nicole Walsh Arthritis Research Laboratory, Bone Cell Biology & Disease Unit, St Vincent's Institute of Medical Research Project: *Healthy Bone, Healthy Joints?*

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