Connecticut Society of Eye Physicians and NY State Ophthalmological Society

Virtual Scientific Regional Meeting

June 2, 2022  5:25—9:40 pm
June 9, 2022   4:55—9:00 pm

Preliminary Program & Registration Form
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Thursday, June 2, 2022

5:25 pm  Welcome Remarks & Sponsor Introductions  
Edward Lim, MD

5:30 pm  The Otherness of the Other: Elie Wiesel’s Lessons on Respect and Constructive Dialogue  
Ariel Burger, Author  
Objectives: 1. To describe new perspectives on and tools for navigating difference; 2. To review tools for engaging in dialogue across ethnic, religious, and political diversity

6:30 pm  Glaucoma - MIGS and Beyond  
Ike K. Ahmed, MD  
1. To update ideal MIGS patient selection; 2. Discuss optimal techniques and visualization for MIGS; 3) Present new MIGS technologies for the future

7:00 pm  Demystifying Dry Eye  
Deepinder K. Dhaliwal, MD, L.Ac  
Objectives: 1. Understand important history-taking for dry eye patients in order to effectively treat; 2. Learn critical exam techniques for “dry eye” patients

7:30 pm  Alcon Sponsored Talk

8:15 pm  Complicated Cataract Surgery & IOL Exchange/Secondary IOLs  
Zaina Al-Mohtaseb, MD and Cathleen M. McCabe, MD  
Objectives: 1. Learn placement of IOLs in patients with absence of capsular support; 2. Understand how to optimize the Yamane Technique; 3. Describe how to perform the Belt Loop Buckle Technique; 4. Explain how to perform cataract surgery in patients with corneal scars

8:45 pm  Genentech Sponsored Talk

9:30 pm  Door Prizes

Thursday, June 9, 2022

4:55 pm  Welcome Remarks & Sponsor Introductions  
Vincent P. deLuise, MD

5:00 pm  David Park, Sr., MD Lifetime Achievement Lecture Recipient  
Robert Ritch, MD

5:30 pm  Happiness U Curve  
Thomas A. Oetting, MD  
Objectives: 1. Describe common pattern of happiness as populations age; 2. List techniques to address work life balance

6:00 pm  B&L Storz Sponsored Talk
6:15 pm  Taming the Irreverent Iris: Cool Cases
Michael E. Snyder, MD
Objectives: 1) Recognize which iris problems are fixable and which require an iris prosthetic implant; 2) Adopt the techniques of iris cautery and sculpting and be familiar with techniques for iris suturing; 3) Develop an awareness of the uses and limitations of iris prostheses in managing significant iris deficiencies.

6:45 pm  Co-Managing Choroidal Melanomas
Basil K. Williams, Jr., MD
Objectives: 1. Identify typical regression features of choroidal melanoma; 2. Explain 2 reasons for vitreous hemorrhage in an eye with a previously treated melanoma; 3. Describe signs of choroidal melanoma recurrence

7:15 pm  Regeneron Sponsored Talk

8:00 pm  Update on Pediatric Idiopathic Intracranial Hypertension
Gena Heidary, MD, PhD
1. Describe the epidemiology of pediatric idiopathic intracranial hypertension; 2. Provide an update on the diagnostic evaluation of children with papilledema; 3. Examine visual outcomes and tools for improved management of pediatric idiopathic intracranial hypertension

8:30 pm  Vitreous Management for the Anterior Segment Surgeon: The Posterior Perspective
Christina Y. Weng, MD, MBA
Objectives: 1. Demonstrate understanding of how to best manage vitreous in common situations such as dislocated intraocular lens, posterior capsular rupture, and subluxated crystalline lens; 2. Understand how to modify various vitrectomy parameters for different surgical scenarios; 3. Know the common points in surgery where vitreous-associated complications can occur and how best to prevent them

9:00 pm  Door Prizes

Faculty

Iqbal Ike K. Ahmed, MD
Dr. Ahmed is an Assistant Professor at the University of Toronto and a Clinical Assistant Professor at the University of Utah. Dr. Ahmed has become world renowned for his skills and groundbreaking work in the diagnosis and surgical treatment of highly complex eye diseases including glaucoma and surgical complications. He is recognized as one of the most experienced complex eye surgeons in the world and has been at the leading edge of novel treatments for glaucoma, cataract, and lens implant surgery.

