



European Rhinologic Society

Minutes of the meeting of the General Assembly of ERS June 23, 2010 in Geneva, Switzerland

Thirty society-members are present. According to the statutes, the General Assembly has a quorum even if less than 5 per cent of the members are present and if these members accept the decisions under these circumstances (statutes 12.2). There were no objections to this procedure.

The invitation to this General Assembly together with the agenda was published in the Journal Rhinology in the year 2009. The agenda is accepted.

1.) Opening remarks by A. Papavassiliou

The ERS-President thanks the Congress-President for the organization of this excellent congress and for inviting ERS to Geneva.

2.) Minutes of the General Assembly 2008 (G. Rettinger)

The minutes of the ERS-General-Assembly in Crete, June. The minutes were accepted unanimously.

3.) Report of the Congress President and next ERS-President (S. Lacroix)

The Congress-President thanks all participants of this congress for coming to Geneva and in particular those ERS-members who are present at this General Assembly. He reports on more than 1200 participants from 67 countries. The programme was followed as presented and only 2 speakers had to cancel for some good reason.

At the opening ceremony, two prizes for basic and clinical research were awarded:

Prize for basic research and clinical research: Ina Callebaut from Belgium and Evangelos I. Giotakis from Germany, respectively.

Prof. E.H. Huizing was given a plaque for his long lasting support of the Journal 'Rhinology'.

4.) Report of the General Secretary and Treasurer

In view of the healthy financial situation of ERS, the

support for research and education of young colleagues will be further stimulated with future projects.

The bank reconciliation is € 51.816,-

As discussed in EC, Advisory Board and Editorial Board, the membership fee for ERS is far too low compared to other Societies and the fact that in years there has not been an increase. It has been decided to increase the membership fee to € 50,- this coming year and the following year by the same amount up to € 100,-. In addition, there will be an effort to lower the costs of the Journal as well.

After the reports of the President, the General Secretary and the Treasurer, the General Assembly accepts these reports.

5.) Appointments

There will be replacements after 8 years: W. Fokkens will be replaced by Ch. Georgalas (the Netherlands), V. Lund by A. Swift (UK), A. Krzeski by P. Strek (Poland), M. Hollström by P. Stjärne (Sweden), and there will be a change for Italy. I. Tasca will be delegate instead of L. Bellussi.

A Junior ERS Member Committee has been formed who will present themselves in Toulouse. Chairman is Susanne Reinartz (the Netherlands) and Secretary is Marta Kisiel (Sweden).

6.) Report of the Editor in Chief of Rhinology (V. Lund)

Impact factor in 2009 was 1.82 and in 2010 this is 2.182.

However, as EPOS will no longer be included in the calculation, the impact factor will go down next year.

The problem is that there are so many articles sent to the Journal that, even when we only now accept 27% (in the past 40%), the workload of the reviewers is too high and waiting time to publish an article too long (3/4 year).

Although every issue now has more pages (up from 48 a few years back to 140 now), we are considering making 6 issues a year. Only access on line has also been considered, but this seems too early and will be discussed in later meetings.

If this is agreed in the future, we might also offer hard copies, but there would be an additional charge. The Assembly supported this proposal.

7.) Courses under ERS-auspices, prizes and fellowships (W. Fokkens)

Numerous congresses and courses were held under ERS-auspices in 2008 and 2009. There were 5 fellowships for the ERS-courses in 2009.

Applications for fellowships, prizes and also the website are organized by the committee of member services (CoMeSe). Thus far Graz has been decided and the others remain to be done for 2010, but it has been decided in future that applications for Fellowships all have to be done before January 1st of each year to avoid duplication of effort.

RhiPla foundation has given two prizes: Prof. Ingo Baumann from Heidelberg and Prof. Peter Hellings from Leuven. The level was very high this year.

8.) Future meetings

The following dates for the ERS-congresses are already decided: June 17-21, 2012 in Toulouse (F) by E. Serrano

June 22-26, 2014 in Amsterdam (NL) by W. Fokkens:

This congress will be held 50 years after the foundation of ERS and will at the same time be the 25th ERS-congress. The theme will be 'The Nose as an Interface'. There is already a Scientific Committee working on it and as there has been a Junior ERS Member Meeting during the current Congress; they will organise from Toulouse onwards their own Symposium.

