



Canadian Ophthalmological Society

Annual Report 2024



Canadian Ophthalmological Society
Société canadienne d'ophtalmologie
EYE PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS OF CANADA | MÉDECINS ET CHIRURGIENS OPHTHALMOLOGISTES DU CANADA

1937-2024 87 YEARS
of leading vision care in Canada

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Mission Statement

The mission of the Canadian Ophthalmological Society (COS) is to strive toward the provision of optimal medical and surgical eye care for all Canadians by promoting excellence in ophthalmology and providing services to support its members in practice.

COS is the advocate for vision health for all Canadians.

COS advances vision health by improving Canadian eye care standards through the work of its Board of Directors, Councils and Committees, as well as ties with national and international ophthalmological and eye care organizations.

Core Values

The following core values continue to guide the work of the COS team across all our initiatives:



Vision and
Leadership



Integrity
and Respect



Lifelong
Learning

President & CEO Message



Mona Harissi-Dagher, MD, FRCSC
President

This past year has been one of growth, collaboration, and forward momentum for the Canadian Ophthalmological Society, as we continue to advance eye and vision care across Canada.

A significant milestone was the Royal Assent of Bill C-284, *An Act to establish a national strategy for eye care*—a landmark achievement that underscores the importance of eye health as a national priority. This progress reflects the collective efforts of our members, partners, and advocates who have tirelessly championed the need for improved vision care policies.

At the same time, we have remained committed to supporting our members through exclusive educational opportunities. Our EyeNovation international webinar series—launched this year—has provided a new platform for knowledge-sharing and professional development, while our annual Forum and

other continuing professional development initiatives, such as our online learning modules, continue to serve as vital spaces for learning, discussion, and collaboration.

Looking ahead, we are excited to embark on a new chapter with the launch of our strategic plan for 2025-2029. This will be a pivotal step in shaping the future of our organization and ensuring we continue to meet the evolving needs of the profession and those we serve.

As we reflect on the past year and look forward to the next, we are grateful for the dedication of our members and partners. Your engagement and commitment drive our success, and we look forward to working together to build a stronger future for eye and vision care in Canada.



Elisabeth Fowler, MBA
Chief Executive Officer &
Executive Director

Mona Harissi-Dagher, MD, FRCSC
President

Elisabeth Fowler, MBA
Chief Executive Officer & Executive
Director

Pillars of Organizational Excellence



- 1 Education**
- 2 Advocacy**
- 3 Communication and Brand Awareness**
- 4 Membership**

Education

COS 2024 Annual Meeting and Exhibition – Toronto, Ontario

1,576

Attendees

18

Canadian and
internationally renowned
keynote speakers

55

Scientific
sessions

70

Attendees per
session/average

219

Invited speakers
and abstract
presenters

5

Self-assessment
Programs

6

Skills Transfer
Courses

2

Equity, Diversity and
Inclusion symposia

2

Co-developed
symposia sessions

30

Sponsors

15

STC supporters

54

Exhibitors

+ State-of-the-art medical devices, treatment options and surgical materials in the Exhibition Hall and Skills Transfer Courses.

COS Annual Meeting and Exhibition
Congrès annuel et exposition de la SCO

#COS2024

TORONTO MAY 30 MAI – JUNE 2 JUIN

Co-developed Symposia



Mystery of the Macula: Unmasking the Scotoma explored real-life cases for treatment of AMD, DME, and RVO, and applied their knowledge to solve medical puzzles with expert ophthalmologists. Co-developed by COS and Roche.



Navigating Advances in Pharmacokinetics and Anti-VEGF Therapy examined the pharmacokinetic properties of anti-VEGF agents and their role in managing retinal diseases, analyzed real-world case scenarios, and engaged in a debate on these cutting-edge topics. Co-developed by COS and Bayer.



Skills Transfer Courses

Accredited STC programs involved hands-on wet labs or interactive workshops developed and led by physicians, providing valuable instruction, demonstrations, discussions, and simulations of surgical, diagnostic, and management techniques.

