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President's Address

22 Merrion Square North

The past year has been a period of consolidation during which we have been considering the strategic development of the College. Under the tenancy agreement with Slattery Communications we have an option to cancel their tenancy and assume full use of the building in January 2007. It is likely that this will coincide with the repayment of our mortgage. Important decisions will have to be taken in the near future as to where and when we embark on further building developments. These are essential if we are to provide the state of the art educational and training facilities which trainees in anaesthesia, intensive care and pain medicine are entitled to expect.

Training & Education

The success of the Overseas Qualifying Examination (OQE) course held in Oman has been such that a modified version of this has replaced the old Primary course. The College is grateful to Dr Ian Surgeon, Dr Liam Conroy and Dr Ken Lowry for producing such a novel and stimulating interactive course. Applications for the Masters degree have, as expected, fallen a little this year as the reservoir of participants complete their degrees. Twelve candidates were conferred by NUI and their parchments were presented at the Winter Conferring in December 2005. The course is under continuous review and Council is taking advice on the possibility of awards at Certificate and Diploma level as alternatives for those who do not wish to proceed to the full Master's Degree.

Our regular meetings with the Regional Training Schemes in Dublin, Cork and Galway have continued. These are useful sounding boards and give the Postgraduate Dean and I a better understanding of local issues. We are keen to identify ways in which we can help improve education (including CPD) and training at hospital level and are open to suggestions. We have added our voice in several fora to those who are calling for protected time for Consultants/College Tutors who take a lead in education and training. The first meeting of College Tutors took place in April 2005 and was highly successful. A second meeting is planned.

Autumn College Lecture and Joint Core Topics Meeting with Royal College of Anaesthetists in Belfast, October.

This was another highly successful meeting both educationally and socially. Speakers included Dr John Laffey, Dr Geraldine O'Sullivan and Dr Mike Stoneham. The meeting was held in the Waterfront Hall, Belfast and the Autumn College Lecture entitled 'Too hot to handle' was delivered by Professor John Henry, St Mary's Medical School, London. The Presidents of both Colleges were present together with several members of their respective Councils.

Winter College Lecture and Conferring, December

The Winter College Lecture and Conferring was held in the Pillar Room of the Rotunda Hospital. Those being conferred included doctors who were successful in the Irish Board of Intensive Care Diploma examination and anaesthetists who had successfully completed their CST. In addition, 12 MSc candidates were presented with their parchments having previously been conferred in absentia by the National University of Ireland.



Examinations

The examinations continue to be over-subscribed with many candidates attending from Great Britain. Examiners training courses are in place and systematic audits of examiners and examination questions are planned.

Professor Mike James (Capetown) attended the Primary Examination as an external examiner in October 2005 and his report has just been received. Whilst broadly generous in his comments regarding organisation and fairness he considered that a lower level of knowledge of the basic sciences was required in our examination than in the South African equivalent. This was particularly true of clinical measurement.

The Final Examination attracts candidates from Ireland, Northern Ireland and Great Britain. The examination continues to include the 'long case' but the feasibility of this, desirable as it is in many ways, remains in question.

The use of simulated scenarios as part of the examination process is under active consideration and a pilot project is planned for the autumn sitting of the Primary examination.

College Registrar

Dr Orlaith McCaul was appointed College Registrar in December 2005 and took up her post on 16th January 2006. Dr McCaul's main roles are: to guide Council as it plans the future development of the College; to implement Council decisions; to act as a bridge between Council members and the administrative staff; and generally to provide oversight of College administration including finance. Dr McCaul has a strong background in higher education and we are looking forward to working with her.

Information Technology

The new College website is up and running (<http://www.anaesthesia.ie>). The Council is grateful to the Irish Standing Committee for donating this domain name to the College. Details of all College activities are posted and are regularly updated. Council wishes the website to become the main conduit for information exchange with members. Any member wishing to post information which he/she thinks might be of interest to other members or trainees, or who has other constructive suggestions, should contact the Postgraduate Dean in the first instance.

During the last year or two we have been conducting a pilot project on the use of webstreaming. Using this technology any member of the College with a broadband internet connection can access selected lectures via the College website (www.anaesthesia.ie). Some of last years ASM lectures were webstreamed as were some of the lectures given at the Core Topics Day in Belfast in October. In this way members who were unable to attend a particular lecture, or who wish to hear and see it again, can do so, in full, at a time convenient to themselves.

Overseas Activities

The Overseas Qualifying Examination (OQE) provides exemption for the Irish Primary Examination and is held in Oman once yearly. In 2004 and 2005 the MCQ sections only were held but this year, the entire examination was held, very successfully for the first time. Thirty-two candidates presented for the examination and the overall pass rate was just over 50% - similar to the Irish Primary. The examiners commented on the high standard of many candidates and the excellence of the facilities provided.



The OQE course in Oman was held over one week in December 2005. The lecturers were Dr Ken Lowry, Dr Ian Surgeon and Dr Liam Conroy. The course was fully subscribed and feedback from participants was very favourable. Council is grateful to the teaching faculty for their support.

Dr John McAdoo, Professor AJ Cunningham, Dr Ken Lowry and I inspected hospitals in Oman during the OQE. It is anticipated that a further inspection of hospitals in Oman will be required later in 2006.

TRAS Exemption Scheme

The Medical Council has replaced the old Section 7.6 sponsorship scheme with a new scheme called the TRAS exemption scheme. Exemptions will be granted on the basis of recommendations from the College but the criteria will include objective measures of achievement such as passing Primary equivalent (e.g. OQE, UK Primary, EDA (both parts), American Boards, ANZAC Fellowship) and at least 3 years in the specialty before coming to Ireland. The language requirements are also tighter with a minimum score of band 7 required in all sections at academic level. The College supports these changes.

Corporate Support

Council is grateful for the generous financial support provided by our friends in industry, This is essential if we are to develop our educational and research programmes. Support for the Appeal is also greatly appreciated. I am particularly grateful to all our sponsors for their support of College activities last year:

Honorary Fellowships

The following will be conferred as Honorary Fellows at the Conferring Ceremony on 11th May 2006:

Dr Peter Simpson, President, Royal College of Anaesthetists

Professor Mike Harmer, President, Association of Anaesthetists of Great Britain & Ireland

Outgoing Council Members

The terms of office of Drs Ian Orr, Katrina O'Sullivan and Joe Tracey finish at the 2006 AGM. On behalf of Council I thank them for all their work and wish them well in the future.

Acknowledgments

I wish to thank Council members, chairs of committees, workshop organisers and above all, the Honorary Secretary's, Honorary Treasurer and the Postgraduate Dean for their tireless work over the past three years and for their personal support during my time as College President.

Professor Howard Fee
President

Examination Committee Report

Members Dr John McAdoo, Dr David Hill, Professor Howard Fee, Dr James Gardiner, Dr Brian Marsh, Dr Katrina O'Sullivan, Dr Phillip Hawthorne, Dr Julian Johnston, Dr Ken Lowry, Dr Sean McDevitt, Dr Catherine Motherway, Dr Jeanne Moriarty, Dr Ian Orr, Dr Ellen O'Sullivan, Dr Joe Tracey, Professor Denis C Moriarty, Professor George Shorten, Dr Ian Surgeon, Dr Carlos McDowell, Dr Liam Conroy, Dr Harry Frizelle.

I am delighted to present the Annual Report of the Examinations Committee for 2005. The year was a successful one for the Examinations Committee and office. I would like to pay tribute to the members of the Committee for their support, and advice throughout the year and also to thank our examiners who give so generously of their time and expertise.

The Committee and the Examinations Office had another busy year. Extra places were created for the Primary Examinations in the spring and the autumn. In June 2005 we ran the Pain Examination in Cork. This proved a great success and we thank Dr Liam Conroy and the staff at the Mercy University Hospital Cork. In addition 2005 saw plans advance for the Overseas Qualifying Examination which took place in its entirety in Oman, co-chaired by Dr K Lowry and Dr E O'Sullivan at the end of January 2006. Applications for this examination again far exceeded supply. The Committee and College pay thanks to the chairs and co-chairs of all the exams and all examiners for their continued support and dedication.

In October 2005 a special dinner was organised by Dr Julian Johnston to mark the retirement of Dr Ron Kirkham and to thank him for the commitment and time he gave over many years to the running of the Final FCA Examinations. The College and the Examinations Committee wish him every happiness in his retirement and acknowledge with thanks the valued input he gave to the Final Examinations.

On the 18th November the first MSc in Anaesthesia conferring took place in the Pillar room at the Rotunda Hospital. Dr Attracta Halpin, Registrar from the NUI conferred the awards and Mr Fintan Foy, Director of Examinations from RCSI was also in attendance.

Ms Barbara Conneely was offered and accepted a permanent appointment in the Examinations Office. The Office saw an enormous growth in applications for all of the examinations. Our Examinations Officer Ms Marguerite Harvey attended the Pain Diploma Examination in Cork in June 2005. The Examinations Officer also travelled to Oman in January 2006 with our team to run the Overseas Qualifying Examination. For the first time we had an Extern Examiner Professor M James for our Primary examination. He was impressed at the standard and the conduct of the exam and we hope to invite extern examiners to our examinations in the future.

New Examiner Approvals

Primary: Dr D McCoy, Dr S Colbert, Dr S Prakash, Dr C O'Malley, Dr M C Kelly

Final: Dr A Heffernan, Dr A Luthra, Dr R Franklin, Dr B Marsh

Pain Medicine Diploma: Dr G Ghaly



Primary FCA Examination Spring 2005

136 candidates presented for MCQ examination.
91 candidates progressed to the VIVA and OSCE.
61 candidates in total passed the exam.

Overall Pass Rate = 44 %
Pass rate if called for VIVAS and OSCES = 67 %
Total number of Examiners was 38

Chairpersons

Primary Examination Chairperson - Dr Ellen O'Sullivan
Viva Chairman - Professor William Wallace
Physiology - Professor William Wallace
Pharmacology - Dr Ken Lowry
OSCE Chairpersons - Dr Asha Luthra,
- Dr Ann Hennessy
Extern Examiner - Dr David Noble

Physiology

Chair: Prof. W. Wallace, Dr A Bradford, Dr J McAleese, Dr M Bill, Dr P McSorley, Dr P Seigne, Prof J V McLoughlin, Dr T Gallagher, Dr P Elliott, Dr N Dowd, Dr D Buggy.

Pharmacology

Dr K Lowry, Dr A Petros, Dr E McCoy, Dr B Darling, Prof J Bovill, Dr W Campbell, Dr S Raferty, Dr H Frizelle, Dr W McCaughey, Dr S Koussa, Dr D Grace, Dr VG Reddy, Dr W McCaughey.

