

ASOPRS Spring 2008 New Members



Amy M. Fowler, MD

Amy Fowler, M.D. completed her undergraduate degree at Duke University and received her medical degree from UNC School of Medicine in Chapel Hill, North Carolina. Following an internal medicine internship at Moses Cone Hospital in Greensboro, North Carolina, she completed her

residency in Ophthalmology at the Duke Eye Center. She then completed her ASOPRS fellowship at UNC under the mentorship of Jonathan Dutton, M.D., Ph.D.. She currently is an Assistant Professor of Ophthalmology at the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill. She is married to W. Craig Fowler, M.D. who is a Anterior Segment specialist on faculty at UNC. She and her husband try to spend as much time as they can at their lake house on Hyco Lake boating and waterskiing.



Parag Gandhi, MD

Parag Gandhi, MD attended Columbia College in New York City for his undergraduate years, where he obtained a BA in Economics, *cum laude*. Following his years at the Mount Sinai School of Medicine, he obtained his MD degree and left the continent to spend his Medicine internship year at the

University of Hawaii in Honolulu. There he developed his interests in outdoor recreational opportunities, as well as pursuing a career in oculoplastic surgery. This pursuit was further solidified by his mentorship during his Ophthalmology residency years back at the Mount Sinai Medical Center in NYC. He completed the ASOPRS Fellowship with Drs. Ralph Wesley, Chris Fleming, and other preceptors in Memphis and Nashville, TN, which he feels was a tremendous learning opportunity and prepared him well for his current position and practice. He is now an attending oculoplastic surgeon and Assistant Professor at the Duke Eye Center in North Carolina. His outside interests and hobbies include scuba diving, wildlife photography, and travel. He and his wife Raina have two daughters, Nysa who is 4 and Krisha who is 1.



Alon Kahana, MD, PhD

Alon Kahana, MD, PhD, is an Assistant Professor at the University of Michigan Kellogg Eye Center. He was born in Ramat Gan, Israel and immigrated to Connecticut as a teenager with his family. After obtaining a combined BA/MA in Biochemistry at Brandeis

University, *Summa Cum Laude*, he enrolled as a Medical Scientist Training Program student at The University of Chicago and received an MD and a PhD in Molecular Genetics and Cell Biology. After residency at the University of Wisconsin, he trained in oculoplastic and facial cosmetic surgery under the direction of Drs. Mark Lucarelli, Bradley Lemke, John Rose, and Cat Burkat. His ASOPRS thesis received the Marvin H. Quickert Award in 2006. He has authored over 30 peer reviewed papers, chapters and abstracts. Since joining the faculty at the University of Michigan in 2007, he has continued to study orbital neural crest stem cell biology with support from an NIH Career Development Award. Dr. Kahana is married to Heidi (Cohen) Kahana, and they have 3 children, ages 11 (Adam), 7 (Ethan) and 1 (Kyra). He enjoys family time, reading, basketball, skiing, and good coffee.



Bobby S. Korn, MD, PhD

Bobby S. Korn, M.D., Ph.D. is an Assistant Professor of Ophthalmology in the Shiley Eye Center at the University of California, San Diego School of Medicine (UCSD). Dr. Korn completed his undergraduate degree at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He then attended the

medical scientist-training program (M.D./Ph.D.) program at the University of Texas, Southwestern Medical School. He completed his ophthalmology residency at UCSD serving as the Chief Resident and completed fellowship training in Oculofacial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery at UCSD. He was the recipient of the Outstanding Research Award and Best Teaching Awards from medical students, residents and fellows. Dr. Korn is also an active researcher and has published numerous peer-reviewed articles and textbook chapters. His main research focus is orbital stem cells and thyroid-related orbitopathy. He was selected as the recipient of the Marvin H. Quickert Award for his thesis on orbital stem cells. In his free time, he is a volunteer surgeon locally and internationally. He participates in humanitarian medical missions in Thailand, Mexico, and the Philippines.



