



2024 Annual Report

Our Purpose



2024 Developing Country Eye Researcher Fellows and mentors

The ARVO Foundation for Eye Research serves as a global catalyst for innovation, workforce development and collaboration in the field of vision research. We raise funds through partnerships, grants and the generosity of ARVO members to support the next generation of eye and vision researchers.

Cover photo: Bert M. Glaser, MD, Award for Innovative Research in Retina recipient Elizabeth Rossin, MD, PhD, with Mrs. Ronnie Glaser.

The Numbers



389

Early-career researchers supported by travel grants



579

Number of ARVO members and friends who supported the Foundation



\$400,200

Invested in research grants and fellowships



27

Travel grants were provided to trainees from 27 international countries



\$66,009

Invested in career development program to support junior researchers



14

New members of the Dowling Society



9

Legacy Society members



\$36,887

Awarded to recognize and encourage innovative research

From the Chair

I am grateful for the unwavering support and commitment shown to our global community during my first year as chair of the ARVO Foundation for Eye Research. Together, we have made incredible strides in advancing vision research, supporting early-career scientists and raising awareness of the critical importance of our work.



Rafal Farjo, PhD, FARVO

2024 was a year of growth and innovation for the ARVO Foundation. With your generosity, we continued to expand our impact, ensuring that the next generation of vision researchers has the resources and opportunities they need to thrive.

Through the support of the Travel Grant Program, young researchers from around the world were able to present their findings at the ARVO Annual Meeting in Seattle. These grants not only support scientific advancement but also foster invaluable connections within the global vision research community.

We were thrilled to celebrate the inaugural recipients of our Catalyst Award Program that provides substantial funding to emerging researchers, empowering them to explore innovative projects and establish their research programs. Our awards, along with other initiatives such as the Publication Financial Assistance Program, Developing Country Eye Researcher Fellowships and Women in Eye and Vision Research (WEAVR) initiative, continue to support the best and brightest in our field.

The ARVO community, once again, rose to the challenge, contributing to our Matching Donor Campaign. Thanks to the generosity of our lead donors and the contributions of members like you, we raised over \$53,000, which will directly support the travel and research of early-career investigators.

As we look ahead to 2025, our focus remains clear: to deepen our impact by expanding funding opportunities for early-career researchers and continuing to innovate in how we engage with our supporters. With your help, we will launch new research awards that provide substantial, transformative funding to young investigators, enabling them to pursue groundbreaking work in vision science.

On behalf of the ARVO Foundation, thank you for your continued dedication to advancing eye and vision research. Your contributions are the driving force behind our success, and together, we are shaping a brighter future for all those affected by vision impairment and blindness.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rafal Farjo'. The signature is fluid and cursive, written over a light blue and grey background.

Rafal Farjo, PhD, FARVO
Chair, ARVO Foundation Board of Governors

Foundation Highlights



Catching up with colleagues at the Dowling Society Reception



Mugging for the camera at the ARVO Foundation Gala



Attendees at the Kentucky Derby-themed ARVO Foundation Gala



WEAVR Luncheon attendees



Travel grant recipients at the Student Social

Travel Grants

The ARVO Foundation awarded 389 travel grants through 46 named funds in 2024, benefitting trainees from 27 countries. These travel grants underwrite the cost of attendance for the ARVO Annual Meeting, allowing young scientists to present their research and network with other eye and vision researchers from around the world.

- American Macular Degeneration Foundation
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- Roger Beuerman, PhD, Memorial
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- BrightFocus Foundation
- Sek-Jin Chew
- Ramon F. Dacheux II Memorial
- M. Velma Dobson Memorial
- Eye Research Center
- Qais Farjo, MD Memorial
- Fight for Sight/Vision Foundation
- Foster Ocular Immunology Society
- Samuel G. Jacobson Memorial
- G. M. Jager Memorial
- Murray and Jeanie Johnstone
- Karamichos/Utheim Keratoconus
- Knights Templar Eye Foundation
- Sarla and Piyush Kothary Memorial
- Kreissig
- Kreissig and Lincoff Minimal Surgery
- Alan Laties, MD Memorial
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- Lions World Vision Institute Foundation
- Gerard A. Luty, PhD Memorial
- Connie Lee Lerea
- Friederike Mackensen
- Richard Newton Lolley
- Robert F. Miller, MD, Memorial
- National Eye Institute
- NIHR Moorfields Biomedical Research Centre
- David R. Pepperberg Memorial
- Retina Research Foundation/ Joseph M. and Eula C. Lawrence
- Robertson Translational Research
- Societa Italiana Laser in Oftalmologia
- Striatech
- Sturge-Weber Foundation
- Kazuo Tsubota, MD, PhD Innovation
- Josh Wallman Memorial
- Women in Eye and Vision Research (WEAVR)
- Gerhard Zinser Memorial

