



From the Desk of the Secretary-Treasurer

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Bradley W. Kesser, MD



As I write this, I am eagerly awaiting the results of the Match, the single day out of the year when all medical students discover where they will spend the next several years in residency training.

The Match calls to mind the qualities we all look for in a trainee – grit, perseverance, teamwork, toughness, clear thinking, and levelheadedness in the face of adversity - the same qualities that come to mind when I think of this past year and our amazing Society.

Despite the pandemic, we hosted over 500 attendees from 23 countries at our annual Fall virtual meeting. The online platform was a great experiment, and while we all missed seeing each other, the educational content was outstanding with the addition of the AOS sessions Friday evening, a fourth study group – Evaluation and Management of the Third Window added to the Saturday morning sessions, and a meaningful and timely panel on Physician Wellness.

The Spring meeting, “Otology/Neurotology Through the Lifespan,” will highlight a pediatrics panel in the morning, a “What We’ve Learned Through the Pandemic” adult panel midday, and a not-to-be-missed geriatric panel on “Separating Fact from Fiction in Understanding Hearing Loss and Dementia.” Of course, we will also feature outstanding abstracts throughout the day and the William House and William Hitzelberger Memorial lectures from David Zee, MD from Johns Hopkins and Lisa Cunningham, PhD from the NIDCD. Finally, the recipient of the 2nd annual ANS Noel Cohen Award for Significant Contributions to Neurotology goes to.... (you’ll just have to tune in Sat., April 10!).

I am so grateful to all the Chairs and Committee members – too numerous to list here – who, with grit and determination, have made our Society a strong, vibrant group in the face of this pandemic. I am so proud of the accomplishments of the ANS – I will be giving a brief “State of the Society” address Friday evening, April 9 at the ANS President’s Reception. We will also welcome a diverse and outstanding group of 27 brilliant, talented new members on Friday night as well – I do hope you’ll join us.

Stay healthy, and I look forward to “seeing” everyone Saturday, April 10, 9:00am Central time at the 56th Annual ANS Spring meeting.

Warmest regards,
Brad

P.S. Do check out the Neurotology “Must Read” reading list just posted to the ANS website – many thanks to Sarah Mowry, Walt Kutz, and the Education Committee for compiling such an eclectic and enduring group of “classic” Neurotology papers. Watch for additional online educational opportunities in the coming months!

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OTOLOGY & NEUROTOLOGY



Thanks to the generosity of its founder, Michael Glasscock, MD, the American Neurotology Society and the American Otological Society remain co-owners of *Otology and Neurotology*. As the official Journal of the AOS and ANS, oversight is provided by Otology and Neurotology, Inc., a board comprised of equal members of the ANS

and AOS. Board members include, Drs. Miriam Redleaf, President; David Haynes, Secretary/Treasurer; Elizabeth Toh, Marlan Hansen, Simon Angeli, John Dornhoffer, Tina Huang, and Walter Kutz.

The fiscal strength of the journal continues to be a considerable source of income for ANS and AOS to further the missions of these societies via contracted royalty guarantees and profit sharing from our publisher, Wolters Kluwer Health. Our long-term publishing consultant, Kathey Alexander has retired, and we have retained Kathleen Gaffney as our new consultant who will be instrumental as we guide our journal forward into the future.

Our Editor-in-Chief, Larry Lustig, MD and his team of associate editors continue to provide excellent leadership and stewardship of *Otology and Neurotology*, the leading journal worldwide in the field of otology, neurotology and hearing health related disorders. The current impact factor is 1.712.

2021 will mark the first year of the publication of *Otology and Neurotology Open*, (ONO). After an extensive international search, the search committee selected Michael Hoffer, MD as the inaugural Editor-in-Chief. Dr. Hoffer has assembled a diverse and accomplished editorial team which includes Dr. Elizabeth Toh as Deputy Editor-in-Chief and associate editors Drs. C. Scott Brown, Joni Doherty, Sam Gubbels, Michael Hoa, Meredith Holcomb, Ken Kazahaya, Ashley Nassiri, Suhrud Rajguru, Sarah Bowe, Simon Angeli, Carey Balaban, and David Haynes.

Thank you for your support of *our* journals via subscriptions, readership, submissions and reviews of the 1305 papers submitted each year. 2021 will prove to be an exciting time for *Otology and Neurotology* and for *Otology and Neurotology Open*.

Respectfully submitted,
David S. Haynes, MD, MMHC
Secretary/Treasurer
O&N Board of Directors

OTOLOGY & NEUROTOLOGY OPEN



The ANS and AOS in collaboration with Otology & Neurotology, Inc. and Wolters-Kluwer Health are proud to announce our brand new publication – *Otology & Neurotology Open (ONO)*. Open-Access publications represent an important evolution in the world of scientific media.

