

# The Korean Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgery



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**T**he Korean Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgery (KSCRS) is an independent organisation of ophthalmologists, committed to providing scientific and clinical knowledge, information and education to fellow ophthalmologists who are interested in cataract and refractive surgery.

## History

The KSCRS is a successor to the Korean Intraocular Implant Club (KIOIC) which was established in 1984 by Drs Sang Wook Rhee, Jae Ho Kim, Dong Ho Youn and Kyung Whan Shyn, with a vision towards service and education in the field of intraocular lens (IOL) implantation during cataract surgery.

The first meeting of KIOIC was held in 1985. Since then, a meeting has been held twice a year. In October 1993, the board decided to change its name to the Korean Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgery, in order to expand its role from cataract surgery with IOL implantation to all fields of cataract surgery and fast developing refractive surgery. Since then, the society has evolved into an international society.

The first international conference sponsored by the society, *'The International Meeting on Advanced Excimer Laser and Cataract Surgery'* was successfully held in Seoul in 1995. Leading experts from around the world gathered and exchanged

research and clinical data and new ideas. At the second meeting, experts from many nations participated to exchange views about future techniques in these areas.

Current membership of the KSCRS is approximately 200 ophthalmologists.

## Mission Statement

The Korean Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgery is committed to promoting new developments in the field of ophthalmology, through research and education on cataract and refractive surgery, and to exchange views and information between members.

## Activities

The KSCRS sponsors symposia, workshops and international conferences to help its members acquire the latest knowledge in cataract and refractive surgery. A symposium is held during the annual conference of the Korean Ophthalmological Society. Current information and research outcomes in all areas of cataract and refractive surgery are presented.

Each spring, a workshop is held to educate and improve current skills amongst the membership. The subject of the workshop held this year was *'Phacemulsification and Foldable IOL [intraocular lens] Insertion'*. An international conference *'The International Meeting on Advanced*

*Excimer Laser and Cataract Surgery'* is to be held every 2 to 3 years. Selected speakers present their clinical and research data at a symposium session held during the conference. Up-to-date and experimental clinical skills are presented in the 'Current Techniques' session. High quality free papers are also presented.



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