

# General Notes

## THE NINTH BRITISH ACADEMIC CONFERENCE IN OTOLARYNGOLOGY

MANCHESTER 9-14 JULY 1995

Master: Mr Andrew W. Morrison, F.R.C.S.

The next Conference will be held in the University of Manchester Institute of Science and Technology. Distinguished invited international contributors will present and discuss recent developments in otolaryngology, head and neck surgery. Main topic sessions will include:

Sensorineural deafness	Controversies in Head and Neck Surgery
Otitis media with effusion	Skull base surgery
Controversies in Otolaryngology	ORS main topic session
Chronic rhinosinusitis	Facial plastic surgery
Controversies in Rhinology	Phoniatics and voice surgery
Carcinoma of the larynx	Facial palsy
Paediatric Update 1995	

Instructional Sessions will be held in small seminar groups, and there will be six Mini-Symposia:

Cochlear and osseointegrated implants	Molecular biology and ENT
Allergy	Education and training in ENT
Swallowing, aspiration and dysphagia	Electrophysiology in ENT

There will be temporal bone dissection demonstrations, a continuous programme of video films, and both Scientific and Trade Exhibitions, together with a full social programme for delegates and spouses. Further details may be obtained from the Conference Secretary.

Ms Barbara Komoniewska,  
British Association of Otolaryngologists,  
The Royal College of Surgeons of England,  
35-43 Lincoln's Inn Fields,  
London WC2A 3PN,  
England.  
Tel: 071-404 8373 Fax: 071-405 0318

## INSTITUTE OF LARYNGOLOGY AND OTOTOLOGY

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON MEDICAL SCHOOL  
ROYAL NATIONAL THROAT, NOSE AND EAR HOSPITAL

### MSc IN AUDIOLOGICAL MEDICINE

A one-year full-time or two-year part-time taught course commencing on 26th September 1994 for audiological physicians, otolaryngologists, community physicians, paediatricians and neurologists, leading to an MSc of the University of London.

The course will provide a comprehensive introduction to the scientific, technical and medical aspects of this specialty, and utilizes the facilities and clinical material available at the associated Royal National Throat, Nose and Ear Hospital.

Further details from:  
The Course Secretary,  
Institute of Laryngology and Otology,  
330/332 Gray's Inn Road,  
London WC1X 8EE.  
Tel: 071-837 8855 Ext. 4214; Fax: 071-837 9279.

DEPARTMENTS OF OTOLARYNGOLOGY  
FREEMAN HOSPITAL AND SUNDERLAND HOSPITAL GROUP

CALL FOR PAPERS AND POSTER PRESENTATIONS  
INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON OCCUPATIONAL RHINITIS  
20 JUNE 1994

*Venue: Royal York Hotel, York.*

The purpose of this symposium is to promote understanding and awareness of this condition, to facilitate international communication, to present original clinical research work and highlight the current status of litigation and employer liability in the United Kingdom.

A faculty of leading international research workers and legal experts has been assembled to consolidate current knowledge of the clinical and legal aspects of Occupational Rhinitis.

Submission of research as a poster presentation, either complete or preliminary, will be welcomed.

Original clinical research of high quality may be given time for formal presentation on an already busy schedule.

*Conference faculty.*

Dr W. Rea (Dallas, Texas),

Professor H. Welinder (Lund, Sweden),

Dr J. Neilson (Lund, Sweden),

Dr M. Hyttonen (Finland),

Professor J. Birchall (Nottingham),

Ms C. Swift Q.C.

Submissions should be sent to:

Mr A. R. Welch,

Department of Otolaryngology,

Freeman Hospital

Newcastle upon Tyne.

Closing date for submissions 10 May 1994.

Conference organizers: Mr F. W. Stafford and Mr A. R. Welch. Supported by Asta Medica pharmaceuticals.

BRITISH SKULL BASE SOCIETY

ANNUAL MEETING, 5-6 MAY 1994, EDINBURGH, UK

Ian Whittle, Department of Neurosurgery, Western General Hospital, Crewe Road, Edinburgh

THE JOURNAL OF LARYNGOLOGY AND OTOLOGY

1994 SUBSCRIPTION RATES

£85.00      US\$170.00

\*REGISTRARS, RESIDENTS AND INTERNS

£45.00

\* With confirmation of status from head of department

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ POSTCODE (ZIP CODE) \_\_\_\_\_

NEW

PAYMENT ENCLOSED†

RENEWAL

BILL ME

REGISTRAR

† Cheques must be in pounds sterling or US dollars drawn on a US bank payable to Headley Brothers Ltd.

