European Tinnitus Course returns a seven-year hiatus

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The British Tinnitus Association (BTA) are proud and excited to be involved in bringing back the acclaimed European Tinnitus Course after a seven-year hiatus. The 29th running of the course will feature a world class faculty, and a superb, modern venue.

Developed by Dr Ross Coles in the late 1970's, the European Tinnitus Course is one of the longest running tinnitus courses in the world. However, the content has been completely revised and refreshed, reflecting the many discoveries and innovations in this rapidly developing field.

Presenting modern concepts and management of tinnitus and hyperacusis in a multidisciplinary, evidence-based manner, the course will be comprised of both smaller group sessions, and traditional teaching. Over the three days of the course it will cover the following areas:

- Basic science, definitions and clinical assessment
- Mainstream treatments
- Special populations and other treatment modalities
- Research perspectives

The course is taught by leading tinnitus experts David Baguley, Beth-Anne Culhane, Don McFerran and Laurence McKenna, who between them have clinical and research experience, and are able to synthesise these in a comprehensible and compelling manner. The European Tinnitus Course is aimed at healthcare professionals in audiology, psychology, ENT and audiovestibular medicine, who have already acquired their basic proficiencies but are wishing to specialise in tinnitus or who wish to take their tinnitus knowledge to the next level. The course is also relevant to scientists undertaking research in the field of tinnitus and hyperacusis.

Comments Beth-Anne Culhane, ”This course is suitable for audiologists who see patients with tinnitus and want to build on their knowledge and clinical skills. The course will leave you feeling more confident to help the people who come to see you.”

The course will be held 7-9 June 2018 at The Studio, 51 Lever Street, Manchester M1 4FN and will cost £650 per person. NHS staff may be eligible for a BTA bursary towards the course fee.

If you would like to find out more, please contact Marcus Bowen on 0114 250 9933 or marcus@tinnitus.org.uk to register your interest or visit www.tinnitus.org.uk/event/eurotc

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Editors Notes

Images and interviews with the faculty can be provided

The British Tinnitus Association (BTA) is an independent charity which supports thousands of people who experience tinnitus and advises medical professionals from across the world.

The BTA is the primary source of support and information for people with tinnitus in the UK, facilitating an improved quality of life.

They aim to encourage prevention through its educational programme and to seek effective treatment for tinnitus through a medical research programme.

The support the BTA offers to over 360,000 people per year who are affected by tinnitus is reliant upon the generous donations of their supporters and fundraisers. They receive no government support and need to raise half a million pounds each year to continue their UK wide support. Donations can be made via www.justgiving.com/BTA

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Not an illness or disease, tinnitus is a term that describes the sensation of hearing a noise in the absence of an external sound. The noise can have virtually any quality. Ringing, whistling, and buzzing are common, but more complex sounds may also be reported. Troublesome tinnitus can be very distressing for the affected individual, and issues may arise with sleep, concentration and mood. However, in many cases, subtle changes in people's environment can address these issues, and improve quality of life.

The experienced team at the BTA understands the impact that tinnitus can have on the lives of those who experience tinnitus and those who live with them, so seeks to provide the most appropriate and expert advice and information free of charge – via a confidential freephone helpline on 0800 018 0527 and online at www.tinnitus.org.uk. The BTA can also post printed and audio information and advice.

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