

The Card Carrying Rheumatologist

What Cards to Carry?



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Disclosures

- None

What Cards?



- What are we?
- Where do we come from?
- Where are we going?

Rheumatology - what is it?



rheuma – to flow

- produced by respiratory problems
- associated with painful conditions

“rheumatismos”

– Galen of Pergamon

rheum, n.1

Pronunciation: Brit. /ru:m/ , U.S. /rum/

a. Watery or mucous secretions, esp. as collecting in or dripping from the eyes, nose, or mouth, originally believed to originate in the brain or head and to be capable of causing disease; †a secretion of this nature (obs.). In early use also: †a flow or flux (of humours) (obs.).

a1398 J. TREVISA tr. Bartholomaeus Anglicus De Proprietatibus Rerum (BL Add.) f. 84,
Ferst a rewme renneþ to þe yen & þerof comeþ an yuel þat hatte obtalmia, a schrewed blereynes & ache & aposteme.

first English use
“rewme” 1398



*Liber de Rheumatismo
et Pleuritide Dorsali*

- respiratory disease
- muscular symptoms
- systemic condition

– Guillaume de Baillou
1642



*Methodus Curandi Febres,
Propriis Observationibus
Superstructura*

Rheumatism and Rheumatic
Fever are due to
“inflammation of the
lymphatic arteries “

– Thomas Sydenham

1666



La goutte asthénique primitive
(doctoral thesis)

“We must recognize the existence of a new form of gout under the designation primary asthenic gout”

- Initial involvement of many joints
- Chronic course
- Predominance in women
- Systemic illness

– Augustin Jacob Landre-Beauvais
1800

THE
NATURE AND TREATMENT OF
G O U T
AND
RHEUMATIC GOUT.

BY
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Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians; Physician to University College
Hospital; Professor of Materia Medica, Therapeutics, and
Clinical Medicine at University College.

“Observez la nature, et suivez
la route qu'elle vous trace.”

J. J. ROUSSEAU.

LONDON:
WALTON AND MABERLY,
UPPER GOWER STREET, AND IVY LANE, PATERNOSTER ROW.
MDCCLXIX.

The nature and treatment of gout and
rheumatic gout

“Although unwilling to add to the number
of names, I cannot help expressing the
desire that one be found for this disease,
not implying any necessary relation
between it and either gout or
rheumatism. Perhaps Rheumatoid
Arthritis would answer the object.”

A.B. Garrod

1859

Organized Rheumatology

- 1927 Jan van Bremen - ICR/ILAR
- 1928 Ralph Pemberton ACCR
- 1934 American Rheumatism Association (ARA)
- 1948 Arthritis and Rheumatism Foundation
- 1949 *Arthritis and Allied Conditions "Rheumatology"*
- 1958 *Arthritis and Rheumatism*
- 1965 Arthritis Foundation / ARA
- 1971 ABIM Certification in Rheumatology
- 1988 American College of Rheumatology

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TREATMENT OF RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS WITH CHIMERIC MONOCLONAL ANTIBODIES TO TUMOR NECROSIS FACTOR α

