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### **David B. Granet; MD, FACS, FAAP, FAAO**

David Granet is the Anne F. Ratner Professor of Ophthalmology & Pediatrics at the University of California, San Diego and is the Director of the UCSD/Abraham Ratner Children's Eye Center at the Shiley Eye Institute. A graduate of the Yale University School of Medicine where he served as President of his class; Residency trained at New York University (NYU) followed by his fellowship at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia and the University of Pennsylvania Sheie Eye Institute.

Dr. Granet is the co-Founder and co-Director of the World Society of Paediatric Ophthalmology & Strabismus. He is the founder and director of the International Pediatric Ophthalmology Internet discussion group. He is the immediate Past Chair of the Executive Committee for the Section of Ophthalmology for the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP). The author of over 120 articles and book chapters Dr. Granet also is the co-editor of the new AAP book, "Challenging Cases in Pediatric Ophthalmology".

His research has included the development of new approaches for strabismus surgery including delayed adjustable sutures, the approach to scarring, small deviations, Graves Disease and more. He has developed new methods for vision screening, studied the role vision plays in learning along with other new creative ideas.

Dr. Granet has received the Senior Achievement Award from the American Academy of Ophthalmology (AAO) and the Senior Honor Award from the American Association of Pediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus (AAPOS). He is the director of an approved American Pediatric Ophthalmology & Strabismus Fellowship and has trained many international specialists from countries like India, the Phillipines, Egypt, Israel and Brazil.

In addition to his research, teaching and clinical practice, Dr. Granet hosts the Emmy award-winning medical television show "Health Matters".

He resides in San Diego with his wife, Lisa, his three children, Elijah, Isaiah and Ezra along with their dogs, Deli & Messie.

He has been voted into both Top Doctors and Best Doctors of America and into the first edition of the US News and World report, Best Doctors in the US including "Best of the Best" (top 1%).

### **Dominique Bremond-Gignac; MD, PhD**

Dominique Bremond-Gignac is a Professor of Ophthalmology & Head of the Ophthalmology Department with a paediatric subspecialty at University Necker-Enfants malades Hospital and Paris V Rene Descartes University in Paris. She is also the Head of the Paris V Orthoptic Department which is affiliated to the CNRS FR3636 Research Unit, in binocular vision.

She is the Chief of CLAIROP Research Clinical Center and of OPHTARA Rare Ocular Disease Reference Center. She is also involved in research at CNRS FR3636 Binocular Vision Research Unit, Paris V University.

Dr. Bremond-Gignac has been an Associate Professor of Anatomy at the Paris 7 University and at the Ophthalmology Department (Debre Pediatric Hospital) earlier on, following which she was then a Professor of Ophthalmology at the University Hospital of Amiens and Picardie Jules Verne University.

Her activity is distributed in clinical practice, teaching and research (eye development). Current practice includes paediatric anterior segment, strabismus and oculo-plastic surgery as she is also graduated in maxillo-facial surgery.

### **Ken Nischal; MD, FRCOphth**

Dr. Kanwal Nischal, better known as Ken Nischal is the Division Chief, Pediatric Ophthalmology, Strabismus, and Adult Motility Professor of Ophthalmology at the University of Pittsburgh, School of Medicine. He is also the Vice Chair, Department of Ophthalmology in addition to being the Associate Director of International Business - Ophthalmology & the Director of the Pediatric Program Development at the UPMC Eye Center.

Dr. Nischal attended King's College Hospital Medical School, University of London and completed his Ophthalmology residency at the Oxford Eye Hospital in the United Kingdom. He completed his fellowship at The Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto, and prior to joining Children's in 2011, he was at Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children, London in the United Kingdom.

Dr. Nischal is a pioneer in Pediatric Anterior Segment disease and surgery. He has described innovative surgical techniques, disease classification and management algorithms. He is evidence based and protocol driven in terms of clinical practice, and uses clinical audit to define management outcomes.

