May 15, 2020

To: ANS/AOS Members
From: Kristen Bordignon, ANS/AOS Executive Administrator

Greetings ANS/AOS members and Trainees,

Most importantly, we hope you are safe and well as we all do our best to navigate these unprecedented times over the last couple months. In order to keep some sense of normalcy, here is the 1st “biannual” email of 2020.

ANS/AOS receives multiple requests for mass e-mailing of polls, questionnaires, and course announcements to our membership. The ANS Executive Council wanted to find a way to share these requests with our members without having multiple e-mail become an ineffective tool. In 2014, ANS introduced a biannual email “blast” to the membership to include announcements, invitations to participate in studies and email surveys of interest to the society. The emails are sent in May and October annually.

Although you may not find every announcement or survey relevant to you, those who took the time to prepare the surveys would GREATLY appreciate your consideration and participation. Historically and unfortunately the response rate is poor. That said, perhaps those of you with a little more free time than “normal” will take the 4 surveys within this email blast. You can access all the links within the pdf. I will post this on the ANS website under Reference & Announcements as well. https://www.americanneurotologysociety.com/resources-announcements

Please have your requests for inclusion of surveys or membership queries in this group email sent to all ANS members to Kristen Bordignon, the ANS Administrator, by April 25 or September 25 for inclusion in the subsequent email “blasts” typically sent in the 2nd week of October and May depending on annual meeting dates.

Please take a moment to open the attached pdf, you will find a wealth of information relevant to the ANS & AOS Societies, including the COSM 2020 Virtual Poster Session, a CFP for Super Saturday study groups and a “scary case” panel in the Fall, COSM 2021 CFP, the LION Broadcast info, four surveys, a couple courses, and some miscellaneous announcements.

Be safe and stay well!
Kristen Bordignon

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**THE COSM VIRTUAL POSTER SESSION WILL LAUNCH TODAY!**

**THERE IS A 30-day VIEWING PERIOD TO EARN CME!**

Please visit [www.researchposters.com](http://www.researchposters.com)

**USE CODE COSM2020**

When you log in, you must enter create an account with an email address and password for CME HOURS

Posters have been submitted by both ANS & AOS poster and podium presenters.

Participation was optional.

[CLICK HERE](#) to view the ANS VIRTUAL POSTER ABSTRACTS

[CLICK HERE](#) to view the AOS VIRTUAL POSTER ABSTRACTS
Do you have a patient that has kept you awake at night? Have you encountered a particularly "SCARY" case? Or a patient from whom you've learned a valuable lesson? We want to hear about it!!

The ANS is soliciting abstracts for a panel entitled, "My Scariest Case" to be presented at the Fall Meeting.

If you have a patient or patient experience that we all could learn from, please share it with us by sending in a one page (2 paragraph) abstract (word document, save as with your last name). Describe the clinical scenario in the first paragraph and tell us what you learned from the case in the second paragraph. The meeting planners will review all abstracts and select several of you to present your SCARY case at the ANS Fall Meeting.

SEND ABSTRACTS TO KRISTEN BY JUNE 15: administrator@americanneurotologysociety.com

CALL FOR PAPERS - STUDY GROUPS

"SUPER SATURDAY"
ONLINE REGISTRATION OPENS JULY 2

NEW! THIRD WINDOW STUDY GROUP

The ANS is proud to add a fourth study group to the Fall Super Saturday meeting - Diagnosis, Evaluation, and Management of the (Inner Ear) Third Window Syndrome. Abstracts on topics such as superior semicircular canal dehiscence syndrome, perilymphatic fistula, and other otic capsule dehiscence problems will be accepted. Abstracts will be accepted between April 20, 2020 and June 1, 2020 for 5 minute presentations of challenging cases or clinical studies. The study group format will be abstract presentations followed by panel discussion. Please submit all abstracts to Dr. John Carey at jcarey@jhmi.edu and Dr. Gerard Gianoli at ggianoli@gmail.com by Monday, June 1st. Don’t forget to include title, submitting author’s full name, designation, email, and mailing address. Please limit abstract to 125 words or less; abstract must be in Microsoft WORD format please, no pdf's.

