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Register for AAO 2016

The online registration system is now open for Academy and AAOE members; it opens July 13 for nonmembers. AAO 2016 registration is free for Academy and AAOE members, and will remain open through the meeting. (Separate registration is required for Subspecialty Day and AAOE Coding Sessions.) Not a member? Learn about member benefits at www.aao.org/member and join at www.aao.org/member-services/join.

Register by Aug. 10 and save. Early registration ends Aug. 10. The cost of the Academy Plus course pass, ticketed events, and some registration categories increases on Aug. 11, with a second increase on Sept. 26. (To have badge and meeting materials mailed to you before the meeting, international attendees must register by Aug. 26, and U.S. attendees must register by Sept. 23.)

Complete your order. When you register, remember to purchase the Academy Plus course pass, ticketed events such as Skills Transfer labs, and Breakfast With the Experts roundtables.

Visit www.aao.org/registration.

Peruse the Program and Plan Your Schedule

The online program search is now open



AVOID LINES IN CHICAGO. Register online to save time at AAO 2016 (Oct. 15-18) and Subspecialty Day (Oct. 14-15).

for both members and nonmembers. Once you're registered, visit www.aao.org/programsearch, and log in to select your favorite sessions and events for AAO 2016. Look up information about courses by presenter, keyword, and topic.

EVENTS

Orbital Gala Honors Richard P. Mills, MD, MPH

Join the Academy Foundation in celebrating Richard P. Mills, MD, MPH, on Sunday, Oct. 16, at the Field Museum. For more than 3 decades, Dr. Mills has been an integral part of the Academy's leadership, most notably as Academy president, chair of EyeCare America, and chief medical editor of *EyeNet*. The impact he has made on ophthalmology as a physician, teacher, and leader is immeasurable. Make a tribute gift in Dr. Mills' honor to benefit the Academy's educational programs; those

whose gifts are \$250 or more may include a personal message in the tribute book, which is given to all gala attendees.

To purchase tickets or make a tribute gift, visit www.aao.org/foundation.

EyeNet Corporate Lunches

Be sure to leave time in your schedule for *EyeNet's* free corporate educational lunches. Located onsite at McCormick Place, the lunch symposia are held from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 15, Sunday, Oct. 16, and Monday, Oct. 17, with registration starting at 12:15 p.m. These non-CME lunches are developed independently by industry—they are not affiliated with the official program of AAO 2016 or Subspecialty Day.



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New this year: There is no preregistration. Free box lunches are served on a first-come, first-served basis, so be sure to arrive on time to secure your meal and seat.

SUBSPECIALTY DAY

Subspecialty Day Previews: What's Hot

This month, program directors from 4 Subspecialty Day meetings preview some of this year's highlights. See next month's *EyeNet* for previews of the Glaucoma, Oculofacial Plastic Surgery, Refractive Surgery, and Retina meetings. View the program schedules at www.aao.org/annual-meeting/subspecialty-day.

- **CORNEA 2016: Advancements in Cornea and External Disease—**

- Essential Tools for Success in 2016**

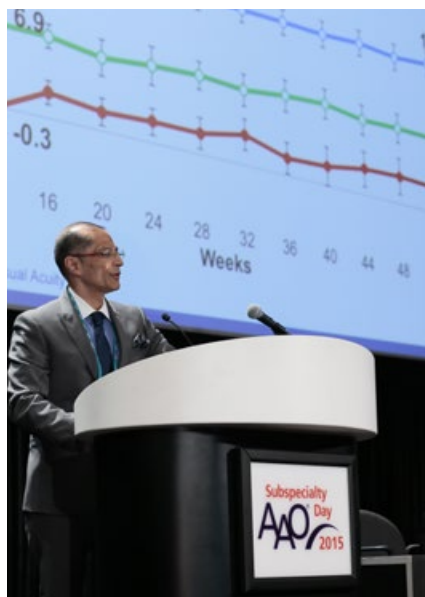
Program directors: Shahzad I. Mian, MD, Bennie H. Jeng, MD, and Carol L. Karp, MD.

When: Saturday, Oct. 15 (8:00 a.m.-4:56 p.m.).

"The 2016 Cornea Subspecialty Day will focus on evidence-based tools that both comprehensive ophthalmologists and subspecialists need to provide optimized care for their patients," Dr. Mian said. "In developing the program, the program directors focused on a few principles, including new technology, evidence-based medicine, and clinical relevance. Attendees will learn about advances in management of common corneal disorders as well as more complex rare disorders. All sessions will include case-based presentations from experts in the field, which will highlight the clinical relevance of the symposium.

"One session is focused on ocular surface tumors and will cover diagnostic tools necessary to make timely diagnoses. This session will not only provide the latest in management of conjunctival and corneal lesions but will also include talks by **Arun D. Singh, MD**, on iris lesions, and by **Bita Esmaeli, MD**, on lid lesions.

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advances, the imaging and in-office diagnostics symposium will allow all attendees to determine which emerging tools they will be able to incorporate now and in the coming years to improve patient care.

"The keratoplasty session will include a panel of experts who will make the case for optimal management of corneal disorders with the numerous surgical options. The program is rich in diversity, with pearls for both comprehensive ophthalmologists and subspecialists."

This meeting is organized in conjunction with the Cornea Society.

- **OCULAR ONCOLOGY AND PATHOLOGY 2016: Breezing Along in Ocular Oncology and Pathology in the Windy City**

Program directors: Patricia Chévez-Barrios, MD, and Carol L. Shields, MD.

When: Saturday, Oct. 15 (8:00 a.m.-4:57 p.m.).

Dr. Chévez-Barrios said, "This Subspecialty Day has been revitalized with controversial topics, pro and con debates, and a few hidden treats from the leaders in the field.

