

Difficult Airway Society 2007

Portsmouth 21-23 November 2007

The meeting took place at the Guildhall in Portsmouth. The conference consisted of a day of workshops, which included a courtroom 'mock trial', state of the art simulators and a multitude of airway techniques and equipment for education and practice.

The Scientific Programme over the following two days consisted of lectures from world-renowned speakers, controversial debates, case presentations and research.

The social programme included a complimentary Champagne Reception on the Wednesday evening at the top of the Spinnaker Tower, and a Gala Dinner with a lively Blues Band providing musical entertainment in the Guildhall on the Thursday evening.

The Local Organising Committee consisted of Chairpersons- Drs Denise Carapiet and Kathy Torlot; Workshop organisers- Dr Ian Taylor; Dr Matt Turner-Legal workshop, Dr Matt Williams -Simulator workshop; Scientific content- Dr Andrew McLeod; Free Papers and Posters- Drs Sean Elliott and Andy Norris; Conference website- Dr Adrian Pearce; Abstract book- Dr Pete McQuillan; Social programme- Drs Frances King and Kate Williamson; Conference Organisers-Specialist Society Unit at the AAGBI.

Workshop Programme 21 November 2007

2 groups A & B.

Each divided into 7 subgroups

10 per subgroup

Total - 140 delegates

40 minutes per station

Workshop Personnel and Location

Group A			Group B		
Title	Leads	Room	Title	Leads	Room

Legal	Stephanie Bown Fiona Horlick Robert Lazarus Chris Hancock Matt Turner Simon Old Ian Calder Ralph Vaughan	MPS Barrister Barrister QC Portsmouth York London Cardiff	Council Chamber	Legal	Stephanie Bown Fiona Horlick Robert Lazarus Chris Hancock Matt Turner Simon Old Ian Calder Ralph Vaughan	MPS Barrister Barrister QC Portsmouth York London Cardiff	Council Chamber
Supraglottic Airways	Tim Cook Chandy Verghese	Bath Reading	Small Concert hall	Supraglottic Airways	Atul Kapila Alistair Hellewell	Reading Exeter	Lord Mayor's Banqueting Room
Fibreoptic 'Tricks'	Mansukh Popat Ahmed Chekairi	Oxford Oxford	Small Concert hall	Fibreoptic 'Tricks'	Vaughan Thomas Matt Marsh	Southampton Portsmouth	Lord Mayor's Banqueting Room
Simulator	Sean Kerr Matt Williams Nicky Chaderton Derek Macadie (Clinical Skills Facilitator)	Portsmouth Portsmouth Portsmouth Southampton	Members' Lounge	Direct Laryngoscopy and Fibreoptic Augmentation	Richard Levitan	Philadelphia	Lord Mayor's Banqueting Room
Fibreoptic Care	Scott Bradley	Pentax UK	Small Concert hall	Lung Isolation Techniques	Richard Vanner Peter Slinger Marie Nixon	Gloucester Toronto Portsmouth	Lord Mayor's Banqueting Room
Video & Direct 'Scope' Medley	John Henderson Nick Jones	Glasgow Basingstoke	Small Concert hall	Wire-guided Intubation Techniques	Shaun Scott Poppy Mackie	Oxford Portsmouth	Lord Mayor's Banqueting Room
Surgical Airways - Plan D	Anil Patel Mary Mushambi Barry McGuire	London Leicester Dundee	Small Concert hall	Paediatrics	Ann Black Jane Herod John Burden Nargis Ahmad	GOS GOS Portsmouth GOS	Lord Mayor's Banqueting Room

General Timings

Time	Group A	Group B
0800 - 0900	Coffee and Registration – Harlequin Restaurant	
0900 - 0940	Workshops	
0940 - 1020		
1020 - 1100		
1100 - 1130	Coffee	
1130 - 1210	Legal	Workshops
1210 - 1250		
1250 - 1350	Lunch	
1350 - 1430	Workshops	Legal
1430 - 1510		
1510 - 1530	Tea	
1530 - 1610	Workshops	
1610 - 1650		
1650	The End	

Scientific Programme

Day One 22nd November 2007

Session 1. 09:00-11:00 Laryngeal Cancer: Progress and Possibilities

Chair: Dr Chris Frerk

09:15-09:40 Laser surgery in laryngeal cancer

David Howard, London

09:40-10:05 Larngéal transplants

Martin Birchall, Bristol & Bath

10:15-10:45 Debate: This house believes that gas induction for adults should become a historical technique.

Pro Anil Patel, London

Con Bruce Taylor, Portsmouth

10:45-11:00 Questions and discussion

11:00-11:30 Tea/Coffee

Session 2. 11:30-13:00 Don't Work with Children or Animals!

Chair: Dr Matthew Wood

11:30-12:00 (Modelling hypoxia- new work in paediatrics

Jon Hardman, Nottingham

Unable to attend meeting therefore replaced by)

Paul Flynn, London

Development of Difficult Airway Guidelines in Children

12:00-12:30 Paediatric airway problems

Stephanie Bew, Leeds

12:30-13:00 Anaesthesia challenges in large wild animals

John Lewis, International Zoo Veterinary Group

13:00-14:00 Lunch

Session 3. 14:00-15:15 Poster Presentations

Chair: Dr Sean Elliott

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15:15-15:45 Tea/Coffee

Session 4. 15:45-16:45 Obstetric Anaesthesia 2007

Chair: Dr James Eldridge

15:45-16:05 Harmer Hodges; pioneer of rapid sequence induction

Jeremy Reid, Yeovil

16:05-16:35 Obstetric intubation-what's going on?

Geraldine O'Sullivan, London

16:35- 16:45 Questions

17:00 AGM

Day Two 23rd November 2007

Session 5. 09:15-10:45 Free Papers and Case Reports

Chair: Dr Andy Norris

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10:45-11:15 Tea/Coffee

Session 6. 11:15-13:00 Trouble Down Below

Chair: Dr Andrew McLeod

11:15-11:45 Anaesthesia for mediastinal masses

Peter Slinger, Toronto

11:45-12:15 Interventional bronchoscopy for airway obstruction

Jeremy George, UCLH

12:15-12:45 Modern jet ventilation techniques for airway surgery

Peter Biro, Zurich

12:45-13:00 Questions

13:00-14:00 Lunch

Session 7. 14:00-15:15 Prize Giving and Plenary Session

Chair: Dr Mansukh Popat

14:00-14:15 Prize Giving

14:15-14:30 DAS project report into Complications of Airway Management

Nick Woodall, Norwich

14:30-15:10 Teaching Airway Management: the first 8 years at the University of Chicago Airway Study and Training Center

Allan Klock, Chicago. President Elect, Society for Airway Management

15:10-15:15 Questions

Session 8. 15:15-16:15 Controversies Old and New

Chair: Dr John Knighton

15:15-15:45 Airway emergencies- can we leave it to the Emergency Department?

Cliff Reid, Basingstoke

15:45-16:15 Problems with intubation- should we blame the LMA?

Tim Cook, Bath

16:15 Questions and Close of Meeting

16:30 Coffee and Depart