In 2024, our STC Program included:

- Innovations in Minimally Invasive Strabismus Surgery (Pediatrics)
- Intraclear Haptic Fixation of IOLs - Yamane Technique (Cataract)
- Manual Small Incision Cataract Surgery (MSICS) for Global Ophthalmology Work (Cataract) – for Residents
- Manual Small Incision Cataract Surgery (MSICS) for Global Ophthalmology Work (Cataract) – Practicing Ophthalmologists session
- Mastering Ocular Trauma: Techniques and Sutures for Surgical Repair (Cornea)
- Minimally Invasive Glaucoma Surgery - MIGS (Glaucoma)



Self-assessment Programs (SAP)

Self-assessment programs enable physicians to assess aspects of their knowledge or practice and identify opportunities to enhance their competence with additional learning. In 2024, more than 165 attendees participated in the COS self-assessment programs:

- Good to Excellent: Quality Improvement and Patient Safety Principles to improve efficiency, efficacy, equity, timeliness, safety and patient-centred care
- Mobile Eye Care Devices: Beyond the clinic, bridging the gap in healthcare
- Remote Eye Care in Canada: Meeting the needs of the communities
- Corneal topography: Case-based highlighting the essentials
- Principles and Basics of Laser Vision Correction



Paper and Poster/e-Poster Winners

Paper



First Prize

Dominique Geoffrion

(Université de Montréal)

Inflammatory tear cytokine levels in patients with Boston keratoprosthesis type 1 versus primary angle closure glaucoma



Second Prize

Winnie Yu

(University of Toronto)

Cataract surgery complications in individuals who previously received intravitreal injections: a population-based cohort analysis



Third Prize

Kanchan Sainani

(University of Toronto)

Evaluation of Visual Outcomes in Retinoblastoma Survivors and Determining Factors Predicting Failure of Vision Salvage

Poster



First Prize

Ness Little

(Université de Montréal)

Adeno-Associated Virus (AAV) Mediated Expression of Bcl-xL Attenuates Apoptosis in Human Corneal Endothelial Cells

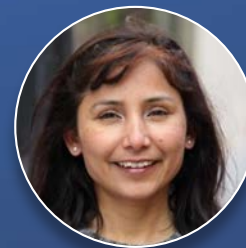


Second Prize

Chris Zajner

(University of Western Ontario)

Patterns of Extraocular Muscle Enlargement in Graves' Disease and Acromegaly



Third Prize

Sheetal Pundir

(McGill University)

Evaluation of Visual Outcomes in Retinoblastoma Survivors and Determining Factors Predicting Failure of Vision Salvage



Lifetime Achievement Award - Dr. Salim Lahoud

Dr. Salim Lahoud was presented with the 2024 COS Lifetime Achievement Award for his significant national and international contributions to ophthalmology. Dr. Lahoud is recognized for his exemplary patient care, exceptional character, mentorship, and advocacy efforts in improving working conditions and defending the profession.



Celebrating Dr. Setareh Ziai

Dr. Setareh Ziai was awarded the Champion for Change Award, celebrating her remarkable leadership and dedication as an ophthalmologist. Her role as co-founder of Canadian Women in Medicine (CWIM) and recognition with the Meritorious Service Decoration underscores her impactful work in creating a more inclusive professional environment for women in ophthalmology and driving progress in the community.



Highlighting Dr. Kenneth Wright's Ophthalmic Innovations

Dr. Kenneth Wright was honoured as the 2024 recipient of the Harold Stein Innovator Lectureship. Dr. Wright's impactful contributions as Director of the Wright Foundation and Adjunct Professor at Queen's University highlight his commitment to advancing ophthalmology.



Recognizing Dr. Francesco Pichi

The Canadian Journal of Ophthalmology Lecture was delivered by Dr. Francesco Pichi. An Associate Professor at Case Western Reserve University, Dr. Pichi has over 150 peer-reviewed publications and has received multiple awards, including from the AAO and the International Ocular Inflammatory Society.



