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Laryngeal Nerve Symposium

**CURRENT CONCEPTS
IN THE PREVENTION
AND MANAGEMENT
OF UNILATERAL
AND BILATERAL
LARYNGEAL NERVE
INJURY**

11 - 12 March 2011

NH Grand Hotel Krasnapolsky,
Amsterdam, Netherlands



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Dear colleagues,

Welcome to the Laryngeal Nerve Symposium: Current concepts in the prevention and management of unilateral and bilateral laryngeal nerve injury.

The Symposium will bring together clinicians and researchers from all over the world who are dedicated to the many aspects of laryngeal nerve injuries. The program will include presentations of leaders in the field, panel discussions, workshops and ample opportunity will be provided for interactive discussions.

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Learning objectives:

Participants will specifically benefit from:

- Current concepts of how to manage to avoid the possible injury of the laryngeal nerve during thyroid surgery
- A practical understanding of the difference in handling temporary and permanent vocal fold palsy
- An update on the management of both unilateral and bilateral vocal fold palsy
- Practical advice on dealing with common problems in paediatric vocal fold palsy
- An opportunity to openly share and exchange ideas with leading practitioners in the field

CURRENT CONCEPTS IN MANAGEMENT OF UNILATERAL

Programme: Day 1

08.30	Registration and refreshments
09.00	Professor Philippe H. DeJonckere <i>Department of ORL, UMC Utrecht Division of Experimental Otorhinolaryngology, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven Federal Institute of Occupational Diseases, Brussels. Netherlands</i> Welcome by the Chairman
09.20	Professor Jan Betka <i>Department of Otorhinolaryngology and Head and Neck Surgery, Charles University, Faculty Hospital Motol, Czech Republic</i> Thyroid surgery : surgical anatomy of the recurrent laryngeal nerve and nerve monitoring A recent review of the medical, legal, and ethical aspects of recurrent laryngeal nerve monitoring.
10.00	Professor Ashok Shaha <i>Chair in Head and Neck Surgery and Oncology, Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, New York, USA</i> Complications of thyroid surgery: prevention and management This review addresses the common complications that occur during thyroid surgery and the issues therein.
10.40	Coffee and networking
11.10	Professor Lucian Sulica <i>Associate Professor of Otorhinolaryngology Weill Medical College of Cornell University, New York, USA</i> Current concepts in unilateral vocal fold palsy The goal of the presentation is to present physiologically-based and clinically practical concepts regarding unilateral vocal fold palsy in the context of available evidence.
11.50	Professor Gerhard Friedrich <i>Ear, Nose and Throat University Hospital, Chairman of Department of Phoniatrics, Speech and Swallowing, Medical University of Graz, Austria</i> Standard therapies and limits in bilateral vocal fold palsy Presentation of today's therapeutical options in bilateral vocal fold palsy with their limits finding an optimal compromise between voice and airway.

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Theme:

Complications of any surgical procedure are a sensitive measure of the quality. Recurrent laryngeal nerve (RLN) paralysis is a known complication of thyroid surgery. Even for experienced surgeons, a number of patients will have temporary laryngeal paralysis or paresis, which for some will become permanent. Complication rate after thyroid surgery varies widely from surgeon to surgeon and from center to center. There is approximately a 1% recurrent nerve injury rate from thyroidectomy, and a similar, though less easily recognized incidence of superior laryngeal nerve injury. Surgery on thyroid gland is one of the causes of recurrent laryngeal nerve paralysis, recurrent nerve dysfunction or injury can occur also with anterior spine surgery and with reoperative carotid endarterectomy. Strategies for avoiding injuries include careful surgical technique and intraoperative neurophysiologic monitoring.

Who should attend?

- General surgeons performing thyroid surgery
- Head and neck surgeons performing thyroid surgery
- ENT surgeons taking care of the laryngeal nerve palsies
- Endocrinologists who treat patient with thyroid diseases
- GPs who can have patients in their practice with this type of problem

12.30 **Professor Richard Nicollas**
O.R.L. et Chirurgie Cervico-Faciale Pédiatrique - Phoniatrie - Surdité - Implant Cochléaire Hôpital de la Timone (Enfants), Marseille, France

Pediatric vocal fold palsy

To review of pediatric vocal fold paralysis, with particular emphasis on etiological factors, associated airway pathologic conditions, and treatment and prognostic outcomes.

13.10 Lunch

14.30 **Panel Discussion**
What is the future of the voice rehabilitation in unilateral vocal fold paralysis?

15.45 Coffee and networking

16.15 **Dr. László Rovó**
Departement of Otorhinolaryngology, Head and Neck Surgery, University of Szeged, Hungary
A new thread guide instrument for endoscopic arytenoid lateropexy and vocal cord immobility
A new procedure performed with the endolaryngeal instrument is introduced here. This thread guide device is purposely designed for safe, accurate and fast suture loop creation for the endoscopic arytenoid lateropexy.

16.55 **Professor Paul Van de Heyning**
Chairman, Dept. Otorhinolaryngology and Head and Neck Surgery, University of Antwerp, Belgium
Clinical studies for laryngeal pacing
Electrical stimulation of the vocal fold opening muscles, paced with inspiration, offers a physiologic approach to restore ventilation in case of bilateral laryngeal paralysis. This presentation demonstrates the merit of laryngeal pacing as a new treatment approach.

17.35 **Dr. Benjamin Lallemand**
Chef de Clinique/Assistant des Hôpitaux LE CHU DE NIMES, Department of Otorhinolaryngology and Head and Neck Surgery, France
Robotic-assisted minimally invasive endoscopic thyroidectomy

18.15 End of 1st day

Day 2

08.30	Registration and refreshments
09.00	Workshops
10.30	Coffee and networking
11.00	Workshops
12.30	Conference summary and close

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Workshop 1:

Nerve monitoring in thyroid surgery.

Professor Jan Betka

Workshop 2:

How to use the new thread guide instrument for endoscopic arytenoid lateropexy

Dr. László Rovó

Workshop 3:

Injection Augmentation of the Vocal Fold

Professor Lucian Sulica



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The NH Grand Hotel Krasnapolsky has a Summer Garden and a monumental Winter Garden where you can enjoy an extensive buffet breakfast in the morning. In the a-la-carte restaurant Reflet, you can taste the varied selection of French-style cuisine belle époque. However, if you prefer oriental cooking, the Shibli Bedouin restaurant is an excellent choice. The hotel is also home to the Wynand Fockink Distillery, dating back to 1679, where you can taste and buy the best gins and liqueurs. The Lounge offers an excellent selection of homemade tea, liqueurs and an exceptional view of the Dam. The Golden Palm Bar offers a large variety of the best cocktails.



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