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A CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION CONFERENCE
September 18-19, 2015
The Cosmopolitan, Las Vegas

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Join us in September for Rheumatology News, Internal Medicine News & Family Practice News’ 8th Annual Perspectives in Rheumatic Diseases CME/CE conference. We explore the latest advances in the treatment and management of rheumatic diseases. This conference is an opportunity to catch up on new developments and practical solutions in this complex area of medicine. Leading experts will present clinically relevant information that you will find immediately useful in the care of your patients. Rheumatoid arthritis, psoriatic arthritis, spondyloarthritis, psoriasis, and the many connections are covered. Sessions will also focus on osteoporosis, gout, systemic lupus erythematosus, vasculitis, inflammatory lung disease and pulmonary arterial hypertension as well as the management of pain that affects patients with rheumatic diseases. Don’t miss our highly animated case sessions and discussions of co-morbidities.

Interactive sessions offer attendees the chance to ask difficult questions and discuss patient care options with the experts.

Two Afternoon Tracks on Friday, September 18
Rheumatologic Reflections for:
• Rheumatologists
• Primary Care

Don’t miss the 8th Annual Perspectives in Rheumatic Diseases Conference, September 18-19, 2015. The format is interactive, informal and relaxed, encouraging a free-flowing exchange of ideas and practical solutions for the busy clinician.

We look forward to seeing you in Las Vegas in September.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND
Rheumatologists, primary care physicians, nurses, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, pharmacists and other healthcare professionals involved in the treatment of patients with rheumatic diseases.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES
After completing this live activity, participants should be better able to:
• Integrate into daily practice new clinical developments and up-to-date guidelines for the management of rheumatoid arthritis (RA) and other immune-mediated inflammatory rheumatologic diseases.
• Outline the current and emerging therapeutic options that target established and newly recognized pathways in the pathogenesis of psoriatic arthritis, spondyloarthritis, and psoriasis.
• Evaluate the safety and efficacy of the various classes of biologic agents in RA and other immune-mediated, inflammatory rheumatologic diseases.
• Explain how to successfully manage pregnancy in patients with RA.
• Implement strategies for preventing and managing comorbidities in patients with rheumatic diseases.
• Clinically identify vasculitis and its mimics and how to institute appropriate therapy.
• Formulate an evidence-based management plan incorporating updated recommendations for patients with hyperuricemia and gout.
• Recognize the signs and symptoms of systemic lupus erythematosus and be prepared to incorporate into patient care new and emerging treatment options.
• Compare and contrast the efficacy and safety profiles of pharmacologic therapeutic options for osteoporosis and identify their advantages and limitations.
• Discuss the epidemiology, clinical presentation, evaluation and treatment of interstitial lung disease and pulmonary hypertension in the setting of connective tissue disease.
• Explain the pathophysiology of fibromyalgia.
• Describe the efficacy and safety of evidence-based pharmacologic and nonpharmacologic treatment options for pain management.
Thursday, September 17, 2015
3:00 - 6:00 pm  Early Registration

Friday, September 18, 2015
6:45 am  Registration / Breakfast / Exhibits
7:25 am  Welcome and Introduction  
Daniel E. Furst, MD
7:30 am  Rheumatoid Arthritis (RA): New Developments in Small Molecules and Biologics  
Iain B. McInnes, FRCP, PhD, FRSE, FMedSci
8:15 am  Managing Pregnancy in Patients with RA  
Jennifer Grossman, MD
8:45 am  Update on Spondyloarthritides  
Philip J. Mease, MD
9:30 am  Interactive Panel Discussion
10:00 am  Break & Visit Exhibits
10:30 am  Tilting at Windmills: A Rational Approach to Fibromyalgia  
Brian Walitt, MD, MPH
11:00 am  Creative Case-Based Approach to RA  
Daniel E. Furst, MD
11:45 am  Lupus: Diagnosis and Treatment  
Richard Furie, MD
12:15 pm  Interactive Panel Discussion
12:30 pm  Break & Pick Up Lunches

Rheumatologic Reflections Breakouts:
Rheumatology or Primary Care Track-You Choose*

1:30 pm  Rheumatology: Practical Guide to Recognizing and Managing Co-morbidity in RA  
Iain B. McInnes, FRCP, PhD, FRSE, FMedSci
Primary Care: Understanding Lupus for Primary Care  
Richard Furie, MD

2:15 pm  Rheumatology: Lost in Translation—The Science of Fibromyalgia  
Brian Walitt, MD, MPH
Primary Care: Psoriatic Arthritis and Psoriasis—Differential Diagnosis  
Kenneth B. Gordon, MD

3:00 pm  Rheumatology: Healthcare Policy Update: News from the Hill  
Michael Schweitz, MD
Primary Care: Osteoarthritis—Causes and Treatment

3:45 pm  Break & Visit Exhibits
4:15 pm  Clinical Case Conundrums: Stump the Professors  
Daniel E. Furst, MD, and Iain B. McInnes, FRCP, PhD, FRSE, FMedSci, moderators

5:15 pm  Day Concludes

Saturday, September 19, 2015
6:45 am  Breakfast / Exhibits
7:40 am  Welcome Back  
Brian Mandell, MD, PhD, and Iain B. McInnes, FRCP, PhD, FRSE, FMedSci
7:45 am  Psoriasis: New Developments  
Kenneth B. Gordon, MD
8:30 am  Psoriatic Arthritis: Parsing Out Optimal Management of Disease  
Iain B. McInnes, FRCP, PhD, FRSE, FMedSci
9:15 am  Scleroderma: Symptoms and Treatments  
Daniel E. Furst, MD
9:45 am  Interactive Panel Discussion
10:15 am  Break & Visit Exhibits
10:45 am  Vasculitis Mimics  
Brian Mandell, MD, PhD
11:30 am  Osteoporosis Management
12:15 pm  Interactive Panel Discussion
12:30 pm  Break & Pick Up Lunches
1:30 pm  Pulmonary Hypertension and Interstitial Lung Disease in the Setting of Connective Tissue Disease  
Kristin Highland, MD
2:00 pm  Gout: A Conversation for Primary Care and Rheumatology  
Brian Mandell, MD, PhD
2:45 pm  Interactive Panel Discussion
3:00 pm  Clinical Case Conundrums: Stump the Professors  
Brian Mandell, MD, PhD, and Kenneth B. Gordon, MD, moderators
4:15 pm  Conference ends, see you in 2016

*Sessions/faculty subject to change. For program and faculty updates, visit globalacademycme.com/rheumatology
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