Arthritis is the nation’s No. 1 cause of disability.

IN LOUISIANA
Arthritis affects:

MORE THAN 856,000 ADULTS AND NEARLY 4,800 CHILDREN

OF THOSE

MORE THAN 1 IN 6 ARE ADULT MEN.

MORE THAN 1 IN 4 ARE ADULT WOMEN.

ARTHRITIS AND RHEUMATIC CONDITIONS COST LOUISIANA OVER $2 MILLION ANNUALLY IN MEDICAL EXPENDITURES AND LOST EARNINGS.

LSU research works to slow and prevent pain.

- LSU Health Shreveport researchers conduct studies to help develop treatments for different autoimmune and chronic inflammatory disorders such as inflammatory bowel disease, rheumatoid arthritis, and lupus.
- LSU Veterinary Medicine researchers study all species of animals to diagnose arthritis before the typical signs are apparent, resulting in the development of treatments to reverse the condition before joint damage.
- LSU Health New Orleans is active in promoting education to facilitate the early diagnosis and treatment of patients with rare diseases that involve the hardening and tightening of the skin and connective tissues.
- Researchers at the LSU Pennington Biomedical Center are looking at the effects of a high-fat diet to discover solutions to slow or prevent inflammation progression that could contribute to arthritis pain.

NEW ORLEANS’ UNUSUAL ARRAY OF BOTH RARE AND COMMON AUTOIMMUNE DISEASES ALLOWS LSU HEALTH NEW ORLEANS’ RHEUMATOLOGY TRAINING PROGRAM TO PROVIDE A RIGOROUS AND BROAD-SPECTRUM CLINICAL EXPERIENCE WITH MENTORSHIP IN RESEARCH FOR FUTURE RHEUMATOLOGISTS.

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