



SOCIETY OF BRITISH NEUROLOGICAL SURGEONS

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Message from the President, Prof. John Pickard



The past two years as President have been a privilege and, in the main, fun without too many disasters but only time will tell. I have been very fortunate to chair a superb team of Officers, Council and SBNS members.

James Palmer has led the modernisation of our meetings and is establishing a very exciting bid to try and secure the WFNS meeting for London in 2017. We now have a sound financial structure thanks to Neil Kitchen and the maturity of our members who voted for the subscription increase to cover core costs. Already, the registration fee for the meeting is being reduced particularly for trainees and the British Journal of Neurosurgery arrives at greatly reduced cost thanks to Mr Varma and the publishers.

Neurosurgery is widely admired for having successfully introduced national selection at such short notice, spearheaded by Richard Nelson and his team including Professors Gillian Needham, Fiona Patterson and Sarah Thomas. Undoubtedly, there may need to be some fine-tuning of the process informed by your feedback but the importance of the independence won cannot be underestimated. E-learning is advancing under the leadership of Simon Thomson.

Phil van Hille has grasped the nettles of Relicensing, Recertification and Revalidation and the development of policies for regional ownership of patients requiring emergency neurosurgery including The Cauda Equina Syndrome and wrong site surgery. Such policy documents will be immensely helpful when we are individually negotiating with Regional Commissioners for the extra resources, which many units will undoubtedly require to deliver the quality and timeliness of service that our patients deserve. Barrie White continues to fight the battles over standards, coding and tariffs. Discussions with Commissioners are entering a new and productive phase,

partly through the auspices of the Joint Neurosciences Council.

Despite some early scepticism, the vital importance of our subspecialty groups is now being accepted and Paul Eldridge is establishing a structure for synergistic working. The British Paediatric Neurosurgical Group, in particular, is engaging with National Commissioning and starting the process of creating evidence-based standards.

The dreaded EWTD will shortly be upon us. The BNTA led by Nick Haden and Katie Gilkes is to be congratulated on their imaginative and constructive approach. Hopefully, the forthcoming appeals, if successful, may ameliorate some of the nonsensical aspects and allow us to maintain continuity of care whilst advancing our standards of training. The SBNS website contains details of some of the different coping mechanisms available but each unit must now work urgently towards finding its own solution. **Please do not forget to engage with your MEP's over the SiMAP and Jaeger appeals along the lines suggested by James Palmer.** (*sample letters available from the SBNS office*).

My predecessor, James Steers, created the concept of the Society Medal and it has been a real joy to acknowledge the outstanding contributions to British Neurosurgery of Bryan Jennett, Lindsay Symon and Derek Gordon in Glasgow, Liverpool and Belfast respectively. Talkback meetings have been reintroduced (Charing Cross, Middlesborough, Belfast and Dublin) and are hopefully proving a valuable mechanism for dialogue for Consultants, Trainees and SBNS Officers alike. Michael Powell as SAC Chairman now joins the President and President-Elect on such visits.

Finally, I would like to pay tribute to Suzanne for her exemplary administration of our affairs and to Sue Besser, our lay member, and all members of Council for their insight, tolerance, humour and wise counsel. My successor, Phil van Hille, is fortunate indeed to have such support and I wish him the very best of luck.

Prof. John Pickard
President, SBNS

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Results of Ballots

The results of the last round of ballots are as follows: SBNS Council Members Mr Tim Pigott, Liverpool and Mr Iain Robertson, Nottingham. Mr Jake Timothy was the successful candidate for the SBNS Representative on the EANS Training Course.

A call for nominations for the replacement of Mr Bruce Mathews who completed his 4-year term on Council will be sent to full members shortly. The SBNS are extremely grateful to Bruce for his valuable contribution.



Mr Tim Pigott, Liverpool

Mr Pigott has been a Consultant at the Walton Centre for the past 13 years having trained in Leeds and Nottingham. He has a special interest in spinal surgery particularly intradural pathology.

He also has a major interest in postgraduate education and has been a Postgraduate Tutor at the Walton Centre, a member of The Basic Surgical Training Committee for Merseyside, Chairman of ATLS Steering Group and ATLS Tutor at the Royal College of Surgeons. He has also been a member of the Trauma Committee at the Royal College of Surgeons and an expert advisor to NCEPOD for the recently published report on the Severely Injured.

