

Granulomatosis with Polyangiitis (Wegener's) GPA

Giant Cell Arteritis GCA

Cryoglobulinemic Vasculitis CV



Primary CNS Vasculitis CNS

Cogan's Syndrome CS

Microscopic Polyangiitis MPA

Polyarteritis Nodosa PAN

Takayasu Arteritis TAK

Lupus Vasculitis

BEHCET'S Disease

Immune Complex SVV

Churg Strauss EGPA

Kawasaki Disease KD

Single Organ Vasculitis

Rheumatoid Vasculitis

Sarcoid Vasculitis

Vasculitis Associated with Probable Etiology

Eight Lectures on Vasculitis

2020 VFC Fall Lectures* – Online via Zoom

Week #1, Saturday, October 17, 2020 1PM ET

Week #2, Saturday, October 24, 2020 1PM ET

Week #3, Sunday, November 1, 2020 2PM ET

Week #4, Sunday, November 15, 2020 1PM ET

Vasculitis Foundation Members can attend any of these lectures for free, non-members are requested to become VFC members with the purchase of a \$20 membership at time of registration. ZOOM invites will follow after registration. Register online at this site:

<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/vasculitis-foundation-canada/events/2020-vasculitis-foundation-canada-fall-lectures>

**Proposed agenda as of 1.10.20, VFC reserves the right to make program changes as necessary*

***W* Saturday, October 17, 2020**

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1:00PM - 1:45PM

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Nataliya Milman, MD, FRCP(C), MSc, Assistant Professor, Division of

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Rheumatology, Department of Medicine, The Ottawa Hospital / University of Ottawa, Ottawa, ON.

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Dr. Milman will provide an overview of the Ottawa Vasculitis Clinic as well as other relevant clinics and specialists. She will also offer some insight into vasculitis related research in Ottawa, with focus on aortitis and outcome measures in ANCA-associated vasculitis.

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1:45PM - 2:45PM

John Stone, MD, MPH, Rheumatologist, Boston Medical and Rheumatologic, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, MA.

Dr. Stone will speak on the Myths and Pearls in vasculitis! And, he should know as he directed the first multi-center clinical trial in granulomatosis with polyangiitis (GPA, formerly Wegener's), called Wegener's Granulomatosis Enbrel Trial, or WGET. The results of this trial were published in The New England Journal of Medicine (NEJ) in 2005. This trial led to another breakthrough trial called Rituximab in ANCA-associated Vasculitis, or RAVE, where he was Co-Principal Investigator (PI). RAVE led to two NEJ papers that changed the global standard of care for remission induction in GPA, and formed the basis to approve rituximab (Rituxan) by regulatory agencies across the world. More recently, he was the global PI in the GACTA trial (Giant-Cell Arteritis Actemra), which led to a "breakthrough designation", and 2017 approval, of tocilizumab by the FDA for giant cell arteritis (GCA). The trial demonstrated, for the first time ever, the availability of an effective steroid-sparing approach to the treatment of GCA. This drug has also been approved in Japan for Takayasu's arteritis (TAK). All this on the strength of one trial published in the NEJ in 2017!

W Saturday, October 24, 2020

E 1:00PM - 1:45PM

**E Katherine Siminovitch, M.D., FRCP(C), Professor of Medicine,
K Rheumatologist, Geneticist, Senior Investigator at the Samuel Lunenfeld
Research Institute of Mount Sinai Hospital, Toronto, ON.**

**T Dr. Siminovitch will give us another progress report on her vasculitis genetics
W research, and GPA/MPA in particular. She has published numerous papers on
O her work and will give us an update on these as well as the GPA/MPA CyTOF
research using fresh blood samples that she continues to collect at the Toronto
Vasculitis Clinic. It is hoped this work will help identify the potential stimulus,
or trigger, based on the discovery of 4 precise gene/protein defects that are
directly implicated in GPA, and maybe MPA. Her research has advanced
dramatically since those first DNA collections in the spring of 2001 and is now
supportive of a separate genetic classification for GPA, and MPA.**

1:45PM - 2:30PM

Vasculitis and COVID-19 Part 2 with Dr's.: Christian Pagnoux, Nader Khalidi, Stephane Garner, Mats Junek and Katherine Siminovitch

As we all know the COVID-19 Pandemic continues to change just about everything, and more is being learned about COVID-19, treatment options and vaccines on almost a daily basis. And, some research is starting to emerge on what is known about Arthritis and COVID-19 as well as Vasculitis and COVID-19. So, join us for Vasculitis and COVID-19, a Part 2 update to our Spring 2020 presentation on the same topic.

W Sunday, November 1, 2020

E 2:00PM - 2:45PM

**E Todd Fairhead, M.D. FRCP(C), Assistant Professor, Division of Nephrology
K Medical Director Glomerulonephritis Clinic, The Ottawa Hospital / University of Ottawa, Ottawa, ON.**

T *Dr. Fairhead will give us an overview of Ottawa's glomerulonephritis clinic and
H some insight into kidney vasculitis. He will also review of the results of the
R PEXIVAS trial and its implications for patients.*

E 2:45PM - 3:30PM

**E Natasha Dehghan M.D., FRCP(C) Clinical Assistant Professor,
Division of Rheumatology, University of British Columbia,
Medical Lead, Mary Pack Arthritis Program, Vasculitis Clinics, Vancouver
Coastal Health, Vancouver, B.C.**

Dr. Dehghan will present a review of two Large Vessel Vasculitis (LVV), diseases, namely Giant Cell Arteritis, or GCA, and Takayasu's Arteritis, or TAK. She'll discuss who gets GCA and TAK, the symptoms, the diagnosis, monitoring, labs, imaging tests, biopsies, current best treatments and emerging new treatments etc.

W Sunday, November 15, 2020

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Rowena Ridout, M.D., FRCPC, CCD, Assistant Professor of Medicine,

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Associate Director Osteoporosis Clinic, Toronto General Hospital.

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Osteoporosis affects almost all vasculitis patients to some degree, especially those who rely on steroids as part of their treatment. This session will cover

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everything you need to know about osteoporosis, from risk factors, to

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prevention, to best treatments, to testing with DEXA scans, to diagnosis, and the

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role of exercise. Learn how to keep your bones healthy and reduce your fracture risk now and in the long run!

1:45PM - 2:30PM in English and 2:30 – 3:15 en Français!

**Christian Pagnoux, M.D., M.P.H. Assistant Professor, Vasculitis Clinic,
Division of Rheumatology, Mount Sinai Hospital, Toronto, ON.**

Dr. Pagnoux will provide an update on the latest vasculitis news from the recent American College of Rheumatology Conference. He'll also discuss news from CanVasc and review the new Canadian ANCA Vasculitis treatment guidelines.

Mark your Calendars! Tentative 2021 Meeting Dates	
AGM - Saturday April 24, 2021	23 rd Annual Picnic & 11 th . Annual Walk- Saturday June 19, 2021
Fall Lectures - Saturday, October 23, 2021 Ottawa/ZOOM/?	

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