

ASOPRS 2017 NEW MEMBERS

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Meredith Saylor Baker, MD

LOCATION: Edina, MN, USA

COMPANY/INSTITUTION: Minnesota Ophthalmic Plastic Surgery Specialists; Minneapolis VA Health Care System

UNDERGRADUATE: Bachelor of Arts with High Honors in Sociology, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ

MEDICAL SCHOOL: University of Minnesota Medical School, Minneapolis, MN

RESIDENCY: University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics, Iowa City, IA

FELLOWSHIP: Keith D. Carter, MD, University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics, Iowa City, IA

OTHER MEMBERSHIP SOCIETIES: American Academy of Ophthalmology, Minnesota Academy of Ophthalmology

NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS: Alpha Omega Alpha; Award for Teaching Excellence, Minneapolis VA Health Care System; Minneapolis St. Paul Rising Star

My husband, Chris, and I have enjoyed making Minnesota our new home. When we are not working, we enjoy raising as well as playing and laughing with our two amazing daughters, Elise, 5 and Samantha, 1, traveling to see friends and family, sneaking in a round of golf, or hitting the ski slopes.

I am ever grateful for the support, guidance, and dedication of my many mentors, and in particular, of Drs. Keith Carter, Richard Allen, and Erin Shriver. Without you and my supportive family, this achievement and my career would not be possible, thank you! I am excited and honored to continue the journey as an ASOPRS member.



Anne Barmettler, MD

LOCATION: Long Island City, NY, USA

COMPANY/INSTITUTION: Ophthalmology & Visual Sciences

TITLE: Assistant Professor, Attending Physician

UNDERGRADUATE: Bachelor of Arts, Bowdoin College

MEDICAL SCHOOL: Thomas Jefferson University, Jefferson Medical School, Philadelphia, PA

RESIDENCY: New York Presbyterian, Weill Cornell Medical College, New York, NY

FELLOWSHIP: Frank Nesi, MD, Geoffrey Gladstone, MD, Evan Black, MD, William Beaumont Hospital and Detroit Medical College, Royal Oak, MI

NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS: Faculty of the Year, awarded by Montefiore Ophthalmology Faculty, 2016; Attending of the Year, awarded by Montefiore Ophthalmology Residents, 2016

My family includes my wonderfully supportive parents, Sabine and Peter, and my two sisters, Sara and Gabi. In addition, I am lucky and proud to be married to fellow ophthalmologist, David Rhee, and have a sweet boy, Alex, who will soon be joined by his baby brother.

In addition to downhill skiing and running, I very much enjoy traveling, trying new foods, and have recently taken up acrylic painting. But, of course, nothing surpasses my passion for oculoplastics.



Emily Marie Bratton, MD

LOCATION: Austin, TX, USA
COMPANY/INSTITUTION: TOC Eye and Face
UNDERGRADUATE: Vanderbilt University

MEDICAL SCHOOL: University of Tennessee
RESIDENCY: University of Colorado
FELLOWSHIP: Vikram Durairaj, MD, TOC Eye and Face, Austin, TX
NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS: 3rd Place, Scientific Exhibit, 49th Annual Meeting of American Society Head & Neck Radiology, 2015; Attendee 8th Annual Heed Fellowship Resident Research Retreat, 2013; Alpha Omega Alpha, 2009; Best Paper/Podium Presentation, AAO Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, 2009; Albright Armstrong Rice Scholarship for outstanding academic record in medicine, 2009-2010; Magna Cum Laude, Vanderbilt University, 2004

I completed my ASOPRS fellowship under eleven ASOPRS members at both the University of Colorado and TOC Eye and Face in Austin, Texas. I believe training under an unprecedented number of mentors was invaluable to the attainment of my skills in aesthetic facial, oculoplastic, and orbital reconstructive surgery. I feel honored that I had the opportunity to train with each of them. I recently joined TOC Eye and Face in Austin, Texas in September and I am enthusiastic about my career in oculoplastic surgery. I enjoy running, hiking, and traveling with my husband, Aaron. I am thrilled to be a part of the ASOPRS community and look forward to contributing to the society in the future.



