

**The following grants recipients received funding from our donors/supporters for 2022**

**Ken Muirden Overseas Training Fellowship- \$100,000.00**

**Funded by** – ARA (Ken Muirden Estate)

**Recipient:** Dr Aravinthan Loganathan

Canberra Hospital- ACT

**Research Title:** Fellowship in Inflammatory Myositis, Interstitial Lung Disease and Data Science

**Fellowship- Australian Rheumatology Association VIC (ARA-VIC)-\$50,000.00**

**Funded by** – ARA

**Recipient:** Dr Laura Ross

St Vincent's Hospital Melbourne- VIC

**Research Title:** Breathlessness in systemic sclerosis

**Project Grant- Australian Rheumatology Association (ARA)-\$30,000.00**

**Funded by** – ARA

**Recipient:** Dr Zhixiu Li

Queensland University of Technology-School of Biomedical Sciences

**Research Title:** Identification of biomarkers in ankylosing spondylitis

**Project Grant- Australian Rheumatology Association (ARA)-\$30,000.00**

**Funded by** – ARA

**Recipient:** Prof Ranjeny Thomas

The University of Queensland-Diamantina Institute

**Research Title:** Linking the presence of live ileal-derived bacteria in the joint as a triggering factor for the development of spondyloarthropathy

**Project Grant- Australian Rheumatology Association (ARA)-\$15,000.00**

**Funded by** – ARA

**Recipient:** Dr Katherine Martin

Walter Eliza Institute of Medical Research (WEHI)- Inflammation Division

**Research Title:** Targeting a novel pathogenic neutrophil subset in SLE

**Project Grant- Australian Rheumatology Association (ARA)-\$30,000.00**

**Funded by** – ARA

**Recipient:** Prof Bill Vicenzino

The University of Queensland - School of Health Sciences, College of Health, Medicine and Wellbeing

**Research Title-** A combined program of education and exercise versus general advice for ankle osteoarthritis: A feasibility randomised controlled trial

**Project Grant- Australian Rheumatology Association (ARA)-\$15,000.00**

**Funded by** – ARA

**Recipient:** Assoc Jeanette Thom

UNSW Sydney - School of Health Sciences

**Research Title:** Creaky knees and exercise beliefs and participation. A mixed-methods study

**Project Grant- Australian Rheumatology Association (ARA)-\$15,000.00**

**Funded by** – ARA

**Recipient:** Prof Susanna Proudman

Central Adelaide Health Network Inc (Royal Adelaide Hospital) and University of Adelaide - Rheumatology Unit

**Research Title:** Defining independence in the context of remission from the patient perspective: A qualitative study

**Project Grant- Australian Rheumatology Association (ARA)-\$25,000.00**

**Funded by** – ARA

**Recipient:** Dr Claire Owen

Austin Health- Rheumatology

**Research Title:** Prospective Validation of 18F-FDG Whole Body PET/CT as a Diagnostic Test for Polymyalgia Rheumatica

**Grant in Aid- Australian Rheumatology Association (ARA)-\$10,000.00**

**Funded by** – ARA

**Recipient:** Dr Suellen Lyne

University Of Adelaide- The Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Adelaide

**Research Title:** The Healthcare Burden of Giant Cell Arteritis in South Australia

**Grant in Aid- Australian Rheumatology Association (ARA)-\$15,000.00**

**Funded by** – ARA

**Recipient:** Dr Madeleine Bryant

The Queen Elizabeth Hospital - Department of Rheumatology

**Research Title:** Validation and integration of Patient Reported Experience Measures in outpatient rheumatology care in Australia

**Grant in Aid- Australian Rheumatology Association (ARA)-\$15,000.00**

**Funded by** – ARA

**Recipient:** Dr Joshua Zadro

The University of Sydney- Institute for Musculoskeletal Health, Sydney School of Public Health, Faculty of Medicine and Health

**Research Title:** Stratified care integrated with eHealth for low back pain

**Scholarship- Arthritis Foundation of Australia-\$25,000.00**

**Funded by** – Arthritis Foundation of Australia

**Recipient:** Brian Pulling

University of South Australia - Body in Mind Research Group

**Research Title:** Evaluating and targeting unhelpful beliefs about osteoarthritis and activity in those with painful osteoarthritis

**Project Grant- Arthritis Foundation of Australia-\$25,000.00**

**Funded by** – Arthritis Foundation of Australia

**Recipient:** Assoc Prof Mike Doran

Queensland University of Technology - School of Biomedical Sciences

**Research Title:** Chondrocytes from CRISPR-edited BMSC

**Project Grant- Arthritis Foundation of Australia -\$30,000.00**

**Funded by** – Arthritis Foundation of Australia

**Recipient:** Dr Sau (Candice) Lee

Queensland University of Technology- School of Biomedical Sciences, Faculty of Health

**Research Title:** Understanding immunobiology of IL-23/IL-17 pathway for treatment of inflammatory diseases

**Project Grant- Suzette Gately & Arthritis Foundation of Australia – \$25,000.00 (\$20,000.00 & \$5,000.00)**

**Funded by** – Suzette Gately & Arthritis Foundation of Australia

**Recipient:** Dr Feng Pan

University of Tasmania - Menzies Institute for Medical Research

**Research Title:** Unravelling Metabolic Mechanisms in Knee Osteoarthritis Pain.

**Project Grant- Arthritis SA & Arthritis Foundation of Australia - \$30,000.00 (\$25,000.00 & \$5,000.00)**

**Funded by** – Arthritis SA & Arthritis Foundation of Australia

**Recipient:** Dr Julia Kuliwaba

The University of Adelaide-Discipline of Orthopaedics and Trauma, Adelaide Medical School

**Research Title:** Cellular senescence as a therapeutic target for knee osteoarthritis

**Project Grant- Arthritis WA & Arthritis Foundation of Australia - \$30,000.00 (\$25,000.00 & \$5,000.00)**

**Funded by** – Arthritis WA & Arthritis Foundation of Australia

**Recipient:** Dr Kai Chen

University of Western Australia- School of Molecular Sciences

**Research Title:** Bone marrow adipose tissue in the osteoporotic bone

**Project Grant- Arthritis NSW & Arthritis Foundation of Australia - \$15,000.00 (\$10,000.00 & \$5,000.00)**

**Funded by** – Arthritis NSW & Arthritis Foundation of Australia

**Recipient:** Dr Andrea Bruder

La Trobe University - La Trobe Sport and Exercise, Medicine Research Centre- School of Allied Health, Human Services and Sport

**Research Title:** Is running bad for my knee? A study using novel MRI techniques to investigate knee health in young runners at high-risk of knee osteoarthritis.