

GRAPPA 2026 Annual Meeting & Trainee Symposium

Location: Lisbon, Portugal

Dates: Thursday–Saturday, July 9–11, 2026

Thursday, July 9 – Pre-Meeting Day

07:30 – 12:30

Pre-Meeting Course: Musculoskeletal Ultrasound

Opala I, II & III

(Pre-registration and payment required; separate agenda)

09:30 – 12:00

Patient Research Partners (PRP) Meeting

Ametista

(By invitation only)

12:00 – 13:30

IDEOM (International Dermatology Outcome Measures) Meeting

Esmeralda I & II

(Open invitation; lunch provided)

13:30 – 15:30

Treatment Recommendations 2026 Domain Group Meetings

Opala I, II & III

(Open for members of the Treatment Recommendations Update Project)

13:45 – 14:45

Meet GRAPPA Industry Partners

Jade I & II

(Open invitation; food provided)

15:45 – 17:15

GRAPPA Steering Committee Meeting

Aguamarinha

(By invitation only)

15:45 – 17:15

PRP Training

Ametista
(By invitation only)

15:45 – 17:15

Psoriatic Arthritis: An Evolving Clinical Landscape

Esmeralda I & II
(Y-GRAPPA and Early Career Members)

17:30 – 19:30

Welcome Reception & Entertainment

Esplanada do Olivae
(Open invitation to all attendees and one guest; food provided)

19:30 – 20:30

Y-GRAPPA Networking Event

Soul Garden Bar
(Open invitation)

Friday, July 10 – Day 1 | General Scientific Program

07:05 – 08:15

Concurrent Session: Industry Collaborative Research Network (CRN) – Part 1

Jade I & II
(By RSVP only)

07:30 – 08:30

Registration & Networking

Morning Plenary Sessions

08:30 – 08:40

Welcome and Opening Remarks

Arthur Kavanaugh, MD
University of California San Diego, USA
Joseph F. Merola, MD, MMSc
UT Southwestern Medical Center, USA
(GRAPPA Co-Presidents)

08:40 – 09:40

Plenary Session I: Artificial Intelligence in Psoriatic Disease

Moderator

Elaine Husni, MD, MPH

Cleveland Clinic, USA

GRAPPA Education Committee Co-Chair

08:45 – 09:05

Digital Health Solutions for Disease Monitoring

Thomas Hügler, MD, PhD

University Hospital Lausanne (CHUV), Switzerland

09:05 – 09:25

Ethical Considerations of AI in Research and Clinical Practice

Vincenzo Venerito, MD, PhD

Policlinico Hospital Bari, Italy

09:25 – 09:30

Patient Perspectives on AI

GRAPPA Patient Research Partner (TBD)

09:30 – 09:40

Questions and Answers

Trainee Symposium

09:40 – 10:30

Trainee Abstract Oral Presentations

Moderators and Abstract Program Managers

Fabian Proft, MD

Charité – Universitätsmedizin Berlin, Germany

Sibel Aydin, MD

University of Ottawa, Canada

09:40 – 09:45

Overview and Introduction

09:45 – 10:25

Five Trainee Presentations
(5-minute presentation + 3-minute discussion)

10:25 – 10:30

Open Discussion and Q&A

10:30 – 11:00

Coffee Break

11:00 – 11:30

Outside-the-Box Lecture

Immunologic Ophthalmology

Marta Guedes, MD, PhD

Centro Hospitalar de Lisboa Ocidental, Portugal

Moderator

Tiago Torres, MD, PhD

University of Porto, Portugal

11:30 – 12:00

Debate: Is Treat-to-Target the Best Approach?

Moderator

Enrique Soriano, MD

Hospital Italiano de Buenos Aires, Argentina

Pro

Laura C. Coates, MBChB, PhD, FRCP

University of Oxford, United Kingdom

Con

Ennio Lubrano, MD, PhD

Università del Molise, Italy

12:00 – 13:30

Lunch, Trainee Abstracts Poster Viewing & Networking

12:30 – 13:15

Education Committee Meeting

Ametista

(Education Committee Members Only)

Afternoon Sessions

13:35 – 14:05

GRAPPA Soapbox

Moderator

Stephen Pennington, PhD

University College Dublin, Ireland

PREDICT Study – Evaluating Whether the DUET Ultrasound Enthesitis Score Improves Real-World Diagnosis of Early PsA in Psoriasis Patients with Musculoskeletal Symptoms

Sahil Koppikar, MD

Women's College Hospital, University of Toronto, Canada

Daily Oral Vitamin D in Psoriasis

Renu Mahtani, MD, FMNM

Autoimmunity Treatment Centre, Pune, India

Biologic Dose Reduction Strategies in Psoriasis and Psoriatic Arthritis

Juan Raul Castro Ayarza, MD, MS

Universidad Nacional de Colombia, Colombia

14:05 – 15:00

Pilot Research Grant Report-Back Session

Moderators

Wilson Liao, MD

University of California San Francisco, USA

Lihi Eder, MD, PhD

University of Toronto, Canada

Presenters

Paul Hsu, MD, PhD

University of California San Diego, USA

Batoul Hojeij, MD

Erasmus MC, Netherlands

Steve Dang, MD, PhD
University of Toronto, Canada

Arani Vivekanantham, MD
University of Oxford, United Kingdom

Panel Discussion and Q&A

15:00 – 15:20

Coffee Break

15:20 – 16:10

GRAPPA Project Updates

Moderator

Vinod Chandran, MBBS, MD, DM, PhD, FRCPC
University of Toronto, Canada

Difficult-to-Treat / C2M PsA

André Ribeiro, MD, PhD
Hospital de Clínicas de Porto Alegre, Brazil

Fabian Proft, MD
Charité – Universitätsmedizin Berlin, Germany

Jean-Guillaume Letarouilly, MD, PhD
Université de Lille, France

EXPlore PsA Update

Michelle Mulder, MD
Radboud University Medical Center, Netherlands

Philip Helliwell, MA, PhD, DM, FRCP
University of Leeds, United Kingdom

Axial PsA Update

Denis Poddubnyy, MD, PhD
University of Toronto, Canada

Dafna Gladman, MD, FRCPC
University of Toronto, Canada

16:10 – 16:30

Day 1 Wrap-Up and Announcements

16:45 – 18:15

Business Advisory Council (BAC) Meeting

Aguamarinha

(By invitation only)