Latterly, he has been on the executive of the Spine Society of Europe and Chairman of Education, responsible for European educational courses and fellowships.

He will bring national and international committee experience to the SBNS, in particular in the field of postgraduate medical education.

Mr Iain Robertson, Nottingham

Iain has been a Consultant in Nottingham for 14 years. Initially as their Training Director, he organised the education programme, liaised with local units and the Dean to ensure appropriate standards. Enjoying this role he was elected to the SAC 2001-2006, the beginning of the current training scheme. He therefore has a detailed understanding of the current issues surrounding education and training, which will be required for Council.

At present, as Clinical Lead for Neurosurgery and previously as Clinical Director for Neurosciences, he is involved in delivering the service and strategic planning bringing further experience for a role in Council.

He and his fellow colleagues are hosting the SBNS Autumn Meeting this September.



Mr Jake Timothy, Leeds

Jake has been committed to the EANS since the start of his neurosurgical training. Having attended the 4-year training course, he has a good insight into the complexities and politics of ranking and selecting UK candidates.

He was the BNTA Chairman (2001-3) and served on SBNS Council as its representative and is therefore in touch with the trainees and understands their issues. He is already a faculty member of the EANS Trainees course and recently co-organised the first EANS Spinal Trainees' course in Croatia, which was hugely successful. Jake is also the WFNS UK representative for the Young Neurosurgeons Committee appointed by Council.

His experience will put him in an excellent position to serve the SBNS as representative on the EANS Training Course, building on existing contacts and experience. Having transgressed from trainee to trainer within the EANS he will be able to serve the trainees well.

Welcome to New Members to the SBNS

The following members had their membership ratified at the General Meeting held on 10th April 2008 at the Arena and Convention Centre, Liverpool.

Full

Mr S Achawal – Hull
 Mr V Josan – Manchester
 Mr E Shenouda – Southampton
 Mr C Ulbricht – London (CX)
 Mr C Wigfield – Liverpool

Associate

Mr P Epaliyange – London
 Mr C Oluigbo – Birmingham
 Mr G Vajramani – Southampton
 Mr N Mukerji – London
 Miss S Camp – Royal London Hospital
 Mr G Eralil – Nottingham
 Ms C McMahon – Leeds General Infirmary
 Mr S Surash – Leeds General Infirmary
 Mr M Jenkinson – Liverpool
 Mr D Holliman – Newcastle
 Mr J Osman Fazah – Liverpool
 Mr S Clark – Liverpool
 Mr Z Sarsam – Liverpool
 Mr H Hasegawa – Leeds

International

Mr R Aspoas – New Zealand
 Mr M Taha – Saudi Arabia
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Affiliated

Mr M Nasushai – Oxford
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Mr J Jakubowski – Sheffield

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Kenneth Till, MA MB BChir FRCS (1920–2008)



Colleagues will be saddened by the death on 8th July 2008 of Mr Kenneth Till, the first full time Consultant Paediatric Neurosurgeon at the Hospital for Sick Children, Great Ormond Street Hospital.

After qualifying from Cambridge and St George's Hospital, Kenneth served as an RAF medical officer and afterwards trained in neurosurgery at Atkinson Morley's Hospital under Mr Wyllie McKissock. After a year at the Children's Memorial Hospital in Chicago, in 1959 he was appointed as the first paediatric consultant neurosurgeon in the UK at Great Ormond Street. Kenneth was initially responsible for the entire neurosurgical workload until the appointment of a second neurosurgeon in 1970. He was also on the staff of University College Hospital.

Kenneth's name is linked with the development of an early intracranial shunt for the treatment of infantile hydrocephalus known as the Dahl-Wade-Till valve, resulting from an improbable association between author, engineer and neurosurgeon. He was also much involved with the development of craniofacial surgery and worked with Dr Paul Tessier, the Parisian plastic surgeon. He was a founder member of the International Society for Paediatric Neurosurgery in 1972, serving as its President in 1979. He served on the editorial staff of the Journal of Neurology, Neurosurgery and Psychiatry after retirement from GOS in 1980. His textbook 'Paediatric Neurosurgery' was published in 1975.

