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First I would like to thank the NVVI to support my visit at the joint BSI/NVVI meeting in Liverpool at 6-9th of December. It was a very interesting congress where I learned a lot about Immunology. It was a well-organized and big congress with a large variety of presentations and a large amount of interesting posters. During my own poster presentation I could tell my data to several interested scientists and I was happy that I received some tips to make my data better.

The congress consisted of 2 full days and 2 half days of scientific talks spread over multiple sessions. There were a number of excellent plenary talks from important scientists in the field. Furthermore, there was a large amount of parallel sessions that offered a variety of presentations on a lot of different topics. Personally I really liked the sessions; Immune cell regulation and communication, Molecular regulation of T cell immunity – it's not just about gene transcription, and Neuro-immunology and rheumatology. This because it is close to the field where I am doing my research at.

The welcome drinks and congress party were two social events where I also enjoyed myself. Here, there was an opportunity to network with colleagues within the field of immunology. I talks to a few scientists working in the field and was involved in some discussions regarding my research. In my opinion this is also important in the development of becoming a professional and independent scientist.

Kind regards,

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