

ADVANCED RETINA SURGERY AND ENDOSCOPIC VITRECTOMY FELLOWSHIP

FELLOWSHIP DIRECTOR

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PRECEPTORS

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NUMBER OF FELLOWSHIP POSITIONS

1 per year

DURATION OF FELLOWSHIP

1 year

TYPE OF FELLOWSHIP

Clinical / Research

NAME OF INSTITUTIONS

Jewish General Hospital

The Henry C. Witelson Ocular Pathology Laboratory

PERCENTAGE OF TIME IN EACH INSTITUTION

80% - Jewish General Hospital

20% - The Henry C. Witelson Ocular Pathology Laboratory

PROGRAM INFORMATION

The McGill University Advanced Retina Surgery and Endoscopic Vitrectomy Fellowship is a 1 year programme commencing July 1st. The fellowship combines advanced surgical training in Retina at the Jewish General Hospital and research at the The Henry C. Witelson Ocular Pathology Laboratory. The fellow will be expected to operate complex vitreo-retinal cases using microincisional vitrectomy for proliferative vitreoretinopathy, vitreoretinal dissection techniques and bimanual technique for tractional retinal detachment, secondary intraocular lens implantation for dislocated intraocular lenses or aphakia, vitrectomy for traumatic retinal detachments and ruptured globes, while selecting indications and learning techniques for endoscopic vitrectomy.

The mission for the fellowship program is to train individuals with prior experience in vitreoretinal surgery – recommended at least a surgical caseload experience of 400 vitrectomies – through a high level of patient exposure to become experienced in surgical retina treating the spectrum of the adult retinal pathology. Typically, fellows

will have two surgical days a week plus emergency surgeries, two days of clinic and one day for research.

RESEARCH

The fellow will be involved in clinical and basic research in retina. The projects will be developed in conjunction with both institutions with the main goal of clinical-pathologic correlation of retinal disorders. The fellow will focus mainly on retinal diseases doing an in-depth analysis of imaging techniques. The expectation is that the fellow will be the primary author of at least two projects and the results would be presented at local, national or international conferences (such as American Academy of Ophthalmology, American Society of Retina Specialists, Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology or Canadian Retina Society)

FELLOW DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The fellow will be the primary contact for any retina-related consults at the Jewish General Hospital.

FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION:

Applicants must ensure that they meet the eligibility criteria for postgraduate training in the province of Quebec prior to application:

<http://www.mcgill.ca/pgme/admissions/prospective-fellows>

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