

**European Network on Myalgic Encephalomyelitis/Chronic Fatigue Syndrome
(EUROMENE)**

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Report on evaluation of the Training school

Training School: **Summer school for translational research in ME/CFS**

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Ten Evaluation forms were submitted by trainees. Each day of Training school (according to the Training School Programme) and the organization of Training school were separately evaluated by the attenders. The data from all ten evaluation forms are summarized in Table 1.

Table 1.

	Very good	Good	Moderate	Learned little	Learned nothing
Day 1 Clinical approach to ME/CFS	11/11	-	-	-	-
Day 2 Biobanking, data management	10/11	1/11	-	-	-
Day 3 Antibodies and soluble biomarkers	9/11	2/11	-	-	-
Day 4 Metabolic biomarker	9/11	2/11	-	-	-
Day 5 Infection biomarker	7/10	3/10	-	-	-
Organisation	9/10	-	-	-	-

All marks were “very good” and “Good”. No marks “Moderate”, “Learned little” and “Learned nothing”. “All marks of “day 1” (11/11) and “organization” of Training school



(10/10) were “very good”. Evaluation of Day 2, Day 3, Day 4 and Day 5 – most of marks “very good” (35/43) and 8/43 “good”.

Comments/suggestions:

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Most participants: gained valuable knowledge in ME/CFS

1 trainee: perfect balance between theory and practice

Suggestions

3 trainees: Practical sessions - “not 3 lab practice days in a row”/”one lecture day between laboratory practice days” is suggested

1 trainee: Information about potential small grants for ECR

1 trainee: Information about main researchers and research projects in Europe/world

1 trainee: Tags with names and countries of participants could be useful

1 trainee: To have the dinner all together in the second day instead of in the first day

Conclusion

Training school was marked as relevant by most of participants. This training school was an efficient instrument for disseminating knowledge to increase capacity on translational research in ME/CFS by involving Early Career Investigators (ECIs), including from new EU member states.