

Thursday October 22, 2015		<i>All Research Symposium Sessions will be held in the Olympic Ballroom (Gold / Silver / Bronze)</i>
11:45 am – 12:45 pm	Joint Networking Lunch	<i>Rockies Room</i>
Research Symposium: New Directions in Osteoarthritis Research		
12:45 pm – 1:00 pm	Opening Remarks	Ms. Janet Yale , Chair, Arthritis Alliance of Canada, Toronto, ON
	Welcome Remarks	Mr. Eric Rosendahl , MLA, West Yellowhead, AB
Session I: Chair – Dr. Jason McDougall, Dalhousie University, Halifax, NS		
1:00 pm – 1:10 pm	We have made great strides in OA Research ... Let's keep it moving : A Call to Action	Dr. Deborah Marshall , Canada Research Chair, Health Systems and Services Research; Associate Professor, Department of Community Health Sciences, Cumming School of Medicine, University of Calgary, Calgary, AB
1:10 pm – 1:35 pm	Consumer action in Canadian Osteoarthritis Research: <i>From study participants to knowledge transfer agents</i>	Ms. Alison Hoens , Consumer Representative, Arthritis Patient Advisory Board of Arthritis Research Canada, Vancouver, BC Mr. John Coderre , Consumer Representative, Patient Partner, Ottawa, ON Ms. Anne Fouillard , Former Member and Co-Chair of the Consumer Advisory Committee, Canadian Arthritis Network, Rose Bay, NS Dr. Jean Miller , Consumer Representative, Patient and Community Engagement Research (PaCER) Program, University of Calgary, Calgary, AB
1:35 pm – 2:00 pm	Setting the Stage: What is OA?	Dr. Gillian Hawker , Sir John and Lady Eaton Professor, Department of Medicine, University of Toronto, Toronto, ON
2:00 pm – 2:25 pm	Basic research in OA: why is it important and what have we learned?	Dr. Frank Beier , Canada Research Chair in Musculoskeletal Research, Professor and Assistant Chair, Department of Physiology and Pharmacology, University of Western Ontario, London, ON
2:25 pm – 2:50 pm	The management of OA from microfracture and osteotomy to stem cell regeneration, using the ACL injured knee as the model	Dr. Nicholas Mohtadi , Director, Sport Medicine Centre, Faculty of Kinesiology, University of Calgary, Calgary, AB
2:50 pm – 3:15 pm	Joint Networking Break	<i>Convention Foyer</i>
Session II: Chair – Dr. Andre Bussieres, McGill University, Montreal, QC		
3:15 pm – 3:40 pm	Preventing joint injury and subsequent osteoarthritis: A population health perspective	Dr. Carolyn Emery , PT PhD, Professor, Associate Dean Research, Faculty of Kinesiology, University of Calgary, Calgary, AB
3:40 pm – 4:05 pm	Knowledge translation of osteoarthritis research: Advances after 15 years	Dr. Linda Li , PT, PhD, Department of Physical Therapy, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC
4:05 pm – 4:30 pm	The evolution of OA management: from late-stage surgery to a comprehensive prevention and treatment strategy	Dr. Ewa Roos , Professor, Head of Research Unit for Musculoskeletal Function and Physiotherapy, Institute of Sports Science and Clinical Biomechanics, Odense M, Denmark
4:30 pm – 4:55 pm	Panel discussion: Prospects for the future of osteoarthritis research	Panel Chair: Dr. Jeff Dixon , Distinguished University Professor; Co-Director, Bone and Joint Institute, The University of Western Ontario, London, ON Panel: Ms. Alison Hoens, Dr. Ewa Roos, Dr. Frank Beier, Dr. Nick Mohtadi, Dr. Carolyn Emery, Dr. Gillian Hawker, Dr. Linda Li
4:55 pm – 5:00 pm	Closing Remarks	Dr. Hani El-Gabalawy , Scientific Director, CIHR Institute of Musculoskeletal Health and Arthritis, Winnipeg, MB
5:00 pm	Symposium adjourns	
6:00 pm – 6:45 pm	AAC Cocktail Reception	<i>Convention Foyer</i>
	Poster Viewing (Institute of Musculoskeletal Health and Arthritis (IMHA) Young Investigators, The Arthritis Society Trainees, Arthritis Consumer Organizations in Canada)	
6:45 pm	Gala Tribute Dinner, in honour of the accomplishments and legacy of the late Dr. Cy Frank	<i>Olympic Ballroom</i>

