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**August 4, 2021**

**“COVID-19 Updates for the Rheumatologist”**

**Cassandra M. Calabrese, D.O.**

*Associate Staff, Cleveland Clinic Foundation,  
Department of Rheumatologic and Immunologic Disease  
Cleveland Clinic Main Campus – Cleveland, Ohio*

**Objectives:**

- Discuss how rheumatic disease and rheumatic disease treatments affect the risk of developing COVID-19 and outcomes in patients with COVID-19.
  - Review targeted therapies for treatment of severe COVID-19.
- Discuss impact of immunosuppressive therapies on COVID-19 vaccine responses in IMID patients.

**August 11, 2021**

**“Discovering VEXAS: The Science of Team Science”**

**Peter Grayson, M.D., M.Sc.**

*Head, Vasculitis Translational Research Program; Associate Director NIAMS Fellowship Program  
National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases – Bethesda, Maryland*

**Objectives:**

- Recognize the clinical features of the VEXAS syndrome.
  - Discuss the pathogenetic mechanism of VEXAS.
- Develop a clinical algorithm to screen patients for VEXAS syndrome.

**August 18, 2021**

**“Microbiome and Rheumatic Disease”**

**Gregg J. Silverman, M.D.**

*Professor of Medicine and Pathology  
New York University School of Medicine – New York, New York*

**Objectives:**

- Discuss the human immune system co-evolved in the presence of the microbiome.
- Describe the potential role of the microbiome in the pathogenesis of inflammatory and autoimmune diseases.
  - Review recent data that clinical Lupus pathogenesis is linked to the microbiome.

**August 25, 2021**

**“Lupus for the Internist”**

**Kathryn Dao, M.D.**

*Associate Professor, Department of Internal Medicine  
Division of Rheumatology, UT Southwestern Medical Center – Dallas, Texas*

**Objectives:**

- Recognize the current epidemiology and outcomes for SLE.
  - Review the new SLE classification criteria.
- Ensure awareness of new reproductive health guidelines.
- Discuss novel therapeutics for the management of SLE.

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**Target Audience:** Internal medicine physicians, residents, physician assistants, nurse practitioners, nurses, allied health

**Program Director:** Stanley Cohen, M.D. – *rheumatologist & internist, Rheumatology Associates; Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Dallas Dallas, Texas*

**Format:** Didactic lecture with question and answer session

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