

## The 2022 Multiple Sulfatase Deficiency Scientific and Family Meeting

The <u>United MSD Foundation</u> along with their sister organizations held their international 2022 Multiple Sulfatase Deficiency (MSD) Scientific and Family Meeting virtually on Thursday, April 28th through Saturday, April 30th. The virtual platform allowed more than 50 MSD researchers, physicians, students, and families to participate in 25 presentations on the latest in MSD research and care management. The first two days of the conference focused on the research advancements over the past five years since the last MSD conference in Ireland. Presentations covered the history of disease, disease models, clinical trial readiness, therapeutic approaches, and new discoveries. Experts from around the world were able to present their findings, discuss the work of others, and begin planning for the future.

The last day of the conference was focused entirely on patient care and psychosocial support for families. Clinical experts from the U.S. and abroad gave presentations specific to the care of various body systems such as neuromuscular, gastrointestinal, dental, etc. Families were able to share helpful care information with each other and ask advice from medical professionals. Additionally, there were psychosocial support resources and experts leading discussions on sibling impact and anticipatory grief.

The generous grant from the Society for the Study of Inborn Errors of Metabolism (SSIEM), allowed us to remove the registration cost for MSD families to ensure that as many families from around the world were able to attend. Thank you for helping us on our mission to #CureMSD.

Sincerely,

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