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**British Peripheral Nerve Society and Belgian-Dutch Neuromuscular Study Group Joint meeting**

**Friday 11 March 2016, Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, UK**

**From 9.15 Registration**

9.55 – 10.00 Welcome and opening remarks

Gareth Llewelyn (BPNS President, Cardiff)

Peter Van den Bergh (Belgian-Dutch Neuromuscular Study Group Chair, Brussels)

**Session 1** Chairs: Nicolette Notermans (Utrecht) and Lionel Ginsberg (London)

10.00 – 10.20 Clare Galtrey (London)

*Can’t raise an eye brow – does it ring any Norwegian bells?*

10.20 – 10.40 Peter Van den Bergh (Brussels)

*Cramp-fasciculation syndrome – an unexpected etiology*

10.40 – 11.00 Sian Alexander (Cambridge)

*Bittersweet weakness*

**11.00 – 11.30 Coffee**

**Session 2** Chairs: Pieter van Doorn (Erasmus MC) and Yusuf Rajabally (Birmingham)

11.30 – 12.15 Guest Speaker: **Hessel Franssen (UMC Utrecht)**

*Node and Neuropathy*

12.15 – 12.35 Oliver Harschnitz (Utrecht)

*Human stem cell derived motor neurons to model multifocal motor neuropathy*

12.35 – 12.55 Christina Englezou (London)

*Unblocking the block*

**12.55 – 1.45 Lunch**

**Session 3** Chairs: Hessel Franssen (Utrecht) and Michael Lunn (London)

1.45 – 1.55 Update on Rituximab commissioning in England (Mike Lunn)

1.55 – 2.45 **Discussion forum**

Guest Speaker: **Ingemar Merkies (UMC Maastricht)**

*Monitoring outcome measures in clinical practice*

2.45 – 3.05 Filip Eftimov (Amsterdam)

*Becoming an average CIDP patient*

3.05 – 3.25 Alison Kelly (Bristol)

*Trying to avoid cold whilst waiting for the next generation of analgesics*

3.25 – 3.45 Praveen Anand (London)

*Capsaicin 8% patch treatment in small fibre neuropathy: from pain relief to disease modification*

**3.45 – 4.15 Coffee**

**Session 4** Chairs: Peter Van den Bergh (Brussels) and Rob Hadden (London)

4.15 – 5.00 Guest Speaker: **David Bennett (University of Oxford)**

*Clinical aspects of small fibre neuropathy*

5.00 – 5.20 Rob Hadden (London)

*Audit of microneurography in the diagnosis of small fibre neuropathy*

5.20 – 5.40 Barbara Wysota (Birmingham)

*The vital molecule*

5.40 – 6.00 Lionel Ginsberg (London)

*More on MNGIE*

**7.00 Drinks Reception**

**7.30 Dinner**

Local organiser – Dr Rhys Roberts, Cambridge.