Editorial

Temporal Bone Dissection

It is with pleasure that this month we are publishing two Review Articles on the subject of the preparation of temporal bones for display. Both papers compliment each other and will hopefully become definitive guides to temporal bone preparation.

The need for good temporal bone tuition was shown last year in Istanbul at the World Congress of Otolaryngology, Head and Neck Surgery where the Glasgow temporal bone team daily demonstrated to an overflowing audience the skills which they have taught over many years. In the UK great encouragement has been given to trainees in Otolaryngology by the introduction of the Down's Temporal Bone Dissection Prize now in its twelfth year.

Temporal bone dissection is essential for the safer practice of otological surgery. The presentation and display of such work is not only gratifying for the individual but provides a valuable teaching tool and demonstration of the intricacy of otology.