Annual General Meeting

Dr. Phil Hooper completed his two-year term as COS President and passed the Chain of Office to Dr. Mona Harissi-Dagher. During his tenure as President, Dr. Hooper's leadership propelled the COS forward on multiple fronts. Thank you, Dr. Hooper, for your dedication and leadership!



Sponsors and Exhibitors

We extend our gratitude to our sponsors and exhibitors for showcasing cutting-edge products, live demonstrations, and interactive displays. Spanning 50,000 square feet, the trade show space offered a dynamic environment for learning, networking, and discovery. We are truly grateful for their continued support.



Annual Meeting Planning Committee

- Mona Harissi-Dagher, Chair
- Marie-Josée Aubin
- Nupura Bakshi
- Raj Bindlish
- Isabelle Brunette
- Clara Chan
- Marvi Cheema
- Larissa Derzko-Dzulynsky
- Jean Deschênes
- Seema Emami
- James Farmer
- Robert Gizicki
- Patrick Gooi
- Ali Hafez
- Bernie Hurley
- Myrna Lichter
- Cody Lo
- Nav Nijhawan
- Jacinthe Rouleau
- Robert Schertzer
- Allan Slomovic
- Yi Ning Strube
- Joshua Teichman
- Sonia Yeung
- Vivian Yin
- Eunice You
- Setareh Ziai



55th Sally Letson Symposium Pediatric Ophthalmology: Making a difference that lasts a lifetime

Chair - Ian Clark
Co-chair - Solin Saleh

Named Lectures

- Sally Letson Lecture: Cerebral visual impairment in children by Dr. Johane Robitaille
- Bryan St. L. Liddy Lecture: Pediatric Cataract by Dr. Scott Lambert
- A. Gardner Watson Lecture: The landscape of pediatric ophthalmology by Dr. Ian Clark

Number of attendees – 385

Number of sponsors – 12

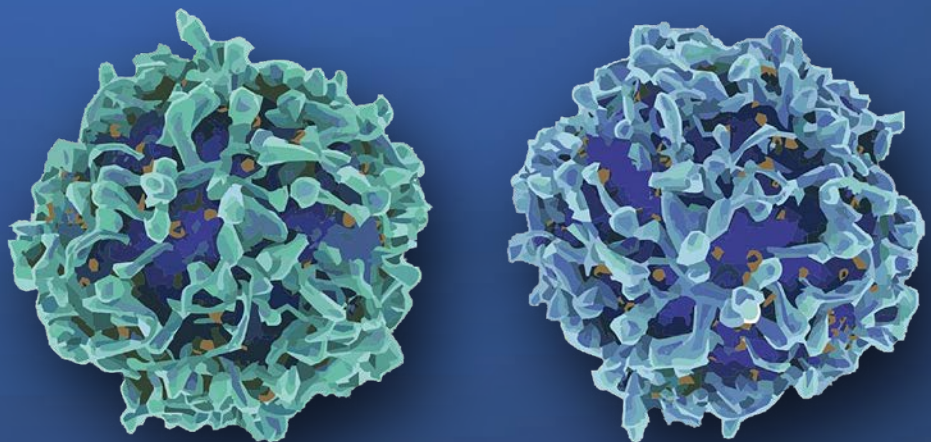
Modules

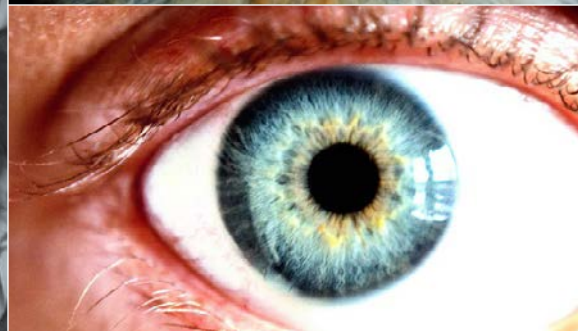
COS now offers a new self-learning opportunity through asynchronous Section 3 modules, providing members with a flexible way to earn credits on various topics. These modules cover a range of subjects, including cornea and Maintenance of Certification credits. With several modules available, members can expand their knowledge and fulfill their Section 3 requirements at their own pace.

