



# 8th European Conference on Rare Diseases & Orphan Products

Game Changers in Rare Diseases

Delivering 21st century healthcare to rare disease patients:
Together we can change the future!

26 - 28 May 2016 EICC, Edinburgh, Scotland, UK

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#### **WHAT IS ECRD?**

- The European Conference on Rare Diseases & Orphan Products is the unique platform/forum across all rare diseases, across all European countries, bringing together all stakeholders - patients' representatives, academics, researchers, health care professionals, industry, payers, regulators and policy makers.
- ECRD provides the state-of-the-art of the rare disease environment, monitoring and benchmarking initiatives.
- ECRD covers research, development of new treatments, health care, social care, information, public health and support at European, national, regional and international levels.

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#### Why attend ECRD as a Healthcare Professional/Academic/Researcher?

- Learn about the current State of the Art of rare diseases
- **Discover** the clinical framework specific to rare diseases
- **Present** your work to a wide, multi-stakeholder audience as a poster presenter or as a speaker in the "open house" lunchtime session
- Get new ideas / best practices on how to improve treatment for patients or deliver it more effectively
- Discover important breakthroughs in next generation sequencing, stem cell therapy and diagnosis
- Understand the opportunities in rare disease collaborative clinical research
- Learn about why hospitals should apply for and what to expect from European Reference Networks
- Meet one-to-one with patients and industry during the speed-networking session to spark new research projects
- Contribute to addressing the challenges of healthcare pathways
- · Hear about the current developments and issues surrounding eHealth and mHealth
- Understand the difficulties and possible solutions for patient access to orphan products and rare disease therapies
- Recognise the importance of multi-disciplinary care for rare disease patients
- · Network with fellow colleagues, patient representatives, regulators, payers and industry representatives
- Obtain medical credits by attending ECRD 2016

...and get motivated and inspired to be a game changer!

#### Languages

Simultaneous interpretation of plenary sessions will be available in

- English,
- French,
- German,
- Spanish,
- Italian and
- Russian

### For more information, please visit www.rare-diseases.eu



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