



Making connectionsS

A global ParadigMS meeting

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Saturday 5 November 2016

Dear colleague

On behalf of ParadigMS, we are delighted to welcome you to **Making connectionsS**, an innovative event, which will allow internationally renowned experts to share updates with a worldwide audience. The novel, interactive virtual format of this half-day scientific meeting will unite the global experience of physicians who diagnose and treat patients with MS.

Making connectionsS is your opportunity to:

- get involved in live presentations from around the world featuring our faculty of international MS experts, including updates on the most recent topical data in MS, with presentations on:
 - our understanding of the pathological and immunological basis of MS
 - MS disease monitoring, standard principles and future techniques
 - the basic principles of MS treatment, including urgency to treat early and the NEDA concept
 - treatment expectations in MS, prognosis and quality of life
 - practicalities of MS management, such as benefit:risk assessment and adherence
 - relevance of outcome measures, and how real-world evidence complements clinical trial data
- direct questions to the expert speaker panel, as well as interact with other physicians who treat people with MS
- participate in an interactive panel discussion.

We look forward to welcoming you to this novel event, and hope that you enjoy the meeting.

Professor Dr Bart Van Wijmeersch



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Professor Gavin Giovannoni



Making connectionsS Chair (London, UK)

On behalf of our **Making connectionsS** Steering Committee colleagues:

- **Professor Bassem Yamout** (Beirut, Lebanon; ParadigMS)
- **Professor Nikolaos Grigoriadis** (Thessaloniki, Greece; ParadigMS)
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Agenda

| Time (CET) | Presentation topic | Presenter(s) |
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| Broadcast live from Switzerland | | |
| 13:45–13:55 | Welcome, meeting open and introductions | Gavin Giovannoni (UK) |
| Broadcast live from Germany | | |
| 13:55–14:15 | Update on current understanding of MS pathology | Wolfgang Brück (Germany) |
| 14:15–14:35 | Update on MS immunology and treatment targets | Ralf Linker (Germany) |
| 14:35–14:45 | Q&A | All |
| Broadcast live from Switzerland | | |
| 14:45–15:05 | The current standard and future monitoring of MS | Sven Schippling (Switzerland) |
| 15:05–15:25 | Basic treatment principles in MS | Florian Deisenhammer (Austria) |
| 15:25–15:35 | Q&A | All |
| Broadcast live from Netherlands | | |
| 15:35–15:55 | Prognosis on MS treatment | Celia Oreja-Guevara (Spain) |
| 15:55–16:15 | Safety, tolerability and adherence issues in the treatment of MS | Veronica Popescu (Netherlands) |
| 16:15–16:35 | Quality of life in persons with MS | Mona Alkhawajah (Saudi Arabia) |
| 16:35–16:50 | Q&A | All |
| Broadcast live from Germany | | |
| 16:50–17:10 | How real-world evidence complements clinical trial data | Tjalf Ziemssen (Germany) |
| 17:10–17:15 | Q&A | All |
| Broadcast live from Switzerland | | |
| 17:15–17:30 | Extended Q&A, conclusions and meeting close | Gavin Giovannoni (UK) |