

## GRAPPA Call For Abstracts 2022

It is time to ask your most promising Fellows and Trainees to submit an abstract for consideration to the Trainee Symposium, part of the GRAPPA 2022 Annual Meeting in Brooklyn, New York, USA. The meeting starts with a reception the evening of Thursday, July 14 and continues July 15 and 16.

### To be considered:

- Trainees/Fellows must submit a 350 – 400 word abstract describing their work. In the title, use mixed case (do not use ALL CAPS).
- All chosen must agree to create a poster, and those chosen for an oral presentation must share a PowerPoint presentation.
- Must be willing to travel to Brooklyn for the GRAPPA Annual Meeting and stay for the entire meeting, through late afternoon of Saturday, July 16, 2022.
- If in-person attendance is not possible, we invite you to apply for the poster presentation only.
- To qualify, the applicant should not yet have a permanent faculty position and should sign up to be an active member of [Y-GRAPPA](#).
- Trainees may be undergraduates, medical students, residents in training, PhD students, post docs or fellows and must be enrolled in some type of training program and not be a member of the faculty.

\*Up to five trainees will be chosen to give an 8 to 10 minute oral presentation using PowerPoint, followed by 5 minutes of discussion, based on their abstract. Others will have an opportunity to describe their posters during a poster session at the meeting.

### Abstracts must fall into one of two categories:

- An abstract describing the results of, or progress on, a primary research project in Psoriatic Arthritis or Psoriasis. The research should potentially be of interest to both dermatologists and rheumatologists.

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- An abstract which summarizes a literature review of an issue of interest to both dermatologists and rheumatologists, and a proposal for a research project related to this issue which either could be carried out in the trainee's center, or in a broader setting such as a clinical registry or amongst GRAPPA centers. Literature review must be thorough and methodology should be described in detail.

**\*DEADLINE FOR ABSTRACT SUBMISSION IS Friday, April 15, 2022, 11:59 PM PST. \***

A panel of senior GRAPPA members will review and score the abstracts. Abstracts will be blinded to ensure objectivity. The authors of the five abstracts with the highest scores will be invited to present orally.

GRAPPA will provide some financial support for participants who need it, particularly those trainees chosen to give oral presentations. While there is no charge to attend any of the sessions, GRAPPA strongly encourages members, trainees, and their institutions to seek institutional, pharmaceutical, or other types of grants to cover travel expenses when possible.

## Meeting Schedule

We begin with the welcome reception the evening of Thursday, July 14. Invited poster presenters are asked to bring their posters to the GRAPPA registration desk between 4:00 PM and 7:00 PM Thursday before or during the welcome reception. If travel plans make this difficult, you may bring the posters to the registration desk no later than 6:30 AM the next day. The GRAPPA Annual Meeting starts at 8:00 AM on Friday, July 15. Accepted posters will be displayed for viewing starting at the first coffee break. Trainee oral presentations will be between 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM on Friday, July 15.

## Housing and Transportation

**DO NOT make travel arrangements until you receive notice of acceptance.** Trainees are encouraged to use GRAPPA's travel agency (contact [john@northtravel.com](mailto:john@northtravel.com)) to make arrangements. This will avoid the inconvenience of waiting for reimbursement. We strongly encourage trainees to find other travel funding, but if needed GRAPPA will reimburse for coach class flights up to:

\$500.00 USD Eastern North America

\$650.00 USD Western North America

\$2300.00 USD Western Europe

\$1500.00 USD Scandinavia

\$1500 USD Eastern Europe, Middle East, and Egypt

\$1800 USD South America

\$2200.00 USD Asia

\$1500 USD India

\$1700 USD South Africa

\$2500 USD Australia/New Zealand

Any amount above these limits will be the responsibility of the trainee or his or her institution. Abstract and oral Trainee presenters will be housed at the GRAPPA main meeting hotel in Brooklyn for 2 or 3 nights at no charge.

### **To Submit an Abstract:**

- Submit the abstract as a Word document, limit 350 - 400 words (more is **not** better).
- In the title, use mixed case (do not use ALL CAPS). Upper and lower case only.
- Submit by email to [judi@grappanetwork.org](mailto:judi@grappanetwork.org) with the SUBJECT LINE: 2022 Trainee Abstract Submission – Your First Name, Your Last Name
- In the body of the email include your name, institution, and country, for example: "Hello, please see my attached abstract for consideration, Joe Smith – University of Otago, New Zealand."

### **Abstract submission first page must include:**

- Title
- Date submitted
- Name and degrees (MD, etc) of trainee as first author
- Name of University and Department of first author trainee
- Trainee mailing address, phone number, email address(es)
- Names of all other authors and their degrees
- University affiliations of all other authors
- Name, degree(s) and affiliation of the GRAPPA member recommending the trainee's work

**SUBMIT ONLY ONE ABSTRACT PER PERSON** (first author), PLEASE. If you are a secondary, third, fourth, etc. author on a different abstract submitted by a colleague, that is fine, but you may submit only one abstract for consideration as first author. In some cases, the GRAPPA mentor of selected Trainees may also receive some travel support from GRAPPA, if needed. Only one mentor per Trainee may request GRAPPA travel support.

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Abstracts will be ranked by mid-May, at which time transportation arrangements should be made ASAP by those who are invited. Accepted Trainees will also be provided with an online option for making GRAPPA hotel reservations. Please note that there is no guarantee that all abstracts will be accepted for presentation. If a score of “not recommended” is assigned, the author will still be invited to attend the Annual Meeting and Trainee Symposium, but GRAPPA travel or hotel support will not be granted and there will not be an invitation to present a poster.

*If a trainee is unable to travel to Brooklyn, his or her mentor may NOT present the poster in place of the trainee. This is meant as an opportunity for personal and professional growth for trainees only.*

**Submissions should be emailed to [judi@grappanetwork.org](mailto:judi@grappanetwork.org).**

Good luck, and please do not hesitate to ask questions.

Best Regards,  
Judi Pickell, GRAPPA Executive Director

Lihi Eder, MD PhD, GRAPPA Trainee Symposium Co-Chair

M. Elaine Husni, MD MPH, GRAPPA Trainee Symposium Co-Chair

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*To do this, we check numerous government and industry sites in this fluid pandemic era, doing our best to decipher often conflicting and/or unclear information. Most of the information is broadly stated and does not offer detailed specifics.*

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