ANNUAL MEETING OF THE RHEUMATOLOGY DEPARTMENT
HOTEL-DIEU DE FRANCE HOSPITAL
ST JOSEPH UNIVERSITY

16 -17 MAY, 2014
SCHOOL OF MEDECINE CAMPUS
DAMASCUS ROAD
FRIDAY 16 MAY, 2014

13:55 - 14:00 Welcome Introduction
Rafic Baddoura

14:00 - 15:30 Session I: Challenging Clinical Cases
Moderators: Jad Okais, Jamil Messayke, Aline Tohmé, Noel Aoun

- Case 1
- Case 2
- Case 3
- Case 4
- Case 5

15:30 - 16:00 Coffee Break

16:00 - 17:30 Session II: Spondyloarthritis
Moderators: Laure Irani, Nabil Alameh, Cesar Yaghi, Farid Stephan

- Crohn's Disease and Ulcerative Colitis: What the Rheumatologist Should Know? - Fadi Daniel
- NSAIDS Colonic Adverse Events: Reviewing the Evidence? - Ghada Abi-Karam
- Psoriasis: What Should the Rheumatologist Know? - Boutros Soutou
- Psoriatic Arthritis: What Should the Dermatologist Know? - Rafic Baddoura
SATURDAY 17 MAY, 2014

09:30 - 11:00

**Session I: Inflammatory Rheumatic Diseases**
Moderators: Said Attoui, Nina Brax, Kamal Kallab, Imad Uthman

- How to Handle Auto-Antibodies in Clinical Practice?  
  Rafic Baddoura
- What is the Added Value of PET Scan in Inflammatory Diseases?  
  Maroun Karam
- How do Family Medicine Practitioner Assess Early Inflammatory Arthritis?  
  Jinane Usta
- How Far to go in Diagnostic Work-Up of Early Inflammatory Arthritis?  
  Jad Okais
- High-Intensity Punctuated Images on Brain MRI: Unidentified Brain Objects or a Serious Disease?  
  Adnane Awada

11:00 - 11:30

**Coffee Break**

11:30 - 13:00

**Session II: Chronic Back Pain**
Moderators: Arlette Hajjar, Georges Merheb, Josette Sfeir, Mohammed Suleiman

- How do We Assess a Patient with Chronic Back Pain?  
  Ghada Abi-Karam
- How to Assess Persistent Back Pain in a Patient with Spondyloarthritis?  
  Jad Okais
- How to Recognize Somatization in a Patient with Chronic Back Pain?  
  Nabil Okais
- The Science of Psycho-Neuro-Immunology: Is Everything Psychosomatic?  
  Antoine Saad
- Who May be Candidates for Surgery Among Subjects with Chronic Back Pain?  
  Gaby Kreichaty

13:00 - 14:00

**Lunch Break**

14:00 - 16:00

**Session III: Sacroiliac Joint Imaging and Inflammatory Back Pain**

*Joint session with the Lebanese Medical Societies of Radiology and Family Medicine*

Moderators: Abdel Fattah Al Masri, Jinane Usta, Marwan Haddad, Souha Haddad-Zebouni

- Challenges in Defining Inflammatory Back Pain  
  Rafic Baddoura
- How do Family Medicine Practitioner Assess Inflammatory Back Pain?  
  Maya Romani
- How to Assess Inflammatory Back Pain?  
  Jad Okais
- How to Interpret MRI of the Spine?  
  Tonine Younane
- How do Radiologists View the Sacroiliac Joints?  
  Amale Sukkarieh-Chelala
- How do Rheumatologists Evaluate MRI of the Sacroiliac Joints?  
  Nelly Ziadeh-Zoghbi

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