

2026 Annual Meeting & Trainee Symposium

LISBON PORTUGAL

JULY 9 - 11

AGENDA



Scan to see the online meeting portal and
for biographies of the speakers.



THURSDAY JULY 9, 2026



PRE-MEETING DAY

08:00 – 12:30 | Pre-Meeting Course: Musculoskeletal Ultrasound

(Pre-registration and payment required; separate agenda)

Room: Opala I, II & III

09:00 – 12:00 | Patient Research Partners (PRP) Meeting

(By invitation only)

Room: Ametista

12:00 – 13:30 | IDEOM (International Dermatology Outcome Measures) Meeting

(Open invitation; pre-registration requested; lunch provided)

Room: Esmeralda I & II

13:30 – 15:30 | Treatment Recommendations 2026 Domain Group Meetings

(Open for members of the Treatment Recommendations Update Project)

Room: Aguamarinha

14:00 – 15:00 | Meet GRAPPA Industry Partners

(Open invitation; food provided)

Room: Jade I & II

15:45 – 17:15 | GRAPPA Steering Committee Meeting

(By invitation only)

Esmeralda I & II

15:45 – 17:15 | PRP Training

(By invitation only)

Room: Ametista

15:45 – 17:15 | Psoriatic Arthritis: An Evolving Clinical Landscape

(Registration requested - Y-GRAPPA and Early Career Members)

This is not an official GRAPPA meeting.

This program is developed and offered by Elite Industry Partner Bristol Myers Squibb.

17:30 – 19:30 | Welcome Reception & Entertainment

(Hors d'oeuvres and drinks provided. Due to compliance requirements, attendance is limited to GRAPPA Members and invited guests only; sponsored guests may not attend.)

Esplanada do Olivae

19:30 – 20:30 | Y-GRAPPA Networking Event

(RSVP required. Y-GRAPPA Members Only.)

Soul Garden Bar



FRIDAY JULY 10, 2026



Day 1 | General Scientific Program

Breakfast provided by hotel per room reservation in the Olivae Restaurant & Terrace on the ground floor from 7:00 AM – 10:30 AM.

07:00 – 08:15 | Industry Collaborative Research Network (CRN) – Innovative Clinical Trial Designs in Psoriatic Arthritis

(Pre-registration required)

Room: Jade I & II

07:30 – 08:30 | Registration & Networking

Foyer

Morning Plenary Sessions

Floriana I, II & III

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 | Artificial Intelligence in Psoriatic Disease

08:40 – 08:45 | Introduction

Moderated by 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 (Y-GRAPPA)

09:25 – 09:30 | Patient Perspectives on AI

Roni Habbal, Qatar, and G. Chew, Singapore (GRAPPA Patient Research Partners)

09:30 – 09:40 | Open Discussion and Question & Answer

09:40 – 10:30 | Trainee Symposium

09:40 – 09:45 | Trainee Abstract Introduction & Overview

Moderated by Fabian Proft, MD, Charité Universitätsmedizin Berlin, Germany & Sibel Aydin, MD, University of Ottawa, Canada (GRAPPA Abstract Program Managers)



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09:45 – 09:50 | Obesity, Weight Loss, and the Psoriasis-to-Psoriatic Arthritis Transition

David Kellner, MD, RhMSUS, University of California, Los Angeles, USA

09:50 – 09:53 | Question & Answer

09:53 – 09:58 | Sex-Specific Outcomes in Methotrexate Therapy Among Patients with Psoriatic Arthritis and Psoriasis

Liana Barenbrug, MSc, Radboud University Medical Center, The Netherlands

09:58 – 10:01 | Question & Answer

10:01 – 10:06 | GRAPPA Versus EULAR Definitions for Difficult to Treat Psoriatic Arthritis: Concordance and Baseline Predictors Based on the PARWCH Cohort

Jingya Gao, MD, West China Hospital of Sichuan University, China

10:06 – 10:09 | Question & Answer

10:09 – 10:14 | Inflammatory Signals in Subclinical Psoriatic Arthritis Predict Severe and Polyarticular Disease at Diagnosis

Giulia Marchionni, MD, Marche Polytechnic University & Clinica Medica, Marche University Hospital, Italy

10:14 – 10:17 | Question & Answer

10:17 – 10:22 | JAK-Dependent Regulation of CXCL10, a Known Nociceptive Chemokine, Identifies a Potential Target Underlying Pain Reduction in an In Vitro Model of Enthesitis

Francesca Trunfio, MD, University of Leeds, United Kingdom

10:22 – 10:25 | Question & Answer

10:25 – 10:30 | Open Discussion and Q&A

10:30 – 11:00 | Coffee Break

11:00 – 11:30 | Outside-the-Box Lecture

Moderated by Luís Puig, MD (Hon), PhD, Hospital de la Santa Creu i Sant Pau, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona School of Medicine, Spain (GRAPPA Board Member)

11:00 – 11:25 | Immunologic Ophthalmology | Marta Guedes, MD, PhD, Centro Hospitalar de Lisboa Ocidental, Portugal

11:25 – 11:30 | Question & Answer

11:30 – 12:00 | Debate: Is Treat-to-Target the Best Approach?

