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Professions Association (AHPA) Pre-Course, and the Canadian Arthritis Research Conference.

We welcome all CRA and AHPA members, as well as interested stakeholders, and colleagues around the world to join us for this exciting and memorable Annual Scientific Meeting. We look forward to reconnecting, sharing, and celebrating with you in February!

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## Abstract Review Committee Update

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The abstracts have been submitted and the CRA Abstract Review Committee has begun the hard work of reading and scoring the abstracts, ably supported by Virginia Hopkins, Manager, Research & Innovation. The committee selects the abstracts worthy of poster presentation. Our meeting will be converted to a virtual meeting this year, and the Annual Scientific Meeting team supported by Claire McGowan (Manager, Educational Programs and Events) together with the CRA Abstract Review Committee have worked hard to retain the multiple opportunities the CRA & AHPA ASM offer on an ongoing yearly basis. Our meeting continues to garner interest from researchers, clinicians, trainees and industry. Even during these unprecedented times, more than 200 abstracts were submitted. Each abstract will be scored by three reviewers, and the best in each category are chosen based on the average score; the chair will break any tie for a spot on the virtual poster tour. Thank you reviewers!

There will be six poster tours during which the top-ranked abstracts will be presented. There will also be interactive poster sessions where attendees will be able to “discuss” posters with the presenters. The top 5 abstracts in each award category will be judged during the poster session for the following awards:

- Best Abstract on Quality Care Initiatives in Rheumatology
- Best Abstract on Research by Young Faculty
- Best Abstract on Pediatric Research by Young Faculty
- Best Abstract on Basic Science Research by a Trainee
- Best Abstract on Clinical or Epidemiology Research by a Trainee – Phil Rosen Award
- Best Abstract on SLE Research by a Trainee – Ian Watson Award
- Best Abstract by a Medical Student
- Best Abstract by a Rheumatology Resident
- Best Abstract by an Undergraduate Student
- Best Abstract by a Post-Graduate Research Trainee
- Best Abstract by a Rheumatology Post-Graduate Research Trainee

We look forward to seeing you all during the first virtual CRA & AHPA ASM!

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