### **Ramesh Kekunnaya; MD,FRCS**

Ramesh Kekunnaya has received his basic medical training from Karnatak Medical College, Hubli and specialized in ophthalmology from Government Medical College, Mysore, India in 1999. He completed a comprehensive ophthalmology fellowship (with special focus on Strabismus and Neuro-ophthalmology) at the L. V. Prasad Eye Institute (LVPEI), Hyderabad followed by a Pediatric Ophthalmology & Strabismus Fellowship (AAPOS accredited) at Jules Stein Eye Institute, University of California, Los Angeles, USA. He also had a short stint at the Moorfield's Eye Hospital and the Great Ormond Street Hospital for children, London as a part of ICO fellowship.

Dr. Kekunnaya is currently the Head of Pediatric Ophthalmology, Strabismus and Neuroophthalmology at Child Sight Institute and Jasti V. Ramanamma Children's Eye Care Center, LVPEI, Hyderabad and Clinical Assistant Professor Case Western Reserve University Cleveland, Ohio. He is also in charge of the Paediatric Ophthalmology and strabismus fellowship program.

He is a member of the American Academy of Pediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus (AAPOS), World Society for Pediatric Ophthalmology & Strabismus (WSPOS) and American Academy of Ophthalmology (AAO). He is an Executive Bureau member of WSPOS and a member of the Professional Education Committee of AAPOS.

Dr. Kekunnaya has presented at various international and national meetings. He was a recipient of the prestigious 'Achievement award' from AAO in 2012; in addition to receiving the 'International Scholar Award' from AAO in 2014 and the 'HONOR AWARD' from AAPOS in 2016. He has authored publications in various peer-reviewed journals and is a reviewer for Ophthalmology, British Journal of Ophthalmology, AJO, Eye, IJO, EJO, Strabismus and JAAPOS. He is also a 'section editor' for BJO. He is actively involved in teaching and research activities in the pediatric ophthalmology services. His clinical interests include strabismus, pediatric cataract, vision development, lazy eye and neuro-ophthalmological disorders.

### **Richard W. Hertle; MD, FAAO, FACS, FAAP**

Richard Hertle is an investigator in the areas of nystagmus and eye movement disorder. His current titles include, Professor of Ophthalmology, Northeast Ohio Medical College, SUMMA Medical Center Department of Ophthalmology, Director, The Children's Vision Center and Chief of Ophthalmology,

Akron Children's Hospital Medical Center, Akron, Ohio, USA. He has been a principal investigator on a number of NIH-funded research projects, including on-going studies on the treatment of strabismus, nystagmus and amblyopia.

An avid researcher and publisher, Dr. Hertle has over 220 refereed publications and almost as many abstracts, editorials, reviews and invited lectures. He currently serves as a reviewer for multiple journals and has been a recipient of over two million dollars of research funding.

### **Adedayo Omobolanle Adio; FWACS, FMCophth, FCIA, FLVP**

Adedayo Omobolanle Adio completed an ophthalmology residency in West Africa and National fellowships at the University College Hospital Ibadan, Nigeria followed by a paediatric ophthalmology fellowship at The Jasti V Ramanamma Children's Eye care Centre, L. V. Prasad Eye Institute, Hyderabad, India.

Dr. Adio is currently the Head of Paediatric Ophthalmology clinic, at the University of Port Harcourt teaching hospital, Port Harcourt, Rivers state, Nigeria as well as a Senior lecturer in the University of Port Harcourt, Nigeria. She is the recipient of the prestigious 2014 AAPOS / children eye foundation travel grant. She was a former Residency training director of Ophthalmology, University of Port Harcourt teaching hospital for many years and has been teaching and examining both final year medical students and residents in ophthalmology for up to 20 years.

As the former head of department of Ophthalmology, she was responsible for starting subspecialty units in the department. All the subspecialty consultants in the department were encouraged to undertake subspecialty training, thus making the department one of the most progressive teaching hospitals.

Dr. Adio has played numerous roles in molding the profession and continues to do so in her additional role as the Secretary General of the Nigerian Pediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus Society (OSN NIPOSS) mentoring upcoming specialists in these area and other areas.

Her chief areas of interest are Paediatric cataract, strabismus and targeted rehabilitation of the irreversibly blind. She is a volunteer ophthalmologist at the TLEC rehabilitation center for the Blind in Port Harcourt, Nigeria; where she teaches Braille and activities of daily living to these group of people. She is perhaps the first ophthalmologist in Nigeria to set up such a center.

