

Scleroderma Association of B.C. 2023 AGM & Conference

39th Annual General Meeting and Conference Program

Saturday October 21st, 2023 Alan Emmott Centre 6650 Southoaks Crescent, Burnaby, BC

REGISTRATION

8:30	In Person	Conference kit pickup and registration
	On-line	Refer to registration confirmation email and click on link
		AGM
9:00	SABC AGM	Rosanne Queen Welcome and opening remarks
		David Queen Business of the AGM, Reports, Election of Board of Directors
		CONFERENCE MORNING
9:30		Amyn Rajan Introduces Dr. Daniel Furst
		<i>Dr. Daniel Furst</i> Treatments for Scleroderma Q & A
10:50		Break
11:10		Rosanne Queen Introduces Elaine Furst
		<i>Elaine Furst</i> How to Train Your Doctor Q & A
11:50		Rosanne Queen Introduces Songsen Duan
		Songsen Duan Presents the Lihong Yang Memorial Scholarship Award(s)
		LUNCH

CONFERENCE AFTERNOON

(Dr. Furst, physicians and researchers Meet & Greet in room downstairs)

1:00	Beth Miller Introduces Lauren Wolfe
	<i>Lauren Wolfe</i> Understanding Scleroderma Wounds & Dressing Application Workshop Q & A
2:00	Break
2:20	Michele Gervais Introduces Drs. Jim Dunne, Kevin Keen and Hyein Kim
	Drs. Jim Dunne, Kevin Keen and Hyein Kim Summary of SABC Research Activities Since October 2022
2:55	Rosanne Queen Thank-you
3:00	Conference Adjournment

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PRESENTER BIOS

Lauren Wolfe RN, BSN, MCISc (WH), CWOCN



Lauren graduated from nursing school in 1990 in South Africa. She completed her Wound, Ostomy, and Continence certificate at Emory University in 2006. In 2020, she completed her Master of Clinical Science - Wound Healing, at Western University. She works as a certified Wound Ostomy and Continence nurse at Macdonald's prescriptions, Fairmont location and Vancouver General Hospital.

Lauren was the recipient of the CRNBC Award for Nursing Excellence in 2011. She is a dedicated and compassionate wound, ostomy, and continence nurse who strives for excellence in patient care.

She volunteers for both the United Ostomy Association in facilitating the 20-50's support group, the J pouch group and the continent urinary diversion group. She is an active writer for the Vancouver Ostomy HighLife and Ostomy Canada magazine. Lauren is an Ostomy Canada Lifestyle advisor for patients.

Elaine Furst RN, BSN, MAPsychNA, MLA



Elaine is a retired nurse and a nurse-educator with advanced degrees in liberal arts and nursing administration. Elaine has taught in four university schools of nursing, worked as a staff and head nurse at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore and administered a psychiatric hospital and program for mentally ill teenagers in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. She is currently working as a background actress and medical staff in movies and TV.

Elaine has volunteered with the Scleroderma Foundation since 1994. She is a past-Chair of the Board of the National Scleroderma Foundation. Learning from people with scleroderma

and making use of her teaching and nursing background, she has given many workshops and lectures on how scleroderma affects people, both patients and their loved ones, and has led support groups for people affected by scleroderma. As a volunteer with the Scleroderma Foundation of California, she is dedicated to spreading awareness about the disease in many ways, including as the editor of the Chapter's newsletter, the ScleroSun.

Kevin Keen Ph.D.



Kevin is a Professor in the Department of Mathematics and Statistics at The University of Northern British Columbia and an Affiliate Professor in the Department of Medicine at The University of British Columbia (UBC). He is also an Associate Member of the Centre for Heart Lung Innovation at UBC and St. Paul's Hospital. He has held visiting appointments with the Netherlands Institute for Health Sciences (Erasmus University, Rotterdam) and the Faculty of Medicine at Leiden University. He has published more than thirty peer-reviewed articles in journals, two book chapters, and two editions of a textbook on statistical graphics. His

research involves the development of novel statistical techniques and cutting-edge computer software for the analysis of multivariate data in the study of complex diseases. He is the co-author of articles on lung and skin involvement in scleroderma. Dr. Keen is accredited as a Professional Statistician (P.Stat.) by both the Statistical Society of Canada and the American Statistical Association (ASA) and is a Fellow of the Royal Statistical Society.

James Dunne MD, FRCP(C)



Jim is currently on staff at St. Paul's Hospital and Vancouver General Hospital in British Columbia, Canada. He is a Clinical Assistant Professor for the University of British Columbia's Department of Medicine and specializes in rheumatology. Scleroderma and fibromyalgia are also among Dr. Dunne's clinical interests; he is a contributor to the book *The Fibromyalgia Syndrome: A Clinical Case Definition for Practitioners*. He has also been published in the journal *Arthritis & Rheumatology*, and other peer-reviewed journals.

Dr. Dunne has the unique distinction of studying in four countries: Ireland, England, the United States (fellowship), and Canada.

Daniel Furst MD, MACR



Daniel is a Professor of Medicine at the University of California (emeritus), Los Angeles Medical Center, David Geffen School of Medicine, Department of Medicine, Division of Rheumatology. He is also an adjunct professor at the University of Washington, Seattle Washington and Research Professor at the University of Florence, Florence, Italy. Dr. Furst is internationally known for his expertise in the research of Scleroderma and Rheumatoid Arthritis. Dr. Furst has specialized in studying how medications react in the body that treat rheumatic diseases. He is on the national medical advisory board of the Scleroderma Foundation, the scientific advisory board of the Arthritis Foundation, and the board of

directors for the foundation of the Collaboration of Research Rheumatologists of North America. He is on the editorial review board of numerous clinical pharmacology and rheumatic disease journals.

Dr. Furst has written over 900 peer reviewed original articles/reviews/chapters and written or edited 20 books on rheumatic diseases. He has a patient volume of over 1500-2000 and cares for 300-500 patients with systemic diffused scleroderma and limited substance of scleroderma. He lectures and teaches internationally as well as in the US. Dr. Furst's areas of research include rheumatoid arthritis (RA), Scleroderma (Ssc) and polymyositis/dermatomyositis. He has been honored as an outstanding doctor by the Scleroderma Foundation and is a Master of the ACR.

Hyein Kim MD, MPH, FRCPC



Hyein is a staff rheumatologist at St. Paul's Hospital and Vancouver General Hospital (Mary Pack Arthritis Centre). She is a Clinical Assistant Professor in the Department of Medicine at the University of British Columbia (UBC). She practices general Rheumatology in Vancouver but has a special interest in systemic sclerosis and works at the Scleroderma Clinic at the VCH Mary Pack Arthritis Centre and the Scleroderma-Interstitial Lung Disease Clinic at St. Paul's Hospital. She obtained her Undergraduate Medicine degree at UBC, followed by an Internal Medicine Residency at the University of Western Ontario. She completed her Master of Public Health at Harvard School of Public Health. She returned to Vancouver for a Rheumatology fellowship.

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