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WELCOME TO THE 5th ANNUAL VIT-BUCKLE SOCIETY MEETING.

The VBS Executive Board wishes to thank you for your support. We are proud to host the meeting at the newly refurbished Caesars Palace Las Vegas, featuring OMNIA, one of the top nightclubs in Las Vegas, along with some of the finest restaurants and accommodations. Caesars Palace is celebrating 50 years on the strip and is an iconic landmark. We are proud to be a part of their unveiling!

To all attendees: if you are a recurrent VBS attendee, welcome back! If you are a first timer, you are in for a very unique experience. We are combining live surgery with a very dynamic, energetic program full of discussions, interruptions and fact checking moments. It is a meeting where the podium talk is kept real! We hope to highlight up-and-coming young surgeons while we continue to learn from the moderating of well-known retina specialists. VBS V is interactive and fun!

Be ready to express your thoughts, ask questions, tell us about your surgical experiences or new ideas of techniques/instruments. Do not be shy, we want to hear you. We deliberately organize this meeting to be interactive. Everyone is a participant. Everyone is a speaker. Industry will also be there for you to intermingle with. You will never attend a meeting that better fosters constant interaction and engagement. This is all made possible by the support of our great corporate partners who listen to our needs and make our field much better.

Once again, thank you for your support of VBS!

Sincerely,
Derek Y. Kunimoto, MD, JD and
R. Ross Lakhanpal, MD (VBS V, Co-Chairs)
and the VBS Executive Board
Dr. Eliott received his undergraduate degree with honors from Duke University, and he received his medical degree with honors from Vanderbilt University School of Medicine. He completed his residency at the Wilmer Eye Institute of Johns Hopkins Hospital, and he received his retina fellowship training at the Duke Eye Center of Duke University Medical Center. He then served as the Chief Resident and retina faculty member at the Duke Eye Center.

Following this, Dr. Eliott was the Director of the Retina Service, Associate Professor, and Retina Fellowship Director at the Kresge Eye Institute of Wayne State University School of Medicine. Subsequently, he was the Director of the Doheny Retina Institute, Professor, and Retina Fellowship Director at the Doheny Eye Institute and the University of Southern California Keck School of Medicine.

Dr. Eliott has received numerous teaching awards, including the Crystal Apple Award from the American Society of Retina Specialists. He has participated in all of the major annual fellowship teaching conferences, including the Mass. Eye & Ear Vitrectomy Course, Fellows’ Forum, the Duke Vitrectomy Course, Jump Start Retina, and Transitions into Clinical Practice.

He has been a principal investigator for many clinical trials, including the Argus II retinal prosthesis, stem cell-derived retinal pigment epithelial cell transplants, stem cell-derived retinal progenitor cell transplants, and gene therapy studies. He is on the editorial board for several journals, and he has approximately 200 publications in ophthalmic journals and textbooks.

Dr. Eliott has special interest in diabetic retinopathy, trauma, proliferative vitreoretinopathy, and surgery for complex retina-vitreous disorders.

**Lifetime Mentorship Award Honorees**

2013 Allan E. Kreiger, MD
2014 Harry W. Flynn, Jr., MD
2015 Evangelos Gragoudas, MD
2016 Timothy G. Murray, MD, MBA
Dr. Berrocal is Director of Berrocal and Associates in San Juan, Puerto Rico and Faculty at the University of Puerto Rico.

She received her medical degree from the University of Illinois. She completed her ophthalmology training at the University of Puerto Rico where she received the Best Surgeon Award. She completed her surgical and medical retina training at the Department of Ophthalmology New York Hospital/Cornell University. She then completed a Medical Retina Fellowship with Dr. J. Donald Gass at Bascom Palmer Eye Institute and was a Heed Fellow Awardee.

Her research interests include new techniques in vitreoretinal surgery with a particular interest in complications of diabetic retinopathy. She has participated in numerous studies of novel treatments for the management of diabetic complications.

She has held leadership positions in the Pan-American Vitreoretinal Society, Pan American Ophthalmological Society, Retina Society, American Society of Retinal Specialists (ASRS), American Academy of Ophthalmology (AAO), and Women in Ophthalmology (WIO). She is Past President of the Pan-American Vitreoretinal Society.

Currently she is on the Editorial Board of Retina Today, Egyptian Journal of Ophthalmology, and is a reviewer for Ophthalmology, OSLI, European Journal of Ophthalmology, Retina and AJO journals.

