



EANS Skull Base Surgery Section

Section report

Oct 2017 – June 2018

The EANS Skull Base Surgery Section has been created in October 2017 during the Venice congress. It is progressively growing under the supervision of its board: Moncef BERHOUMA, Michael BRUNEAU, Luigi Maria CAVALLO, Roy Thomas DANIEL, Torstein MELING, Mahmoud MESSERER, Karl SCHALLER.

During its first six months of existence, the section has already some realizations:

- Creation of the EANS Advanced Skull Base hands-on course to complete the education catalogue of the EANS (an EANS basic skull base course already exists, organized by Torstein Meling in BRNO). This course will take place for its first edition in the Geneva Lab (SFITS) addressing mainly young neurosurgeons. It will be a yearly course open for 18-20 participants and animated by the members of the section board as well as invited faculty.
- The section is participating actively to the actions of the WFNS neuroanatomy committee (chair: Vladimir Benes) in their hands-on sessions all around the world (Last in Brno June 2018). This activity will give visibility to the section worldwide contributing to the diffusion of the EANS activities and the recruitment of new members.
- The section is actively involved in the EANS hands-on course of Lyon, twice a year, and many members of the sections are official faculty of the skull base chapter of these hands-on. One of the aims of this participation is to make our section more known and invite the participants to become members of the section.
- A LinkedIn page has been created for the section, accepting only members of the section and dedicated to build a strong international network, stimulate exchanges between members, sharing difficult cases. This web page will also be a platform to diffuse regularly the section newsletter with selected skull base articles and specific congresses and courses. A better visibility of the section is expected through social and professional web networks.
- The section is part of the scientific committee for the EANS Brussels congress directly with Michael Bruneau who is by the way member of the section board, participating in the selection of abstracts, the organization of specific sessions and providing chairs for the different sessions.
- The section will participate to the Neurosurgical Week of Prague organized by Vladimir Benes in August 2018. Different members of the section board will chair sessions. This will be a unique opportunity to exchange with the international meningioma society and other scientific international societies involved in skull base surgery.
- The section will propose a list of international skull base departments that can propose non-funded or funded fellowships/observerships. This list will be diffused on ENAS website and section LinkedIn page.



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- The section is working of the production of consensus guidelines in skull base pathology to be diffused through Acta Neurochirurgica under the signature of the section with the participation of invited authors
- Creation of an annual section meeting during the EANS congress (sharing between section members and other colleagues, Interactions with national societies and joint sessions, discussion of future projects, organization of Hands-on, Review of European guidelines in progress, proposal of an exchange program of residents and fellows...)

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On behalf of the Section Board

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