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Distinguished Guest Speaker

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Distinguished Guest Speaker

MARK S. HUMAYUN,
MD, PhD, FARVO, FASRS

Inventing the Future

Saturday, January 25
11:35 AM

Mark S. Humayun, MD, PhD, FARVO, FASRS is the Cornelius J. Pings Chair in Biomedical Sciences, Professor of Ophthalmology, Biomedical Engineering, and Integrative Anatomical Sciences, Director of the USC Ginsburg Institute for Biomedical Therapeutics, and Co-Director of the USC Roski Eye Institute.

Dr. Humayun is an internationally recognized pioneer in vision restoration. He assembled a team of multidisciplinary experts to develop the first FDA approved artificial retina, Argus II, for sight restoration. He has more than 150 issued patents and over 300 peer reviewed publications. He has a google scholar H index of 106.

Dr. Humayun is a member of the U.S. National Academies of Medicine, Engineering, and Inventors. He is a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS), Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE), American Society of Retinal Specialists (ASRS), and Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology (ARVO).

For his extraordinary contributions he was awarded the United States' highest technological achievement, the 2015 National Medal of Technology and Innovation by President Obama. He is the recipient of the 2018 IEEE Biomedical Engineering Award, the 2020 IEEE Medal for Innovations in Healthcare Technology, and the Charles Schepens award by the American Academy of Ophthalmology in 2021. Dr. Humayun was named top 1% of ophthalmologists by the U.S. News & World Report.

Friday

January 24

11:30 AM – 2:00 PM

Registration

12:00 – 12:30 PM

Lunch (open to all registrants)

12:30 – 1:30 PM

SUSVIMO: The Power of Continuous Delivery (fellows and faculty only)

Margaret A. Chang, MD, MS, FASRS

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1:30 – 2:00 PM

Break

1:30 – 10:00 PM

Exhibits

2:00 – 2:15 PM

Introduction

Carl C. Awh, MD, FASRS

2:15 – 3:30 PM

Surgical Video Panel

Sunir J. Garg, MD, FASRS

3:30 – 4:15 PM

Emerging Therapies for AMD Panel

Adrienne W. Scott, MD, FASRS

4:15 – 4:38 PM

SPONSOR PRESENTATIONS

4:15 – 4:22 PM

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4:22 – 4:26 PM

Annexon Biosciences

4:26 – 4:30 PM

MedOne Surgical, Inc.

4:30 – 4:34 PM

Ocular Therapeutix

4:34 – 4:38 PM

OCULUS Surgical, Inc.

4:38 – 5:00 PM

The Retina Games:

Audience and Panel Participation

Tarek S. Hassan, MD, FASRS

5:00 – 5:30 PM

Break

5:30 – 5:40 PM

Announcements

Carl C. Awh, MD, FASRS

5:40 – 6:10 PM

Surgical Management of AMD

Emmanuel Y. Chang, MD, PhD

6:10 – 6:48 PM

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6:10 – 6:17 PM

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6:17 – 6:24 PM

Appellis Pharmaceuticals

6:24 – 6:28 PM

EyeCare Partners

6:28 – 6:32 PM

Bausch + Lomb

6:32 – 6:36 PM

Norlase

6:36 – 6:40 PM

AbbVie

6:40 – 6:44 PM

Mallinckrodt Pharmaceuticals

6:44 – 6:48 PM

REGENXBIO, Inc.

6:48 – 7:18 PM

FELLOWS' CASE PRESENTATIONS

Moderators:

Margaret A. Chang, MD, MS, FASRS

& Basil K. Williams, MD

6:48 – 6:50 PM

Introduction

6:50 – 6:57 PM

Viscostretch Technique for Recurrent Macular Hole

Jake Anderson, MD

6:57 – 7:04 PM

Globe Perforation with Peribulbar Block

David Fell, MD

7:04 – 7:11 PM

Posterior Explant of Capsular Tension Ring

Vaishnavi Balendiran, MD

7:11 – 7:18 PM

How to Manage Surgical Visualization Difficulties

Adrienne Coche, MD

7:18 – 7:40 PM

Panel Discussion of Audience Questions

Carl C. Awh, MD, FASRS

7:40 – 7:50 PM

Announcements

Carl C. Awh, MD, FASRS

7:50 – 10:00 PM

Welcome Dinner

Saturday

January 25

6:45 – 7:30 AM

Breakfast

6:45 AM – 4:00 PM

Exhibits

7:30 – 7:45 AM

Introduction

Carl C. Awh, MD, FASRS

The Retina Games:

Audience and Panel Participation

Tarek S. Hassan, MD, FASRS

7:45 – 8:30 AM

Avoiding and Managing Surgical Complications Panel

Aleksandra V. Rachitskaya, MD, FASRS

8:30 – 9:07 AM

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Astellas

8:37 – 8:44 AM

Regeneron Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

8:44 – 8:51 AM

Retina Consultants of America

8:51 – 8:55 AM

Optos, Inc.

8:55 – 8:59 PM

Vortex Surgical

8:59 – 9:03 AM

Harrow, Inc.

9:03 – 9:07 AM

EyePoint Pharmaceuticals

9:07 – 9:37 AM

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9:07 – 9:09 AM

Introduction

9:09 – 9:16 AM

Subretinal tPA Surprise

Blake H. Fortes, MD

9:16 – 9:23 AM

A Difficult Panuveitis

Peter W. Jones, MD, PhD

9:23 – 9:30 AM

Trans-scleral Subretinal

Band Removal

Mustafa Iftikhar, MD

9:30 – 9:37 AM

Management of a Posterior

Scleral Wound from an

Intraocular Foreign Body

Akshay R. Mentreddy, DO

9:37 – 10:15 AM

Break

10:15 – 10:35 AM

Tumors/Oncology:

What not to miss!

Basil K. Williams, MD

10:35 – 11:15 AM

Surgical Management of

Diabetic Retinopathy

Tarek S. Hassan, MD, FASRS

11:15 – 11:35 AM

MAJOR SPONSOR PRESENTATION

Genentech, Inc.

11:35 – 11:40 AM

Introduction of Mark S. Humayun,

MD, PhD, FARVO, FASRS

Tarek S. Hassan, MD, FASRS

11:40 AM – 12:20 PM

Inventing the Future

Mark S. Humayun,
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12:20 – 1:30 PM

Lunch and Faculty

Discussion Tables

1:30 – 1:40 PM

The Retina Games:

Audience and Panel Participation

Tarek S. Hassan, MD, FASRS

1:40 – 1:45 PM

ASRS: Making Retina Specialists

a Household Name

Jill F. Blim
Chief Executive Officer, ASRS

1:45 – 2:20 PM

Billing, Buying, and Balance Sheets:

The Business of Retina Panel

Margaret A. Chang, MD, MS, FASRS

2:20 – 3:30 PM

Surgical Case Panel

David R. Chow, MD, FASRS

3:30 – 4:00 PM

Break

4:00 – 4:10 PM

Relocate to the Astor Room

4:10 – 4:20 PM

The Retina Games:

Audience and Panel Participation

Tarek S. Hassan, MD, FASRS

4:20 – 6:20 PM

Starting Your Career:

The Real World

Carl C. Awh, MD, FASRS

6:20 – 6:30 PM

Wrap Up

7:20 PM

Depart for 10Pin Bowling

Lounge from Hotel Lobby

7:30 – 11:00 PM

Closing Dinner and

Awards at 10Pin

19th Annual Fellows Forum

Bowling Tournament

Sunday

January 26

7:30 – 9:00 AM

Breakfast

Hotel Lobby

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