In this remarkable book and his clinical practice, Kenneth pioneered the neurosurgical care of children, at a time when many neurosurgeons (predominantly in adult practice) had left certain aspects, such as congenital abnormalities, to the paediatric general surgeons. Kenneth Till taught us that children were not just small adults but different patients with their own spectrum of pathologies, treatment, and prognosis. His contributions were warmly welcomed by paediatricians and clinical colleagues, his young patients and their families.

Tony Hockley

Senior SBNS Member, Birmingham

Society Medal



Lindsay Symon CBE

Prof. Lindsay Symon is a worthy recipient of the 2nd SBNS Medal which was presented to him at the Gala Dinner of the SBNS Spring Meeting in Liverpool.

Prof. Symon graduated from Aberdeen University in 1951 with honours, having been awarded the Lyon Prize for the most distinguished graduate of the year in Medicine. He returned to Aberdeen as a research fellow in surgery and subsequently surgical

registrar and then spent some years with the Medical Research Council, the foundation of his interest in cerebrovascular research. He joined Valentine Logue at Maida Vale, remaining with him as registrar and first assistant until his appointment to the staff of Queen Square in 1965. He became Professor of Neurological Surgery at the Institute of Neurology at Queen Square in 1978 and was Senior Surgeon from 1981 until his retirement in 1995.

He was Vice President of the European Association of Neurological Societies from 1975 to 1979 and a member of its Training Committee from 1979 to 1993. He was President of the World Federation of Neurosurgical Societies from 1989 to 1993. He was Visiting Professor to units in USA, Canada, New Zealand, Australia, China, India, Japan and several European Countries.

He has published over 500 articles and papers in the neurosurgical and physiological literature. His main interests were in relation to the cerebral circulation, in particular the surgery of giant aneurysms and skull base tumours. He also edited a number of books and was member of the editorial board of many neurological and neurosurgical journals. In particular, he was a founding member of the editorial board of Advances and Technical Standards in Neurosurgery in 1972 and was Editor in Chief from 1984 – 1994.

He has been awarded many honours and was made a CBE in 1994.

The Society recognises Derek Gordon

Officers of the Society travelled to Belfast to present Mr Derek Gordon with the Society medal, the third of such presentations. This was in recognition of his services to British Neurosurgery, particularly during Northern Ireland's troubled times. His management of blast and high velocity missile injuries to the head and spine set the standards still applied today. He was the only Ulster man to be president of the Society and hosted the first SBNS meeting in Belfast in 1984. The fact that many of his trainees are currently at the forefront of British Neurosurgery is testament to his influence over their development.

The medal was presented at a luncheon in Belfast attended by his colleagues and their wives. Derek, in response, welcomed the Society members to Belfast and paid tribute to those in the emergency services that saved many lives during the period of civil unrest, the efficiency of the unit that nursed the injured without distinction and the wonderful band of dedicated nurses.



Picture: left to right: Ted Buckley (Cork), Dermot Byrnes (Belfast), Rab Hide (Glasgow), Ian Bailey (Belfast), John Gray (Belfast), Derek Gordon, Mick Powell (SAC Chair), John Pickard (SBNS Pres) and Philip van Hille (SBNS Pres Elect).

Subspecialty Groups

TRAUMA

As you know there are several sub-groups within the SBNS, for example the Paediatric Group, Stereotactic and Functional Neurosurgery Group and the Neurovascular group. There is now interest in forming a Trauma group and Mr Peter Hutchinson, Consultant Neurosurgeon in Cambridge is keen to get it started. The SBNS council believes it is important to have such a group, both to demonstrate the commitment of neurosurgery to cranial and spinal trauma, and to provide expert advice to the SBNS both in respect of advancements in the subject and to ensure we are all informed as to the service provision.

This is an important issue and I hope you will be able to support this initiative and that each unit will be able to identify at least one representative. Peter plans to hold the first Trauma Group meeting in Cambridge around 1st -2nd October 2008. If you are interested in joining the group please contact:

Peter Hutchinson, pjah2@cam.ac.uk

Paul Eldridge
Honorary Secretary, SBNS

SPINE

As a newly elected member of council, and having a major interest in spinal surgery, I have been asked by council to look at how we can best support colleagues with a major spinal practice. I would be most grateful if you could complete the questionnaire enclosed to give me

some indication of the "demographics" of spinal surgery in the UK and Ireland. If you have any other suggestions (preferably polite) please add them to your response.