Dr. Ahmed is the recipient of numerous awards and honors including the prestigious Binkhorst medal at ASCRS, which has been awarded to the world’s most prominent ophthalmologists whose careers have made significant contributions to the science and practice of ophthalmology, the American Glaucoma Society Surgery Day Lecture, and the UKISCRS Pearce Medal Lecture. More recently he was recognized as the 3rd most influential ophthalmologist in the world by the news magazine The Ophthalmologist.

Dr. Ahmed received his Doctor of Medicine from the University of Toronto, Faculty of Medicine, completed his ophthalmology residency at the University of Toronto Hospitals, and completed a glaucoma and anterior segment fellowship at the John Moran Eye Center at the University of Utah.

Zaina Al-Mohtaseb, MD
Dr. Al-Mohtaseb is an Associate Professor of Ophthalmology and Associate Residency Director at Baylor College of
Dr. Al-Mohtaseb earned her medical degree with honors from Baylor College of Medicine. She completed her ophthalmology residency at the Cullen Eye Institute at Baylor College of Medicine and was elected Chief Resident in her final year of training. She finished her training at the University of Miami’s Bascom Palmer Eye Institute with a fellowship in cornea/external disease, cataract and refractive surgery.

**Areil Burger**
Ariel Burger is the author of the Publisher’s Lunch Club book, Indie Buzz Book selection, and National Jewish Book Award winner, *Witness: Lessons from Elie Wiesel’s Classroom*. He is the founding director and senior scholar of The Witness Institute, whose mission is to empower emerging leaders, inspired by the life and legacy of Elie Wiesel. He is an author, teacher, and artist whose work integrates spirituality, the arts, and strategies for social change. An Orthodox-trained Rabbi, Mr. Burger received his PhD in Jewish Studies and Conflict Resolution under Elie Wiesel and served as his Teaching Fellow from 2003-2008. He facilitates workshops for educators, consults to non-profits, and serves as scholar/artist-in-residence for institutions around the US.

**Deepinder K. Dhaliwal, MD, L.Ac**
Dr. Dhanial is a Professor of Ophthalmology at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine, Director of Refractive Surgery, and Director of the Cornea Service at the UPMC Eye Center. Dr. Dhaliwal also serves as the director of the UPMC Laser Vision Center, Associate Medical Director of the Campbell Ophthalmic Microbiology Laboratory, and has recently been appointed as Director of the Corneal Stem Cell Task Force at the University of Pittsburgh.

Dr. Dhanial earned her medical degree from Northwestern University and completed her residency in ophthalmology at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center followed by fellowship training in cornea and refractive surgery at the University of Utah. She became a licensed acupuncturist in 2006 and founded the Center for Integrative Eye Care at the University of Pittsburgh to research integrative treatments for eye disease.

**Gena Heidary, MD, PhD**
Dr. Heidary is an Associate Professor in Ophthalmology at Harvard Medical School, Director of the Pediatric Neuro-ophthalmology service at Boston Children’s Hospital, and the Fellowship Director for Pediatric Ophthalmology at Boston Children’s. Dr. Heidary has served as the Director for the Consortium of Pediatric Neuro-ophthalmologists, a national and international organization dedicated to forwarding the field of pediatric neuro-ophthalmology through collaborative clinical and research endeavors.

She received her MD, PhD in Neuroscience from the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine and completed her ophthalmology residency at Harvard Medical School. She is dually fellowship trained having completed a fellowship in Pediatric Ophthalmology and Adult Strabismus at Boston Children’s Hospital and a second fellowship in neuro-ophthalmology at Massachusetts Eye and Ear. Dr. Heidary’s clinical work focuses on pediatric neuro-ophthalmology and the management of pediatric and adult strabismus. Her primary research interests focus on improving treatment and management of pediatric neuro-ophthalmic disease.

