

Changes in the Editorial Board of Journal of Neurology

At the end of the year, there will be a change of Chief Editors in the Editorial Board of the *Journal of Neurology*. The long-time Board Member David Miller, London, will step down as Joint Chief Editor and will be succeeded by two new Chief-Editors, Dr Roger Barker, Cambridge, and Gérard Said, Paris. Prof Thomas Brandt, Munich, will continue to serve as Joint Chief-Editor of the Journal.

Roger Barker is Reader in Clinical Neuroscience at the University of Cambridge, UK, Honorary Consultant in Neurology at the Cambridge Centre for Brain Repair, and founding Editor of *ACNR*. He trained in neurology at Cambridge and at the



National Hospital in London. His main area of research is in neurodegenerative and movement disorders, in particular Parkinson's and Huntington's diseases.

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MRC grant successes for UCL

Professor Ken Smith who works in the Department of Neuroinflammation is one of the recipients of recently announced Medical Research Council awards, totalling £10.6 million.

UCL has been awarded eight out of the 20 available grants made by the MRC to fund research to develop better models of human disease – worth an estimated £4.2 million to the university.

The awards are one component of a strategic initiative to target bottlenecks in translational research, as part of the MRC's Translational Research Strategy, and Professor Smith's award of £761,372 is to develop therapies, and a strategy for their translation to treat early lesions in multiple sclerosis.

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Dr Sean O'Sullivan wins the Charles Symonds Prize



Dr Sean O' Sullivan from the Reta Lila Weston Institute of Neurological Studies has been awarded the Charles Symonds Prize by the Association of British Neurologists (ABN). This prize was awarded for the best platform presentation at the ABN Spring Meeting 2008. This prestigious and highly competitive award was based on research investigating clinical outcomes of progressive supranuclear palsy (PSP) and multiple system atrophy (MSA). The study, using clinical data from patholog-

ically-proven cases of PSP and MSA from the Queen Square Brain Bank, has been published in the journal 'Brain' in May 2008. Dr O'Sullivan said "This perspective of the whole disease course should help clinicians to anticipate patterns of disease progression in their management of people with PSP and MSA. Our findings may also furnish historical control data for future interventional studies".

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ABN Case Presentation Competition



Congratulations to Kate El Bouzidi who won the case presentation competition at the recent ABN Autumn meeting in Aviemore. Kate won the £100 prize from *ACNR* for her case presentation 'A case of reflex epilepsy associated with food-related stimuli.' Kate trained in Edinburgh and came

across the case when she was a neurology house officer at the Department of Clinical Neurosciences at the Western General Hospital. She is now a core medical trainee and hopes to specialise in Infectious Diseases. The case will be reported in a future issue of *ACNR*.

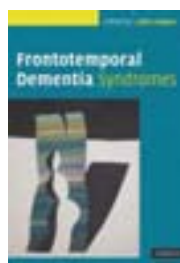
BMA Winners at the BMA Book Awards

Champagne corks have been popping at **Cambridge University Press**, following a string of successes at the 2008 BMA Book Awards. In the Neurology category, two titles garnered praise: *Dizziness* (Bronstein) was Highly Commended by the judges, whilst *Frontotemporal Dementia Syndromes* (Hodges) was also Commended.

The Press also scooped first prizes in Cardiology (Cardiac Arrest: The Science and Practice of Resuscitation Medicine, Paradis et al) and Mental Health (Handbook of Liaison Psychiatry, Lloyd and Guthrie).

Richard Marley, publishing director for Life Sciences, Earth Sciences and Medicine, said, "I'm delighted by our success this year. These awards are a welcome and public endorsement of the quality of our content, as well as recognition of the dedication and effort that the authors and Press staff put into making these books happen."

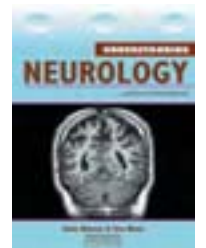
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Manson Publishing is honoured and pleased to announce that *Understanding Neurology* by John Greene and Ian Bone has won the Neurology prize in the BMA Medical Book Competition 2008. Richard Dawkins (right) is pictured presenting the award to Michael Manson.

The Judge commented, "Well-written with excellent diagrams and illustrating case studies. I particularly liked the visual field testing photos. Excellent - I would buy this and will recommend it a practical neurology textbook."

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