*The Journal of Laryngology and Otolaryngology is published monthly by*

**HEADLEY BROTHERS LTD**  
**The Invicta Press, Queens Road, Ashford,**  
**Kent TN24 8HH, England**  
**Tel: 0233 623131      Fax: 0233 612345**

# Instructions to Authors

**Review Articles.** Articles of this type, preferably not exceeding 3,000 words will be considered but the author(s) are expected to be a recognised authority on the topic and have carried out work of their own in the relevant field.

**Historical Articles.** Articles of this type are generally encouraged, but it is obvious that they have to provide some new information or interpretation, whether it be about a well-known person or for example an instrument associated with him, but those from within a Hospital's own department who have made a hitherto less well-known contribution would be welcome.

**Letters to the Editor.** This feature has been re-introduced to give those who wish to comment about a paper previously published within the Journal, an opportunity to express their views. Wherever possible, the original author is asked to add his further comment, thereby adding to the value of the contribution. Such letters should be sent as soon as possible after publication of each month's issue of the Journal in the hope of including them early thereafter.

'Mini-papers', such as those which appear in the British Medical Journal, Lancet, or New England Journal of Medicine, will not be acceptable except on the rare occasion that they bring information of immediate interest to the reader.

**Pathology.** Articles which are of pathological interest with particular emphasis on the way the diagnosis was achieved now appear on a monthly or bimonthly basis. It is hoped that clinicians will involve their pathologists in these reports, and all illustrations must be of first-class quality. Where a department, particularly those overseas, may not have such specialized facilities, it may be possible, if a block or several unstained sections are provided for our Adviser to produce or supplement the illustration submitted. Only contributions of particular pathological interest will be accepted.

**Radiology.** Short reports on cases in which the radiology has been crucial in the making of the diagnosis or the management of a particular case now appear on a monthly or bimonthly basis. This spot is to encourage clinicians and radiologists to produce material of particular interest in the specialty and to encourage co-operation in this field. Only presentations with first-class illustrations can be accepted and these must emphasise a problem of unusual clinical interest.

**Short Communications.** This feature will be used on an occasional basis. Examples of material suitable for inclusion under this title would be, for example: a piece of work which was of clinical interest but had failed to produce findings which were of statistical significance; where an investigative technique has been applied to an allied field, not warranting a further in-depth description of its earlier application and methodology.

'**Silence in Court**'. Articles on medicolegal topics are welcome but a preliminary letter written beforehand is requested to ensure that the contribution would be appropriate.

## Check List for Authors/Secretaries

1. Title page—Titles should be short with names of the authors, higher degrees only and the city/country. Details of the departments in which the authors work should be put lower down.  
An address for correspondence should be supplied together with the author who should receive this; this will ultimately appear beneath the list of references. If the paper was presented at a meeting, the details of this must be given and will be inserted at the bottom of the first page of the printed script.
2. Abstract—No paper will be accepted without this and it adds considerably to the Editor's time to have to write and request this if the paper is accepted.
3. Key Words—only those appearing as Medical Subject Headings (MeSH) in the supplement to the Index Medicus may be used; where appropriate word(s) are not listed those dictated by common sense/usage should be supplied.
4. To follow the instructions to Authors with the way in which the paper is set out. It is preferred that each section should start on a fresh page with double spacing and wide margins.
5. References must be in the Harvard system; to submit a paper using the Vancouver system is automatically to have it returned or rejected.
6. Two sets of illustrations must be included, one of half-plate size and the other with the width of 80 mm. Illustrations must be clearly labelled with the author's name on the reverse side and where appropriate with an arrow to give orientation.
7. Authors to check manuscript and references to see that these match up particularly for dates and spelling.
8. Title of Journals must be given in full with the date, volume number and first and *last* pages.
9. Consent to be obtained from a patient if a photograph of their face is to be reproduced.
10. If the author to whom correspondence is to be directed changes his address, he should let the Editorial Office know as soon as possible.
11. Page proofs will normally be sent out one month in advance and must be returned as soon as possible.
12. Authors should provide a Facsimile number (FAX) whenever possible to speed communication. The FAX number of the Editorial office is 0483 451874.
13. Manuscripts with tables only may be retransmitted by FAX; those with graphic or visual illustrations, e.g. graphs, X-rays, pathology, electrical records (ENG, BSER etc) must continue to be sent by post as the quality of reproduction does not give sufficient accuracy of detail.