OSCE

Chair: Dr A Hennessy Primary FCA Examination Autumn 2005. Dr G Ghaly, Dr A E Bourke, Dr E O'Leary, Dr P Weir, Dr P Connolly, Dr J Dunphy, Dr L Conroy, Dr VG Reddy, Dr N Flynn, Dr BVS Murthy, Dr D Grace, Dr D Noble (exchange,) Dr E Tierney, Dr A Luthra, Dr M Milhench.

Administration: Ms Marguerite Harvey and Ms Barbara Conneely, Examinations Department

Primary FCA Examination October 2005

Primary Examination Chairperson - Dr Ellen O'Sullivan
Viva Chairman - Professor William Wallace
Physiology - Dr Aidan Bradford
Pharmacology - Dr Ken Lowry
Clinical Measurement - Dr Murthy
OSCE Chairpersons - Dr Ann Hennessy
Exchange Examiner - Dr Gill Hood
Extern Examiner - Professor Mike James

221 candidates presented for the MCQ examination
141 called for OSCE and Vivas.
96 passed the exam.
Overall pass rate 44%
Pass Rate if called for Vivas and OSCE = 69%
Total number of Examiners was 37

Physiology

Dr A Bradford, Dr J McAleese, Dr M Bill, Dr M Griffin, Dr P Farling, Professor JV McLoughlin, Dr P Bolleddula, Dr P Elliot, Dr D Buggy, Dr J McAdoo. Chair: Professor W Wallace.



Pharmacology

Dr A Petros, Dr S Rafferty, Professor J Bovill, Dr H Frizelle, Professor R Mirakhur, Dr S Raferty, Dr D Murphy, Dr J Porter. Chair Dr K Lowry.

OSCE

Dr G Ghaly, Dr P Connolly, Dr I Orr, Dr Vohra, Dr C Kumar, Professor M James (Extern Examiner), Dr J Smith, Dr J Tracey, Dr J Dunphy, Dr BVS Murthy, Dr D Grace, Dr G Hood (Exchange Examiner), Dr H Nagi, Dr M Milhench, Dr P Weir. Chair: Dr A Hennessy.

Observers

Dr D McCoy, Dr SA Colbert, Dr S Pralash, Dr C O'Malley, Dr MC Kelly

Final FCA Examination Spring 2005

Dr JR Johnston, Chairman of the Final Examination Committee: -
Exchange Examiner: Professor Robert Sneyd, Plymouth.
Welcome new Examiner Dr Killian McCourt.

Examination Details

		Spring 2005	Previous Exam	
Candidate Applications		160	161	
Written Papers - 11th March 2005 Candidates Attending		158	160	
MCQ 40 Questions in 90 minutes	Pass Rate	113/158 = 71.6%	66.9%	
	Candidates not called forward (score 5 or 4)	22	24	
E & SAQ 6 Questions in 3 hours	Pass rate	88/158 = 55.7%	61.8%	
	Candidates not called forward (score 5 or 4)	46	32	
Numbers called for Clinical & Vivas		104	107	
Hospital Clinical & Vivas		Tues 19th April	Wed 20th April	Thurs 31st April
Numbers Examined		38	36	30
Numbers Passed		23	22	18
Pass Rate		60%	61%	60%
Total Passed		63/104 = 60.6%		49.5%
Overall Pass Rate		63/158 = 39.8%		33%



Presiding Examiners for the Written Section
Dr R Kirkham and Dr JR Johnston.

Exchange Examiner

Dr Robert Sneyd, Royal College of Anaesthetists Exchange Examiner.

Script Marking

Professor R Sneyd, Dr I Bali, Dr F Conway, Dr F Maguire, Dr K Fitzpatrick, Dr P Hawthorne, Dr G Lavery, Dr P Leyden, Dr N Kenny, Dr B Taylor, Dr K McKeating, Dr J Moriarty, Dr R O'Hare, Professor G Shorten.

Hospital Clinicals & Vivas

19th April - Mater & St Vincent's - 19 candidates each

20th April - Beaumont & St James - 18 candidates each

21st April Tallaght : Cappagh : Blanchardstown – 14/8/8 candidates each

Letters of thanks have been sent to the organisers in each hospital.

Names of Examiners

Dr IM Bali (Antrim), Dr P Benson (St. Vincents), Dr L Briggs (Coombe), Dr H Bunting (Craigavon), Dr F Conway (Cappagh), Professor AJ Cunningham (Beaumont), Dr K Fitzpatrick (BCH), Dr J Halliday (Miami), Dr P Hawthorne (Letterkenny), Dr D Hill (Ulster), Dr J Johnston (RVH Belfast), Dr J Kennedy (Limerick), Dr N Kenny (Belfast City Hospital), Dr J Laffey (Galway), Dr G Lavery (Belfast), Dr P Leyden (Antrim), Dr F Maguire (Beaumont), Dr C McAllister (Craigavon), Dr K McCourt (Belfast), Dr S McDevitt (Beaumont), Dr C McDowell (Drogheda), Dr K McKeating (St. Vincent's), Dr T Montague (Manchester), Dr J Moriarty (St. James's), Dr R O'Hare (Sligo), Dr K O'Sullivan (Tallaght), Dr D Phelan (Mater), Professor G Shorten (Cork), Dr B Taylor (Belfast), Dr P Vaughan (St. James's).

Successful candidates were welcomed by Professor Denis Moriarty and Professor AJ Cunningham as Fellows of the College of Anaesthetists and presented them with College ties and College pins.

Exchange Examiners –

Spring 2005 –

Autumn 2005 –

Thanks to:

CoAI

Dr Pamela Bell

Dr Carlos McDowell

Dr Carlos McDowell – especially for dealing with Eligibility issues

Dr Ron Kirkham - especially for dealing with Invigilation

Drs Hill and Fitzpatrick for organising Viva I part

Dr McAllister for organizing the Viva II section

Final FCA Examination Autumn 2005

Dr JR Johnston, Chairman of the Final Examination Committee: -
 Exchange Examiner Dr Ian Shaw, Newcastle upon Tyne
 Welcome Observers/new Examiners
 Dr Robert Franklin, Dr Anne Heffernan, Dr Asha Luthra, Dr Brian Marsh

		Spring 2005	Previous Exam	
Candidate Applications		159	160	
Written Papers - 19th September 2005 Candidates Attending		153	158	
MCQ 40 Questions in 90 minutes	Pass Rate	98/153 = 64.0%	71.6%	
	Candidates not called forward (score 5 or 4)	29	22	
E & SAQ 6 Questions in 3 hours	Pass rate	81/153 = 52.9%	55.7%	
	Candidates not called forward (score 5 or 4)	50	46	
Numbers called for Clinical & Vivas		84	104	
Hospital Clinical & Vivas		Tues 18th Oct.	Wed 19th Oct.	Thurs 20th Oct.
Numbers Examined		36	30	18
Numbers Passed		20	22	9
Pass Rate		55%	56%	50%
Total Passed		46/84 = 54.7%		60.6%
Overall Pass Rate		46/153 = 39.8%		39.8%

Presiding Examiners for the Written Section

Dr R Kirkham and Dr JR Johnston

Script Marking

Dr Ian Shaw, Dr D Hill, Dr F Conway, Dr F Maguire, Dr K Fitzpatrick, Dr P Hawthorne, Dr R Kirkham, Dr N Kenny, Dr P Bell, Dr K Clarkson, Dr K McKeating, Dr I Bali, Dr C McDowell, Professor G Shorten.

Hospital Clinicals & Vivas

18th October Mater & St Vincent's - 18 candidates each
 19th October Beaumont & St James - 15 candidates each
 20th October Tallaght : Cappagh : -10/8 candidates each

Names of Examiners

Dr IM Bali (Antrim), Dr P Bell (Musgrave Park), Dr P Benson (St. Vincent;s), Dr L Briggs (Coombe), Dr H Bunting (Craigavon), Dr K Carson (Mater), Dr F Conway (Cappagh), Professor AJ Cunningham (Beaumont), Dr K Fitzpatrick (BCH), Dr J Gardiner (Rotunda), Dr P Hawthorne (Letterkenny), Dr D Hill (Ulster), Dr J Johnston (RVH Belfast), Dr J Kennedy (Limerick), Dr N Kenny (BCH), Dr R Kirkham (St. James's), Dr G Lavery (Belfast), Dr P Leyden (Antrim), Dr F Maguire (Beaumont), Dr C McAllister (Craigavon), Dr K McCourt (Belfast), Dr S McDevitt (Beaumont), Dr C McDowell (Drogheda), Dr K McKeating (St. Vincent's), Dr T Montague (Manchester), Professor D Moriarty (Mater), Dr R O'Hare (Sligo), Dr K O'Sullivan (Tallaght), Professor G Shorten (Cork).



Observers

Dr R Franklin, Dr A Heffernan, Dr Luthra, Dr B Marsh.

Successful candidates were welcomed by: Professor D Moriarty (Tuesday), Professor JPH Fee (Wednesday), Professor AJ Cunningham (Thursday) to join the College of Anaesthetists as Fellows and were presented with College ties or College pins.

Pain Medicine Diploma Examination Mercy Hospital Cork June 2005

Chairman

Dr Liam Conroy

External Examiner

Dr Suresh

Examiners

Dr J Brown, Dr B Conroy, Dr D Hill, Dr L Conroy, Dr R MacSullivan (scrutineer), Dr T O'Brien, Dr K Patterson, Dr G Ghaly (Observer)

The Mercy Hospital provided excellent facilities and the staff were particularly welcoming and helpful. It is recommended that the College continues to hold the pain examination in Cork.

Results

5 Candidates sat the examination

4 Candidates passed the examination

Pass rate = 80%

Dr John McAdoo

Chairman Examinations Committee

Primary FCA Examinations

Successful Candidates - Spring 2005

Shahid Adeel, Olusola Adeogun, Bimal, Ahluwalia, Samantha Allen, Venkata Bandaru, Asootosh Barry, Estibalitz Blazquez Basarrate, Leanne Callaghan, Stephan Dalchow, Anna Davey, Louise Dodd, Grace Donnelly, Binu Easaw, Tamilmani Elankathir, Markus Eller, Tazeen Fatima, Khaled Girgirah, Senthilkumar Gopalakrishnan, Christopher William Gough, Nik Nizam Haidat, Syed Nadeem Haider, Anil Hormis, Derek Adrian Hrabovsky, Gopinath Iyer, Alex Joseph, Antony Joseph, Srinivas Iyer Kalyanaraman, Chetana Kataria, Raghu Kota, Ahmed Labib, Corina Lee, Johanne Claire Lynch, Tadhg Lynch, Vishnu Machineni, Sudhakar Rao Marri, Rachel Mathers, Sinead Mcguirk, Colin Morton, Smitansu Mukhopadhyay, Arun Natarajan, Dorita Noronha, Olorunfemi Odejayi, Cathy O'Donoghue, Rakhi Pal, Suresh Panchakshariah, Aekta Rajpal, Deepak Rangappa, Harish Reddy, Saravanan Samulu, Manoj Sharma, Mohammad Sohail, Rituraj Srivastava, Li Huey Tan, Seshu Tatikola, Om Prakash Tiwary, Anwar Ul Haq, Sridevi Valluri, Adriaan Tertius Van, Der Spuy, Bhaskar Venkatamuniraju, Patricia Wolf, Jonathon Yen.