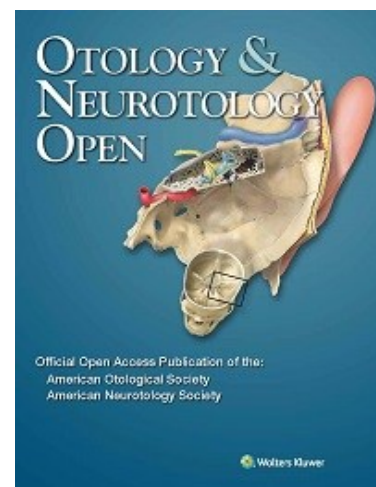
Open access publishing is based on the premise that scientific advances should not be restricted to only those who have the privilege of access to a medical library. By disseminating important scientific advances, open access publication seeks to allow everyone to benefit from new discoveries and everyone to participate in developing solutions for the future.

Most established medical journals have created an open-access version of their publication to allow authors to publish in this fashion since open access publishing is increasingly becoming mandated by funding organizations, certain states, and in many countries around world. *ONO* will be a rigorously peer-reviewed publication similar to other publications in our field and will provide additional pages and opportunities for publishing material that is important to our specialty.

In addition, the fully open access nature of the journal will allow for almost unlimited color figures and word counts as well as the ability to directly include raw data as some grant agencies now require. *ONO* is an important complement to *Otology & Neurotology* and the educational missions of the ANS and AOS. As members of ANS and AOS we need scholarly contributions, ideas on interesting subjects to cover, your participation as a reviewer, and your acceptance of the value of legitimate open access publications.

Respectfully submitted,
Michael E. Hoffer, MD
Editor-in-Chief, *ONO*

COMING SOON!





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HAVE YOU UPDATED YOUR ANS MEMBER PROFILE?

Under **“ABOUT US”**, you will find the Diversity/Inclusion tab which includes our resolution on diversity of meeting presenters and participation adopted by the ANS and AOS. You will also find the biannual D/I newsletter. D/I Chair Dr. Stephanie Moody Antonio and a team of ANS members continue to ensure that ANS membership is well-represented on our educational activities and standing committees. In an effort to learn more about our members, the D/I Committee requested we add more attributes to our member profile, asking the following questions:

- Gender
- If you are interested in serving as a member of a panel or speaker, please indicate your area of expertise.
- Race and ethnicity (may select more than one)
- What is your practice setting?
- Where did you do your clinical fellowship?

We hope you will take a few minutes to update your profile and even add your picture!

All responses are optional and will only be seen by the Administrative office and Education Committee for potential panelists.

Having trouble logging in? Simply enter your username (the email you have on file with the ANS Administrative office) and password. If you do not have a password set up, enter your email address, then click login, you will be directed to a page where you can choose “forgot password” and a link to set it up will be emailed to you. Once logged in you will be able to view and update your profile.

REMINDER! HAVE YOU PAID YOUR 2021 MEMBERSHIP DUES? The vast majority of you have paid your dues, but if you are unsure, or have not received any email reminders, it is likely that we do not have an accurate email address for you. If you need assistance logging in to your member profile to retrieve your invoice or print a copy of your paid invoice receipt, please contact the ANS office. Dues are sent by email on January 1 and payable by March 31 each calendar year.

Would you like to see new content on the website, please let us know!

AN EASY COMMITTEE APPLICATION FORM HAS BEEN ADDED TO THE WEBSITE.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN SERVING ON ANY OF THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES
PLEASE COMPLETE THE [ONLINE APPLICATION](#)

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Educational Resources Subcommittee
Diversity/Inclusion Committee
Fellowship Committee
Membership & Credentials Committee
Research Committee
Scientific Program Committee
Social Media Committee
Socio-Economic Committee

Young Member Committee

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

Neurotology Bootcamp
Neurotology Reading List
O&N Board Directors
Video Repository
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Reviewer for ONO
Reviewer for AAO CPG
Liaison to AAO-HNSF BOG ANS Governor
Liaison to AAO-HNSF BOG (Alternate)
Executive Council

THE ANS WELCOMES 27 NEW MEMBERS in 2021!

ANS membership continues to thrive! We have gained 93 new members since 2018.

The following new members will be inducted into the Society during the Virtual ANS President's Reception on Friday evening, April 9 at 7:30 PM Eastern time. Although we cannot be together in person, we will share a slide of each of our outstanding new members to put a face with a name. Dr. Brad Kesser will kick off the Reception with a "State of the Society" address, followed by a brief business meeting, then Dr. Ravi Samy, Chair of the ANS Membership & Credentials Committee will join Dr. Kesser and introduce the 2021 slate of Candidates. We will welcome them to the Society with a celebratory toast to conclude the Reception.

