

ARTHRITIS AUSTRALIA NATIONAL RESEARCH PROGRAM 2016 RECIPIENTS

Fellowships

The ARA Victorian Fellowship - \$ 19,000 *(funded by Australian Rheumatology Association Victoria)*

Dr Louisa Chou

Department of Epidemiology and Preventative Medicine, Monash University

Project: *Identifying and predicting hip osteoarthritis*

The ARA Victorian Fellowship - \$30,000 *(funded by Australian Rheumatology Association Victoria)*

Dr Claire Owen

Department of Rheumatology, Austin Hospital

Project: *Predictors of relapse in polymyalgia rheumatica patients treated with low-dose glucocorticoid therapy*

Ken Muirden Overseas Training Fellowship - \$100,000 *(funded jointly by an educational research grant by Australian Rheumatology Association, Celgene Pty Ltd and Roche Products Pty Limited)*

Dr Clare Owens

Department of Rheumatology, Leeds Institute of Rheumatic and Musculoskeletal Medicine, University of Leeds and Leeds Musculoskeletal Biomedical Research Unit, Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust

Project: *The role of bisphosphonates in hip osteoarthritis: can this therapy reduce pain and slow structural deterioration?*

Leanne Stafford Award - \$50,000 *(funded by Australian Rheumatology Association)*

Dr Rebecca James

Department of Rheumatology, Great Ormond Street Hospital, UK

Project: *To observe the incorporation of clinical and laboratory-based research into day-to-day clinical practice in a major quaternary Paediatric Rheumatology centre, over a 12 month period, with a view to developing the current under-represented contribution of Australia and the Asia-Pacific region to international paediatric rheumatology clinical trials and research, and thus to improve the care of children with rheumatic disease in this region*

Project Grants

ARA Project Grant- \$13,000 *(funded by Australian Rheumatology Association)*

Dr Mandana Nikpour

Department of Rheumatology and Medicine, The University of Melbourne at St. Vincent's Hospital

Project: *A Disease Damage Index in Scleroderma*

ARA Project Grant- \$40,000 *(funded by Australian Rheumatology Association)*

Dr Linda Rehaume

The University of Queensland Diamantina Institute, Queensland

Project: *Modification of the microbiome to protect against spondyloarthropathy in SKG mice*

ARA Project Grant- \$15,000 *(funded by Australian Rheumatology Association)*

Mr Tom Walsh

Department of Rheumatology, School of Medicine, Flinders University

Project: *Is a change in body composition and adipokines associated with foot pain?*

Arthritis Australia and State & Territory Affiliate Grant - \$25,000 *(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 Translational Grant - \$40,000

(funded by Arthritis South Australia)

Dr Elizabeth Hoon

School of Population Health, University of Adelaide

Project: *Customising pathways to self-management support for people with osteoarthritis*

Arthritis Australia and State & Territory Affiliate Grant - \$20,000 *(funded by Arthritis Tasmania)*

Prof Graeme Jones

Musculoskeletal Unit, Menzies Institute of Medical Research

Project: *Bone shape predicts Femoroacetabular Impingement*

Arthritis Australia and State & Territory Affiliate Grant - \$25,000 *(funded by Arthritis Western Australia)*

Dr Johannes Nossent

Rheumatology, The University of Western Australia

Project: *Epidemiology of RA in Western Australia*

Eventide Homes Grant - \$25,000 *(funded by Eventide Homes NSW)*

Dr Elizabeth Clarke

Kolling Institute of Medical Research, University of Sydney

Project: *Is mild joint injury an osteoarthritis risk?*

SA LSS Support Group Grant - \$25,000 *(funded by Arthritis South Australia)*

Dr Joanne Reed

Immunology, Garvan Institute of Medical Research

Project: *Self reactive immunoglobulin repertoires in Sjögren's syndrome and Lupus*

Marion A Simpson Grant - \$25,000 *(funded by The Estate of the Late Marion Alice Simpson)*

Prof Christopher Jackson

Sutton Arthritis Research Laboratory, Rheumatology, University of Sydney

Project: *A novel broad-acting therapy for inflammatory arthritis*

Scleroderma Australia Grant - \$20,000 *(funded by Scleroderma Australia)*

Assoc Prof Peter Youssef

Department of Rheumatology Royal Prince Alfred Hospital

Project: *The utility of biomarkers of interstitial lung disease in systemic sclerosis*

UCB Australia Project Grant- \$30,000 *(funded by UCB Australia Pty Ltd)*

Dr Julia Kuliwaba

Discipline of Orthopaedics and Trauma, University of Adelaide

Project: *Molecular profiling of bone marrow lesions in osteoarthritis*

Zimmer Australia Grant - \$40,000 *(funded by Zimmer Australia)*

Dr Claudia Di Bella

Department of Surgery, University of Melbourne

Project: *The 'Biopen'. Innovative 3D printing for treatment of arthritis*

Grant-in-aid

UCB Australia Grant in aid & Zimmer Australia Grant - \$15,000

(funded jointly by UCB Australia Pty Ltd and Zimmer Australia)

Dr Daniel Harvie

CONROD Injury Research Centre, Griffith University

Project: *Sensory training for persistent pain*

UCB Australia Grant in aid - \$15,000 *(funded by UCB Australia Pty Ltd)*

Dr Jodie McClelland

School of Allied Health, La Trobe University

Project: *Long-term outcomes from knee replacement*