

WMS 2025 Summary Programme

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Monday 6th October 2025

08:30-19:00 **Pre-Congress Teaching Course** (separate registration required) 📍 -2.41/-2.42

Tuesday 7th October 2025

08:00-11:00 **Pre-Congress Teaching Course** (separate registration required) 📍 - 2.33 and - 2.32

10:00-15:00 **WMS Executive Board Meeting** (by invitation only) 📍 - 2.66

13:30-18:00 **Registration, exhibitor highlights, welcome refreshments and poster set up** 📍 Foyer D, and Hall X1

15:30 -16:30 **Regional networking and first time attendee sessions** (multiple sessions) 📍 Myology Cafe, Hall X1

16:30-17:30 **Industry Symposium 1** 📍 Hall G

Industry Symposium 2 📍 Hall K

18:00-18:45 **Opening Ceremony** 📍 Hall D

18:45-21:00 **Networking Reception**

Wednesday 8th October 2025

07:15-19:30 **Congress desk open** 📍 Foyer D

07:45-08:45 **Industry Symposium 3** 📍 Hall G

Industry Symposium 4 📍 Hall K

09:00-09:15 **Congress Welcome - Message from the President** 📍 Hall D

09:15-10:45 **Topic 1: Neuromuscular diseases as multisystemic disorders** 📍 Hall D

09:15-09:45 01INV How can proteomics help to elucidate the pathophysiology crosstalk in muscular dystrophy and associated multi-system dysfunction?

Kay Ohlendieck, National University of Ireland

09:45-10:15 02INV Beyond muscular dystrophies: roles of MD-related proteins in different organ systems

Lilli Winter, Medical University of Vienna, Austria

10:15-10:30 01O

10:30-10:45 02O

10:45-11:15 **Morning refreshments, exhibition and poster viewing** 📍 Hall X1

11:15-13:15 **Topic 1: Neuromuscular diseases as multisystemic disorders** (continued) 📍 Hall D

11:15-11:45 03INV DM1, multisystem involvement

Hilde Braakman, Amalia Children's Hospital, Radboud University Medical Center, the Netherlands

11:45-12:15 04INV Spinal Muscular Atrophy: Systemic Disease, Focal Treatment – or Vice Versa?

Janbernd Kirschner, University of Freiburg, Germany

11:15-13:15	Topic 1: Neuromuscular diseases as multisystemic disorders (continued) 📍 Hall D		
	12:15-12:30 03O 12:30-12:45 04O 12:45-13:00 05O 13:00-13:15 06O		
13:15-14:30	Lunch, exhibition and poster viewing 📍 Hall X1		
13:45-14:30	NMD Editorial Board Meeting (by invitation only) 📍 -2.41/-2.42		
14:30-15:30	Poster session 1 📍 Hall X1		
15:30-16:00	Short Oral Presentations 1 📍 K1	Short Oral Presentations 2 📍 K2	Short Oral Presentations 3 📍 -2.93/-2.94
16:15-17:00	Congress Debate		
17:15-18:15	Poster session 2 📍 Hall X1		
18:15-18:45	Short Oral Presentations 4 📍 K1	Short Oral Presentations 5 📍 K2	Short Oral Presentations 6 📍 -2.93/-2.94
19:00-20:00	Industry Symposium 5 📍 Hall G		Industry Symposium 6 📍 Hall D