"The initial portion of the symposium will be dedicated to the top 5 advancements in intraocular tumors and pathology."

Later, said Dr. Chévez-Barrios, "In 5 consecutive short talks from several major centers around the world, speakers will address their indications for intra-arterial chemotherapy (IAC) for retinoblastoma and will discuss why and when they use this treatment modality. There will be a specific focus on toxicity of IAC and the ongoing results for the Children's Oncology Group.

"Throughout the symposium, there will be debates on topics like fluorescein angiography vs. indocyanine angiography for tumors; when and how to do fine-needle aspiration biopsy for tumors; the role of intravitreal bevacizumab (is there sound evidence or is it hogwash?); management of radiation retinopathy; biomarkers for skin, conjunctival, and orbital tumors; and improving care in underserved nations."

Dr. Shields said, "The highlight of the symposium will likely be four 7-minute personal perspectives delivered by senior leaders in the field on topics such as Ocular Oncology: What I Like and Don't Like, I Will Never Do That Again! and Running an Ocular Oncology Practice: My Top 5 Lessons Learned. Probably one of the biggest treats will be Forty Years in Practice: I Will Tell You 5 Secrets, to be presented by **Evangelos S. Gragoudas, MD**. Like no other meeting, this Ocular Oncology and Pathology Subspecialty Day promises to be filled with solid scientific evidence, lively discussion, and a wonderful, time-honored perspective."

This meeting is organized in conjunction with the American Association of Ophthalmic Oncologists and Pathologists.

- **PEDIATRIC OPHTHALMOLOGY AND STRABISMUS 2016: Decision 2016—Cast Your Votes Wisely**

Program directors: R. Michael Siatkowski, MD, and Yasmin Bradfield, MD.

When: Saturday, Oct. 15 (8:00 a.m.-5:09 p.m.).

"From a political standpoint, this year has seen its share of surprises and tumult. This meeting will capitalize on these events to enhance the audience experience.

"In Strabismus Surgical Techniques 2016—Cutting Through the Spin, 2 experts will present different approach-

es for a variety of challenging cases. In a similar vein, the Great Debates in Pediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus section will feature 2 experts in a point-counterpoint-rebuttal format to discuss issues in complicated strabismus, ROP, hemangioma treatment, and pediatric refractive surgery. The audience will vote electronically for the winning side in both of these sessions,” said Dr. Siatkowski.

“Nystagmus—Oscillations in Poll Data will focus on clinical management of these patients using mini-lectures followed by panel discussion of representative cases. Following this, the section on emerging technology will determine whether tools such as binocular therapy for amblyopia, prenatal ocular diagnosis, and various smartphone apps are the ‘real deal or false promises.’

“And in the section titled Genetics—Appealing to Your Base, we have created a session on clinical genetics with advances in both gene and stem cell therapy in pediatric ophthalmology.

“Just as the political cycle presents a few dark horses, so will Subspecialty Day. There will be an afternoon session on masquerade scenarios in which the final diagnosis was among the least expected. To conclude the day, there will be a series of presentations on techniques to improve practice efficiency and workflow while enhancing patient safety and outcomes.”

Dr. Siatkowski said, “This year’s program promises to be a rapid-paced, enjoyable experience which will give you many pearls to incorporate into your practice. Audience voting, case-based teaching, and a fantastic roster of speakers will keep you in your seat. Also, this year we will participate in the online self-assessment (SA) program so you can receive credits for the SA portion of the American Board of Ophthalmology’s Part II Maintenance of Certification requirements.”

This meeting is organized in conjunction with the American Association for Pediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus and the American Academy of Pediatrics.

• **UVEITIS 2016: To Bootcamp and Beyond**

Program directors: Russell W. Read, MD,

PhD, and Albert T. Vitale, MD.

When: Saturday, Oct. 15 (8:00 a.m. - 5:15 p.m.).

Dr. Vitale said, “The 2016 Uveitis Subspecialty Day will experiment with a new format, which is a hybrid between the familiar topic-driven presentations and a new case-based approach. The initial section titled Boot Camp—Basics covers fundamentals in a back-to-basics series of presentations intended to provide the non-uveitis specialist with a structured and logical approach to intraocular inflammatory disease with an emphasis on the formulation of the differential diagnosis, appropriate laboratory testing, multimodal imaging, and practical treatment paradigms for both local and systemic therapy.

“With this foundation, the majority of the program will center on case-based presentations that will illustrate and amplify the principles established in the ‘boot camp’ and hopefully raise more than a few diagnostic and therapeutic dilemmas. Organized according to the anatomic location of inflammation, cases with increasing degrees of complexity will be presented to a panel of experts for discussion, which provides educational value to the generalist and the uveitis specialist alike. This case-based approach is sure to be engaging and interactive, simulate real-life clinical decision-making, and underscore the nuances involved in uveitic patient care. These cases will run the gamut of the major infectious and noninfectious uveitic entities, both sight-threatening and benign, from the common and obvious to the rare masquerader.

“The surgical management of the complications of uveitis requires special attention and will be addressed separately. It will include surgical management of patients with uveitic cataract and glaucoma, followed by the application of vitreoretinal surgical techniques for both diagnostic and therapeutic purposes.

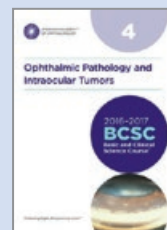
“The final section of the program will give the audience a glimpse into the exciting and rapidly evolving future of the field of uveitis.”

This meeting is organized in conjunction with the American Uveitis Society.



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Book by phone. Agents at Expovision, the Academy's official housing company, can assist you from Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time. Call 866-774-0487 (toll-free from the United States and Canada) or 703-770-3908 (from elsewhere), or email aaohotels@expovision.com.

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