David M. Mills, MD

Dr. Mills completed his undergraduate work at Wheaton College, in Norton, Massachusetts before matriculating into the University of Michigan Medical School. Following his internship at Oakwood Hospital, he completed his ophthalmology residency at the University of Florida. Upon finishing

his ASOPRS-fellowship training in Albany, New York, he returned to his practice within Nicolitz Eye Consultants in

Jacksonville, Florida. Dr. Mills enjoys spending time with his beautiful wife, Elizabeth, and their three daughters Lauren, Ashley, and Haley. When not on the tennis courts, you may find them racing their motorcycles. Rainy days are cause for a competitive game of billiards. Dr. Mills invites you all to visit him if you're ever in Jacksonville.



John Pak, MD, PhD

John Pak, M.D., Ph.D., earned a B.A. degree from the University of California at San Diego and received his M.D. and Ph.D. degrees in the combined program at Boston University School of Medicine, concentrating in pathology and immunology. He completed a general

surgery internship at Northwestern Memorial Hospital and an ophthalmology residency at the University of Illinois Eye and Ear Infirmary. Afterwards, he completed an American Society of Ophthalmic Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery-sponsored fellowship in oculoplastic and reconstructive surgery at the University of Illinois Eye and Ear Infirmary. He is married to Dr. Jeehyun Lee, an internist and they live on the north side of Chicago with their two young children, Emilee and Cate. Emilee attends Chicago City Day School, while Cate attends Chalkboard in Chicago. He has lived in many different cities as a child and, currently, his parents reside in Pinehurst, NC.



Randal T.H. Pham, MD, FACS

Randal Pham was born in Saigon, Vietnam at the start of the Vietnam War. He was raised in the Mekong delta. His paternal grandfather was the first Western trained physician of a Southern town that borders Cambodia and the Mekong River.

His grandfather's works as a town physician strongly influenced his decision to enter the medical profession years later. Living at the border he experienced first hand a variety of cultures and religions including Khmer, Hindu, Muslim, and Buddhism. The early exposure to different cultures and religions prepared him to embrace the diverse American culture when he first arrived in the United States in 1975 as a refugee from communism. He later attended UC Berkeley and went on to UCSF for medical school. He did his ophthalmology training at the Metrohealth St. Luke Medical Center in Cleveland. He completed his medical training with Sterling S. Baker, MD in oculoplastic surgery and with P. David Hunter, MD in facial plastic surgery. In 1994

he went back to California and established a busy private practice in San Jose. He was the first Vietnamese American ophthalmologist to set up a private practice in the Bay Area, which has a large Vietnamese population. His interest in battling trachoma in this population led to his extensive research work on this disease. In 2001 he published the landmark paper on laser hair removal near the eye. This paper was awarded the Best Clinical Science Award at the 21st Annual Meeting of the American Society for Laser in Medicine and Surgery. In 2002 he was awarded the Best Presentation at the International Society of Cosmetic Laser Surgeons Annual Symposium. He published several papers and book chapters on the use of laser. He also lectured nationally and internationally on the effects of laser on Asian skin. In addition to his academic interest, he was very active in community services. He has been a member of the Board of Directors of the Vietnamese Voluntary Organization (VIVO). VIVO projects ranged from youth services to senior food assistance programs. At the start VIVO served mainly the Vietnamese population in the Bay Area. At the present time VIVO provided services such as job trainings and employment preparations for refugees from all five continents.



Jennifer Sivak-Callcott, MD

Dr. Sivak-Callcott is an Associate Professor of ophthalmology at the West Virginia University Eye Institute. After completing residency at Vanderbilt University, she studied under the mentorship of Drs. Rootman, Buffam and Dolman in Vancouver, British Columbia. In 2001, she joined the faculty of West Virginia University.



Grant W. Su, MD

Dr. Grant Su earned a B.S. degree from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and received his M.D. degree at Tufts University School of Medicine. After an ophthalmology residency at the Cullen Eye Institute/Baylor College of Medicine, he completed a fellowship at the Medical College of Wisconsin with Drs. Gonnering, Harris, Hong, and Wells. Dr. Su currently serves as a Clinical Assistant Professor of Surgery at Southern Illinois University School of Medicine and is affiliated with the Springfield Clinic, a multi-specialty group practice based in Springfield, IL.