Successful Candidates - Autumn 2005

Ammar M.H. Ajam, Majd Al Shamaa, Mohammed Alalousi, Abderrazak Arabi Ali, Shiva Kumar Arava, Syed Najmul Arfin, Namita Arora, Binu Kumar Arthur, Subha Arunachalam, Salmin Saleh Aseri, Venkata Krishna Balusu, Muhammad Imran Iqbal Bhatti, Nagaraj Busarapu Maheswara Rao, Kathryn Byrne, Michael Andrew Callaghan, Giancarlo Camilleri, Eoin David Casey, John Richard Chandler, Shirish Reddy Chennaiahgari, Matthew Coghlan, Alison Mary Cooke, Gauri Bhaskar Dashputre, Pejman Davoudian, Adrian Gerard Donnelly, John Vinu Edwin, Muhammad Faisal Ehsan, Katrin Fiona Eva Eigener, Karen Anne Foley, Alan Michael Gaffney, Somashekar Gangaiah, Ashok Hariharan, David Hendron, Sharon Margaret Hilton-Christie, Emil Ivanov Hinov, Chaitanya Kumar Hosahalli Vasappa, Mruthunjaya Hulgur, Manjunat Hunsur Thopaiah, Ashfaq Hussain, Aneena Chachyamma Jacob, Amer Iqbal Jaura, Jithu Jayan, Suresh Kumar Jeyaraj, Kowser Jehan Kabeer, Suresh Kadarapura, Ashun Waqar Khan, Anberin Rana Khan, Sunil Kumar, Kathryn Sian Lloyd-Thomas, Dileep Madhavan, Kattepara Nagaraj Madhusudana, Srinivasa Mallampalli, Bernard Mupatsi Masuku, John Mervyn Mcbrien, Denise Mccarthy, Shane Mcgeary, Michael Mckenny, Louise Mcwhirter, Md Farid Md Rafik, Chackiparamban Mehboob, Sailakshmi Murugesan, Senthil Kumar Muthu, Pradeep Natarajan, Yasmin Marie Nawaz, Chi Hwa Ng, James Daniel O'leary, Ravindranath Parekodi, Ailie Elizabeth Pigott, Thalavirichan Pugalendiran, Rajesh Puthenmadhom, Syed Mohsin Qureshi, Rajasekar Ramachandran, Sneha Rao, Shobana Ratnam, Avinash Balasaheb Ratnaparkhi, Harsha Peta Reddy, Naveen Manik Sable, Achuthanpillai Sajayan, Thandayuthapani Santhosh-Kumar, Deepa Sanu, Subramanian Sathish Kumar, Deepali Shah, Mohammad Arif Shaikh, Rachna Shankar, Vinay Shanthi, Ashwini Kumar Sharma, Smita Singh, Rajesha Budvantalli Srinivasaiah, Patrick Charles Thornton, Shravan Kumar Tirunagari, Nisa Ul Haq, Vishal Uppal, Sandeep Verma, Vinesh Vincent Brahmakulam, Anita Vinjirayer, Ramakrishna Vyakernam, Clara Kam Ying Yu.

Successful Candidates - Spring 2006

Sanjay Kumar Agarwal; Bilal Mustafa Ansari; Alberto Manuel Aranda-Pa;acios; Muhammad Farooq Aslam; Ranjan Bahl; Bhadraj Kumar Basu; Precious Bhan; Jaspal ingh Bhular; Sinead Attracta bredin; Robert Joseph Brennan; Gail Browne; Jane Bruton; Jasser Majid Butt; Shefali Chaudhari; Gunjan Chawla; Derrick Clarence; Suzanne Cronly; Anil Kunar Darbar; Sunil Dasari; Mairead Patricia Deighan; Navdeep Dogra; Rajib Dutta; Vivekanand Eli; Juliette Fraser; Frauke Fuhrmeyer; Nitin Gadgil; Abhik Ghosh; Khalid Hanish; John Dermot Hinds; Hugo Hunton; Niranjana Jayasheela; Rajeev Ranjan Jha; Kayode Johnson; Deepak Joseph; Mohammed Junaidu; Gaurav Kakkar; Arunchakkravathy Kannangovindaswamy; Namita Kapila; Husam Kaskos; Khurram Saleem Khan; Gautam Khanna; Sree Kolli; Kiran Kumar Koneti; Rajashekar Kumar; sanjay Kuravinakop; Weligamage Lakshman; Bradley Kerr Lawther; Vivek Loomba; Barbara Macafee; Deepak Malik; Amod Manocha; Kaushal Kishor Mishra; Sujatha Murthy; Subhashina Nadarajah; Asha Naik; Jyothtrmayi Nimmagadda; Aba Alexander Ojabo; Olubukunola Ojo; Samir Manjunath Pai; Yashesh Paliwal; Ulka Paralkar; Sarojbala Patil;Alexander Philip; Goutham Puranik; Madhusudan Ramamurthy; Aravind Rathakrishnan; Thillainayagam Ravikumar; Abdulaziz Refaet; Nithin Roy; Prashanth Sadhahalli; Sanjay Shamlal Sagar; Archana Sawant; iby Sebastian; Jitin Sharma; Rajesh Sharma; Ajit Sivasankaran; Altaf Sultanpori; Venkat Sundaram; Laure Thabaret; Rajesh Reddy Vaddhi Reddy; Rajeshkhanna Vellore Somasundaram; Saeda Verghese; Siddannagari Anjanareddy Vinay; Edward Walter; Kumar Yathish



Final FCA Examinations

Successful Candidates - Spring 2005

Naeem Ahmed; Fatima Ali; Anne Elad Babarinsa; Alaeddin Benkeia; Clare Lisa Bryson; Richard Burnett; James Carrannante; Madhurie Chakravarti Chattopadhyay; Vinod Chinnappa; Jo-Anne Colgan; Patrick Henry Conroy; Jill Harmony Dale; Alastair Dorman; Martin Joseph Duffy; Therese Duggan; Khorat Farooq; Paul Foley; Maruthi S R Reddy Ganugapenta; Claire Gardiner; Sam George; Asoka Gunaranthe; Vijay Kumar Gund; Deepankar Halder; Moothedath Hariprasad; Khalid Hasan; Ivan Hayes; Nik Khairul Annuar Husain; Shameem Abdul Jameel; James Paul Johnston; Matthew James Keep; Kamran Z Khan; Sarah Ann Maclean; Ronita Majumdar; Ashwin Jagannath Mallya; Deepak Mathur; Dikshika Mathur; Sharon McCready; Karen Lindsay McGrath; Gyanendra Mohan; Ronelle Mouton; Venkata Suryanarayana Munukutla; Abdullah Fathi Nazal; Swaroop Nimmakayalu Sampu; Emer O'Mahoney; Jude Oronsaye; Narendra Pai; Harold Pereira; Cindy Persad; Babu Rao Pitta; Alagirisamy Raajkumar; Selina Samuel; Oparag Shastri; Pushparaj Shetty; Mansoor Ahmed Siddiqui; Piyush Singh; Krishnamurthy Srikanth; Sarah Louise Stirling; Dandina Krishnamurthy Sujith; Chandra Mouleshwar Rao Tadikamalla; Milind Bhanudas Thakur; Richard John Waddington; Claire White; Mary White

Successful Candidates - Autumn 2005

Mark Arthur Allford, Rogier Backx, Subramanya Someswar Bandi, Ashit Bardhan, Miranda Helen Barkham, Anil Kumar Bhuvanagiri, Venkata Ramayya Chamarti, Monica Chogle, Brian Andrew Digby, Grace Donnelly, Dalia Essam Eissa, Narayan Lal Galav, Giju Jacob George, Vippendeep Singh Gill, Conor Hearty, Prema Immanuel, Hesham Hussein Mahmoud Ismail, Mahalaxmi Iyer, Louise Jolliffe, Manmadha Kumar Kada Venkata, Devendra Kumar, Zulfikar Ali Laghari, Peter Lee, Clive Macartney, Zahoor-Ul-Huq Mackay, Ajoy Raj Malpe, Janet McCluskey, Stephen Merron, Ahmed Elashry Mohamed, Donal Rory O'donoghue, Prabhakar Paranthaman, Pulak Kumar Paul, Kaiser Rahman, Bhamini Ramaswamy, Megha Sham Chimmula Reddy, Balachandran Santhosh, Elankathir Selvaraasan, Darshinder Singh Sethi, Sardar Shaik, Muraly Somasundram, Sanjeev Kumar Thunga Harikrishnaiah, Brian Anthony Trethowan, Abhay Bhaskarrao Vaidya, Joreline Van Der Westhuizen, Dale Ventour, Syed Nadeem Abbas Zaidi.

Successful Candidates - Spring 2006

Sinead Ahern, John Aleke Alfa, Srikanth Amudalapalli, Kashif Anwar, Ezzeldin Atoia, Narayan Balaji, Clair Baldie, Rafal Baraz, Andrew James Barrington, Barbara Biki, Sunil Kumar Chaurasia, Maya Judit Contreras, Maeve Curran, Gauri Bhaskar Dashputre, Mark Dougherty, Arun Kumar Durairaju, Tacson Fernandez, Bernhard Frank, Sinead Galvin, Kamran Ghori, Anand Gore, Alok Gupta, Sharon Margaret Hilton-Christie, Maurice Hogan, Mohammad Jinnuraine Jaigirdar, Rajesh Kumar Jain, Amer Iqbal Jaura, Paul Jeanrenaud, Sushil Kumar, Emma Lappin, Micheal Donal Looney, Johanne Claire Lynch, Mohamed Meera Saibo, Syed Raza Mehdi, Caitriona Murphy, Fariborz Neirami, Ayodele Obideyi, Olorunfemi, Odejayi, Sanjay Abhaysinh Parmar, Mihindukulasoorya Pinto, Ratnayake Mudiyansele Ratnayake, Nazar Salah, Mallikarjunappa Satisha, Nimit Shah, Magesh Shanmugam, Mario Sharan Shekar, Florentina Spantoveanu, Sreekanth Rayalu Uppugonduri, Girish Vijay Wadodkar, Roy Mcleod Williamson.

