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Distinguished Guest Speaker

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Dr. Abrams received his medical education at the University of Oklahoma and completed an internship at the University of Oregon Hospitals and Clinics. Following a tour of duty in the U.S. Navy as a flight surgeon, he completed a residency in Ophthalmology at the Medical College of Wisconsin in Milwaukee and a fellowship in vitreoretinal surgery at the Bascom Palmer Eye Institute of the University of Miami.

Following 2 years on the faculty of the Bascom Palmer Eye Institute, he moved to The Eye Institute of the Medical College of Wisconsin in Milwaukee where he was program director of the vitreoretinal fellowship and eventually became Professor and Director of the Retina Service. Dr. Abrams was with Associated Retinal Consultants of Royal Oak, MI in 1992-93 before becoming Professor and Chair of the Department of Ophthalmology of Wayne State University at the Kresge Eye Institute in Detroit from 1994-2011.

He founded and remains the Director of the Ligon Research Center of Vision, dedicated to research to restore vision in the blind and currently focuses on optogenetic strategies for vision restoration. He remains Professor of Ophthalmology at Wayne State University and continues to teach residents and fellows, manage complicated retinal diseases and pursue research activities. Dr. Abrams is most proud of the more than 60 vitreoretinal fellows he has trained in Miami, Royal Oak and Detroit.

Dr. Abrams has more than 200 articles and book chapters in the field of vitreoretinal surgery. He has served on numerous NIH review panels and Data and Safety Monitoring Committees. He was the 2005 co-recipient of the Paul Kayser International Award in Retina Research and the 2015 recipient of the Pyron Award in Retina Research, both from the Retina Research Foundation. He received the Secretariat and Life Achievement Honor Awards from the American Academy of Ophthalmology. He was Trustee of the Retina Section and President of the Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology (ARVO) and represented ARVO as a Councilor for the American Academy of Ophthalmology.

He served on the Board and was President of the Association of University Professors of Ophthalmology. He served as Chairman of the ARVO Foundation for Eye Research and continues to sit on the Board of Governors; he is a current member of the Executive Committee of the Club Jules Gonin, serves on the Editorial Board of the journal Retina, and is a member of the Data and Safety Monitoring Committee of the Diabetic Retinopathy Clinical Research Network.
Friday
Jan 27

3:00-4:00 PM
Registration and Welcome Reception

3:00-10:30 PM
Exhibits

4:00-4:15 PM
Introduction
Tarek S. Hassan, MD

The AMD Debates

DEBATE #1

4:15-4:20 PM
Best Way to Treat CNV: Treat and Extend
J. Michael Jumper, MD

4:20-4:25 PM
Best Way to Treat CNV: PRN
Tamer H. Mahmoud, MD, PhD

4:25-4:30 PM
Best Way to Treat CNV: Monthly
Dean Eliott, MD

VOTE

DEBATE #2

4:30-4:35 PM
Primary Drug to Treat CNV: Avastin
Jonathan L. Prenner, MD

4:35-4:40 PM
Primary Drug to Treat CNV: Ranibizumab and/or Aflibercept
Carl C. Awh, MD

VOTE

4:40-5:10 PM
AMD Update: New Trials and The Future
Peter K. Kaiser, MD

5:10-5:20 PM
Getting Involved in the ASRS
Jill F. Blim
Executive Vice President, ASRS

5:20-5:40 PM
SPONSOR PRESENTATIONS

5:20-5:25 PM
Alcon Laboratories, Inc.

5:25-5:30 PM
Alimera Sciences

5:30-5:35 PM
ZEISS

5:35-5:40 PM
Dutch Ophthalmic USA

5:40-6:00 PM
Update on Retinal Imaging
David R. Chow, MD

6:00-6:20 PM
Tumors and a Little Peds: What Do We Have to Know?
Amy C. Schefler, MD

6:20-6:40 PM
Break

6:40-7:00 PM
Genetic Testing for AMD
Carl C. Awh, MD

7:00-7:40 PM
Surgical Video Rounds
Tamer H. Mahmoud, MD, PhD

7:40-8:00 PM
SPONSOR PRESENTATIONS

7:40-7:45 PM
Insight Instruments, Inc.