Thursday 9th October 2025

07:00-15:00	Congress desk open 📍 Foyer D
07:45-09:15	Interesting Case Discussions 📍 Hall D
09:30-11:00	Topic 2: Multidisciplinary management of neuromuscular diseases 📍 Hall D 09:30-10:00 05INV Psychological care in NMD <i>Sabrina Sayah, Pitié-Salpêtrière Hospital, France</i> 10:00-10:30 06INV Rehabilitation <i>Cynthia Gagnon, Université de Sherbrooke, Canada</i> 10:30-10:45 07O 10:45-11:00 08O
11:00-11:30	Morning refreshments, exhibition and poster viewing 📍 Hall X1
11:30-13:30	Topic 2: Multidisciplinary management of neuromuscular diseases (continued) 📍 Hall D 11:30-12:00 07INV Holistic care/transition <i>Ros Quinlivan, University College London, United Kingdom</i> 12:00-12:30 08INV Palliative care <i>Derek Willis, the Severn Hospice, United Kingdom</i> 12:30-12:45 09O 12:45-13:00 10O 13:00-13:15 11O 13:15-13:30 12O
13:30-14:45	Lunch, exhibition and poster viewing 📍 Hall X1
13:45-14:45	Peer networking and shaping WMS activities for early-career myologists 📍 Hall K
15:00-17:30	Poster viewing/group activity (separate registration required)
17:30-20:00	Group Activity Networking Reception (separate registration required)

Friday 10th October 2025

08:00-18:00	Congress desk open 📍 <i>Foyer D</i>		
08:30-10:15	Topic 3: Advances in therapies and drug development 📍 <i>Hall D</i> 08:30-09:00 09INV Viral modification <i>Melissa Spencer, Center for Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy at UCLA, United States of America</i> 09:00-09:30 10INV AAV transduction optimization for NMD <i>Oumeya Adjali, Université de Nantes, France</i> 09:30-09:45 13O 09:45-10:00 14O 10:00-10:15 15O		
10:15-10:45	Morning refreshments, exhibition and poster viewing 📍 <i>Hall X1</i>		
10:45-12:30	Topic 3: Advances in therapies and drug development (continued) 📍 <i>Hall D</i> 10:45-11:15 11INV Harnessing fusogens to aid delivery <i>Douglas Millay, Cincinnati Children's Hospital, United States of America</i> 11:15-11:45 12INV Nano particle delivery <i>Heather Lau, Ultragenyx, United States of America</i> 11:45-12:00 16O 12:00-12:15 17O 12:15-12:30 18O		
13:00-14:00	WMS General Assembly/poster viewing for non-members 📍 <i>Hall K</i>		
13:00-14:00	Lunch, exhibition and poster viewing 📍 <i>Hall X1</i>		
13:45-14:15	Sponsor meeting (by invitation only) 📍 <i>-2.66</i>		
14:15-15:15	Poster Session 3 📍 <i>Hall X1</i>		
15:15-15:45	Short Oral Presentations 7 📍 <i>K1</i>	Short Oral Presentations 8 📍 <i>K2</i>	Short Oral Presentations 9 📍 <i>-2.93/-2.94</i>
15:45-16:45	Poster Session 4 📍 <i>Hall X1</i>		
16:45-17:15	Short Oral Presentations 10 📍 <i>K1</i>	Short Oral Presentations 11 📍 <i>K2</i>	Short Oral Presentations 12 📍 <i>-2.93/-2.94</i>
19:15-01:00	Networking Dinner (separate registration required)		

Saturday 11th October 2025

07:30	Congress desk open 📍 <i>Foyer D</i>		
07:45-08:45	Clinical Trial Updates 📍 <i>Hall D</i> 07:45-08:00 19O 08:00-08:15 20O 08:15-08:30 21O 08:30-08:45 22O		
09:00-11:00	Victor Dubowitz Lecture 📍 <i>Hall D</i> <i>Ichizo Nishino, National Institute of Neuroscience, NCNP, Japan</i>		

	Poster Highlights 09:30-09:45 230 09:45-10:00 240 10:00-10:15 250 10:15-10:30 260 10:30-10:45 270 10:45-11:00 280
11:00-11:30	Morning refreshments, exhibition and poster viewing 📍 <i>Hall X1</i>
11:30-13:00	Late Breaking News 📍 <i>Hall D</i> 11:30-11:45 01LBO 11:45-12:00 02LBO 12:00-12:15 03LBO 12:15-12:30 04LBO 12:30-12:45 05LBO 12:45-13:00 06LBO
13:00-13:30	Prize Giving Ceremony 📍 <i>Hall D</i> Introduction to the WMS 2026 Congress, Hiroshima, Japan Handover of the WMS flag and close of Congress
13:30-14:30	Homeward lunch