

THE DR. DONALD KORB AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Description

The Dr. Donald R. Korb Award is given by the American Optometric Association (AOA) Contact Lens and Cornea Section (CLCS) in recognition of an individual who has been a true innovator and leader in the field of contact lenses and anterior segment disease.

The recipient of this award has demonstrated the following:

- 1) Has propelled the profession's knowledge base through novel research or lifelong education to other professionals in the field of contact lenses and anterior segment anomalies.
- 2) Has made a major developmental impact on the profession through an innovative device or educational breakthrough.
- 3) Has made a positive effect on the way practitioners manage their patients with anterior segment anomalies.

Past Recipients:

2000	Donald R. Korb, OD (Inaugural Year)	2006	Richard M. Hill, OD, PhD
2001	Irvin M. Borish, OD		Robert B. Mandell, PhD
2002	George S. Bournakel, OD		Kenneth A. Polse, OD, PhD
	Harold E. Davis, OD	2007	Brien Holden, PhD
	William E. Fleishmann, OD	2008	H. Dwight Cavanagh, MD, PhD
	Robert Head, OD	2009	Karla Zadnik, OD, PhD
	Jack F. Hill, OD	2010	Suzy Fleiszig, PhD
	G. Burt Holmes, OD	2011	Earl Smith III, OD, PhD
	Theodore W. Kassalow, OD	2012	Perry Rosenthal, MD
	John R. Kennedy, OD	2013	Desmond Fonn, MOptom
	Daniel Klaff, OD	2014	Lyndon Jones, BSc, PhD
	Robert Koetting, OD	2015	Loretta Szczotka-Flynn, OD PhD
	Clarence L. McEachern, OD	2016	Joseph T. Barr, OD, MS, PhD
	Thomas Scarborough, OD	2017	David A. Sullivan, MS, PhD, FARVO
2003	Robert Morrison, OD	2018	Fiona Stapleton, PhD
2004	John De Carle, FBCO, FACLP, DCLP	2019	Kelly K. Nichols, OD, MPH, PhD
2005	Ralph Stone, PhD		

ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Description

The Achievement Award is given by the AOA CLCS in recognition of outstanding contribution to the optometric profession in the area of contact lenses and eye care. Prior to 1992, this award was known as the Person of the Year Award.

The recipient of this award has demonstrated the following:

- 1) Has shown a long-term contribution in the advancement and propagation of knowledge in the field of contact lenses or eye care.
- 2) Has taught selflessly in the area of contact lenses or eye care for a number of years and has contributed to the clinical, academic, and/or research education of students, interns, residents, or clinicians.
- 3) Has made significant and unique contributions in the development of instruments, in the area of contact lenses or eye care, for the eye care practitioner.
- 4) Has made a significant and unique contribution in the management programming for the improvement of contact lens practice.
- 5) Has contributed and shared his or her knowledge with his or her fellow practitioners for the benefit of contact lenses and eye care for a number of years.

Past Recipients

1984	George N. Jessen, OD & Newton Wesley, OD, MD	2003	N. Rex Ghormley, OD
1985	Donald R. Korb, OD	2004	Joseph T. Barr, OD, MS
1986	Robert A. Koetting, OD	2005	Edward Bennett, OD, MSED
1987	Harry W. Hind, OD	2006	Barry A. Weissman, OD, PhD
1988	Irvin M. Borish, OD	2007	William (Joe) Benjamin, OD, PhD
1989	Neil J. Bailey, OD, PhD	2008	Joseph P. Shovlin, OD
1990	Charles A. Bayshore, OD	2009	Robert Breece, O.D
1991	Harold E. Davis, OD	2010	Jerome Legerton, OD
1992	John R. Kennedy, OD	2011	Joel Silbert, OD
1993	Maurice G. Poster, OD	2012	Timothy T. McMahon, OD
1994	Robert B. Mandell, OD, PhD	2013	William Edmondson, OD
1995	Frank D. Fontana, OD	2014	Jan Jurkus, OD
1996	Clarence L. McEachern, OD	2015	Tim Edrington, OD, MS
1997	Melvin J. Remba, OD	2016	Neil Pence, OD
1998	Rodger T. Kame, OD	2017	Christine W. Sindt OD
1999	Dean E. Hart, OD	2018	Renee Reeder, OD
2000	Morton K. Greenspoon, OD	2019	Harue Marsden, OD
2001	Richard M. Hill, OD, PhD		Karla Zadnik, OD, PhD
2002	Burt W. Dubow, OD		

DR. RODGER KAME (SPECIAL RECOGNITION) AWARD

Description

The Dr. Rodger Kame Award is given to a Section member in appreciation for outstanding service and dedication to the CLCS.

The recipient of this award has demonstrated the following:

- 1) Is a member of both the AOA and the CLCS.
- 2) Has unselfishly given service to the Section in past year above what is normally expected.
- 3) Has made a positive impact on fellow practitioners in the eye care field.