Tim Pigott
SBNS Council Member

Clinical Excellence Awards 2009

The Society is keen to support its members applying for National Clinical Excellence Awards at levels 9, 10, 11 and 12 (Bronze, Silver, Gold and Platinum). We plan to hold a meeting on 26th September 2008 to review and rank applications. The committee will consist of: the President, a senior award holder from Council, a senior award holder from the membership of the Society, a lay Council member, and the Honorary Secretary. The Society therefore asks those members who wish to submit applications for national ACCEA awards this year, and seek the support of the SBNS, to send their electronic applications to the Society (by e-mail attachment to the SBNS office admin@sbns.org.uk before **15th September 2008**. The form for the forthcoming round will not be available at this stage, please download this year's form from their website:

www.advisorybodies.doh.gov.uk/accea. Please note that these forms are purely for internal use – they must not be sent to ACCEA as an application. Applications can ONLY be submitted online, by the candidate themselves – they cannot be accepted via any other route.

Those in Scotland (applying through SACDA) and Northern Ireland should also submit the appropriate forms for their country to the Society if they seek SBNS support.

European Working Time Directive

There appears to be a real opportunity to influence the application of the European Working Time Directive. In June this year the Health Ministers from the European Parliament agreed that the SiMAP and Jaeger interpretation of working time should be overturned. This means that the period of time on call would only be included as work if the individual is actually working. Clearly this would be an important change that could allow on-call working rather than shift working to return to hospitals. The next step is for the European Parliament to endorse the ministerial view. I understand that this will happen at the end of the year. The BMA will, and is, lobbying hard for the SiMAP and Jaeger not to be overturned believing they are acting in the interests of their members.

To influence the European parliamentary process we must lobby our own MEPs to help them understand the issues and to influence any upcoming voting in the parliament. Where you can, I also encourage you to lobby your local MP as well.

I have drafted a letter you can use to write to your MEP (You can obtain a copy from the SBNS Office on request).

Copy in your Chief Executive, as the NHS confederation can influence the decision makers.

James Palmer
Consultant Neurosurgeon, Plymouth

SBNS Talkback Meetings



These were established by the SBNS under Mr David Hardy's presidency. The aim being that the Society would engage more closely with its membership and disseminate

information, first hand, on the Society's structure and committees, activities and policies, and national initiatives and politics. In addition, it would allow units to discuss local issues with officers of the Society and seek their help, support and guidance in resolving local issues, such as working practice and resources, commissioning, networking, academic and subspecialty practice.

Since the introduction of PMETB, the 5 yearly SAC visits have been replaced by multidisciplinary visits by large teams, often without neurosurgeons, and without direct contact with trainees. There are therefore, no longer the quintennial neurosurgical visits of Units. We feel that the inclusion of the Chairman of the SAC to discuss training issues adds value to the TalkBack visits, also affording the trainees an opportunity to discuss matters with him.

With the introduction of revalidation in the near future there is an added role for the Society to offer support to the membership in the form of peer review ensuring there are adequate resources to promote optimal activity and outcomes.

The current President and I are keen to continue these visits in the coming months and years, perhaps on a slightly more formal basis, similar to the previous SAC visits, with an opportunity of meeting members of the unit's management and medical directors to discuss and promote local issues.

If your unit has not had a TalkBack visit and you would like us to make a visit to your region/unit please contact the SBNS Office.

Philip van Hille
President Elect



SBNS Spring Meeting 2008 - Liverpool



Group photo taken at the Liverpool Meeting. (electronic copies can be obtained from the SBNS office)

Liverpool, the European Capital of Culture for 2008 was an appropriate venue for the Spring 2008 meeting of the Society. Hosted by the Neurosurgical Department of the Walton Centre for Neurology and Neurosurgery the meeting was held at the impressive new Liverpool Arena and Conference Centre on the historic Liverpool waterfront - a World Heritage Site.

The well attended life-long learning session on Paediatric Neurosurgery was coordinated by the British Paediatric Neurosurgical Group and provided a valuable update for all neurosurgeons. Continuing from the format of the last meeting there were Clinical and Technical Focus sessions highlighting issues relevant to current neurosurgical practice.

The eponymous lectures at the meeting provided the attendees with a range of topics and included the Sir Victor Horsley Lecture presented by Mr Gordon Findlay on "Back Pain and the Brain", the Sir Hugh Cairns Memorial Lecture presented by Prof Mark Ferguson on "Scar Wars" and the Sir Geoffrey Jefferson Lecture presented by Dr Lynne Sneddon on "Does Nociception and Pain Matter to a Fish?"

