## Announcement/Chronique

## Congress on Computer Integrated Surgery in the Areas of the Head and Spine

September 1–5, 1997

Design Centre, Linz, Austria

In September 1997 the Society for the Advancement of Neurosurgical Science and Research, a non-profit association funded largely by Austrian neurosurgeons and neuroradiologists, is presenting an international congress on Computer Integrated Surgery in the Areas of the Head and Spine. The topics of the Congress will be of interest not only to neurosurgeons, ENT-surgeons, cranio-facial surgeons, neuroradiologists, and engineers, but to philosophers as well, as new technologies—a main issue to be addressed at the Congress—make it necessary to rethink the traditional framework of medical practice.

Topics include: Visualization, Virtual Reality, Communication, Network Solutions, Simulation/Education, Interventional MR, Computer-Assisted Surgery, Clinical Studies, Endovascular Therapy, Robotics, Telesurgery, Art, and Philosophy.

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