

9TH ANNUAL Retina Fellows' Forum

Dear Senior Retina Fellow,

You are invited to attend the 9th Annual Retina Fellows' Forum. The Fellows' Forum is an educational and social experience that we hope will be a valued part of the fellowship experience for years to come. It is scheduled so it does not conflict with major holidays or major ophthalmology meetings.

Goals of the meeting

- Provide an intensive review of current vitreoretinal treatments
- Allow fellows to meet and interact with their peers
- Encourage research
- Introduce fellows to industry

The format is informal, with lectures, case presentations and panel discussions led by a voluntary faculty of members of the American Society of Retina Specialists (ASRS). Fellows are encouraged to actively participate in the discussion.

We look forward to seeing you at the Fellows' Forum in Chicago.



Carl C. Awh, MD
Program Director

ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

Carl C. Awh, MD, Course Director
Tarek S. Hassan, MD & David R. Chow, MD,
Course Co-Directors

FEATURED GUEST SPEAKER

Julia A. Haller, MD
Wills Eye Institute; Philadelphia, PA
"RetinoVitreous Humor"

FACULTY

Carl C. Awh, MD, Nashville, TN
Brandon Busbee, MD, Nashville, TN
Tom S. Chang, MD, Pasadena, CA
David R. Chow, MD, FRCS(C), Toronto, Canada
Diana V. Do, MD, Baltimore, MD
Tarek S. Hassan, MD, Royal Oak, MI
Peter K. Kaiser, MD, Cleveland, OH
John S. Pollack, MD, Chicago, IL

ASRS ENDORSEMENT

The Fellows' Forum is endorsed by the American Society of Retina Specialists, and should be distinguished from the ever-increasing number of "fellows' meetings" with

MEETING INFORMATION



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CHICAGO, IL

single company sponsors. Although Bausch & Lomb is our major corporate sponsor, other companies generously contribute time, money, and equipment to ensure the meeting's success. No company has any direct input or influence on our meeting agenda, and we are deliberate in our efforts to present balanced arguments and approaches.

WHO MAY ATTEND?

Only North American vitreoretinal fellows in their final year of training are invited. Fellows may attend the meeting only once. Spouses and/or guests are not invited to attend the meeting or social events in order to maximize the opportunity for fellows to interact with each other and with the faculty. Attendance is limited to the first 90 registrants.

REGISTRATION

All costs for meeting registration, meeting meals and hotel will be covered and each attendee will be reimbursed up to \$300 in travel expenses. *Registration deadline is December 19, 2008!*

AWARDS AND PRIZES

More reasons to attend this great meeting!

The Bausch & Lomb Fellows' Forum Research Award

This award is presented for outstanding original research by a senior fellow. The winner will be invited to present his/her work as a specially recognized paper at the 27th Annual Meeting of the ASRS. The

winner also receives free meeting registration plus an unrestricted \$1,500 travel grant. (Application is on the registration form.)

American Retina Foundation Award

A \$2,000 travel grant to attend the 27th Annual Meeting of the ASRS will be presented by the American Retina Foundation to a randomly selected fellow. You must be present to win.

A free Synergetics surgical instrument

Synergetics will present an engraved surgical instrument to each meeting attendee (up to \$2,500 value).

Free instruments donated by Dutch Ophthalmic USA

Two fellows will be randomly selected to receive free instruments. No skill required but you must be present to win. *Additional awards and prizes will be announced at the meeting!*

PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

Friday, January 30

3:00-5:00 pm Exhibit set up
4:00-6:00 pm Registration
5:30-6:30 pm Reception / exhibits
6:30-8:30 pm Meeting
8:30-10:00 pm Dinner

Saturday, January 31

7:00-8:00 am Breakfast / exhibits
8:00-10:00 am Meeting
10:00-10:30 am Break / exhibits
10:30-12 noon Meeting
12:00-1:15 pm Lunch / exhibits
1:15-2:45 pm Meeting
2:45-3:15 pm Break / exhibits
3:15-5:30 pm Meeting
7:30-11:30 pm Dinner, awards, and bowling tournament

Sunday, February 1

7:30-9:00 am Breakfast in hotel lobby

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