



RULES & GUIDELINES	PRELIMINARY SESSION	FINAL SESSION
Number of participating teams	Dependent on number of teams enrolled.	4
Rehearsal before the session to practice with the buzzer system?	YES	NO
Teams participating in each round of the competition	A drawing before the session determines which teams will compete in each of the preliminary rounds.	The four teams will consist of the top winners and runners-up each of the two playoff rounds held on Day 1.
Team members	Two (2) Contestants (Fellows)	Two (2) Contestants (Fellows) + One (1) Faculty Member (<i>Attending</i>) <i>*Faculty members only participate in the second round of final session*</i>
Number of regular rounds	# of Preliminary Rounds – Determined based on number of teams. # of Playoff Rounds - Determined based on number of teams.	# of Final Rounds – Rounds dependent on number of teams. (<i>Faculty members only participate in the second round of final session.</i>)
Number of questions per round	Preliminary Rounds – 20 questions Playoff Rounds – 20 questions <i>*Subject to change based on number of teams*</i>	Final Rounds – 25 questions Final Bowl Question – 1 question <i>*Subject to change based on number of teams*</i>
Final Round	There will be two playoff rounds to determine the teams who will compete in the Final Session on Day 2. The playoff rounds will consist of the four winners and four runners-up from the preliminary rounds 1-4. The winners and runners up for the two playoff	Final Rounds: The winners and runners-up from the playoff rounds from Day 1 will compete in three final rounds during the final competition session. Final Bowl Question: At the conclusion of the third round, teams will be asked one final question where wagers are made based on the topic of the question; four teams participate; one winner of the overall competition will emerge.

	rounds will advance to the Final Session.	
Faculty participation?	No Faculty (Attending) participation in the qualifying rounds.	Faculty members(Attendings) will only participate in the second round of final session.

IMPORTANT - Incomplete Portal Tasks: Knowledge Bowl contestants (i.e., fellows and faculty members) who have not logged in to the ACR Convergence Faculty Portal and completed all required tasks by **Noon ET on Monday, October 7, 2024** will be unable to participate in the competition. Teams without the required number of fellows and faculty members will be required to drop out of the competition. It is highly advised that you login to your faculty portal account and confirm that you have completed all required tasks ASAP. If you have yet done so, please check your inbox for reminder emails that contain your portal login information. Contact ACR staff via facultymanagement@rheumatology.org if you have any questions.

Judges: There will be three (3) judges presiding over the competition. Judges will be responsible for ensuring that all participants follow the rules. In the event that the moderator/co-host has a question as to whether or not to accept an answer, the moderator will defer to the judges.

Moderator/Co-host: The session moderator/co-host (aka the "Alex Trebec" of ACR Knowledge Bowl) will be responsible for maintaining the overall flow of the competition. He/she will ask all questions and will confirm if a respondent's answer is correct or not. The moderator/co-host will have the option to go to the judges for a ruling whenever he/she sees fit. (See complete list of moderators below.)

Penalty for Team Dropouts: If a team invited to participate in the 2024 Knowledge Bowl chooses to drop out of the competition 4 weeks (or less) before the date of the Preliminary Session, the ACR will not accept an application for the 2025 Knowledge Bowl from that institution. The institution may reapply the following year (2026).

Alternate Teams: If you are designated as a "participating alternate team," this means that you are **required to attend the 2024 ACR Annual Meeting and Knowledge Bowl Rehearsal**, and you should be prepared to participate in the competition. Should a team need to be replaced, a participating alternate team will be asked to compete on site



2024 ACR KNOWLEDGE BOWL AWARDS AND PRIZES

■ 1ST PLACE: *

- ACR KNOWLEDGE BOWL GOLD MEDAL
- ACR KNOWLEDGE BOWL TRAVELING TROPHY
- COMPLIMENTARY REGISTRATION AND HOUSING AT ACR 2025 CONVERGENCE

■ 2ND PLACE: *

- ACR KNOWLEDGE BOWL SILVER MEDAL
- COMPLIMENTARY REGISTRATION TO ACR 2025 CONVERGENCE

■ 3RD PLACE:

- ACR KNOWLEDGE BOWL BRONZE MEDAL
- FIFTY DOLLAR (\$50) GIFT CARD (FOR EACH TEAM MEMBER)

** IMPORTANT: 1ST AND 2ND PLACE PRIZES ARE NON-TRANSFERABLE.*