Media alert: 31st Congress of the European Committee for Treatment and Research in Multiple Sclerosis (ECTRIMS), 7 – 10 October 2015, Barcelona, Spain

The 31st Congress of the European Committee for Treatment and Research in Multiple Sclerosis (ECTRIMS) will take place in Barcelona, Spain, from 7 to 10 October 2015. ECTRIMS hosts the world largest annual international conference devoted to basic and clinical research in multiple sclerosis (MS). The event will attract around 8,000 participants.

International experts will present and discuss every current aspect of MS. Some of the Congress highlights include the therapeutic challenge of progressive MS; progress in personalised therapies; new approaches to early MS; the potential of MS prevention; societal aspects and impacts of MS and MS care; safety concerns and risk management in MS therapy; as well as innovative therapeutic strategies such as remyelination targets or immune interventions. A special session is devoted to MS nursing. In a Late Breaking News session, data from some of the major current MS trials will be presented.

The scientific programme can be found at: http://www.ectrims-congress.eu/2015/scientific-programme.html

ECTRIM Press Conference: Wednesday, 7 October 2015, 13.45, Press Conference Room (Room 130) – Centre de Convencions Internacional de Barcelona

The official ECTRIMS Press Conference will take place on Wednesday, 7 October 2015 at 13.45 at the Press Conference Room (Room 130) at the Centre de Convencions Internacional de Barcelona, Plaça de Willy Brandt 11–14, 08019 Barcelona.

Speakers and topics:

• **Prof Xavier Montalban** (Barcelona, ES), President of ECTRIMS: *The burden of MS; the challenge of personalised MS therapies*

• **Dr David Miller** (London, UK), Chair of the Scientific Congress Committee: *Scientific highlights of the Congress*

• **Prof Per Soelberg Sörensen** (Copenhagen, DK), Chair of the Teaching Course Committee: *Topical highlights from the teaching courses*

The ECTRIMS Congress provides an opportunity for medical and general interest media to report about latest developments in this field. Media representatives can register free of charge upon presentation of credentials (valid press card or letter of assignment) and are invited to use this link https://profile.congrex-switzerland.com/ectrims2015/ to register.

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