She has received the American Academy of Ophthalmology Senior Achievement Award and American Society of Retinal Specialists Senior Honor Award. She has received the Doctors Choice Award yearly since 2002.

Dr. Berrocal has been an invited speaker and visiting surgeon in over 20 countries. She has authored and co-authored over 60 articles and book chapters. Dr. Berrocal has held numerous positions in philanthropic societies. She has established educational scholarships for cancer survivors, scholarships for the Sacred Heart University, and Our Children’s House. She has also helped establish a drug rehabilitation center in San Juan.

**Keynote Speaker Honorees**

- 2013 Stanley Chang, MD
- 2014 William S. Tasman, MD
- 2015 Carmen A. Puliafito, MD, MBA
- 2016 Steve Charles, MD
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The educational sessions have a Fact Checking Booth that is led by:
Jonathan S. Chang, MD and William F. Mieler, MD.
Additional Fact Checkers are Ankoor R. Shah, MD and Christina Weng, MD, MBS.

THURSDAY, APRIL 6

5:00-9:00 PM
Registration
Milano Ballroom Foyer

FELLOWS’ FORAY
Milano Ballroom
(A non-CME event)

6:00-7:00 PM
Reception

7:00-9:00 PM
Video Presentations and Discussion

9:00-10:30 PM
Reception

SEE SEPARATE PROGRAM

FRIDAY, APRIL 7

7:00 AM-4:55 PM
Registration

7:00 AM-4:55 PM
Exhibits

7:00-8:00 AM
Breakfast

8:00-9:50 AM
SESSION 1:
SURGICAL INNOVATIONS
Moderators: Robert L. Avery, MD, David M. Brown, MD, Stanley Chang, MD

8:00
Opening Remarks
Charles C. Wykoff, MD, PhD

8:05
That Regrettable Unwanted Teenage Piercing: How to Close Large Holes
Efrem D. Mandelcorn, MD

8:20
Surgery for Refractory Optic Pit Maculopathy?! Stick with It
Yannek I. Leiderman, MD, PhD

8:35
The ILM Texas Taco for Chronic Macular Holes
James C. Major, Jr., MD, PhD

8:50
Looking at a Window: The Exudative Retinal Detachment
Prithvi Mruthyunjaya, MD, MHS
9:05
Endoscopic Globe Salvage Surgery for Epithelial Downgrowth
Phoebe Lin, MD, PhD

9:20
The Future of Robotic Eye Surgery
Jean-Pierre Hubschman, MD

9:35
PFO Marbles for Retinal Detachments Secondary to Macular Holes
Chirag D. Jhaveri, MD

9:50-10:30
VBS LIFETIME MENTORSHIP LECTURE:
Achieving Optimal Outcomes in PVR
Introduction: Mrinali Patel Gupta, MD
Recipient: Dean Eliott, MD

10:30-11:00
Break

11:00 AM-12:30 PM
SESSION 2: LIVE SURGERY
Moderators: Derek Y. Kunimoto, MD, JD and R. Ross Lakhanpal, MD
Panelists: Donald J. D’Amico, MD, Felipe Dhawahir-Scala, MD, FRCSEd, Andreas K. Lauer, MD, Daniel M. Miller, MD, PhD, Timothy G. Murray, MD, MBA
Live Surgeons:
• Victor H. Gonzalez, MD, McAllen, TX (Bausch + Lomb Stellaris PC)
• David G. Miller, MD, Beachwood, OH (DORC Eva)
• Kirk H. Packo, MD, Chicago, IL (Alcon Constellation)
• Joachim van Calster, MD, Belgium (DORC Eva)

12:30-2:10
Lunch

12:45-2:05
ZEISS Symposium
What Happens in the FAZ, Stays in the FAZ: Everything You Need to Interpret OCT-A
Moderators: Greg Hoffmeyer, Darrin Landry, CRA, OCT-C, Theodore Leng, MD

2:05-2:10
Return to General Session

2:10-3:10
SESSION 3: MEDICAL RETINA, A DAY IN THE CLINIC: WHAT TO DO AND WHAT NOT TO
Moderators: Caroline R. Baumal, MD, David A. Eichenbaum, MD, Rahul N. Khurana, MD, Charles C. Wykoff, MD

3:10-3:40
Break

3:40-4:55
Session 4: Complications
Moderators: Richard S. Kaiser, MD and Andrew M. Schimel, MD
Panelists: Dean Eliott, MD, Gaurav K. Shah, MD, George A. Williams, MD