Understanding Ophthalmologists' Perspectives on Biosimilars

The Canadian Ophthalmological Society conducted a needs assessment to gain insights into ophthalmologists' perspectives on biosimilars, which are biotherapeutic agents that replicate the efficacy and safety of their reference biologics. The assessment aimed to determine the necessity of educational programs to support ophthalmologists in navigating biosimilars effectively. The Scientific Planning Committee will review the findings and recommendations to create new CPD programs on biosimilars for members in 2025.

The needs assessment was completed with an unrestricted educational grant from Apotex, Biocon, and Biogen, and was planned to achieve scientific integrity, objectivity, and balance.





Canadian Ophthalmological Society
Practice Resource Centre

Société canadienne d'ophtalmologie
Carrefour de ressources
pour la pratique

Practice Resource Centre

In 2024, the Practice Resource Centre continued to be a vital resource for ophthalmologists across Canada. In 2024, the PRC welcomed 24,218 users, with engagement from across Canada and around the world.

We published 41 new posts on topics relating to upcoming professional development events, expert Q&As, CJO article highlights and on-demand recordings. Some of our most popular search categories were Resources for Ophthalmologists, COS Annual Meeting and Exhibition, and Online Educational Resources.

Other Continuing Professional Development Initiatives

The **EyeNovation International Webinar Series** was launched in September 2024. Our first three events were:

- Pearls from the Field: What I've Learned from Treating Complex Cases, Dr. Steven Safran
- Impact of corneal spherical aberration and pupil dynamics on premium IOLs' optical behavior, Professor Damien Gatinel
- The Light Adjustable Lens: Impressions after 500 and my 2 eyes, Dr. Samir Melki

Second annual **COS Forum 2024 - Exploring the Future of Ophthalmology**, January 2024. Almost 350 participants learned from four content experts on the following topics:

- Advocating for the Profession
- Artificial Intelligence
- Sustainability in Ophthalmology
- Drug Shortages and Essential Medications

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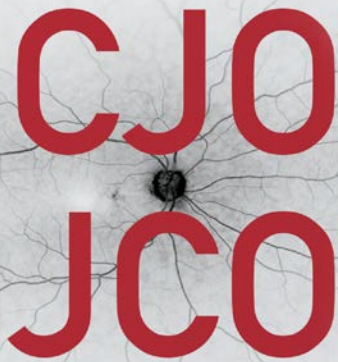
International Webinar Series on Ophthalmological Expertise

REGARD NOVATEUR

Série de webinaires internationaux sur l'expertise ophtalmologique



COS FORUM 2024



CJO
JCO

Canadian Journal of Ophthalmology

The CJO continues to grow under Varun Chaudhary's guidance, the CJO continued making strides toward becoming a global leader in ophthalmology by:

- Breaking all previous submission records, receiving a total of 1,579 manuscripts from 67 countries;
- Publishing its first special issue, Personalized medicine in ocular oncology: The latest updates on a brighter future for eye cancer, which features 41 articles on diagnostic and prognostic tools, biomarkers, predictors of treatment response, racial and sex differences, and other topics that refine a patient-centred approach to eye cancer care; and
- Adding four new topic collections to the website: Artificial Intelligence, COVID-19, Ocular Imaging, and Review Articles.

Key Outcome Metrics for 2024

3.3

Impact Factor

15 of
95

Journal Ranking

3.1
weeks

Submission to first
decision

4.2
weeks

Acceptance to article
first online

17%

Acceptance rate

32,378

Average full text usage
per month

23

Number of articles featured
in PracticeUpdate

3

CiteScore

Advocacy & Government Relations

“The Canadian Ophthalmological Society (COS) plays a pivotal role in ensuring excellence in eye care across Canada. With its members at the forefront of vision care as eye physicians and surgeons, the COS works to assist them to provide exemplary eye care. Collaborating with allies in eye health care and government, the Society seeks to improve vision health policy and initiatives.