Overseas Qualifying Examination - Oman

Successful Candidates 2005

Mohamed El-Sayed Khalil Abo-Koffa, Shailendra Daivajna, Mohamed El-Khatib, Abdul Ethy Ahammed Unni, Mohamed Hani, Sudhir Immanni, Sheela Karthikeyan, Eby Koonthalloor, Dinesh Kuriakose, Leena Madhavan, Pratap Makam, Shakeel Kamroddin Mangalgatti, Kumar Ramanathan, Hanouf Rawdhan, Suchinderjt Singh, Jacob Theophilus.

Successful Candidates 2006

Ayman Ayman Gamal Kamel Fana, Ravi Shankar Bhaskar, Salim Ahmadbhai Bhayla, Anil Kumar Chauhan, Zeiad Waadallah Daod, Chameli Deb, Shaji Eduvayil Sankunny, Aziz Haris, Sudhakaran Karriat Vadakkoot, Dilshod Khamdamov, Mohd Suleman Khan, Neeraj Kumar, Saba Mahdi Al Bassam, Prakash Matreja Viru, Ilyas Ahmed Narsipur Hussain, Tripiti Sinha, Liliya Valeeva.



Pain Medicine Diploma Examination

Successful Candidates - June 2005

R A Fanning, A P Gulve, P Hu, S Symington.

Diploma in Intensive Care Medicine Examination

Successful Candidates - October 2005

Shehzad Mehmood, Brian William Pickering, Stephen Wards.

Master of Science (Anaesthesia)

Successful Candidates 2005

Mujeebullah Rauf Arain, Elma Buckley, Luminita Crina Burlacu, Ronald Charles, Kate Fitzgerald, Sinead Harte, Niamh Ellen Hayes, Oonagh Teresa Hickey, Muhammad Khalid, Cathy McMahon, Seosamh Cormac O'Riain, Karen Julia Tan.



Training Committee Report

The Training Committee meets on five occasions annually with many additional meetings of subcommittees, interview panels and meetings with outside agencies. Dr Rory Dwyer has moved to take over the Chair of the Credentials Committee and the Training Committee wishes to acknowledge his hard work and commitment over the last four years as Chairman. Dr Motherway has taken over as Chairman with Dr Jeremy Smith as Honorary Secretary. Dr Ian Surgeon, Postgraduate Dean coordinates the national SpR rotations and continues to develop our structures to enhance training in anaesthesia. The membership of the Committee is broad based. It includes representatives from the College Council, the Regional Training Programs, the Royal College of Anaesthetists and the Association of Anaesthetists in Training. Ms Sheila Early continues as a co-opted lay member and the Committee is grateful for her continued support and input. The activities of the Committee are of vital importance to training in Ireland and the College is as always grateful to all those who contribute to the Committee.

SpR program

Five trainees completed their training since the last Annual Report during the year ending 2005. They were Dr O Brian O'Brien, Dr Derek Dillane, Dr Hamid Iqbal, Dr Nikolay Nikolov and Dr Joey Costello. The Committee wishes them every success in their future careers. Eighteen new SpRs were appointed to the substantive program. Four temporary SpR 4/5 were appointed and the College continues to support this route of entry to enabling trainees to complete training and gain entry to the Register of Medical Specialists. There are now 93 SpRs on the program of whom a number are on leave. Some are working abroad in clinical fellowships and as with last year an increasing number able to take up research / clinical fellowship positions at home reflecting the continuing advancement of the specialty in Ireland. The large number of trainees away has on occasion led to a larger than usual number of unfilled posts in hospitals and the Committee has decided to ensure that we have six months notice of leave in an attempt to minimise disruption to hospitals while continuing to allow our trainees to avail of additional training which will in the long term benefit them and the Irish Health Service. Three SpRs are undertaking part time training funded by the flexible training program of the Postgraduate Medical and Dental Board. Trainees are interviewed at end of year three to approve entry into year four and to address any training requirements to enable them to complete training.

All trainees are also interviewed at the end of year five to approve their accreditation for consultant practice. The officers continue to interview trainees with below average assessments to provide constructive advice. Fortunately this is a relatively rare occurrence reflecting the high quality of trainees on the program. Trainees continue to submit reports on hospitals, providing valuable feedback on training quality in each hospital. This information is distributed to the hospitals on an annual basis allowing them to access their performance and made available to inspectors prior to hospital inspection. The reports are helpful to the Training Committee in maintaining the quality of training

The TRAS Exemption Scheme (previously Section 7.6) continues to sponsor approximately 60 doctors occupying BST posts around the country. The College with the Irish Medical Council has agreed regulations for sponsorship for trainees in anaesthesia. The regulations for this scheme are available on the College web site. Dr McDowell continues to coordinate the scheme on behalf of the College and is invaluable help to both the Colleges and the trainees she is responsible for.

The College Tutor system is proving very successful. The College Tutor is an invaluable resource for the trainees, and provides a direct link between the Committee and the hospitals to discuss issues/problems in relation to training. The workload is considerable and the College is grateful to them for their continued support. The College has made available a grant of €1500 to the tutors for projects designed to enhance training i.e. equipment/books etc. Applications can be sent to the Postgraduate Dean. Dr Surgeon organized a very successful meeting in 2005 of the group and this will be repeated in 2006.



In Training Assessments are now being collected by the College on all basic specialist trainees. If trainees are part of a regional training program these will be returned to the training program for consideration. Adverse assessments will be dealt with in the same manner as on the SpR scheme. The recent introduction of enterprise liability had led to concern, as the state scheme did not cover these training activities. The Committee has confirmed that the College insurer does provide cover for our trainers for completing in-training assessments.

The European Working Time Directive has yet to be implemented in our hospitals. The College is represented at the National Implementation Group to ensure that any proposals are both fair and consistent with our training requirements. The maintenance of a high standard of training is vital to the specialty.

Competency Assessment is now an integral part of BST training with completion of the CCBST a requirement prior to taking up an SpR post. Competency documentation will shortly be introduced formally for all stages of SpR training once approved by the Committee. This is in line with using competence as a goal of training and with the recommendations of the Medical Education and Training Group.

Funding from the DOH for the projects for training was offered in 2005. Two projects went ahead successfully, Training the Trainers course and Web Streaming. Unfortunately one project on Evidence Based Medicine was not completed in the 12-month deadline imposed by the DOH with subsequent loss of the funding. The College and the Joint Committee of Postgraduate Medical Training Bodies have protested at this withdrawal of funding. Fortunately the College with Cork University Hospital Department of Anaesthesia have re-submitted and succeeded in getting some funding reallocated to a project on Design Based Medical Training.

The Website (www.anaesthesia.ie) contains vital information for all trainees and trainers. The website and regulations are updated regularly but it is important that trainees get updated advice directly from the College with any queries. The new site is easy to navigate and is an excellent resource.

As always the Committee is aware that the training is provided by the trainers on the ground in each hospital and is grateful for their continued enthusiasm, hard work and commitment in this area.

Dr Catherine Motherway
Chairman





Education Committee Report

The past year has been a busy one for the Education Committee with a large number of courses, workshops, lectures, competitions and the Annual Scientific Meeting. The Committee met four times during the year on Friday 2nd September, Wednesday 2nd November 2005, Wednesday 8th February Wednesday, 5th April 2006 and reports back to the Council and the President. The members of the Committee are: Dr Joseph Tracey, Chairman, Dr Harry Frizelle, Professor Howard Fee, Dr James Gardiner, Dr Brian Marsh, Dr Katrina O'Sullivan, Dr William Blunnie, Dr Philip Hawthorne, Dr David Hill, Dr John Loughrey, Dr Kenneth G Lowry, Dr John McAdoo, Dr Sean McDevitt, Dr Jeanne Moriarty, Dr Catherine Motherway, Dr Ellie O'Leary, Dr Ian Orr, Dr Ellen O'Sullivan, Professor Anthony J Cunningham.

Annual Scientific Meeting

This was held on Thursday and Friday 12th and 13th May in the O'Reilly Hall, Belfield Campus, UCD, Dublin 4. The meeting covered a broad range of topics and also included sessions devoted to Intensive Care Medicine and Chronic Pain Management. The faculty included speakers from the United States, Switzerland and the United Kingdom as well as a number from Ireland.

The Gilmartin Lecture on the Thursday evening was given by Professor Carol Black, President of the Royal College of Physicians in London and was titled "The changing practice of Medicine". The Annual Dinner of the College of Anaesthetists RCSI, which was held in the Four Seasons Hotel, Ballsbridge, followed this.

Autumn College Lecture

This lecture was again integrated into the core topics day meeting, which was held in the Waterfront Hall in Belfast. This meeting is a joint effort between the R.C.A. and the College of Anaesthetists. It was organised by Professor Rajinder Mirakhur. The Autumn College lecture this year was Professor John Henry, Professor of Emergency Medicine at St. Mary's Hospital London and his lecture was titled 'Too Hot to Handle - Drugs and Hyperthermia'. In it he reviewed the pharmacological causes of hyperpyrexia, including ecstasy, serotonin syndrome, malignant hyperpyrexia and neuroleptic malignant syndrome.

Winter College Meeting

Friday 18th November was a busy day with the Ethics and Legal Medical workshop held in the morning in 22 Merrion Square. The afternoon activities took place in the Pillar Room in the Rotunda Hospital and started with the GlaxoSmithKline Medal Presentations. This was followed by a reception. At 5:00 pm there was a presentation ceremony of the first MSc in Anaesthesia degrees, the CSTs and IBICMs. The evening finished off with the Winter College Lecture.

Ethics and Legal Medicine Workshop

This workshop was organised by Dr Ian Orr and Professor AJ Cunningham. Speakers included: - Mr Brian McGovern Senior Counsel - 'Medicine and the Law - A Personal Perspective', Mr Terence Moran, Solicitor - 'Preparing a Medico-Legal Report', Professor D Cusack, Barrister - 'Review of the Coroner's Service', Dr Conor O'Keane, Consultant Pathologist - 'Preparing for Appearance in the Coroner's Court', Professor AJ Cunningham, Consultant Anaesthetist - 'Professional Standards / Fitness to Practice Committee' and Dr Deirdre Madden, Lecturer in Law - 'Ethics in Medical Practice'. This was the first time that this workshop had been held and all the delegates felt that it was most interesting and should be held again.



G.S.K. Medal Presentation

This competition is organised by the Anaesthetist in training in Ireland group and is aimed at trainees in their first few years. The adjudicators were Professor Anthony Cunningham (Beaumont), Dr Eleanor O'Leary (Galway) and the ATI representative Dr Colin McCarthy.

The winning presentations were:

1st Place -Dr Grainne McDermott - Waterford Regional Hospital

'Anaesthesia for caesarean section in a case of Spina Bifida and Pierre-Robin sequence'.

