



RARE DISEASE | UK

The National Alliance for people with rare diseases & all who support them



## Joint AMRC and RDUK workshop on rare disease research

**What?** A workshop for all who fund rare disorders; big, small, charitable, industry

**Where?** ABPI, 12 Whitehall, London SW1A 2DY

**When?** 9 December 2010

### How much?

£15 (charities with a UK research spend less than £250,000 per annum)

£30 (charities with a UK research spend over £250,000 per annum)

£60 (industry)

### Do you fund research into a rare disorder? Would you like to help shape UK policy to support your research?

There are over 6000 rare disorders affecting over 3.5 million people (1 in 17) in the UK. As a world-leader in medical research, the UK is an attractive location for research into rare disorders, but funders face considerable challenges.

The Association of Medical Research Charities (AMRC) and Rare Disease UK are joining forces to host a workshop for funders of research into rare disorders across the public, charitable and private sector to give you the opportunity to get together with fellow funders big and small to unpick the different barriers you face and identify shared challenges.

### And this isn't just a talking shop. This is your opportunity to influence UK policy.

On 10 June 2009, the EU's Council of Ministers 'Health Council' adopted a council recommendation on rare diseases. This gave each EU member state five years to develop and implement strategies on rare diseases. As the UK develops its national strategy, this is the ideal opportunity to feed into the process and tell policy makers what we need to make research into rare disorders work better in the UK.

Rare Disease UK will be capturing the conclusions of our discussions, incorporating your expertise and ideas to inform the recommendations they will make to government on Rare Disease Day 2011, 28 February.

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