

## TEMPORAL BONE DRILLING CONTEST

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### WHAT?

To **promote anatomical training in otologic surgery**, the RBS ENT-HNS holds a temporal bone drilling contest. The award is **1000€ for the winner** and **500€ for the runner-up**, respectively.

The contest will take place if there is a **minimum of six participants**, each candidate submitting **one** temporal bone.

### WHO?

The contest is open to **all ENT-trainees with an approved Belgian ENT training program**.

Given the prior anonymization procedure as described in Article 7, all temporal bones will be judged. However, **each ENT-trainee can only once be the winner**. The contest coordinator receives a list of the five latest winners from the RBS ENT-HNS treasurer/secretary and has to check the list after opening the envelopes as described in Article 7. After excluding former winners (not runner-ups) the order moves up and both prizes will still be awarded.

### RULES:

**Only dry bones** will be accepted. The bones shall be properly cleaned from soft tissue and bone dust. They shall not be prepared with artificial compounds like glue, resin, varnish, lacquer or else.

The **prizes** will be given by a RBS ENT-HNS representative **during the Award Ceremony at the end of the Spring Meeting, unless the laureate is not present**.

### SCORING SYSTEM:

- complete mastoidectomy with antro-atticotomy, preserving the ossicular chain : 0, 1 or 2 points
- posterior tympanotomy, preserving the scutum and posterior canal wall : 0, 1 or 2 points
- skeletonization of the semicircular canals : 0, 1, 2 or 3 points
- skeletonization of the facial nerve and chorda tympani : 0, 1, 2 or 3 points

making a total of 10 points for each jury member's score file.

### DELIVERY OF THE TEMPORAL BONE:

Every bone shall be packed in a separate box, on which a closed envelope is affixed, containing the following information : **Name and surname/ address/ e-mail address/ current hospital and training mentor/ current year of training**.

**Participants can deliver their temporal bone at the Day Of The Assistant 2017: 9/12/2017**

*The contest is launched by VA-NKO and not by the RBS ENT-HNS president. VA-NKO collects all bones and informs the RBS ENT-HNS treasurer/secretary. The RBS ENT-HNS treasurer/secretary in turn informs the president whether the contest takes place. The president appoints a contest coordinator, who usually is an otologist from his/her department or acquaintance and notifies the RBS ENT-HNS treasurer/secretary, who contacts the contest coordinator with the list of the five latest winners and some practical information. The contest coordinator organizes the handover of the collected bones by VA-NKO and the meeting of the jury. The collected bones will afterwards be returned to VA-NKO. VA-NKO will be responsible to return the temporal bones to their respective owners.*