2nd Place - Dr Suzanne Cronly - Beaumont Hospital

'Multiple retropharyngeal and paraspinal abscesses - an unusual cause of progressive upper airway obstruction'.

3rd Place - Dr Jennifer McElwain - Beaumont Hospital

'Oh no! It's a Sick Doctor'

Winter College Lecture

Dr 'Monty' Mythen delivered this and the title was "Are your gases flowing freely?". It was an in-depth analysis and literature review of the anaesthesia factors influencing bowel function and how this can be adversely affected by the anaesthetic techniques. The President presented the speaker with the College medal.

Malawi Course

A two-day visit by Dr Eugene Egan and Mr Cyril Goddia to Mangochi District Hospital, Malawi was undertaken in advance of the course. The objective of the visit was to assess the maternal and trauma services in Mangochi District and to explore the feasibility of providing the course there in 2007.

There were 34 in-hospital maternal deaths in July - December 2005 associated with sepsis, ruptured uterus, eclampsia and post partum haemorrhage. Training potential identified to reduce maternal mortality and morbidity included better assessment and resuscitation skills and development of the criteria for early transfer. In addition, mortality due to head injuries was highlighted and potential for improved assessment, stabilisation and transfer criteria.

A very successful Care of the Obstetric Emergency and Trauma Course was provided for 20 selected Anaesthetic Officers, 2 obstetrical registrars/2 orthopaedic registrars and ICU nursing staff, selected by Project Co-ordinator in Malawi, Mr Cyril Goddia, Queen Elizabeth Central Hospital, Blantyre. A programme comprising: plenary sessions, workshops, skill stations, case presentations, moulage and assessment were provided. The 24 participants were divided into groups of three and each group provided case history and presentation on septic abortion, post partum haemorrhage and burn patient.

The 2006 course was very much facilitated and enhanced by the participation of Dr Harmini Sidhu, Consultant Obstetrician in Craigavon Area Hospital who provided particular expertise in the obstetrical aspects of the programme.

Dr Eberhart Schneider a German General Surgeon currently on a two-year assignment in Zomba Central Hospital originally from Germany with specialised anaesthesia training, made a major contribution to the trauma component of the programme.

Delaney Medal Presentation

The Delaney Medal presentation took place in the Conrad Hotel on Thursday, 2nd March 2006. The adjudicators were Dr Aidan Synnott (Beaumont), Dr Catherine Motherway (Limerick), Dr. Brian Marsh and the extern Professor George Hall (London). TechnoPharm sponsored the reception. The presenters were: Dr Aris Exadaktylos, Dr Michael J O'Dwyer, Dr Dominic Hegarty, Dr Alistair Nichol, Dr A Tierney, Dr Grina L Burlacu.

Abbot Scholarship

The Abbot Scholarship in Anaesthetic Research was held on Friday, 3rd March 2006. Abbot Laboratories once again provided 10,000 for a scholarship to support original research by an Irish anaesthetist. The judges were Professor George Hall (London), Professor Ian Young (Belfast) and Dr Ian Orr (Craigavon). The presentations were held in the Dr Wallace Abbott Seminar Room at the College of Anaesthetists.



College Workshops

Again this year all of the workshops proved to be very popular and most were over – subscribed. The first one of the year was the "Difficult Airways" workshop, which was held in Beaumont Hospital on 16th September and was organised by Dr Ellen O'Sullivan. The Ethics and Legal Medicine Workshop was held in 22 Merrion Square on the 18th November organised by Dr Ian Orr. The Obstetric Emergencies Workshop, again in the College was on 7th December 2005 and organised by Dr John Loughrey. In 2006 a further 2 workshops were held in the College, the "Vascular Access Workshop" run by Dr Alan McShane on the 15th February and "Echocardiography Workshop" run by Dr Michael Griffin on 24th February 2005.

College Courses

The introduction to Anaesthesia course for new trainees was held in the college on the 1st September and in Beaumont Hospital on 2nd September and was run by the Postgraduate Dean Dr Ian Surgeon. He also organised the 'Training the Trainers' course on 27th and 28th October 2005, which was repeated on 30th & 31st March 2006 as well as the 'Beginners Welcome' course on 11th January 2006 (all held in the College).

The primary revision course was held in Merrion Square on 5th – 7th September and given by Dr Ken Lowry, Dr Ian Surgeon and Dr Liam Conroy. This represented a huge workload for 3 people and the format will need to be changed. The same three speakers also ran a very successful Primary course in Oman in November 2005.

The final FCA Revision course has a different format and was run over a complete week (Monday 23rd – Friday 27th January 2006). This was held at 5 locations the College, the Mater Hospital, St. James's Hospital, Beaumont Hospital and St. Vincent's Hospital. This entails a large number of speakers all ably organised by Dr John Loughrey.

Dr Joseph A Tracey
Chairman

Education Programme 2005 – 2006

Annual Scientific Meeting	12th and 13th May 2005
Introduction to Anaesthesia	1st and 2nd September 2005
Primary FCA Revision Course	5th, 6th and 7th September 2005
Airway Management Workshop	16th September 2005
Core Topics Day / Autumn College Lecture	5th October 2005
Training the Trainers Course	27th and 28th October 2005
Ethics and Legal Medicine Workshop	18th November 2005
Glaxo Smith Kline Medal Presentation	18th November 2005
Winter College Lecture	18th November 2005
Obstetric Emergencies Workshop	7th December 2005
Malawi Course	6th to 10th January 2006
Beginners Welcome Session	Wednesday, 11th January 2006
Final FCA Revision Course	23rd to 27th January 2006
Vascular Access Workshop	Wednesday, 15th February 2006
Echocardiography Workshop	Friday, 24th February 2006
Delaney Medical Competition	Thursday 2nd March 2006
Abbott Scholarship Presentation	Friday, 3rd March 2006





Future Meetings

European Association of Cardiothoracic Anaesthesiology
Wednesday 24th to Saturday, 27th May 2006 - Venice, Italy

Euroanaesthesia 2006
Saturday 3rd to Tuesday, 6th June 2006 - Madrid, Spain

ICSI Paediatric Meeting
Friday 9th and Saturday, 10th June 2006 - Killarney

Canadian Anaesthesiologists' Society- 62nd Annual Meeting
Friday 16th to Tuesday, 20th June 2006 - Toronto

SCCM / ESICM 4th Summer Conference
Saturday 15th to Monday, 17th July 2006 - New York, USA

College of Anaesthetists Golf Classic

Autumn College Lecture / Core Topic Study Day
Wednesday, 27th September 2006 - Waterfront Hall, Belfast

Difficult Airway Society (DAS) Annual Meeting
Wednesday 4th to Friday, 6th October 2006 - Burlington Hotel, Dublin

College of Anaesthetists RCSI - Winter College Lecture
Friday, 17th November 2006 - Date and venue to be confirmed

College of Anaesthetists RCSI - Delaney Medal Competition
Thursday, 1st March 2007 - Venue to be confirmed

Abbott Scholarship for Anaesthetic Research
Friday, 2nd March 2007 - College of Anaesthetists RCSI

College of Anaesthetists RCSI - Irish Anaesthesia Congress
Thursday 10th and Friday, 11th May 2007 - O'Reilly Hall, UCD
Date and venue to be confirmed

Credentials Committee Report



Hon. Sec. Dr J Loughrey

The Committee met 5 times during the year. The principal business of the Committee is to consider applications for inclusion on the Register of Medical Specialists from those who have not undergone formal SpR training under the supervision of the College of Anaesthetists. These applications are assessed as to whether applicants have undergone 'equivalent' training to SpR training to enable their inclusion on the Register.

In September the Medical Council instructed the Training Bodies to include the totality of an applicants training and experience when considering applications for recognition of training as being equivalent to SpR training. This was to include consideration of all experience both in training posts and in consultant posts, in Ireland and abroad. This was a change from previous practice where only formal training posts could be considered.

The Credentials Committee dealt with the new regulations by requesting applicants to submit a more detailed account all experience and training obtained to date both in formal training posts and in consultant / specialist posts. The Committee collaborated with the Training Committee to develop a detailed description of the essential components of SpR training and of the competencies required both clinical and non-clinical. This established a benchmark against which applicants for the Register could be compared. This process has just been introduced by the Committee and has proven a robust and fair method of assessing applicants for inclusion on the Register of Medical Specialists.

The Credentials Committee also assesses applicants for Full Registration on the Medical Register on the basis of 2 years satisfactory experience. The Committee requires 2 years in recognised training posts with satisfactory In Training Assessments and completion of the Initial Competency Test in Anaesthesia. The initial flood of applicants has been dealt with and only a small number of applicants are now presenting.

The Committee is the contact point between the College of Anaesthetists and the Medical Council via the Medical Council Committee on the Register of Medical Specialists. The Chairman of the Credentials Committee attends these meetings.

Dr Rory Dwyer
Chairman

Irish Board of Intensive Care Medicine

Board Members IBICM 2005

Chair: Dr Jeanne Moriarty
Hon Secretary: Dr Brian Marsh

Dr Michael Power (ICSI) Beaumont Hospital
Mr A.E. Wood (RCSI) Mater Hospital
Dr Ted Keelan (RCPI) Blanchardstown Hospital
Dr Ken Lowry (COA) Royal Victoria Hospital
Dr Catherine Motherway (COA) Limerick (Alternate)
Dr Roy Philips (RCPI Faculty of Paediatrics) Limerick
Dr Brendan O'Hare (Co-opted) Paediatric Intensive Care - OLHSC
Dr Dermot Phelan (Co-opted) Chairman Education and Training
European Society of Intensive Care Medicine - Mater Hospital

Examination Committee:

Dr J Moriarty
Dr Brian Marsh
Dr Kieran Crowley
Dr Dermot Phelan

The Board met on four occasions in the past year. The Examination Committee met twice. The Diploma examination was held in May and November in Tallaght and the Mater respectively. The extern examiners, Dr Armand Girbes and Dr Andrew Rhodes both commented favourably on the conduct and standard of the examination and the level of consideration given to each candidate. The Board extends its thanks to both hospitals and local organisers, Dr Maria Donnelly and Dr Brian Marsh and their consultant and trainee colleagues who ensured the day ran smoothly. Candidates for the European Diploma in Intensive Care Medicine were afforded the opportunity at both sittings to undergo the Clinical and Viva component of the examination. This arrangement has been satisfactory and will continue in 2006. However there was concern about the poor performance of the EDIC candidates in the three examinations held here to date and this has been conveyed to the European Society of Intensive Care Medicine. The DIBICM course will continue to be organised by the ICSI.