**Obituary**

James Graham Fraser . . . . . 289

**Review Article**

Single grade specialist training in otolaryngology—a survey of attitudes among present and recent trainees: *M. Collins, R. Ryan* . . . . . 291

**Main Articles**

Relevant demographic factors and hearing impairment in Saudi children: epidemiological study: *S. Ali Bafaqeeh, S. M. Zakzouk, H. Al Muhaimid, A. Essa* . . . . . 294

Association of recurrent acute otitis media with nasopharynx dimensions in children: *M. Niemelä, M. Uhari, P. Lautala, J. Huggare* . . . . . 299

Use of the trimmed Shah permanent tube in the management of glue ear: *V. Abdullah, M. B. Pringle, N. S. Shah* . . . . . 303

The use of rigid endoscopes in cholesteatoma surgery: *M. W. Yung* . . . . . 307

Endotoxic damage to the stria vascularis: the pathogenesis of sensorineural hearing loss secondary to otitis media?: *Y. Guo, Y. Wu, W. Chen, J. Lin* . . . . . 310

An algorithmic approach to aspergillus sinusitis: *J. P. de Carpentier, L. Ramamurthy, D. W. Denning, P. H. Taylor* . . . . . 314

Human papilloma viruses: study of their prevalence in the normal larynx: *D. A. Nunez, S. Astley, F. A. Lewis, M. Wells* . . . . . 319

*In vitro* comparison of the Groningen high resistance, Groningen low resistance and Provox speaking valves: *J. M. Heaton, A. J. Parker* . . . . . 321

Acoustic analysis of tracheo-oesophageal versus oesophageal speech: *F. Debruyne, P. Delaere, J. Wouters, P. Uwents* . . . . . 325

Bilateral vocal fold paralysis in infants: tracheostomy or not? *G. E. Murty, C. Shinkwin, K. P. Gibbin* . . . . . 329

**Audit Article**

The Scottish Otolaryngology Audit—laryngeal cancer audit: *R. L. Blair, W. S. McKerrow* . . . . . 332

**Clinical Records**

Munchausen syndrome by proxy unmasked by nasal signs: *A. R. Magnay, G. Debelle, D. W. Proops* . . . . . 336

Primary amyloidosis of the larynx: *J. D. C. Bennett, C. R. Chowdhury* . . . . . 339

Lingual thyroid presenting after previous thyroglossal cyst excision: *D. J. Alderson, F. J. Lannigan* . . . . . 341

Parapharyngeal solitary fibrous tumour: an incidental finding at ENT examination: *A. Al-Sinawi, A. N. Johns* . . . . . 344

Unusual association of secondary tonsillar and cerebral tuberculosis: *M. I. Adiego, J. Millán, J. Royo, L. Domínguez, M. A. Castellote, J. I. Alfonso, H. Vallés* . . . . . 348

A potential hazard for night denture wearers: *H. Zeitoun, P. Robinson* . . . . . 350

Unilateral anterior jugular phlebectasia: *B. Natarajan, A. Johnstone, S. Sheikh, O. Palmer, K. N. Hari Madhavan* . . . . . 352

**Radiology in Focus**

Callus originating in the laryngeal skeleton, presenting as a neck lump: case report: *R. Hermans, R. Sciote, P. Delaere, B. Van Damme, A. L. Baert* . . . . . 354

**Pathology in Focus**

Plasma cell granuloma: maxillary sinuses: *M. Muzaffer, S. I. Hussain, A. Chughtai* . . . . . 357

Leiomyosarcoma of the larynx: *J. M. Rowe-Jones, N. B. Solomons, N. A. Ratcliffe* . . . . . 359

Ewing's sarcoma of the retropharynx: *J. E. O'Connell, C. Calder, F. Raafat, D. Proops* . . . . . 363

**Abstract Selection** . . . . . 367

**Book Reviews** . . . . . 371

**General Notes** . . . . . 373