

ARTHRITIS AUSTRALIA NATIONAL RESEARCH PROGRAM 2018 RECIPIENTS

Fellowships

AFA-ARA Heald Fellowship - \$50,000

(jointly funded by Australian Rheumatology Association and Vincent Fairfax Family Foundation)

Dr Feitong Wu

Menzies Institute for Medical Research, University of Tasmania

Project: *Early life strategies for improving fracture risk factors throughout life*

The Arthritis Queensland Fellowship - \$50,000

(funded by Arthritis Queensland)

Dr Natalie Collins

School of Health and Rehabilitation Science, University of Queensland

Project: *Patellofemoral osteoarthritis and predictors of progression in young to middle-aged adults with chronic patellofemoral pain*

Bruce Miller - Australian Rheumatology Association Post-Doctoral Fellowship - \$125,000

(jointly funded by BB & A Miller Foundation and Australian Rheumatology Association)

Dr Meghna Talekar

Diamantina Institute, University of Queensland

Project: *Targeted oral Liposomal Microcomplexes for Tolerizing Dendritic cells in rheumatoid arthritis*

Bruce Miller - Australian Rheumatology Association Post-Doctoral Fellowship - \$125,000

(jointly funded by BB & A Miller Foundation and Australian Rheumatology Association)

Dr Mihir Dilip Wechalekar

Department of Rheumatology, Flinders University

Project: *Improving outcomes in Rheumatoid arthritis*

The Ken Muirden Overseas Training Fellowship - \$75,000

(funded by Australian Rheumatology Association)

Dr Huai Leng (Jessica) Pisaniello (nee Yong)

The Arthritis Research UK Centre for Epidemiology, Centre for Musculoskeletal Research, School of Biological Sciences, Faculty of Biology, Medicine and Health, The University of Manchester

Project: *The role of mobile health (mHealth) application in real-time capture of self-reported symptoms and longitudinal activity, and its feasibility in patient-focused remote monitoring in musculoskeletal disorders*

Leanne Stafford Award - \$50,000

(funded by Australian Rheumatology Association)

Dr Shi-Nan Luong

Centre for Rheumatology Research, University College London Division of Medicine

Project: *Investigating the relationship between autoimmune rheumatic disease activity and pregnancy outcomes*

Scholarships

Estate of The Late Grace E Cameron & ARA Project Grant - \$30,000

(jointly funded by the Estate of The Late Grace E Cameron & Australian Rheumatology Association)

Dr Sudha Raghunath

Medicine Nursing and Health Sciences, Monash University

Project: *Cognitive dysfunction in SLE*

Project Grants

ARA Project Grant - \$35,000 (Translational Grant)

(funded by Australian Rheumatology Association)

Dr Helen Keen

Fiona Stanley Hospital, UWA School of Medicine and Pharmacology

Project: *Community perceptions of rheumatoid arthritis pharmacotherapy: An analysis of social media platforms*

Arthritis Australia and State/Territory Affiliate Grant - \$40,000

(funded by Arthritis South Australia)

Assoc Prof Ilana Ackerman

Department of Epidemiology and Preventive Medicine, Monash University

Project: *Falls prevention: The missing element in osteoarthritis care*

Arthritis Australia and State/Territory Affiliate Grant - \$10,000

(funded by Arthritis Australia)

Dr Ayano Kelly

Medical School, Australian National University

Project: *Standardising outcomes in interventions to improve medication adherence in rheumatology*

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

(funded by Arthritis South Australia)

Dr Tasha Stanton

School of Health Sciences, University of South Australia

Project: *Does targeting pain-related beliefs in people with knee osteoarthritis increase physical activity?*

Arthritis Australia and State & Territory Affiliate Grant - \$20,000

(jointly funded by Arthritis South Australia and Arthritis Western Australia)

Dr Kylie Tucker

School of Biomedical Sciences, Faculty of Medicine, University of Queensland

Project: *Balancing muscle force and persistent knee pain in adolescents*

Arthritis Australia and State/Territory Affiliate Grant & Eventide Homes - \$30,000

(jointly funded by Arthritis Tasmania and Eventide Homes)

Dr Dawn Aitken

Menzies Institute for Medical Research, University of Tasmania

Project: *A randomised controlled trial evaluating community walking for knee osteoarthritis*

Arthritis Australia and State/Territory Affiliate Grant & Eventide Homes - \$30,000

(jointly funded by Eventide Homes, Arthritis South Australia & Arthritis Australia)

Dr Claudia Di Bella

Department of Orthopaedics, St Vincent's Hospital, Melbourne

Project: *3D Bioprinting of bio-adhesive scaffold for cartilage regeneration*

H J & G J McKenzie Grant - \$25,000

(funded by The Estate of the late Heather Joy McKenzie)

Dr Ky-Anh Nguyen

Discipline of Life Sciences, Faculty of Dentistry, University of Sydney

Project: *Autoantibody cross-reactive epitope of P. gingivalis*

Marion A Simpson Grant - \$25,000

(funded by The Estate of the Late Marion Alice Simpson)

Prof Christopher Jackson

Sutton Arthritis Laboratory Rheumatology, University of Sydney

Project: *The differential functions of PAR1 and PAR2 in the onset and development of rheumatoid arthritis*

Grant-in-aid

ARA project Grant - \$15,000

(funded by Australian Rheumatology Association)

Dr Eliza Pontifex

Rheumatology Medical Sciences, Flinders University

Project: *Perception of pain in psoriatic arthritis*

ARA project Grant - \$10,000

(funded by Australian Rheumatology Association)

Dr Linda Rehaume

The University of Queensland Diamantina Institute, University of Queensland

Project: *The relationship of IL-23 and the microbiota in the development of spondyloarthritis in SKG mice*

ARA project Grant - \$10,000

(funded by Australian Rheumatology Association)

Dr Premarani Sinnathurai

Rheumatology Department, Royal North Shore Hospital

Project: *Adipokines: a link between obesity and psoriatic arthritis*

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

(funded by Arthritis Western Australia)

Dr Amity Campbell

School of Physiotherapy and Exercise Science, Curtin University

Project: *Predicting knee loading using wearable sensors*

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

(jointly funded by Arthritis Western Australia and Arthritis Australia)

Dr Ming-Chin Lee

Department of Medicine (RMH), University of Melbourne

CCL17 in osteoarthritis and its associated pain

Arthritis Australia and State/Territory Affiliate Grant - \$10,000

(funded by Arthritis South Australia)

Dr Jiao Jiao Li

Kolling Institute, Sydney Medical School, University of Sydney

Project: *A novel strategy for treating chronic joint injury*

Arthritis Australia and State/Territory Affiliate Grant - \$10,000

(funded by Arthritis South Australia)

Dr Jenny Setchell

School of Health and Rehabilitation Science, University of Queensland

Project: *Translating low back pain research: Identifying potential hidden harms in health messaging*

HJ & GJ McKenzie Grant - \$10,000

(funded by Estate of the late Heather Joy McKenzie)

Mr David James Tunnicliffe

Sydney School of Public Health, University of Sydney

Project: *Optimising transition from paediatric to adult healthcare in rheumatology*