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The rheumatologists' new symbol became so popular that many pharmaceutical companies started to approach them. One eventually bought the rights to the drawings from the rheumatologists. The rheumatologists took this money and kept it in their medical professional corporations, where it continued to grow and allowed them all to retire quite comfortably at an age earlier than even the cardiologists, and to send their children to really good schools. Perhaps this is not unsurprising, since if you look at the symbol they had created.



it also looks a bit like another symbol. . .\$

Ultimately, even though many of the rheumatologists' patients did not suffer as much as Sammy; and although many patients did not do as well as Sammy, many patients did do well with their treatments. And this knowledge, beyond any other and beyond the money they had made, gave the kind rheumatologists great joy and satisfaction, few others had the privilege to experience.

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Tools to Help Patients Understand Their Treatment Options

For patients living with inflammatory arthritis, the range of treatments can be confusing. These resources from the Arthritis Society can help your patients better understand their treatment options:

Inflammatory Arthritis Medications Simplified

Informationy Artificial Medications Simplified

This whiteboard video provides a high-level explanation of what inflammatory arthritis is, how the different medications that are used to manage inflammatory arthritis work, and what the patient can expect. Find it at *arthritis.ca/healthcare-professionals/professional-education/tools-and-resources.* Biologics and Biosimilars for the Treatment of Inflammatory Arthritis



If your patient needs more information about biologics and biosimilars in particular, this online resource provides answers to twelve of the most common questions around these medications. Check it out at *www. arthritis.ca/biologic.*

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