Alison Callahan, MD

LOCATION: Boston, MA, USA
COMPANY/INSTITUTION: Tufts Medical Center; New England Eye Associates
TITLE: Associate Professor

UNDERGRADUATE: Bachelor of Arts, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ
MEDICAL SCHOOL: Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons, New York, NY
RESIDENCY: Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary, Boston, MA
FELLOWSHIP: Richard Lisman, MD, Manhattan Eye Ear and Throat Hospital, New York University, Columbia, Cornell, New York, NY

I am so honored to join this esteemed group of colleagues and would like to thank all of my mentors for their guidance and encouragement along the way. I look forward to many future discussions about oculoplastics or otherwise, perhaps over a run or bike ride. I also look forward to introducing my family to this wonderful community.



Kian Eftekhari, MD

LOCATION: Chapel Hill, NC, USA
COMPANY/INSTITUTION: University of North Carolina
TITLE: Assistant Professor
UNDERGRADUATE: Bachelor of Arts, Stanford University, Stanford, CA

MEDICAL SCHOOL: University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, Philadelphia, PA
RESIDENCY: Scheie Eye Institute at the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA
FELLOWSHIP: Richard Anderson, MD, Center for Facial Appearances, Salt Lake City, UT
OTHER MEMBERSHIP SOCIETIES: American Academy of Ophthalmology

NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS: Surviving my fellowship interview with Dr. Anderson having never been on skis before :)

I'm incredibly honored to be inducted into ASOPRS and am thankful to all my mentors who have gotten me to this point. When I was a medical student, I got to assist Dr. William Katowitz on a ptosis surgery, and beyond letting me put a few sutures in, he invited me to submit a case report to the ASOPRS meeting that year. I got

to attend the meeting, and from then on, I knew where I was headed for the next six years of my life! I am so thankful to the many members who have mentored me, including Drs. Bill Katowitz, Reza Vagefi, Lauren Eckstein, Christina Choe, Chris Chambers, Yasmin Shayesteh, Nick Mahoney, Mat Harris, Guy Massry and especially to Drs. Roberta Gausas, Jim Katowitz, and Rick Anderson. I have had the best teachers in the world and I am so grateful to them. Even more important than anything they could teach me in the operating room, they have given me invaluable life advice at every step along the way. I wouldn't be where I am personally or professionally without them. I sincerely hope that one day I can be as dedicated as they have been to training the next generation of surgeons in our field.

My wife Gita has supported my aspirations from the beginning, while working on her own career as a radiation oncologist. She, our daughter Vida, and our beagle Loie recently relocated from Utah to North Carolina, where we have joined the faculty at UNC Ophthalmology and Duke Radiation Oncology. It has been a pleasure to work alongside Dr. Amy Fowler and Dr. Jonathan Dutton; they are outstanding colleagues and mentors. In our free time, my family enjoys the beautiful nature trails of North Carolina, home improvement projects, and traveling to visit family and friends. I am filled with gratitude for the opportunities I have had and honored to be a member of ASOPRS.



Molly Fuller, MD

LOCATION: Winston-Salem, NC, USA

COMPANY/INSTITUTION: Wake Forest Baptist Health

TITLE: Assistant Professor

UNDERGRADUATE: Bachelor of Science, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY

MEDICAL SCHOOL: Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, OH

RESIDENCY: Kellogg Eye Center, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

FELLOWSHIP: Elizabeth Bradley, MD, Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN

OTHER MEMBERSHIP SOCIETIES: American Academy of Ophthalmology, Women in Ophthalmology, North Carolina Society of Eye Physicians and Surgeons

I have been married to my college sweetheart, Jon, for almost 18 years. We have two wonderful boys, Alex, 8 and Elliot, 5. We enjoy running, biking, reading, traveling, and spending time with family and friends enjoying good food and drink.

