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## From the Desk of the Secretary-Treasurer

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### 2010 ANNUAL FALL MEETING

**T**he 45th Annual Fall Meeting of the American Neurotology Society will be held at the Boston Convention & Exhibition Center in Boston, MA. on Saturday, September 25, 2010. A Facial Nerve Study Group will take place prior to the ANS Scientific Program at the same location. Please see the enclosed brochures for complete details of the ANS Scientific Program and the Facial Nerve Study Group case presentations.

The Fall meeting registration form is available on the ANS website under *Conferences*. You may register in one of three ways: mail completed form to the ANS Administrative office; email to [neurotology65@yahoo.com](mailto:neurotology65@yahoo.com) or fax to 217-438-6404, through September 17, 2010. Thereafter, please register on-site at the ANS registration table. Everyone is invited to register and attend.

An exciting program is planned for the Fall Meeting. Dr. Saumil N. Merchant will kick off the ANS Scientific Program as the Franklin M. Rizer lecturer. His presentation titled "Otopathology as the Foundation for Neurotology", will focus on histopathology of acoustic neuromas with implications for their diagnosis and surgical management.

Dr. David A. Moffat from Cambridge, UK was selected as the William E. Hitselberger Lecturer. His presentation titled, "The Outcome of Vestibular Schwannoma Surgery in 1000 Cases over Three Decades" will deliver a wealth of experience and information.

Two outstanding panels will be presented; the first will address a topic highly requested by attendees titled "Complications of Neurotologic Surgery," moderated by Dr. Moises Arriaga, joined by an esteemed group of colleagues.

The second panel will be led by Dr. Sujana Chandrasekhar, entitled "How Healthcare Reform Will Affect the Practice of Otolaryngology and Neurotology in the U.S." Dr. Chandrasekhar and a distinguished group of panelists will participate in a round table discussion focusing on key issues relevant to the ANS member.

Audience participation through Audience Response Technology will be used during the panel presentations.

Disclosures of Faculty are listed in the enclosed Program and will be verbally disclosed to the audience prior to the CME activity.

### ANS /AAO-HNSF SILVERSTEIN AWARD

The American Neurotology Society is pleased to support two recipients for the 2010 Herbert Silverstein Otolaryngology & Neurotology Research Award. Two grants in the amount of \$25,000 each will be awarded at the AAO Annual Research Awards Ceremony on September 28, 2010. The first recipient is Dr. Alan Cheng of Stanford University for his work titled, "Blockade of Aminoglycoside Entry into Hair Cells".

Dr. Yuri Agrawal of Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine was named as the second recipient for her research project titled, "Physiology of Vestibular Dysfunction and Clinical Implications".

The ANS would like to thank Dr. Herbert Silverstein for his generous endowment. The Silverstein Award was established in 1999 as a two year, non-renewable, \$25,000 maximum (\$12,500 per year) grant, and is awarded every other year. There have been seven recipients to date, with the most recent being Joseph Roche, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill for his work titled, "Long Term Changes in Synaptic Function of Cells in the Rat Auditory Cortex."

The ANS/AAO-HNSF Herbert Silverstein Otolaryngology and Neurotology Research Award is open to residents, fellows and physicians in the U.S. or Canada to support a clinical or translational research project focused on diseases, disorders or conditions of the peripheral or central auditory and/or vestibular system.

### CO-SPONSORED WORKSHOPS

The AAO-HNSF/ANS will co-sponsor two Hands-on Hearing and Balance Workshops this year.

**Hands-on Audiometric for the Practitioner: What the Otolaryngologist Needs to Know** and **Hands-on Evaluation of the Dizzy Patient: What You Need to Know** will be held on Saturday morning, September 25, 2010 at the Boston Convention & Exhibition Center. For detailed information about the workshops, please visit the ANS website. For workshop registration, please use the following link to the Academy.

<http://am2010.entnet.org/schedule/satWork.cfm>

### ANS MEMBERSHIP

The American Neurotology Society continues to grow in size and stature. There are still 85+ Associate members eligible to upgrade their membership to Fellow status. Membership applications and requests for upgrade to Fellow are due on or before November 15, 2010 for the 2011 group of Candidates. Please visit the ANS website

under *Forms* to download the membership application and instructions.

Current ANS membership totals 536 members; the following is a breakdown of member categories:

Fellows	251
Associates	121
Senior Fellows	87
Senior	37
Senior Associates	13
Honorary	4
Affiliate	1
ANS Trainee	22

### ANNUAL SPRING BUSINESS MEETING

May 1, 2010  
Paris/Bally's  
Las Vegas, NV

Call to Order: ANS President, Dr. Samuel Selesnick called the meeting to order at 7:30am.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the October 3, 2009 Annual Fall Business Meeting in San Diego, CA were approved as distributed by ANS members in attendance.

