

## Now Accepting Nominations: 2016 Albert C. Muse Prize for Excellence in Ophthalmology

The Eye & Ear Foundation of Pittsburgh and the UPMC Eye Center invite you to submit a nomination for the 2016 Albert C. Muse Prize in Ophthalmology.

The Albert C. Muse Prize was established in 2001 by the Eye & Ear Foundation of Pittsburgh to honor world leaders in the fields of ophthalmology and otolaryngology. The Prize, which alternates annually between the two specialties, carries a cash award of \$5,000, and recognizes individuals who have made outstanding contributions to science and medicine in the specialties.

The 2016 Albert C. Muse Prize in Ophthalmology is open to people responsible for extraordinary advances in ophthalmology and vision science.

For more information, including nomination form and submission information, visit [EyeandEar.org](http://EyeandEar.org).

The deadline for nominations is **January 13, 2016**.

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## Letters

### How Important Can a Cable Cap Be?

One month ago in our operating room, a routine phaco/IOL case was begun; however, we noticed that the phaco power was very weak. Fluid movement was normal. We tried going up higher with phaco power and changing out the hand-piece and tubing, but still the phaco machine would not perform. The decision was made to bring a second machine in, and after that, thankfully, the case was finished.

As it turns out, the cable cap on the foot pedal of the first phaco machine had lodged itself in such a way that the foot pedal could not be depressed. In the left photo, the cable is connect-



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ed correctly. The photo on the right shows the culprit: the cable cap that prevented the foot pedal from depressing. Just an FYI to *EyeNet* readers in case they run into a similar issue at some point.

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