The European Rhinologic Society has an Advisory Board comprised of Delegates, Associate Delegates and Regional Representatives of the members of the Society. Each Delegate has been asked to provide a short summary of their national rhinologic activities and this is the first, we hope, of many such articles.

Valerie J. Lund General Secretary ERS

The Swedish Rhinological Society (SRS)

The Swedish Rhinological Society was founded 1993 with the purpose to increase and spread knowledge in the field of rhinology and to stimulate research and development. The Society has an annual meeting over two days in the autumn in Gothenburg with a specific theme at each meeting. This year the topic is 'New methods in septal- and conchaplasty', 15th-16th October 2009.

We also stimulate courses in the field of rhinology and it is a pleasure that the Department of Otorhinolaryngology in Malmo has for thirteen years run an international course in FESS. This year Professors Valerie Lund and Wytske Fokkens will talk about the latest news in 'FESS and Rhinology' 30th September-2nd of October with live dissections. Next year Professor PJ Wormald from Adelaide is the invited guest speaker the 9th-11th of November.

One important target for SRS is to create networks. As a result the Swedish Rhinologic Research Alliance has been established that gathers a group of active research rhinologists with the purpose of stimulating and facilitating rhinological research in Sweden. The Society also acts as a support body to the Swedish Society of Otorhinolaryngology in different topics such as education, training, quality development and priority measures.

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