She is also the coordinator for the Prevention of Blindness committee in Rivers state where she lives. She is actively involved in organizing numerous medical and cataract surgical camps to aid the poor in the society.

She has authored and co-authored over 50 peer-reviewed publications and continues to write articles for scientific journals. She is married and has three boys.

### **Angela Maria Fernandez Delgado; MD**

Angela Fernandez is a Pediatric Ophthalmologist & Residency Program Professor since the past 20 years in the Military Hospital - Nueva Granada Military University, Bogota, Colombia. She is also the Pediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus Section Head at the Military Hospital in Bogota, Colombia. Dr. Delgado is a Professor in the Ophthalmology Department at the Military Hospital, Bogota Colombia. She is also an Assistant Professor at the Ophthalmology Department at the Santa Fe Foundation, Bogota, Colombia. Her main fields of interest are Pediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus.

Dr. Delgado acquired her MD degree from the Rosario University at Bogota, Colombia & her Ophthalmology degree from Barraquer Institute of America, Bogota, Colombia. She then went on to

pursue Pediatric Ophthalmology as a Sub-specialty at the New England Eye Center at the Tufts University, Boston, USA. She got her Oncological Ophthalmology degree from the National Cancer Institute, Javeriana University, Bogota, Colombia

Angela Delgado is the President Elect for the Colombian Ophthalmology Society for the 2017 – 2019 term. She is also the Pediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus Colombian Association (ACOPE) Past President. She was also the Past President of the Pediatric Ophthalmology Latin American Society (SOPLA). She is a Board Member of the Pan-American Association of Ophthalmology (PAAO) & a Latin American Strabismus Council CLADE Member, in addition to being an American Association of Pediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus (AAPOS) Member. She is also a Member of the WSPOS Scientific Bureau since 2015.

### **Daisy Godts; CO**

Daisy Godts hails from Belgium. She is married to Stef Deboutte & has 2 daughters.

Dr. Godts speaks 5 languages, namely Dutch, English, French, German & Spanish

#### **EDUCATION**

- 1973-1979: Koninklijk Atheneum, Diest, BE, L.S.O.: Latin-Sciences / Sciences-Mathematics: Magna cum laude
- 1979-1980: Catholic University, Leuven, BE, Medical sciences
- 1980-1982: Dutch Academy for Orthoptics, Utrecht, NL, Orthoptics: Summa cum laude
- 1982-1984: Leidse Onderwijsinstellingen, Leiderdorp, NL, Technical Ophthalmic Assistant: Magna cum laude
- 1989-1990: Antwerp Language School, Antwerp, BE, French: Summa cum laude
- 1990-1991: Institute for modern languages, Antwerp, BE, Spanish: Cum laude

#### **PROFESSIONAL ORGANISATIONS**

- Belgian Orthoptic Association: Secretary (1982-1991), IOA-representative (1990- today), treasurer (1991 -2004), vice president (2000-2004), president (2004- 2010), treasurer (2012-today),
- Donder's Association for Strabismus: Treasurer / Congress organiser 1995-today
- International Orthoptic Association: Council member (1990- today), chairman "Membership Committee" (1991-today), President Congress Organising Committee IOA Congress 2008 (2004-2008), member Congress Scientific Programme Committee IOA Congress 2016 (2012-2016)
- International Strabismological Association: member (1990-1998)
- European Strabismological Association: member (1992-today)
- Latin American Strabismological Association: member (2000-today)
- World Society of Paediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus: member (2012-today), scientific board member (2016-today)

#### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

- Antwerp University Hospital: Principal orthoptist (1993-today)
- Eye Clinic Antwerp: Chief orthoptist, contact lens specialist (1988-today)
- Eye Clinic Deurne: Chief orthoptist, Low vision therapist (1996-today)
- Eye Institute IOAM, Santa Cruz, Tenerife, Spain: Chief orthoptist (1990-today)
- Eye Institute dr Muiños, Los Llanos de Aridane, La Palma, Spain : Chief orthoptist (1990-today)
- Lievensberg Hospital, Bergen op Zoom, The Netherlands: Chief orthoptist (1992-1993)

#### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

- Dutch Academy for Orthoptics, Utrecht, The Netherlands: Clinical instructor for orthoptic students (1985-today)
- Higher Institute for Paramedical Professions, Gent: Professor ocular motility (1988-1996), Clinical instructor for orthoptic students (1988-2010)
- Antwerp University Hospital: Clinical instructor / lecturer for residents in ophthalmology (1993-today)
- Tel Aviv University, Israel: Orthoptic course for optometrists: lecturer (February 2012)
- Aravind Eye Care System, Madurai, India, Orthoptic and Pediatric Ophthalmology department: Lecturer/Clinical and practical lessons (November 2013, October 2015)

#### PARTICIPATION IN CHARITY ORGANISATIONS

- Medical and Surgical Care Mission: Casa de la Luz, Puerto Plata, Dominican Republic (May 2009, March 2010, May 2012, May 2014, May 2016)
- IOA Teaching volunteer, Madurai, India (November 2001, October 2015)

#### **Daniel Mojon; MD, FEBO, EMHSA**

Daniel Mojon is the Director of the Airport Medical Center Eye Clinic, Zürich Airport, Switzerland. He also has a Private Practice in Heiden and St. Gallen, Switzerland. He is also Professor of Ophthalmology at the University of Bern, Switzerland in addition to being a Consultant at the Kepler University Eye Clinic, Linz, Austria.

Dr. Mojon Graduated from the University of Bern, Switzerland in 1988, following which he pursued an MD Thesis in 1990. He then did his Residency in Ophthalmology, University Eye Clinic Bern, Switzerland from 1992 - 1994. In 1994 Dr. Mojon pursued a Fellowship in Clinical Neuro-Ophthalmology and Molecular Genetics at the Columbia Presbyterian Medical Center, New York.

He then became Head of the Glaucoma Unit and Dept. of Strabismology and Neuro-Ophthalmology, University Eye Clinic Bern, Switzerland in 1996. He held office till 1999, following which he became the Head Dept. of Strabismology and Neuro-Ophthalmology, Kantonsspital St. Gallen, Switzerland from 1999 - 2012.

#### **Daniel J. Salchow; MD**

Daniel Salchow is Professor of Ophthalmology & is the Director of the section for Pediatric Ophthalmology, Strabismus and Neuroophthalmology at the Department of Ophthalmology, Charité-University Medicine Berlin, Germany. He cares for children with all types of vision and eye problems. Dr. Salchow received his M.D. degree from the University of Lübeck Medical School in Germany and trained at Lenox Hill Hospital, New York City (internship), the Edward S. Harkness Eye Institute, Columbia University, New York (residency), and Children's National Medical Center, Washington, DC (fellowship). From 2007 – 2012, Dr. Salchow was the director of pediatric ophthalmology and strabismus service at the Department of Ophthalmology of Yale University in New Haven, CT.

Dr. Salchow is a board-certified ophthalmologist in the USA and Germany. His areas of special clinical interest and expertise include cataracts in children (including complex cases such as dislocated lenses in Marfan syndrome) and the correction of strabismus in children and adults. His research focuses on the use of optical coherence tomography (OCT) for children's eye problems, the treatment of strabismus and the prophylaxis of after-cataract in children.

Dr. Salchow has published numerous scientific articles, several book chapters, an online-chapter on strabismus and has given many invited lectures internationally. He received the “Excellence in Teaching Award” of the Yale Ophthalmology Residency program in 2009.

### **Jun Hong Li; MD, PhD**

Junhong Li is a Professor and Senior Consultant of Shanxi Province Eye Hospital, Shanxi Medical University, China. She is the Medical Director of Shanxi Province Eye Hospital.

Dr. Li has been trained in the pediatric ophthalmology department of Boston Children Hospital, Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children and Singapore National Eye Center. She has a special interest in strabismus, paediatric cataract and ptosis.

She is a member of the scientific bureau of the World Society of Paediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus (WSPOS) and a Committee Member of Ophthalmology Branch of the Chinese Medical Association (CMA).