Through strategic alliances and dedicated advocacy efforts, the COS aims to elevate awareness, mobilize resources, to prevent blindness, preserve vision, and improve overall eye health. Our mission underscores the importance of collective action and cooperation in safeguarding the precious gift of sight for all Canadians.”

Bill C-284

Bill C-284, the National Strategy for Eye Care Act by the Government of Canada, received Royal Assent in November 2024. This marks a significant advancement in the country’s commitment to eye health and vision care. COS actively engaged in meetings with Members of Parliament and government officials and took the lead on the development of a joint press release supported by the vision health partners. We look forward to collaborations with the partners and Health Canada to develop a

comprehensive framework to develop the strategy, improving eye care and rehabilitation services, investing in research to provide treatments and cures, increasing accessibility and promoting eye health education nationwide, ensuring all Canadians will have access to essential eye health services, for learning, discussion, and collaboration.

Drug Shortages

COS continued its engagement with Health Canada’s Drug Shortages Unit, the Tier Assessment Committee, and industry manufacturing partners to ensure ophthalmologists received updates on Canadian shortages in a timely manner. We would like to thank Dr. David Plemel, the COS Drug Shortages liaison, for his work in 2024. As a result of his efforts to establish excellent working relationships with Health Canada and drug manufacturers, both groups reach out to him regularly which has helped avoid drug shortages before they begin.

Scope Expansion

With increasing numbers of optometric colleges proposing significant scope expansion in several provinces, the COS continues to work with the AAO, and to provide support to our provincial societies. We also continue to work with governments and decision makers to help them understand the differences in expertise and experience among the “Os” of the vision health team.

Working Groups

Several working groups began or continued their work in 2024, advancing and discussing issues of importance to the profession:

- **Contracted Surgical Facilities:** This working group deliberated the issues that can arise with the expanded use of CSFs.
- **Health Human Resources:** This working group continues to develop the advocacy and business case for the creation of additional residency positions in ophthalmology.
- **Sustainability in Ophthalmology** – Under the direction of Dr. Mili Roy, the working group began developing a Sustainability Toolkit – the first in Canada to incorporate surgery.
- **Ergonomics and Injury Prevention** – Under the leadership of Dr. R. Rishi Gupta, this working group is developing a three-year initiative that will include an ergonomics curriculum, an annual self-assessment course, a video series, and practical resources for ophthalmologists and surgeons, such as an Ergonomics Handbook.
- **Equity, Diversity and Inclusion** – several working groups were established to address EDI issues faced by the profession including: an equity-focused mentorship program; Communications and Social Media; and expanding criteria for Corneal Donations.
- **Biosimilars** – established to evaluate the need for educational programs and resources aimed at enhancing ophthalmologists’ understanding of biosimilars. A comprehensive needs assessment was conducted, and its findings are now shaping the development of future COS programming.

Position Statements

- July 2024 - Understanding Ophthalmologists’ Perspectives on Biosimilars
- December 2024 - Joint Position Statement with the Canadian Retina Society on the Use of Patented Microcurrent Technology for Dry AMD

COS Position Statements can be found in the Practice Resource Centre.

Partnerships

The COS continues meaningful collaborations with subspecialty societies, provincial ophthalmology associations, academic institutions, and vision health partners to address key issues affecting the profession. These efforts help to highlight ophthalmologists' expertise and skills to government, the media, the public, and other healthcare providers. In 2024, COS partnered with:



CAOT - ACE

Canadian Association of Occupational Therapists
Association canadienne des ergothérapeutes



