Sjögren’s Foundation Update
Conquering Sjögren’s Together

Janet E. Church, President & CEO
ICD-10 Code Changes for Sjögren’s

- Launched October 1st in U.S.
- Download at Sjögrens.org/resources

ACR November Conference

- Two symposia on Sjögren’s
- Many abstracts and posters, and two abstracts that received our Abstract of the Year Award
- Childhood Sjögren’s workgroup
- Presentation on Pulmonary Complications in Sjögren’s
- Foundation Meeting- Understanding Sjögren’s through COVID-19 Dysautonomia
Clinical Practice Guidelines & PRI-MED CME Course

Pulmonary guidelines
- Created with Consensus Panel of 82 people
- Published in CHEST
- Published in Sjögren’s Quarterly and highlighted in Conquering Sjögren’s
- Downloads available on website

Peripheral Nervous System guidelines
- Working on it now with Topic Review Group
- Equal number of Rheumatologists and Neurologists as well as patient representatives

Pri-Med Session February 2022
- Spotting Sjögren’s: Keys to Successful Diagnosis for PCPs.
Active Clinical Trials

15 Companies in Clinical Trials for Sjögren’s
• With 21 systemic therapies
• More companies and therapies for Dry eye and Dry Mouth

Many of these companies are part of our Clinical Trials Consortium
• Focus on understanding patients
• Company’s have patient panels to contribute to trial process
• Dedicated to making a difference for us

Clinical Trials slowed during Covid/ But Now re-engaging
• Look for trials on our website and sign up
• https://www.sjogrens.org/living-with-sjogrens/clinical-trials/clinical-trial-locations
2021 Living with Sjögren’s Survey

- Survey attracted over 3,600 respondents. THANK YOU!
- Updated, comprehensive insight from the Sjögren's community
- Allow for comparisons and identification of trends and changes
- Insight into new questions – such as Dysautonomia symptoms – since last survey
Biomarker Research in Sjögren's

Biomarkers will make “precision medicine” possible by

• Leading to better and faster diagnoses
• Allowing classification of patients into subgroups (for management & clinical trials)
• Ultimately leading to greater success of clinical trials so we get a new therapy
• Identifying which patients will benefit from which therapies
• Creating a new-age definition of Sjögren’s!

Foundation Research Grants Awarded

• 2 Impact Grants and 1 Pilot Grant focus on biomarkers

New 5-Year Biomarker Research Project