16:45 – 18:15

Y-GRAPPA Business Meeting

Jade I & II

19:00 – 19:30

GRAPPA Open Reception

Foyer – Floor 1

19:30 – 22:00

GRAPPA Recognition & Awards Dinner and Dancing

Floriana I, II & III

Saturday, July 11 – Day 2 | General Scientific Program

07:05 – 08:10

Concurrent Session: Collaborative Research Network (CRN) – Part 2

Jade I & II

(By RSVP only)

07:30 – 08:30

Registration & Networking

08:30 – 08:35

Welcome Back and Day 2 Overview

08:35 – 09:45

Plenary Session II: Future Directions in Imaging for Psoriatic Arthritis

Moderator

William Tillett, MBChB, BSc, PhD, FRCP

University of Bath, United Kingdom

Arthur Kavanaugh, MD

University of California San Diego, USA

08:35 – 08:50

X-ray & HR-pQCT

Lai-Shan Tam, MD

Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong

08:50 – 09:05

MRI

Mikkel Østergaard, MD, PhD

University of Copenhagen, Denmark

09:05 – 09:20

Ultrasound

Lihi Eder, MD, PhD

University of Toronto, Canada

09:20 – 09:35

Imaging Meets AI (ARTHUR & DIANA)

Lene Terslev, MD, PhD

Rigshospitalet Glostrup, Denmark

09:35 – 09:40

Patient Perspective on Imaging

Arnon Katz

GRAPPA Patient Research Partner

09:40 – 09:45

Questions and Answers

09:45 – 10:15

Outside-the-Box Lecture

Endocrinology: incretins, and metabolic comorbidities in the context of psoriatic disease

Adriana De Sousa Lages, MD

University of Coimbra, Portugal

Moderator

Ennio Lubrano, MD, PhD

Università del Molise, Italy

Speaker and Topic TBD

10:15 – 10:35

AMP-AIM Program Update

Moderator

Ajesh Maharaj, PhD

Westville Hospital, Durban, South Africa

Wilson Liao, MD

University of California San Francisco, USA

Amelie Spangenberg, MD

University of California San Francisco, USA

Christopher Ritchlin, MD, MPH

University of Rochester Medical Center, USA

Maria De La Luz Garcia-Hernandez, MD

University of Rochester Medical Center, USA

10:35 – 10:50

Coffee Break

10:50 – 11:35

Hot Topics: Best Abstracts from ACR & EULAR

Faculty

Fabian Proft, MD

Charité – Universitätsmedizin Berlin, Germany

André Ribeiro, MD, PhD

Hospital de Clínicas de Porto Alegre, Brazil

Basic Science

Hanna Johnsson

University of Glasgow, United Kingdom

Clinical

Isaac Cheng

Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong

Treatment

Dylan McGagh

University of Oxford, United Kingdom

11:35 – 12:05

GRAPPA Project Update: Treatment Recommendations 2026

Katy Leung, MBChB, MD

Duke-NUS Medical School, Singapore

12:05 – 13:35

Lunch, Poster Tours & Networking

13:35 – 14:05

Outside-the-Box Lecture

Moderator

Tiago Meirinhos, MD

University of Porto, Portugal

Gastroenterology

João Sabino, MD, PhD

KU Leuven, Belgium

14:05 – 14:35

GRAPPA Soapbox

Moderator

Wei Li, MD, PhD

West China Hospital, Sichuan University

Sleep Disorders

Sueli Coelho da Silva Carneiro, MD

Hospital Universitário Clementino Fraga Filho, Brazil

IL-17 Inhibitor Retention in Psoriatic Arthritis (BIRRA Cohort, n=868)

Valentino Paci, MD

Marche Polytechnic University, Italy

Equivalent Safety Among Modern Biologics

Milton Rodriguez-Zuniga, MD, MSCE

National University of San Marcos, Peru

14:35 – 14:50

Coffee Break

14:50 – 15:20

Plenary Lecture: Is PASI Passé?

Moderator

Joseph F. Merola, MD, MMSc

UT Southwestern Medical Center, USA

April W. Armstrong, MD, MPH

University of California Los Angeles, USA

15:20 – 15:50

Hot Topics: Best Abstracts from EADV & AAD

Moderators

Laura Savage, MD

Leeds Teaching Hospitals, United Kingdom

Manuel Franco, MD

El Bosque University, Colombia

Basic Science

Ahmet Ugur Atilan, MD
Pamukkale University, Türkiye

Clinical

Leandro Leite, MD
Hospital de Clínicas de Porto Alegre, Brazil

Treatment

Maria Angeliki Gkini, MD
Aristotle University Medical School, Greece

Business & Closing

16:00 – 16:15

GRAPPA Business Meeting

Governance Report

Ade Adebajo, MBBS, MD, FRCP
University of Sheffield, United Kingdom

2026 Election Results

16:15 – 16:30

Closing Remarks, Open Q&A, and Meeting Adjournment