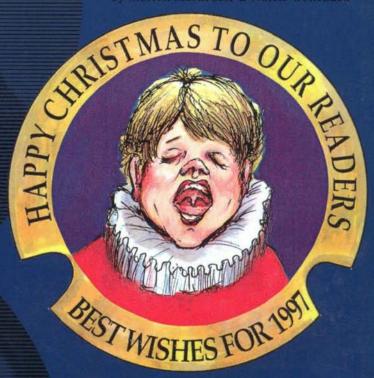
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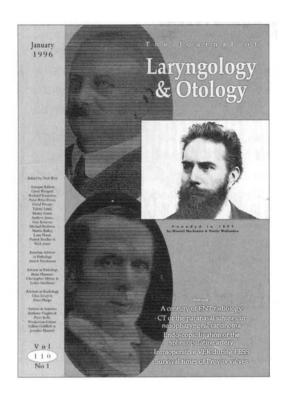
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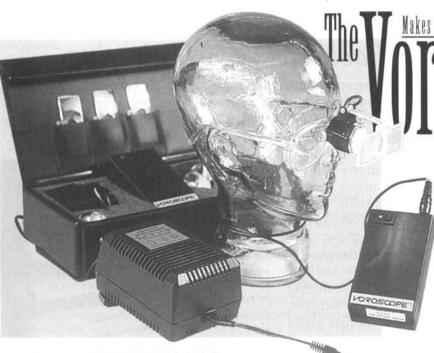
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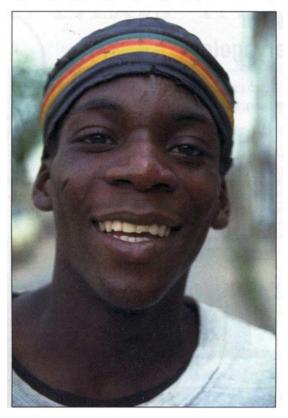
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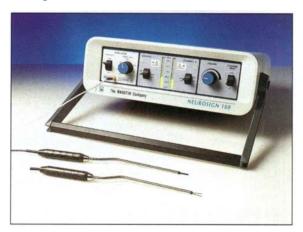
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I welcome Iain Swan who will be joining the Assistant Editors in January and I would like to thank all the Assistant Editors, Pathology, Audiology, Radiology and Statistics Advisers for all their hard work during the year.

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