

29th May 2023

To the Secretary of E-mit (Sienacongress),

Re: Nomination of Dr Lyndsey Butterworth to the E-mit Executive Board (Comms role)

I would like to nominate myself for the E-mit Executive Board (Comms role) and have included a short biography showcasing some exemplars of my work. I have the strong endorsement of E-mit members Professor Gráinne S Gorman and Professor Robert McFarland.

My extensive research background (laying the scientific foundations for Mitochondrial Donation in human embryos) and award-winning engagement and communication expertise (esteemed indicators: winner of the Guardian University Research Impact Award and shortlisted for the prestigious Newcastle University Engagement and Place Award, 2022), make me best positioned for this role.

I have worked closely with all key stakeholders across the mitochondrial life sciences ecosystem, including mitochondrial patient organisations from across the globe. More recently, I have led a highly successful campaign (Project PEARL) to increase awareness of mitochondrial disease and dysfunction amongst UK parliamentarians for the benefit of the wider rare diseases' communities.

I would propose to leverage my Comms and Science expertise, coupled with my rich network of collaborators, to expeditiously deliver E-mit's ambitious vision of ensuring its research and innovation is responsive to the needs and aspirations of the Society.

Thank you for your consideration of this application and I look forward to meeting you at Euromit 2023.

Best wishes



Dr Lyndsey Butterworth



Professor Gráinne S Gorman



Professor Robert McFarland

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