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Dear Jill

On behalf of the Trustees of ME Research UK, I write to thank you very much for the donation of £100.00 raised from the collection at St Peter's Garden Centre by the Worcestershire ME Support Group.

As you probably know, we do not receive any central funding and rely almost entirely on personal donations and fundraising events to fund our biomedical research into this most debilitating illness. Therefore, this donation, along with the extra benefits we receive when people donate under the Gift Aid Scheme, is most welcome. Thanks to this and similar gifts we have recently been able to action the projects listed below, and another two are under review by our Scientific Advisory panel.

- The effects of oral vitamin D supplementation on cardiovascular disease risk in ME/CFS: a clinical trial. *Dr Faisel Khan, Institute of Cardiovascular Research, University of Dundee*
- Pain inhibition during exercise in patients with ME/CFS: targeting neurotransmission. Dr Jo Nijs, Department of Human Physiology, Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Brussels, Belgium
- Does muscle bioenergetic abnormality cause peripheral fatigue in ME/CFS? *Prof. David Jones, Institute of Cellular Medicine, University of Newcastle*
- Independent confirmation of the relation between ME/CFS and XMRV in Sweden. *Prof. Jonas Blomberg Department of Medical Sciences, Uppsala University Hospital, Sweden*

We send our best wishes to you and the Worcestershire ME Support Group, along with our sincere thanks for your support.

Dr Neil Abbot

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