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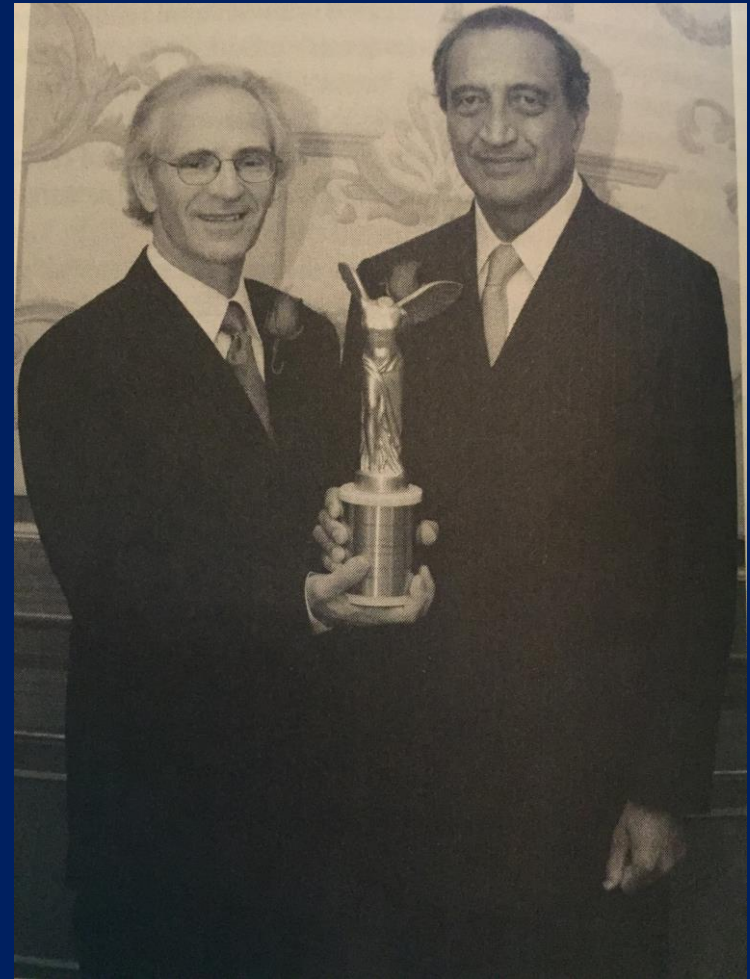
Objective. To evaluate the safety and efficacy of a chimeric monoclonal antibody to tumor necrosis factor α (TNF α) in the treatment of patients with rheumatoid arthritis (RA).

Methods. Twenty patients with active RA were treated with 20 mg/kg of anti-TNF α in an open phase I/II trial lasting 8 weeks.