### **Lionel Kowal; FRANZCO, FRACS**

Lionel Kowal studied Medicine at the University of Melbourne, and trained in Ophthalmology at the Royal Victorian Eye and Ear Hospital (RVEEH) in Melbourne. He developed a fascination for strabismus during his training and followed this with a Fellowship at Wills where he was inspired by Joe Calhoun, Bob Reinecke and its rich intellectual climate. He took over the Motility clinic at RVEEH in 1992 from John Norton Taylor; the Ocular Motility Clinic at RVEEH is the largest dedicated strabismus clinic in an academic hospital in Australia and educates local and international residents and Fellows.

Lionel’s interests and publications include visual problems after head injury, the interaction between strabismus and refractive surgery, the assessment and treatment of infantile nystagmus, the management of complex strabismus, the popularisation of new surgical techniques (e.g. pulley sutures, orbital fixation of extra ocular muscles) and amblyopia treatment options.

He has been a visiting professor and Keynote Speaker at many meetings, including the 2nd Barcelona meeting of WSPOS.

### **Lotte Welinder; MD, FEBO**

Lotte Welinder Graduated from Aarhus University Medical School, Denmark 1998, trained at Aalborg and Aarhus University Hospitals (Denmark), and specialist in ophthalmology since 2006, subspecializing in pediatric ophthalmology.

She has been a Fellow of the European Board of Ophthalmology ever since 2006 & a consultant ophthalmologist at Aalborg University Hospital and Institute of Vision and Hearing, Aalborg, Denmark with a special interest in pediatric ophthalmology and low vision since 2010. Dr. Welinder has been a Danish representative in the European Board of Ophthalmology (EBO) and European Union Medical Society (UEMS)- Ophthalmology chapter Since 2014.

She underwent an Observership at the Great Ormond Street Hospital, London, UK in 2010 and a short-term fellowship in pediatric ophthalmology with Dr. Lyons, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada in 2013.

Dr. Welinder is a member of Scientific Bureau of WSPOS since 2015.

### **Manca Tekavcic Pompe; MD, PhD**

Manca Tekavcic Pompe is paediatric ophthalmologist and anterior segment surgeon from Ljubljana, Slovenia. She works at the University Eye Clinic in Ljubljana and is Assistant Professor in Ophthalmology at Medical Faculty, University of Ljubljana.

Dr. Pompe is interested in clinical research in the field of paediatric ophthalmology, which includes anterior segment surgery, paediatric glaucoma, visual electrophysiology with its clinical application and colour vision.

### **Mauro Goldchmit; MD**

Dr. Goldchmit is a Doctor of Medicine at the São Paulo Federal University at São Paulo, Brazil. He is also a Professor and Chief of the Strabismus Section at the CEMA Hospital at São Paulo, Brazil in addition to being an Executive-Director at the Strabos Institute in São Paulo, Brazil

Mauro Goldchmit pursued his undergraduate education at the Santo Amaro Medical School, São Paulo, Brazil from 1980-1986, followed by a Residency in Ophthalmology at Santa Casa de São Paulo at São Paulo, Brazil from 1987-1989. He then went on to do a Fellowship in Strabismus at the Santa Casa de São Paulo, São Paulo, Brazil in 1989, followed by Neuro-Ophthalmology Fellowship from São Paulo Federal University, São Paulo, Brazil in 1989. He subsequently went on to do a Pediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus Fellowship at the Smith-Kettlewell Eye Research Institute, San Francisco, USA in 1990.

Dr. Goldchmit got his Master Degree in Ophthalmology from the São Paulo Federal University, São Paulo, Brazil in 1992, following which he acquired his Doctors Degree in Ophthalmology from the São Paulo Federal University, São Paulo, Brazil in 1997.

He was the President of the Brazilian Strabismological Society from 1997 – 1999 & the President of the Latin American Council of Ophthalmology from 1998 – 2000.

