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Recent Achievements:

1. Senior Achievement Award from American Academy of Ophthalmology, 2013
2. Late. Dr. Piyush Patel Award for Service to Society and Mankind from Ahmedabad Medical Association, June, 2013.
3. Dr. R. N. Mathur Oration from Gujarat State ophthalmological Society, 2012
4. Col. Rangachari Award for the overall Best Paper of the 71st All India Ophthalmological Society Annual Conference and 28th APAO- 71st AIOS 2013, Hyderabad, January 17-20, 2013.
5. Best Free Paper for the Subspecialty of Medical Retina, 28th APAO- 71st AIOS 2013, Hyderabad, January 17-20, 2013.
6. 2012 Best Paper Award at American Academy of Ophthalmology-APAO Annual Meeting, Chicago, 2012.
7. Honor Award 2012 from American Society of Retina Specialists (ASRS)
8. Senior Founding Editor of the Retina Image Bank, ASRS 2012
9. Invited to the Vail Vitrectomy Meet, Vail, Colorado, March 2013
10. Invited as a faculty to the Uveitis Subspecialty Meet, Chicago, 2012
11. Selected as a member to the international Uveitis Society Group, IUSG. 2011
12. Invited as a faculty to the Retina Subspecialty Meet, Orlando, 2011 (only the third Indian so far)
13. First Indian to receive the "International Scholar Award" from American Academy of Ophthalmology, 2010
14. Nominated as the Liaison leader for Asia-Pacific Region to the International Affairs Committee of ASRS (first Asian).

WORK EXPERIENCE:

- 19/12/94- 31/12/96 Clinical Instructor, and Fellow, Department of Diseases of Retina and Vitreous, Uvea and Inflammation of Eye, University of California, San Diego, USA.
- 1/11/93- 31/10/94 Vitreoretinal Fellowship, Medical Research Foundation, Sankara Nethralaya, Madras, India.

HONORS & AWARDS

- International Ophthalmologist Education Award by American Academy of Ophthalmology, January 2009.
- 2 "Best Poster Awards" at "Academy of Ophthalmology Annual Conference, New Orleans, USA, 2007.
- Achievement Award by American Academy of Ophthalmology, 2006: Youngest Indian to get this award.

- " Young Research Scientist Award " at HIV Congress 2007, 23rd to 25th March 2007, Goa, India.
- * Dr. Narsing Rao All India Best Paper Award at Annual Uveitis Society of India Conference, Chandigarh, Feb 4-7, 2004.
- * Dr.S. Nataraja Pillai Best paper award for "CMV retinitis" at the 5th Sankara Nethralaya Alumni Meeting, 3/9/99, Chennai.
- * Fight for Sight Fellowship Award, Research Division of Prevent Blindness America , USA. 1995-1996.
- * Dr.G.R.Bodiwala Gold Medal for being ranked first in Gujarat University for Master of Surgery in Ophthalmology, 1993.

PUBLICATIONS :

41 Papers published in AJO, Ophthalmology, Retina, Eye, Archives of Ophthalmology, IJO, IOVS, Current Eye research, Experimental Eye Research. 5 Book Chapters in International Book Publications.

GUEST SPEAKER PRESENTATIONS:

Over 250 guest speaker presentations at National and International Conferences
Over 270 paper presentations
Over 70 Instruction Courses at National and International Conferences