Eric N. Appelbaum, MD
 Aaron G. Benson, MD
 Dennis I. Bojrab II, MD
 Ryan M. Casserly, MD
 Rebecca C. Chiffer, MD
 Timothy Cooper, MD
 Francis X. Creighton, MD
 Matthew G. Crowson, MD
 Nicholas L. Deep, MD
 Isaac D. Erbele, MD
 Deepa Galaiya, MD
 Taha A. Jan, MD
 Elliott D. Kozin, MD
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Vincent Y.W. Lin, MD
 Nauman F. Manzoor, MD
 Anne K. Maxwell, MD
 Ted A. Meyer, MD
 Carrie L. Nieman, MD
 Neil S. Patel, MD
 Felipe Santos, MD
 William R. Schmitt, MD
 Nofrat Schwartz, MD
 Nael Shoman, MD
 Nopawan Vorasubin, MD
 Christopher M. Welch, MD, PhD
 Brent J. Wilkerson, MD

We'd also like to congratulate many of our newest members from 2019-2021 who upgraded from Associate member to full Fellow by passing the VIRTUAL Neurotology Boards this year. We extend our deepest respect for successfully navigating the unfamiliar virtual platform. If you passed and did not notify the administrative office, please send us an email and we will change your membership status. You can upgrade in one of two ways: pass your Neurotology boards and notify the administrative office of date/status, or complete the brief online "upgrade to fellow" application, which includes a 2- year surgical list, 5 neurotologic cases, updated CV.

Applications for membership are due November 15, 2021 for consideration and induction in 2022. Reach out to your colleagues who are not ANS members and encourage them to join. Let's keep the momentum going!

Please Plan to Attend the ANS President's Reception Friday evening, April 9, 2021 6:30 P.M. CENTRAL TIME via ZOOM

A "State of the Society" address

Important Bylaws changes that will need your vote

Learn to make a special cocktail (a reprise of the Fall meeting's "This Old Cocktail") and toast the 27 new ANS members

Schmooze with friends and colleagues!

[Click for Zoom link](#)

NOEL L. COHEN AWARD

Through a generous gift from our late colleague, in 2020, the ANS established the Noel L. Cohen, M.D. Award for Significant Contributions to Otolaryngology and Neurotology. The establishment of the award is a fitting tribute to Dr. Cohen — a gifted physician, surgeon, academician, educator, administrator and a leader.

SET YOUR WATCH!

The 2nd recipient of this esteemed award will be announced at the 56th Annual Spring meeting LIVE on Saturday morning at 9:10 AM Central time.

**ALTERNATIVE
EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES
ARE IN THE WORKS!**

A TRIFECTA OF UPCOMING WEBINARS

**AN ANS/AOS COLLABORATION
DISPARITIES IN HEALTHCARE**
Coming June 14, 2021

**ANS DOCMATTER LIVE—REVIEW CHALLENGING CASES
WITH THE EXPERTS!**
Coming July 21, 2021

“What’s Next??”

Click below to view the ANS webpage for a list of **EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES** including a curated list of past recorded webinars in the **MEDIA CENTER**

Click [HERE](#) to view the Otology/Neurotology Reading List

Click [HERE](#) to view of list of neurotology #hashtags from the Social Media Committee, chaired by Dr. Robert Hong

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR!
ANS 56TH ANNUAL FALL MEETING
OCTOBER 2, 2021**

**STUDY GROUP CALL FOR PAPERS
BEGINS MAY 15TH**

THIRD WINDOW STUDY GROUP
FACIAL NERVE STUDY GROUP
STEREOTACTIC RADIOSURGERY STUDY GROUP
HOUSE COCHLEAR IMPLANT STUDY GROUP

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WEBSITE SOON!**

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VIRTUAL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS!

**ANS IS LIVE ON SATURDAY, APRIL 10, 2021
(ALL TIMES IN CENTRAL)**

9:00 AM - WELCOME & OPENING REMARKS

Bradley W. Kesser, MD

9:05 AM - PRESIDENTIAL CITATIONS

9:15 AM - 2ND ANNUAL NOEL L. COHEN AWARD

9:25 AM - WILLIAM F. HOUSE MEMORIAL LECTURE

10:02 AM PANEL - "Pediatric Potpourri: Challenging Cases to Stump the Stars"

12:10 PM - LUNCH BREAK (50 minutes)

2:02 PM - PANEL - "Lessons Learned: Neurotology in the Covid-19 Pandemic"

3:16 PM - WILLIAM E. HITSELBERGER MEMORIAL LECTURE

3:48 PM - ANS 2019 RESEARCH GRANT PRESENTATION

5:55 PM - PANEL - "Hearing Loss and Dementia: Separating Fact from Fiction"

6:40 PM - INTRODUCTION OF INCOMING ANS PRESIDENT
Craig A. Buchman, MD

6:45 PM - ADJOURN

THANK YOU TO OUR SESSION MODERATORS

Jennifer L. Maw, MD & J. Thomas Roland Jr, MD
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Brian D. Nicholas, MD & Emily Z. Stucken, MD
Ronna Hertzano, MD, PhD

THANK YOU TO OUR POSTER JUDGES!

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Marc Eisen, MD
Brandon Isaacson, MD

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