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**SOCIETY FOR  
BACK PAIN RESEARCH**

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**Symposium  
on the  
Intervertebral  
Disc**

Royal National Orthopaedic  
Hospital, Stanmore,  
Middlesex

**Friday, 2nd November  
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10:00 Registration and Coffee  
Viewing Poster Papers

**SYMPOSIUM ON THE PATHOLOGICAL  
INTERVERTEBRAL DISC —  
Chairman Dr John Evans**

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10:30 Pathology ..... Dr R. C. HILTON  
10:45 Discussion .....  
10:55 Biomechanics ..... Dr D. HUKINS  
11:10 Discussion .....  
11:20 Biochemistry ..... Dr J. URBAN  
11:35 Discussion .....  
11:45 Discography: Technique and Provocation ..... Dr I. McCALL  
12:00 Discography: Morphology and Pressure  
Studies ..... Mr R. QUINNELL  
12:15 Discussion .....  
12:25 Clinical Implications ..... Mr J. P. O'BRIEN  
12:40 Discussion .....  
12:50 Lunch .....  
Executive Committee Meeting .....

14:00 Annual General Meeting

14:15 **POSTER DISCUSSIONS - Chairman Mr J. C. T. Fairbank**

1. Is Hard Work Good For You? ..... Mr R. W. PORTER
2. A Possible Etiology for Back Pain in Grand Prix Racing Drivers ..... Mr A. K. BURTON
3. Spinal Strain from Shopping bags with and without handles ..... Mr A. K. BURTON
4. Gravity Induced List ..... Mr R. W. PORTER
5. Lumbar Canal and Foraminal Size and their relation to restricted mobility ..... H. VANHARANTA
6. Axial Rotation & Lateral bending measured by three dimensional radiography ..... M. J. PEARCY
7. Development of in vitro method for measuring synthesis rates in the intervertebral disc ..... M. T. BAYLISS
8. A Fibrinolytic defect in chronic arachnoiditis ..... Mr I. V. JAYSON
9. Liquid Crystal Thermography and 'Bony Scatica' ..... G. H. MILLS
10. Assessment of severity and monitoring of progress of back pain episodes ..... R. S. MacDONALD
11. The Hastings Corset Shop ..... J. SHEPPERD
12. Assessment of the efficacy of an in-patient regime for sciatica ..... J. A. MATHEWS
13. Double blind controlled trial with Diclofenac Sodium (Voltaren) against placebo in treatment of low back pain ..... A. S. OMAR

**President's Guest Speaker - Chairman Mr R. C. Mulholland**  
Mr M. Sullivan - 'Pitfalls in the surgery of back pain'

15:15 16:00 Tea

16:30 Close