John Carey, MD & Gerard Gianoli MD, Coordinators

11th ANNUAL FACIAL NERVE STUDY GROUP

Abstracts will be accepted for 5 minute Facial Nerve study group case presentations followed by discussion between April 20, 2020 and June 1, 2020. The abbreviated abstracts should include a title AND clinical presentation only. The format is an "unknown" or "complicated" case presentation. Please submit all abstracts to Ashley Eikenberry at administrator@americanneurotologysociety.com by Monday, June 1st. Don’t forget to include title, submitting author’s full name, designation, email, and mailing address. Please limit abstract to 125 words or less; abstract must be in Microsoft WORD format please, no pdf's.

John P. Leonetti, MD, Coordinator

STEREOTACTIC RADIOSURGERY STUDY GROUP

The 15th Annual Stereotactic Radiosurgery Study Group meeting will be comprised of invited presentations followed by interesting case studies and discussion. This is a "Call for Papers" for such case studies. Abstracts will be accepted between April 20, 2020 and June 1, 2020 for 5 minute case presentations followed by discussion. The abbreviated abstracts should include a title AND clinical presentation only. The format is an "unknown" or "complicated" case presentation. Please submit all abstracts to P. Ashley Wackym, MD at wackym@neurotology.org by Monday, June 1st. Abstracts must include submitting author's full name, designation, email, and mailing address. Please limit abstract to 125 words or less; abstract must be in Microsoft WORD format please — no PDFs.

P. Ashley Wackym, MD, Coordinator
WILLIAM HOUSE COCHLEAR IMPLANT STUDY GROUP

Please plan to attend the 36th gathering of the WHCISG as a part of the “Super Saturday” events during the ANS 55th Annual Fall meeting. Difficult/interesting/unusual cases that illustrate novel concepts or management dilemmas are encouraged for presentation and discussion during the first hour. I encourage you all to submit your interesting or perplexing cases to BuchmanC@wustl.edu and emilyharvey@wustl.edu no later than Friday, July 17th, 2020.

Craig A. Buchman, MD, Coordinator

Please note the deadline to submit cases for Third Window, Facial Nerve, and Stereotactic Radiosurgery study groups is JUNE 1st. The deadline for submission of cases for the House CI study group is July 17.

WE ARE PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE AN ADDITIONAL SCIENTIFIC SESSION TO THE ANS "SUPER SATURDAY" FOOTPRINT!

In an effort to showcase some of the excellent content and award-winning presentations from the cancelled COSM 2020 program, a combined ANS/AOS Session will be held on “FAB Friday” afternoon before Super Saturday. Watch for more details in the coming weeks.

https://www.americanneurotologysociety.com/2020-fall-meeting-super-saturday-boston-ma

CALL FOR PAPERS
AMERICAN NEUROTOLOGY SOCIETY
56th Annual Spring Meeting
Hyatt Regency New Orleans
601 Loyola Avenue, New Orleans, LA
April 9-11, 2021

ABSTRACTS ACCEPTED from July 20 - October 15, 2020

AWARDS AVAILABLE
NICHOLAS TOROK VESTIBULAR AWARD ($1500)
TRAINEE AWARD ($1000)
NEUROTOLOGY FELLOW AWARD ($500)
(*Abstract must be selected as an ORAL presentation to be considered for the above awards)

Please visit the ANS website for further information & detailed submission instructions after July 20th

https://www.americanneurotologysociety.com

CALL FOR PAPERS
AMERICAN OTOLOGICAL SOCIETY
The 154th Annual Spring Meeting
Hyatt Regency New Orleans
601 Loyola Avenue, New Orleans, LA
April 9-11, 2021

ABSTRACTS ACCEPTED from July 20 - October 15, 2020

AWARDS AVAILABLE
RESIDENT RESEARCH TRAVEL AWARD* (2)
For Outstanding Clinical or Basic Science Manuscripts
Deadline line for Submission: October 15, 2020
(*Abstract must be selected as an ORAL presentation to be considered for this award)
A complete manuscript is required before 12/4/20
**AOS PRIVATE PRACTICE AWARD**

Members of AOS in private practice are eligible to receive special recognition and a $500 award for research conducted in a private practice setting. This award was established by Dr Charlie Leutje, when in 2016, as the esteemed AOS Award of Merit recipient, he donated back his honorarium. The focus of this award is to recognize the important contributions to be made to the field of otology in clinical practice outside the halls of academia. The award is intended to encourage otologists in private practice to present their best research to the American Otological Society. Private practice, in this context, includes but is not restricted to practices that are affiliated with teaching institutions, and excludes practices that are primary sponsors of a residency or fellowship training program.

