

Report of the short-term visit ERN Exchange Programme 2021-2022 ERN ReCONNET

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Start date of the exchange visit	09/01/2023
End date of the exchange visit	27/01/2023

1. Please introduce your position/employment (MD, HAP, patient, other) and years of practice of your profession:

I am Giovanni Fulvio, a Medical Doctor. I attended my trainee period at Rheumatology Unit of Pisa and actually I am a PhD student at the same Unit.

2. The objectives of the exchange visit were:

To explore relationship between radiological findings, histological features and symptoms reported by patients.

3. Please describe the activities performed during your exchange visit:

- To visit inpatient patient and assess patients' symptoms
- To observe Musculoskeletal, salivary gland, vascular ultrasonography
- To observe surgical procedures: synovial biopsy, muscle biopsy, steroid injection
- To visit Bio Bank and laboratories
- To start a research project collaboration about Patient Reported Outcome (PROs) and hematological involvement in Sjogren's Disease

4. Please describe below what you have learned and which new information/novelties you got during the exchange visit:

New information learned: relationship between PRO and clinical findings, how to perform ultrasound guided biopsies (synovial and muscle), Bio Bank organization.



5. Please describe below how you plan to implement what you have learned in your Healthcare provider/clinic/practice:

To introduce ultrasound guided biopsies procedures and to improve research organization using Bio Bank Structure knowledge.

6. Would you visit in the future the same center or another ERN centre for update/new topics?

Yes, I would really like to visit again the same center.

7. Would you recommend the Exchange Programme to your colleagues? If yes, why?

Yes, i strogly reccomend this experience. Formative both a professional and a human perspective.