CANADIAN ASSOCIATION OF OPTOMETRISTS

ASSOCIATION CANADIENNE DES OPTOMÉTRISTES



CANADIAN COUNCIL
OF THE BLIND

LE CONSEIL CANADIEN
DES AVEUGLES



ASSOCIATION
MÉDICALE
CANADIENNE

CANADIAN
MEDICAL
ASSOCIATION



FOUNDATION



FIGHTING
BLINDNESS
CANADA

VAINCRE
LA CÉCITÉ
CANADA



Health
Canada

Santé
Canada



OPTICIANS
ASSOCIATION OF CANADA
ASSOCIATION DES
OPTICIENS DU CANADA



Public Health
Agency of Canada

Agence de la santé
publique du Canada



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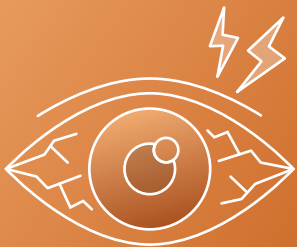
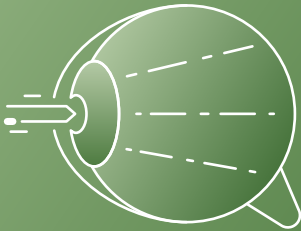
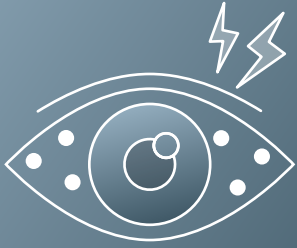
Communications &
Brand Strategy**EyeCan Podcast**

In 2024, we published 11 engaging episodes on important topics:

- Annual President's Message, Dr. Mona Harissi-Dagher
- Capital Gains, J-F Bordeleau, MD Financial
- Ophthalmology in Academia, Dr. Sherif El-Defrawy*
- Artificial Intelligence, Dr. Delan Jinapriya
- Dry Eye Disease, Dr. Louis Racine*
- Physician Leadership, Dr. Nina Ahuja
- Barriers to Corneal Donation, Dr. Samir Jabbour
- Genetic Testing, Dr. Sarah Chorfi
- Upcoming Challenges in Retina, Dr. Shaheer Aboobaker*
- Myopia – Can we Slow Down the Growth, Dr. Vivian Hill*
- COS Advocacy, Future Planning and New Projects, Dr. Phil Hooper

**Episodes with more than 200 downloads*

We are grateful to Bayer for their continued support of EyeCan.



See the Possibilities

- Launched two “Hot Topic” expert resources: Artificial Intelligence with Dr. Fares Antaki and Tele-ophthalmology with Dr. Vivian Yin.
- Launched a new Ask the Expert with Dr. David Plemel – Periocular skin cancer and oculoplastics.
- World Sight Day “Young at Heart” photo competition launched in September, with two winners (People’s Choice and COS Choice) announced in October. More than 600 submissions received, exceeding the 2023 contest.
- Monthly social media campaigns specifically geared to vision health promotion provided our followers with information on glaucoma, AMD, UV safety, and the eclipse.

Social Media

Social media campaigns were created for a variety of COS initiatives this year, including:

- EyeCan Podcast
- COS Forum 2024
- Patient education resources
- Annual Meeting and Exhibition
- Job Postings and Placements
- Meet the Board
- Continuing Professional Development Learning Opportunities
- Government Relations, including Bill C-284
- Press Releases

Our analytics for the year were impressive!

Instagram, Facebook, LinkedIn

	2024	Year over year change
Total Followers	7,049	+52%
New Followers	2,453	+158%
Total Engagements (likes, comments, shares, clicks, and other interactions)	16,809	+103%
Total Impressions	291,681	+107%
Total Posts	522	+71%

Follow us! @CANeyeMDs



Media and Public Relations



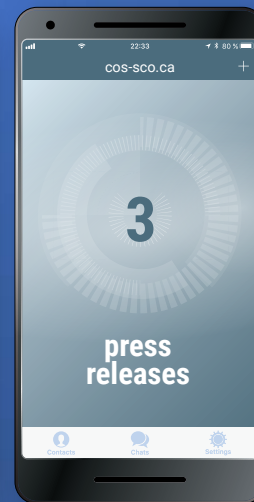
331 earned media stories (increase of 23% from 2023)