4:55
Adjourn

7:00
Dinner at OMNIA
Caesars Palace Las Vegas
SATURDAY, APRIL 8

7:00 AM-4:05 PM
Registration

7:00 AM-2:00 PM
Exhibits

7:00-8:00 AM
Breakfast

8:00-9:00
SESSION 5:
WHAT’S COMING IN UVEITIS:
NEW TREATMENTS AND APPROACHES FOR 2017
Moderator: Thomas A. Albini, MD

9:00-9:45
KEYNOTE LECTURE:
A Journey of Surgical Excellence
Maria H. Berrocal, MD
Interviewed by John W. Kitchens, MD

9:45-10:15
Break

10:15-11:45
SESSION 6:
NEW PERSPECTIVES
Moderators: Theodore Leng, MD, Colin A. McCannel, MD, Steven D. Schwartz, MD

10:15
OCT-A Map in Macular Pucker Surgery Best
Antonio Ciardella, MD

10:30
The Deer Hunter
Matteo Forlini, MD

10:45
Hypersonic Vitrector
Paulo E. Stanga, MD

11:00
Heads Up or Heads Down?
Marco Mura, MD

11:15
The Third D is for Dope: My Experience Thus Far with Heads Up/3D VR Surgery
Jorge A. Fortun, MD

11:30
Emerging Opportunities in Surgical Visualization
Justis P. Ehlers, MD

11:45-12:45
SESSION 7:
IOL GYMNASTICS – GETTING THE JOB DONE RIGHT
Moderator: Derek Y. Kunimoto, MD, JD

11:45
Stuck in the Sclera
George A. Williams, MD
11:57
**Flanged Fixation is Hot**
Mark K. Walsh, MD, PhD

12:09
**Gore-Tex: Patagonia, North Face, and the Akreos AO60**
M. Ali Khan, MD

12:21
**Scleral Fixation of an IOL with a Novel Lens Exchange System**
Derek Y. Kunimoto, MD, JD

12:33
**Subretinal Fluid Drainage**
Hugo Quiroz-Mercado, MD

12:45-2:00
**Lunch**

1:00-2:00
**Marketplace Retina: Industry on Display**
**Moderators:** Jorge A. Fortune, MD and Byron S. Ladd, MD
**(A non-CME event)**
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2:00-3:00
**SESSION 8: WOMEN DRIVERS PANEL**
**Moderators:** Audina M. Berrocal, MD and Tara A. McCannel, MD, PhD

2:00
**Intraoperative OCT in Argus II Retinal Prosthetic Surgery**
Aleksandra V. Rachitskaya, MD

2:10
**Management of Subchoroidal Hemorrhage with Concurrent Retinal Detachment**
Christina Y. Weng, MD, MBA

2:20
**Surgical Pearls and Pitfalls in Complex Vitreoretinal Surgery**
Linda A. Lam, MD, MBA

2:30
**Intraoperative OCT Guided Myopic Macular Hole Repair with Platelet Rich Plasma**
Lejla Vajzovic, MD

2:40
**Trouble with Tumors**
Ivana K. Kim, MD

2:50
**The Modern Girls’ Guide to the Buckle**
Lisa C. Olmos de Koo, MD, MBA
3:00-4:00

SESSION 9:
PERILOUS VITREORETINAL SURGERY AND FUTURE DIRECTIONS

Moderators: Damien C. Rodger, MD, PhD and Jayanth Sridhar, MD

3:00
PVR After Uncomplicated RD Repair:
New Insights into an Old Problem
David R.P. Almeida, MD, MBA, PhD

3:10
Developments in Translational Research of PVR Management
Ajay E. Kuriyan, MD

3:20
Benefits and Risks of POD-ZERO Evaluation
D. Wilkin Parke, III, MD

3:30
The Best of Both Worlds: Combined Surgery Using 23G and 27G for Tractional Retinal Detachments
Arshad M. Khanani, MD

3:40
Removal of Subretinal Band Through Retinotomy
Hossein Ameri, MD, PhD

3:50
Endoscopy Techniques for PVR and Beyond
Daniel L. Chao, MD, PhD

4:00-4:05
Closing Remarks
Thomas A. Albini, MD

4:05-5:30
Wet Lab
Exhibit Hall
(A non-CME event)

6:00
Dinner and Awards Ceremony
Apollo Pool at Caesars Palace
6th Annual Vit-Buckle Society Meeting
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