RHEUMATOLOGY GRAND ROUNDS

*Presented by*

Yale School of Medicine’s, Department of Internal Medicine,

Section of Rheumatology

**“Myositis Grand Rounds”**

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**Via Zoom -** [**https://zoom.us/j/99965355497**](https://zoom.us/j/99965355497)

**Time: 8:00-9:00 am**

**Course Director/Host: Fotios Koumpouras, MD**

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**TARGET AUDIENCE**

Department faculty, attending physicians, subspecialty fellows, community physicians, resident house staff, physician assistants and medical students.

**NEEDS ASSESSMENT**

Inflammatory myopathies comprise a diverse spectrum of autoimmune connective tissue disorders. Patients can present with muscle weakness, skin rash, and/or interstitial lung disease. This presentation will review the classification of the different idiopathic inflammatory myopathies (IIMs) and their clinical features. The presentation will discuss the different myositis-specific autoantibodies (MSAs) that can be important in terms of diagnosis and prognostication. Finally, treatment options for these diseases will be discussed based on the current evidence and recommendations. Participants will gain an improved understanding of the clinical presentation and management of this broad group of autoimmune diseases.

**LEARNING OBJECTIVES**

At the conclusion of this activity, participants will be able to:

1. Review classifications and clinical features of the idiopathic inflammatory myopathies (IIMs)

2. Review the clinical implications and patterns of myositis in the context of myositis-specific antibodies (MSAs)

3. Discuss current treatment options and future prospects for treating myositis

**DESIGNATION STATEMENT**

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**FACULTY DISCLOSURES**

*Speaker:* Phillip Zhang, MD – NONE

*Course Director:* Fotios Koumpouras, MD- Celgene (honorarium), Aurora (research grant), EMD, ULB, GSK (research grant)

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