Workshop Goal

Our goal is to identify scientific opportunities for innovating osteoarthritis clinical trials. Workshop sessions will be designed to provide information that facilitates a lively interactive discussion among participants. Osteoarthritis experts and clinical trial methods experts will be learning from each other.

Workshop Charge

Participants should think strategically, thoughtfully considering and respectfully discussing short- and long-term opportunities for innovation in OA clinical trials. Together we’ll assess what’s most feasible and makes the greatest impact in creating new diagnostics and treatments. This includes scaling up and socializing prevention options, ultimately aiming to eliminate the destruction OA causes. This workshop is about the future. Participants should offer positive and constructive strategic suggestions. The moderator will ensure that conversation doesn’t go off track. Each moderator and speaker will present a strategic summary of the knowledge and science supporting their topic. They’ll end their presentation with provocative suggestions about innovation for OA clinical trials. Each moderator and speaker in their assigned topic should think about the life of someone with OA. Consider how you would explain the opportunities for scientific innovation, in a way that the patient would understand.

Workshop Deliverable

We’re aiming for participant consensus around suggestions – and the rationale for which current opportunities are the best to innovate the science of OA clinical trials. We want to make the biggest impact we can to significantly improve the lives of people with OA.

Suggestions should be actions the Arthritis Foundation can take in our role as a neutral organization representing people with arthritis. Preferably, the actions will be priorities that would be delayed, or never happen at all, without the Arthritis Foundation’s scientific leadership on a national, and potentially international, level.
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