### **Muhammad H Younis; MD, FACS**

Muhammad Younis is a graduate of the American University of Beirut (AUB) where he received his BS in biology followed by his MD in 1989. He then completed his residency in ophthalmology at the same institution. He pursued a two year fellowship training in Pediatric Ophthalmology and Adult Strabismus at the Moorfields Eye Hospital and Hospital for Sick Children, University College London, England. He also underwent a rotation in an academic post as a Specialist senior registrar at the Saint James University Hospital and Leeds General Infirmary, North England for more than two years. Dr. Younis returned to Beirut, Lebanon in 1998. In addition to his private practice, he is currently Co-chair of the Eye department at Rafic Hariri University Hospital and head of Pediatric Ophthalmology & Strabismus service and director of the teaching program. He is also a Consultant Ophthalmic Surgeon at the eye department, American University of Beirut, Medical Center and the eye department at University Medical Center, Rizk Hospital, Lebanese American University where he is involved in teaching residents and medical students with special interest in Pediatric Ophthalmology & Strabismus.

Muhammad is the Past President of the Lebanese Ophthalmological Society (2009-2011) and has been a National Board Member of Middle East African Council of Ophthalmology (MEACO) from 2006-2011.

He is a fellow of the American College of Surgeons (ACS) where he is currently general secretary of the Lebanese Chapter. He is a member in good standing of the International Strabismological Association (ISA) since 1998, a member of the American Academy of Ophthalmology (AAO), a



member of the American Association of Pediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus (AAPOS) and a International Board Member of the ISPOC.

He is a member of the Scientific Committee of the World Society of Pediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus (WSPOS) since 2010.

Dr. Younis has organized and actively participated (as invited speaker) in many national, regional and international scientific meetings. He has authored many publications in various peer-reviewed journals and he is also a reviewer for the European Journal of Ophthalmology.

He is actively involved in teaching & has a clinical interest in the field of strabismus and Botulinum toxin, pediatric cataracts, amblyopia treatment and vision screening.

### **Nicola Freeman; MBChB, FCOphth, MMed**

Nicola Freeman works at the Paediatric Ophthalmology Service, Red Cross Children's Hospital, Cape Town, South Africa.

Her special interests include paediatric glaucoma, strabismus, cataract, ROP and Retinoblastoma. Dr. Freeman is currently the President of the South African Society of Paediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus (SASPOS).

### **Seo Wei Leo; MRCSEd, MMED, FRCSEd, FAMS**

Seo Wei Leo is the Senior Consultant Ophthalmologist & Medical Director at Dr. Leo Adult & Paediatric Eye Specialist Pvt. Ltd. She is the Immediate Past Head, Paediatric Ophthalmology & Strabismus, NHG Eye Institute. She is also a Visiting Consultant at the K. K. Women's & Children's Hospital in addition to being a Visiting Consultant at the Tan Tock Seng Hospital. Dr. Leo is also a Clinical Lecturer at the Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine at the National University of Singapore.

Dr. Leo graduated from medical school at the National University of Singapore in 1996 with a Gold Medal & Book Prize in Ophthalmology. After completing her basic specialist training at the Singapore National Eye Centre, National University Hospital and Tan Tock Seng Hospital, she obtained her Membership of Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh (Ophth) in 2000 and Master of Medicine (Ophthalmology) in 2001. She subsequently did her advanced Specialist training in Ophthalmology at Tan Tock Seng Hospital. She also obtained the Fellowship of Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh (FRCSEd (Ophth) in 2004 and was inducted as a Fellow of the Academy of Medicine Singapore (Ophthalmology) in 2004. Dr. Leo received the Health Manpower Development Plan award from the Ministry of Health, Singapore. She also passed the United States Medical Licensing Examinations (USMLE) and subsequently completed 2 intensive clinical fellowships in the USA. The first was an (ACGME) Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education and (AAPOS) American Association of Pediatric Ophthalmology & Strabismus-accredited clinical fellowship at the University of Michigan and W.K Kellogg Eye Center, Ann Arbor, under the tutelage of Prof Monte Del Monte and Prof Steven Archer. This was followed by a shorter stint with the renowned Dr. Kenneth Wright in Los Angeles.

