

# Editorial

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This Guest Volume has been created with a view to highlighting excellence in the domains of rhinology and head and neck surgery within the UK. Each domain has been designed not only to show to the breadth of each respective subspecialty but also to include practical expert advice that should be of general interest and also provide guidance to others with similar expertise.

Guest Editors of this volume are as follows:

## **Andrew C. Swift**

He is Consultant ENT surgeon and Rhinologist at Aintree University Hospital NHS Foundation Trust, Liverpool, UK and Honorary Senior Lecturer at the University of Liverpool and Edge Hill University. Having qualified in 1977 from the University of Sheffield he gained his specialty training in Bristol and Liverpool. He has had a long-term interest in the nose after researching the respiratory effects of nasal obstruction for his ChM thesis.

He began performing endoscopic sinus surgery in 1989 when the technique was new to the UK, and has since trained many surgeons over this time. He is an enthusiastic teacher and has particular interests in frontal sinus disorders, the endonasal repair of CSF leaks and septorhinoplasty. He has organised courses and conferences and was local organiser for BACO 2015 in Liverpool.

Previous examiner and Assessor for the Intercollegiate FRCS-ORL; European Board examiner for ORL; Honorary member of the German ENT Society; Council member of the Royal College of Surgeons of England.

President of the Liverpool Medical Institution in 2004-5, President of the Section of Laryngology and Rhinology of the Royal Society of Medicine in 2011-12 and President of the British Rhinological Society 2009-2012; Co-President with professor Valerie Lund - European Rhinologic Society conference, London April 2018; President-elect ENT UK.

## **Vinidh Paleri**

He was appointed as Consultant Head and Neck Surgeon at The Newcastle upon Tyne Hospitals in 2005, and as Professor of Head and Neck Surgery at Newcastle University in 2015. In 2017, he took up the post of Consultant Head and Neck Surgeon at The Royal Marsden Hospitals, the worlds first cancer hospital famed for its cutting-edge research. He is also Professor of Robotic and Endoscopic Head and Neck Surgery at the Institute of Cancer Research, London.

He is one of the few surgeons in the United Kingdom with expertise in Transoral Robotic Surgery and Transoral Laser Microsurgery for head and neck cancers and has accrued the largest experience in Transoral Robotic Surgery in the UK. He has pioneered a new robotic technique to remove radiorecurrent and radioresidual cancers and is the first surgeon in the UK to perform robotic free flap reconstructions.

His research interests are primarily on the processes of care, decision making and functional outcomes in head and neck oncology. He has published over 170 papers, reviews and book chapters on head and neck oncology. He is the chief investigator for the NIHR funded TUBE trial and contributes as co-investigator and principal investigator for several other national trials. Currently, he serves as Chairman of the research council for the British Association of Head and Neck Oncologists, and as member of several national bodies. He co-edited the fourth and fifth editions of the UK National Head and Neck Cancer Multidisciplinary Management Guidelines, and the section on "Head and Neck Disease" for the forthcoming 8th edition of Scott-Brown's Otolaryngology, the leading multi-volume multi-author textbook in the specialty in the world. He is an Associate Editor for Head and Neck, the top ranked journal in the field, Senior Reviews Editor for the Journal of Laryngology and Otology, one of the oldest journals in the field (est. 1887) and serves on the editorial board for several other leading journals in the specialty.

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