



Monthly Newsletter

September 2025



Register now for the Regional Meeting

Held at the Belfry Hotel & Resort, Birmingham

The BES Regional Meeting is set to be held at the Belfry Hotel & Resort, Birmingham, Friday 21 – Saturday 22 November 2025.

The programme offers 10 hours of verifiable CPD, with a mix of outstanding international speakers, a trade show, and social events. All of this is in the beautiful setting of the Belfry Hotel, so why not [join us for an engaging endodontic educational experience](#), and enjoy some rest and relaxation while you're there.



Dentistry Show London

British Endodontic Society Speakers



Phillip Tomson: 3rd October

- ⌚ 12:15 - 13:00, Specialty Interest Theatre
Lecture Managing the diseased pulp: a new dawn for vital pulp therapy!
- ⌚ 14:00 - 15:30, North Gallery Room 8
Hands-on Workshop on the topic of Vital Pulp Therapy



Sadia Niazi: 4th October

- ⌚ 12:30 - 13:15, Specialty Interest Theatre
Lecture Endodontic-periodontal interface: the dilemma of diagnosis, prognosis and clinical management

Hear from the experts at Dentistry Show London

Join us for lectures and workshops from BES speakers

Join us at Dentistry Show London on 3-4 October to hear from BES president Phillip Tomson, who is presenting a lecture and hands-on workshop on the topic of vital pulp therapy, and BES council member Sadia Niazi, for her lecture on the endodontic-periodontal interface.

This is a great opportunity to further your knowledge of endodontics from the experts.

[Find out more](#)



ESE Congress 2025

Held in Paris in collaboration with Société Française d'Endodontie

This month, many of our BES Council attended the European Society of Endodontology Biennial Congress in Paris.

It was great to connect with so many of our membership who attended our BES Drinks Reception, fast becoming a popular tradition at the Congress. We were pleased to present Professor Hal Duncan with an acknowledgement of the tremendous success of the IEJ this year in getting to 3rd in the ranking of Dental Journals and raising the IF to 7.1.

Additionally, Dr Phil Tomson delivered a Pre-Congress Workshop on the topic of Vital Pulp Therapy, whilst Dr Maria Lessani and working groups presented the ongoing work of the society in standards for endodontics for foundation dentists and trauma guidance for the public.



"Excellent pain management is a key pillar of dentistry and endodontics, so I'm honoured to have the opportunity of having two lectures at the meeting — one will be on anaesthesia and the other on analgesia."

"In both lectures we will identify the reasons why it's sometimes difficult to achieve profound anaesthesia and provide adequate pain control post-operatively. We'll also review evidence-based strategies for how to overcome these challenges. It's my hope that every participant in the meeting will gain knowledge, learn new clinical tips that can be readily applied in the clinic to overcome these challenges, and provide painless treatment for their patients."

Professor Anibal Diogenes

Hear from Professor Anibal Diogenes in Birmingham

"A bostin' guide to preventing a bawlin'"

Professor Anibal Diogenes will be presenting two sessions at the upcoming [Regional Meeting this November](#), discussing pain management.

"Please join the meeting, I hope to see you there. Also, if you haven't joined the British Endodontic Society yet, I highly encourage you to do so – it's a wonderful way to visit old friends and make new ones, make new connections, and get new knowledge."

"To pack or not to pack? That is the question! For decades, endodontics has been defined by one obsession: how to fill the root canal. For decades we have compacted gutta percha layer after layer, believing it was the gold standard. But today, bioceramics are re-shaping the landscape. What about biological obturation, preserving pulp vitality and even revitalisation? Are we still filling canals, or are we entering into a new era of filling?"



Professor Stéphane Simon

Session presented by Professor Stéphane Simon

"Obturation: To pack or not to pack? That is the question!"

