



Friday February 06, 2026

6:30 - 8:30 pm

RheumNow Live Opening Reception

Saturday February 07, 2026

TIME	PROGRAM	SPEAKER	
7:50 am - 8:00 am	Welcome and Introductions	Drs. Cush & Kavanaugh	
8:00 am - 10:00 am	POD I: Rheumatoid Arthritis: Achieving Better Outcomes		
8:00 am - 8:30 am	Mortality in Rheumatoid Arthritis: A Story of Decline, Delay, or Plateau?	Dr. Elena Myasoedova	Mayo Clinic
8:30 am - 9:00 am	The Mucosal Hypothesis of Rheumatoid Arthritis	Dr. Kristen Demoruelle	University of Colorado
9:00 am - 9:30 am	ILD in RA - Recent Advances	Dr. Jeffrey Sparks	Brigham and Women's Hospital
9:30 am - 10:00 am	Rheumatoid Arthritis Faculty Q&A		
10:00 am - 10:30 am			
10:00 am - 10:15 am	STEP* : Placebos in Rheumatology	Dr. Andreas Kerschbaumer	Medical University of Vienna
10:15 am - 10:30 am	STEP* : Disease Modification in Osteoarthritis	Dr. Tuhina Neogi	Boston University
10:30 am - 11:05 am	BREAK		
11:05 am - 12:10 pm	POD II: Advancing Practice		
11:05 am - 11:35 am	Obesity and Inflammation: Weight Management in Rheumatology	Dr. Uzma Haque	John Hopkins University
11:35 am - 11:55 am	Mitigating Risk for Rheumatic Disease Patients Undergoing Orthopedic Surgery	Dr. Susan Goodman	Hospital for Special Surgery
11:55 am - 12:10 pm	Practice Panel Faculty Q&A		
12:10 pm - 1:00 pm	LUNCH		
1:00pm - 3:30 pm	POD III: Decisions in Psoriatic Arthritis		
1:00 pm - 1:30 pm	Paradoxical Psoriasis and Strange Reactions	Dr. Joseph Merola	UT Southwestern
1:30 pm - 2:00 pm	IL-23 vs IL-17 inhibitors in PsA	Dr. Andre Ribeiro	Women's College Hospital
2:00 pm - 2:30 pm	Why Do Plain Xrays in Psoriatic Arthritis?	Dr. Arthur Kavanaugh	UC San Diego
2:30 pm - 3:00 pm	Past, Present & Future of Gout	Dr. Robert Terkeltaub	UC San Diego
3:00 pm - 3:30 pm	Psoriatic Arthritis Faculty Q&A		
3:30 pm - 4:05 pm	BREAK		
4:05 pm - 4:35 pm			
4:05 pm - 4:20 pm	STEP* : Helicobacter Pylori Update	Dr. Byron Cryer	UT Southwestern
4:20 pm - 4:35pm	STEP* : History of Gout	Dr. Robert Terkeltaub	UC San Diego
4:35 pm - 5:15 pm	Keynote Address: Osteoporosis: A 50 Year Journey by Dr. Michael R. McClung, MD		
5:30 pm - 7:00 pm	RheumNow Distilled Reception		



Sunday February 08, 2026

TIME	PROGRAM	SPEAKER	
7:50 am - 8:00 am	Welcome & Introductions		
8:00 am - 10:00 am	POD IV: Staying Ahead of Spondyloarthritis		
8:00 am - 8:30 am	Diagnosing Axial Spondyloarthritis in 2026	Dr. Denis Poddubnyy	University of Toronto
8:30 am - 9:00 am	Spondyloarthritis Complications	Dr. Jessica Walsh	University of Utah
9:00 am - 9:30 am	2026 Advances in Spondyloarthritis	Dr. Catherine Bakewell	Intermountain Health Hospital
9:30 am - 10:00 am	Spondyloarthritis Faculty Q&A		
10:00 am - 10:30 am			
10:00 am - 10:15 am	STEP* : Asymptomatic Elevation of CK	Dr. Rohit Aggarwal	University of Pittsburgh
10:15 am - 10:30 am	STEP* : Update on Myositis Antibodies	Dr. Rohit Aggarwal	University of Pittsburgh
10:30 am - 11:05 am	BREAK		
11:05 am - 12:20 pm	POD V: Highlights in Autoimmune Disease		
11:05 am - 11:35 am	SMILE Study – Hydroxychloroquine in ANA+ Arthralgia	Dr. Nancy Olsen	Penn State Health
11:35 am - 12:05 pm	Sjogren's Treatment Landscape in 2026	Dr. Matthew Baker	Stanford University
12:05 pm - 12:20 pm	Autoimmune Faculty Q&A		
12:20 pm - 1:25 pm	POD VI: Large & Small Vessel Vasculitis		
12:20 pm - 12:45 pm	Embracing Relapses in PMR and GCA	Dr. Michael Putman	Medical College of Wisconsin
12:45 pm - 1:10 pm	Small Vessel Vasculitis	Dr. Clay Cockerell	Cockerell Dermatopathology
1:10 pm - 1:25 pm	Vasculitis Faculty Q&A		
1:30 pm	Closing Comments & Adjourn		

*STEP: Short Talks on Technology, Education, and Patients