The IBICM secretariat moved to the College of Anaesthetists from the Royal College of Surgeons and Ms Helen Kerrane took over as administrative assistant to the Board. The Diploma examination continues to be administered by the RCSI examinations office.

The hospital inspection programme will include St James' and St Vincent's Hospitals in 2006.

The key issue in 2005 was the development of a discussion document on establishing a Conjoint Faculty of Intensive Care Medicine. This has been circulated to the parent bodies for discussion. Once this has been agreed speciality status will be sought through the Medical Council. It is planned to meet with the Post- Graduate Medical and Dental Board to explore establishing a national training programme in Intensive Care Medicine, including paediatrics. Two rotational posts have been established between the Mater and St James' Hospitals, commencing in July 2006, with six months in each institution. Funding is required to progress this to include other hospitals and will be actively sought in 2006.

Dr Brendan O'Hare was co-opted to represent Paediatric Intensive care, in addition to Dr Roy Philips from the Faculty of Paediatrics RCPI. They are reviewing training requirements and qualifications for this area and will report back to the Board in 2006 on developing a paediatric model, which suits national requirements.

I wish to thank Mr Fintan Foy, RCSI, for his ongoing interest and input to the development of Intensive Care Medicine through the IBICM. Ms Helen Kerrane, who has provided administrative and secretarial support for the period following transfer to the College, and who has taken up another post and we wish her well in that.

Dr Jeanne Moriarty
Chairperson

Pain Medicine Committee

Chairman Pain Diploma Exam Liam Conroy

The main tasks this year have been refining the Pain Diploma Exam regulations and producing a Pain Medicine Module towards CST training, and conducting the Pain Medicine Diploma Exam itself

1. Pain Diploma Regulations:

The main remit of this revision was to bring the Pain Diploma regulations into line with the other College exams, to revise eligibility and to allow more units to offer training in pain medicine

(a) Eligibility to take the exam will be set at a total of 6 months modular training in pain, which can comprise 3 modules of 2 months each.

(b) Pain Medicine training can be undertaken in any unit approved for SpR training in anaesthesia which also has a pain medicine service

(c) A log book will no longer be required for entrance to the exam

2. A month module in pain medicine should be the minimum requirement for CST in anaesthesia. Dr Therese O'Connor developed a Pain Medicine training document, which has been adopted as essential for all trainees in anaesthesia

3. The Pain Medicine Diploma Exam was held in Cork on June 16th/17th. Dr Suresh was the external examiner aided by local examiners. Four out of five candidates were successful.

Thanks are due to the Staff of the Mercy Hospital in Cork for facilitating the College. I would also like to pay tribute to the hard work put in by Dr Liam Conroy and the Examinations Officer, Marguerite Harvey in organising and running this exam.

I would also like to pay tribute to the hard work and contribution of our outgoing Chairman Dr John Howe and wish him all the best for the future

Finally I would like to thank the 30 members of the Pain Medicine Committee for their continued support.

Dr David Hill
Chairman



Masters in Science (Anaesthesia) Report

The MSc (Anaesthesia) in association with the National University of Ireland enrolled its first fifteen candidates in September 2003. In November 2005 twelve of these had degrees conferred. A ceremony to present the successful candidates with their degrees was held after the Winter College Lecture in the Pillar Room at the Rotunda Hospital on 18th November.

The course, in its current form, has a modular structure. A total of seven modules need to be completed within a two to five year period. The modules are provided by a number of university departments and are undertaken through a combination of distance e-learning, didactic lectures and a large amount of self directed learning. The candidates who have completed the course unanimously testify to the high standard that is set by the course tutors and the significant commitment that is required.

It is a testament to the drive and effort of the recent graduates that so many of them graduated with honours. A list of the recent graduates is appended below.

Unfortunately, despite the initial success of the programme, the numbers enrolling has fallen off sharply making a number of the modules no longer financially viable. The reasons for the fall off in enrolment are not clear but may include a lack of clarity as to the exact place of the MSc within anaesthetic training in Ireland or a realisation that the current structure of the degree course, and the time commitment it represents, does not fit in well with clinical SpR training.

Notwithstanding the commitment and obligation the College has to those currently enrolled on the course, it is the opinion of Council that no enrolment will occur for the next academic year (2006/07). The structure of the course will remain under review in an attempt to have it better compliment current anaesthetic training and career structures whilst not detracting from the standing of those degrees already awarded.

Dr Mujeebullah Rauf Arain

Dr Elma Buckley

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Dr Oonagh Hickey

Dr Muhammed Khalid

Dr Cathy McMahon

Dr Seosamh Cormac O'Riain

Dr Karen Julia Tan

Dr Ken Lowry
MSc Director

Report of the Honourary Treasurer

This is my third report as Honourary Treasurer and Chairman of the Finance & General Purposes Committee. The F&GP Committee is responsible for keeping proper accounting records, safeguarding the assets of the College and advising Council on the financial implications of College activities. The financial position of the College remains sound. As in all previous years Income & Expenditure have increased commensurate with the growth and development of the College. The College had an overall surplus of €841,400 for the year 2005 compared to €855,955 in 2004. The full audited accounts of the College of Anaesthetists for the year ending 31 December 2005 and previous years are available to all Fellows on request.

Income

Total income for the year 2005 increased to €2,411,397 from €2,054,710 in 2004. Members' subscription increased to €320,233. The PGMDB reimbursed the College €610,561 against costs incurred in the administration of the National Training Programme in Anaesthesia including the Office of Postgraduate Dean. Incomes from Hospital & NCHD fees are also set against costs incurred in training & education. The College was successful in securing once off special funding of €104,800 from the PGMDB to finance four projects - Design based medical training, Web streaming, Teaching CD ROM & TIPs Training the Teachers courses. These funds went directly to those providing the services. Other income from Educational courses came to €148,593. Examination income increased to €764,783 as increased numbers took College exams. Donations to the Education Foundation and industry sponsorship of educational meetings came to €98,727 and are acknowledged with thanks. Rental income was €150,000.

Expenditure

Total expenditure for the year 2005 increased to €1,569,997 from €1,198,755 in 2004. Total Pay & Pension costs including examination personnel increased by almost 20% to €522,418. Office/IT costs were €161,055. Premises costs were €48,977. Examinations incurred direct costs of €169,704. Educational meetings and courses incurred costs of €325,397. However as always the true costs are higher as Course Directors and Lecturers gift their time and expertise to the College. Council members do not receive examiner or any other fees from the College. The College sponsored the first MOET Course for Anaesthesia Officers in Malawi organised by Professor Cunningham to the amount of €9,450.

Premises

The acquisition price of 22 Merrion Square was 5 million euro in 2000. At year end 2005 the mortgage was down to €580,065 as €836,000 was again paid off during 2005.

Financial Plans & Development

In 2004 the College changed its financial record keeping to Sage, a business accounting software package. 2005 represents the first complete year for which the College has easily accessible management accounting information, providing a basis for financial analysis and planning.

Professional reviews of College staffing and activities were commissioned during 2005. These reviews supported the creation of a senior post with executive function and the first College Registrar Dr Orlaith McCaul commenced in January 2006. With the increase in complexity and extent of College business the College is also considering seeking regular professional financial analysis and advice in addition to the functions of the College auditors.



It is anticipated that the mortgage on 22 Merrion Square will be paid off by end 2006. This strong financial position allows the College to explore development opportunities. In January 2007 the College has the option not to renew the rental agreement with its tenants and take over the basement and return area that they currently lease. Expansion options include re-mortgaging 22 Merrion Square to develop an Education Centre with lecture theatre and meeting/examination room in the house return and basement area or relocation to a new premises. The mews site also offers opportunities for development of commercial/residential units to provide a rental income.

Acknowledgements

I would like to thank all the Finance and General Purposes committee members for their advice and support, Maura O'Mahoney for her meticulous bookkeeping and Crann Lennon & Co. for the preparation and audit of the annual accounts.

Dr Katrina O'Sullivan
Honorary Treasurer

Auditor's Report

Excerpt from the Independent Auditors Report to the Members of the College of Anaesthetists R.C.S.I

We have audited the Financial Statements which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the Accounting Policies.

This report is made solely to the Council's members, as a body, in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Acts 1963 to 2005. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Council's Members those matters we are required to state to them in an Auditor's Report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Council and the Council's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Opinion

In our opinion the Financial Statements give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the College at 31 December 2005 and of its Income and Expenditure for the year ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Acts, 1963 to 2005.

We have obtained all the information and explanations we consider necessary for the purpose of our audit. In our opinion proper Books of Account have been kept by the Financial Committee. The Financial Statements are in agreement with the Books of Account.

In our opinion the information given in the Report of the Council on Page 4 is consistent with the Financial Statements.

Crann Lennon & Co.
Certified Public Accountants
and Registered Auditors

Date: 31st March 2006
148 Richmond Road
Dublin 3





Income & Expenditure Account for the Year ended 31st December 2005

	2005	2004
	€	€
Members Subscriptions	320,233	315,084
Other Income	<u>2,091,164</u>	<u>1,739,626</u>
Total Income	2,411,397	2,054,710
Expenditure	<u>1,569,997</u>	<u>1,198,755</u>
Surplus for the Year	841,400	855,955
General Reserve at 1 January 2005	<u>4,149,044</u>	<u>3,293,089</u>
General Reserve at 31 December 2005	<u><u>4,990,444</u></u>	<u><u>4,149,044</u></u>

Balance Sheet at 31st December 2005

	2005	2004
	€	€
FIXED ASSETS	<u>4,836,651</u>	<u>4,972,796</u>
CURRENT ASSETS		
Bank Accounts	389,089	324,406
College Education Foundation	334,383	322,123
Debtors	61,000	62,375
Stocks	-	2,468
	<u>784,472</u>	<u>711,372</u>
CREDITORS		
(Amounts falling due within one year)	(218,614)	(235,973)
Net Current Assets	<u>565,858</u>	<u>475,399</u>
Total Assets less Current Liabilities	5,402,509	5,448,195
CREDITORS		
(Amounts falling due after more than 1 year)	(412,065)	(1,299,151)
TOTAL NET ASSETS	<u><u>4,990,444</u></u>	<u><u>4,149,044</u></u>
CAPITAL & RESERVES		
General Reserve	<u><u>4,990,444</u></u>	<u><u>4,149,044</u></u>

Income & Expenditure

Income and Expenditure for the College of Anaesthetists RCSI for the 12 months to 31st December 2005, with corresponding figures for the 12 months to 31st December 2004.

