

On behalf of Lindsey Brown, public contributor and Dr Jo Pennock, Senior Lecturer.

Public contributors needed for 'From Me to You' 2025

A research team at The University of Manchester are looking for members of the public to talk about their experiences of a medical condition to a small group of Masters students studying the immune system.

A patient's perspective of a condition is often very different to a scientist. By talking to students who are studying the immune system, you can help them understand the impact their research could have on people's lives. You could also help them learn how to explain their research to a public audience.

They are looking for people with the following medical conditions:

- Bacterial Meningitis. (Deadline extended until 20th March)
- Bowel Cancer that was treated with radiotherapy (Deadline extended until 20th March)
- Cancer that has been treated with both radiotherapy and immunotherapy. (Deadline extended until 20th March)

You would need to be available for two events to talk about your experiences of the condition above to a small group of students (1-3). The students will then present on their research - please note that that this is laboratory based research and may take many years before it has an impact on patient care. The dates are:

2-4pm, Wednesday 2nd April

2-3.45pm, Thursday 28th August

You will be given £50 for the April event and £45 for the event in August as a thank you. Payment will be made into your bank account.

To register your interest, please complete this survey:

<https://tinyurl.com/MetoYou2025>. This will ask for some details about the impact this condition has on your life. We use this to select people who are the closest match to the student's research project. Please give enough details to help us to do this. Further details including the information sheet can also be found on the survey link.

We will confirm whether you have been successful by Wednesday 26th March 2025. If you are selected, there will be a short information session (on zoom) at a time to suit you.