34 interviews secured



109.9M+ earned media impressions



3 press releases issued with 441 total pickups resulting in 147 average pickup per press release; matte stories provided over 900,000 impressions



Over 19 million total impressions for World Sight Day Campaign

Membership



Essential Resources & Savings

- Deep discount for COS Annual Meeting and Exhibition
- Canadian Journal of Ophthalmology subscription
- Free job board and locum postings
- Members-only educational content (MOC credits)



Exclusive Access & Advocacy

- Be first in line for new learning opportunities and early registration at in-person meetings
- Access to our 24-hour ophthalmic drug shortages webpage
- A voice in advocacy through working groups and the Advocacy Council



Community & Connection

- Networking with top professionals in the field
- Collaboration through members-only listservs, councils and committees, and working groups
- Events designed to support and grow your career

Geographic Representation

In 2024, COS had 882 members and 248 residents/fellows



We welcomed the following new members in 2024

British Columbia

Natalie Doughty, MD
Michael Gottner, MD
Geoffrey Law, MD
Wendy Ming, MD, FRCSC
Rob Pintwala, MD
Grace Qiao, MD, FRCSC
Aishwarya Sundaram, MD
Sundeep Uppal, MD

Alberta

Nathan Carrell, MD
Hoi Tai (Henry) Fung, MD
Kelsey Roelofs, MD
Sim Sandhu, MD, FRCSC
Carson Schell, MD
Andrew Ting, MD

Saskatchewan

Mike Wandzura, MD, FRCSC

Manitoba

Mohit Chhabra, MD
Karla Zuniga, MD

Quebec

Cyril Archambault, MD
Marilou Caron-Cantin, MD
Stéphanie Côté, MD
Steven Gagnon, MD
Guillaume Albert Mullie, MD
Marc Mullie, MD
Andrei-Alexandru Szigiato, MD

Ontario

Andre Ali Ridha, MD
Ahmed Almeer, MD
Mark Bamberger, MD, FRCSC
Erdit Celo, MD
Elie Côté, MD
Rachel Curtis, MD, FRCSC
Masoomah Eghtedari, MD
Barrett Eubanks, MD, MBA, DABO
Jeremy Goldfarb, MD, BSc
Sangsu Han, MD
Fahim Ibrahim, MD, FRCSC
Vinay Kansal, MD
Jason Kwok, MD
Kay Lam, MD
Tran Le, MD
Elizabeth Lee, MD, FRCSC
Stephanie Low, MD
David Mathew, MD, FRCS
Mikel Mikhail, MD
Prima Moinul, MD
Farah Moti, FRCS
Nour Nofal, MD
Jong Park, MD
Yogesh Patodia, MD, FRCSC
Soumya Podury, MD
Matthew Quinn, MD, PhD
Parth Shah, DO
Carl Shen, MD
Rebecca Stein, MD
Andra Striowski, BCO
Alex Tam, MD, MSc, FRCSC
Randall Ulate Piedra, MD
Himabindu Veluri, MD, MS, FRCS(c)
Lawrence Weisbrod, MD
Kevin Wong, MD, FRCSC
Lily Zhao, MD

New Brunswick

Erin Dohaney, MD
N. Georges Hanna, MD

International

Amro Alhazimi, MD	Saudi Arabia
Marc Bodman, MD	USA
Sam Mansour, MD	USA
Bina Patel, MD	USA
Nabeel Shalabi, MD	Saudi Arabia