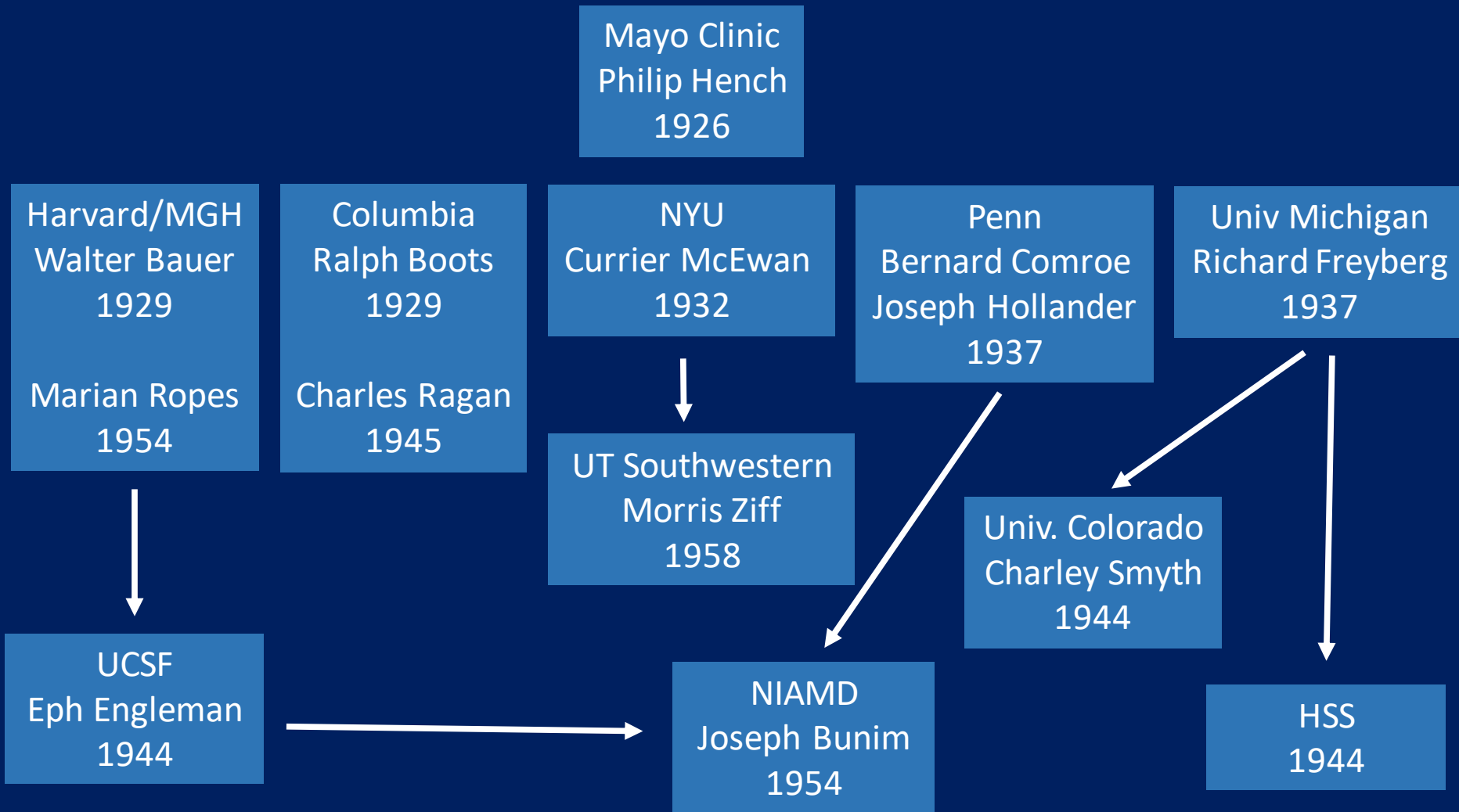
Results. The treatment was well tolerated, with no serious adverse events. Significant improvements were seen in the Ritchie Articular Index, which fell from a median of 28 at study entry to a median of 6 by week 6 ($P < 0.001$), the swollen joint count, which fell from 18

