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World-Renowned Ophthalmologists Named Honored Guests for the 2016 ASCR•ASOA Symposium & Congress

Paul H. Ernest, MD, and Hiroko Bissen-Miyajima, MD, PhD, will receive the Honored Guest Award at the 2016 ASCRS•ASOA Symposium & Congress, to be held May 6-10, 2016, in New Orleans. They will be given the prestigious award in recognition of their significant contributions to the advancement of the field of ophthalmology.

Specializing in cataract surgery and lifestyle lens implants, Dr. Paul Ernest was inspired to study medicine following his grandmother's successful corneal transplant surgery. After switching from the study of engineering to medicine with a focus on





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ophthalmology, Dr. Ernest completed both his doctorate and his residency at Wayne State University School of Medicine in Detroit and later founded TLC Michigan.

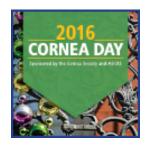
Recognized for his innovation and dedication, Dr. Ernest has been voted one of the top 100 doctors in the country several times over. He is board certified by the American Board of Ophthalmology and a member of ASCRS and several other professional associations, including the American Medical Association, American Intraocular Implant Society, American Academy of Ophthalmology, Michigan State Medical Society, and the International Intraocular Lens Implant Society.

Dr. Hiroko Bissen-Miyajima is department chair and professor of ophthalmology at Tokyo Dental College Suidobashi Hospital, Tokyo, Japan. She specializes in cataract and refractive surgery. Over her 20 year career, she has built a reputation as a skillful surgeon, known around the globe as a major investigator for multifocal intraocular lenses and for leading the way for femtosecond laser-assisted cataract surgery.

Read the full media release announcing the 2016 Honored Guests.

Cornea Day Program Updates: Register by the Feb. 18 Tier 1 Deadline

Are you a practicing ophthalmologist with an interest in comprehensive ophthalmology, anterior segment surgery or corneal disease? If yes, then don't miss Cornea Day, to be held Friday, May 6, preceding the 2016 ASCRS•ASOA Symposium & Congress in New Orleans. Sponsored by the



ASCRS Cornea Clinical Committee and the Cornea Society, this one-day meeting offers an overview of refractive surgery, as well as corneal issues in cataract surgery. Designed to improve the knowledge base and skill level of those treating today's patient, Cornea Day is approved for 6.5 Continuing Medical Education (CME) credit hours.

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Young Eye Surgeons (YES) Web Seminar Phaco FUNdamentals: Getting Yourself Out of Trouble

Sponsored by the <u>ASCRS</u>
<u>Refractive Surgery Clinical</u>
<u>Committee</u>, the upcoming Web seminar, "<u>Phaco FUNdamentals:</u>
<u>Getting Yourself Out of Trouble</u>" will discuss refractive enhancements after cataract surgery as well as how to manage residual refractive error after cataract surgery. The Web seminar will be held Wednesday, Feb. 17, at 9 p.m. EST.

Hosted by Edwin Chen, MD, and featuring Berdine Burger, MD, David Chang, MD, and Kenneth L. Cohen, MD, the format allows for a dynamic learning experience through case presentations, panel discussion and frequent audience participation.

Register today and join us for what is sure to be a lively and informative event!

Deadline to Submit Applications for ASCRS Foundation Research Grants and Resident Excellent Travel Awards Is Jan. 31

The ASCRS Foundation will again offer ten \$1,000 Resident Excellence Travel Awards to enable ophthalmic residents exhibiting exemplary performance to attend the 2016 ASCRS Annual Meeting. Additionally, the foundation will award 10 research grants to young ophthalmologists.

"We're especially excited about Cornea Day this year," says Christopher Rapuano, MD, co-chair of Cornea Day and past president of the Cornea Society. "We tried very hard to create a program that has something for everyone—from the comprehensive ophthalmologist to the cornea subspecialist. We'll have challenging case presentations, surgical video pearls, debates and talks on topics



ranging from ocular surface disease, all forms of keratoplasty, corneal issues before and after cataract surgery to the latest in refractive surgery from around the world."

Cornea Day requires <u>separate registration</u> from the annual meeting. <u>Register today</u> before the Tier 1 deadline, **February 18**. Your 2016 Cornea Day registration includes breakfast, a final program and entry to the ASCRS Glaucoma Day/Cornea Day Exhibit Hall. For more details, please visit <u>CorneaDay.org</u>.

Totaling \$50,000, the grants are intended to fund research studies, explore new treatment options, and further exploration into all areas of eye disease and treatment.

The deadline to submit applications is this Sunday, Jan. 31.

Apply for the 2016 ASCRS Foundation Research Grant.

Apply for the 2016 Resident Excellence Travel Awards.

Get Your Meaningful Use Questions Answered During Upcoming EHR Meaningful Use Web Seminar

ASCRS and ASOA will host a Web seminar titled "EHR Meaningful Use: Stage 2 Modifications Rule Requirements" on Wednesday, February 17, from 2 – 3 p.m. EST. The Web seminar will be hosted by Elizabeth Holland, Senior Technical Advisor in the Division of Health Information Technology at Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).



As you may know, the Stage 2 Modifications rule made changes to Stage 2

Meaningful Use in 2015 and 2016. Join this Web seminar to hear a review of the updated requirements and more information on how these changes will affect ophthalmology practices attesting to Meaningful Use in 2016. ASCRS and ASOA encourage any member or administrator who has questions about 2016 Meaningful Use to join the Web seminar and get their questions answered by CMS experts.

Register now to join the Web seminar. The Web seminar is free for members with promo code A8942.