The Society dinner was held at the Liverpool Town Hall, an elegant 18th century stone building in the heart of the commercial district of the city, and was attended by the Lord Mayor of Liverpool who proposed the toast to the Society.

There were a record number of free presentations, which were of a very high standard and well received. The British Journal of Neurosurgery Prize for the best paper on original research by a trainee was presented to Mr. S Russo, Specialist Registrar, Hope Hospital, Manchester for his paper "Study on effects of L-Dopa pre-load on uptake of boronphenilalanine (BPA) in a model of murine glioblastoma."



The winner of the best Oral Presentation at the SBNS Spring meeting in Liverpool was **Simon Clark** from Liverpool for his abstract: "The use of electromagnetic (EM) guidance in placement of VP shunts. A technological advance in the management of hydrocephalus"

Zoe Oliphant from Oxford was awarded the prize for the best Poster Presentation entitled: "Deep brain stimulation for Holmes' tremor". Congratulations to all presenters and winners! The Society are very grateful to Mr Varma and his colleagues at the Walton Centre for hosting a very enjoyable and interesting meeting and would like to wish him a long and happy retirement.



World Class Commissioning for Neurosciences Conference – 4th July 2008

The Society's annual one-day conference, held at the Royal College of Surgeons on the 4th July 2008 focused on the important topic of Commissioning. Prominent speakers included: John Richards, Chief Executive, Plymouth Teaching PCT; Adrian Pollitt, Director of National Specialised Commissioning; Sue McLellen, Head of Specialised Commissioning, NHS London; Louise Tranmer, Specialised Services Commissioner, NHS South West; Steve Alder, Head of Clinical Systems Engineering, Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust; Prof. C Ward President, British Society of Rehabilitation Medicine and members of the SBNS Council. It was well attended by Commissioners from around the UK, Managers/Directors of trusts and Neurosurgeons who were given an in-depth insight into all aspects of commissioning for neurosciences. For those members unable to attend, a copy of all the presentations are available for downloading from the SBNS Website under the conference page.

SBNS Autumn Meeting 10th-12th September 2008 – Nottingham



Our colleagues at the Queens Medical Centre Nottingham will be hosting the SBNS Autumn Meeting, which will be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Nottingham.

Nottingham has a fascinating past based on lace, caves, legend and castles. It is one of the UK's top shopping destinations with an eclectic mix of high street fashions and designer chic. At the heart of the shopping district is Old Market Square

where you'll find special events and weekend markets all year round. However, the city really comes to life after dark with cosy pubs, in which to unwind, to vibrant clubs where you can dance the night away. Nottingham also boasts more than 300 great places to eat so you will never go hungry!

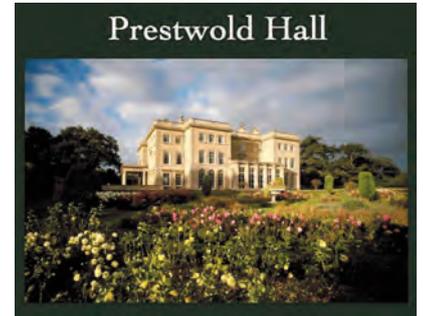
An interesting and varied programme has been planned for the 3 day meeting, commencing with the Life Long Learning session on Stereotactic and Functional Neurosurgery on Wednesday morning, three eponymous lectures on a wide range of topics, Clinical and Technical Focus sessions on landmark literature and minimally invasive surgery, as well as several free paper sessions on the varied and interesting abstracts submitted. Evening and breakfast seminars will also be held throughout the meeting so there is something for everyone.

As usual there will be a Trade Exhibition Hall where sponsors of the meeting will be demonstrating their new products so please visit the stands during the conference.

The SBNS Business Meeting for full members will be held on Thursday afternoon in conjunction with the BNTA meeting for its members.

A Welcome Reception will be held on Wednesday evening after the Evening Seminar and is an

excellent chance for you to meet up with colleagues and friends. Prestwold Hall, one of the regions most prestigious stately homes, is the venue for the Gala Dinner on Thursday evening. Book early to avoid disappointment as places are limited.



To find out more about the meeting, download a preliminary programme, and to register on-line please visit the Conference page on the SBNS website www.sbns.org.uk. On line registration closes on 4th September.

