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*Understanding auditory processing disorder in children, its characteristics and management*

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**Frances Searle, Room 2-107, Evanston Campus**

Melanie Ferguson is on a three year secondment at the newly established National Biomedical Research Unit for Hearing in Nottingham, UK, which is funded by the National Institute for Health Research to explore translational hearing research. She is one of the lead researchers and is currently investigating the effects of auditory training in adults with sensorineural hearing loss. She remains involved in the auditory development research with Dave Moore at the MRC Institute of Hearing Research, where she ran a large, multi-centre, population study that measured auditory processing, communication and cognitive abilities in over 1600 children, aged 6-11 years old. She will present the results from this and other auditory development and training studies carried out at IHR. She is actively involved in professional training for UK audiologists and was until recently the Chair of the British Academy of Audiology Higher Training committee.