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## Message from LSU Eye Center Director:



LSU Ophthalmology continues to grow providing excellence in clinical care. More LSU ophthalmologists were chosen as Best Doctor by the recent New Orleans Magazine than any other practice/institution in New Orleans!-  
Jayne S. Weiss, MD

### Welcome Faculty:

Welcome to Mallika Doss, MD, our newest addition the LSU Department of Ophthalmology. Dr. Doss completed medical school and ophthalmology residency at the University of Texas at Houston Health Sciences Center School and Vitreoretinal surgery fellowship at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Eye Center. Dr. Doss sees patients at Health Care Network and University Medical Center in New Orleans and Our Lady of the Lake in Baton Rouge.



Welcome also to Lena Al-Dujaili MD, a glaucoma surgeon experienced in new micro-invasive glaucoma surgeries who joined us in the fall of 2017. Dr. Al-Dujaili completed medical school and ophthalmology residency at Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center and Glaucoma and Anterior Segment surgery fellowship at Tulane University. Dr. Al Dujaili sees patients at Health Care Network and University Medical Center in New Orleans and Our Lady of the Lake in Baton Rouge.

### Faculty Honors:

Dr. Bruce Barron was selected as the President-elect/Vice President of the New Orleans Academy of Ophthalmology.

Both Dr. Jennifer Vallelungo and Dr. Jayne S. Weiss received the 2018 Residents Teaching Award.

Dr. Jayne S. Weiss received the 2017 Year of Woman Award by Women in Ophthalmology.

Dr. Jayne S. Weiss spoke in Shreveport and Italy on the 2015 IC3D article which earned highly cited paper status on clarivate analytics "Web of Science" article and enough citations as of January/February 2018 to place it in the top 1% of ophthalmology.

Dr. Aravinda Rao received the Dominick D. and Wilhelmina L. Aiena Professorship in Ophthalmology.

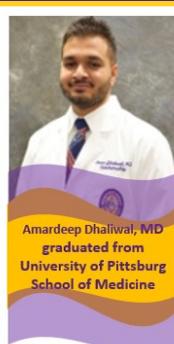
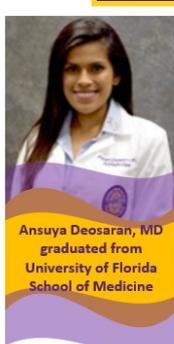
### Donor News:

Gus McIlhenny has generously donated funds to create the Ellis Lectureship which will be held annually honoring Dr. George S Ellis, Sr. who provided exemplary care to his patients for more than 30 years and held appointments at Louisiana School of Medicine from 1952 to 1978 and Tulane University School of Medicine from 1978 to 1993. The inaugural lecturer will be the Dr. Edward Buckley, Chair of Duke University Ophthalmology Department and Internationally known pediatric ophthalmologist.

### Residency & Fellow News:

#### MEET OUR NEW RESIDENTS AND FELLOWS!

#### Residents:



#### Retina Fellow:



### Research News:

LSU Eye Center is enrolling for the multi-center National Eye Institute funded Zoster Eye Disease Study (ZEDS).

LSU Department of Ophthalmology in New Orleans is enrolling patients in the multi center double blind, placebo controlled, NIH supported clinical trial of the Zoster Eye Disease Study (ZEDS) to investigate whether long term treatment with valacyclovir helps reduce eye disease and/or chronic pain in patients with shingles. Patients who have had a rash from shingles involving the eyelid, had zoster keratitis or uveitis within the prior year, and are 18 and older may qualify. Contact study coordinator Sharon Weiser sweiser@lsuhsc.edu.

NEI awarded an R21 on Structural Basis of Schnyder Corneal Dystrophy to Jayne S Weiss MD who is Co Principle Investigator for this grant.

Dr. Alfred Geller has been invited to speak at Neuroscience 2018 in November 2018 in San Diego on his research on neocortical circuits encoding information for visual shape discrimination learning.

Dr. Jeffrey M Giddy has been invited to speak at the 5<sup>th</sup> International Conditioning Medicine Society meeting in Beijing China in November 2018 on using adaptive epigenetics-based therapeutics as a way to induce a disease-resilient phenotype in the mouse retina.



### Upcoming Events:

**The Inaugural George S. Ellis, MD Endowed Lectureship in Ophthalmology**  
October 12, 2018  
LSUHSC Lion's Building 2020 Gravier Street, New Orleans, LA 70112

**American Academy of Ophthalmology LSU Alumni Celebration**  
October 27, 2018  
Giordano's 740 North Rush Street, Chicago, IL 60611

**MAKE A GIFT!**

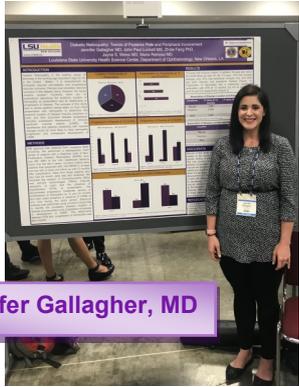


### Successful Lion's Day at LSU August 2018



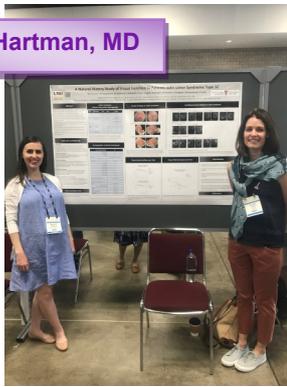
Ophthalmology Graduates 2018

### The Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology 2018 Conference in Honolulu, HI



Jennifer Gallagher, MD

Meredith Hartman, MD



### Welcome to the family!



Kelli McMichael's daughter



Keiran Alexis

Dr. Matthew Bolton's son



Reece Matthew

Dr. Jennifer Gallagher's daughter



Meredith Grace

Dr. Meredith Hartman's son



Henry Scott

Dr. Jamie Hatcher's son



James Greer

### LSU Ophthalmology on the Avenue



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