Board of Directors



Mona Harissi-Dagher, MD
President



Phil Hooper, MD
Immediate Past
President



Nina Ahuja, MD
Chair, Council on
Advocacy



Nupura Bakshi, MD
Chair, Equity, Diversity
and Inclusion



Samir Jabbour, MD
Board Liaison,
Resident and Young
Ophthalmologist Affairs



Chryssa McAlister, MD
Director,
Community Practice



Adam Muzychuk, MD
Chair, Annual Meeting
Planning Committee



David Plemel, MD
Secretary



Cynthia Qian, MD
Chair, Council on
Continuing Professional
Development



Briar Sexton, MD
Treasurer

Staff

- Rita Afeltra, Manager, Membership & Meeting Logistics
- Christine Bruce, Manager, Event Operations, Sponsorship and Exhibits
- Kate Cooke, Governance Coordinator
- Elisabeth Fowler, Executive Director/CEO
- Jill Garner, Project Lead, Continuing Professional Development
- Laura Kemp, Coordinator, Membership and Events
- Barbara Moore, Coordinator, Continuing Professional Development (until August 2024)
- Danika Nieuwkoop, Manager, Continuing Professional Development
- Stephanie Nou, Coordinator, Continuing Professional Development
- Suzanne Purkis, Managing Editor, Canadian Journal of Ophthalmology
- Moneika Ramsinghani, Coordinator, Communications and Public Affairs
- Luke Smith, Administrative Assistant
- Kim Tytler, Manager, Communications and Public Affairs

Councils, Committees, and Chairs

Annual Meeting Planning Committee

- Mona Harissi-Dagher, MD (until June 2024)
- Adam Muzychuk, MD (as of June 2024)

Canadian Journal of Ophthalmology Editorial Board

- Varun Chaudhary, MD, Editor-in-Chief

Council on Advocacy

- Vivian Hill, MD (until June 2024)
- Nina Ahuja, MD (as of June 2024)

Council on Continuing Professional Development

- Cynthia Qian, MD

COS Awards of Excellence

- Cindy Hutnik, MD (until June 2024)
- Ali Hafez, MD and Vivian Yin, MD (as of June 2024)

Councils, Committees, and Chairs (cont.)

Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion

- Nupura Bakshi, MD
-

Ergonomics & Injury Prevention

- R. Rishi Gupta, MD
-

Eye Bank Committee

- Stephen Brodovsky, MD
-

Investment Committee

- Briar Sexton, MD
-

Maintenance of Certification Committee

- Cynthia Qian, MD
-

Nominating Committee

- Phil Hooper, MD
-

Practice Resource Centre

- Marie-Josée Aubin, MD
-

Residents and Young Ophthalmologists (Board Liaison)

- Setareh Ziai, MD (until June 2024)
 - Samir Jabbour, MD (as of June 2024)
-

Skills Transfer Courses

- Patrick Gooi, MD
-

Sustainability in Ophthalmology

- Toolkit Lead: Mili Roy, MD
-

National and International Partners

- American Academy of Ophthalmology: Michael Ashenurst, MD/
Femida Kherani, MD
- Association of Canadian University Professors in Ophthalmology (ACUPO) (including chairs and program directors): David Maberley, MD
- Canadian Ophthalmological Society Foundation Chair: Guillermo Rocha, MD
- International Council of Ophthalmology: Vivian Yin, MD
- Pan-American Association of Ophthalmology: Guillermo Rocha, MD
- Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons Specialty Committee in Ophthalmology: Lorne Bellan, MD

Allied Health

- Canadian Orthoptic Council
- Canadian Society of Ophthalmic Medical Personnel
- Canadian Society of Ophthalmic Registered Nurses
- The Canadian Orthoptic Society

Affiliated Societies and Special Interest Groups

- Association des médecins ophtalmologistes du Québec
- British Columbia Society of Eye Physicians and Surgeons
- Canadian Association for Public Health & Global Ophthalmology
- Canadian Association of Paediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus
- Canadian Cornea, External Disease & Refractive Surgery Society
- Canadian Glaucoma Society
- Canadian Neuro-ophthalmology Society
- Canadian Ocular Regenerative Medicine Society
- Canadian Ophthalmic Pathology Society
- Canadian Retina Society
- Canadian Society of Oculoplastic Surgery
- Canadian Uveitis Society
- Comprehensive Ophthalmology
- Council of Canadian Ophthalmology Residents
- Eye Physicians and Surgeons of Alberta (EPSAA)
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