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The joint BSI NVVI congress brought together the British and the Dutch society of Immunology. This congress gave me the opportunity present my work as a poster presentation and to interact with fellow researchers and distinguished researchers from both societies.

Two plenary sessions in combination with parallel sessions were scheduled during the day with coffee and lunch breaks in between the sessions. Poster sessions and networking drinks were scheduled in the afternoon and provided a stimulating and relaxing atmosphere to close the day. Plenary session consisted of 1 our talks addressing a specific topic, parallel sessions consisted of 15 and 30 minutes talks on highly diverse topics. The broadly different topics that were addressed comprised: tissue residency of immune cells, vaccination and infection, T cell and un-conventional T cell immunity, innate immunity, cancer immunology and immunotherapy, among others. Unpublished, recently published and published data was presented and the list of speakers included many experts in the field of immunology.

Overall, the conference was very well organized and I would greatly recommend it. The networking opportunities, the chance to interact with Dutch and international immunologists, and the opportunity to present your work to a broad audience makes this conference very appealing to PhD students.

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