Laura Gadzala, MD

FELLOWSHIP: Jennifer Sivak-Callcott, MD, West Virginia University Eye Institute



Lora Glass, MD

LOCATION: New York, NY, USA

COMPANY/INSTITUTION: Columbia University Medical Center

TITLE: Assistant Professor

UNDERGRADUATE: Bachelor of Arts, Harvard College, Cambridge, MA

MEDICAL SCHOOL: Icahn School of Medicine at Mt. Sinai, New York, NY

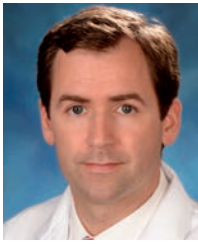
RESIDENCY: Columbia, New York-Presbyterian Hospital, New York, NY

FELLOWSHIP: Suzanne Freitag, MD, Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary, Boston, MA

OTHER MEMBERSHIP SOCIETIES: International Thyroid Eye Disease Society, American Academy of Ophthalmology, Women in Ophthalmology, New York State Ophthalmological Society

NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS: Chief Resident, Co-Chair of Fellows' Course, Director of Medical Student Education in Ophthalmology at Columbia University Medical Center

My husband is a leukemia oncologist at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, and we are the proud parents of Akiva (3), who will be starting nursery school this fall. We enjoy traveling as a family, most recently taking Akiva on a road-trip through Canada. We are also connoisseurs of New York playgrounds and proud members of the American Museum of Natural History.



F. Lawson Grumbine, MD

LOCATION: Baltimore, MD, USA

COMPANY/INSTITUTION: University of Maryland School of Medicine

TITLE: Assistant Professor

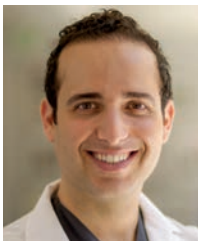
UNDERGRADUATE: Bachelor of Science, Biology, Washington and Lee University, Lexington, VA

MEDICAL SCHOOL: Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, PA

RESIDENCY: Emory University, Atlanta, GA

FELLOWSHIP: Robert C. Kersten, MD and M. Reza Vagefi, MD, University of California San Francisco, CA

I am a native of Baltimore, Maryland and happy to be practicing in my hometown. I am happily married to Alexis, my wife of eight years. We are the proud parents of two wonderful daughters. In our spare time, we enjoy hiking, biking, skiing and pretty much anything outdoors.



David K. Isaacs, MD

LOCATION: Los Angeles, CA, USA

COMPANY/INSTITUTION: David K. Isaacs, MD

UNDERGRADUATE: Bachelor of Science, University of California, Los Angeles, CA

MEDICAL SCHOOL: Chicago Medical School, Chicago, IL

RESIDENCY: New York Medical College, NY

FELLOWSHIP: Robert A. Goldberg, MD, University of California, Los Angeles, CA

ADDITIONAL TRAINING: Facial Plastic, Cosmetic, and Reconstructive Surgery; UCLA-adjunct fellowship

Dr. David Isaacs lives in Los Angeles with his wife Maxine, who is obtaining a Masters in Nursing and Clinical Nurse Leader degree at UCLA. He was born and raised in Los Angeles, and is active in his community. He enjoys reading and spending time outdoors hiking, rowing, and jogging. He also enjoys cooking for family and friends and developing novel smoothie recipes.

Scott Jones, MD

LOCATION: Colorado Springs, CO, USA

COMPANY/INSTITUTION: Colorado Eye Institute

UNDERGRADUATE: Colorado College

MEDICAL SCHOOL: University of Louisville School of Medicine, Louisville, KY

RESIDENCY: Tulane University, New Orleans, LA

FELLOWSHIP: Allen Putterman, MD, Illinois Eye and Ear Infirmary, Chicago, IL



Shannon S. Joseph, MD

LOCATION: Baltimore, MD, USA

COMPANY/INSTITUTION: Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine Wilmer Eye Institute

TITLE: Assistant Professor of Ophthalmology

UNDERGRADUATE: Honors Bachelor of Science, University of Toronto, Canada

MEDICAL SCHOOL: Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Baltimore, MD

RESIDENCY: Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Baltimore, MD

FELLOWSHIP: Christine Nelson, MD, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

ADDITIONAL TRAINING: Master of Science in Clinical Biochemistry, University of Toronto, Canada

NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS: Stephen J. Ryan Award, Wilmer Eye Institute; Alpha Omega Alpha, Johns University School of Medicine; Alpha Omega Alpha Carolyn L. Kuckein Research Award; Full tuition and board scholarships for undergraduate and graduate studies, University of Toronto



Bradford W. Lee, MD, MSc

LOCATION: West Palm Beach, FL, USA

COMPANY/INSTITUTION: Bascom Palmer Eye Institute

TITLE: Assistant Professor of Clinical Ophthalmology

UNDERGRADUATE: Harvard University, Bachelor of Science (Magna Cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa), Cambridge, MA

