

# **CURRICULUM VITAE**

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## **PERSONAL INFORMATION**

Date of Birth: October 16, 1980  
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## **PRESENT POSITION**

Ophthalmologist - Specialist - Cornea, External Disease, Cataract and Refractive Surgery  
Connecticut Eye Specialists, Shelton, CT  
October 2017 - Present

## **PRIOR POSITION**

Ophthalmologist - Specialist - Cornea, External Disease, Cataract and Refractive Surgery  
Opticare P.C., Waterbury, CT  
August 2011 - September 2017

## **BOARD CERTIFICATION**

American Board of Ophthalmology, Issued 10/16/2011

## **EDUCATION**

### **Fellowship:**

July 2010 - June 2011 - PGY-5: Fellow, Cornea, External Disease, and Refractive Surgery, University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, Pittsburgh, PA

### **Residency:**

July 2007 - June 2010 - PGY-2 - 4: Ophthalmology Resident, Chief Resident, North Shore/Long Island Jewish Health System, Great Neck, NY

### **Internship:**

July 2006 - June 2007 - PGY-1: Transitional Intern, Saint Barnabas Medical Center, Livingston, NJ

### **Medical School:**

August 2002 - May 2006 - Downstate Medical Center College of Medicine, State University of New York, Doctor of Medicine, Cum Laude

### **Undergraduate:**

August 1998 - May 2002 - Binghamton University, State University of New York, Bachelor of Science, Cum Laude, Psychobiology

## **MEDICAL LICENSURE**

Connecticut - 1.049775: Issued 4/28/2011  
Pennsylvania - MD439454: Issued 3/15/2010; Exp. 12/31/2010  
New York - 244923-1: Issued 7/27/2007; Exp. 9/30/2010

## **HOSPITAL APPOINTMENTS**

Attending Staff, Griffin Hospital, Department of Ophthalmology, Derby, CT, 2017-present  
Attending Staff, Waterbury Hospital, Department of Ophthalmology, Waterbury, CT, 2011-2017  
Courtesy Staff, St. Mary's Hospital, Department of Ophthalmology, Waterbury, CT, 2011-2017  
Medical Staff, University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, Mercy Hospital, Department of

Surgery/Ophthalmology, Pittsburgh, PA, 2010-2012.  
Medical Staff, University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, St. Margaret Harmar Outpatient Center, Department of Surgery, Section of Ophthalmology, Pittsburgh, PA, 2010-2011.  
Courtesy Staff, University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, St. Margaret Hospital, Department of Surgery, Section of Ophthalmology, Pittsburgh, PA, 2010-2011.  
Provisional Staff, University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, Shadyside Hospital, Department of Surgery, Division of Ophthalmology, Pittsburgh, PA, 2010-2011.  
Provisional Staff, University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, Presbyterian Hospital, Department of Ophthalmology, Pittsburgh, PA, 2010-2011.  
Provisional Staff, Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh of the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, Department of Surgery, Section of Pediatric Ophthalmology, Pittsburgh, PA, 2010-2011.  
Clinical Instructor, University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine, Department of Ophthalmology, Pittsburgh, PA, 2010-2011.

#### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

2010 - Plaque of acknowledgement from the Lions Eye Bank for Long Island  
2007 - Best Resident Teacher, Saint Barnabas Medical Center  
2006 - Cum Laude, Downstate Medical Center  
2005 - Alpha Omega Alpha, Downstate Medical Center  
2002 - Cum Laude, Binghamton University  
2002 - Golden Key National Honor Society, Binghamton University  
2002 - Phi Eta Sigma National Honor Society, Binghamton University

#### **INSTITUTIONAL, DEPARTMENTAL, AND DIVISIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITIES, COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIPS, AND OTHER ACTIVITIES**

September 2016-present - Medical Director, Eversight Connecticut  
Chief, Section of Ophthalmology, Department of Surgery, Waterbury Hospital, Waterbury CT, 2014-2017  
2013-present - Reviewer, *Cornea*, journal of the Cornea Society  
2005-2006 Alpha Omega Alpha - Member of the career development and community service Committees, Downstate College of Medicine

#### **PROFESSIONAL AND SOCIETY MEMBERSHIPS**

American Academy of Ophthalmology  
American Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgeons (ASCRS)  
International Society of Refractive Surgeons  
Connecticut Society of Eye Physicians  
New England Ophthalmological Society  
Eye Bank Association of America  
Cornea Society  
Paton Society  
Eye Bank Association of America  
Alpha Omega Alpha

#### **TEXTBOOK PUBLICATIONS**

**Cervantes LJ**, Mammen A, Xiao W, Dhaliwal DK. (2013). Management of Postkeratoplasty Astigmatism. In RA Copeland Jr and NA Afshari (Eds.), *Principles and Practice of Cornea* (pp. 1050-1062). New Delhi, India: Jaypee Brothers Medical Publishers.

#### **PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS**

**Cervantes LJ**. Combined double-needle flanged-haptic intrascleral fixation of an intraocular lens and Descemet-stripping endothelial keratoplasty. *J Cataract Refract Surg*. 2017 May;43(5):593-596.

**Cervantes LJ, Mah FS.** Clinical use of gatifloxacin ophthalmic solution for treatment of bacterial conjunctivitis. *Clin Ophthalmol.* 2011; vol. 5 pp. 495-502.

#### **NON-PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS**

**Cervantes LJ.** "Peer Review - DMEK: Within Reach." *Millennial Eye.* November/December 2015.

**Cervantes LJ,** "Do Your Eyes Itch?" *Ophthalmology Management.* June 2016.

#### **PRESENTATIONS AT NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS**

Resolution of Acanthamoeba Keratoconjunctivitis Without the Use of Anti-Acanthamoebal Therapy, World Cornea Congress VI, Boston, MA, Podium Presentation, April 9, 2010.