to 5 ($P < 0.001$) over the same period, and in the other major clinical assessments. Serum C-reactive protein levels fell from a median of 39.5 mg/liter at study entry to 8 mg/liter at week 6 ($P < 0.001$), and significant decreases were also seen in serum amyloid A and interleukin-6 levels.

Conclusion. Treatment with anti-TNF α was safe and well tolerated and resulted in significant clinical and laboratory improvements. These preliminary results support the hypothesis that TNF α is an important regulator in RA, and suggest that it may be a useful new therapeutic target in this disease.



Early Academic Rheumatology Programs



Growth in Rheumatology

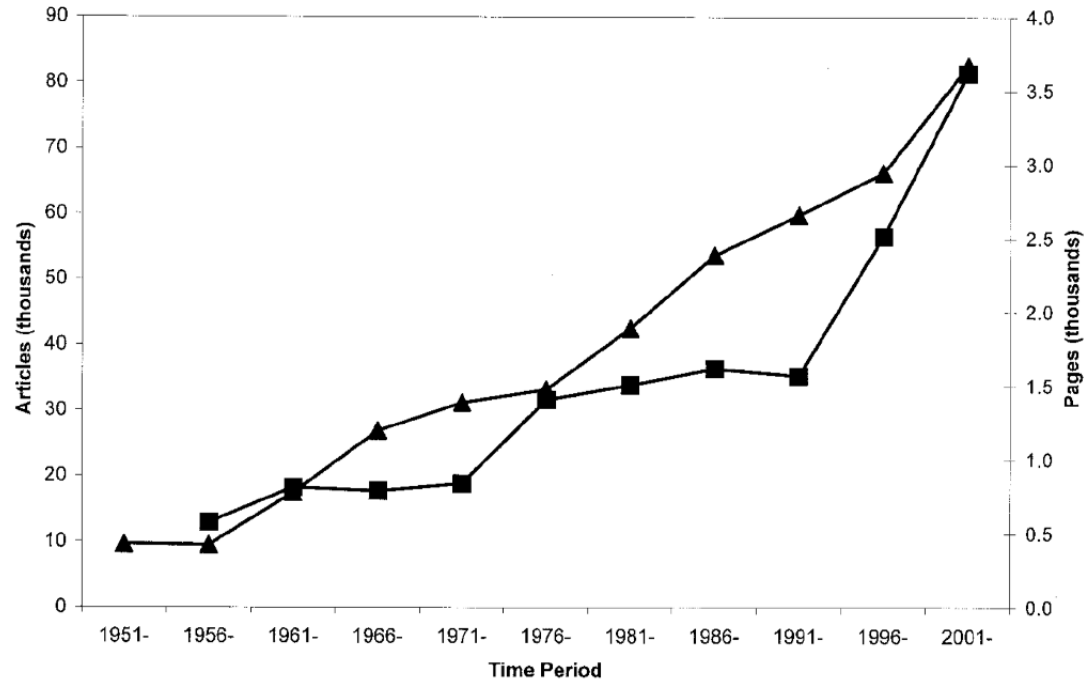
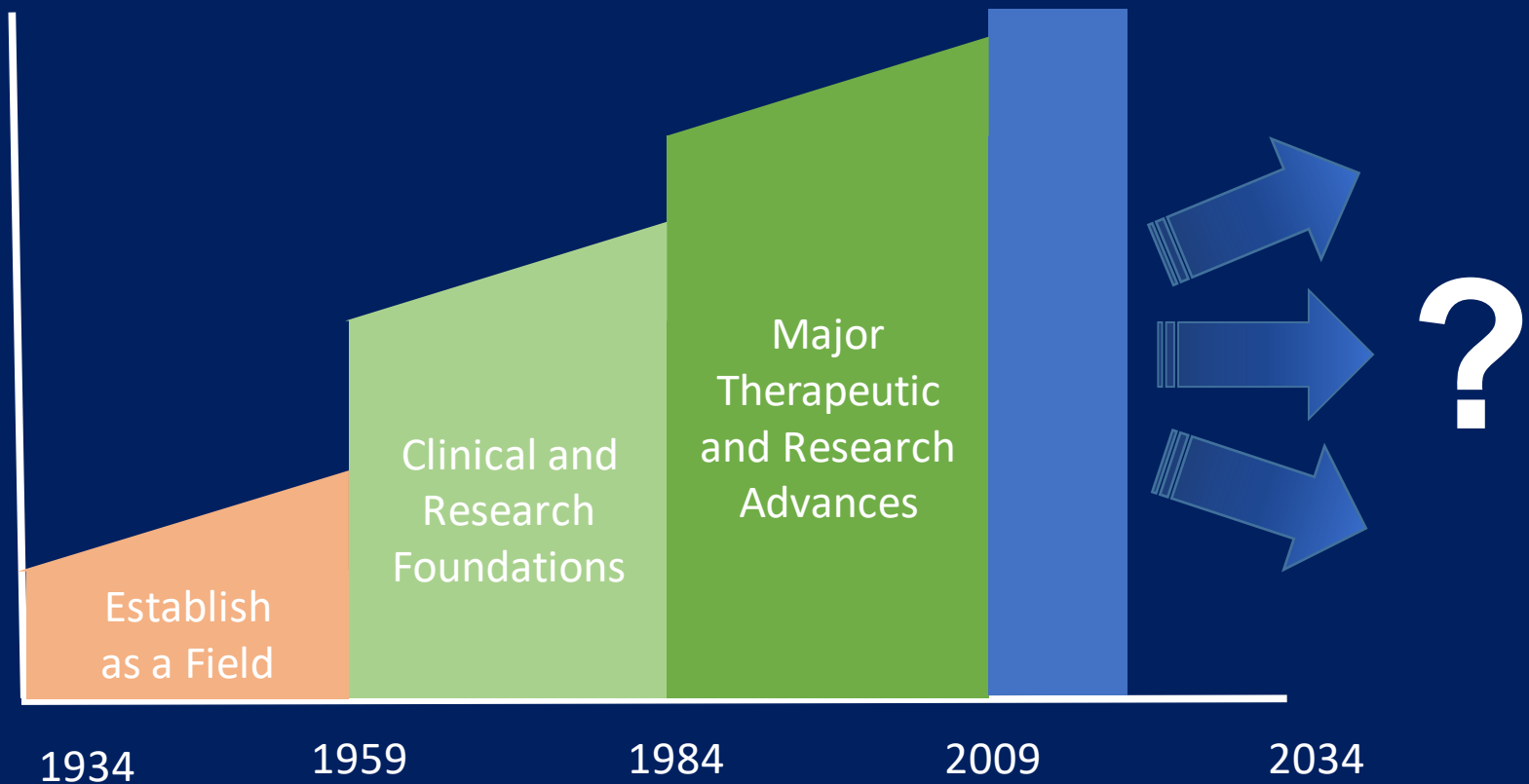
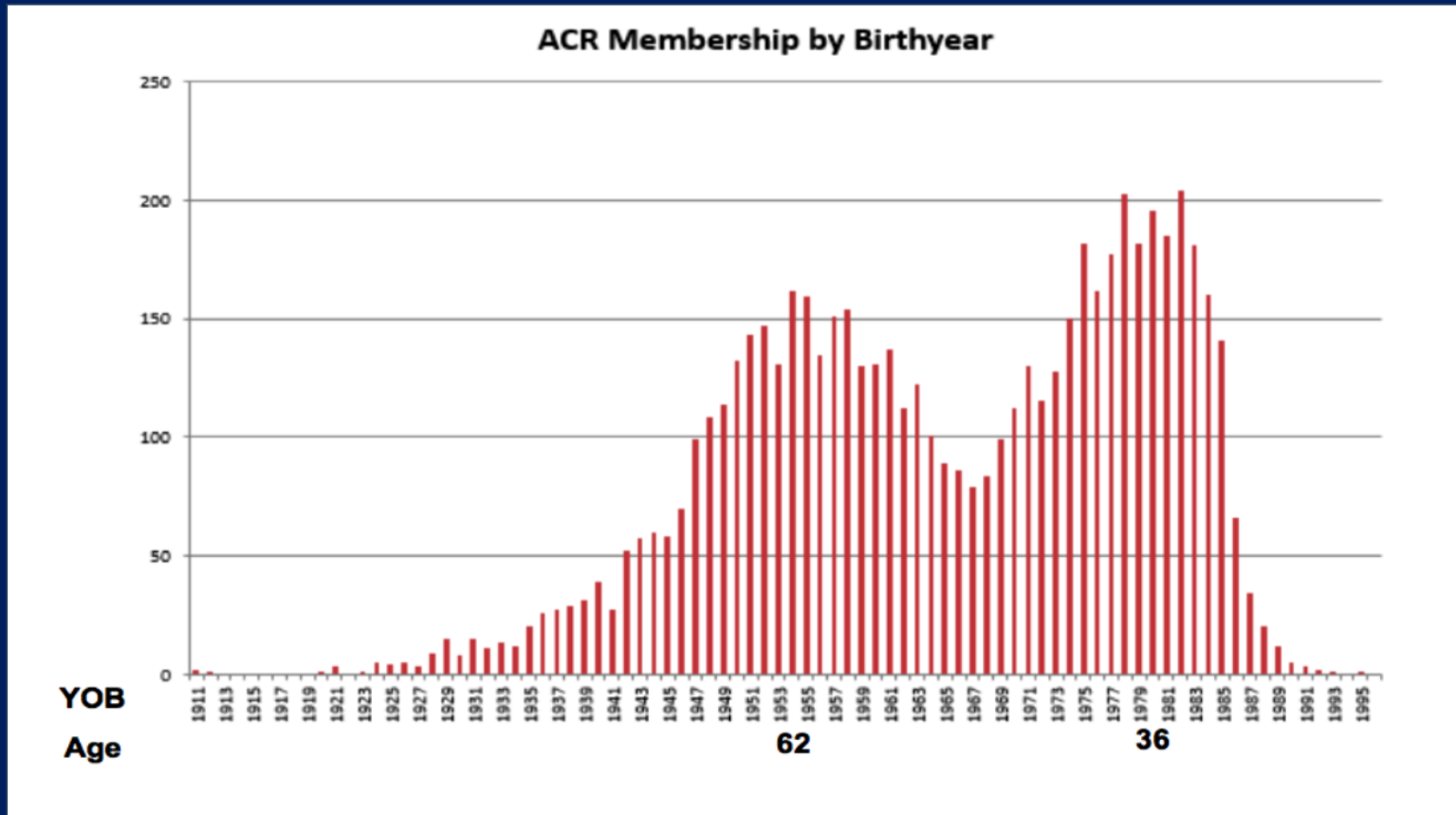