Moderated by Enrique Soriano, MD, Hospital Italiano de Buenos Aires, Argentina (GRAPPA Steering Committee Member)

Laura C. Coates, MBChB, PhD, University of Oxford, United Kingdom (GRAPPA Board Member) & Ennio Lubrano, MD, PhD, Università del Molise, Italy



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12:00 – 13:25 | Lunch & Networking

Olivae Restaurant & Terrace

12:30 – 13:15 Education Committee Meeting

(GRAPPA Education Committee Members Only)

Reserved Tables at Olivae Restaurant & Terrace

12:45 – 13:25 | Trainee Abstracts Poster Viewing

Foyer – Floor 1

Afternoon Plenary Sessions

13:30 – 14:05 | GRAPPA Soapbox Presentations Part 1 (7 min presentation 3 min Q & A)

13:30 – 13:35 | Introduction

Moderated by Stephen Pennington, PhD, University College Dublin, Ireland

13:35 – 13:42 | 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, MHPE, University of Toronto, Canada (Y-GRAPPA)

13:42 – 13:45 | Question & Answer

13:45 – 13:52 | Daily Oral Vitamin D in Psoriasis

Renu Mahtani, MD, Param Health Centre, India

13:52 – 13:55 | Question & Answer

13:55 – 14:02 | Biologic Dose Reduction Strategies in Psoriasis and Psoriatic Arthritis

Juan Raul Castro Ayarza, MD, Ms, Universidad Nacional de Colombia, Colombia (GRAPPA Steering Committee)

14:02 – 14:05 | Question & Answer

14:05 – 15:00 | Pilot Research Grant Report-Back

14:05 – 14:10 | Overview and Introduction

Moderated by Wilson Liao, MD, University of California San Francisco, USA & Lihi Eder, MD, PhD, University of Toronto, Canada (GRAPPA Research Committee Co-Chairs)

14:10 – 14:17 | Investigating the Role of Eomesodermin in the Maintenance of Synovial Tissue-resident Memory CD8 T Cells

Paul Hsu, MD, PhD, University of California San Diego, USA

14:17 – 14:20 Question & Answer



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14:20 – 14:27 | Dietary Inflammatory Potential and Psoriatic Arthritis

Batoul Hojeij, PhD, Erasmus MC, Netherlands

14:27 – 14:30 Question & Answer

14:30 – 14:37 | Sex Differences in Psoriatic Arthritis Through Imaging Mass Cytometry of Synovial Tissue

Steve Dang, PhD Student, University of Toronto, Canada

14:37 – 14:40 Question & Answer

14:40 – 14:47 | Can the Development of Psoriatic Arthritis be Predicted Using Routinely Available Clinical Data?

Arani Vivekanantham, MBChB, MPhil, University of Oxford, United Kingdom

14:47 – 14:50 Question & Answer

14:50 – 15:00 | All Pilot Research Grant Presenters Open Discussion and Question & Answer

15:00 – 15:20 | Coffee Break

15:20 – 16:00 | GRAPPA Project Updates

Moderated by Vinod Chandran, MD, PhD, University of Toronto, Canada (GRAPPA Co Vice-President)

15:20 – 15:30 | Difficult-to-Treat / C2M PsA

André Ribeiro, MD, MSc, Hospital de Clínicas de Porto Alegre, Brazil, (GRAPPA Steering Committee)

Fabian Proft, & Jean-Guillaume Letarouilly, MD, PhD, Université de Lille, France (Y-GRAPPA)

15:30 – 15:40 | EXPLORE PsA Update

Michelle Mulder, MD, PhD, Radboud University Medical Center, Netherlands (Y-GRAPPA) & Phillip

Helliwell, MA, PhD, DM, FRCP, University of Leeds, United Kingdom (GRAPPA Governance Committee)

15:40 – 15:50 | AXIAL PsA Update

Murat Torgutalp, MD, MSc, Charité Universitätsmedizin Berlin, Germany, Denis Poddubnyy, MD, PhD, University of Toronto, Canada (GRAPPA Steering Committee) & Dafna Gladman, MD, FRCP, University of Toronto, Canada (GRAPPA Steering Committee)

