# **ASOT** News



#### THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF OPHTHALMIC TRAUMA NEWSLETTER

### Join Us at Eye Trauma 2025!

We are thrilled to invite you and your family to the 2025 Annual Meeting and Wet Lab, hosted by the American Society of Ophthalmic Trauma (ASOT). This premier event, dedicated to advancing the field of ophthalmic trauma, will take place from May 9-10, 2025, at the Houston Methodist Institute in Houston, Texas.

Secure your spot today and take advantage of early bird pricing, which ends March **28.** This on year's conference promises an enriching experience with comprehensive а agenda featuring hands-on training, case-based learning, and insightful lectures from leading experts in the field. Highlights include the Annual Wet Lab, various clinical updates, discussions on real-world trauma care challenges.

Don't miss this incredible opportunity to network with top ocular traumatologists from around the world and stay at the forefront of ophthalmic trauma care. Families are welcome to attend, so register now and join us for an unforgettable event!

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#### **Eye Trauma Photography Contest**

Are you passionate about ophthalmology and eager to showcase your skills? The ASOT Annual Meeting is hosting an Eye Trauma Photography Contest that invites ophthalmologists, trainees, and other health professionals to participate. This is a unique opportunity to share your expertise and contribute to the field of ophthalmic trauma.

#### **Contest Details:**

- Deadline: April 18, 2025
  - Eligibility:Photographs must have a clinical, diagnostic, therapeutic, or preventive focus.
  - Photographs must not have been presented at other national or international congresses

ENTER THE CONTEST









**Thursday evening:** Kick off your boots and join us for a meet & greet at the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston.



**Stick around Sunday:** Saddle up and dive into Texas culture by exploring the Houston Museum of Natural Science, the Menil Collection, or the Houston Zoo.



Friday evening: Join us for networking, awards, food, and cocktails at our welcome reception at Catering III (formerly Wolfgang Puck).



Bring the whole family and y'all come have a blast!

# Eye Trauma 2025 Agenda Highlights



Here are just a few of the highlights planned for Eye Trauma 2025 Annual Meeting and Wet Lab

- Breakfast and Orientation: Session
- Annual Wet Lab: Hands-on experience with Wet Lab Faculty.
- Ophthalmic Trauma Terminology
- Case-Based Learning: Globe Trauma, Zone III
- Clinical Updates
- Global Excellence Award
- Case-Based Learning: Adnexal Trauma
- Real World Trauma Care Challenges
- Welcome Reception: Hosted at Catering III (formerly Wolfgang Puck).
- Advocacy Award: Presented to Tom Zampieri, PhD.
- Founder Award: Presented to Dale Fajardo, PhD.

- Breakfast with Experts Roundtables
- Case-Based Learning: Globe Trauma, Zones I and II
- Keynote Lecture: Delivered by Michael X. Repka, MD, MBA, President AAO.
- La Piana-Mazzoli Award:
   Presented to Marcus H. Colyer,
   MD, FASRS, COL(R), USA.
- Clinical Updates
- Ocular Trauma Literature: Best of 2024
- Kuhn Award Lecture: By Frank K. Butler, Jr., MD, CAPT(R), USN.
- Trauma Systems: From Injury to OR
- Ocular Trauma Free Paper Session
- Telemedicine for Trauma Consultation and Triage
- Awards, Raffle Prizes, and Conclusion

## **Eye Trauma 2025 Key Dates to Remember**

- March 28: Early bird pricing ends.
- **April 9**: Deadline for refund requests. Refund requests must be submitted in writing. A 30% handling fee will apply. No refunds will be issued after this date.
- April 18: <u>Eye Trauma Photography Contest</u> at the ASOT Annual Meeting submission deadline.
- May 5: Annual Meeting registration closes.
- Before April 10: ASOT Annual Meeting Room Block at the <u>Houston Marriott</u> <u>Medical Center</u> (3 nights). Book this rate at \$165++ before April 10, 2025.