INCOME	2005	2004
	€	€
• Members Subscriptions	320,233	315,084
• Post Graduate Medical and Dental Board	610,561	540,500
• Examinations	764,783	*518,335
• College Fees	217,027	183,279
• Rental Income	150,000	147,958
• Donations & Sponsorship Funding	98,727	85,069
• Special Projects	86,100	-
• Education Courses	148,593	253,791
• Bank Interest and Charges	3,443	3,214
• Miscellaneous	<u>11,930</u>	<u>7,480</u>
	<u>2,411,397</u>	<u>2,054,710</u>

*Examination income net

EXPENDITURE	2005	2004
	€	€
• Salaries and Pensions	522,418	440,638
• Educational Courses	325,397	306,544
• Special Projects	77,301	-
• Malawi	9,450	-
• Examinations	169,704	n/a
• Office and IT	161,055	184,666
• Professional Fees	40,796	14,758
• House	48,977	8,426
• Fundraising	12,267	14,251
• Bank Interest and Charges	41,917	73,118
• Miscellaneous	6,405	-
• Depreciation	<u>154,310</u>	<u>156,364</u>
	<u>1,569,997</u>	<u>1,198,765</u>

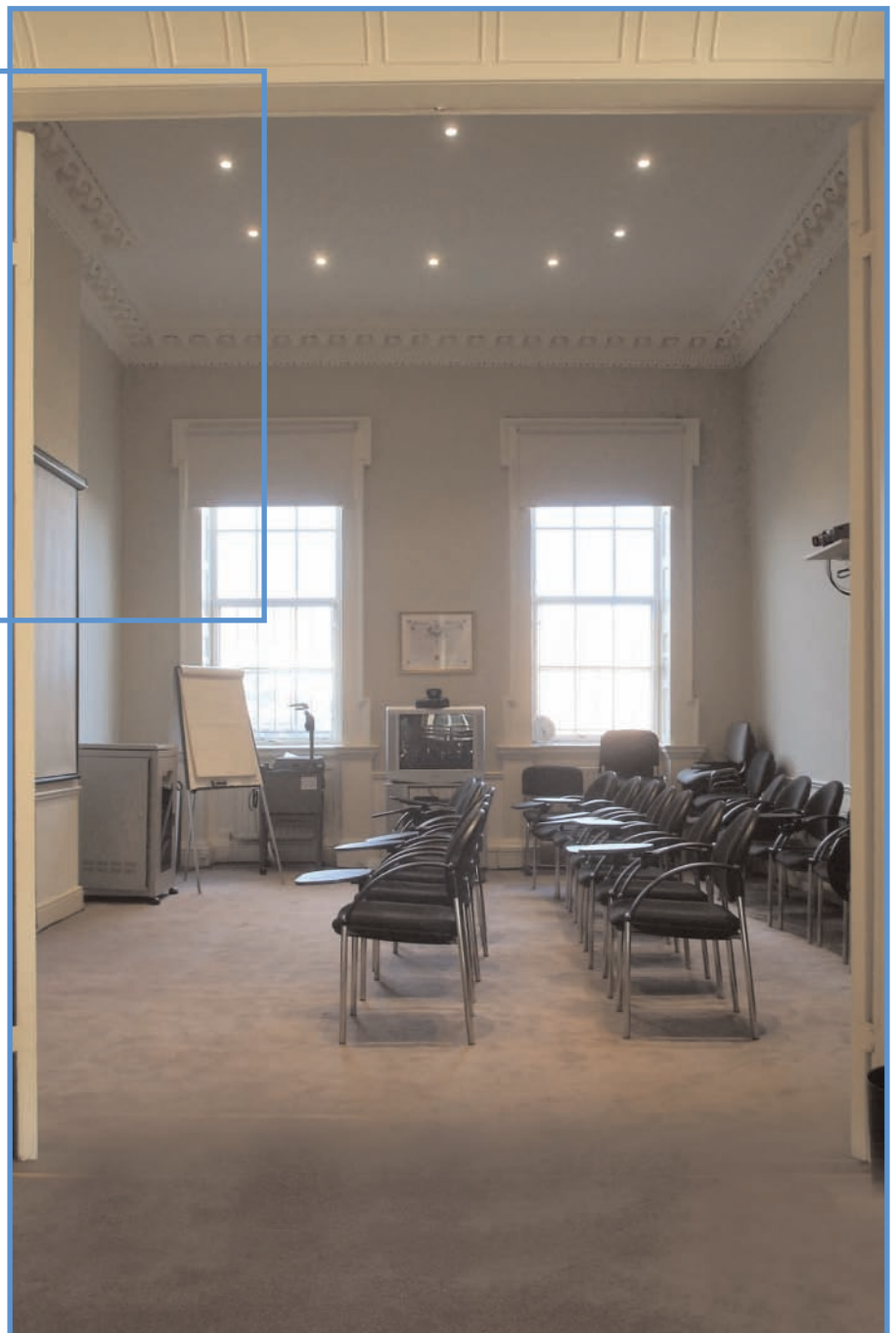
Education Fund Donations

The College of Anaesthetists records with thanks donations to the Education Fund since 2001. A Sponsors plaque will be erected in the College to record all donations. The Honorary Treasurer will be pleased to advise on tax-free donations.

	Corporate	Individual
Platinum	(€50,000 and above) Abbott Laboratories	(€5,000 and above) W Blunnie Cork University Hospital, Dept. of Anaesthesia J Gardiner Jervis Street Hospital Trust C McDowell National Maternity Hospital, Dept. of Anaesthesia Rotunda Hospital, Dept. of Anaesthesia St. Vincent's Hospital, Dept. of Anaesthesia
Gold	(€25,000 and above) B Braun Medical GlaxoSmithKline Pfizer Healthcare	(€1,000 and above) J Cahill P Connolly P Doherty R Dwyer H Fee E Glynn V Hannon J Johnson J Kennedy B Kinirons D Lowe J Magner J McAdoo J Moriarty D Moriarty I Orr E O'Leary E O'Sullivan K O'Sullivan D Phelan C Power A Sharkey Western Anaesthesia Society
Silver	(€10,000 and above) Armstrong Medical Johnston & Johnston Oxygen Care	(€500 and above) I Bali Beaumont Hospital, Dept. of Anaesthesia AJ Cunningham K Fitzpatrick D Hill J Howe P Keane N Kenny J Nolan P O'Connor J Porter Queens University Belfast, Dept. of Anaesthesia
Bronze	(€5,000 and above) Cardiac Services	(€250 and above) G Coughlan R Davys JP Newell C Motherway D O'Brien M Power A Thornberry J West

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The Dr Wallace Abbott Seminar Room

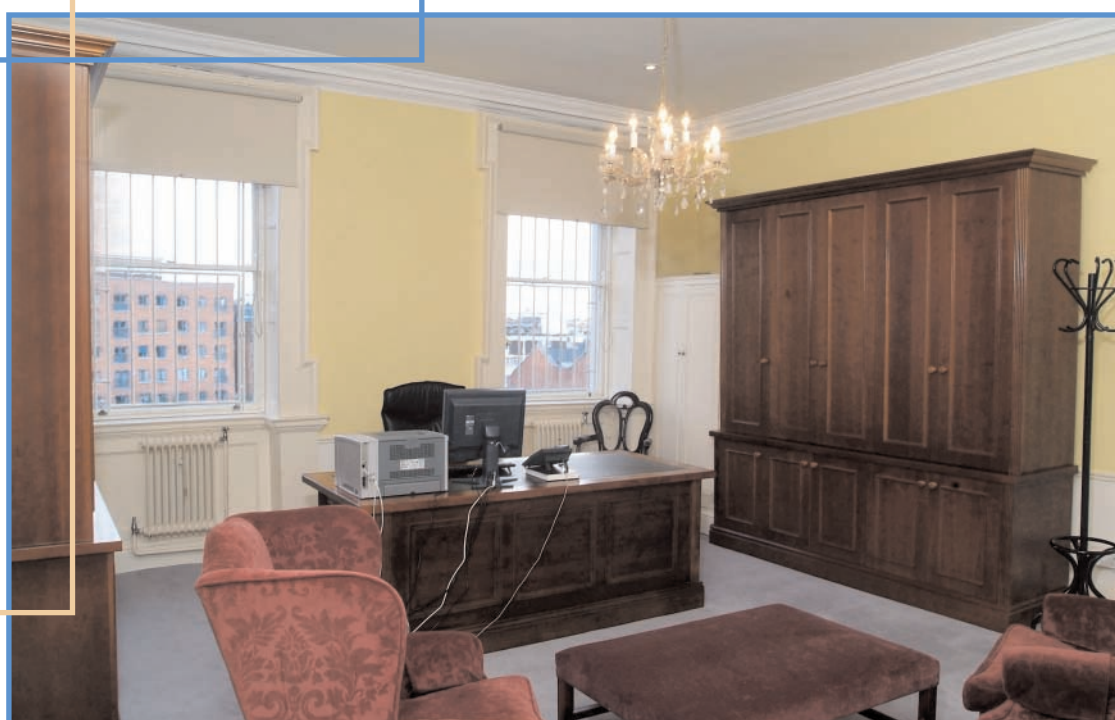


Sponsors Acknowledgements

St. Vincent's Hospital, Department of Anaesthesia Fellows Room



Dr Joe Woodcock Presidents Room



Continuing Education & Professional Development (CME)

The College's role in CME is to approve credits for educational activities of Fellows. The College also provides a CME recording facility for Fellows and credits may be submitted by paper or preferably by electronic format via the College website. The Medical Council may require the College to verify a Fellow's CME activity and may rely on College records to do so.

The annual requirement of CME credits is available on the College website (www.anaesthesia.ie) and also on the website of the Irish Medical Council (www.medicalcouncil.ie). Although this is not mandatory, at present, to remain on the Specialist Register it is likely to be so in the future.

When College CME credits are sought for education events such as conferences, courses and workshops etc. a detailed programme should be forwarded to the College in advance for approval.

Dr Sean McDevitt
CME Co-ordinator





Postgraduate Dean's Report

As in previous years, my activities on various college committees and groups continue. The committee whose business is most congruent with my work is of course the Training Committee, and in many ways my report always parallels the report of this committee. In addition I continue my work in the development of college IT structures to support the day to day administration of the college, to provide improved educational resources for college activities, and to provide information to and interaction with the outside world of our trainees and potential trainees, fellows, other professional groups and the general public.

Training

The past year has been one of consolidation in the area of training. The structures for competency based training at BST level have been in place for more than two years now, and since July 2005 the Certificate of Completion of Basic Specialist Training (CCBST) has been a prerequisite to take up a place on the National Specialist Registrar Programme. We are now examining structures for competency-based training for SpRs, and a good deal of progress has been made here. There is of course no doubt about the competence of those who receive a CST under our current training system, however we need to formalise the methods of assessment and recording of this. We need a formal record of the content of the CST in order that the worth of our trainees can be properly judged outside Ireland, and also as a template against which to judge the training and experience of doctors applying to the Medical Council for specialist registration by equivalence.