Effect of Pressure Variations on Accuracy of Descemet Stripping Automated Endothelial Keratoplasty Lenticule Creation, World Cornea Congress VI, Boston, MA, Podium Presentation, April 8, 2010.

Resolution of Acanthamoeba Keratoconjunctivitis Without the Use of Anti-Acanthamoebal Therapy, Ocular Microbiology and Immunology Group, Forty-Third Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, Podium Presentation, October 23, 2009.

Emergence of Resistant Organisms in Donor Cornea Rims, Cornea Society/Eye Bank Association of America, Fall Educational Symposium, Atlanta, GA, Podium Presentation, November 7, 2008.

#### **POSTER PRESENTATIONS**

**Cervantes LJ, Ragusa N, Shih CY, Udell IJ,** Effect of Pressure Variations on Accuracy of Descemet Stripping Automated Endothelial Keratoplasty Lenticule Creation, Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology meeting, Fort Lauderdale, FL, May 2010.

**Cervantes LJ, Krinsky M, Ahern K, Smith M,** Investigation of Education and Prevalence of Health Care Proxies Among a Primary Care Clinic Patient Population and its Residents, American College of Physicians New York Downstate Chapter meeting, East Elmhurst, NY, March 25, 2006.

#### **EDUCATION-TEACHING**

December 2016: Instructional course leader - Descemet's membrane endothelial keratoplasty (DMEK) course, Eversight Connecticut

May 2016: Wet lab proctor - DMEK course, Yale University in conjunction with Eversight

2015-2016: Wet lab proctor - Skills Transfer Course: Phacoemulsification and Advanced Techniques - Annual Meeting, American Academy of Ophthalmology

2014-2017: Wet lab proctor - Skills Transfer Course: Anterior Vitrectomy for the Anterior Segment Surgeon - Annual Meeting, American Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgeons

#### **INTRAMURAL PRESENTATIONS - OptiCare**

"Ocular Trauma", Optometric continuing education seminar, May 23, 2016 (1 CE hour).

"Update: Treatments for Keratoconus - Corneal Collagen Crosslinking", Optometric continuing education seminar, August 31, 2016 (1 CE hour).

"Update: Cornea and Refractive Surgery OptiCare 2015", Ophthalmic Technician continuing education seminar, June 17, 2015 (1 CE hour).

"Advances in the Surgical Treatment of Keratoconus", Ophthalmic Technician continuing education seminar, June 27, 2012 (1 CE hour).

"ABCs of Cornea Transplantation", Ophthalmic Technician continuing education seminar, October 26, 2012 (1 CE hour).

#### **INTRAMURAL PRESENTATIONS - University of Pittsburgh Medical Center Department of Ophthalmology**

Protective role of the cornea cap during vacuum trephination donor graft creation for Descemet's stripping automated endothelial keratoplasty, Vision Research Day, June 17, 2011.

Immune/Wessely Rings (case presentation and review), Grand Rounds, February 11, 2011.

Corneal Imaging, Resident lecture series, January 10, 2011.

#### **INTRAMURAL PRESENTATIONS - North Shore/Long Island Jewish Department of Ophthalmology**

Lens-Induced Glaucomas (case presentation and review), Grand Rounds, January 14, 2010.

Acanthamoeba Keratitis (case presentation and review), Grand Rounds, September 23, 2009.

Emergence of Resistant Organisms in Donor Cornea Rims, Resident Night, May 20, 2009.

Bleb Leaks (case presentations and review), Grand Rounds, April 29, 2009.

Congenital Clouding of the Cornea/Iridocorneal Dysgenesis Syndromes (case presentation and review), Grand Rounds, March 18, 2009.

Carotid-Cavernous Sinus Fistulas (case presentation and review), Grand Rounds, February 25, 2009.

Retinal Hemangioblastomas (case presentation and review), Grand Rounds, January 28, 2009.

Phakic IOL Complicated with Vitreous Hemorrhage and Corneal Astigmatism (morbidity and mortality case presentation), December 17, 2008.

Plavix Associated Post-Trabeculectomy Hyphema (morbidity and mortality case presentation), December 3, 2008.

Childhood Nystagmus (case presentation and review), Grand Rounds, October 15, 2008.

Ocular Involvement of Testicular Lymphoma (case presentation and review), Grand Rounds, September 3, 2008.

#### **RESEARCH GRANTS**

2011 - Protective Role of the Cornea Cap during Donor Graft Creation in Descemet-Stripping Automated Endothelial Keratoplasty. Primary Investigator Deepinder K. Dhaliwal, MD. ASCRS Foundation. Preliminary findings presented at Vision Research Day, UPMC, June 2011.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS RESEARCH ACTIVITIES**

2008 - Effect of nanoviricidal agent on epidemic keratoconjunctivitis: Learned rabbit handling and animal model for infectious keratitis. Findings presented by Jonathan Jonisch, MD (podium presentations) at Ocular Microbiology and Immunology Group (OMIG, 2008) and New York Academy of Medicine Resident Research Night (2009).

2006 - Co-authored teaching module for Pediatric residents on the relationship between vitamin A and the eye [Cervantes LJ, Smith J, Karp R, Vitamin A and Nutrition, Part IV: Case-Based Teaching Modules. A Teacher's Guide to Pediatric Nutrition. <http://www.downstate.edu/peds/Karp/vitaeye1654.html> (created May 2006. Last reviewed November 2014)].

2001 - Researched the effect of text versus pictures on recognition memory as part of a Research Methods course (not submitted for publication).