Dr. Selesnick and Dr. Robert Muckle, Chairman of the Membership Committee, introduced the 2010 ANS members as follows:

### TWO FELLOW MEMBERS

Andrea Vambutas, MD, New Hyde Park, NY  
David R. Schramm, MD, Ottawa, Ontario

### TWO ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Oliver F. Adunka, MD, Chapel Hill, NC  
Matthew J. Carfrae, MD, Des Moines, IA

### SEVEN UPGRADES TO FELLOW

Calhoun D. Cunningham, III, MD, Raleigh, NC  
Todd A. Hillman, MD, Pittsburgh, PA  
Lance E. Jackson, MD, San Antonio, TX  
Stephanie A. Moody-Antonio, MD, Norfolk, VA  
John S. Oghalai, MD, Houston, TX  
John J. Zappia, MD, Farmington Hills, MI  
Brian P. Perry, MD, San Antonio, TX

**Treasurer's report:** Dr. Jeffrey T. Vrabec presented the financial statements of the American Neurotology Society as follows:

Balance on Hand (9/1/09)	\$136,012.97
Deposits:	\$246,796.65
Disbursements:	\$185,673.81
Balance on Hand (4/27/10)	\$197,135.81

### ANS Investments

Vanguard Balance 9/15/2009	\$670,191.00
Vanguard Balance 3/31/2010	\$783,740.04

Dr. Selesnick thanked ANS Executive Council members, Secretary-Treasurer, Dr. Jeffrey Vrabc and Member at Large, Dr. Steven Telian for their time and contribution to the society during their term of service.

Dr. Selesnick announced the incoming 2010-2011 ANS Officers.

- President - Dr. J. Douglas Green, Jr.
- President-Elect - Dr. Jeffrey T. Vrabc
- Secretary-Treasurer -Dr. Anil K. Lalwani
- Member at Large - Drs. Saumil N. Merchant, Myles L. Pensak and Sujana Chandrasekhar
- Director of Continuing Medical Education - Dr. Lawrence R. Lustig

Dr. Selesnick recognized members of the ANS Scientific Program Committee, the CME Committee, and the Program Moderators for their contribution to the 2010 Scientific Program. He expressed his gratitude for their time and commitment to bringing the best possible educational program to the American Neurotology Society members.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 a.m. Dr. Selesnick opened the Scientific Session at 8:00 to a full house.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jeffrey T. Vrabc, MD  
Secretary-Treasurer

#### POST-MEETING NOTES...

COSM reported a record number of attendees at the 2010 meeting held in Las Vegas, NV. The ANS had a record number of early registrations this year. Many attendees indicated the Scientific Program was one of the best in years despite the less than perfect venue. The scientific merit of abstract submissions continue to improve thus ensuring another great year ahead!

#### ABO to NEUROLOGY EXAM

As 2012 is the last time available for taking the American Board of Otolaryngology's Neurotology exam under the grandparent option, ABO has announced the plans to hold an additional Neurotology exam in Spring 2011. Applicants planning to take the exam under the grandparent condition are encouraged to take the exam in 2011 so that the exam could be taken again 2012 should they fail. If an applicant taking the exam under the grandparent rule fails in 2012, he/she will not be allowed to take the exam again under the grandparent rule option. Exam day information may be found at [www.aboto.org/neurotology.htm](http://www.aboto.org/neurotology.htm)

#### ANS COMMITTEE NOTES

The following ANS Fellow members have been appointed to or are continuing a prior appointment on a 2010-2011 ANS Standing Committee.

**Audit Committee** (3 year term)  
Fred F. Telischi MD (Chair) 5/09-9/12  
C. Y. Joseph Chang, MD 9/08-9/11  
David R. Schramm, MD 9/10-9/13

#### Constitution and By-laws Committee

J. Thomas Roland, MD (Chair) 5/09-9/14  
Douglas A. Chen, MD 9/06-9/11  
Thomas L. Eby, MD 9/07-9/12  
Michael J. Ruckenstein, MD 9/08-9/13