Past Recipients

2001	Stephanie Baba, OD
2002	Louise Sclafani, OD
2003	George Mertz, OD
2004	Ken Lebow, OD
2005	Christine Sindt, OD
2006	Kirk L. Smick, OD
2007	Robert L. Davis, OD
2008	James F. Saviola, OD
2009	Mark Ventocilla, OD
2010	Muriel Schornack, OD
2011	David Seibel, OD
2012	David N. Yang, OD
2013	Diane Anderson, OD
2014	Dan Friedrich, OD
2015	Lindsay Sicks, OD
2016	Bart Pemberton, OD
2017	Thomas G. Quinn, Jr., OD, MS
2018	Carol Alexander OD, Michele Andrews OD, Jill Saxon OD, Rick Weisbarth OD
2019	Jeffrey Sonsino, OD

LUMINARY AWARD FOR DISTINGUISHED PRACTICE

Description

The Luminary Award for Distinguished Practice is given in recognition of a distinguished clinical practitioner who has developed a contact lens practice and who tirelessly contributes to the development of others.

The recipient of this award has demonstrated the following:

- 1) Is a member of both the AOA and the CLCS.
- 2) Is in a clinical contact lens practice setting.
- 3) Has demonstrated his or her "giving back" to optometry through the education of other practitioners (writer, lecturer, volunteer, mentorship, etc.).
- 4) Has demonstrated a long-standing contribution and shared knowledge with fellow practitioners for the betterment of contact lens practice and eye care.

Past Recipients

2008 Mike DePaolis, OD
2009 Mary Jo Stiegemeier, OD
2010 Milton Hom, OD
2011 James A. Boucher, OD
2012 Kenji Hamada, OD
2013 Barry Eiden, OD
2014 Clarke Newman, OD
2015 John Herman, OD
2016 Joe Yager, OD
2017 Robert L Davis, OD
2018 Jordan Kassalow, OD
2019 Carmen F. Castellano, OD

LEGENDS AWARD

Description

The Legends Award is presented to those whom:

- 1) Demonstrate intellectual depth and passion toward contact lenses, cornea, or refractive technology.
- 2) Quest for continued learning and firm foundation of basic and clinical sciences of contact lenses and anterior segment.
- 3) Exhibit exceptional leadership skills and mentoring, innovation and desire to advance research.

Past recipients

2012	Jerome Lieblein, OD	H. Dwight Cavanagh, MD, PhD
Joseph Barr, OD MS	Jack Schaeffer, OD	Dave Fancher
Douglas Becherer, OD	Muriel Schornack, OD	David A Hansen, OD
Joe Benjamin, OD, PhD	Louise Sclafani, OD	Paul Michael Hawkins
Edward Bennett, OD, MSED	David Seibel, OD	Brien Holden, OD PhD
James Boucher, OD	Joseph Shovlin, OD	Mohinder Merchea, OD
Wayne Cannon, OD	Christine Sindt, OD	Michael D Pier, OD
Carmen Castellano, OD	Kirk Smick, OD	Kevin S Roe, OD
Robert Davis, OD	Earl Smith, OD PhD	Randall Sakamoto, OD
Barry Eiden, OD	Barry Weiner, OD	Dave Sattler
Arthur Epstein, OD	Barry Weissman, OD, PhD	Christopher Snyder, OD
Carl R. Golightly, OD	Karla Zadnik, OD PhD	Harvard J Sylvan, OD
Milton Hom, OD	2013	Kyoichi Tanaka
Daniel Klaff, OD	Dwight Akerman, OD	Richard L Wallingford Jr, OD
		Richard E Weisbarth, OD

Stanley J Yamane, OD
LaMar Zigler, OD

2014

Randall Fuerst, OD
Jan Bergmanson, OD, PhD
Nathan Efron, PhD
Craig Norman, FCLSA

2015

Glenda B. Secor, OD
Loretta Szczotka-Flynn, OD PhD
Gerald Lowther, OD, PhD
Robert Mandell, OD, PhD

Richard Hill, OD, PhD
Joe Yager, OD
Michael Harris, OD
Patrick Caroline, FCLSA
Stan Yamane, OD

2016

Thomas Quinn, OD MS
Clarke Newman, OD
Ken Polse, OD, PhD

2017

Jeffrey J. Walline, OD, PhD
Morton K. Greenspoon, OD
Mark Andre, FCLSA

2018

Peter Bergenske, OD
Jeffrey Sonsino, OD
Michael Ward, FCLSA

2019

Barbara Caffery, PhD

DR. "UNCLE FRANK" FONTANA AWARD

Description

Dr. Frank D. Fontana, affectionately known as "Uncle Frank" by friends and colleagues, is remembered for his enduring enthusiasm and passion for a profession he helped shape across nearly seven decades. A pioneer in the field, Dr. Fontana published countless articles and clinical investigations related to contact lenses, in addition to consulting and lecturing on the topic throughout his career. He was named chair of AOA's then-Contact Lens Committee in 1979 and was co-founder of AOA's Contact Lens Section before chairing the section in 1983.

In honor of the 40th anniversary of CLCS and Uncle Frank's lifetime of service, the CLCS inaugurated the Dr. "Uncle Frank" Fontana Award in 2019.

Requirements:

- 1) A member of the AOA and the CLCS.
- 2) Show a passion for educating patients and colleagues about contact lens technology and be an advocate for changing patient's lives through healthy contact lens use.
- 3) Exemplify the principles that Dr. "Uncle Frank" Fontana did so seamlessly in the areas of mentoring students and colleagues, promoting optometric multidisciplinary care and advocating for the advancement of the contact lens/optometric profession.

2019 Frank D. Fontana, OD