9.) Closing remarks

London (UK), July 2010
V.J. Lund
General Secretary

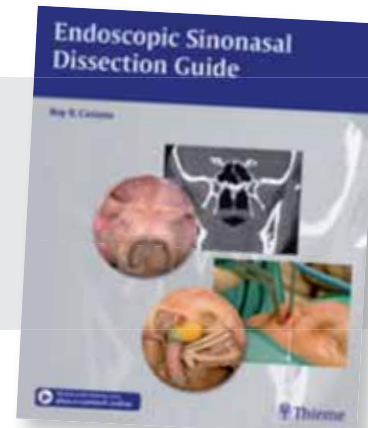
Endoscopic Sinonasal Dissection Guide

By Roy R. Casiano

Thieme Medical Publishers, Inc. October 2011

128 pp, 122 illustrations, softcover, \$ 89,99; £79.95; € 84,99

ISBN: 9781604065879



This excellent guide to endoscopic sinonasal dissection is presented in an easy to use format both visually and physically due to its ring binding. It is linked to author narrated surgical videos through the publisher's website which cover basic endoscopic dissection, medial orbital decompression, exposure of the anterior and posterior ethmoidal arteries, sphenopalatine foramen dissection, endoscopic Draf III/modified Lothrop procedures and 'navigating without a navigator during ESS', which explores anatomical landmarks in surgery for advanced polyp disease. Clear instructions are provided to enable the videos to be accessed through Windows, Mac and tablet formats. The manual is primarily directed at trainees but would also be of interest to more experienced surgeons. However, perpetuation of the concept of antero-posterior versus postero-anterior approaches seems a little outdated as few surgeons these days would subscribe to such a rigid mantra. The "meat" of the book lies in chapters 5 and 6, which are illustrated with good quality colour pictures, though I was not able to identify the artist to commend him on his work.

The guide starts with a brief intranasal examination and covers turbinate and septal surgery before moving on to maxillary sinusotomy (middle meatal an-trostomy), anterior and posterior ethmoidectomy and opening of the sphenoid and frontal sinuses. Key landmarks are highlighted for each procedure and the potential dangers and pitfalls highlighted.

In the last chapter on advanced endoscopic dissection, nasolacrimal surgery, access to the anterior and posterior ethmoidal arteries, orbital and optic nerve decompression are covered, as well as access to the structures in the lateral wall of the sphenoid sinus, sphenopalatine foramen, pterygo-maxillary fossa and vidian canal. There are also short sections on medial maxillectomy, approaches to the sella turcica as well as intraorbital dissection and concludes with extended sinusotomy procedures, anterior skull base resection and approaches to the clivus and cervical spine. Unfortunately, the more advanced techniques are not underpinned by a video and would be beyond the practice of many general rhinology surgeons. It should also be noted that whilst an understanding of the pathology and natural history of the conditions that might warrant these types of procedures is beyond the remit of the guide, they are fundamental to the application of the surgical approaches.

Overall, the manual is an excellent practical guide and a useful addition to any sinonasal surgeon's bookshelf.

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THE THIRD MIDDLE EAST CONGRESS ON RHINOLOGY AND FACIAL PLASTIC SURGERY (MERC2012)

Tehran, Iran, April 24 – 27, 2012

Director Mohsen Naraghi MD

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10TH INTERNATIONAL OTORHINOLARYNGOLOGY HEAD & NECK SURGERY

Ankara, Turkey, April 26 - 28, 2012

Information: website: <http://www.ent2012.org/>

ENDOSCOPIC SINUS X SURGERY COURSE

Barcelona, Spain, May 3-5, 2012

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7TH CONGRESS, THE INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF FACIAL PLASTIC SURGERY SOCIETIES : "TECHNIQUES, TASTES AND TRENDS IN FACIAL PLASTIC SURGERY, A GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE"

Rome, Italy, May 9 - 12, 2012

Congress President: Pietro Palma, Co-Chairman: Paolo Castelnuovo

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FIRST BULGARIAN-ITALIAN FRIENDSHIP MEETING ON RHINOLOGY

Plovdiv, Bulgaria, May 17 -19, 2012

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11TH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BRITISH RHINOLOGICAL SOCIETY

Belfast - United Kingdom, May 18, 2012

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INTERNATIONAL MASTERCOURSE OF ENDOSCOPIC SINUS SURGERY

Brussels, Belgium, May 30 - June 2, 2012

Information: Prof. Dr O. Michel c/o Mrs. K. Nuyts, Department of ENT, H&N Surgery, University Hospital Vrije Universiteit Brussels, Laarbeeklaan 101, B 1090 Brussels, Belgium. Fax +32-2-477 6880; E-mail: karine.nuyts@uzbrussel.be; Website: www.everyoneweb.com/imess