**Cathleen M. McCabe, MD**
Dr. McCabe is Chief Medical Officer at Eye Health America™. She is one of the foremost eye surgeons today, specializing in bladeless laser cataract surgery and LASIK at The Eye Associates in Sarasota, Florida. She has performed over 50,000 cataract surgeries and more than 17,000 LASIK procedures.

Dr. McCabe has received numerous distinctions for her work in Ophthalmology, including being selected by Castle Connolly as recipient of the first Exceptional Women In Medicine Award (2017 to 2020), being named to the OSN Premier Surgeon 300 List and 250 List of Leading Innovators in Premium IOL Cataract Surgery, and selection as a LASERVISION Top 100 LASIK Surgeon. She received the AAO Achievement and Secretariat Awards, is President of the Outpatient Ophthalmic Surgery Society, Chair of the Refractive Surgery Clinical Committee and member of the Board of ASCRS.
Dr. McCabe received her medical degree from the Medical College of Wisconsin and received her residency training at Bascom Palmer Eye Institute at the University of Miami’s School of Medicine. She continues to share her expertise by publishing articles and book chapters as well as lecturing at national and international ophthalmological seminars.

**Thomas A. Oetting, MD**

Dr. Oetting is Clinical Professor of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, Rodolfo N. Perez, Jr., MD and Margaret Perez Professor in Ophthalmology Education, and Ophthalmology Residency Program Director at University of Iowa. He also serves as Chief of Ophthalmology at the Iowa City VAMC. He earned his medical degree from Duke University and did his ophthalmology residency at University of Iowa.

Dr. Oetting has won several teaching awards including the ASCRS 2021 Educator Award, the Iowa Resident Teaching Award (five times), the inaugural ASCRS Education Award, the Iowa Provost and President Teaching Award, the American Academy of Ophthalmology/Association of University Professors of Ophthalmology Straatsma Award, and the AAO Achievement and Senior Achievement Awards. He served as Trustee at Large on the AAO Board of Trustees, and President of the AUPO Program Directors Council.

**Robert Ritch, MD**

Dr. Ritch holds the Shelley and Steven Einhorn Distinguished Chair in Ophthalmology and is Surgeon Director Emeritus and Chief of Glaucoma Services Emeritus at New York Eye & Ear Infirmary of Mount Sinai. While a fellow in 1978, he performed the first laser iridotomy in New York and initiated the first course on laser treatment of glaucoma at the AAO Meeting.

He received his M.D. from Albert Einstein College of Medicine and, after an internship at St. Vincent’s Medical Center and a residency in Ophthalmology at Mount Sinai School of Medicine, received fellowships in glaucoma from the Heed Foundation and the National Institutes of Health.

Major interests throughout his career include pigment dispersion syndrome, exfoliation syndrome, and normal-tension glaucoma, to which he has made seminal contributions. He is a world leader in exfoliation syndrome, and has started a global consortium to work on preventing, reversing, and even curing this disease. Dr. Ritch has co-authored or edited nine textbooks and over 2000 medical and scientific papers, book chapters, articles and abstracts. He has presented more than 750 lectures worldwide, including 50 named lectures.

He has been President of the Ophthalmic Laser Surgical Society, New York Glaucoma Society, New York Academy of Medicine Section on Ophthalmology, and New York Society for Clinical Ophthalmology. He has also served on numerous medical and scientific advisory, editorial, and organizational boards.

