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President-Elect's Message



Paul H. Toffel, M.D., President

As we enter the year 2001, the American Rhinologic Society is doing wonderful things for the advancement of rhinology for its membership. Under the exemplary stewardship of Dr. Charles Gross last year, and the direction of Dr. Eugene Kern, the ARS helped put on the Nose 2000 meeting in Washington, D.C., probably the most successful rhinologic meeting ever held in North America. Dr. Fred Kuhn, our in-coming President, and Dr. David Kennedy, our Treasurer, have done a marvelous job in the socioeconomic arena, clarifying the status of the coding controversies regarding stereotactic computer-aided navigation, and seeing to it that appropriate compensation weight is given to our member's excellent rhinologic surgeries, in the context of contributing to our patient's health. Dr. Don Lanza, our First Vice President, is continuing to organize the Committees as they dial up, thanks to the original campaign of our former president, Dr. Michael Benninger. And this year we hope that our Committees will be introducing many of the younger members of our Society to the leadership of the organization.

Dr. Joseph Jacobs, of New York, a senior member of the Board of Directors, has worked tirelessly to direct his Socioeconomic Committee to improve the problems of inadequate reimbursement for septal and turbinate procedures combined with endoscopic sinus surgery, and he has made substantial progress. Dr. James Stankiewicz, also on the Board of Directors, has also worked tirelessly to maintain the excellent accreditation of our Society for the many wonderful scientific educational programs that we've undertaken. This has been a thankless job, and we have maintained our accreditation for four full years. Dr. Fred Stucker, our outgoing Secretary, has worked with the Executive Committee and Board of Directors in exemplary fashion to ease the transition for our new Secretary, Dr. Marvin Fried of New York. Dr. J. David Osguthorpe has done a truly remarkable job in producing a high-quality newsletter for our members, which has also been distributed to the entire body of otolaryngology, and we are very grateful for his tireless efforts. Dr. Martin Citardi has brought our ARS website up-to-speed, and we are pleased to see that we are now able to do our scientific meeting abstracts via the internet module with very few glitches, now tested with the Nose 2000 meeting, and our upcoming COSM meeting in May. The younger members of the Board of Directors (see list on page 7) are participating actively in the guidance of our Society and the development of outstanding and timely scientific programs. Our future leadership appears to be outstanding.

With COSM fast approaching, I wanted to let you know that through the hard work of your Program Committee, consisting of Drs. Daniel Becker, Michael Benninger, William Bolger, Donald Leopold, and myself, we have put together an exciting program for the Spring Meeting in Palm Desert, California. We will meet in conjunction with the American Academy of Otolaryngic Allergy/Foundation on the afternoon of Sunday,



Marriott Desert Springs Resort, Palm Desert, California

May 13, 2001, with the feature panel ("Management of Middle and Inferior Turbinates in ESS") led by Dr. Dale Rice. On Monday, May 14th's program, I will lead a panel on "Integration of Computer-Assisted Surgery Into ESS Practice." Later in the day will be an international panel, moderated by Dr. Aldo Stamm of Sao Paulo, Brazil, with Dr. Valerie Lund from (continued on page 7)

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**American Rhinologic Society
2001 COSM
Marriott Desert Springs**

**Joint Session with American Academy
of Otolaryngic Allergy
Sunday, May 13, 2001
(1:00 – 5:00 pm)**

- 1:00 Introduction
(Paul Toffel, MD, Edwin Boyd, MD)

