



**Canadian Arthritis Network
International Partnership Initiative**

**International Research & Training Program
LABORATORY/CLINIC PROFILE**

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Please indicate which of the following international opportunities would be available at your laboratory/clinic.

- Training Elective Rotation
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The International Research & Training Program will be available for trainee elective rotations and investigator mini-sabbaticals that commence on or before March 31, 2009. If you have any preferences regarding the dates when you can host an international trainee or investigator, please indicate this below.

Visit Length (please indicate start and end dates if known):	
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Please provide ten key words and a brief description of the research currently being conducted in your laboratory/clinic, including descriptions of any specialized equipment, methods or technologies employed at your facility.

10 key words

<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. health services research2. epidemiology3. predictors of outcomes4. juvenile idiopathic arthritis5. neck and back pain6. adherence to treatment7. care trajectories8. rehabilitation9. measurement of posture10. use of complementary and alternative health care in arthritis

Brief description (up to ½ page)

I am presently involved in a number of projects related to arthritis and musculoskeletal problems:

- 1) Association of primary health care service models with perceived health status, utilisation of health services, ability for self-care and perceived quality of services in people with chronic disease (one of which is arthritis)
- 2) Prevalence, changes in utilization and factors associated with complementary and alternative health care (CAHC) in two paediatric cohorts: children with juvenile idiopathic arthritis and children with physical disabilities
- 3) Optimal care trajectories in rheumatoid arthritis : the primary secondary interface
- 4) Discovery advancement program : development and validation of a clinical quantitative postural evaluation tool
- 5) Factors associated with safe return to physical activity among injured children and current concepts in practice management of musculoskeletal injuries in active children
- 6) Referral patterns in orthopedics and factors associated with intervention for adolescents with idiopathic scoliosis.

I am involved in research that utilizes clinical cohorts of persons with inflammatory arthritis and scoliosis as well as administrative data from the provincial databases on persons with rheumatoid arthritis.



Key publications (maximum 5 publications)

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