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Iridex Corporation

7:50-7:55 PM
Katalyst Surgical LLC

7:55-8:00 PM
Keeler Instruments, Inc./Volk Optical, Inc.

8:00-8:30 PM
The Retina Games: Audience and Panel Participation
Tarek S. Hassan, MD

8:30-10:30 PM
Welcome Dinner
Saturday
Jan 28

7:00-7:30 AM
Breakfast

7:00 AM-3:35 PM
Exhibits

The Retinal Detachment Debate

DEBATE #3

7:30-7:35 AM
Scleral Buckling is Vital in the Repair of Primary Rhegmatogenous Retinal Detachments – PRO
Dean Eliott, MD

7:35-7:40 AM
Scleral Buckling is Vital in the Repair of Primary Rhegmatogenous Retinal Detachments – CON
David R. Chow, MD

VOTE

7:40-8:00 AM
The Retinal Detachment Panel
J. Michael Jumper, MD

8:00-8:15 AM
The Retina Games: Audience and Panel Participation
Tarek S. Hassan, MD

8:15-8:35 AM
Retinal Vein Occlusions: Current Questions and Answers
Peter K. Kaiser, MD

8:35-9:04 AM
SPONSOR PRESENTATIONS

8:35-8:42 AM
Bausch + Lomb

8:42-8:49 AM
Regeneron Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

8:49-8:54 AM
Mallinckrodt Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

8:54-8:59 AM
OCULUS Surgical, Inc.

8:59-9:04 AM
Optos, Inc.

9:04-9:14 AM
Management of Dislocated IOLs
Jonathan L. Prenner, MD

9:14-9:45 AM
Macular Surgery Panel
J. Michael Jumper, MD

9:45-10:15 AM
Break

The Diabetic Retinopathy Debates

DEBATE #4

10:15-10:20 AM
DME is Best Treated with anti-VEGF Agents
Peter K. Kaiser, MD

10:20-10:25 AM
DME is Best Treated with Steroids
Jonathan L. Prenner, MD

VOTE

DEBATE #5

10:25-10:30 AM
I Will Treat PDR by Following Protocol S Guidelines – PRO
Tamer H. Mahmoud, MD, PhD

10:30-10:35 AM
I Will Treat PDR by Following Protocol S Guidelines – CON
Amy C. Schefler, MD

VOTE

10:35-11:05 AM
Diabetic Retinopathy: Current Questions and Answers
Tarek S. Hassan, MD

11:05-11:25 AM
Major Sponsor Presentation
Genentech, Inc.
11:25-11:30 AM
Introduction of
Gary W. Abrams, MD
Tarek S. Hassan, MD

11:30 AM-12:00 PM
Pivotal Moments in
Vitreoretinal Surgery
Gary W. Abrams, MD
Distinguished Guest Speaker

12:00-1:00 PM
Lunch

1:00-1:15 PM
The Retina Games:
Audience and Panel
Participation
Tarek S. Hassan, MD

1:15-1:35 PM
SPONSOR
PRESENTATIONS

1:15-1:20 PM
ThromboGenics, Inc.

1:20-1:25 PM
Topcon Medical Systems

1:25-1:30 PM
Vitreq USA Inc.

1:30-1:35 PM
Allergan, Inc.

1:35-2:15 PM
Vitreoretinal Surgery:
The Latest and Greatest
David R. Chow, MD

2:15-2:35 PM
Trauma
Dean Eliott, MD

2:35-2:55 PM
Endophthalmitis
Amy C. Scheffler, MD

2:55-3:25 PM
Understanding the
Most Common Unusual
Medical Conditions
Dean Eliott, MD

3:25-3:55 PM
Break

3:55-4:15 PM
Relocate to
Astor Ballroom

4:15-4:30 PM
The Retina Games:
Audience and Panel
Participation
Tarek S. Hassan, MD

4:30-6:00 PM
Starting Your Career:
The Real World
Carl C. Awh, MD

6:00-6:30 PM
Wrap Up

6:30-7:00 PM
Distribution of
Reimbursements

7:20 PM
Depart for 10Pin Bowling
Lounge from Hotel Lobby

7:30-11:00 PM
Dinner and Awards at 10Pin
12th Annual Fellows’ Forum
Bowling Tournament

Sunday
Jan 29

7:00-9:00 AM
Breakfast
(served in Lobby)
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