

2025 Northwestern Cataract Symposium

"Update on Techniques & Technological Advances in Cataract Surgery"

Saturday, July 26, 2025
Baldwin Auditorium, Robert H. Lurie Medical Research Center
303 E. Superior, Chicago, IL 60611

Keynote Speakers

Douglas D. Koch, MD	Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, TX
Amy Lin, MD	University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT
Yuri McKee, MD	East Valley Ophthalmology, Mesa, AZ

Guest Faculty

Jose De La Cruz, MD	University of Illinois, Chicago, IL
Roshni Vasaiwala, MD	Loyola Univ. Medical School, Chicago, IL

Northwestern Faculty

Surendra Basti, MD	Mary-Ann Mathias, MD
Jeanine Baqai, MD	David Palmer, MD
Robert Feder, MD	Lisa F. Rosenberg, MD
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Important Information

Symposium Description

This symposium provides an update for practicing ophthalmologists from the Midwest, highlighting recent advances in the field of cataract surgery. The program seeks to educate participants on the topics of technology for cataract surgery, complex cataract management, premium IOLs and approaches to enhance outcomes of premium and toric IOLs.

Target Audience

Ophthalmologists who detect and treat cataracts.

Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this symposium, attendees should be able to:

- Compare and contrast premium IOLs, including light adjustable, EDOF, diffractive, and toric, and expand on the dos and don'ts related to refractive cataract surgery.
- Appraise various technologies available for imaging, biometry, capsulorhexis, and cataract removal, and identify which patients benefit most from its use.
- Discuss options for secondary IOL and surgical challenges associated with complex cataracts, and the surgical nuances to manage them.

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Session I: Premium IOLs – Moderator: Jeanine Baqai, MD

8:45-9:00 AM	Welcome and Introduction of Faculty and Sponsors Nicholas J. Volpe, MD Surendra Basti, MD
9:00-9:25 AM	Keynote: My Paradigm for the Surgical Correction of Presbyopia—From Why to How to What Yuri McKee, MD
9:25-9:40 AM	Light Adjustable IOLs: the good and the not-so-good Douglas D. Koch, MD
9:40-9:55 AM	Toric IOLs: Pearls for Predictable Results & Managing Under/Overcorrections Jeanine Baqai, MD
9:55-10:10 AM	Accommodating IOLs: still the unfulfilled promise.....or maybe not? Yuri McKee, MD
10:10-10:40 AM	Challenging Premium IOL Cases Panel: Amy Lin, MD Doug Koch, MD
	<i>Toric planning: Making sense of varying Keratometry</i> Lisa Rosenberg, MD
	Double trouble Avrey Thau, MD
10:40-10:55 AM	Q & A/Break

Session II: Recent Technological Advances – Moderator: Surendra Basti, MD

10:55-11:15 AM	Keynote: Biometry update: what's new and what's round the corner Doug Koch, MD
11:15-11:25 AM	Alternatives to phaco: Mi- oh- mi(!) Amy Lin, MD
11:25-11:35 AM	When to Zepto and When Not To? Mary-Ann Mathias, MD
11:35-11:50 AM	Intracameral Agents for Cataract Surgery: Current Status Jessica Minjy Kang, MD
11:50-12:00 PM	Sustainability 101: practical first steps David Palmer, MD
12:00-12:15 AM	Office based cataract surgery: TBD, MD
12:15-12:30 PM	Femtosecond Laser to the rescue Jose De La Cruz, MD
12:30-12:45 PM	Q & A
12:45-1:45 PM	Lunch

Session III: Complex Cataract Situations – Moderator: Ramez Haddadin, MD

1:45-2:10 PM	Keynote: Managing zonular weakness in cataracts and in-the-bag IOLs Amy Lin, MD
2:10-2:25 PM	MicroInvasive Glaucoma Surgery with Cataract Surgery Angelo Tanna, MD
2:25-2:40 PM	IOL exchange: tips and tricks <i>Roshni Vasaiwala, MD</i>
2:40-2:55 PM	Cataract Surgery in Nanophthalmos Yuri McKee, MD
2:55-3:10 PM	Managing iris defects with sutures and prosthesis Surendra Basti, MD
3:10-3:25 PM	Cataract surgery in patients with corneal disease Robert Feder, MD
3:25-3:40 PM	Cataract Surgery in Patients with Uveitis Anjum Koreishi, MD
Clinical Vignettes: A Recent Revelation in My Cataract Practice	
3:40-3:50 PM	AI applications in my practice Doug Koch, MD
3:50-4:00 PM	Cataract surgery planning software Ramez Haddadin, MD
4:00-4:15 PM	Q & A and Closing Remarks
4:15 PM	Adjourn

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