

Steven C. Dresner, MD

March 8, 1956 – July 19, 2024



It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Dr. Steven C. Dresner. He died in his sleep on July 19, 2024.

Dr. Dresner's contributions to the oculofacial plastic community were vast. His clinical acumen in managing complex reconstructive and cosmetic patients was unparalleled. He cared deeply about the whole patient, often discussing the benefits of plant-based diets during surgical consultations.

His role in training sixteen ASOPRS fellows and scores of residents was immeasurable. Training residents and fellows in the art of oculofacial plastic surgery was a highlight of his career. He was the consummate teacher. Dr. Dresner also developed the transconjunctival entropion repair, a nomogram for Conjunctival-Mueller's Muscle Resection and the modified Fasanella-Servat procedure using a widely used custom ptosis clamp that he designed. He also created orbital implants for use in anophthalmic sockets. In aesthetic surgery, he was one of the first advocates of orbicularis-sparing blepharoplasty, and he championed midface-lifting in the treatment of cicatricial ectropion resulting from overzealous lower eyelid blepharoplasty or complex reconstructions. Dr. Dresner's memory will live on through his many contributions to the field, the fellows he trained and the countless lives he touched.

To celebrate Dr. Dresner's life-long legacy and commitment to teaching, we have paired with the Jewish Community Foundation of Los Angeles to create the non-profit **Steven C. Dresner Endowed Oculofacial Surgery Fellowship Fund**. Donations will be used exclusively to support the training and education of future oculofacial and orbital surgery fellows in Dr. Dresner's honor. We welcome tax-deductible donations in his name. May his memory continue to be a blessing to us all.

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