



## Winter Symposium

February 23 - 26, 2025

St. Regis Hotel · Aspen, Colorado

**Program Chair:** Stephen G. Slade, MD, FACS

**Program Committee Moderators:**

Stephen Brint, MD, FACS	Marguerite McDonald, MD
Steven Dell, MD	William Link, PhD
John Doane, MD	Kerry Solomon, MD
Kendall Donaldson, MD	William Trattler, MD
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### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23

5:30 - Opening Reception (*Astor Ballroom*)  
7:30 pm

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24

#### Morning Session:

06:30 – 07:00 Breakfast with the Experts (*Astor Ballroom, Pre-function area*)

07:00 **SESSION 1: The Innovator's Session: Regulation, Reimbursement, Profitability**  
**Moderators:** Stephen Slade, MD and Steven Dell, MD

07:05	AECOS Update	Kendall Donaldson, MD <i>President, AECOS Americas</i>
07:15	ASCRS Mid-term Report	Vance Thompson, MD <i>President, ASCRS</i>
07:25	Harold Ridley: The Man	Robert Maloney, MD
07:40	<b><u>Keynote:</u></b> Private Practice: Regulation, Reimbursement, Profitability	James Loden, MD
08:00	Looking Forward in Regulation and Reimbursement	Alan Reider, JD Allison Shuren, JD
08:25	The Future of Regulation and Reimbursement from Washington	Jeffrey Kimbell
08:45	World College of Refractive Surgery & Visual Sciences	Charles Williamson, MD
9:00	The Industry Panel: Laurent Attias, Warren Foust, Shervin Korangy, Erin Schallhorn Powers, Brent Saunders, Ramin Valian, Elizabeth Yeu MD	
09:30	<i>Morning Session Adjourns</i>	

**Monday Afternoon Session:**

3:30 pm Case Consultations: Bring your challenging cases for discussion (*Astor Ballroom, Pre-function area*)

**SESSION 2: The Modern Practice – What You Should be Doing Now!**

**Moderators:** John Doane MD and Kerry Solomon MD

**Panel:** Scott Barnes MD, Eugene Gabianelli MD, Sean Hanlon, Sumitra Khandelwal MD, Scott LaBorwit MD, Kade Wilcox

4:00 Your Practice: Private Equity, Co-Management, Marketing  
Eugene Gabianelli, MD  
Sean Hanlon  
Kade Wilcox

4:30 Not So Acute Hydrops Management  
4:40 Should You Treat Floaters?  
4:50 Capsular Contraction Syndrome with a Hydrophilic Acrylic IOL  
5:00 Epi-On CXL  
Joseph Ciolino, MD  
Sagar Patel, MD  
William Trattler, MD  
Michael Raizman, MD

5:10 The Dulaney Award Lecture:  
Innovation: What Will You Be Doing Differently?  
Eric Donnenfeld, MD  
Kerry Solomon, MD  
**Panel:** Cristos Ifantides MD, Neda Shamie MD, William Trattler MD, William Wiley MD

5:30 Finding AECOS-quality Primary Care for AECOS Surgeons  
5:33 Cosmetic Keratopigmentation? Should we all be doing this?  
5:36 Adding Lacrifil to My Practice  
5:39 Cataract Surgery with Physiologic IOP  
5:42 CTAK for Keratoconus  
5:45 Incorporating DSLT Into Your Practice  
5:48 Discussion  
Cristos Ifantides, MD  
William Trattler, MD  
Eric Donnenfeld, MD  
Neda Shamie, MD  
William Wiley, MD  
Kerry Solomon, MD

06:00 *Evening Event: The Coleman Show (Astor Ballroom)*  
*An Evening with Robert Maloney, MD*  
Stephen Coleman, MD

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25**

**Morning Session:**

06:30 – 7:00 Breakfast with the Experts (*Astor Ballroom, Pre-function area*)

**SESSION 3: Modern Surgery**

**Moderators:** Steven Dell, MD and Kendall Donaldson, MD

**Panel:** Dean Corbett MD, Sarah Griffin MD, Eva Kim MD, Neda Nikpoor MD, Yuna Rapoport MD, Robert Weinstock MD

07:00 My Perfect Case  
**Moderator:** Stephen Slade, MD  
My Best Tips: John Doane MD, Eric Donnenfeld MD, Blake Williamson MD, Gary Wortz MD  
Discussion

07:30 My Three Refractive Surgery Categories  
Vance Thompson, MD

07:40	The Latest Trifocal IOL	Morgan Micheletti, MD
07:50	The Perfect EDOF IOL	Eric Donnenfeld, MD
08:00	Novel IOLs: Best Lens in Europe	Matteo Piovella, MD
08:10	IR Illumination of the Surgical Field	Robert Weinstock, MD
08:20	Bio-Reinforced Cyclodialysis	James Lewis, MD
08:30	The Unhappy Perfect LAL Patient	Marguerite McDonald, MD
08:40	Idiopathic Persistent Iritis	Jonathan Solomon, MD
08:50	Choosing the Right Power for Post RK patients	Richard Davidson, MD
09:00	A Femtosecond Laser for Keratoconus	Mark Lobanoff, MD

