



**SARCOIDOSIS PATIENT CONFERENCE, Ottawa, August 25, 2025, FREE**

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| 08:00 - 08:20    |  | Registration  |
| <b>SESSION 1</b> | Chair: Dr D <b>Birnie</b> , Ottawa   |   |
| 08:20 - 08:25    | Dr D <b>Birnie</b> , Ottawa  | Opening Remarks   |
| 08:25 - 08:30    | Patient  | My sarcoidosis journey; a patient story   |
| 08:30 - 09:10    | Dr M <b>Balter</b> , Toronto   | Top ten things you should know about sarcoidosis  |
| 09:10 - 09:40    | Dr Y <b>Rochlani</b> , NY, US  | Top ten things you should know about cardiac sarcoidosis  |
| 09:40 - 10:00    | <b>BREAK</b>   |   |
| <b>SESSION 2</b> | Chair: Dr K <b>Mathias</b> , Baltimore   |   |
| 10:00 - 10:30    | Dr K <b>Mathias</b> , Baltimore, US  | Head, shoulders, knees and toes; other possible organ involvement/disease manifestations; it may never happen to you!                               |
| 10:30 - 11:10    | Dr <b>Kahlmann</b> , Erasmus, Netherlands  | The top ten ongoing research projects in sarcoidosis; exciting times!   |
| 11:10 - 11:50    | ALL  | Question the experts; go for it!  |
| 11:50 - 12:45    | <b>LUNCH AND MINGLE</b>  |   |
| <b>SESSION 3</b> | Chair: Dr Elyse <b>Lower</b> , Cincinnati  |   |
| 12:50 - 13:10    | N <b>Singh</b> , Illinois, US  | How industry thinks about bridging patient desires and FDA requirements   |
| 13:10 - 13:35    | Facilitator/reporter:<br>Dr Elyse <b>Lower</b> ,<br>(Cincinnati, US)<br>Scribe Dr Logan <b>Harper</b><br>(Cleveland, US)     | PATIENT OPINIONS 1<br>What outcomes are important to patients in clinical trials; have your say!  |
| 13:35 - 14:00    | Facilitator/reporter:<br>Dr Logan <b>Harper</b><br>(Cleveland, US) Dr<br>Scribe: Dr Elyse <b>Lower</b> ,<br>(Cincinnati, US) | PATIENT OPINIONS 2<br>If you could wave your magic wand, what would you like to see happen in the prevention, diagnosis and therapy of sarcoidosis? |
| 14:00 - 14:30    | <b>BREAK</b>   |   |
| <b>SESSION 4</b> | Chair: Dr M <b>Sharp</b> , Baltimore   |   |
| 14:30 - 14:50    | Group 1. Dr Elyse <b>Lower</b> ,<br>(Cincinnati, US)<br>Group 2. Dr Logan <b>Harper</b><br>(Cleveland, US)                   | Report back from patient opinion sessions   |
| 14:50 - 15:10    | Mary <b>McGowan</b> ,<br>(Foundation for Sarcoidosis Research)   | Patient support groups presentations: how we can help you!  |
| 15:10 - 15:15    | Patient  | Patient support groups: how they help me!   |
| 15:10 - 15:40    | Dr M <b>Sharp</b> , Baltimore US   | Finding optimal quality of life and empowering patients to manage their care  |
| 15:40 - 16:40    | Xentria, aTyr  | Focus groups with industry (in person only)   |
| 16:40 - 16:45    | Dr D <b>Birnie</b> , Ottawa  | Closing Remarks   |