

General Notes

THE NINTH BRITISH ACADEMIC CONFERENCE IN OTOLARYNGOLOGY

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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.

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BRITISH ASSOCIATION FOR PAEDIATRIC OTORHINOLARYNGOLOGY

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

FRIDAY, 21 OCTOBER 1994

AM: FREE PAPERS

PM: *Paediatric Laryngology*

Mr J. N. G. Evans, Dr Phillipe Contencin.

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£10 registration fee for non-members.

Abstracts by 31 July please to:
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