Moderator: Paul H. Toffel, MD, Los Angeles, CA
- 1:05 “Serum Eosinophilia Indicates a Poor Prognosis in Chronic Sinusitis”
Mani H. Zadeh, MD, New York, NY; Clark Huang, MD, New York, NY; Vijay Anand, MD, New York, NY
- 1:11 “Cetirizine Decreases the IL-4, IL-5, and INF-gamma Gene Expressions in Nasal Associated Lymphoid Tissue of Sensitized Mice”
Hong-Ryul Jin, MD; Yoshitaka Okamoto, MD; Zensei Matsuzaki, MD; Shuichiro Endo, MD
- 1:17 “Interleukin 9 May Explain Goblet Cell Metaplasia and Mucus Hyper-secretion Associated with Allergic Rhinitis”
RE Harson, MD, Iowa City, IA; Y SuMin, MD, Iowa City, IA; J Zabner, MD Iowa City, IA; SM Graham, Iowa City, IA
- 1:23 “Treatment of Allergic Fungal Sinusitis with High Dose Itraconazole: A Twelve Year Retrospective Review”
B. Manrin Rains III, MD, Memphis, TN
Corey W. Mineck, MD, Memphis, TN
- 1:29 “Malingering and the Smell Identification Test”
Michael H. Stevens, MD, Salt Lake City, UT;
Louis Monti, MD, Salt Lake City, UT
- 1:35 “Extensive Degranulation of Eosinophils in the Mucin of Chronic Rhinosinusitis”
Jens Ponikau, MD, Rochester, MN; David Sherris, MD, Rochester, MN; Eugene Kern, MD, Rochester, MN;
Hirohito Kita, MD, Rochester, MN
- 1:41 Discussant: Michael S. Benninger, MD, Detroit, MI
- 1:47 PANEL: “Management of Middle and Inferior Turbinates in ESS” Moderator: Dale Rice, MD, LA, CA
Panelists: William H. Friedman, MD, St. Louis, MO; Eugene B. Kern, MD, Rochester, MN; Donald C. Lanza, MD, Cleveland, OH; Richard L. Mabry, MD, Dallas, TX; Bradley F. Marple, MD, Dallas, TX
- 2:45 BREAK with Exhibitors
- 3:15 PANEL: “Antimicrobial Management of Rhinosinusitis: The Good, The Bad, and the Ugly Bugs” Moderator: James A. Hadley, MD, Rochester, NY; Panelists: Vijay K. Anand, MD, New York, NY; Michael J. Sillers, MD, Birmingham, AL; Michael D. Poole, MD, Houston, TX

Moderator: Winston Vaughan, MD, Palo Alto, CA

- 4:05 “Application of Topical Nasal Steroids Following Endoscopic Sinus Surgery”
Richard A. Lebowitz, MD, New York, NY; James Lee, MD, New York, NY; Kelvin C. Lee, MD, New York, NY; Joseph B. Jacobs, MD, New York, NY
- 4:11 “The Effects of Fluticasone Propionate on Nasal Epithelia Potential”
Scott M. Graham, MD, Iowa City, IA; Shaun N. Scott, MD, Iowa City, IA; Joseph Zabner, MD, Iowa City, IA; Jan Launspach, RN, Iowa City, IA
- 4:17 “Nasopharyngeal Carriage of Haemophilus Influenzae, Streptococcus Pneumoniae, and Moraxella Catarrhalis in Healthy Patients”
David H. Chi, MD, Charlottesville, VA; Pamela French, MD, Charlottesville, VA; J. Owen Hendley, MD, Charlottesville, VA; Birgit Winther, MD, Charlottesville, VA
- 4:23 Discussant: William E. Bolger, MD, Philadelphia, PA
- 4:30 PANEL: Sinus and Allergy Health Partnership: “Marketing Otolaryngology”
Panelists: James A. Stankiewicz, MD, Maywood, IL
Michael S. Benninger, MD, Detroit, MI
- 5:00 ADJOURN

6:00-10:00 ARS BOARD MEETING

Monday, May 14, 2001

(1:00 – 5:00 pm)

- 1:00 Introduction, ARS Business Meeting, and Socioeconomic Report

Moderator: Joseph B. Jacobs, MD, New York, NY
- 1:20 “Endoscopic Repair of Anterior Skull Base Defects with Acellular Dermal Allograft”
Martin J. Citardi, MD, Cleveland, OH; Daniel Hurley, MD, St. Louis, MO
- 1:26 “Sinus Inflammation Associated with Contralateral Inverted Papilloma”
Richard R. Orlandi, MD, Salt Lake City, UT; Adam Rubin, MD, Ann Arbor, MI; Jeffrey E. Terrell, MD, Ann Arbor, MI; Donald C. Lanza, MD, Cleveland, OH
- 1:32 “Comparison of Endoscopic Sinus Surgery With and Without Image Guidance”
Marvin P. Fried, MD, Bronx, NY; Vikrant Moharir, MD, Bronx, NY; Jennifer Shin, MD, Bronx, NY; Marta Taylor-Becker, MD, Bronx, NY
- 1:38 “Tension Orbital Pneumocele Secondary to Nasal Obstruction From Cocaine Abuse”
Carlos Ayala, MD, Boston, MA; Lynnette Watkins, MD, Boston, MA; Daniel Deschler, MD, Boston, MA
- 1:44 “Computer-Aided Image-Guided Endoscopic Sinus Surgery in Unusual Cases of Sphenoid Disease”
Vijay K. Anand, MD, New York, NY; Samuel M. Lam, MD, New York, NY; Clark Huang, MD, New York, NY