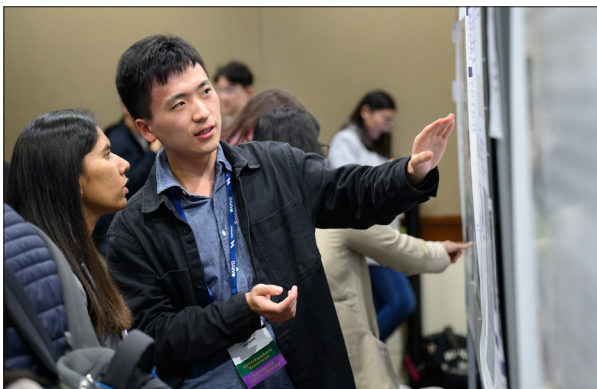


Knights Templar Eye Foundation travel grant recipients

Right: Samuel G. Jacobson Memorial Grant recipient Pooja Chauhan and Tomas S. Aleman.



BrightFocus Foundation travel grant recipients



ARVO Foundation travel grantee Quinyu Li explains his research at the MIT Poster Session.



Right and above: Student Social attendees

Developing Country Eye Researcher Fellowships



Developing Country Eye Researcher Fellows: Back row, from left: Jayanti Jha (India); Rolland Hollhumer, (South Africa); Obed Amoah-Smith (Ghana). Front row, from left: Sanjeeta Sitaula (India), Deeksh Prasad (India), Suchita Pandey (India), Albana Tovo (Argentina), and George Michael Sosuan (Philippines).

The Developing Country Eye Researcher Travel Fellowship program brings aspiring scientists from developing nations to the ARVO Annual Meeting. Each recipient is paired with a volunteer mentor who guides them through ARVO's large scientific meeting.

2024 Recipients

**Obed Amoah-Smith, OD, MSc,
SC-GARD, Prof Cert Med Ret,
FAAO**

University of Cape Coast
Cape Coast, Ghana

**Sedoten Bashorun, MBBS,
FWACS, FMCoph, FICO, MSc**

Lagos State University Teaching
Hospital
Lagos, Nigeria

Hernán Dieguez, MSc, PhD

University of Buenos Aires
Buenos Aires, Argentina

**Roland Hollhumer, MBChB, FC
Ophth, MMed, MBA**

University of the Witwatersrand
Johannesburg, South Africa

**Onyekachi Jane Ireka, MBBS,
FWACS, VRS**

Alex Ekwueme Federal University
Teaching Hospital
Abakaliki, Nigeria

Jayanti Jha, MD

All India Institute of Medical
Sciences
New Delhi, India

Suchita Pandey, MSc

LV Prasad Eye Institute
Hyderabad, India

Deeksha Prasad, MSc

LV Prasad Eye Institute
Hyderabad, India

Sanjeeta Sitaula, MSc

B. P. Koirala Lions Centre for
Ophthalmic Studies
Kathmandu, Nepal

George Michael Sosuan, MD

University of the Philippines
Manila — Philippine General
Hospital
Manila, Philippines

Albana Tovo

National University of Córdoba
Córdoba, Argentina

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ARVO Foundation Annual Meeting donors

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University of Wisconsin–Madison

Women in Eye and Vision Research (WEAVR)

Satish K. Srivastava Memorial Fellowship

Award Recipients

Dr. David L. Epstein Award

Yvonne Ou, MD (mentor)
Tyson Kim, MD, PhD

University of California, San Francisco
San Francisco, Calif.

Intravital imaging of microglia dynamics during synapse disassembly in glaucoma



Dr. David L. Epstein Award recipients Tyson Kim, MD, PhD, and Yvonne Ou, MD

Genentech Career Development Award for Underrepresented Minority Emerging Vision Scientists

Diana C. Lozano, PhD

Oregon Health & Science University,
Casey Eye Institute
Portland, Ore.



Genentech Career Development Award for Underrepresented Minority Emerging Vision Scientists recipient Diana C. Lozano, PhD (center) with Genentech representatives Allen Ding and Beena Patel

EyeFind Research Grant Cycle 1

Manas Biswal, PhD

University of South Florida
Tampa, Fla.