**Friday
October 23, 2015**

AAC Workshops will be held in the Gold Room

7:30 am – 8:30 am	Networking Breakfast	<i>Rockies Room</i>
8:30 am – 9:00 am	Arthritis Alliance of Canada (AAC) Annual General Meeting	
9:00 am – 10:15 am	AAC Models of Care Workshop: Building Clinical Capacity to Diagnose and Manage OA	<p>Dr. E. Laura Cruz, Sport and Exercise Medicine Physician; Assistant Programme Director, University of Toronto, President-Elect, Canadian Academy of Sport and Exercise Medicine (CASEM)</p> <p>Dr. Jean Miller, Consumer Representative, Patient and Community Engagement Research (PaCER) Program, University of Calgary, Calgary, AB</p> <p>Dr. Gillian Hawker, Sir John and Lady Eaton Professor, Department of Medicine, University of Toronto, Toronto, ON</p> <p>Dr. Ewa Roos, Professor, Head of Research Unit for Musculoskeletal Function and Physiotherapy, Institute of Sports Science and Clinical Biomechanics, Odense M, Denmark</p> <p>Dr. Natasha Gakhal, Rheumatologist, Women's College Hospital, Toronto</p> <p>Mr. Joe Kwan, BScPhm, Extended Team Manager, Chronic Pain, Navigation, Medical MSK, GI & Mental Health Stream, Calgary Foothills Primary Care Network, Calgary, AB</p> <p>Ms. Corinne Bryant, Occupational Therapist, Extended Team Lead, Chronic Pain, Navigation, Medical MSK, GI & Mental Health Stream, Calgary Foothills Primary Care Network, Calgary, AB</p>
10:15 am – 10:45 am	Networking Break	<i>Convention Foyer</i>
10:45 am – 12:00 pm	AAC Research Workshop Building upon key messages from Thursday's symposium, "New Directions in Osteoarthritis Research", the workshop will engage AAC members, partners and stakeholders in: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• identifying knowledge gaps in osteoarthritis;• synthesizing and prioritizing key research questions that need to be addressed; and• identifying programs and strategies to tackle the most critical questions in osteoarthritis research.	<p>Dr. Deborah Marshall, Canada Research Chair, Health Systems and Services Research; Associate Professor, Department of Community Health Sciences, Cumming School of Medicine, University of Calgary, Calgary, AB</p> <p>Dr. Jeff Dixon, Distinguished University Professor; Co-Director, Bone and Joint Institute, The University of Western Ontario, London, ON</p> <p>Dr. John Woolcott, Senior Manager, Health Economics and Outcomes Research, Pfizer Canada</p> <p>Dr. Jason McDougall, Professor, Department of Pharmacology, Dalhousie University, Halifax, NS</p> <p>Dr. Hani El-Gabalawy, Scientific Director, CIHR Institute of Musculoskeletal Health and Arthritis, Winnipeg, MB</p>
12:00 pm – 12:30 pm	Networking Lunch	<i>Gold Room Foyer</i>
12:30 pm – 1:45 pm	AAC Advocacy and Awareness Workshop 4.6. It's more than a number: Arthritis Advocacy and Awareness in 2016: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cross country checkup of policy and politics across the regions;• Explore strategies for participating in federal and provincial health policy formation;• Review policy positions and key messaging on arthritis issues and hot topics; and• Mobilize regional teams to engage in policy dialogue with a targeted approach.	<p>Mr. Kelly Lendvoy, Vice President, Communications and Public Affairs, Arthritis Consumer Experts</p> <p>Ms. Gillian Kennedy, Manager, Government Affairs, AbbVie Canada</p> <p>Dr. Joanne Homik, Rheumatologist, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB</p> <p>Ms. Linda Wilhelm, President, Canadian Arthritis Patient Alliance</p> <p>Ms. Tania Alexander, Marketing Manager, Janssen Inc.</p>
1:00 pm – 2:00 pm	Joint Poster Mixer: IMHA Young Investigators, The Arthritis Society Trainees and Arthritis Consumer Organizations in Canada Arthritis Consumer Organizations invite you to learn "who does what, where, why, when and how" at the Poster Mixer Session.	Explorer Room / Convention Foyer
2:30 pm – 3:30 pm	Shuttle Buses depart to Calgary Airport	