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Chronic Fatigue Syndrome

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Baroness Kennedy of Cradley

To ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made, if any, of the work by Precision Life into possible genetic risk factors associated with chronic fatigue syndrome.

Lord Markham

No specific assessment has been made. However, we are funding research to understand the genetic risk factors relating to myalgic encephalomyelitis/chronic fatigue syndrome (ME/CFS). The National Institute for Health and Care Research and the Medical Research Council fund a 3.2 million pounds study, 'DecodeME', to analyse samples from 25,000 people with ME/CFS to identify any genetic differences which may indicate underlying causes or an increased risk of developing the condition.

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