Professor Stéphane Simon is set to present a session at the Belfry Hotel & Resort this November. Join us for this excellent opportunity to expand your knowledge of endodontics. [Don't forget to register!](#)



Attend Marcela Salamanca's Table Clinic

***“Autotransplantation, when and how!
Making the most of biologically
available tissues.”***

“We will cover when to undertake this type of procedure by discussing different clinical scenarios. After we decide when to complete this type of treatment, we will go through the step-by-step process, including all of the digital planning and 3D printing – we will discuss why it's so important to have a 3D guide. The best part is that you're going to be able to interact, ask questions, and see how predictable this treatment is.”

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World
Endodontic
Day
16th October 2025

IFEA International Federation of Endodontic Associations



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Endodontic Associations

GLOBAL ENDODONTIC SYMPOSIUM



Free live telecast
to all 49 member countries
of IFEA



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Prof. José F. Siqueira Jr, DDS, MSc, PhD
Grande Rio University, Brazil

CHALLENGES AND STRATEGIES
TO DISINFECT THE APICAL CANAL ZONE

Dr. Jeeraphat Jantarat
Mahidol University, Thailand

REGENERATIVE ENDODONTICS: PAST LESSONS,
CURRENT PRACTICE, AND FUTURE VISIONS

IFEA Global Endodontic Symposium 16th October 2025

The International Federation of Endodontic Associations (IFEA) invites you to join them in celebrating World Endodontic Day on 16th October 2025 to highlight the contributions made by endodontists and dentists to save teeth.

To mark the day, the IFEA is hosting an online Global Endodontic Symposium, delivered by Prof José F. Siqueira Jr and Dr Jeeraphat Jantarat. A pre-registration is mandatory to attend the event, with registration closing on 15th October at 12:00 GMT.

Register today!

The sad passing of Doug Pitman

It is with deep sadness that we share the news of the passing of Doug Pitman our dear colleague and friend who passed away on Saturday 6 September 2025

Doug will be remembered by many of us as one of the first distributors of the operating microscope in the UK championing its use since the early 1990s. He was very well known in endodontic circles and an enormously enthusiastic, kind and warm person that was part of our endodontic meetings in the UK and Europe for decades.

Chris Emery, a good friend of Doug's, has kindly written an obituary for Doug below. Our thoughts are with his family, friends, and all who knew him during this difficult time. We will share details regarding any memorial services or opportunities to pay tribute as we receive them.

Phil Tomson, BES President.

For those of us who trained and practised before microscopes were part of everyday endodontics, the change they brought was profound. It is hard to convey to colleagues who have never worked without one just how great the contrast was—like stepping from black and white into colour. The arrival of the operating microscope quite literally opened our eyes to what was possible.

Doug Pitman understood that potential from the outset. Having founded DP Medical in 1987 to supply optical and imaging systems for surgery, by the early 1990s he saw how the microscope could transform endodontics in the UK. Through DP Medical he became the first UK distributor of Global Surgical operating microscopes, and for many of us our very first instrument—and with it, a giant step forward in practice—came from Doug.

That pioneering role made him an honorary endodontist. His DP Medical trade-stand was a fixture at BES and other meetings, where his warmth and generosity made him as much a part of the community as any clinician. He fostered friendships, encouraged innovation, and supported the specialty's growth in countless ways.

His Company grew steadily, expanding across medical fields and into theatre and imaging at scale. Even after stepping back from day-to-day leadership, Doug remained central to the company's ethos and deeply proud of the values-driven team he had built.

Away from work, Doug's passion for craftsmanship and the sea found perfect expression in Rogue, his lovingly restored 1934 P. C. Crossley-designed Bermudan sloop. In later years, even as his health declined, he continued to sail with friends—ale in hand, conversation flowing, the sea as companion. Indeed, he was out on the water the very day before he passed away.

Doug's legacy lies in more than microscopes. He changed the way many of us practise, he built a company people were proud to belong to, and he made every gathering warmer by his presence. He will be remembered with great affection and respect by colleagues and friends alike, and he will be missed at our meetings, on the water, and in our lives.

*Fair winds, Doug.
Chris Emery*

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