

ARTHRITIS AUSTRALIA NATIONAL RESEARCH PROGRAM 2018 RECIPIENTS

Fellowships

- **AFA-ARA Heald Fellowship \$50,000.00**
(jointly funded by ARA Trust and Vincent Fairfax Family Foundation)
Dr Feitong Wu
Menzies Institute for Medical Research, University of Tasmania
Project: *Early life strategies for improving fracture risk factors throughout life*
- **The Arthritis Queensland Fellowship \$50,000.00**
(funded by Arthritis Queensland)
Dr Natalie Collins
School of Health and Rehabilitation Science, University of Queensland
Project: *Patellofemoral osteoarthritis and predictors of progression in young to middle-aged adults with chronic patellofemoral pain*
- **Bruce Miller - Australian Rheumatology Association Post-Doctoral Fellowship \$125,000.00**
(jointly funded by BB & A Miller Foundation and Australian Rheumatology Association)
Dr Meghna Talekar
Diamantina Institute, University of Queensland
Project: *Targeted oral Liposomal Microcomplexes for Tolerizing Dendritic cells in rheumatoid arthritis*
- **Bruce Miller - Australian Rheumatology Association Post-Doctoral Fellowship \$125,000.00**
(jointly funded by BB & A Miller Foundation and Australian Rheumatology Association)
Dr Mihir Dilip Wechalekar
Department of Rheumatology, Flinders University
Project: *Improving outcomes in Rheumatoid arthritis*
- **The Ken Muirden Overseas Training Fellowship \$75,000.00**
(funded by ARA Trust)
Dr Huai Leng (Jessica) Pisaniello (nee Yong)
The Arthritis Research UK Centre for Epidemiology, Centre for Musculoskeletal Research, School of Biological Sciences, Faculty of Biology, Medicine and Health, The University of Manchester
Project: *The role of mobile health (mHealth) application in real-time capture of self-reported symptoms and longitudinal activity, and its feasibility in patient-focused remote monitoring in musculoskeletal disorders*

- **Leanne Stafford Award - \$50,000**
(funded by ARA Trust)
Dr Shi-Nan Luong
Centre for Rheumatology Research, University College London Division of Medicine
Project: *Investigating the relationship between autoimmune rheumatic disease activity and pregnancy outcomes*

Scholarships

- **Estate of The Late Grace E Cameron & ARA Project Grant \$30,000.00**
(jointly funded by the Estate of The Late Grace E Cameron & ARA Trust)
Dr Sudha Raghunath
Medicine Nursing and Health Sciences, Monash University
Project: *Cognitive dysfunction in SLE*

Project Grants

- **ARA Project Grant \$35,000.00 (Translational Grant)**
(funded by ARA Trust)
Dr Helen Keen
Fiona Stanley Hospital, UWA School of Medicine and Pharmacology
Project: *Community perceptions of rheumatoid arthritis pharmacotherapy: An analysis of social media platforms*
- **Arthritis Australia and State/Territory Affiliate Grant \$40,000.00**
(funded by Arthritis South Australia)
Assoc Prof Ilana Ackerman
Department of Epidemiology and Preventive Medicine, Monash University
Project: *Falls prevention: The missing element in osteoarthritis care*
- **Arthritis Australia and State/Territory Affiliate Grant \$10,000.00**
(funded by Arthritis Foundation of Australia)
Dr Ayano Kelly
Medical School, Australian National University
Project: *Standardising outcomes in interventions to improve medication adherence in rheumatology*
- **Arthritis Australia and State/Territory Affiliate Grant \$15,000.00**
(funded by Arthritis South Australia)
Dr Tasha Stanton
School of Health Sciences, University of South Australia
Project: *Does targeting pain-related beliefs in people with knee osteoarthritis increase physical activity?*

- **Arthritis Australia and State & Territory Affiliate Grant - \$20,000.00**
(jointly funded by Arthritis South Australia and Arthritis Western Australia)
Dr Kylie Tucker
School of Biomedical Sciences, Faculty of Medicine, University of Queensland
Project: *Balancing muscle force and persistent knee pain in adolescents*
- **Arthritis Australia and State/Territory Affiliate Grant & Eventide Homes \$30,000.00**
(jointly funded by Arthritis Tasmania and Eventide Homes)
Dr Dawn Aitken
Menzies Institute for Medical Research, University of Tasmania
Project: *A randomised controlled trial evaluating community walking for knee osteoarthritis*
- **Arthritis Australia and State/Territory Affiliate Grant & Eventide Homes \$30,000.00**
(jointly funded by Eventide Homes, Arthritis South Australia & Arthritis Foundation of Australia)
Dr Claudia Di Bella
Department of Orthopaedics, St Vincent's Hospital, Melbourne
Project: *3D Bioprinting of bio-adhesive scaffold for cartilage regeneration*
- **H J & G J McKenzie Grant \$25,000.00**
(funded by The Estate of the late Heather Joy McKenzie)
Dr Ky-Anh Nguyen
Discipline of Life Sciences, Faculty of Dentistry, University of Sydney
Project: *Autoantibody cross-reactive epitope of P. gingivalis*
- **Marion A Simpson Grant \$25,000.00**
(funded by The Estate of the Late Marion Alice Simpson)
Prof Christopher Jackson
Sutton Arthritis Laboratory Rheumatology, University of Sydney
Project: *The differential functions of PAR1 and PAR2 in the onset and development of rheumatoid arthritis*

Grant-in-Aid

- **ARA Project Grant \$15,000.00**
(funded by ARA Trust)
Dr Eliza Pontifex
Rheumatology Medical Sciences, Flinders University
Project: *Perception of pain in psoriatic arthritis*
- **ARA Project Grant \$10,000.00**
(funded by ARA Trust)
Dr Linda Rehaume
The University of Queensland Diamantina Institute, University of Queensland
Project: *The relationship of IL-23 and the microbiota in the development of spondyloarthritis in SKG mice*

- **ARA Project Grant \$10,000.00**
(funded by ARA Trust)
Dr Premarani Sinnathurai
Rheumatology Department, Royal North Shore Hospital
Project: *Adipokines: a link between obesity and psoriatic arthritis*
- **Arthritis Australia and State/Territory Affiliate Grant \$15,000.00**
(funded by Arthritis Western Australia)
Dr Amity Campbell
School of Physiotherapy and Exercise Science, Curtin University
Project: *Predicting knee loading using wearable sensors*
- **Arthritis Australia and State/Territory Affiliate Grant \$15,000.00**
(jointly funded by Arthritis Western Australia and Arthritis Foundation of Australia)
Dr Ming-Chin Lee
Department of Medicine (RMH), University of Melbourne
CCL17 in osteoarthritis and its associated pain
- **Arthritis Australia and State/Territory Affiliate Grant \$10,000.00**
(funded by Arthritis South Australia)
Dr Jiao Jiao Li
Kolling Institute, Sydney Medical School, University of Sydney
Project: *A novel strategy for treating chronic joint injury*
- **Arthritis Australia and State/Territory Affiliate Grant \$10,000.00**
(funded by Arthritis South Australia)
Dr Jenny Setchell
School of Health and Rehabilitation Science, University of Queensland
Project: *Translating low back pain research: Identifying potential hidden harms in health messaging*
- **HJ & GJ McKenzie Grant \$10,000.00**
(funded by Estate of the late Heather Joy McKenzie)
Mr David James Tunnicliffe
Sydney School of Public Health, University of Sydney
Project: *Optimising transition from paediatric to adult healthcare in rheumatology*