15:50 – 16:00 | All GRAPPA Project Updates Open Discussion and Question & Answer

16:00 – 16:10 | Day 1 Wrap-Up and Announcements

16:10 – 16:20 | GRAPPA Member Group Photo - Front of Plenary Room

16:20 – 16:40 | GRAPPA Oral and Poster Trainee Photos - Foyer Floor 1



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16:45 – 18:15 | Business Advisory Council (BAC) Meeting

(By invitation only)

Room: Aguamarinha

16:45 – 18:15 | Young GRAPPA Business Meeting

(Open to Young GRAPPA Members only)

Andre Riberio, Y-GRAPPA Chair (2024-2026) and Gizem Ayan, MD, Ankara Research and Training Hospital, Turkey, Y-GRAPPA Chair-Elect (2026-2028)

Room: Jade I & II

18:15 – 18:30 | GRAPPA Board Photos

Room: Ruby

19:00 – 20:00 | GRAPPA Open Reception

Olivae Terrace

20:00 – 22:00 | GRAPPA Awards Dinner and Dancing

(RSVP required. Due to compliance requirements, attendance is limited to GRAPPA Members and invited guests only; sponsored guests may not attend.)

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SATURDAY JULY 11, 2026

Day 2 | General Scientific Program

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07:00 – 08:10 | Industry Collaborative Research Network (CRN) – Ultrasound in Psoriatic Arthritis Research: Opportunities and Challenges

(Pre-registration required)

Room: Jade I & II

07:30 – 08:30 | Registration & Networking

Morning Plenary Sessions

Floriana I, II & III

08:30 – 08:35 | Welcome Back and Opening Remarks

Arthur Kavanaugh & Joseph F. Merola

08:35 – 09:45 | Future Directions in Imaging for Psoriatic Arthritis

Moderated by William Tillett, MD, PhD, Royal National Hospital for Rheumatic Diseases, United Kingdom (GRAPPA Steering Committee) and Arthur Kavanaugh



ANNUAL MEETING AND TRAINEE SYMPOSIUM

SATURDAY JULY 11, 2026

08:35 – 08:50 | X-ray & HR-pQCT

Lai-Shan Tam, MD, The Chinese University of Hong Kong

08:50 – 09:05 | MRI

Mikkel Østergaard, MD, PhD, University of Copenhagen, Denmark

09:05 – 09:20 | Ultrasound

Lihi Eder

09:20 – 09:35 | Imaging Meets AI (ARTHUR & DIANA)

Lene Terslev, MD, PhD, DMSc, Rigshospitalet Glostrup, Denmark

09:35 – 09:40 | Patient Perspective on Imaging

Arnon Katz, GRAPPA Patient Research Partner

09:40 – 09:45 | Open Discussion and Question & Answer

09:45 – 10:15 | Outside-the-Box Lecture

Moderated by Ennio Lubrano

09:45 – 10:10 | Endocrinology: Incretins, and Metabolic Comorbidities in the Context of Psoriatic Disease

Adriana De Sousa Lages, MD, University of Coimbra, Portugal

10:10 – 10:15 | Question & Answer

10:15 – 10:45 | Deciphering Endotypes in Psoriatic Disease - an AMP-AIM Program Update

Moderated by: Ajesh Maharaj, MB.BS; H.Dip.Int.Med(SA); FCP(SA); Cert in Rheumatology (SA); PhD, Walter Sisulu University, South Africa (GRAPPA Steering Committee)

10:15 – 10:25 | Psoriasis

Amelie Spangenberg, MBBS, University of California San Francisco, USA,

10:25 – 10:35 | Psoriatic Arthritis

Maria de la Luz Garcia-Hernandez, PhD, University of Rochester Medical Center, USA

10:35 – 10:45 | Open Discussion and Question & Answer

Christopher Ritchlin, MD, MPH, University of Rochester Medical Center, USA & Wilson Liao

10:45 – 11:00 | Coffee Break

11:00 – 11:40 | Hot Topics: Best Abstracts from ACR & EULAR

11:00 – 11:02 | Introduction

Fabian Proft and André Ribeiro

11:02 – 11:09 | Basic Science

Hanna Johnsson, MD, PhD, NHS Forth Valley, United Kingdom (Y-GRAPPA)

11:09 – 11:12 | Question & Answer

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11:12 – 11:19 | Clinical

Isaac Cheng, PhD, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong (Y-GRAPPA)

11:19 – 11:22 | Question & Answer

11:22 – 11:29 | Treatment

Dylan McGagh, BMBCh, BSc, University of Oxford, United Kingdom (Y-GRAPPA)

11:29 – 11:32 | Question & Answer

11:32 – 11:40 | Open Discussion and Question & Answer

11:40 – 12:10 | GRAPPA Project Update: Treatment Recommendations 2026

Katy Leung, MB.ChB, MD, Singapore General Hospital, Singapore (GRAPPA Education Committee Co-Chair)

