



## YES Newsletter—December

**Get to know your YES Clinical Committee Member:** Alexander Knezevic, MD

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### **Do you have an OR quirk?**

I love the Nike Flyknit sneakers that are easy to slide on and off. I'm holding strong as one of the sock operators, and these help me keep cruising. The room setup is always lights off, music on.

### **How do you unwind after a stressful day?**

It's spa day all the way. A few rounds of sauna, cold plunge, and hot tub, and I'm feeling brand new again.

### **If you could only eat one food for the rest of your life, what would it be?**

Chipotle!

### **What is the most unique place you've traveled/visited?**

I think my trip to Nepal as a med student still stands out. I was fortunate to spend a month at the Tilganga Eye Center and even did some hiking for a few days near the Annapurna base camp. They are doing truly amazing work at Tilganga. If you ever have the chance to hike (or "trek") the Himalayas, make sure you train beforehand!

### **Who is your hero, in ophthalmology or personally?**

My grandmother, Maria, for sure.

### **What's your favorite movie?**

*Good Will Hunting*



## **Register for the 2024 ASCRS Annual Meeting**

Registration for the [2024 ASCRS Annual Meeting](#)—April 5–8 in Boston, Massachusetts—is now open.

YES members receive [complimentary/discounted registration](#) and can look forward to a wealth of customized education and networking opportunities. Be sure to register early to ensure that your approvals and paperwork are submitted in time.

The ASCRS Annual Meeting boasts a dedicated day of YES skills transfer labs and a full day of educational programming and networking opportunities tailored specifically for the YES audience. Learn more about YES at the Annual Meeting [here](#).

## Now Accepting 2024 Resident Excellence Award Nominations

The ASCRS Foundation is accepting [nominations](#) for its 2024 [Resident Excellence Awards](#).

This award [recognizes 10 exemplary residents](#) with consideration given for performance in research, patient care, leadership, and education. Awardees receive a travel grant, 4 nights' accommodation, complimentary meeting registration, and invitations to select leadership and social events.

[Submit a nomination](#) by **January 3**.

*“Residency training can be very taxing (for everyone), and it can be hard to imagine what our lives after training will look like. The Annual Meeting is a great place to get that glimpse.” —David Ramirez, MD, a former Resident Excellence Award recipient*



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## Submit Your Case Video for a YES Symposium

The YES Clinical Committee is in search of case videos for the [Good to Great Surgeon: Working Through Complications Video Symposium](#), taking place at the [2024 ASCRS Annual Meeting](#) in Boston, Massachusetts, April 5–8.

Submissions are open now through **January 12**.

This session is an interactive video symposium where presenters, including current residents and fellows, showcase difficult cases and complications that occur in the OR. A panel of surgeons then provides guidance for these complicated cases. Each of the cases will be followed by didactic video pearls concerning complex cases.

[Click here](#) for more information, submission instructions, and other case video opportunities. Contact Sheela Patel ([spatel@ascrs.org](mailto:spatel@ascrs.org)) with any questions.



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## Three Webinars On Demand

ASCRS Clinical Committees have been hard at work over the last few months, putting together a range of educational content. Three [webinars](#) are now available on demand!

- **[New! Understanding the Power of EQ's Role in Growing Your Practice:](#)** features moderators Vance Thompson, MD, and Cathleen McCabe, MD, and faculty Steven Dell, MD, Audrey Talley Rostov, MD, George Waring IV, MD, and Craig Piso, PhD, as they discuss the importance of good communication for understanding patient needs/wants and effectively setting expectations, discussing risks and benefits, and postoperative satisfaction.
- **[A Challenging Day in the OR: Tough Choices in IOL Selection:](#)** features program chairs Kendall Donaldson, MD, and Doug Koch, MD, and faculty Mitch Jackson, MD, Bill Trattler, MD, Neda Shamie, MD, and Marjan Farid, MD, as they discuss four cases involving difficult IOL selection.
- **[Complex Presbyopia IOLs:](#)** features Kendall Donaldson, MD, and Doug Koch, MD, and faculty Kourtney Houser, MD, Cathleen McCabe, MD, Julie Schallhorn, MD, and Robert Weinstock, MD, as they discuss how they use trifocal, EDOF, small-aperture, and adjustable IOLs.

Find these and all recent ASCRS webinars [here](#).

## Take Advantage of These Educational Opportunities with ASCRS

- **[YES Connect webinars:](#)** The latest YES Connect webinar is dedicated to ergonomics—[check it out!](#) Find this and other hour-long, [binge-worthy webinars](#) that include YES members and experts discussing various topics such as interviewing for your first job, basics to billing, working with industry, clinical research in private practice, ASCRS Advocacy and more!
- **[Ophthalmology Quicksand Chronicles—Eureka Moments Podcast:](#)** Watch or listen to the [episode 4 of OQC—Eureka Moments!](#) Hosts Nicole Fram, MD, and Elizabeth Yeu, MD, and guest Julie Schallhorn, MD, discuss cataract surgery with corneal lesions.
- **[ASCRS Grand Rounds:](#)** The latest [Grand Rounds episode](#) is now available, presented by the Tulane University School of Medicine Department of Ophthalmology.

## Helpful Links and Resources:

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