1:50 Discussant: James A. Stankiewicz, MD, Maywood, IL

1:56 PANEL: "Integration of Computer-Assisted Surgery into ESS Practice" Moderator: Paul H. Toffel, MD, LA, CA; Panelists: Winston Vaughan, MD, Palo Alto, CA; Martin J. Citardi, MD, St. Louis MO; Michael J. Sillers, MD, Birmingham, AL; Marvin P. Fried, MD, Bronx, NY

2:45 BREAK with Exhibitors
Moderator: Donald C. Lanza, MD, Cleveland, OH

3:15 "The Transvestibular Approach: A New Technique in Rhinoplasty"
Nabil S. Fuleihan, MD, New York, NY

3:21 "The Percutaneous Columellar Strut"
David C. Bloom, MD, San Diego, CA; Craig L. Cupp, San Diego, CA

3:27 "Cartilage Reshaping. Prospects For the Future"
Michael W. Keefe, MD, Orange, CA; Alex Rasouli, MD, Orange, CA; Roger L. Crumley, MD, Orange, CA; Brian J. Wong, MD, Orange, CA

3:33 "Powered Rasping, Does it Work on Cartilage?"
C. M. Bergeron, MD, Irvine, CA; Roger L. Crumley, MD, Irvine, CA; Brian J. Wong, MD, Irvine, CA

3:39 Discussant: Paul H. Toffel, MD, Los Angeles, CA
Moderator: James A. Hadley, MD, Rochester, NY

3:45 "Long Term Follow-Up on the Endoscopic Modified Lothrop Procedure"
Rodney J. Schlosser, MD, Charlottesville, VA; Gregory C. Zachmann, MD, Roanoke, VA

3:51 "Management of the Orbit in Invasive Fungal Sinusitis"
Jay M. Dutton, MD, Chicago, IL; Robert M. Bumsted, MD, Chicago, IL

3:57 "10-Year Experience with the Endoscopic Management of Benign Sinonasal Tumors"
Scott D. London, MD, Charlottesville, VA; Charles W. Gross, MD, Charlottesville, VA

4:03 "The Healing of the Nasal Mucosa in Sheep. Does Nasal Packing Make a Difference?"
P.J. Wormald, MD, Woodville, Australia; D. McIntosh, MD, Woodville, Australia; A. Cowin, MD, Woodville, Australia

4:09 Discussant: Michael Benninger, MD, Detroit, MI

4:15 INTERNATIONAL PANEL: "Transnasal Micro-Endoscopic Surgery of the Paranasal Sinuses and the Skull Base"
Moderator: Aldo Stamm, MD, Sao Paulo, Brazil
Panelists: Valerie Lund, MD, London, England; Jean-Michel Klossek, Poitiers Cedex, France

5:00 ADJOURN

6:30 ARS Corporate Affiliates Reception
7:00 ARS Corporate Affiliates Dinner

Joint Session with Triologic Society

Tuesday, May 15, 2001

(8:00 am – 12:00 pm)

8:00 Announcements
(Edward Applebaum, MD, Paul H. Toffel, MD)

Moderator: Charles W. Gross, MD, Charlottesville, VA

8:05 "Effects of Nasal Saline Spray on Human Neutrophils"
Mark Boston, MD, Norfolk, VA; Eric J. Dobratz, BS, Norfolk, VA; E. Stephen Buescher, MD, Norfolk, VA; David H. Darrow, MD, DDS, Norfolk, VA

8:13 "Immediate Reconstruction of Extruded Nasal Implants with Irradiated Rib Cartilage"
J. Madison Clark, MD, Portland, OR; Ted A. Cook, MD, Portland, OR

8:21 "Polymorphisms of the Leukotriene C4 Synthase Gene in Patients with Chronic Hyperplastic Sinusitis"
Pablo Arango, MD, Charlottesville, VA; Stilianos E. Kountakis, MD, PhD, Charlottesville, VA

8:29 DISCUSSION

8:35 "Sinonasal Undifferentiated Carcinoma: The University of Virginia Experience 1991-2000"
Pierre Y. Musy, MD, PhD, Charlottesville, VA; James F. Reibel, MD, Charlottesville, VA; Paul A. Levine, MD, Charlottesville, VA

8:43 Candidate Thesis – "A Stepwise Surgical Technique Using the Medial Orbital Floor as the Key Landmark in Performing Endoscopic Sinus Surgery"
Roy R. Casiano, MD, Miami, FL

