

# MRC CFS/ME Research Workshop

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> & Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2009

Location: Heythrop Park Resort (Chipping Norton, Oxfordshire, OX7 5UF)

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## Agenda – Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> November

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13:00	<i>Registration; Lunch</i> <i>Tea &amp; Coffee</i>	
<b>13:30</b>	<b>Welcome and Introduction by Professor Stephen Holgate</b> Aims of the workshop	
<b>Short presentations:</b>		
	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Speaker</b>
13:45	CFS/ME phenotyping & epidemiology	Dr Esther Crawley
14:00	Autonomic dysfunction	Professor Julia Newton
14:15	Sleep	Professor Jim Horne
14:30	Pain	Professor Maria Fitzgerald
14:45	Neuropsychology	Professor Gijs Bleijenberg
<i>15:00</i>	<i>Tea &amp; Coffee</i>	
15:30	Neuroimaging	Professor Phil Cowen
15:45	New Technologies	Professor Chris Ponting
16:00	Immune dysregulation/Infection	Professor Tony Pinching
16:15	Virology	Professor Paul Moss
16:30	Other fields	Open session
<i>16:45</i>	<i>Tea &amp; Coffee</i>	
17:00 - 18:00	Group Discussion	
<i>19:00</i>	<i>Dinner</i>	

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## Agenda – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November

09:00 Introduction – brief for morning session – Professor Stephen Holgate

09:15 **Working group discussions**

‘What would you like to see the field respond to?’

Areas for consideration:

- capitalising on current issues and UK scientific strengths including national resources e.g. patient cohorts
- new technologies and technological platforms
- partnership models
- research prioritisation exercise
- other issues

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*10:45 Tea & Coffee*

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11:00 Reporting back from working group discussions followed by whole group discussion

11:45 Summing up and next steps – Professor Stephen Holgate

12:00 Close