Seo Wei Leo returned to Singapore to work as a Consultant Ophthalmologist in Department of Ophthalmology, Tan Tock Seng Hospital where she set up and helmed the Eye Alignment Clinic & Children's Eye Centre. Dr. Leo was also an inaugural faculty for the AAPOS - TianJin Eye Centre Paediatric Ophthalmology fellowship programme. Prior to starting private practice, she was a Senior Consultant at the Department of Ophthalmology, Tan Tock Seng Hospital and Head of Paediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus at the National Healthcare Group Eye Institute. She was also a clinical lecturer at the Faculty of Medicine, National University of Singapore, Yong Loo Lin School of

Medicine in addition to being a Core faculty at the Singapore Polytechnic - Manchester University Optometry degree programme. Dr. Leo was also a Visiting Consultant at the K. K. Women's and Children's Hospital. Furthermore, she was an examiner in the MRCSEd / MMed (Ophthalmology) examinations.

Seo Wei Leo has published numerous peer-reviewed articles and presented at international conferences in Asia-Pacific, Europe and USA. Besides being invited to conduct instructional workshops, Dr. Leo has also performed live surgeries at various international conferences.

Accolades for her research work include the Eye Institute-Pfizer Research Prize for Best Original Paper, 2004 and the best of the show at the 2010 Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Ophthalmology. Throughout the years, Dr. Leo has won numerous service excellence awards, including Clinical Excellence (EXSA) Silver 2008, Gold 2009.

She is also a reviewer for many journals including Survey of Ophthalmology, British Journal of Ophthalmology & is currently on the Scientific Bureau for the World Society of Paediatric Ophthalmology & Strabismus. She is also a committee member of the American Academy of Ophthalmology.

Besides managing all aspects of general ophthalmology including cataract surgery, laser procedures and refractive surgery (LASIK), Seo Wei Leo has special interests in strabismus surgery (adult & paediatric) and paediatric ophthalmology including anterior segment diseases, refractive errors and learning disabilities in children. Dr. Leo speaks English, Mandarin, Chinese dialects, Japanese and basic Bahasa Indonesian.

### **Susan Cotter; OD, MS, FAAO**

Susan Cotter is a Professor of Optometry at the Southern California College of Optometry at Marshall B. Ketchum University, where she is a pediatric optometrist and clinician scientist. Her primary research interests are clinical management strategies for strabismus, amblyopia, non-strabismic binocular vision disorders, and childhood refractive error. Dr. Cotter has served in numerous leadership positions (including Vice Chair) for the Pediatric Eye Disease Investigator Group (PEDIG), a National Eye Institute (NEI) - funded clinical research network of pediatric ophthalmologists and optometrists who perform clinical investigations related to pediatric eye disease. She has also served in leadership positions for a number of other NEI - funded studies. At present, Dr. Cotter serves on the Board of Directors for the American Academy of Optometry where she is a Diplomate and past Chair of the Academy's Binocular Vision, Perception, & Pediatric Optometry Section. She also serves on the National Advisory Committee of the National Center for Children's Vision and Eye Health (NCCVEH). Dr. Cotter is a recipient of the Glenn A. Fry Medal for Distinguished Achievements in Vision Research.

### **Yair Morad; MD**

Dr. Yair Morad is Head of the Assaf Harofeh Medical Center Pediatric Ophthalmology Service. He graduated medical school from Rapaport School of Medicine, Technion University, Haifa, Israel. He started a pediatric residency at the Schneider's Children's Hospital in Petach Tivka, but later decided to begin a residency in Ophthalmology in Assaf Harofeh Medical Center, Tel Aviv University.

Dr. Morad served as the Head of the Israel Defense Forces Medical Research Unit and later completed a fellowship in pediatric ophthalmology at The Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto.

Dr. Morad is a professor of Ophthalmology in the Tel Aviv Sackler School of Medicine and the Head of the Tel Aviv University Certified Orthoptics Program. His interests include strabismus, childhood

uveitis, genetic eye disorders in children, and child abuse. Dr. Morad is widely published in the pediatric ophthalmology peer-reviewed literature. He is a member of the Israeli Ophthalmological Association, former Head of the Israeli Association for Pediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus, and member of the American Association of Pediatrics Ophthalmology and Strabismus.

**Yee Fong Choong; MBChB, FRCOphth**

Yee Fong Choong is the Medical Director of International Specialist Eye Centre (ISEC), Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. He has special interest in paediatric cataract and strabismus and is a founding member and a member of the scientific bureau of the World Society of Paediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus (WSPOS). Dr. Choong also has keen interest in adult refractive cataract surgery.