

ARTHRITIS AUSTRALIA NATIONAL RESEARCH PROGRAM 2016 RECIPIENTS

Fellowships

- **The ARA Victorian Fellowship \$19,000.00** *(funded by ARA Victoria)*
Dr Louisa Chou
Department of Epidemiology and Preventative Medicine, Monash University
Project: Identifying and predicting hip osteoarthritis
- **The ARA Victorian Fellowship \$30,000.00** *(funded by ARA Victoria)*
Dr Claire Owen
Department of Rheumatology, Austin Hospital
Project: Predictors of relapse in polymyalgia rheumatica patients treated with low-dose glucocorticoid therapy
- **The Ken Muirden Overseas Training Fellowship \$100,000.00** *(funded jointly by an educational research grant by ARA Trust, 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 \$50,000.00** *(funded by ARA Trust)*
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 \$13,000.00** *(funded by ARA Trust)*
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 \$40,000.00** *(funded by ARA Trust)*
Dr Linda Rehaume
The University of Queensland Diamantina Institute, Queensland
Project: Modification of the microbiome to protect against spondyloarthritis in SKG mice
- **ARA Project Grant \$15,000.00** *(funded by ARA Trust)*
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 \$25,000.00** *(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 \$40,000.00**
(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 \$20,000.00** *(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 \$25,000.00** *(funded by Arthritis Western Australia)*
Dr Johannes Nossent
Rheumatology, The University of Western Australia
Project: Epidemiology of RA in Western Australia
- **Eventide Homes Grant \$25,000.00** *(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 \$25,000.00** *(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 \$25,000.00** *(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 \$20,000.00** *(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- \$30,000.00** *(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 \$40,000.00** *(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 \$15,000.00**
(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 \$15,000.00** *(funded by UCB Australia Pty Ltd)*
Dr Jodie McClelland
 School of Allied Health, La Trobe University
Project: Long-term outcomes from knee replacement