- The private practice otologist may be the primary author or mentor to the presenter and provide the main inspiration for the paper.
- The Program Advisory Committee must select the abstract as an oral presentation to be considered, (poster presentations are not eligible for this award).
- The recipient will be expected to attend the Annual AOS Spring Meeting to present the paper.

Please see website for further information and online submission instructions after July 20th.

http://www.americanotologicalsociety.org

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**The ANS WEBSITE has a new EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES page**

The ANS is committed to continued education, lifelong learning and professional development of all of our members. We recognize the particular importance of on-line learning opportunities during the COVID-19 pandemic, and so are pleased to provide remote COVID lecture series and other educational resources for the Neurotology community.

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**LIVE INTERNATIONAL OTOLARYNGOLOGY NETWORK (LION) BROADCAST**

Dear Otologists/Neurotologists and trainees,

The COVID-19 pandemic has certainly had an impact on education. The LION Broadcast this year on May 18 and 19th will not include live surgical experiences for obvious reasons. This year the free broadcast will have videotaped surgeries with explanations by the surgeons. A panel discussion by world experts will follow. I encourage participation with this wonderful event. A tremendous amount of hard work has gone into producing this year’s broadcast. Please register at the LION site, so that you can interact with the panelists and ask questions. I believe you will find this endeavor highly educational.

Click here to view program.

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**NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON DEAFNESS AND OTHER COMMUNICATION DISORDERS**


As indicated in this Notice, responses are requested by July 1, 2020.

If you have any questions, please contact Janet Cyr, PhD: cyrj@nidcd.nih.gov
COCHLEAR IMPLANT PRACTICE PATTERNS

Dear Colleagues,

Many cochlear implant practices are constrained by the increasing cost of cochlear implants and the decreasing reimbursements. In order to remain viable, many programs have found solutions which ultimately hinder the accessibility of cochlear implants to our patients.

For the above reasons, we are interested in exploring the cochlear implant practices of our society members through this short 3 minute, 10 question survey.

Survey Link: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2959TR2

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
Brian Chen, M.D. and Michael Avillion, M.D.
Tripler Army Medical Center
Honolulu, HI

OTOTOXICITY MONITORING PRACTICES

Dear Colleagues,

UC Davis Department of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery and University of Maryland School of Medicine Department of Otolaryngology Head and Neck Surgery in collaboration with Lisa Cunningham Ph.D. and Katharine Fernandez. Au.D., Ph.D., from the National Institute of Deafness and Other Communication Disorders are conducting a short survey regarding ototoxicity monitoring practices for patients receiving ototoxic chemotherapy.

We are interested in understanding current ototoxicity monitoring practices across institutions around the U.S. and Canada and identifying areas for targeted improvement.

We are asking for your participation. The survey consists of 22 questions and will take approximately 5 minutes to complete. We do not foresee any specific risks or benefits to your participation in this study. To maintain anonymity, your name and any identifying information will not be used in this research.

Your participation is voluntary and unpaid. You have the right to ask, and have answered, any questions about this research. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this research subject, you may contact Debbie Aizenberg, MD, at daizenberg@ucdavis.edu or Ronna Hertzano, MD, PhD, at RHertzano@som.umaryland.edu

Survey link: https://ucdavis.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_bsgFxpzE1oRxF2Z

Thank you,

Debbie A. Aizenberg, MD
University of California Davis Medical Center

Ronna Hertzano, MD PhD
University of Maryland School of Medicine
INTERNATIONAL OTOLARYNGOLOGY AND NEUROTOLOGY COVID-19 SURVEY

This study aims to:

1. Understand the ways in which the COVID-19 pandemic has influenced operative and clinical practices for otology and neurotology providers internationally
2. Provide insight on post-crisis transition plans that are beginning to take effect globally as COVID-19 cases from the first surge begin to plateau or decline

The survey is comprehensive and will take approximately 20 minutes or less to complete. We greatly appreciate your participation!

