

What is Euphonia?

- For people who have moderate or severely slurred speech (also called dysarthria) face-to-face communication can be challenging.
- Google is researching how voice recognition systems may better recognise impaired speech.
- Improvement to voice recognition depends upon analysing impaired speech. Can you help?

Our request to people that currently have slurred speech (mild, moderate or severe)

Would you consider recording your voice repeating some phrases?

- Recording is done by reading aloud phrases on a smartphone, tablet or a computer.
- The MND Association can provide all equipment and support.
- The website g.co/euphonia also has helpful information and a video about the project.
- We positively encourage people living with MND to record with slurred speech, whether severe, moderate or mild.

What next?

- First, review the information on g.co/euphonia to decide if this is for you. You can register there if you wish (If you have a gmail email address - please use that to register)
- If you decide to register, within an hour or so you are emailed a link to a web page (no software is downloaded)
- You can use Android/Apple/Windows smartphone, tablet, or laptop.
- The initial phase set will contain 30 phrases, and takes 5-10 minutes to record. The full phrase set contains about 1500 phrases, and may take 4-7 hours. You do not need to record these in one sitting. All phrases will be saved, and you can always pick up where you left off.

Richard Cave, MND Speech and Language Therapy Project Manager at the MND Association, would love to hear from you if you can help – he would really appreciate it!

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