## 2025 ASOT Board Positions - Apply by April 1st

The American Society of Ophthalmic Trauma (ASOT) is seeking nominations to fill multiple positions for the ASOT Board of Directors. Applications are now open, and the position descriptions and process for applying are outlined below:

Research Chair - The Research Chair will maintain a list of ASOT research projects and will update the Board of Directors quarterly on the progression of the different projects. Term – 3 Years International Representative- The International Representative represents the interests of the organization's international operations and members, typically focusing on global strategy, market expansion, and issues related to different geographic regions. Term – 3 Years

Eligibility: Must hold regular, military, member emeritus, or international membership with ASOT. International Members must be members of the AAO, and cannot serve as President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, but may serve as a Chair or as an at-large member. Member Emeritus cannot serve as President, Vice-President, Secretary or Treasurer.

To renew your ASOT membership <u>click here</u>. Term: Starting June 1, 2025

#### **Submission Materials:**

- A 250-word paragraph on why the candidate would like to serve on the ASOT Board of Directors. (Must specify the position that the candidate is applying for)
  - · CV (must include phone number and email address)
    - · Headshot
      - Bio

Submission and Deadline: Nomination submissions (self-nominations encouraged) must be sent to the ASOT Executive Office <u>info@theasot.com</u> no later than 6:00pm EST on April 1, 2025

# **Advocacy in Action Competition: Innovate and Inspire!**

Join us for a hackathon-style event to tackle ocular trauma issues! Collaborate with peers, brainstorm solutions, and present your ideas at Eye Trauma 2025 in Houston, TX.

### **Competition Details:**

- **Team Collaboration:** Work in randomly-assigned teams to create a 4-minute TEDx style talk.
- **Prompt:** Identify and solve a problem in ocular trauma (e.g., sports injuries, first responder training, education).
- **Presentation:** Pitch your idea to judges at Eye Trauma 2025. Winning teams receive a \$500 grant!

We can't wait to see your innovative solutions!

# Eye Trauma Wet Lab Course: Enhance Your Skills! Q

Join our premier hands-on training for upper-level residents, fellows, and ophthalmologists. Learn advanced surgical techniques for managing complex ocular trauma.

#### Course Highlights:

- <u>Eye Trauma Wet Lab</u> (Attending, Fellow, Resident): Limited to 40 attendees. In-depth training on intraocular surgical maneuvering, suturing, and extraocular trauma management. Register early!
- Medical Student Wet Lab: For ophthalmology-bound students. Focus
  on essential eye trauma surgical skills. Preference for those with
  submitted abstracts or posters.

Don't miss this chance to advance your expertise in ocular trauma management. See you there!

## **RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP TODAY!**

As we embark on another exciting year, we invite you to renew your membership with the American Society of Ophthalmic Trauma (ASOT). Your continued support and participation are vital to our mission of advancing the field of ophthalmic trauma through education, research, and collaboration.

#### **Why Renew Your Membership?**

- 1. Stay Connected with a Growing Community: Join our diverse and expanding network of members, including medical students, residents, fellows, and seasoned professionals from around the world. Our community spans across the United States and internationally, with members from countries such as Canada, Australia, China, and more.
- 2. Exclusive Access to Events and Resources: As a member, you gain exclusive access to our annual meetings, wet lab courses, and other educational events. These opportunities allow you to stay at the forefront of the latest advancements in ocular trauma care and connect with leading experts in the field.
- 3. **Professional Development and Recognition:** Participate in our Advocacy in Action Competition, where you can collaborate with peers to develop innovative solutions for ocular trauma challenges. Winners receive a \$500 grant to support their projects, providing a platform for professional growth and recognition.
- 4. **Global Impact and Collaboration:** Engage with members from various states and countries, fostering a global exchange of knowledge and best practices. Our members include medical residents, medical students, military personnel, and many more dedicated professionals committed to improving ocular trauma care.

#### Join Us in Making a Difference:

Renew your membership today and continue to be a part of this dynamic and impactful community. Together, we can achieve our shared goals and make significant strides in the field of ophthalmic trauma.

To renew your membership, visit our website at www.theasot.com and follow the renewal instructions. If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact us at info@theASOT.com.

Thank you for your ongoing support and dedication to ASOT. We look forward to another year of growth, innovation, and collaboration with you.

RENEW MEMBERSHIP NOW

# We had a blast at Eye Trauma 2024!

# We're excited to see y'all in Houston on May 9 & 10!





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