Figure 1. Number of citations on rheumatic diseases in PubMed (triangles) compared with number of pages in *Arthritis & Rheumatism* (squares) in the 5-year periods shown.

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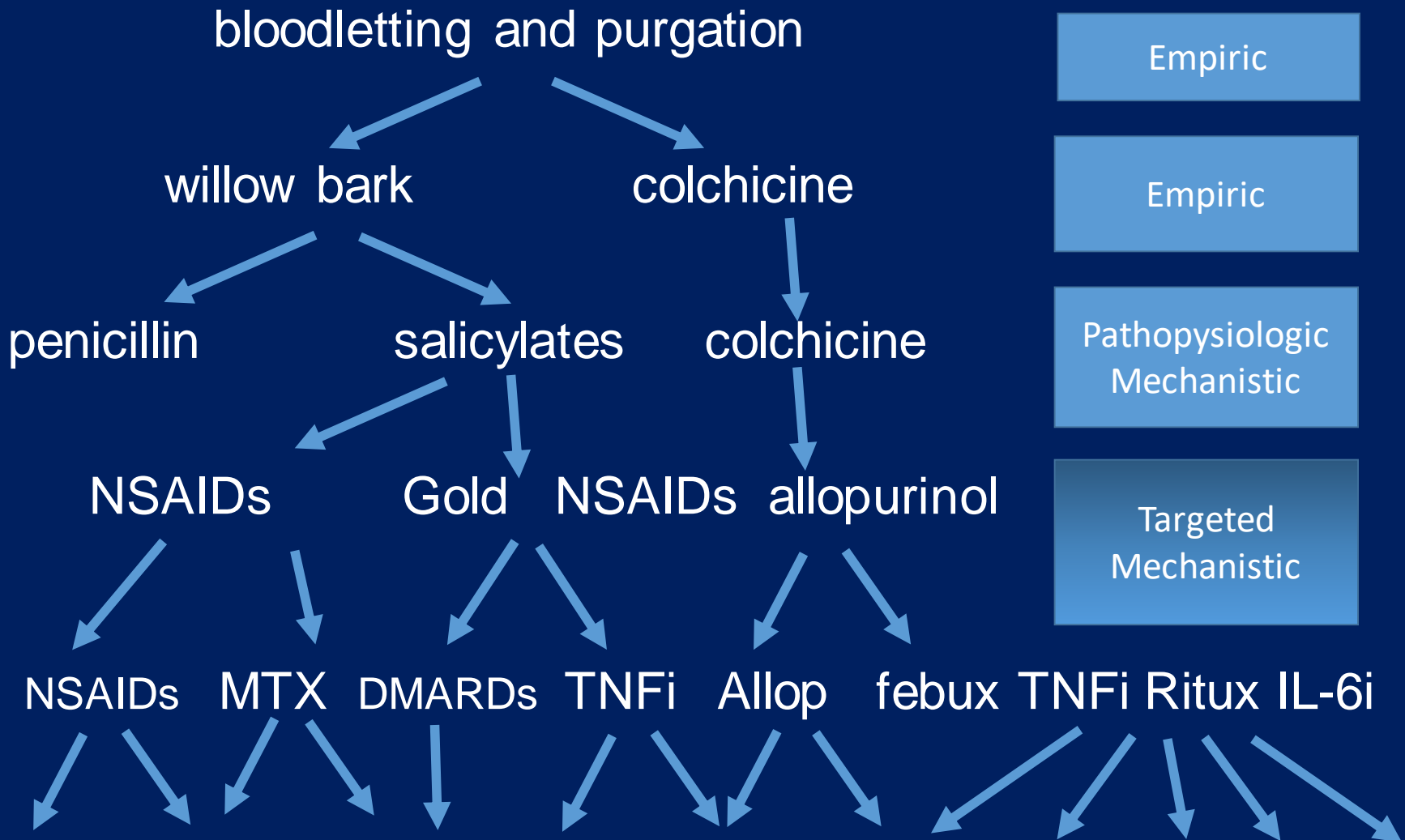


