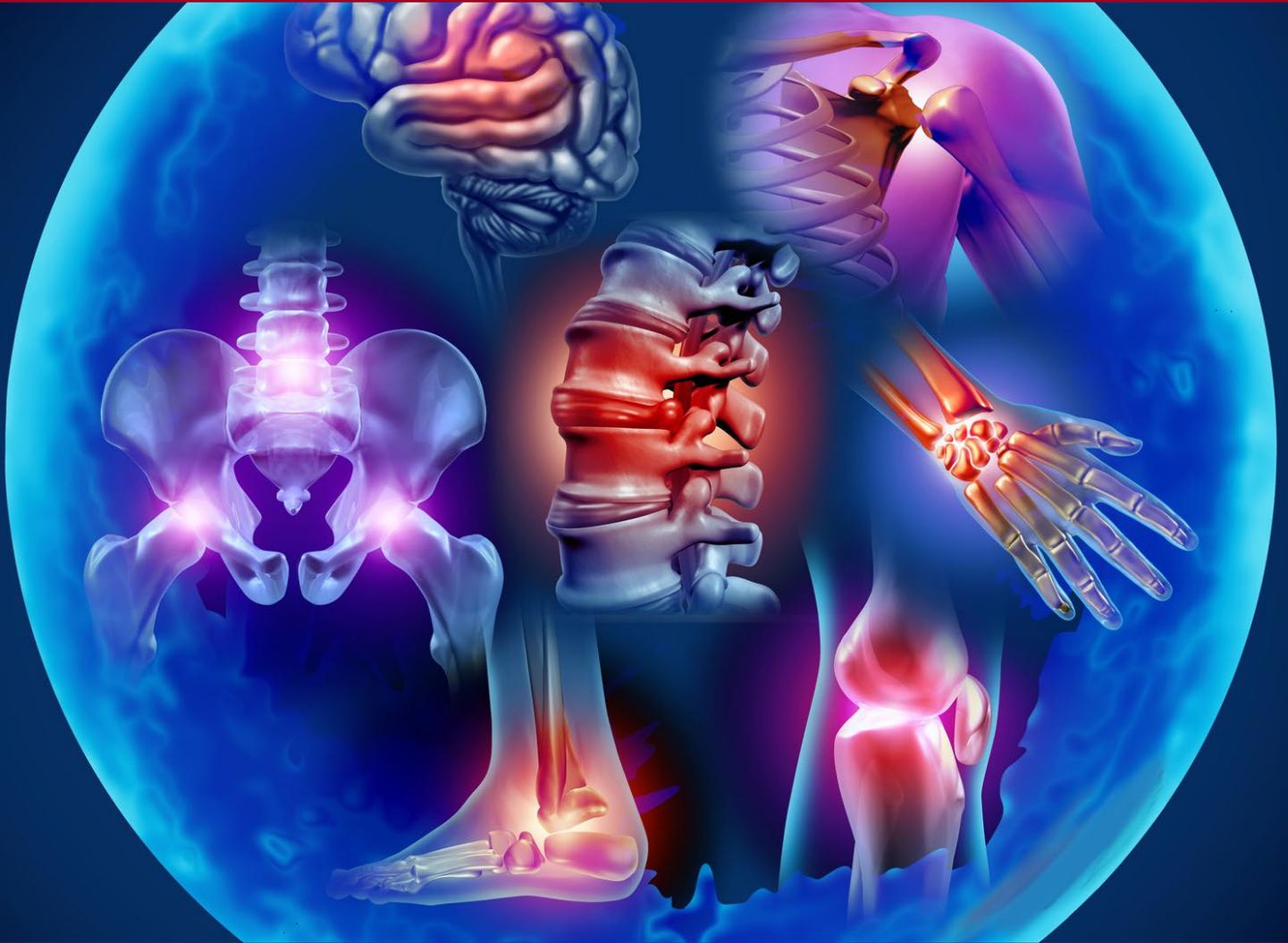


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Cleveland Review of Rheumatic Diseases 2026



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7:30 a.m. – 12 p.m.



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LEARNING OBJECTIVES

At the conclusion of this symposium, participants will be able to:

- **Describe** the mechanisms, clinical evidence, and safety considerations of emerging therapies for scleroderma, with a focus on novel chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) T-cell therapy, including its application in refractory systemic sclerosis, patient selection, efficacy in organ and skin involvement, and current limitations and future directions.
- **Summarize** recent updates in rheumatoid arthritis treatment, including biosimilars, new treatment modalities, new drug approvals, updated guidelines, and personalized medicine approaches.
- **Outline** current best practices for treating connective tissue disease–associated interstitial lung disease (CTD-ILD), including antifibrotics, immunosuppressants, and emerging targeted therapies.
- **Evaluate** emerging therapies in lupus and vasculitis, including new biologics, small molecules, and cell-based therapies, and their impact on disease control and patient outcomes.
- **Update** knowledge in axial spondyloarthritis, including new modalities and treatments that improve long-term outcomes and quality of life.
- **Describe** the utility of musculoskeletal ultrasound in rheumatology, including its role in diagnosis, disease monitoring, and guiding interventions in conditions such as Sjögren’s syndrome, psoriatic arthritis, and rheumatoid arthritis.
- **Discuss** the potential utility of GLP-1 receptor agonists in autoimmune rheumatic diseases, focusing on mechanisms, metabolic and inflammatory effects, and emerging clinical data.
- **Recognize** strategies for managing difficult-to-treat rheumatic diseases, emphasizing refractory cases, the integration of novel therapies, and individualized patient-centered approaches.
- **Identify and manage** dermatologic and ophthalmologic manifestations of rheumatic diseases, understanding their diagnostic significance, systemic implications, and targeted treatment options.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

