



**Jeffrey A. Sparks, MD, MMSc, FACP**

**Specialist in Systemic Rheumatic Diseases, Rheumatoid Arthritis, Cancer and Autoimmune Diseases, and Sarcoidosis**

Dr. Sparks is a rheumatologist specializing in the care and treatment of systemic rheumatic diseases. Dr. Sparks's special interests include the treatment of rheumatoid arthritis, musculoskeletal manifestations of sarcoidosis, systemic lupus erythematosus, inflammatory myositis, systemic vasculitides, and other systemic rheumatic diseases in addition to local joint syndromes such as osteoarthritis and bursitis. He is especially interested in pulmonary involvement of rheumatic diseases, sarcoidosis with bone involvement, rheumatic manifestations of cancer patients, and the effect of weight loss on patients with rheumatoid arthritis.

His clinic is located at 45 Francis Street, Boston, MA 02115.

**Education and Training**

Dr. Sparks grew up in Fort Smith, Arkansas and graduated from the University of Arkansas where he received a Bachelor of Science degree in Physics. He attended medical school at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences in Little Rock, Arkansas. Dr. Sparks completed his Internal Medicine residency at Barnes-Jewish Hospital and Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri. Dr. Sparks was an attending hospitalist at Barnes-Jewish Hospital and Washington University School of Medicine specializing in care for inpatients admitted for hematologic malignancies and stem cell transplantation. He moved to Boston in 2011 for fellowship in rheumatology at Brigham and Women's Hospital and he joined the faculty in 2014. Dr. Sparks actively performs clinical research and received a Master of Medical Sciences degree in patient-oriented and translational research methods from Harvard Medical School in 2014. His research studies focus on the epidemiology of rheumatoid arthritis pathogenesis and outcomes. He has received research grants from the Rheumatology Research Foundation and the National Institutes of Health. He has received awards for teaching, research, and clinical care from Washington University School of Medicine, Barnes-Jewish Hospital, Harvard Medical School, Brigham and Women's Hospital, the American College of Rheumatology, the Rheumatology Research Foundation, and the National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases. Dr. Sparks is a fellow of the American College of Physicians, a fellow member of the American College of Rheumatology, and is board certified in both Internal Medicine and Rheumatology.

**Professional Appointments and Affiliations**

- Affiliation with Brigham and Women's Hospital
- Affiliation with Harvard Medical School