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- Numbers – Diseases, Providers, Patients

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The Scientist, February 28, 2005

The New York Times

Opinion

Your Doctor's Drug Problem

By ARNOLD S. RELMAN NOV. 18, 2003



Doctor Prescribing Linked to Industry Gifts

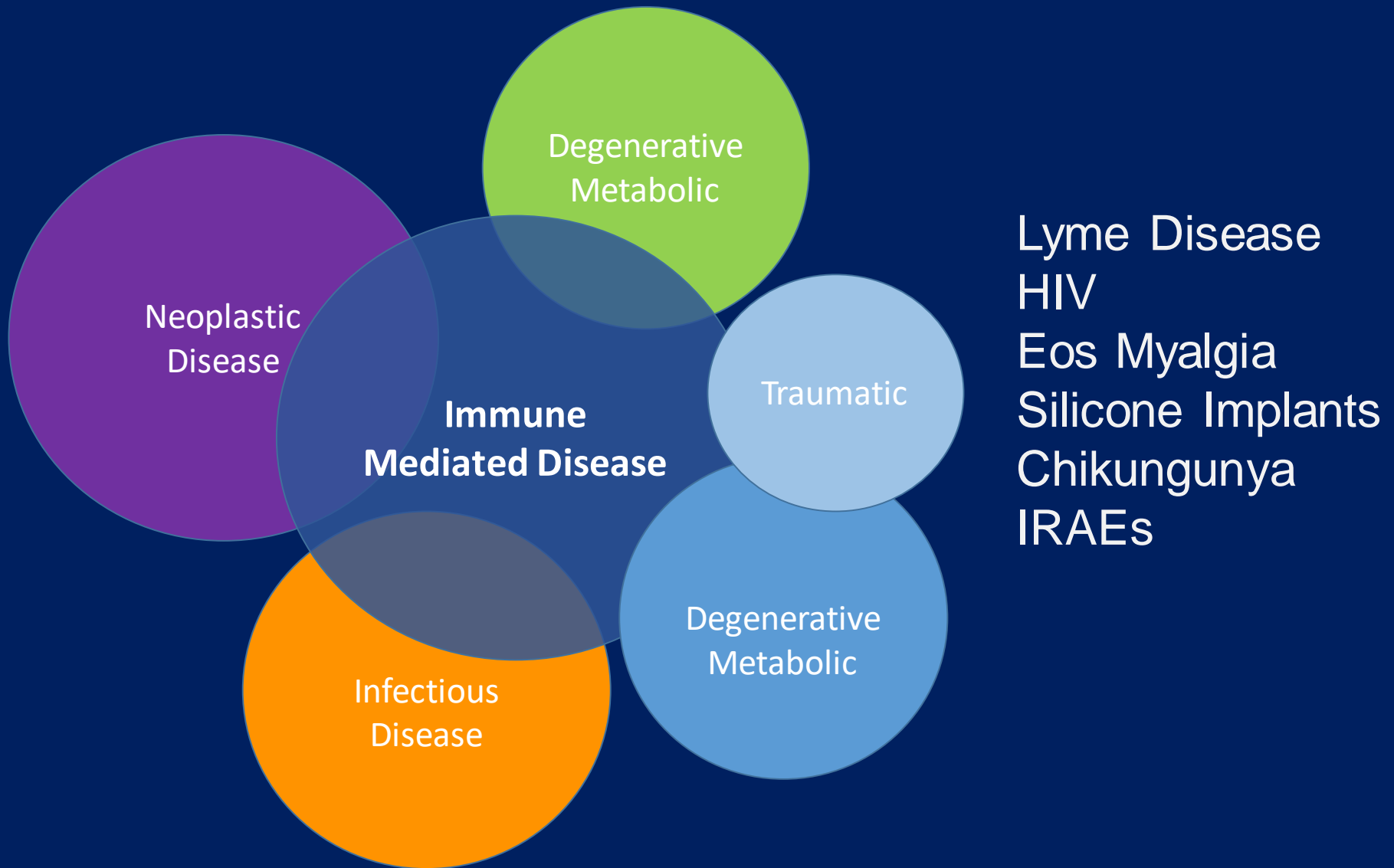
Researchers examined drugs to prevent blood clots and to treat diabetes and found certain ones were prescribed more often by doctors who had received gifts from those companies.