MEDICAL SCHOOL: Stanford University, MD, Stanford, CA

RESIDENCY: Bascom Palmer Eye Institute, Miami, FL

FELLOWSHIP: Don O. Kikkawa, MD, FACS, University of California San Diego Shiley Eye Institute, La Jolla, CA

ADDITIONAL TRAINING: London School of Economics, Master of Science in Health Policy, Planning and Financing

OTHER MEMBERSHIP SOCIETIES: American Academy of Ophthalmology, Pan American Association of Ophthalmology, Florida Society of Ophthalmology

NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS: ASOPRS Marvin L. Quickert Thesis Award Winner, 2016; Outstanding Teaching Award, UCSD Shiley Eye Institute, 2013-2015; ASCRS Foundation Research Grant Recipient, 2013; National Eye Institute Travel Grant Recipient, 2009; Brian Abel-Smith Prize, London School of Economics, 2005; USA Today All-USA College Academic Team, 2004; United States Presidential Scholar, Hawaii, 2000

I was born and raised in Hawaii but have been crisscrossing the country throughout my training, from Boston to the Bay Area, and Miami to San Diego, with layovers in London and Honolulu. Since 2015, I have been full-time faculty at Bascom Palmer, where I did my residency, and where I am blessed to enjoy the company of wonderful colleagues and friends. Bascom keeps me busy doing all the oculoplastics for our Palm Beach office, which serves patients coming from Ft. Lauderdale, Boca Raton, Palm Beach, and all the way up to Orlando. The highlight of my job is teaching our three ASOPRS fellows, two U.S. and one international, in Palm Beach and also staffing our residents on cases in Miami.

Throughout my life, I have been an avid pianist and cellist but more recently have spent time playing tennis, kayaking, scuba diving, hiking, and otherwise enjoying South Florida. I love traveling; speak Spanish, French, and Mandarin; and am doing a pretty good job of ticking off the Caribbean and South American destinations on my bucket list.

I'd like to give my sincere gratitude to my fellowship preceptors/mentors/dear friends, Don Kikkawa and Bobby Korn, for making me the surgeon I am today. As much, I owe a big mahalo to my parents (Pat and Worldster), brother (Brandon), our bichon frise (Bijou), and my friends for all their love and support along the way.

Seong Lee, MD

LOCATION: Atlanta, GA, USA

COMPANY/INSTITUTION: Kaiser Permanente Medical Group

UNDERGRADUATE: UC Riverside

MEDICAL SCHOOL: University of California, Los Angeles, CA

RESIDENCY: Jules Stein Eye Institute

FELLOWSHIP: Michael T. Yen, MD, Cullen Eye Institute, Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, TX



Flora Levin, MD

LOCATION: Westport CT, USA

COMPANY/INSTITUTION: Flora Levin, MD, LLC

UNDERGRADUATE: Bachelor of Science, Boston University, Boston, MA

MEDICAL SCHOOL: Weill Cornell Medical College, New York, NY

RESIDENCY: University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey - New Jersey Medical School, Newark, NJ

FELLOWSHIP: Robert C. Della Rocca, The New York Eye & Ear Infirmary, New York, NY

ADDITIONAL TRAINING: Neuro-Ophthalmology, Jeffrey Odel, Edward S. Harkness Eye Institute, Columbia Univeristy

OTHER MEMBERSHIP SOCIETIES: American Academy of Ophthalmology, Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, Connecticut Society of Eye Physicians

NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS: AAO Achievement Award, 2015

I grew up in NY in a medical family. After finishing college in Boston I moved back to NY for medical school, residency and fellowship. In 2010, I moved to CT with my husband and children to work at Yale University as the chief of Ophthalmic Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery section. In 2014, I left the full-time academic position to go into private practice and in 2016, opened my own practice.

I live in Westport, CT with my husband, 3 kids, ages 9, 7 and 1.5 years and our dog, a French mastiff. The majority of my hobbies and interests at this stage in life are related to my children's hobbies and interests in one way or another. In the spare time that may be left, I enjoy yoga, eating out and reading.