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/otologycovid19

Daniel J. Lee, MD
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Dear member,

It is rapidly becoming apparent that otolaryngology may be amongst the highest risk specialties for infection by SARS-COV-2. Recommendations and guidelines for personal protective equipment are rapidly evolving and are currently based on little evidence. We are proposing to collect the data regarding the international experience with COVID-19 within our specialty. This is a global initiative from the Young Otolaryngologists section of the International Federation of ORL Societies (Y-IFOS), with the US regional data collection being spearheaded by Zoukaa Sargi, Steven Sobol and Zara Patel. Representatives from 30+ countries are also currently reaching out to their members to create a registry. All data collected will be kept confidential and will be circulated back internationally in an anonymous aggregate form.

If you have been infected with COVID-19, or you know of a fellow otolaryngologist who has been, please consider participating in this study. You could anonymously enter the data directly on the following link:

https://redcap.miami.edu/surveys/?s=7WAPPE4PAM

Alternatively, you could contact directly one of the investigators for assistance. If you receive this email and are not residing in the US, you can still send in information through the same link and we will ensure it gets forwarded correctly by country. We will collectively enter this information into the database and ensure case numbers are accurate and not duplicated.

Be careful, be safe and stay strong!

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COURSE ANNOUNCEMENTS
(no affiliation with the American Neurotology Society)
in chronological order
(Click on course website for additional details)

ENDOSCOPIC AND EXOSCOPIC SURGERY OF THE EAR: INTERNATIONAL HANDS-ON DISSECTION COURSE AND LIVE SURGERY OBSERVATION
www.endoexoear.org
Course Dates: Thursday, September 10 - Friday, September 11, 2020
Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary

Description
Endoscopic ear surgery (EES) continues to emerge as an important modality for management of pediatric and adult ear disease. The increase in EES training opportunities coupled with refinements in instrumentation and ergonomics have enabled surgeons to manage routine and complex ear disease less invasively with outcomes similar to traditional postauricular microscopic approaches.

Our course will feature experienced faculty who are experts in the fields of endoscopic and exoscopic ear surgery. We will offer a broad overview of the state of endoscopic and exoscopic ear surgery. Didactic sessions will cover endoscopic ear anatomy, instrumentation and ergonomics, extensive discussion of surgical techniques with multimedia content including live surgery, and strategies for incorporating endoscopes and exoscopes into practice using a case-based panel discussion format.

Hands-on sessions in two state of the art surgical training laboratories (one for EES and one for exoscopes) using fresh cadaveric specimens will allow participants to experience and practice endoscopic and exoscopic techniques led by renowned international faculty.

4TH ANNUAL ENDOSCOPIC MIDDLE EAR SURGERY DISSECTION COURSE
https://www.nyee.edu/education/cme/middle-ear-surgery
Course Dates: September 25-26, 2020
New York Eye and Ear Infirmary of Mount Sinai
310 East 14th Street, NY, NY 10003

The Department of Otolaryngology at New York Eye and Ear Infirmary of Mount Sinai is holding a two day course on endoscopic ear surgery (EES) comprised of lectures, laboratory dissections of the temporal bone, live surgery and panel discussions. The course is intended for practicing otolaryngologists, neurotologists, pediatric otolaryngologists, fellows and otolaryngology residents in training—with a range of experience in middle ear surgery—ready to begin, expand, or refine their skills in endoscopic ear surgery.

Course Directors: George Wanna, MD and Maura Cosetti, MD
Guest Speakers: Jacob B. Hunter, MD, Alejandro Rivas, MD, Prof. Seiji Kakehata, MD, PhD, Prof. Daniele Marchioni, MD, Prof. Livio Presutti, MD (via Skype)

Registration: https://cmetracker.net/NYEE/Catalog
For questions, please call 212-870-8127 or email cme-nyee@nyee.edu

This concludes the biannual email notice. Please have your requests for inclusion of surveys, membership queries or announcements in this group email sent to all ANS/AOS members to Kristen Bordignon, by September 25, 2020 for inclusion in the October email “blast.” This document will be available on the ANS Website under “Resources” as well. Questions about log-in, password, user ID, or website in general, may be directed to Kristen Bordignon. For CME credit or membership questions, please direct your questions to Ashley Eikenberry.
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