8:51 Candidate Thesis – "Clinical Effects of Implementing a Navigational System for Sinus Surgery"
Edward J. Reardon, MD, Quincy, MA

8:59 DISCUSSION

9:10 Invited Guest Speaker: Aldo Stamm, MD, Sao Paulo, Brazil "Transnasal Endoscopic Surgery from Minimal to Maximal"

9:45 BREAK with Exhibitors

Moderator: Richard Mabry, MD, Dallas, TX

10:15 "Endoscopic Management of 108 Sinus Mucoceles with 0.9% Recurrent Rate"
Gady Har-El, MD, Brooklyn, NY

10:23 "At What Age Should Endoscopic Sinus Surgery be Considered in Children?"
Hassan H. Ramadan, MD, Morgantown, WV

10:31 "Combined Medical Endoscopic Endonasal and Lateral Internal Orbital Decompression for Severe Graves' Orbitopathy – Technique with Treatment Algorithm"
Ashutosh Kacker, MD, New York, NY; Mark Murphy, MD, New York, NY; Lanny G. Close, MD, New York, NY; Michael Kazim, MD, New York, NY

- 10:39 DISCUSSION
- 10:50 PANEL: "Evolution of Surgical Indications and Management of Sinus Disease"
Moderator: Frederick A. Kuhn, MD, Savannah, GA
Panelists: David Kennedy, MD, Philadelphia, PA; Valerie Lund, MD, London, England; Charles W. Gross, MD, Charlottesville, VA
- 11:35 "Posterior Epistaxis: A New Paradigm for a New Millennium"
Darrell A. Klotz, MD, Rochester, NY; Mark R. Winkle, MD, Grand Rapids, MI; Jeremy Richmon, BA, Rochester, NY; Arthur S. Hengerer, MD, Rochester, NY
- 11:43 "A Computer-Assisted Anatomical Study of the Frontal Recess"
Roe Landsberg, MD, Chicago, IL; Michael Friedman, MD, Chicago, IL
- 11:51 "Analysis of Failure in Frontal Sinus Obliteration"
James N. Palmer, MD, Savannah, GA; Frederick A. Kuhn, MD, Savannah, GA
- 12:00 ADJOURN/lunch

March Is Sinus Pain Awareness Month

The American Academy of Otolaryngology–Head and Neck Surgery (AAO-HNS) has launched its public awareness campaign that asks the public to recognize that symptoms of sinusitis differ from those of a cold or allergy, and that sinusitis is a medical condition that can be successfully treated.

Sinus campaign kits will be mailed, for the first time, to all members of the American Rhinologic Society, in addition to the Academy Board of Governors. Your kit provides numerous tools which will help you obtain media coverage and present sinus education programs in your community.

Kit Contents:

- 2001 Sinus Odyssey poster
- Mask illustrating inflamed sinuses
- "Doctor, What Is Sinusitis?" leaflet (By extra leaflets at the AAO-HNS online Store at www.entnet.org.)
- News release announcing Sinus Pain Awareness Month
- Numerous sinus fact sheets

On the Academy ENLink Portal you will find tips for generating local publicity, including sample letters to the media and community organizations, that you can download and personalize for your own use. All fact sheets are available on the Academy website: www.entnet.org. Don't forget to include the website address in your presentations and letters to editors.

Academy staff in Alexandria will be creating a receptive climate to support your local activities. Use these nationwide activities as springboards for your local activities:

A satellite video news release will be pitched to the nation's TV news affiliates on March 1. Watch for the AAO-HNS electronic ENT Mail, which will provide the specifics. Call your local TV stations to remind them to download the information; offer to provide an interview to accompany this footage.

Camera-ready articles are being released to all 10,000 newspapers in January, February, and March. Each will be headed with a banner "Sinus Pain Awareness." Watch for them in your local papers and immediately call and offer a follow up interview.

Three brief radio news releases are being sent in January, February and March to 6,500 stations nationwide. Call your local stations and encourage them to use the releases; offer to provide an interview on sinusitis.

Intense media follow up by telephone will stimulate coverage and generate interviews for otolaryngologists.

Campaign kits are also going to larger hospitals, addressed to ER and marketing/PR staff, with an invitation to call on local otolaryngologists to assist in their media outreach and hospital staff education programs. If your hospital did not receive a kit, invite the interested hospital staffer to email sinuspain@entnet.org.

