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Agenda—October 24-25

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Basic MUSCULOSKELETAL ULTRASOUND COURSE AGENDA

Friday, October 24		
6:30–7:10 AM	Breakfast & Exhibits	
7:10–7:20 AM	Introduction and Opening Remarks	Janeth Vinh, MD, RhMSUS
7:20–7:50 AM	Lecture B1: The Devil is in the Details: Ultrasound of the Hand & Wrist in PA/PsA/OA	Erin Chew, MD, RhMSUS
7:50–9:30 AM	Scan B1: Hand/Wrist	
9:30–9:50 AM	Coffee Break & Exhibits	
9:50–10:30 AM	Lecture B2: Deconstructing Ultrasound Physics and Artifacts	Charlie Oshinsky, MD, RhMSUS
10:30–11:00 AM	Lecture B3: At the Elbow: US Dissecting PsA and Mechanical Tendinopathy	Zineb Aouhab, MD, RhMSUS
11:00 AM–12:00 PM	Scan B2: Knobology/ Elbow	
12:00–1:00 PM	Lunch & Learn: <i>Sponsored by AstraZeneca</i>	
1:00–1:30 PM	Lecture B4: Sonography of the Shoulder: PMR/RA Overlap and Matters of the Tendon	Kamini Shah, MD, RhMSUS
1:30–2:00 PM	Lecture B5: US in the Assessment of Hip Pain	Michael Pham, MD, RhMSUS
2:00–3:30 PM	Scan B3: Shoulder/Hip	
3:30–3:50 PM	Coffee Break & Exhibits	
3:50–4:20 PM	Lecture B6: Knee Deep in Ultrasound Waves	Philip Chu, MD, RhMSUS
4:20–5:20 PM	Scan B4: Knee	

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Basic MUSCULOSKELETAL ULTRASOUND COURSE AGENDA

Saturday, October 25		
6:30–7:20 AM	Breakfast & Exhibits	
7:20–7:30 AM	Introduction and Opening Remarks	Kamini Shah, MD, RhMSUS
7:30–8:00 AM	Lecture B7: Step-by-Step Guide to Ankle and Foot Ultrasonography: Gout, RA, PsA	Norman Madsen, MD, FRCPC, RhMSUS, MSc, FACR
8:00–9:40 AM	Scan B5: Ankle & Foot	
9:40–10:00 AM	Coffee Break & Exhibits	
10:00–10:30 AM	Lecture B8: Practical Insights into Ultrasound-Guided Procedures in Rheumatology	Janeth Vinh, MD, RhMSUS
10:30 AM–12:00 PM	Scan B6: Procedures	
12:00–1:00 PM	Lunch & Learn: <i>Sponsored by Alexion</i>	
1:00–1:30 PM	Lecture B9: Curbside Consult: Point-of-Care Ultrasound in Action	Christopher Estes, NP, RhMSUS
1:30–1:40 PM	ACR RhMSUS Certification	Housam Sarakbi, MD, RhMSUS
1:40–2:00 PM	Lecture B10: The Developmental Aspects of Pediatric Musculoskeletal Ultrasound	Heather Benham, RhMSUS, APRN, CPNP, DNP
2:00–2:30 PM	Lecture B11: Best Practices in Ultrasound Implementation and Billing	Jane Nishio, MD, RhMSUS, FACR
2:30–3:00 PM	Lecture B12: Faculty Roundtable	Janeth Vinh, MD, RhMSUS (Moderator)
3:00–3:05 PM	Closing Remarks/Adjourn	Janeth Vinh, MD, RhMSUS

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Intermediate-Advanced RHEUMATOLOGIC ULTRASOUND COURSE AGENDA