Looking forward to an informative, friendly and sociable meeting.

Iain Robertson
Consultant Neurosurgeon, Nottingham

Friendly Meeting with Neurological Society of India 17th-20th December 2008 – Pune, India



The SBNS Members have been invited to participate in the Indian Society of Neurological Surgeons Annual meeting in Pune 17th-20th December 2008. The organisers would like SBNS and members to participate throughout the meeting, including breakfast and evening seminars and have asked the Society to forward a list of all members wishing to attend along with any abstracts/talks they wish to

present as soon as possible.

Please email Suzanne Murray at the office if you wish to attend and participate in the meeting.

All attendees will have to register for the meeting. The registration date has been extended for UK visitors to 31st August – the fee is US \$ 600 for delegates and US \$ 100 for an accompanying person. This will cover all meals 17th-20th Dec and a delegate kit. For further information please visit www.neurocon2008.com.

As the meeting is being held in the Armed Forces Medical College, Pune, which is a defence set up, we need to have special Government clearance for foreigners attending the meeting. The requirement is to send a photocopy of your passport, a short CV and photograph at least two months before travelling to the Organising Secretary, at the following address :-

Col. S. P. Gorthi, Organising Secretary

Sr. Advisor Med Et Neurology Et Professor of Medicine, Dept. of Internal medicine, Armed Forces Medical College, Pune - 411010, India.

Email: nscon2008@yahoo.co.in or pgorthi2002@yahoo.com

WFNS Bid 2017



SBNS has given notice to the World Federation of Neurological Societies (WFNS) that it intends to bid for the 2017 World Congress of neurosurgery. Please visit <http://www.wfns2017.com/> to register your interest.

In the lead up to the bid it is important for SBNS members to attend as many international meetings as possible. A list of international meetings can be obtained from the SBNS Office. The next big WFNS meeting is the **World Congress Meeting in Boston 30th August-4th September 2009**. The SBNS intend to have a stand at the meeting to promote our bid and host a social event so we would like to have a **big SBNS presence**. Please visit the meeting site to find out more. <http://www.aans.org/WFNS2009/>. The abstract submission line closes on **31st October 2008**.

Dates for your Diary

SBNS Meetings

- Autumn 2008 - 10th-12th September 2008, Nottingham
- Spring 2009 - 22nd-24th April 2009, Birmingham
- Autumn 2009 - Dublin (TBC)
- Spring 2010 - Cambridge (TBC)

9th September 2008

British Stereotactic and Functional Neurosurgery Group Meeting

Venue: Crowne Plaza Hotel, Nottingham

For further details please email: Alison.brookfield@nuh.nhs.uk

International Conferences

2nd-5th September 2008

5th Congress of the Croatian Neurosurgical Society and the Joint Meeting with the Congress of Neurological Surgeons

Venue: Hotel Excelsior in Dubrovnik, Croatia

<http://www.Studiohrg.hr/neurosurgery2008>

Email: kongres@studiohrg.hr

5th-8th October 2008

XVIII CONGRESS of the ESSFN

European Society for Stereotactic and Functional Neurosurgery

Venue: Rimini, Italy

E-mail: emarzaloni@csrcongressi.com -info@csrcongressi.com

www.csrcongressi.com

Neurosurgery Courses

16th October 2008

An Introduction to Intrathecal Drug Delivery

Organised by AAGBI/NSUKI

For further details and to register please visit:

<http://www.aagbi.org/events/seminars.htm>

email: seminars@aagbi.org

8th-9th January 2009

Neuroanatomy of Operative Approaches (Part II)

Venue: Leeds General Infirmary

A two day cadaveric dissection course aimed at Senior Neurosurgical Trainees (Year 3-6).

This course is designed to give the trainees the opportunity to understand the anatomy of some of the more complex cranial operative approaches. For further information please visit:

www.leedsneuroanatomycourses.co.uk

5th-6th March 2009

British Neurosurgery Research Group (BNRG)

Venue: The Royal Station Hotel, Newcastle.

For more information or to register by phone please contact one of our event co-ordinators at Aesculap Academia:

Tel: 0114 225 9057 or 225 9035/36

Fax: 0114 225 9119

The Royal College of Surgeons run a number of Neurosurgical courses at the college. For further details please visit www.rcseng.ac.uk

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