If you need special assistance, please contact the AAO-HNS Director of Media Relations, Ken Satterfield, at 703-519-1563, fax: 703-299-1125, or email: sinuspain@entnet.org.



COSM 2001 Have you registered?

The Combined Otolaryngological Spring Meetings (COSM) will be held May 12 – 16, 2001 at the Marriott Desert Springs Resort and Spa in Palm Desert, California. This 400-acre resort is located just 13 miles southeast of Palm Springs. The Marriott's 27,000 square foot ultra spa offers a multi-station fitness center, a full-service beauty salon operated by Jose Eber, as well as total relaxation and luxurious pampering from head to toe. Two of the finest championship golf courses offer a golfer's paradise. There are also three swimming pools and 20 tennis courts. Rooms are on a first-come, first-served basis, so call today to get the special COSM rate of \$228 per night #1-760-341-2211.

If you do decide to venture outside the resort, Palm Desert offers more . . .

. . . more than 175 restaurants from European bistros and local cafes to dining Al Fresco.

. . . fourteen major shopping areas including the desert's largest mall, Palm Desert Town Center, and El Paseo Drive, a two-mile boulevard of designer stores, restaurants and art galleries.

. . . over 100 golf courses, Palm Desert is the "Golf Capital of the America". With 350 days of sunshine annually, tennis, hiking, swimming, biking, virtually every outdoor activity is available year-round. For more information on Palm Desert, visit www.palm-desert.org

Registration information has been mailed to all COSM members from the AAO-HNS. If you did not receive one, forms are available online at www.entnet.org, or use Fax-on-Demand at 1-888-292-2703, or contact the AAO-HNS Meetings Department at #703-519-1530, or email: aaomeet@entnet.org.

WHY BECOME AN ARS MEMBER?

Since it was originally founded in 1954, by Dr. Maurice H. Cottle, the ARS has continued to assert a position of leadership in Rhinology. Your support of this Society through membership, will strengthen its ability to speak out on the behalf of all practicing Rhinologists.

Mission statement:

The American Rhinologic Society (ARS) maintains its tradition by promoting excellence in clinical care, investigation and education in the fields of Rhinology and Sinusology. The ARS is dedicated to providing communication and fellowship to its members through ongoing continuing medical education, economic and social programs. The ARS is the only professional organization that deals specifically with issues of sinus surgery, both conventional and endoscopic.

Why does membership make sense?

As part of its purpose, the ARS has focused intensely on the various socioeconomic problems in Rhinologic practice and explores every avenue to serve its membership as unpredictable changes in health care delivery systems continue to unfold. Most recently the ARS has helped clarify, on our behalf, the interpretation of CPT code 61795 used for stereotaxic navigation during sinus surgery. Also, when in 1993 it became apparent that HCFA's proposed revision of CPT coding would have resulted in a approximately two-thirds cut in reimbursement to physicians, the ARS engaged the services of a prominent attorney to contest the revision. The bottom line: HCFA agreed to keep the old codes in place while reworking new ones!

Our Society continues to seek out methods by which it can be proactive in the very critical socioeconomic issues confronting us during the current healthcare changes. Relationships between the ARS, the American Academy of Otolaryngology - Head & Neck Surgery and the American Academy of Otolaryngic Allergy continue to strengthen in the form of the Sinus and Allergy Health Partnership. Specifically, we are concurrently developing an integrated method of determining successful treatment outcomes in the management of rhinosinusitis.

The ARS has always been active in sponsoring major educational meetings in Rhinology. In this regard our Society maintains its semi-annual, scientific meetings and offers three separate awards: The Resident Research Award, the Maurice H. Cottle Honor Award, and the Basic Science Award. Apart from its annual Fall and Spring meetings, this society has sponsored four major international symposia in the last 7 years. We are ardent supporters of resident education and have offered stipends and travel support to these meetings. With commercial support, our Society is now able to issue significant research grants towards improving our understanding of diseases of the nose and paranasal sinuses.

In addition to the professional camaraderie, educational, research and socioeconomic benefits available, regular membership in the ARS also includes a subscription to the ARS Newsletter which updates membership on the society's activities, and a subscription to either the American Journal of Rhinology, the official publication of the Society, or the international journal - Rhinology. In summary, changes in health care have strengthened our society's commitment and determination towards the betterment of our membership and the patients that we serve.

