

Proceedings of the Facial and Aesthetics Conference and Exhibition Royal College of Physicians, London, 14th–15th June

Introduction

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This supplement reports the presentations during the first F.A.C.E. (Facial Aesthetic Conference and Exhibition) meeting held at the Royal College of Physicians in London in June 2003. An international faculty presented lectures, practical live workshops and training videos to an audience of over 250 registrants.

The meeting was highly rated and discussed the latest refinements of minimally invasive facial rejuvenation stressing both the practical issues as well as the scientific basis for some of the treatments.

We plan this meeting to be an annual event.

The Ageing Face

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Rightly or wrongly, physical attractiveness confers advantages in life. Good-looking people are treated better by

- photo-ageing
- smoking
- genetic factors
- underlying diseases
- gravity
- muscle action

Table 2
Causes of premature facial ageing.



Figure 1
Premature facial ageing. Photo courtesy of NJ Lowe.

Men	Women
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• overhanging brow with deeper set eyes and a larger nose• wide nose and mouth• large lower face and jaw• squared lower face with muscular masticatory muscles	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• larger smooth forehead and smaller nose: features seen in the faces of children• eyes bigger and prominent eyelashes• more prominent cheekbones• heart-shaped taper to the jaw• plump vermillion border of the lips• smaller lower face than men

Table 1
Features of facial attractiveness in men and women.