Jose R. Montes, MD

LOCATION: San Juan, PR, USA
COMPANY/INSTITUTION: Jose Raul Montes Eyes & Facial Rejuvenation
TITLE: Medical Director
UNDERGRADUATE: Bachelor of Arts in Chemistry, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY

MEDICAL SCHOOL: University of Puerto Rico, School of Medicine, San Juan, PR

RESIDENCY: University of Puerto Rico, School of Medicine, San Juan, PR

FELLOWSHIP: Dwight Kulwin, MD and Robert Kersten, MD, University of Cincinnati, School of Medicine, Cincinnati, OH

ADDITIONAL TRAINING: Member of the Medical Education Faculty for Galderma Aesthetics, Merz® Aesthetics and Allergan™ Medical Facial Aesthetics. Speaker and Trainer of Juvaderm®, Restylane® Silk, Restylane® Lift, Kybella™, Voluma™ XC, Sculptra® Aesthetics and Ultherapy.

OTHER MEMBERSHIP SOCIETIES: American Academy of Cosmetic Surgery, Fellow; American Academy of Ophthalmology, Fellow; American College of Surgeons, Fellow; American College of Surgeons Association; American College of Surgeons Puerto Rico Chapter; Colegio de Médicos Cirujanos de Puerto Rico; Pan American Association of Ophthalmology; Puerto Rico Society of Ophthalmology

NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS: Member and contributor of Modern Aesthetics® Magazine Editorial Board; ASPIRE Galderma Reward Preferred Champion - 2016; Top 100 Volume Injector for Sculptra® Aesthetic - 2016; International Patient Services Certification MTA - 2016; Merz Aesthetics Top Cosmetic Practice Recognition - 2016; Ultherapy® Treatment Premium Provider in the USA - 2015-2016; Doctor's Choice Award, Buena Vida - 2012-2016; Doctor Sobresaliente en Cirugía Plástica y Oftalmología

One of my favorite things to do is travel, which I frequently do for business and pleasure. My passion for the arts has led me to be an active Board Member and Artistic Coordinator of CulturArte de Puerto Rico, a cultural organization dedicated to promoting classical music, with a particular emphasis in opera. Further, I am also a Board Member of the Historical Society of the Puerto Rico Supreme Court. Some day, I would like to write a book. I believe that one has to find a purpose in what one does on a daily basis. The goal is happiness, which is found when one feels free while giving back to others.

Ann Murchison, MD

LOCATION: Philadelphia, PA, USA
COMPANY/INSTITUTION: Wills Eye Hospital
TITLE: Associate Professor, Oculoplastic and Orbital Surgery
UNDERGRADUATE: Bachelor of Arts, University of Colorado at Boulder, Boulder, CO
MEDICAL SCHOOL: University of Vermont College of Medicine, Burlington, VT
RESIDENCY: University of Washington, Seattle, WA
FELLOWSHIP: Ted Wojno, MD, Emory, Atlanta, GA
ADDITIONAL TRAINING: Master of Public Health, Rollins School of Public Health

OTHER MEMBERSHIP SOCIETIES: American Academy of Ophthalmology, Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology

NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS: Phi Beta Kappa, Golden Key Honor Society, National Research Service Award-National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, Freeman Medical Scholarship, Best Speaker, American Society for Dermatologic Surgery Annual Meeting, Marquis Who's Who in America, America's Top Ophthalmologists, Early Achievement Award, Top Doctors



Michael Neimkin, MD

LOCATION: Atlanta, GA, USA

COMPANY/INSTITUTION: Ophthalmic Plastic and Cosmetic Surgery, LLC

UNDERGRADUATE: Samford University, Birmingham, AL

MEDICAL SCHOOL: University of Alabama, Birmingham, AL

RESIDENCY: University of Alabama, Callahan Eye Foundation, Birmingham, AL

FELLOWSHIP: John Holds, MD, Washington University St. Louis, Ophthalmic Plastic and Cosmetic Surgery Inc., St. Louis, MO

OTHER MEMBERSHIP SOCIETIES: American Academy of Ophthalmology, Georgia Society of Ophthalmology, Réseau des diplômés et personnes de l'Université Louis Pasteur

NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS: Chief Resident, Most Outstanding Resident Teacher, Ohio-Valley Conference Medal of Honor

My wife Kimberly and I are thrilled to be in Atlanta, where I have recently opened my own practice. We enjoy the outdoors and many activities including running, skiing, cooking, and tennis.



