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Young EMERG Workshop SPARK ME – 26 – 27 May 2025

Day 1 26 May

time	Session	Presenter/detail
13:00	Young EMERG Welcome talk	Dr Rik Haagmans , Quadram Institute, UK
13:15	Introductions and discussion of objectives	Delegates Introduce themselves
13:30	Networking session – International research landscape Individual presentations from ECRs	Dr Rik Haagman, Quadram Institute, UK
14:30	Refreshments	
15:00	Poster session	
15:25	Keynote speaker RECOVER initiative	Dr Vicky Whittemore, NINDS NIH, USA
16:00	Neglected cohorts of ME/CFS Patients in Research	Professor Kristian Sommerfelt, University of Bergen, Norway
16:30	Using multiomics and network biology to incorporate disease heterogeneity in research	Dr Dezco Modos, Imperial College London, UK
17:00	Summary	
17:30	Adjourn Young EMERG Evening Dinner Followed by Young EMERG social event	



Day 2 27 May

time	Session	Presenter/detail
08:30	Arrival refreshments	
09:00	Welcome and summary of Day 1	Dr Rik Haagmans, Quadram Institute, UK
09:15	Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions	Thomas Vyzikas, European Research Council
10:00	Setting up a ME/CFS doctoral network	Professor Elisa Oltra, Catholic University of Valencia, Spain / EMERG
10:30	Refreshments	
11:00	Building a Research Career in ME/CFS	
11:00	Academy of Medical Sciences Grants and Programmes	Lauren Kinnaird, Rory Adair Academy of Medical Sciences
11:20	The Genetic Landscape of ME/CFS: What we Know and What Lies Ahead	Matthias Wielscher, MedUni Vienna
11:45	Patient and Public Involvement and Engagement	Gemma Beasy and Ruth Ajayi
12:30	Lunch	
13:30	Early career researcher presentations	Various presentations from N. America, Europe and Australia
15:00	Refreshments	
15:30	Poster session	
16:00	Networking session	
	Laboratory rotations ME/CFS Research Exchanges: Co-Design Workshop	Benjamin Missbach, WWTF
17:00	Round table discussion	
17:15	Summary	
17:30	Adjourn Young EMERG Networking Evening dinner	