

Welcome to the first Y-GRAPPA Newsletter!

Future newsletter will only be sent to Y-GRAPPA and Early Career Members.

Please share with colleagues who might be interested to join Y-GRAPPA!

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Message from the Y-GRAPPA Chairs

Dear fellow Y-GRAPPiAns, dear Colleagues, dear Friends,

We are excited to celebrate our first anniversary at the **GRAPPA Annual Meeting in July 2022**. We hope to see as many as possible from our group at the meeting in Brooklyn, USA, to connect, brainstorm and start many fascinating new projects! (See below for abstract submission.)

In the meantime, we are **so thankful for all your support** and for what could be achieved in the past months. Y-GRAPPA has grown substantially in terms of membership and engagement with ongoing GRAPPA activities. This brings a bunch of great opportunities, and we are so happy to share them with you!

To mention some of them: *GRAPPA slide library, GRAPPA Gender Project, Highlight Presentations at the GRAPPA Meeting Adjacent to ACR, Involvement in the GRAPPA Ultrasound Project.*

Stay tuned for more exciting news and opportunities and we hope to see some of you at the EULAR2022 in Copenhagen in person.

Kind regards and stay safe.

Fabian and Leonieke as current Y-GRAPPA Chairs

The Y-GRAPPA subgroups and how to join:

There are **eight Y-GRAPPA subgroups** which collaborate closely. Their aims and current main projects are presented below.

Want to get involved? Email: young.grappians@gmail.com

Not yet a Y-GRAPPiAn? See: <https://grappa.memberclicks.net/young-grappa>

The goal of Y-GRAPPA is to bring younger – and not yet well-established – GRAPPA members closer to GRAPPA activities.

Governance Group

Group Leader: David Simon (Rheumatologist, Germany).

Aims: To develop dedicated bylaws, monitor the statutes of the Y-GRAPPA organization, and act in an advisory function. In this way, we will make the executed procedures and projects efficient and contribute to the successful work of Y-GRAPPA and GRAPPA.

Projects: Designing the current statutes and create an efficient infrastructure for dynamic evolution of the Y-GRAPPA.

Education Group

Group Leader: Gizem Ayan (Rheumatologist, Turkey).

Aims: To collaborate with the GRAPPA education group to launch projects and programs that improve and standardize knowledge of PsO and PsA across the globe.

Projects:

- Video project "Message to Young-GRAPPiAns" (the first Y- GRAPPA project!). We record and share short interviews with researchers on social media to attract more Y-GRAPPiAns and strengthen the bond with senior GRAPPA members.
- GRAPPA slide library update: Y-GRAPPiAns will work with GRAPPA members to update educational material.

Research Group

Group Leader: Alla Ishchenko (Rheumatologist, Belgium).

Aims: To stimulate new research projects and collaborations in the field of psoriatic disease among young colleagues, and to support Y-GRAPPA members applying to existing GRAPPA fellowships and research grants.

Dermatology/Rheumatology Collaborative Group

Group Leaders: Dimitri Luz (Dermatologist, Brazil), Hannah Jethwa (Rheumatologist, UK).

Aims: To improve education of both specialist areas amongst healthcare professionals and enhance the communication and networking between Dermatologists and Rheumatologists.

Projects: Increase the number of Dermatology colleagues participating in Y-GRAPPA and GRAPPA groups, including 'Bring a Dermatology Friend' and presentation at the AAD.

Networking Group

Group Leader: Arani Vivekanantham (Rheumatologist, UK).

Aim: To promote and support international collaborations and networking between both young and leading clinicians/researchers in the fields of PsO and PsA.

Projects:

- Organising a mentor-mentee meeting during the GRAPPA conference.
- Organising a mentor-mentee social with lunch/ dinner at the GRAPPA conference.
- Creating a mailing list of Y-GRAPPA and GRAPPA members with their roles and expertise.

Social Media Group @GrappaO

Group Leader: Sebastián Herrera (Rheumatologist, Colombia).

Aims: To use social media to inform Y-GRAPPA and GRAPPA members about GRAPPA related activities, and to raise a wider awareness about GRAPPA.

Projects:

- A group member will be assigned each month to manage the Twitter account.
- Contact with other working groups to “publish” their work.

Website Group

Group Leader: Roxana Coras (Rheumatologist, USA).

Aims: To collate information about the Y-GRAPPA subgroups and their activities and provide a connection between the Y-GRAPPA and parent GRAPPA communities.

Projects: Produce a Y-GRAPPA website.

Newsletter Group

Group Leader: Hanna Johnsson (Rheumatologist, UK).

Aims: To provide brief and relevant information to GRAPPA and Y-GRAPPA members.

Projects: We've hereby written our first Newsletter! There are many more to come.

Upcoming events and deadlines

GRAPPA Annual Meeting and Training symposium 14-16 July, 2022, Brooklyn, USA

Submit your abstract by Friday April 15, 2022! <https://www.grappanetwork.org/>

EULAR 1-4 June 2022, Copenhagen, Denmark

GRAPPA adjacent to EULAR time and place TBC