Donald R. Lanza, M.D.
Cleveland, Ohio

The Marriott Desert Springs Resort & Spa



AMERICAN RHINOLOGIC SOCIETY APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

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Membership Category Applied for:

- Resident (NO CHARGE, Journal Not Included) Year of graduation _____. Letter of recommendation from chairman required.
- Associate (\$250.00). Interim between Resident & Regular Member, for those who have been out of residency training less than two years.
- Regular Member (\$250.00). Must be out of residency training two or more years.
- Fellow (\$250.00). Must be out of residency at least 3 years and submit two letters of recommendation from present members, a CV and a list of 50 surgical rhinology cases over the past two years in table format (date, procedure, patient's initials faculty).
- Corresponding (\$150.00) Physician who practices in countries other than the United States and Canada.

Journal is available to resident and corresponding members for an annual fee of \$100.00.

Fee (Payable to American Rhinologic Society **must** accompany application) *Includes first year dues and subscription to one of the journals listed.*

Journal requested: (check one)

- American Journal of Rhinology International Journal of Rhinology

MAIL APPLICATION AND FEE TO:

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**The President-Elect's Message
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England, and Dr. Jean-Michel Klossek from France. They will speak on "Transnasal Micro-Endoscopic Surgery of the Paranasal Sinuses and the Skull Base." To finish out our meeting, we will meet in conjunction with the Triologic Society on Tuesday morning, May 15. This will include a panel on "Evolution of Surgical Indications and the Management of Sinus Disease," featuring the great minds of Drs. Fred Kuhn, David Kennedy, Charles Gross, and again, Dr. Valerie Lund. Our Distinguished Speaker Lecture will be Dr. Aldo Stamm, on "Transnasal Endoscopic Surgery – From Minimal to Maximal," featuring some of most beautiful videos in the world. In addition to the fabulous panels I've outlined, we are happy to have a total of 35 papers for presentation during the three meeting days. Time restraints did not allow us to include a number of other interesting papers which were submitted, but we thank all authors for their contributions to rhinology.

On behalf of the ARS membership, I want to thank the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee for quickly solving several issues of socioeconomic importance, and we will bring these to the Society during our COSM business meeting. This should not only be an exciting and informative meeting for all rhinologists, but should provide ample time for good fellowship and fun in the Southern California desert scenery. Looking forward to seeing you all in Palm Desert!

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ARS 2001 GRANTS AND AWARDS

The American Rhinologic Society is pleased to sponsor 2 categories of grant awards for the 2001 grant cycle – New Investigator and Resident Research. The New Investigator category is new and provides for an award of \$25,000 for up to 2 years to an investigator who has not received previous, significant, and outside funding. The New Investigator selected must be under the mentorship of an established investigator and plan to conduct research to develop a long-term research career.

An additional Resident Research award is planned for 2001, bringing the total of available Resident Research grant awards to 2. Each award is \$8,000 for a 1-year period. Residents applying for this award must be an ARS member or candidate, and must have an ARS member as co-investigator.

The ARS is now participating in the American Academy of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery Foundation's C.O.R.E. (Centralized Otolaryngology Research Efforts) which serves to facilitate the ARS research grant awards program. All applications will continue to be reviewed by members of the ARS through the CORE Study Section. Criteria for review will include significance, scientific approach/methodology, and feasibility. Each applicant will receive a summary statement detailing the reviewers' comments and concerns.

Recipients of ARS grants are required to submit a final project status report, final financial status report detailing use of the monies, and abstracts or papers reporting the project. ARS funding of research projects is subject to receipt of applications judged to be sufficiently meritorious. Submission deadline was February 12, 2001. Announcement of grant awards will be made following COSM.

ARS COTTLE AWARD - *The American Rhinologic Society is pleased to announce the Maurice Cottle Award for 2001. This \$1000 award is given for the best paper in clinical or basic science in rhinology, and will be presented at the 2001 Annual Meeting of the ARS in Denver, CO, September 2001.*

ARS RESEARCH AWARD - *The American Rhinologic Society announces the Rhinologic Research Award for 2001. This \$1000 award is given for the best research paper in clinical or basic science in rhinology. The winning paper will be presented at the 2001 Spring Meeting in Palm Springs, CA, May 2001.*

To be eligible for the Maurice Cottle Award, papers must be received by August 2, 2001, and for the Rhinologic Research Award, manuscripts must be received by March 1, 2001. Please direct all papers and manuscripts to: Thomas V. McCaffrey, M.D., Ph.D., MCC-H&NPROG, 12902 Magnolia Drive, Tampa, Florida 33612.

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