



WORLD ARTHRITIS DAY ADVISORY: Wednesday 12th October 2022

On behalf of *Te Anga Kaikōiwi o Aotearoa: Osteoarthritis Research Network* and *Osteoarthritis Aotearoa New Zealand (OAAoNZ)*, we are pleased to announce the launch of the official webpage and registration link for the 2022 OA Research Network Conference and OAAoNZ Summit.

Please click [HERE](#) for more information and [HERE](#) to register for these two Wellington-based events.

The OA Aotearoa Research Network Conference is on Thursday 17th November, and the Osteoarthritis Summit: Taumata Kaikōiwi is on Friday 18th November.

We welcome submissions from OA researchers and early career researchers (ECRs) to present your recent, current, ongoing, or proposed research for the OA Aotearoa Research Network Conference. Please click [HERE](#) for more detailed information about abstract submissions for the first of the two events.

Several travel scholarships are available to ECRs submitting abstracts for consideration. Please contact Professor Haxby Abbott for further details: haxby.abbott@otago.ac.nz.

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS:

The OA Summit on 18th November will feature three world-renowned international keynote speakers who will join us virtually.

Our first international speaker is **Professor Søren Skou**, and his virtual presentation is entitled **Multi-morbidity and osteoarthritis: key challenges and initiatives**.

Professor Skou is a Professor at the Research Unit for Musculoskeletal Function and Physiotherapy at the University of Southern Denmark and head of research at the Department of Physiotherapy and Occupational Therapy, Næstved-Slagelse-Ringsted Hospitals, Denmark. Professor Skou is a research physiotherapist with vast research experience in the early treatment of knee and hip pain. He has been the principal investigator of several high-quality randomised controlled trials on surgical and non-surgical treatment of knee pain. Currently, he leads the MOBILIZE multimorbidity project, a 5-year EU-funded programme. Professor Skou is also the co-founder of the Good Life with osteoArthritis from Denmark (GLA:D) program with the overarching aim of implementing current clinical guidelines for osteoarthritis into clinical care internationally.



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