HANDS ON COURSE IN ENDONASAL SINUS AND SKULL BASE SURGERY

Zürich, Switzerland, June 4 – 6, 2012

Information: Prof. Dr. Daniel Simmen, KD Dr. Hans Rudolf Briner, ORL-Zentrum, Klinik Hirslanden, Witellikerstrasse 40, CH-8032 Zürich, Switzerland. Tel: +41-44-387 2806; Fax: +41-44-387 2808 ; E-mail: kuhn@orl-zentrum.com, bihrer@orl-zentrum.com; Website: www.orl-zentrum.com

* 13TH INTERNATIONAL COURSE ON RECONSTRUCTIVE AND AESTHETIC SURGERY OF THE NOSE AND FACE: AROUND THE NOSE

Nijmegen, the Netherlands, June 6 - 8, 2012

Information: Mw. Yvonne Savelkoul-Broekman, UMC St Radboud, PAO-Heyendaal 87, Postbus 9101, 6500 HB Nijmegen, the Netherlands. Tel +31-24-361 9671; Fax: +31-24-354 0568; E-mail: Y. Savelkoul-broekman@pao.umcn.nl; Website: www.paoheyendaal.nl. This course is under ERS Auspices

HANDS ON COURSE IN RHINOPLASTY AND FACIAL PLASTIC SURGERY

Zürich, Switzerland, June 7 – 8, 2012

Information: Prof. Dr. Daniel Simmen, KD Dr. Hans Rudolf Briner, ORL-Zentrum, Klinik Hirslanden, Witellikerstrasse 40, CH-8032 Zürich, Switzerland. Tel: +41-44-387 2806; Fax: +41-44-387 2808 ; E-mail: kuhn@orl-zentrum.com, bihrer@orl-zentrum.com; Website: www.orl-zentrum.com

* 24TH CONGRESS OF EUROPEAN RHINOLOGIC SOCIETY, 31st I.S.I.A.N

Toulouse, France, June 17 - 21, 2012

Director: E. Serrano

Information: European Organisation; ENT Head & Neck Surgery Department, 5, Rue Saint Pantaleon- BP 61508, 31015 Toulouse cedex 6, France. Tel: +33-5-34-452645; Fax: +33-5-34-452646; Email: regist-ers@europe-organisation.com. This congress is under ERS-Auspices

* 45TH INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON FUNCTIONAL AND ENDOSCOPIC SINUS TECHNIQUES WITH ADVANCED SEMINAR

Graz, Austria, September, 2012

Course Director: Prof. Dr. H. Stammberger

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ENDOSCOPIC COURSE FOR PARANASAL SINUS AND SKULL BASE SURGERY

Bern, Switzerland, September 06-08, 2012

Director : Prof. Dr. M. Caversaccio and Swiss Rhinology Board

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15TH CROATIAN INTERNATIONAL RHINOSURGICAL ADVANCED SCHOOL

Zagreb, Croatia, 9-12 Oct 2012

Director: Prof.dr. R. Mladina

Information: Marcel Marjanovic Kavanagh Department of Otorhinolaryngology, Head and Neck Surgery, University Hospital Center Zagreb, Croatia. Tel: +385-1-2367-610; Fax: +385-1-2367-559; E-mail info@ciras.eu; Website: www.ciras.eu

* ENDOSCOPIC APPROACH TO RHINOSINUSITIS IN SINONASAL DISEASE

London, United Kingdom, October 3-6, 2012

Course Director: Prof. V.J. Lund

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20TH IFOS WORLD CONGRESS

Seoul, Korea, June 01-05, 2013

President: Chong Sun Kim.M.D.

Information: IFOS2013 Congress Secretariat; Tel: 82-2-3476-7700; Fax: 82-2-3476-8800; E-Mail:info@ifosseoul2013.com

* 25TH CONGRESS OF EUROPEAN RHINOLOGIC SOCIETY, 33rd I.S.I.A.N

Amsterdam, the Netherlands, June 22 - 26, 2014

Information: Prof. dr. W.J. Fokkens, dept. of Otorhinolaryngology, Academic Medical Centre of the University of Amsterdam, the Netherlands. Tel: +31-20-566 8586; Fax: +31-20-566 9573; E-mail: m.b.vanhuiden@amc.uva.nl; This congress is under ERS Auspices

* 26TH CONGRESS OF EUROPEAN RHINOLOGIC SOCIETY, 35rd I.S.I.A.N

Dubrovnik, Croatia, June 2016

Information: Prof T.L Baudoin. E-mail: tomislav.baudoin@zg.t-com.hr; This congress is under ERS-Auspices.

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