

Sarah Lawson and Kate Brunskill, IoN Library

Dear Kate and Sarah!

Thank you for everything! Over my 22 years at Queen Square the Library has been the most valuable and precious and constant place not just for knowledge but for support and calm! Have a lovely weekend! Many thanks again- Elina Tripoliti

IoN QSH Security Team

I would like to send a huge thank you to our security team- they are always there ready to help, with a smile, and they have kept us going for the past 2 years of pandemic by enabling us to our keep buildings and operations running, whilst being on the front line at the reception desk in QSH. **Thank you** to Tasaddiq Hayat (also for keeping our plants alive!) and the whole team- Helene Crutzen.

Sandra Bamborough, IoN Library

Thank you to Sandra Bamborough for all her hard work , support and companionship in Queen Square Library and Archive over the past 5 years. It's been an absolute pleasure working with you, and we (and our users) are all going to miss you in the Library so much. Your beloved Archives will miss you too! The library just won't be the same without you- Sarah Lawson

Helene Crutzen, IoN Manager

Dear Helene,

I am not so sure that the IoN Professional Services Thank you Friday! Initiative includes the upper management, but in any case, I would like to thank you for all your efforts, immense dedication and drive in supporting every aspect of the ION past, present and future. Not even Covid and erupting volcanoes managed to stop you! That is remarkable! Thank you!-Gipi Schiavo

Mark Gaskin, Sue Noy, Steffy Czieso, Sandra Porteous

Hi Sandra, First of all, thank you to you! For everything you do for us on a daily basis. Always super helpful and very nice. Ben O'Callaghan.

We'd also like to pass on a message to Mark Gaskin, Sue Noy and Steffy Czieso to say thanks to them- Helene Plun Favreau and the Plun-Favreau lab (note below).

Thanks so much for everything you do for us every day. Even though we are always coming to you with some sort of new problem, you always come up with a solution in such a friendly way. Thank you Mark, Sue and Steffy!- Plun Favreau lab

NMD Team

Could I put in a huge thank you to the neuromuscular department team: Kully, Debbie, Adrian and Irina, for their amazing professionalism and hard work. The best in the business!

And an extra one just to Kully Sunner, for going so far beyond the call of duty to make everything work so well. Thanks!-Kenneth Harris

Oke Avwenagha, DND

I would like to send a thank you note to Oke Avwenagha. Oke is absolutely key to our ASAP collaboration – she is pro-active, efficient, she deserves a medal of patience for dealing with my incessant requests, and she does all of this with a smile on her face (or a smiley at the end of her emails). Merci Oke 😊 - Helene Plun-Favreau

Anne-Marie Harriot DND

Can I give a thank you to Anne-Marie Harriot from DND for helping us to organise our weekly seminar series, she is being extra helpful at the moment as we sort out our new rota, and is always responsive, helpful and a pleasure to work with, she really makes our job very easy! Thank you. - Selina Wray

Sarah Lawson, IoN Library

I would like to also thank Sarah Lawson – I don't know how she finds the time to run the library AND keep our web and social media content up to date! And she helped me settle in to my role a lot and really supports most of the external comms initiatives we have. And it's always really nice to chat to her too! - Selina Wray

Katharine Buckle Centre Manager UK DRI@UCL

I would like to thank Katharine Buckle at the DRI – even though I am not in that department I have interacted with her through a few collaborative arrangements, and she is always super responsive, helpful and a pleasure to work with, especially coordinating some recent job interviews which I would not have been able to do without her help. - Selina Wray

Katy Pestell, IoN HR

I would like to thank Katy Pestell for helping me to keep on top of probation reviews etc (which I always forget!) and again for being really responsive, helpful and a pleasure to interact with. - Selina Wray

Sue Noy, DND

I would like to thank Sue Noy, who has been a huge help to use in recent months at Wakefield street where we have had multiple equipment failures and building issues – and she has helped us sort those, and also some safety paperwork, with a lot of kindness, patience and empathy. - Selina Wray

Sandra Porteous, IoN Executive Officer

And finally Sandra, a huge thank you to you for coordinating this as well as all the exec/HoRD meetings etc – I always really appreciate your rapid responses and help explaining things especially when I first took on the deputy director role and didn't have a clue what all of these meetings were!- Selina Wray

Katy Pestell, IoN HR

I would like to say a big THANK YOU to Katy Pestell, IoN HR. She has always been so helpful, supportive and knowledgeable with work issues but also incredibly kind with matters relating to health and wellbeing.

I feel very lucky to have such a work colleague and would like her to know how much her help is appreciated.

After a number of years, we have met recently on Teams for coffee and hope to do so soon in person! - Tina Holmes

Judith Jolleys DA BRR/Neuroinflammation

Dear Judith,

Along the years, you have been consistent in providing help to me and my students, as well as so many other people within our department. Thank you very much for being always positive and generous with your time! Best wishes - Xavier Golay.

Imran Sayed, DA CMN

I'd like to make a big shout-out for our DA Imran Sayed who puts in a ridiculous number of hours most days of the week – including many weekend days, often works during annual leave – due to academics badgering him for deadlines (probably due to their poor time management) and unreasonably high expectations from those further up the food chain. Our DA and no doubt most others need more support to work more effectively, not harassed into leaving! Imran is quite simply – amazing! - Paul Hammond

Helene Crutzen, IoN Manager

I want to say a big thank you to H  l  ne Crutzen, our excellent Institute Manager for always being positive and always trying to solve the many different challenges we have each day in order to support our whole community and drive forward our research and education mission.

Thank you and well done Helene! - Mike Hanna

Sandra Porteous, IoN Executive Officer

Hi Sandra,

Thanks for facilitating this initiative – it sounds a fantastic idea.

I would like to start by taking the opportunity to thank YOU for the incredible updates you have provided us all with over the past 2 years. I can't think of a week where we didn't receive one from you! During times of such uncertainty and change, it was a real reassurance to receive the weekly updates and to have a sense that things were 'in hand'. Wishing you a lovely weekend, when it arrives, - Jill Walton