Balaji Perumal, MD

LOCATION: Lancaster, MA, USA

COMPANY/INSTITUTION: D'Ambrosio Eye Care

UNDERGRADUATE: Bachelor of Arts, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

MEDICAL SCHOOL: Duke University School of Medicine, Durham, NC

RESIDENCY: Kresge Eye Institute, Wayne State University, Detroit, MI

FELLOWSHIP: Dale Meyer, MD, Lions Eye Institute, Albany Medical Center, Albany, NY

OTHER MEMBERSHIP SOCIETIES: American Academy of Ophthalmology, New England Oculoplastic Society



Carisa Petris, MD, PhD

LOCATION: Columbia, MO, USA

COMPANY/INSTITUTION: University of Missouri

TITLE: Assistant Professor of Ophthalmology

UNDERGRADUATE: University of Missouri, Columbia, MO

MEDICAL SCHOOL: University of Missouri, Columbia, MO

RESIDENCY: University of Missouri Health Care, Mason Eye Institute, Columbia, MO

FELLOWSHIP: Michael Kazim, MD, FACS, Columbia University and Manhattan Eye Ear and Throat Hospital, New York, NY

ADDITIONAL TRAINING: Doctor of Philosophy

OTHER MEMBERSHIP SOCIETIES: American Academy of Ophthalmology, American Board of Ophthalmology

NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS: B. Dobli Srinivasan Award, Best Clinical Research Paper, Columbia University, Edward S. Harkness Eye Institute

My husband, Mick, and I live in Missouri with our two adventurous girls, Maddie, 8 and Abby, 5. We love traveling, biking, snow skiing, and trying new restaurants. I was thankful that my whole family was able to relocate to New York during my fellowship where I had the honor of training under Drs. Michael Kazim, Richard Lisman, Elizabeth Maher, and Gary Lelli, I will be forever grateful for their advice and instruction both during and after fellowship. Their mentorship has prepared me well to embark upon a tenure-track assistant professorship back in my home state at the University of Missouri.

Daniel Repp, MD

LOCATION: Davenport, IA, USA

COMPANY/INSTITUTION: Oculofacial Aesthetics, PLC

UNDERGRADUATE: Bachelors of Science, Biochemistry, University of Wisconsin

MEDICAL SCHOOL: University of Wisconsin School of Medicine & Public Health, Madison, WI

RESIDENCY: Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN

FELLOWSHIP: Bryan Sires, MD, PhD, Aesthetic Eye Associates, Kirkland, WA



Daniel B. Rootman, MD

LOCATION: Los Angeles, CA, USA
COMPANY/INSTITUTION: University of California Los Angeles
TITLE: Assistant Professor
UNDERGRADUATE: Bachelor of Arts, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, Canada

MEDICAL SCHOOL: Queen’s University, Kingston, ON, Canada
RESIDENCY: University of Toronto, Toronto, ON, Canada
FELLOWSHIP: Norman Shorr, MD, University of California, Los Angeles, CA



David Russell, MD

LOCATION: San Francisco, CA, USA
COMPANY/INSTITUTION: Kaiser Permanente
UNDERGRADUATE: Bachelors of Arts in Biochemistry, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO

MEDICAL SCHOOL: University of Colorado Health Sciences Center, Denver, CO
RESIDENCY: University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC
FELLOWSHIP: Stuart R. Seiff, MD, California Pacific Medical Center, University of California, San Francisco, CA



Aaron Savar, MD

LOCATION: Beverly Hills, CA, USA
COMPANY/INSTITUTION: Private Practice
UNDERGRADUATE: University of California, Berkeley, CA
MEDICAL SCHOOL: Boston University School of Medicine, Boston, MA

RESIDENCY: Massachusetts Eye and Ear, Boston, MA
FELLOWSHIP: Bitá Esmaeli, MD, University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, TX
OTHER MEMBERSHIP SOCIETIES: Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, American Academy of Ophthalmology
NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS: Editor, Digital Journal of Ophthalmology

I grew up in southern California. After completing my education and training I moved back to LA and am now in practice with my brother Louis Savar and father David Savar.