Creating a mitochondria-focused in vitro model of dry-AMD through Sod2 deletion in human retinal pigment epithelium (RPE)

Eye bank: Lions World Vision Institute

Abdelrahman Elhuseiny, MSc, MD

University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences

Expression and cellular localization of insulin-like growth factor-binding protein 6 (IGFBP6) in diabetic retinas

Eye bank: Lions World Vision Institute

Christina Karakosta, MD, MSc

National and Kapodistrian University of Athens
Athens, Greece

Proteomic changes in aqueous humour, lens capsule and crystalline lens in patients with cataract

Eye bank: Lions World Vision Institute

Award Recipients

Wentao Liang, MD, PhD, MA

Wake Forest University Health Sciences
Winston-Salem, NC

Investigating mitochondrial function in diabetic human corneas

Eye bank: Miracles in Sight

Cycle 2

Mohit Parekh, PhD

Schepens Eye Research Institute,
Massachusetts Eye and Ear

Role of age on the migration speed of Fuchs endothelial corneal dystrophy (FECD) cells for Descemet's Stripping Only

Eye Bank: Eversight Eye Bank

Isabel Lopez Sanchez, PhD

Centre for Eye Research Australia
Melbourne VIC Australia

Single-Cell Transcriptomic Analysis of Human Postmortem Retina in Leber Hereditary Optic Neuropathy

Eye Bank: Lions Eye Donation Service

ARVO Foundation Early Career Clinician-Scientist Research Award

Anna Maria Voigt, MD

University Medical Center of the Johannes Gutenberg-University
Mainz, Germany

Niamh Wynne, MB BCh, MSc, FEBO

University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia, Pa.

Ming Yang, MD, PhD

Stanford University
Palo Alto, Calif.



Early Career Clinician-Scientist Research Award recipients Anna Maria Voigt, MD; Niamh Wynne, MB BCh, MSc, FEBO; and Ming Yang, MD, PhD

ARVO Foundation Collaborative Research Fellowship

Marianna Hollaender, MD

University of São Paulo
São Paulo, Brazil

Genetic Analysis of Nanophthalmos in the Brazilian Population

Rodrigo Riedel, PhD

IQUIBICEN-CONICET
Buenos Aires, Argentina

Evaluation of the regenerative properties of human amniotic mesenchymal stem cells in corneal endothelial dysfunction

Paula Tenconi, PhD

Instituto de Investigaciones Bioquímicas de Bahía Blanca
Bahía Blanca, Argentina

The phospholipase D pathway as a potential therapeutic target for inflammatory ocular diseases

Award Recipients

ARVO Foundation Research Catalyst Awards

Alyssa L. Lie, PhD, BOptom
University of Auckland
Auckland, New Zealand

Tarsis Gesteira Ferreira, MSc, PhD
University of Houston
Houston, Texas

Carl Camras Translational Research Awards

Glenn Yiu, MD, PhD
University of California, Davis
Davis, Calif.

Bert M. Glaser, MD Award for Innovative Research in Retina

Elizabeth Rossin, MD, PhD
Mass Eye and Ear
Boston, Mass.

Oberdorfer Award for Low Vision Research

David A. Atchison, PhD, DSc
Queensland University of
Technology
Brisbane, QLD, Australia

Ludwig von Sallmann Clinician-Scientist Award

Sally L. Baxter, MD, MSc
University of California San Diego
San Diego, Calif.

Kreissig Award for Excellence in Retinal Surgery

David Zacks, MD, PhD
University of Michigan
Kellogg Eye Center
Ann Arbor, Mich.



Glenn Yiu, MD, PhD, recipient of the Carl Camras Translational Research Award and ARVO 2023 Foundation Chair Joel Schuman, MD, FACS, FARVO



Point of View Award recipients Mehrdad Rafat, PhD and Neil Lagali, PhD

Point of View Award

Neil Lagali, PhD
Linköping University
Linköping, Sweden

Mehrdad Rafat, PhD
LinkoCare Life Sciences
Solna, Sweden

*Bioengineered corneal tissue
for minimally invasive vision
restoration in advanced
keratoconus in two clinical cohorts
Nature Biotechnology*

WEAVR Luncheon

Emily Chee, MBA, General Manager of the Americas with Novartis Gene Therapies, was the featured speaker of the 2024 WEAVR Luncheon in Seattle, Wash. Ms. Chee spoke on the topic of Creativity in the workplace. During her talk, she discussed the need for more creative solutions in the workplace and provided examples of creativity in traditionally non-creative jobs.