12:10 – 12:20 | GRAPPA Business Meeting: Governance Report and 2026 Election Results

Ade Adebajo, MBE, University of Sheffield, United Kingdom, & Phillip Helliwell (GRAPPA Governance Committee)

12:20 – 13:45 | Lunch & Networking

Olivae Restaurant & Terrace

13:00 – 13:40 | Guided Trainee Abstract Poster Tours

(Sign-up required)

Foyer - Floor 1

Afternoon Plenary Sessions

13:50 – 14:20 | Outside-the-Box Lecture

Moderated by Tiago Meirinhos, MD, University of Porto, Portugal

13:50 – 14:15 | Gastroenterology

João Sabino, MD, PhD, KU Leuven, Belgium

14:15 – 14:20 | Question & Answer

14:20 – 14:50 | GRAPPA Soapbox Presentations Part 2

Moderated by Wei Li, MD, PhD, West China Hospital, Sichuan University

14:20 – 14:27 | Sleep Disorders

Sueli Carneiro, MD, PhD, Federal University of Rio de Janeiro / State University of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

14:27 – 14:30 | Question & Answer

14:30 – 14:37 | IL-17 Inhibitor Retention in Psoriatic Arthritis (BIRRA Cohort)

Valentino Paci, MD, Polytechnic University of Marche, Italy (Y-GRAPPA)

14:37 – 14:40 | Question & Answer



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14:40 – 14:47 | Comparative Long-Term Safety of IL-17 vs IL-23 Inhibitors in Moderate-to-Severe Plaque Psoriasis

Milton Rodriguez, MD, MSc, Clínica San Felipe, Peru (Y-GRAPPA)

14:47 – 14:50 | Question & Answer

14:50 – 15:05 | Coffee Break

15:05 – 15:35 | Plenary Lecture

Moderated by Joseph Merola

15:05 – 15:30 | Is PASI Passé?

April Armstrong, MD, MPH, University of California Los Angeles, USA (GRAPPA Immediate Past Co-President)

15:30 – 15:35 | Question & Answer

15:35 – 16:10

Hot Topics: Best Abstracts from EADV & AAD

Moderated by Laura Savage, MD, PhD, University of Leeds, United Kingdom (GRAPPA Co-Vice President) and Manuel Franco, MD, El Bosque University, Colombia

15:35 – 15:42 | Basic Science

Ahmet Ugur Atilan, MD, MSc, Pamukkale University, Türkiye (Y-GRAPPA)

15:42 – 15:45 | Question & Answer

15:45 – 15:52 | Clinical

Leandro Leite, MD, Hospital de Clínicas de Porto Alegre, Brazil (Y-GRAPPA)

15:52 – 15:55 | Question & Answer

15:55 – 16:02 | Treatment

Milton Rodriguez

16:02 – 16:05 | Question & Answer

16:05 – 16:10 | Open Discussion and Question & Answer

Closing

16:10 – 16:20 | Closing Remarks, Open Question & Answer, and Meeting Adjournment

Lisbon City Tours

Pre-registration required. Space is limited. Due to compliance requirements, attendance is limited to GRAPPA members and invited guests; sponsored guests are not permitted to attend.

Please plan your transportation to the tour meeting point well in advance.

See further information on the following page:



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Lisbon City Tours Continued:

Please note that transportation to and from the tour meeting location is not provided. A hotel shuttle with (limited seating) will stop at the Hard Rock Cafe Lisbon every 30 minutes, or attendees may use the metro or a rideshare service. Please allow yourself at least 30 minutes of travel time to reach the meeting location in a timely manner as the tours will leave promptly at the designated times.

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17:30 - 19:00 | First Lisbon Walking Tour

19:30 - 21:00 | Second Lisbon Walking Tour

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GRAPPA 2025 Annual Meeting Publication



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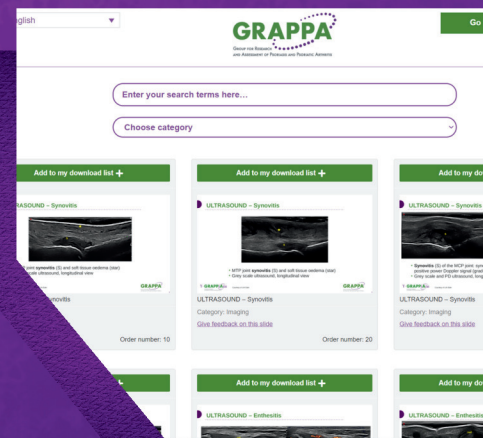
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11 TOPICS



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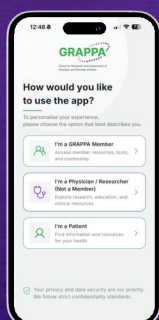
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