Louis Savar, MD

LOCATION: Beverly Hills, CA, USA
COMPANY/INSTITUTION: Private Practice
UNDERGRADUATE: Bachelor of Arts, University of California Berkeley, CA
MEDICAL SCHOOL: University of California, San Francisco, CA

RESIDENCY: Jules Stein Eye Institute, Los Angeles, CA
FELLOWSHIP: Stuart Seiff, MD, Pacific Center for Oculofacial and Aesthetic Plastic Surgery, California Pacific Medical Center and University of California, San Francisco, CA
OTHER MEMBERSHIP SOCIETIES: Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, American Academy of Ophthalmology

After completing my fellowship in San Francisco, I returned to southern California to join my father, David, and brother, Aaron, in practice in Beverly Hills. Outside of work I enjoy skiing, photography, travel, and after a decade in the Bay Area, added cycling to my list of hobbies.



Ryan T. Scruggs, MD

LOCATION: Deland, FL, USA
COMPANY/INSTITUTION: Central Florida Eye Specialists
UNDERGRADUATE: Bachelor of Science, University of California, Los Angeles, CA

MEDICAL SCHOOL: Chicago Medical School, North Chicago, IL
RESIDENCY: University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA
FELLOWSHIP: Evan H. Black, MD, Kresge Eye Institute, Wayne State University, Detroit, MI

I am originally from California but have made a home in Ormond Beach, FL with my beautiful wife and three children. We love to travel, fish, and go boating as much as possible. With a 7 yo, 4 yo, and 6 mo baby, my life outside of my practice revolves around my family.



Roman Shinder, MD

LOCATION: Brooklyn, NY, USA
COMPANY/INSTITUTION: SUNY Downstate Medical Center
TITLE: Associate Professor of Ophthalmology, Director of Oculoplastics

UNDERGRADUATE: Bachelor of Science, Cornell, Ithaca, NY
MEDICAL SCHOOL: SUNY Upstate Medical University, Syracuse, NY
RESIDENCY: University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, Newark, NJ
FELLOWSHIP: Bitá Esmaeli, MD, Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, TX

OTHER MEMBERSHIP SOCIETIES: American Academy of Ophthalmology, Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology, New York State Ophthalmological Society, SUNY Eye Institute, American Society of Ophthalmic Oncologists and Pathologists, American College of Surgeons

NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS: Cornell University: Magna Cum Laude, Golden Key National Honors Society, Honun-De-Kah Cornell Honors Society, Alpha Epsilon Delta National Pre-medical Honors Society; SUNY Upstate Medical University: Cum Laude & AOA, Robert Eich Award, SUNY Upstate Surgery Award; UMDNJ: Golden Apple Award for Excellence in

Medical Education, Alfonse A. Cinotti Residency Excellence Award, Outstanding Service Award; SUNY Downstate Medical Center: Resident and Fellow Graduation Faculty Honoree; New York Times Super Doctors New York Rising Stars 2013 - 2016; Top ophthalmologist Brooklyn, NY by International Association of Healthcare Professionals published in The Leading Physicians of the World; Invited charter member of the North American Society of Academic Orbital Surgeons. 178 abstracts and peer reviewed manuscripts, 9 textbook chapters, and 5 more that are in press.

I was born in the Ukraine, and grew up in New York City. I graduated Magna Cum Laude from Cornell University, and Cum Laude and Alpha Omega Alpha from SUNY Upstate Medical University. I completed ophthalmology residency at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey. I then completed an ophthalmic plastic & reconstructive surgery fellowship at M.D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston, TX and Texas Oculoplastic Consultants in Austin, TX. Since 2010 I have been full time faculty at SUNY Downstate Medical Center, and currently am Associate Professor of Ophthalmology and director of oculoplastics. I am board certified by the American Academy of Ophthalmology.

My wife Lauren is a pediatrician in private practice in Long Island. We have an 8-year-old daughter, and 6- and 2-year-old sons. In my spare time, I enjoy exercising, playing tennis, and spending time with my kids.



