

The Edinburgh Parkinson's Lecture 2017

The quest to find a cure for Parkinson's disease

Mentored by a Madman: The William Burroughs experiment

Professor Andrew Lees MD, FRCP, FMedSci

**Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh
9 Queen Street, Edinburgh EH2 1JQ**

7.15 pm Wednesday 20 September 2017



Admission by ticket only

Tickets are free but advance registration is required.

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Our speaker

Professor Andrew Lees



Biography: born on Merseyside, Andrew Lees qualified in medicine at the Royal London Hospital Medical College in 1970. His postgraduate clinical training in neurology was undertaken at l'Hôpital de la Salpêtrière, Paris, University College London Hospital and the National Hospital for Neurology and Neurosurgery. At the age of thirty two he was appointed to the staff at the National, Middlesex, and Whittington Hospitals. He was appointed Professor of Neurology at the National Hospital for Neurology and Neurosurgery, Queen Square and succeeded Professor Michael Harrison as Director of the Reta Lila Weston Institute for Neurological Studies at UCL from 1998 till 2012 and was succeeded by Professor Tom Warner. He was Director of the Queen Square Brain Bank for Neurological Disorders and Sara Koe PSP Research Centres. He is Chairman of the Medical Advisory Panel of the PSP Association and an advisor to the UK Medical Research Council.

He has achieved international recognition for his work in Parkinson's disease and abnormal movement disorders and was elected President of the International Movement Disorder Society (2004-6). In 2006, he was awarded the prestigious Movement Disorders Research Award by the American Academy of Neurology which recognises an individual for outstanding work in the field of Parkinson's disease or other movement disorders for either

a single outstanding contribution or for lifetime achievement. The following year he was elected Fellow of the Academy of Medical Sciences and received a NIHR Senior Investigators Award in 2008.

Professor Lees is the most cited researcher in Parkinson's disease research. He is Visiting Professor to both the University of Liverpool and the Universidade Federal de Ceara, Fortaleza, Brazil and in 2010 was elected an overseas member of the Academia Nacional de Medicina, Brazil; he is also an elected overseas member of fifteen national neurological societies. He is author of a book entitled *Mentored by a Madman: the William Burroughs Experiment* from which the subtitle of the lecture is taken.

This lecture has been arranged and funded by the Edinburgh Branch of Parkinson's UK, the Lothian Parkinson's Service Advisory Group, the MRC Centre for Regenerative Medicine and the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh.

Lecture Programme

7:15pm Wednesday, 20 September 2017

Entry to the venue is from 6.00 pm.

There will be a reception with light refreshments before the lecture.

The programme will be chaired by Professor Siddharthan Chandran, MacDonald Professor of Neurology, University of Edinburgh

Welcome	Dr Conor Maguire, Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh and Consultant Geriatrician, Western General Hospital, Edinburgh
Introduction	Professor Siddharthan Chandran, MacDonald Professor of Neurology, University of Edinburgh
Lecture	Professor Andrew Lees
Questions	Dr Richard Davenport, Consultant Neurologist and Honorary Senior Lecturer, Western General Hospital and Royal Infirmary Edinburgh
Closing remarks	Katherine Crawford, Director, Parkinson's UK Scotland
Vote of thanks	Professor Ken Bowler, Chair, Edinburgh Research Interest Group

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**Mrs Liz Hume, Hon Secretary,
Edinburgh Branch, Parkinson's UK,
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Lothian Parkinson's Service Advisory Group



The Group was founded in 2007 by Parkinson's specialists to co-ordinate and develop services for people with Parkinson's in Lothian. The Chair is Dr Conor Maguire, Consultant Physician, Medicine for the Elderly at WGH Edinburgh. Pictured are the three members of the Parkinson's Specialist Nurse Team. Left to Right; Allison

Darbyshire, Alison Stewart and Tina Daniels. **Contact:** Alison Stewart, email: Parkinsons.nursespec@luht.scot.nhs.uk, tel: 0131 465 9156

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