

Spotlight on the 2022 CRA Abstract Awards

ABSTRACT AWARDS	WINNERS
Best Abstract on Basic Science Research by a Trainee Award	OMAR CRUZ CORREA
Best Abstract on Clinical or Epidemiology Research by a Trainee – Phil Rosen Award	MOLLY DUSHNICKY
Best Abstract by a Medical Student Award	SAMIR MAGDY ISKANDER
Best Abstract on Pediatric Research by Young Faculty Award	CHELSEA DECOSTE
Best Abstract by a Post-Graduate Research Trainee Award	HOLLY PHILPOTT
Best Abstract on Quality Care Initiatives in Rheumatology Award	MICHAEL ZEEMAN
Best Abstract on Research by Young Faculty Award	NANCY MALTEZ
Best Abstract by a Rheumatology Post-Graduate Research Trainee Award	JENNIFER LEE
Best Abstract by a Rheumatology Resident Award	WEN QI
Best Abstract on SLE Research by a Trainee – Ian Watson Award	MAHER BANJARI
Best Abstract on Spondyloarthritis Research Award	VANESSA OCAMPO
Best Abstract by an Undergraduate Student Award	DANIEL ONWUKA

BEST ABSTRACT ON SLE RESEARCH BY A TRAINEE – IAN WATSON AWARD

Sponsored by the Lupus Society of Alberta

Winner: Maher Banjari, University of Toronto

Abstract Title: Evaluating COVID-19 Vaccination in Patients with Systemic Lupus Erythematosus

Supervisor: Dr. Dafna Gladman

BEST ABSTRACT ON CLINICAL OR EPIDEMIOLOGY RESEARCH BY A TRAINEE – PHIL ROSEN AWARD

Sponsored by the Arthritis Society – Phil Rosen Memorial Award

Winner: Molly Dushnicky, McMaster University

Abstract Title: Impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic on Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis Presentation and Research Recruitment: Results from the CAPRI Registry

Supervisor: Dr. Michelle Batthish

BEST ABSTRACT BY A RHEUMATOLOGY RESIDENT

Sponsored by the CRA

Winner: Wen Qi, Université Laval

Abstract Title: Characteristics and Evolution of Patients with Difficult-to-Treat Rheumatoid Arthritis

Supervisor: Dr. Laëticia Michou

BEST ABSTRACT ON BASIC SCIENCE RESEARCH BY A TRAINEE

Sponsored by the CRA

Winner: Omar Cruz Correa, University Health Network

Abstract Title: Prediction of Psoriatic Arthritis in Patients with Psoriasis Using DNA Methylation Profiles

Supervisor: Dr. Dafna Gladman

BEST ABSTRACT BY A POST-GRADUATE RESEARCH TRAINEE

Sponsored by the CRA

Winner: Holly Philpott, Western University

Abstract Title: Rethinking the Role of the Synovium in Late-Stage Knee Osteoarthritis: Ultrasound Imaging and Histopathological Features of Synovial Inflammation and Damage

Supervisor: Dr. Tom Appleton

BEST ABSTRACT ON QUALITY CARE INITIATIVES IN RHEUMATOLOGY

Sponsored by the CRA

Winner: Michael Zeeman, University of Alberta

Abstract Title: Characterization of patients with normal inflammatory markers in giant cell arteritis

Supervisor: Dr. Alison Clifford

BEST ABSTRACT BY A MEDICAL STUDENT

Sponsored by the CRA

Winner: Samir Magdy Iskander, Western University

Abstract Title: JAKi inhibitors have higher long-term durability of treatment in rheumatoid arthritis compared to other bDMARDs in a real world two-center Canadian Cohort study

Supervisor: Dr. Janet Pope

BEST ABSTRACT BY AN UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT

Sponsored by the CRA

Winner: Daniel Onwuka, University of British Columbia

Abstract Title: Diagnostic Testing in IgG4-related Disease

Supervisor: Dr. Mollie Carruthers

BEST ABSTRACT BY A RHEUMATOLOGY POST-GRADUATE RESEARCH TRAINEE

Sponsored by the CRA

Winner: Jennifer Lee, University of Toronto

Abstract Title: The Long-Term Cardiac Prognosis of Kawasaki Disease: Results from a Retrospective Matched Data Linkage Study

Supervisor: Drs. Brian Feldman and Jessica Widdifield

BEST ABSTRACT ON RESEARCH BY YOUNG FACULTY

Sponsored by the CRA

Winner: Nancy Maltez, University of Ottawa

Abstract Title: Improvement in Overall Survival, Skin Fibrosis and Lung Function with Autologous Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplantation in Systemic Sclerosis

BEST ABSTRACT ON PEDIATRIC RESEARCH BY YOUNG FACULTY

Sponsored by the CRA

Winner: Chelsea DeCoste, IWK Health Centre

Abstract Title: High Adolescent Health Needs and Relationship to Disease in Patients with Childhood-Onset Systemic Lupus Erythematosus

BEST ABSTRACT ON SPONDYLOARTHRITIS RESEARCH AWARD

Sponsored by the Canadian Spondylitis Association

Winner: Vanessa Ocampo, University of Toronto

Abstract Title: Prevalence, Incidence and Predictors of Uveitis in Spondyloarthritis in a Canadian Cohort

Supervisor: Dr. Dafna Gladman