

## News from SOAR: Atlantic Update 2019

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Rheumatologists from across the Maritime provinces returned to Dalvay by the Sea on Prince Edward Island for the 36th annual meeting of the Society of Atlantic Rheumatologists (SOAR) from June 21-23, 2019. The meeting provided a combination of outstanding education along with an important opportunity to spend time with regional colleagues.

This year's David Hawkins Lecture in Rheumatology, "The New Frontier—Comparative Safety of JAK Inhibitors" was given by Dr. Kevin Winthrop, MD, MPH, from Oregon Health and Sciences University. He followed this up with a thought-provoking lecture on "Timings and Targets for the Rheumatologist—an Update on Vaccinations"

Our second expert lecturer was Dr. Alisa Femia, MD, from NYU Langone Health. She gave us two excellent talks, "What's in the Skin? Perspectives from the Derm-Rheum Clinic" and "Essentials of Skin Disease for the Rheumatologist: A Case-based Discussion."

Finally, there were original research and interesting case presentations from our bright and talented rheumatologists-to-be. We are very fortunate to have such promising talent in our region!

The Big Country Ramblers were back to entertain the crowd with their driving rhythms and infectious energy. We are looking forward to having them join us again next year!

SOAR members loved the venue so much that we unanimously decided to return to Dalvay by the Sea next year for the annual meeting from June 19-21, 2020. Save the date!

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## WELCOME TO THE RHEUM

Welcome to the following new members:

Azin Ahrari, Vancouver, BC  
Maha Anbar, Toronto, ON  
Ariane Barbacki, Montreal, QC  
Mena Bishay, Kingston, ON  
Eric Campbell, Calgary, AB  
Chantelle Carneiro, Hamilton, ON  
Lu (Lucy) Chu, Toronto, ON  
Philippe Desaulniers, Laval, QC  
Sandeep Dhillon, Hamilton, ON  
Leah Ellingwood, Vancouver, BC

Aldi Eski, St-Laurent, QC  
Arpita Gantayet, London, ON  
Ellen Go, Toronto, ON  
Hart Goldhar, Ottawa, ON  
Sarah Hansen, Vancouver, BC  
Megan Himmel, Toronto, ON  
Dahye (Jenny) Hong, Edmonton, AB  
Greg Koller, Edmonton, AB  
Alexandra Ladouceur, Montreal, QC

Lester Liao, Toronto, ON  
Meghan McPherson, Vancouver, BC  
Reza Mirza, Toronto, ON  
Julie Mongeau, Halifax, NS  
Sarah Oberholtzer, Saskatoon, SK  
Jonathan Park, Vancouver, BC  
Vanessa Rininsland, Saskatchewan, MN  
Jessica Salituri, Hamilton, ON  
Petagay Scott Brown, Montreal, QC

Kamran Shaikh, Toronto, ON  
Tenneille Tana, Kingston, ON  
Shahna Tariq, Edmonton, AB  
Shivani Upadhyaya, London, ON  
Karel Venne, Montreal, QC  
Zachary Wolfmueller, Winnipeg, MN