

CIORA: Research Updates

The CRA Research committee has launched the 9th CIORA Grant Competition. The grant application deadline was March 31, 2016 and award winners will be notified at the end of May.

A special thank you goes out to Dr. Paul Haraoui for his contribution as the CIORA/Research Committee Chair. Dr. Haraoui has served as Chair since 2006 and has provided valuable leadership and dedication. As a result, CIORA has become the third largest funding agency of rheumatology research in Canada. We would like to welcome Dr. Janet Pope as the new Research Committee Chair.



CIORA-funded research is being presented worldwide with several poster and oral presentations at American College of Rheumatology (ACR) and CRA Annual Scientific Meetings.

At the ACR in 2015

- *A Comparison of Maternal Outcomes in Women With and Without JIA* (Oral).
- *Creating New Rheumatologists: The Canadian Experience* (Oral).
- *Enhancing Comparative Effectiveness Research by Combining Observational and Randomized Trial Data to Personalize the Choice Between Methotrexate and Triple Therapy for Methotrexate-naïve Patients with Early RA* (Oral).
- *Quantifying the Delays to Rheumatologist Consultation and Treatment Among Patients with Systemic Inflammatory Rheumatic Diseases* (Oral).
- *A Comparison of Prenatal Care in Mothers With and Without JIA: Association with Outcomes* (Poster).
- *Inflammatory Arthritis Patient Perspectives on Strategies to Support Medication Adherence: A Qualitative Study Using a Novel Group Exercise* (Poster).

- *Primary Care Management of Patients with Rheumatic Diseases Prior to Rheumatologist Consultation* (Poster).
- *Proof of Concept Study of the Arthritis Health Journal: An Online Tool to Promote Self-Monitoring in People with RA* (Poster).
- *Scoring Medication Requirements and Side-Effects in JIA: Perspectives of Patients, Parents and Clinicians* (Poster).
- *Test-Retest Reliability of the 5-Item Compliance Questionnaire Rheumatology and Factors Influencing its Assessment of Adherence in Patients with RA* (Poster).
- *Using Patient-Relevant Variables to Describe the Disease Course in Children with JIA* (Poster).

At the CRA ASM in 2016

- *Reliability Analysis of Two Short Medication Adherence Questionnaires in Patients with RA* (Oral).
- *Characterizing Referrals to Rheumatologists to Better Understand Care Management of Patients with Rheumatic Diseases* (Poster).
- *CMA Rheumatology Wait Time Benchmarks: The Need to Tame the Queue Across the Continuum of Care* (Poster).
- *"Honestly, I'm very scared of the side effects so I don't, I won't take it." A Qualitative Study of Adherence to DMARDs in Inflammatory Arthritis Patients* (Poster).
- *Participant Recruitment for Rural RA Care Delivery Model Trial* (Poster).
- *Patient's Experience of the Diagnosis and Management of Psoriatic Disease* (Poster).
- *Proof of Concept Study of the Arthritis Health Journal: An Online Tool to Promote Self-Monitoring in People with RA* (Poster).
- *The Early Arthritis Screening and Treatment (EAST) Program for Eastern Quebec Improves Inflammatory Arthritis Care* (Poster).
- *The Quality and Continuity of Information Between Primary Care Physicians and Rheumatologists* (Poster).

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