

## UK CFS/ME Research Collaborative 2017 Conference Programme

PLEASE NOTE TITLES OF PRESENTATIONS ARE STILL TO BE CONFIRMED;  
ORAL PRESENTATIONS TO BE SELECTED FOLLOWING PEER REVIEW OF SUBMITTED ABSTRACTS

WEDNESDAY 13 SEPTEMBER 2017		#CMRC2017
09:00	Registration / Poster board set up	
09:30	Welcome	Prof Stephen Holgate, University of Southampton and Collaborative Chair
<b>Plenary Session: Biology of CFS/ME</b>		
09:40	Post-infectious CFS/ME study at National Institutes of Health	Dr Avindra Nath, National Institutes of Health
10:15	Imaging in research	Dr Matt Wall, Imanova
10:50	The challenge of chronic pain: how neuroscience can help	Prof Maria Fitzgerald, University College London
11:25	<b>Break</b>	
11:50	Transient receptor potential ion channels and impaired calcium signalling in natural killer (NK) cells in CFS/ME patients	Prof Don Staines, Griffith University
12:25	Overview of fatigue in arthritis: insights for CFS/ME	Prof Alan Silman, Nuffield Department of Orthopaedics, Rheumatology and Musculoskeletal Science
12:50	Oral presentations x 2	TBC
13:20	<b>Lunch</b>	
14:45	Orthostatic Intolerance in CFS/ME: lessons from the last two decades	Dr Peter Rowe, John Hopkins Children's Centre for CFS
15:20	Orthostatic intolerance in CFS/ME	Prof Dr Frans Visser and Dr Linda van Campen, Cardiac Care Foundation
15:55	Oral presentations x 2	TBC
16:25	<b>Break</b>	
16:40	Poster presentations	
17:45	Panel discussion and open Q&A with Day One speakers	Chair TBC
18:15	Drinks reception	
19:30	<b>Conference day one closes for Associate Members</b>	
19:45	<b>Creating Collaborations (over dinner)</b> An opportunity for researchers to share research and explore new collaborations in a confidential space, enabling data to be shared and new projects to be explored. This is open to researchers/clinicians/professional and student members.	

THURSDAY 14 SEPTEMBER 2017		#CMRC2017
08:45	Registration and refreshments (Registration required for those attending on this day only)	
<b>Plenary Session: Catalysing Collaboration</b>		
09:00	What it takes for pharma to engage in a research/drug discovery programme	Dr Mark Jones, UCB Pharma
09:35	TBC	Mike Dalrymple, LifeArc
10:10	MRC-funded researchers: updates on MRC-funded research	Prof Carmine Pariante; Prof Esther Crawley; Prof Anne McArdle; Dr Mark Edwards; Sue Wilson
11:15	Break	
11:45	Infection and mood (Title TBC)	Prof Carmine Pariante, Kings College, London
12:05	ME/CFS Epidemiology and Genomics Alliance (MEGA)	Prof Esther Crawley, Bristol University
12:25	Patient and public involvement in MEGA	Speaker TBC
12:45	Lunch	
14:00	<p><b>Workshop 1</b> Managing orthostatic intolerance in CFS/ME: a workshop for practitioners</p> <p><b>Workshop 2</b> How can we work better together to drive scientific breakthrough for people with CFS/ME?</p> <p><b>Workshop 3</b> TBC</p>	<p>Dr Mark Edwards, ST&amp;I Partnerships Ltd</p> <p>Dr Peter Rowe, John Hopkins Children's Centre for CFS</p>
15:30	<b>Anne Faulkner Memorial Lecture</b> Learning from other illness fields: Dementia Platform	Prof John Gallacher, Oxford University
16:15	Conference reflections	Prof Stephen Holgate, University of Southampton and Collaborative Chair
16:30	Conference closes	

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