The introduction of such training systems is labour-intensive, and we are conscious of the already large workload of many of our College Tutors. Perhaps a new contract of employment might emerge wherein such activities might be properly scheduled and remunerated. The College Tutor system is also bedding down. There was a successful national meeting last April, which will be repeated in 2006, where I would hope to receive formal feedback of how the system has operated over the past year. At the meeting last year, Drs Frank Loughnane and Oonagh Hickey gave a presentation of a BST/Primary FCA teaching programme and materials, which was being introduced in the Southern Region. Arising out of this, several hospital departments around the country have been approached to contribute modules to this programme, and we would hope to have some of these presented at the next Tutor's meeting. At the last meeting, Professor Fee also announced an educational support grant by the College for each tutor.

Eligibility for entry to the TRAS Exemption Scheme (the old Section 7.6 scheme) has been tightened considerably following discussion with the Medical Council. Candidates may now be sponsored solely by the College, must now have at least three years formal training in anaesthesia outside Ireland, must have passed the Primary FCARCSI or equivalent, must have gained at least band 7 in each section of the International English Language Testing System, and must have a written report of interview by a council member or Presidential appointee.

Drs Ken Lowry, Liam Conroy and I have run a new interactive format course for the Overseas Qualifying Exam in Oman on three occasions so far. This has proved very popular and as a consequence the same course was also recently run by us in Dublin for Primary FCARCSI candidates, and again was apparently well received. I also continue to organise the Beginners Course aimed at the Initial Test of Competence, and the introductory session for trainees new to anaesthesia.

Towards the end of 2004, the College was successful in gaining funding from the Department of Health and Children for four education projects. Two of these were generic and funded through the Joint Committee of Postgraduate Medical Training Bodies, and two were specific to the College. The college specific projects comprised a pilot project on video web streaming of expert lectures, and the production of an interactive CD-ROM for self-learning of the basic principles of clinical research. Both of these have been successfully completed and will be generally available soon. The generic projects comprised a "Training the Trainers" course and a course on the basic principles of evidence-based medicine entitled "Addressing Medical Questions". The training course was implemented successfully having run once and is scheduled again for March 2006.



Unfortunately due to the ambitious scope of the AMQ course, it could not be completed within the DOHC time limits, with consequent withdrawal of 60,000 funding. However at the eleventh hour we were successful in regaining all this funding for a project entitled "Design Based Medical Training" spearheaded by Professor George Shorten.

Information Technology

Following the disruptions of 2004/5, the new college-based servers are working well and provide serving for a college intranet, email, website and databases. Work continued throughout the year on the implementation of the integrated QuercusPlus database provided by CampusIT. All college data from the college's previous several databases is now held in this single database, and all new data generated has been entered into it exclusively since December 16th. There is still some work outstanding, specifically the implementation of the Trainee Rotation system, and further integration of substituent parts of the database.

The College's new website, www.anaesthesia.ie, has been live since the middle of 2005. This is providing valuable information on College activities, courses and examinations, documents, regulations and requirements to Fellows, Trainees and the public. It also serves as the point of communication for some of the substituent courses of the MSc Anaesthesia degree. There remain one or two elements to be implemented; work is ongoing on the login system for trainees and fellows, on which is dependant the confidential CME recording systems, and the privileged access to the streamed expert lectures mentioned previously. Further planned development of the site will include the incorporation of a virtual learning environment, which will greatly simplify the setting up, administration and assessment of interactive web-based courses, such as some of those within the MSc.

Dr Ian Surgeon
Postgraduate Dean



Fellowship of the College of Anaesthetists Conferees May 2005



Certificate of Specialist Training in Anaesthesia to Include Intensive Care Medicine & Pain Medicine (CST's) Conferees



Winter College Lecture 2005

Professor Monty Mythen being presented with a College medal for delivering the Winter College Lecture on Friday, 18th November 2005



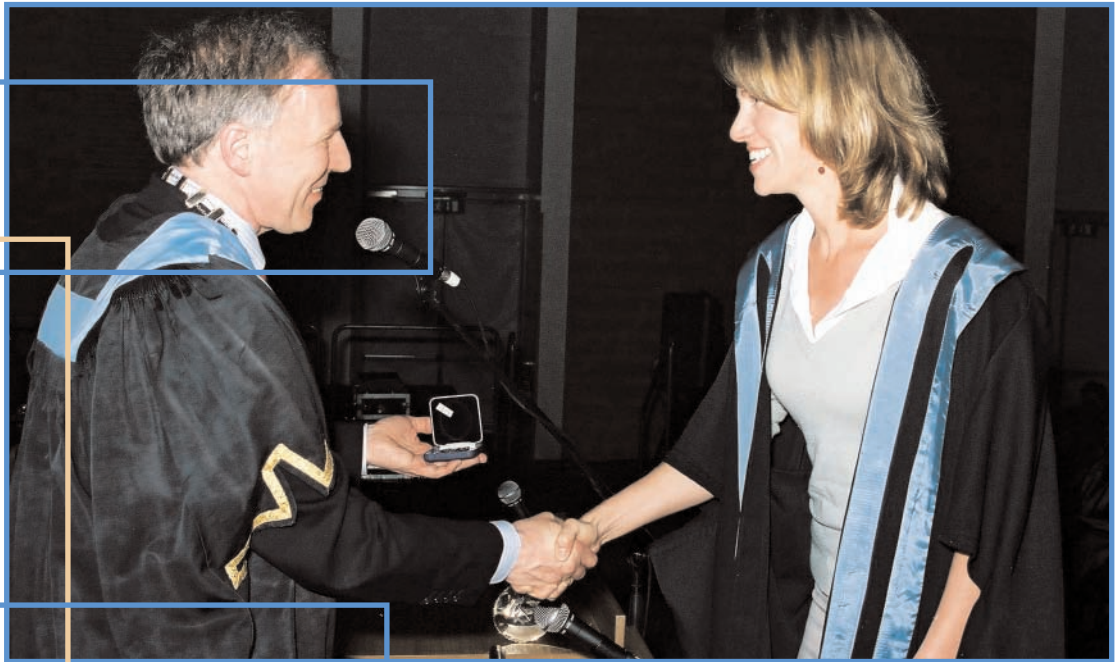
Title: Are your gasses flowing freely? (GI Tract Dysfunction in the Surgical Patient)
Author: Monty G Mythen MD, FRCA Portex Professor of Anaesthesia and Critical Care. e.mail: m.mythen@ich.ucl.ac.uk
Institution: University College London, UK

GlaxoSmithKline Medal Presentation - Friday, 18th November 2005



Dr Joseph Tracey, Mr Cormac Carey (GSK) and Dr Grainne McDermott

Title: Anaesthesia for caesarean section in a case of Spina Bifida and Pierre-Robin sequence
Author: Drs G McDermott, R O'Donoghue, M Murray, CA Daly and C McCaul
Presenter: Dr Grainne McDermott
Institution: Waterford Regional Hospital



Professor Howard Fee presenting Dr Róisín Ní Mhuircheartaigh with the William and Jane Brophy Prize medal for first place in the Final FCA examination in October 2004



Professor Fee presenting Dr Chetana Kataria with a medal for first place in the Primary FCA Examination in Spring 2005



Professor Carol Black, President Royal College of Physicians of London being presented with a medal for giving the Gilmartin Lecture at the Annual Scientific Meeting in O'Reilly Hall on Thursday, 12th May 2005.



Professor George M Hall, newly conferred Honorary Fellow being presented with his parchment by Professor Howard Fee



Professor Harald Breivik, newly conferred Honorary Fellow being presented with his parchment by Professor Howard Fee



Elections to Council & Council Members



Council elections were held on Tuesday, 10th May 2005. 248 votes were received, of which 244 were counted and 4 were ineligible. Drs John Cooper, John Goodbody and John R McCarthy acted as scrutineers and Professor Fee and Dr Moriarty were in attendance. Drs John Loughrey, Sean McDevitt, Eleanor O'Leary, Ellen O'Sullivan and Jeremy Smith were elected. New members attended their first Council meeting on 17th June 2005.

The Council of the College of Anaesthetists 2005/2006 at present is constituted as follows:

Officers	Attendance at Council Meetings	Term of Office
Professor Howard Fee, President	6	1999 - 2004
Dr James Gardiner, Vice President	4	2000 - 2005
Dr Katrina O'Sullivan, Honorary Treasurer	6	2001 - 2006
Dr Brian Marsh, Honorary Secretary	5	2002 - 2007
Dr William Blunnie	6	2003 - 2008
Dr Rory Dwyer	5	1997 - 2007
Dr Harry Frizelle	5	2004 - 2009
Dr Philip Hawthorne	3	2003 - 2008
Dr David Hill	4	2004 - 2009
Dr John Loughrey	3	2005 - 2010
Dr Kenneth G Lowry	5	2002 - 2007
Dr John McAdoo	6	1999 - 2009
Dr Sean McDevitt	3	2005 - 2010
Dr Jeanne Moriarty	5	1998 - 2009
Dr Catherine Motherway	5	2002 - 2007
Dr Eleanor O'Leary	5	2005 - 2010
Dr Ian Orr	5	2001 - 2006
Dr Ellen O'Sullivan	5	2005 - 2010
Dr Jeremy Smith	3	2005 - 2010
Dr Joseph Tracey	3	2001 - 2006

Council Meetings Held

11th May 2005, 17th June 2005, 30th September 2005, 16th December 2005, 3rd March 2006, ECM 19th April 2006.

Co-Opted Members

Dr John McCaffrey, Northern Ireland Representative, Dr Brian Pickering, Anaesthetists in Training in Ireland and Mr Paul McLaughlin.

Honorary Officers & Chairmen of Committees

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Dr James Gardiner
Dr Katrina O'Sullivan
Dr Brian Marsh

President
Vice President
Honorary Treasurer
Honorary Secretary

Elected Members

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Dr Ellen O'Sullivan
Dr Jeremy Smith
Dr Joseph Tracey

Hospital Inspections Co-ordinator
Chairman, Credentials Committee
Secretary Education Committee
Chairman IT Committee (Webmaster)
Chairman Pain Committee
Secretary Credentials Committee
Director MSc Programme
Chairman Examinations Committee
Continuing Medical Education
Membership Secretary
Chairman National Training Committee
Assistant Director MSc Programme
Secretary Finance Committee
Chairman Primary FCA Examination
Secretary National Training Committee
Chairman Education Committee

Co-Opted Members

Professor Anthony J Cunningham
Dr Brian Pickering
Mr Paul McLaughlin
Dr Ian Surgeon

Chairman Overseas Education Programme
Anaesthetists in Training representative
Lay Representative
Postgraduate Dean

Committees