Friday, October 24		
6:30–7:00 AM	Breakfast & Exhibits	
7:00–7:10 AM	Introduction and Opening Remarks	Fawad Aslam, MBBS, RhMSUS, MSc, FACP, FACR
7:10–7:40 AM	Lecture A1: US Assessment of Psoriatic Arthritis and Spondyloarthritis	Gurjit Kaeley, MBBS, RhMSUS, MRCP
7:40–8:10 AM	Lecture A2: Mastering Synovitis: Approach, Scanning, and Grading	Eugene Kissin, MD, RhMSUS
8:10–9:30 AM	Scan A1: Synovitis	
9:30–9:50 AM	Coffee Break & Exhibits	
9:50–10:20 AM	Lecture A3: Ultrasound Assessment of non-inflammatory Shoulder Pathology	Lily Kao, MD, RhMSUS
10:20–10:50 AM	Lecture A4: Dynamic Scanning and Ultrasound Assessment of Mechanical Issues	Ryan Jessee, MD, RhMSUS
10:50 AM–12:00 PM	Scan A2: Dynamic/Shoulder	
12:00–1:00 PM	Lunch & Learn: <i>Sponsored by AstraZeneca</i>	
1:00–1:30 PM	Lecture A5: Clinical Applications of Ultrasound in the Assessment of Osteoarthritis	Jonathan Samuels, MD, RhMSUS
1:30–2:00 PM	Lecture A6: The Shiny Stuff: The Role of Ultrasound in Crystalline Arthritis	Ralf Thiele, MD, RhMSUS
2:00–3:15 PM	Scan A3: Crystalline	
3:15–3:35 PM	Coffee Break & Exhibits	
3:35–4:05 PM	Lecture A7: Introduction to Ultrasound in Vasculitis	Mark Matza, MD, MBA, RhMSUS
4:05–5:25 PM	Scan A4: Vasculitis	

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Intermediate-Advanced RHEUMATOLOGIC ULTRASOUND COURSE AGENDA

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6:30–7:00 AM	Breakfast & Exhibits	
7:00–7:10 AM	Introduction and Opening Remarks	Lily Kao, MD, RhMSUS
7:10–7:40 AM	Lecture A8: Demystifying the Ankle and the Subtalar Joint	Paul DeMarco, MD, RhMSUS
7:40–8:10 AM	Lecture A9: Metatarsalgia: The Role of Ultrasound	Minna Kohler, MD, RhMSUS
8:10–9:40 AM	Scan A5: Ankle & Foot	
9:40–10:00 AM	Coffee Break & Exhibits	
10:00–10:30 AM	Lecture A10: Please Order an Ultrasound. Ultrasound Cases in Daily Practice	Fawad Aslam, MBBS, RhMSUS, MSc, FACP, FACR
10:30–11:00 AM	Lecture A11: Beyond Joints: Sjogren Syndrome and Ultrasound	Howard Yang, MD, RhMSUS
11:00 AM–12:00 PM	Scan A6: Sjögren's	
12:00–1:00 PM	Lunch & Learn: <i>Sponsored by Alexion</i>	
1:00–1:30 PM	Lecture A12: How well do you Ultrasound: Images Quiz	Catherine Bakewell, MD, RhMSUS
1:30–2:00 PM	Lecture A13: Money Matters: Billing and Ultrasound in Clinical Practice	Jane Nishio, MD, RhMSUS, FACR
2:00–2:10 PM	ACR RhMSUS Certification	Housam Sarakbi, MD, RhMSUS
2:10–2:50 PM	Lecture A14: Faculty Roundtable	Fawad Aslam, MBBS, RhMSUS, MSc, FACP, FACR (<i>Moderator</i>)
2:50–2:55 PM	Closing Remarks/Adjourn	Fawad Aslam, MBBS, RhMSUS, MSc, FACP, FACR

Wi-Fi Login Information

Network Name: **ACR25_BridgeTheGap_SARD-ILD**

No password required

Registration

Visit Registration to pick up your name badge and materials. The registration table will be open from 6:00 AM-12:00 PM on Friday, October 24, and Saturday, October 25. You can find Registration is in front of Rooms S102 and S103 on Level 1 of the South Building, McCormick Place.

During the conference all attendees will be put into groups for the scan sessions. During scan sessions, groups will rotate to a different station every 20-30 minutes (depending on the length of the session). Scan group assignments will be printed at the registration table and in the scan room.

Lunch will be served with a Product Theater in Room S105A-D.

Address

McCormick Place—South Building
2301 S Martin Luther King Dr.
Chicago, IL 60616

Meeting Materials

Syllabi

Program syllabi will be posted online and can be accessed via the Ultrasound Conferences meeting page by logging in to the ACR Education Center.

Session Slides and Handouts

You may also access the PowerPoint slides from the presentations and PDF handout content via the ACR Education Center.

Access the Ultrasound Conferences Meeting Page

1. Log in to the [ACR Education Center](https://learn.rheumatology.org) (learn.rheumatology.org)
2. On the main navigation menu, click **My Education**, then select **My Learning**.
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If you have questions, watch this [demonstration video](#), visit the [Help Center](#), or contact education@rheumatology.org.

Note: Access to content will be made available to attendees on October 24.

