

**Biologic Therapies Summit XI and
Vasculitis 2025: Advances and Controversies
May 8-10, 2025
InterContinental Hotel & Conference Center | Live Stream**

Thursday, May 8, 2025 – Vasculitis 2025: Advances and Controversies

Session 1 – Advances in treatment

Moderators – Rula Hajj-Ali, MD, and Carol Langford, MD, MHS

- 7:45 am Breakfast & Registration

- 8:20 am Welcome & Introductions
Rula Hajj-Ali, MD, Symposium Chair

- 8:30 am Emergent treatment in small vessel vasculitis
Benjamin Terrier, MD, PhD

- 9:00 am Emergent treatment in large vessel vasculitis
Carol Langford, MD, MHS

- 9:30 am EGPA - What can I offer to my patients?
Michael Wechsler, MD, MMSc

- 10:00 am Question & Answer

- 10:15 am Break

- 10:30 am Central Nervous System involvement in vasculitis
Rula Hajj-Ali, MD

- 11:00 am Ask the Masters: Challenging cases in vasculitis
Rula Hajj-Ali, MD, Moderator
Ruoning Ni, MD, Case presenter
All session faculty

- 11:45 am Lunch & Non-CME Presentations

Session 2 - The landscape of glucocorticoids in systemic vasculitides: current and future use

Moderator - Kinanah Yaseen, MD

- 12:45 pm Glucocorticoid use in small vessel vasculitis
Benjamin Terrier, MD, PhD

- 1:05 pm Glucocorticoid use in large vessel vasculitis
Tanaz Kermani, MD

- 1:25 pm Question & Answer

1:35 pm Break

Session 3 - Diagnostic modalities in systemic vasculitides

Moderator - Alexandra Villa-Forte, MD

1:45 pm Large vessel vasculitis imaging
Kaitlin Quinn, MD

2:15 pm Kidney pathology in small vessel vasculitis
Leal Herlitz, MD

2:30 pm Pathology in large vessel vasculitis
Carmela Tan, MD

2:45 pm Eye exam in giant cell arteritis
Amy Babiuch, MD
Gregory Kosmorsky, DO

3:00 pm Question & Answer

3:15 pm Break

Session 4 – Debates in vasculitis

Moderator – Rula Hajj-Ali, MD, and Adam Brown, MD

3:25 pm Biopsy or imaging in the diagnosis of giant cell arteritis?
Tanaz Kermani, MD vs. Kinanah Yaseen, MD

3:55 pm Does plasma exchange have a role in ANCA associated vasculitis?
Ali Mehdi, MD vs. Alexandra Villa-Forte, MD

4:25 pm Should Tocilizumab be used in every patient with giant cell arteritis?
Michael Putman, MD vs. Adam Brown, MD

4:55 pm Question & Answer

5:10 pm Adjourn

5:10 pm Reception/Non-CME Satellite

Friday, May 9, 2025 – Biologic Therapies Summit XI

7:30 am Breakfast, Non-CME Presentation & Registration

8:20 am Welcome & Introductions

Session 1 - Advances in basic and translational immunology for the clinical rheumatologist

8:30 am Immune profiling of patients with autoimmune diseases: defining metrics of immune dysregulation
Deepak Rao, MD, PhD

9:00 am The evolution of immune effector cell therapies for the treatment of autoimmune diseases
Maximilian F. Konig, MD

9:30 am Panel discussion

10:00 am Break & Exhibits

10:20 am IL-23 - Advances in basic and clinical immunology
Christopher Ritchlin, MD, MPH

10:50 am New insights into the role of EBV in autoimmune diseases
William Robinson, MD, PhD

11:20 am Panel discussion

11:50 am Lunch & Non-CME Presentations

Session 2 – Emerging Treatments in IMiDS

1:00 pm Signal and the Noise: Safety in Rheumatology
Michael Putman, MD, MSci

1:25 pm PsA
Christopher Ritchlin, MD, MPH

1:50 pm Clinical Insights discussion
M. Elaine Husni, MD, MPH; Anthony Fernandez, MD, PhD; Michael Putman, MD, MSci;
Christopher Ritchlin, MD, MPH

2:20 pm Difficult to Treat RA (D2TRA)
Jack Cush, MD

2:50 pm Clinical Insights discussion
Jack Cush, MD, and Len Calabrese, DO

- 3:15 pm Break
- 3:35 pm Emerging treatments on Lupus nephritis
Michelle Petri, MD, MPH
- 4:05 pm Advances in the treatment of inflammatory myopathies
Rohit Aggarwal, MD, MS
- 4:35 pm Clinical Insights Discussion
Rohit Aggarwal, MD, MS; Len Calabrese, DO; Emily Littlejohn, DO;
Michelle Petri, MD, MPH;
- 5:05 pm Adjourn to Reception and Poster Session (non-CME)

Saturday, May 10, 2025 – Biologic Therapies Summit XI

- 7:30 am Breakfast Non-CME Presentation & Registration
- 8:20 am Welcome & Introductions
- 8:30 am Infectious complications from biologic therapy
Cassandra Calabrese, DO
- 9:00 am Immune related adverse events from checkpoint inhibitor therapy: targeted therapies
Noha Abdelwahab Hassan, MD, PhD
- 9:30 am Discussion
Cassandra Calabrese, DO, and Noha Abdelwahab Hassan, MD, PhD
- 10:00 am Break
- 10:20 am Moneyball Rheumatology - Making the most out of our time and data for better care of
our patients
Jack Cush, MD
- 10:50 am The highs and lows of social media in rheumatology
Adam Brown, MD
- 11:20 am Discussion
Jack Cush, MD and Adam Brown, MD
- 11:50 am Concluding Remarks
- 12:00 pm Program adjourns