By Kimberly Leonard, Staff Writer

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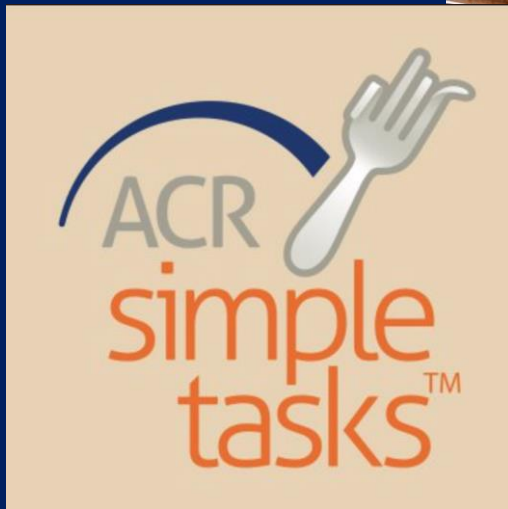


Scope of Rheumatic Disease

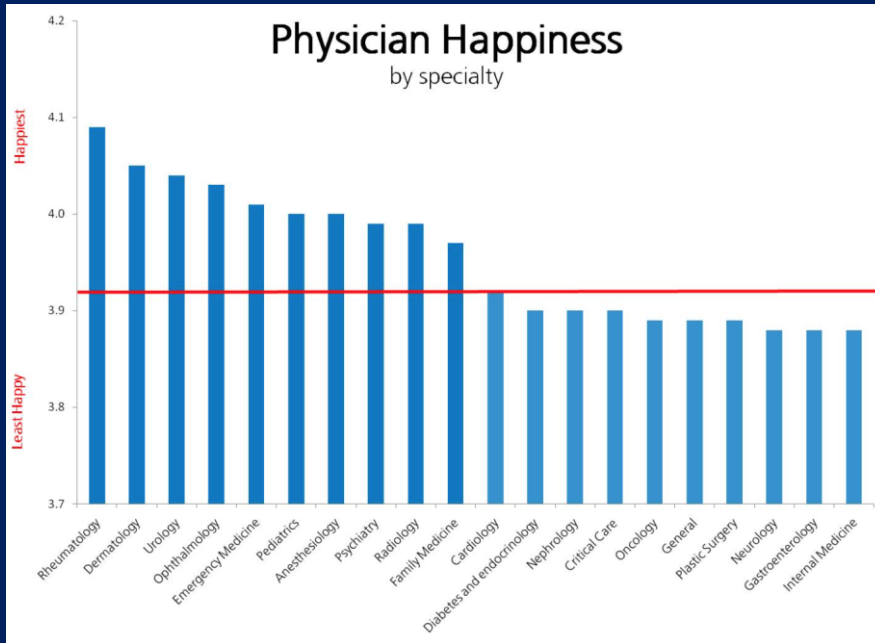


What is a Rheumatologist?

Rheumatic diseases make the simplest tasks seem impossible.



We're Pretty Happy



Medscape Lifestyle Report, 20112

Happy Are Physicians With Their Lives Outside of Work?

Happiness Score: 1 (very unhappy) to 5 (very happy)

Rheumatology	4.09	Pulmonary Medicine	3.95
Dermatology	4.05	Pathology	3.93
Urology	4.04	Cardiology	3.92
Ophthalmology	4.03	Critical Care	3.90
Emergency Medicine	4.01	Nephrology	3.90
Pediatrics	4.00	Diabetes & Endocrinology	3.90
Anesthesiology	4.00	Plastic Surgery	3.89
Psychiatry & Mental Health	3.99	General Surgery	3.89
Radiology	3.99	Oncology	3.89
Family Medicine	3.97	Internal Medicine	3.88
HIV/AIDS	3.97	Gastroenterology	3.88
Orthopaedics	3.96	Neurology	3.88
Ob/Gyn & Women's Health	3.96		

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Thank You