Dimitrios Sismanis, MD

LOCATION: Richmond, VA, USA

COMPANY/INSTITUTION: Virginia Oculofacial Surgeons

UNDERGRADUATE: Bachelors of Science, William and Mary, Williamsburg, VA

MEDICAL SCHOOL: Medical College of Virginia, Richmond, VA

RESIDENCY: SUNY Upstate, Syracuse, NY

FELLOWSHIP: David Holck, MD, Aesthetic Facial & Oculoplastic Surgeons, San Antonio, TX

OTHER MEMBERSHIP SOCIETIES: American Academy of Ophthalmology



Jason A. Sokol, MD

LOCATION: Overland Park, KS, USA

COMPANY/INSTITUTION: University of Kansas Health System, Department of Ophthalmology

TITLE: Director, Oculofacial Plastic and Orbital Surgery, Associate Professor

UNDERGRADUATE: Bachelor of Arts, History, Columbia University, New York and BA , Jewish Law, Jewish Theological Seminary of America, New York

MEDICAL SCHOOL: Mount Sinai School of Medicine, New York, NY

RESIDENCY: Albert Einstein College of Medicine, Montefiore Medical Center, NY

FELLOWSHIP: William R. Nunery, MD, University of Louisville, Kentucky Lions Eye Center, Louisville, KY

OTHER MEMBERSHIP SOCIETIES: American Academy of Ophthalmology, American Board of Ophthalmology

NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS: Ophthalmologist for Kansas City Chiefs, August 2012- present; 2017 435 Magazine Top Doctors; 2016 & 2017 Castle Connolly, Top Doctors; 2015 & 2016 Super Doctors, Top Ophthalmologist; June 2012 Teaching Faculty Member of the Year, Kansas University Eye

I was born and raised in New York and lived there through medical school. After graduating, I moved to Louisville, Kentucky for fellowship and now live in a suburb of Kansas City with my family. I enjoy spending time with my wife, Eva Jenny, and our energetic and entertaining daughters, Ruby and Madeline. Together, we love traveling, especially back to NYC, watching movies, training for triathlons, honing our BBQ skills for competitions, volunteering in our community and watching sports.

Jordan Spindle, MD

LOCATION: Tyler, TX, USA

COMPANY/INSTITUTION: Heaton Eye Associates

UNDERGRADUATE: Bachelor of Science, Biomedical Sciences Texas A&M University, College Station, TX

MEDICAL SCHOOL: University of Texas Houston Medical School, Houston, TX

RESIDENCY: SUNY Downstate, Brooklyn, NY

FELLOWSHIP: John Long, MD, University of Alabama Callahan Eye Foundation Hospital, Birmingham, AL



Natalie A. Stanciu, MD

LOCATION: Austin, TX, USA

COMPANY/INSTITUTION: Westlake Eye Specialists

UNDERGRADUATE: Cornell University Bachelor of Science, Ithaca, NY

MEDICAL SCHOOL: University of Miami Miller School of Medicine, Miami, FL

RESIDENCY: Bascom Palmer Eye Institute, Miami, FL

FELLOWSHIP: Sean M. Blaydon, MD, TOC Eye and Face, Austin, TX

ADDITIONAL TRAINING: Neuro-Ophthalmology Fellowship, Bascom Palmer Eye Institute, Miami, FL

OTHER MEMBERSHIP SOCIETIES: North-American Neuro-Ophthalmology Society, American Academy of Ophthalmology

NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS: Intern of the year

I was born and raised in Long Island, New York but I now call Austin, Texas my home. Here I was fortunate enough to meet my wonderful and supportive husband, who is a gifted retina surgeon. We are blessed to have three amazing children, William, 4, Kevin, 2, and Ava, 6 months. Happiness is family for me. Successfully balancing a career and raising my children has probably been and will be my greatest achievement. As a third generation physician, medicine is in my blood. In my free time I enjoy traveling, art and have a passion for photography. Prior to children, I was fortunate to have participated in medical work in Vietnam, Haiti, and Egypt. I have traveled to some incredible places around the world, but now I look forward to exploring new cities and countries with my family. I was a nationally ranked competitive junior tennis player and played for Cornell University, but these days I enjoy getting out on the court for a friendly game. It is rumored that Vik Durairaj and I have had a few fierce battles in Austin!



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Happily married to my wife Britt Straka who works as an anesthesiologist. We have two children, a 4 year old daughter Margot and a one year old son, Louis. When I'm not spending time with family I enjoy all outdoor activities including fly fishing, hunting, runs or bike rides with my dog, and nearly every sport.

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