All proceeds from this WEAVR Luncheon support women in the visual sciences. Funds raised support travel grants and Developing Country Eye Researcher Travel Fellowships (DCERF) for female scientists to attend the ARVO Annual Meeting. In 2024, WEAVR supported five travel grant recipients and four DCERF recipients. Proceeds also underwrite the Women's Leadership Development Program. This year-long program provides emerging women leaders within ARVO a valuable and challenging learning experience through individual mentoring and peer group discussion.

The WEAVR Luncheon is open to all attendees and is a great opportunity for institutions to show their support by purchasing a table at the event. This year's luncheon hosted more than 600 attendees whose participation will support the 2025 class of WEAVR recipients.



WEAVR Keynote speaker Emily Chee, GM of the Americas Novartis Gene Therapies



Engaged WEAVR Luncheon participants



WEAVR Luncheon attendees Ankita Kotnala, PhD; Sangeetha Kandoi, PhD; and Preeti Subramanian, PhD.

Dowling Society Reception

The Dowling Society Reception, held prior to the ARVO Foundation Gala, is an invitation event for all current

members of the Dowling Society. During the reception new members of the Dowling Society are recognized for their commitment to ARVO and the ARVO Foundation.



Dowling Society medals and pins

Members of the Dowling Society have made a commitment or donation to the Foundation of at least \$10,000. The following new members were welcomed to the Society this year:

John I. Clark, PhD, FARVO; Claes H. Dohlman MD, PhD, FARVO; Adrienne Graves, PhD; Jason Spessard, MBA, CAE; and Andrew W. Taylor, PhD, FARVO.



New Dowling Society members Jason Spessard, CAE; Adrienne Graves, PhD; John I. Clark, PhD, FARVO; and Andrew W. Taylor, PhD, FARVO



Group selfie



Dowling members Cheryl M. Craft, PhD, FARVO; Colin J. Barnstable, DPhil, FARVO and Joyce Tombran-Tink, PhD, FARVO

ARVO Foundation Gala

The ARVO Foundation Gala is the largest yearly fundraising event hosted by the ARVO Foundation. Generous attendees raised funds to support the Foundation's sight-saving programs. Guests at the 2024 Foundation Gala in Seattle, Wash. enjoyed an eventful evening with the theme "Off to the Races!" celebrating the running of the 150th Kentucky Derby and featured an original bluegrass band, dinner and was highlighted by time to connect with colleagues as well as celebrating this year's Foundation Honorees.

The following exceptional honorees were recognized for their commitment to ARVO and the ARVO Foundation through financial support, exemplary leadership of a Foundation initiative or dedication to endeavors that represent the mission of the ARVO Foundation: **Mrs.**

Ronnie Glaser in recognition of her extraordinary efforts to establish the Bert M. Glaser, MD Award for Innovative Research in Retina and her generous philanthropic support of the Foundation; **Knights Templar Eye Foundation** in recognition of their financial support of the Travel Grant program and their long-standing commitment to the global vision research community; and

Steven J. Fliesler, PhD, FARVO, for his long-standing commitment to the ARVO community and generous philanthropic support of the ARVO Foundation.



Off to the Races



Gala honoree Knights Templar Foundation



Honoree Steven Fliesler, PhD, FARVO



Emcee Steffon Moody

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Jane C. Werner, MD

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Jayakrishna Ambati, MD, FARVO

Robert E. Anderson, MD, PhD,
FARVO

Joanne Angle, MLS, MPA

Sally S. Atherton, PhD, FARVO and
Robert Atherton

Robert B. Barlow, PhD, FARVO and
Patricia Barlow

Haydee E. P. Bazan, PhD, FARVO
and Nicolas G. Bazan, MD, PhD,
FARVO

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Mrs. Betsy Beebe, PA-C

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Martine J. Jager, MD, PhD, FARVO

