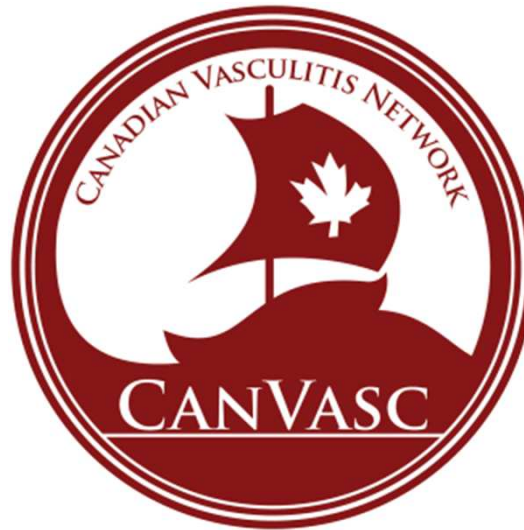


The CanVasc network



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CanVasc creation

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- CanVasc = 1st November 2010



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- EULAR, UK, Japanese, French guidelines

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Studies on vasculitis

- VCRC/ACR
- EUVAS/EULAR
- FVSG



→ Canadian studies

Observational cohorts



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- CanVasc meeting
- REVISIT program
- Training sessions/materials
- Training of new investigators and fellows
- CanVasc website
- CRA connections
- VF Canada



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- **Stand as the Canadian referral group to identify needs in vasculitis** and consider new drug approvals for vasculitis in Canada (advisory group).



Canadian referral group

- Patient support group
- Industry
- Drug approval procedures
- Recommendations
 - ORA initiative
- National initiatives
 - international recognition



Funding

- **Funding** remains an issue and will always...
 - CIHR meeting grant denied: “not original/innovative” (7/12)
 - VF Canada
 - Industry





CanVasc 2nd core member meeting



Failure is not an option!