He is recipient of the Heed Ophthalmic Foundation Ophthalmologist of the Year Award, Gold Medal of Merit and Honor (Greece), Ophthalmology Times Achievement in Ophthalmology Award, Louis Rudin Award for research in ophthalmology, Jesse H. Neal Award for Editorial Achievement. Albion O. Bernstein, MD Award for outstanding contributions to medicine, AAO Lifetime Achievement Honor Award, Leadership in Education in Ophthalmology Award, Dean’s Distinguished Research Award from the New York Medical College, The Glaucoma Foundation Award for Innovation and Excellence in Glaucoma, the TKC Liu Memorial Award for Leadership in Ophthalmology, Ronald F. Lowe Gold Medal of the Australia-New Zealand Ophthalmology Society, Dominick Purpura Distinguished Alumnus Annual Award from Albert Einstein College of Medicine, ARVO Distinguished Service Award, ARVO Gold Fellowship, HRH Prince Abdulaziz Al-Saud Prevention of Blindness Award, Ahti Tarkkanen Medal (Finland), Jose Rizal International Medal, El-Maghraby International Achievement Award, the inaugural Asia-Pacific Glaucoma Society International Achievement Award, the World Glaucoma Association Recognition Award, Moacyr Alvaro Gold Medal (Brazil) and the Joanne Angle ARVO Service Award.

Dr. Ritch has trained over 160 clinical and research fellows, many of whom occupy academic positions worldwide. The international training program that he established at the New York Eye and Ear Infirmary has hosted over 120 International Council of Ophthalmology fellows and more than 150 observers from over 50 countries. He has worked and lectured extensively at the international level throughout his career and has organized many symposia.
and conferences both in the US and abroad. He helped to establish residency and teaching programs and has made fundamental contributions to the modernization of ophthalmology in Thailand, Malaysia, the Philippines, Laos, Myanmar and other countries in Asia and in Latin America.

**Michael E. Snyder, MD**

Dr. Snyder earned his medical degree from University of Michigan, followed by his ophthalmology residency at Krieger Eye Institute of Sinai Hospital of Baltimore where he served as Chief Resident. He then pursued subspecialty training in cataract, anterior segment & refractive surgery, corneal and external diseases, and ocular immunology at New England Eye Center and Ophthalmic Consultants of Boston.

His special interests include traumatic cataract surgery, iris repair, corneal transplantation, and refractive surgery. Along with Dr. Robert Osher, he pioneered artificial iris prosthesis use in the US, aiding in the rehabilitation of acquired traumatic iris defects or congenital iris defects such as aniridia and ocular albinism.

He is on the medical staff of Bethesda North Hospital in Ohio and St. Luke’s and St. Elizabeth’s Hospitals in Northern Kentucky. Dr. Snyder teaches residents locally as a Volunteer Assistant Professor of Ophthalmology at University of Cincinnati.

**Christina Y. Weng, MD, MBA**

Dr. Weng is an Associate Professor of Ophthalmology and the Vitreoretinal Diseases & Surgery Fellowship Program Director at the Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. She has a faculty appointment at the Level 1 trauma center, Ben Taub General Hospital.

Dr. Weng attended medical school at the University of Michigan. While in Ann Arbor, she pursued an MBA degree from the University of Michigan-Ross School of Business and graduated with high distinction. Dr. Weng completed her ophthalmology residency at Wilmer Eye Institute-Johns Hopkins University, and surgical retina fellowship at Bascom Palmer Eye Institute-University of Miami.

Dr. Weng is involved with multiple clinical trials including the DRCR Retina Network diabetic retinopathy trials and the AGTC Phase 1/2 subretinal gene therapy study for achromatopsia. She also leads numerous research studies in her areas of interest: clinical/surgical outcomes, medical economics, healthcare quality metrics, and telemedicine. Dr. Weng serves on the Board of Directors of the American Society of Retina Specialists, American Society of Cataract & Refractive Surgery, and Women in Ophthalmology.

**Basil K. Williams, Jr., MD**

Dr. Williams is the Mary Knight Asbury Chair of Ocular Oncology, the Director of Ocular Oncology and an Assistant Professor in the Department of Ophthalmology at the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine. He is the Director of the Retinoblastoma Program at Cincinnati Children’s Hospital Medical Center, and he is part of the vitreoretinal service at Cincinnati Eye Institute. His research interests pertain to health care disparities, adult and pediatric surface and intraocular tumors, and vitreoretinal surgical topics.

Dr. Williams is a graduate of The Chicago Medical School. He completed both his residency and vitreoretinal fellowship at Bascom Palmer Eye Institute. He continued his training to complete an ocular oncology fellowship at Wills Eye Hospital.

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