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In accordance with the ACCME Standards for Integrity and Independence in Accredited Continuing Education, ACR has implemented mechanisms prior to the planning and implementation of this CME activity to identify and mitigate all relevant financial relationships for all individuals in a position to control the content of this CME activity.

CME

Accreditation Statement

The American College of Rheumatology is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

See the ACR's [CME Mission Statement](#). For more information, download the [AMA PRA Booklet](#).

Designation Statement

The American College of Rheumatology designates this Live Activity for a maximum of 15.50 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)[™]. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

CME credit must be claimed by December 1, 2025, at 11:59 PM ET.

MOC

MOC Recognition Statement

Successful completion of this CME activity, which includes participation in the evaluation component, enables the participant to earn up to 15.50 MOC points in the American Board of Internal Medicine's (ABIM) Maintenance of Certification (MOC) program. It is the CME activity provider's responsibility to submit participant completion information to ACCME for the purpose of granting ABIM MOC credit.

By completing this activity, you provide the ACR permission to share completion data with the ACCME and the certifying board.

After submitting a reflective statement with key takeaways from the meeting, MOC points will be applied for ABIM diplomates to the ABIM diplomate number and date of birth provided when you registered. Points are sent nightly to ACCME and then transferred to the ABIM Physician Portal. Please allow at least 48 hours for points to display in the portal.

MOC points must be claimed by December 1, 2025, at 11:59 PM ET.

Industry sessions during lunch are not eligible for CME/MOC credit claiming.

Financial Disclosures for all faculty are available on the [Ultrasound Conferences webpage](#).



How to Claim Credit

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5. Complete the pre-test before attending the meeting. The pre-test will be available until the end of the first day of the meeting.
6. After the meeting, complete the post-test (a score of 70% or higher is required to claim credit) and reflective statement (see [Tips for Writing a Reflective Statement](#)).
7. Complete the steps to claim credit and specify the type of credit you will claim.
8. [to claim MOC] Enter or verify your ABIM Diplomate Number / ABP Diplomate Number and date of birth.*
9. After claiming credit, you can access and print a certificate on the activity page in the Certificates section.

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Additionally, a follow-up 45-day post-test evaluation will be sent to you via email. Your feedback is invaluable to us and plays a crucial role in enhancing our future educational offerings. We encourage your participation in this important process.

The deadline to claim CME credit and MOC points for the Ultrasound Conferences 2025 is December 1, 2025, at 11:59 PM ET.

Questions? Contact education@rheumatology.org.

Thank you once again for your involvement in ACR's educational activities. We look forward to your continued engagement and support.

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45' 0"

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South Level One Lobby Access To/From Hall A2

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212'

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45' 0"

20' 0"

90' 0"

SP9

Gate 2

Gate 1

SS7

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Staging Room 1037

S101a 2,142 sq. ft.

S101b 2,131 sq. ft.

S102a 2,347 sq. ft.

S102bc 3,515 sq. ft.

S102d 2,362 sq. ft.

S103a 2,347 sq. ft.

S103bc 3,515 sq. ft.

S103d 2,362 sq. ft.

S104a 2,138 sq. ft.

S104b 2,139 sq. ft.

S105a 3,591 sq. ft.

S105bc 3,532 sq. ft.

S105d 3,591 sq. ft.

S106a 2,724 sq. ft.

S106b 2,724 sq. ft.

Service Corridor

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Bus Pick-up & Drop-off

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S105A-D**

Staging
— Room
1037

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November 6-7 in Orlando, Florida

Advancements in SLE Management: Treating to Target Remission

EVENT



Friday, October 24, 2025

12:00PM - 1:00PM CST



Venue

McCormick Place Convention Center South
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Get Straight to the Source of Hypophosphatasia

***Featuring HPP Ambassador
discussing their journey with HPP.***



PRESENTED BY



Keith Reich, DO, CPE, RhMSUS, FACO, FACR
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WHEN?

Saturday, October 25, 2025
12:00 PM CST

WHERE?

McCormick Place Convention Center
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Keith Reich, DO, CPE, RhMSUS, FACO, FACR, is a rheumatologist at the University of Chicago. He earned his medical degree from A.T. Still University Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine. He completed his internal medicine residency at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey. Following that, he pursued rheumatology fellowships at the University of Massachusetts Medical Center and St. Vincent Hospital.

Dr Reich has significant experience educating residents and students. His clinical interests include metabolic bone disease, musculoskeletal ultrasound, and effective doctor-patient communication.

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