09:10 The Aspen MBA: LASIK  
*Moderator: Steven Dell, MD*  
*Panel: Liana Miller, Alan Reider JD, James Wachtman, Charles Williamson MD*

09:45 *Morning Session Adjourns*

12:00 - **The George O. Waring III, MD Memorial Charity Ski Race**  
2:00 pm *Ajax Mountain, Nastar Course. (\$50 minimum donation to participate)*  
*All proceeds benefit Challenge Aspen – “Creating Possibilities for People with Disabilities”*  
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**Afternoon Session:**

3:30 – 4:00 pm Case Consultations: Bring your challenging cases for discussion *(Astor Ballroom, Pre-function area)*

**SESSION 4: Challenges in Your Practice**

*Moderators: John Vukich, MD and Robert Weinstock, MD*

*Panel: Carlos Buznego MD, Wyche Coleman MD, Alan Faulkner MD, James Katz MD, Amy Lin MD, George Waring IV MD*

**Grand Rounds 1: Techniques and Technology** *(10 min talks/videos incl discussion)*

4:00	Multifocal IOLs in Post Refractive Patients	Caroline Watson, MD
4:10	Piggyback IOLs in Previous Trauma	Dean Corbett, MD
4:20	What the Heck Happened After This Routine Phaco	Chip Berestka, MD
4:30	30 YO -10.0 Glaucoma Suspect with Contact Lens Intolerance	George Waring IV, MD
4:40	IOL Exchange Made Easy or Piggyback IOLs?	William Wiley, MD
4:50	Off Key	Arjan Hura, MD
5:00	Too Tight for a Toric	Eva Kim, MD
5:10	How to Decide if a Pinhole IOL is Best	Stephen Klyce, PhD

**The AECOS Innovation Forum** *(Each presenter 4 min to make their case; 2 min for discussion & voting)*

*Moderator: William Link, PhD*

*Panel: Andy Corley, Nick Curtis, Rajesh Rajpal MD, Jeffry Weinhuff*

5:20	Ufonia	Nick de Pennington, MD
5:26	MicroCures	Gordon Bethwaite
5:32	EyeCool	Ruben Salinas, PhD
5:38	Aurion Biotech	Michael Goldstein, MD
5:44	EyeDura Pharma	John Vukich, MD
5:50	Sydnexis	Perry Sternberg
5:56	OnPoint Vision	Courtney Crawford, MD

6:02 Horizon Surgical Systems Jean-Pierre Hubschman, MD  
6:08 Vialase Shawn O’Neil

**Grand Rounds 2: Difficult Choices (10 min talks/videos incl discussion)**

**Panel:** Ashley Brissette MD, Joseph Ciolino MD, Arjan Hura MD, Julie Schallhorn MD,  
Joshua Teichman MD, Rahul Tonk MD

6:15 Should We Be Using Low Power Toric IOLs Steven Schallhorn, MD  
6:25 When to Refer Glaucoma Nikitha Reddy, MD  
6:35 Piggyback IOLs John Doane, MD  
6:45 Impact of Increasing Numbers of Post Refractive Patients Mark Kontos, MD  
6:55 Worsening Astigmatism When Adjusting the LAL Hunter Newsom, MD

7:05 pm **AECOS Reception and Grand Celebration Dinner (The Velvet Buck, St Regis Hotel)**

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26**

**Morning Session:**

06:30 – 07:00 Breakfast with the Experts (Astor Ballroom, Pre-function area)

**SESSION 5: New Technologies and Complication Challenges**

**Moderators:** Marguerite McDonald, MD and William Trattler, MD

**HD Video Case Presentations: Surgical Technique (Videos, 10 min ea incl discussion)**

**Panel:** Brandon Ayres MD, Alison Early MD, Mark Kontos MD, Beeran Meghpara MD,  
Sheri Rowen MD, Caroline Watson MD

07:00 Bilateral Hyphema after ICL with Pupillary Block Jason Brenner, MD  
07:10 Loose Zonules Cataract William Wiley, MD  
07:20 Traumatic Cataract Sumitra Khandelwal, MD  
07:30 360 Iris Synechiaie Allison Chen, MD  
07:40 Choroidal Effusion Brian Szabo, MD  
07:50 The Black Cataract James Lehmann, MD  
08:00 Minimal Zonules Cataract Joshua Teichman, MD

**Grand Rounds 3**

**Panel:** Chip Berestka MD, Ralph Chu MD, Richard Davidson MD, Alan Faulkner MD,  
Jennifer Loh MD, Brian Szabo MD

08:10 \_\_\_\_\_ Roger Zaldivar, MD  
08:20 \_\_\_\_\_  
08:30 How to Manage Zonulopathy Brandon Ayres, MD  
08:40 Neurotrophic Keratosis Brett Bielory, MD  
  
08:50 Closing Comments Stephen Slade, MD  
Steven Dell, MD

09:15 **2025 AECOS Winter Symposium Adjourns**