#### Continuing Education Committee

Lawrence R. Lustig, MD (Chair) 9/05-5/09; 5/09-05/14  
Barry Hirsch, MD 9/05-9/10; 9/10-9/15  
Eric E. Smouha, MD 9/07-9/12  
Alan G. Micco, MD 9/07-9/12  
Sujana Chandrasekhar, MD 9/08-9/13  
H. Alexander Arts 9/09-9/14  
Steven M. Parnes 9/09-9/14  
Samuel C. Levine MD 9/09-9/14  
Craig A. Buchman, MD 9/10-9/15  
Colin L.W. Driscoll, MD 9/10-9/15  
John P. Leonetti, MD 9/10-9/15 - Liaison to Facial Nerve Study Group  
William H. Slattery, MD - Chair-Research Committee  
Douglas D. Backous, MD - Chair-Socio-Economic Committee

#### Fellowship Committee

Michael J. McKenna, MD (Chair) 9/05-9/10; 9/10-9/15  
Howard W. Francis, MD 9/08-9/13  
David S. Haynes, MD 9/09-9/14  
H. Alexander Arts 9/10-9/15  
Jose N. Fayad, MD 9/10-9/15  
J. Thomas Roland, MD 9/10-9/15  
Hilary A. Brodie, MD, PhD – Liaison to Neurotology Match  
Richard Miyamoto, MD - Liaison to RRC

#### Investment Oversight Committee

Anil K. Lalwani, MD (Chair) 5/10-5/13  
J. Douglas Green, Jr., MD - 2010-11 ANS President  
Jeffrey T. Vrabc, MD - 2010-11 ANS President-elect  
John P. Leonetti, MD 1/10- 09/12  
Newton J. Coker, MD 1/10- 09/12

#### Membership and Credentials Committee

Robert Muckle, MD (Chair) 9/06-9/11  
Sanjay Bhansali, MD 9/06-9/11  
Allan M. Rubin, MD 9/06-9/11  
Nancy Young, MD 9/07-9/12  
Michael E. Hoffer, MD 5/09-9/14

#### Research Committee

William H. Slattery, MD (Chair) 5/09-5/14  
Michael D. Seidman, MD 9/06-9/11  
John Dornhoffer, MD 5/09-9/14  
Cliff A. Megerian, MD 5/09-9/14  
F. Owen Black, MD 5/09-9/14  
Craig Buchman MD 5/09-9/14  
Jose N. Fayad MD 5/09-9/14

#### Scientific Program Committee –2011 (3 yr rotation)

J. Douglas Green, Jr., MD (Chair, ANS President)  
David M. Kaylie, MD  
Steven W. Cheung, MD  
Nikolas H. Blevins, MD  
John P. Leonetti, MD  
Rick A. Friedman, MD  
Judith A. White, MD  
Peter C. Weber, MD  
Christopher Linstrom, MD  
Todd A. Hillman, MD  
John S. Oghalai, MD

#### Socio-Economic Committee

Douglas D. Backous, MD (Chair) 5/09-5/14  
David M. Barrs, MD, 9/07-7/12 - Guidance Development Task Force Representative  
Robert L. Daniels, MD 9/07-9/12  
Jay B. Fariior, MD 9/07-9/12  
Gerard Gianoli, MD 9/07-9/12  
Hamed Sajjadi, MD 9/06-9/11  
Jack A. Shohet, MD 9/08-9/13  
Ian S. Storper MD 9/09-9/14  
Robert Cueva MD 9/09-9/14  
Moises A. Arriaga, MD 9/10-9/15

#### ANS CALL FOR PAPERS

The American Neurotology Society is accepting abstracts for the 46th Annual ANS Spring Meeting in Chicago IL on April 30 - May 1, 2011. Deadline for submission is October 15, 2010 at midnight PST. **All abstracts must be submitted through the ANS website. Please read complete instructions prior to submission.**

All abstracts and manuscripts must comply with the *Otology & Neurotology* Guidelines for Authors. Completed manuscripts must be submitted electronically to the O&N a minimum of three weeks prior to the presentation. All manuscripts will be reviewed for content and potential conflict of interest prior to the actual presentation. Authors and presenters must comply with recommendations, guidelines and regulations in order to present at the Scientific Program. Failure to do so will result in disqualification from the program.

Please contact Kristen Bordignon, ANS Administrator for all abstract related questions prior to submission.

#### ANS AWARDS AVAILABLE 2011 SPRING MEETING

The Torok Vestibular Award  
The Neurotology Fellow Award  
The Trainee Award

Deadline for submission  
October 15, 2010

Details are available on the ANS website under *Awards*. For consideration of an award, you must submit your paper as an Abstract via the ANS website indicating what award you are seeking.

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#### Mark your Calendar!!

COSM 2011  
46th Annual ANS Spring Meeting  
April 30 - May 1 (Saturday/Sunday)  
Sheraton Chicago Hotel & Towers  
Chicago, IL

ANS Reception - Friday, April 29, 2011