Dowling Society

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Jeanie Johnstone

Dimitrios Karamichos, PhD

Paul L. Kaufman, MD, FARVO and
Margaret Kaufman

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Nancy Keltner

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Anjan Kowluru, PhD

Ingrid Kreissig, MD

Alan M. Laties, MD, FARVO and
Deena Gu

David Laties

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Kelly Cope Petrash

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Matching Donor Campaign

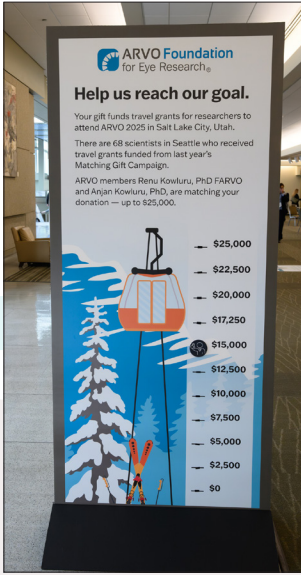
In 2024, Renu Kowluru, PhD, FARVO and Anjan Kowluru, PhD, issued a fundraising challenge to the attendees of the ARVO Annual Meeting. Through an extraordinary \$25,000 donation, they encouraged the community to match their



Renu Kowluru, PhD, FARVO and Anjan Kowluru, PhD

gift to raise \$50,000 during the ARVO Annual Meeting. Both Renu and Anjan are long-standing and active ARVO members, with Renu serving many years as a mentor for the DCERF Program, Global Mentorship Program and the Women's Leadership Development Program. Renu is a member of the Foundation Board of Governors, has given generously of her time on ARVO committees, on the IOVS editorial board and with the Women in Eye and Vision Research (WEAVR)

initiative. Thanks to the community's enthusiastic response during the week in Seattle, over \$53,000 was raised for the Matching Gift Campaign. These funds will support travel grants for young researchers attending the 2025 Annual Meeting in Salt Lake City, Utah.



Updating goal progress throughout the Annual Meeting



ARVO President Patrica D'Amore, PhD, MBA, FARVO, sharing that the Matching Donor Campaign exceeded its goal during the closing keynote session.

ARVO/Alcon Keynote Sessions

The 2024 Annual Meeting opening and closing keynote presentations at the ARVO Annual Meeting were generously supported by Alcon through the ARVO Foundation.



Seattle fishmongers tossed toy fish to keynote attendees.

At ARVO 2024, the opening keynote speaker was Pulitzer Prize-winning author Ed Yong who discussed his most recent book *An Immense World*, taking the audience through the hidden realms of animal senses – with a focus on the extraordinarily varied ways in which other creatures see the world.

The closing keynote speaker, Emmy Award-winning scientist and author Sheril Kirshenbaum, PhD, discussed the importance of communicating science. Dr. Kirshenbaum shared how science shapes our world and how public engagement and understanding of research and innovation are critical if new advances are to reach their full potential and science is to appeal to a wider and more diverse group of people.



Keynote speaker and author Ed Yong signing copies of his book, *An Immense World*.



Closing keynote speaker Sheril Kirshenbaum, PhD

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Through our numerous projects and activities, the ARVO Foundation continues to make significant strides within eye research. Our ability to collaborate with corporate and foundation partners strengthens the impact of the ARVO Foundation in the vision community.

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Investments	\$ 8,203,041.79
Receivable, net	\$25,865.97
Total assets	\$8,983,288.60

Liabilities and Net Assets

Liabilities

Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$1,483,514.45
Deferred revenue	\$49,523.00
Total liabilities	\$1,533,037.45

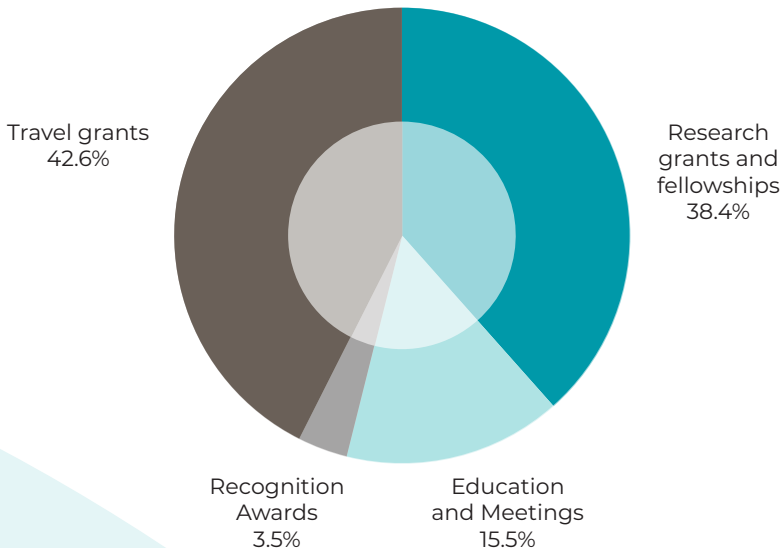
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Without donor restrictions	\$4,429,435.19
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Total net assets	\$7,450,251.15

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