This course content is intended for rheumatology specialists, internists, and family practice physicians. Nurses and other allied health professionals are also welcome to attend and will benefit from the course agenda.

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PROGRAM AGENDA DAY 1

FRIDAY, MAY 1, 2026

7 – 8 a.m.

Registration, Exhibits and
Continental Breakfast

8 – 8:05 a.m.

Welcome and Introduction

Marina Magrey, MD and Vicky Nahra, MD

**SESSION I | NOVEL TREATMENTS IN
RHEUMATIC DISEASES**

Moderators: Donald Anthony, MD and
Lenche Kostadinova, MD

8:05 – 8:40 a.m.

Keynote | Novel Treatments for Scleroderma
Including Car-T Cells

Dinesh Khanna, MBBS, Msc

8:40 – 9:15 a.m.

GLP1s and What Rheumatologists Should
Know About?

Philip J. Mease, MD

9:15 – 9:50 a.m.

Rheumatoid Arthritis Treatment Updates

Jack Cush, MD

9:50 – 10:10 a.m.

Questions and Answer Session

10:10 – 10:30 a.m. | Break

Moderators: Van Warren, MD and
Maria Antonelli, MD

10:30 – 11:05 a.m.

CTD-ILD New Treatment

John T. Giles, MD, MPH

11:05 – 11:40 a.m.

Emerging Therapies in Lupus

George Tsokos, MD

11:40 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Question & Answer Session

12:00 – 1 p.m. | Lunch & Learn

Product Theaters:

Session 1 | Room 134

Session 2 | Room 150

**SESSION II | RECENT ADVANCES IN
CHALLENGING RHEUMATIC
CONDITIONS**

Moderators: Rula Hajj-Ali, MD and
Elisabeth Roter, MD

1 – 1:35 p.m.

Update on the Treatment of ANCA-
Associated Vasculitis

Carol Langford, MD, MHS

1:35 – 2:10 p.m.

Difficult to Treat Spondyloarthritis

Marina Magrey, MD

2:10 – 2:45 p.m.

Derm Manifestations of Rheumatic Diseases

Bethany Rohr, MD

2:45 – 3 p.m. | Questions & Answer Session

3 – 3:15 p.m. | Break & Exhibits

Moderators: Ogechi Moh, MD* and
Krista Topalsky, MD

3:15 – 3:50 p.m.

Osteoporosis Update

Sarah Keller, DO

3:50 – 4:50 p.m.

Case Discussions | Rheumatology Fellows

Vicky Nahra, Ansaam Daoud, MD*, Lenche
Kostadinova, MD* or/and Maya Mattar, MD*

4:50 – 5:10 p.m. | Question & Answer Session

5:10 – 5:15 p.m. | Closing Remarks

5:15 – 6:15 p.m.

Evening Reception and Product Theater

Product Theaters:

Session 3 | Room 134

PROGRAM AGENDA DAY 2

SATURDAY, MAY 2, 2026

7 – 8 a.m.

**Registration, Exhibits and
Continental Breakfast**

8 – 8:05 a.m.

Welcome and Introduction

Marina Magrey, MD and Vicky Nahra, MD

**SESSION III | AXIAL DISEASES AND
PSORIATIC ARTHRITIS**

Moderators: Marwa Sabha, MD and
Nora Singer, MD

8:05 – 8:40 a.m.

Psoriatic Arthritis New Treatments

M. Elaine Husni, MD, MPH

8:40 – 9:15 a.m.

Axial Spondylarthritis New Treatment

Dennis Poddubnyy, MD

9:15 – 9:50 a.m.

Uveitis

Shree Kurup, MD

9:50 – 10:10 a.m.

Questions & Answer Session

10:10 – 10:30 a.m. | Break & Exhibits

SESSION IV | MSK/ULTRASOUND

Moderators: Lauren Mathais, MD and Lawrence
Kent, MD

10:30 – 11:10 a.m.

MSK Ultrasound Overview

Haseeb Chaudhary, MD

11:10 – 11:50 a.m.

Use of MSK Ultrasound in PsA

Sibil Ayedin, MD

11:50 – 12:30 a.m.

US Use in SS, GCA

Minna Kohler, MD

12:30 a.m. – 12:35 p.m. | Closing Remarks

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