# Denise L. Kayser, MD, MPH&TM

#### Curriculum Vitae

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**Premedical Education** 

Aug 1988 - May 1992 BA Biology, University of Virginia

Charlottesville, VA

Jan 1991 – Aug 1991 International Studies, University of Copenhagen

Copenhagen, Denmark

**Medical Education** 

Aug 1993 - May 1997 MD, Tulane Medical School

New Orleans, LA

Sep 1993 - May 1997 MPH & TM, Tulane School of Public Health & Tropical Medicine

New Orleans, LA

Summer 1994 Medical Spanish, Xochicalco University

Ensenada, Mexico

**Postdoctoral Education** 

July 2001 – July 2003 Vitreoretinal Fellow, University of Iowa, Department of Ophthalmology &

Visual Sciences Iowa City, IA

July 1998 - June 2001 Resident, University of California, Davis, Department of Ophthalmology

Sacramento, CA

July 1997 – June 1998 Intern, Transitional Program, LDS Hospital

Salt Lake City, UT

**Certification/Licensure** 

Apr 2002 American Board of Ophthalmology Written Qualifying Examination

Jun 2001 – present State of Iowa Medical License #34162

Dec 1998 – present Drug Enforcement Agency Controlled Substances certificate

May 1998 United States Medical Licensing Examination, part III

Sep 1997 – present State of California Medical License #A66761

Aug 1996 United States Medical Licensing Examination, part II
Jun 1995 United States Medical Licensing Examination, part I

Sep 1992 Medical College Admissions Test

**Honors/Awards** 

Fall 2002 Awarded grand funding for study of genetic factors associated with lattice

degeneration of the retina

University of Iowa Department of Ophthalmology & Visual Sciences

May 2002 Abstract submission selected as a "Must See/Hot Topics" presentation

Association for Research in Vision & Ophthalmology, Ft. Lauderdale, FL

Spring 2000 University of California, Davis Resident Research Day – First Place Award

University of California, Davis Department of Ophthalmology Symposium

Spring 1992 & Fall 1991 University of Virginia Outstanding Resident Assistant Award

Formally commended by the University of Virginia Resident Staff Appraisal

Board on two occasions for outstanding service to first-year students

Summer 1994 Tulane Medical School Scholarship Recipient for study of medical Spanish

and international health at Xochicalco University in Mexico

Spring 1992 Phi Alpha Theta Historical Honor Society at the University of Virginia

**Clinical Experience** 

Jul 2001 to Jun 2002 Co-managed daily retina clinic (approximately forty patients per day).

Acquired extensive experience in diagnosis & treatment of age-related macular degeneration, diabetic retinopathy, uveitis, vitreomacular traction syndrome, inherited vitreoretinal diseases, posterior segment infections and tumors. Experienced in the use of aggressive oral immunosuppressant

medications and intravitreal steroid injections.

Jul 2002 – Jul 2003 Co-managed daily vitreoretinal surgery clinic (approximately forty patients

per day). Performed minimum of six surgical cases per week. Experienced in vitrectomy, scleral buckling, pneumatic retinopexy, PVR, I-I25 plaques, gancyclovir implants, intraocular foreign body removal, and EUA for

retinoblastoma and other pediatric diseases.

**Research Experiences** 

Jul 2002 – July 2003 Examined two large families with inherited lattice degeneration of the retina

for clinical and genetic studies

Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences

University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

Jul 2001 – July 2003 Performed a clinical study of the differential diagnosis and treatment of

myositis after scleral buckling surgery for retinal detachment

Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences

University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

Fall, 2001 Documented natural history of Stargardt-Like Dominant Macular Dystrophy

associated with previously undescribed ELOVL-4 mutations

Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences,

University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

Spring, 2001 Investigated functional impact of disease on patients with age-related

macular degeneration

Department of Ophthalmology,

University of California, Davis, Sacramento, CA

Spring, 2000 Investigated utility of pupillary dilation in red reflex screening by primary

care providers to detect retinoblastoma

Department of Ophthalmology,

University of California, Davis, Sacramento, CA

Fall 1998 – Spring 2001 Ocular Hypertension Treatment Study, Certified Clinical Investigator

Department of Ophthalmology

University of California, Davis, Sacramento, CA

Fall, 1996 Investigated characteristics of blood flow and vessel diameter in skin flaps.

Technical skills included videomicroscopy, microsurgery and Doppler blood

flow monitoring.

Department of Surgery,

Tulane Medical School, New Orleans, LA

Spring, 1993 Investigated functional anatomy of hippocampal seizures. Technical skills

included stereotactic surgery, electroencephalographic monitoring and

histologic preparation of neural tissue.

Department of Neurological Sciences, Research Assistant

University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA

**Teaching Experience** 

Fall 2002 – Spring 2003 Instructor of a monthly vitreoretinal teaching conference encompassing

discussion of surgical retinal approaches and techniques

University of Iowa, Department of Ophthalmology & Visual Sciences

Fall 2001 – Spring 2002 Instructor of a bi-weekly fluorescein teaching conference encompassing

diagnosis and treatment of medical retinal disease

University of Iowa, Department of Ophthalmology & Visual Sciences

Fall 1998 – Spring 2001 General ophthalmology lectures to medical students; volunteer lectures to

family practice residents

University of California, Davis, Department of Ophthalmology

Spring 1997 Teaching assistant for third-year medical students in Basic Suturing Technique

Tulane Medical School, Department of Surgery

Spring 1992 Teaching assistant for an undergraduate laboratory course in plant and

animal biology

University of Virginia, Department of Biology

Spring 1991 Volunteer English teacher at Roholmskolen (Danish high school)

Copenhagen, Denmark

# Publications/Abstracts

Kayser, D.L., Andorf, J.L., Taylor, C.M., Haines, H.L., Stone, E.M.: Natural history of patients with Stargardt-Like Dominant Dystrophy associated with recently described ELOVL4 mutations. *The Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology Annual Meeting, May* 2002.

Sletten, K.R., Kayser, D.L., Folk, J.C.: Photodynamic therapy for choroidal neovascularization due to acute multifocal placoid pigment epitheliopathy. *Archives of Ophthalmology* (submitted).

Boldt, H.C., Kayser, D.L., Gehrs, K.M., Russell, S.R., Sletten, K.R., Weingeist, T.A., Folk, J.C: Orbital Myositis after Scleral Buckling. *Retina Congress*, 2003.

### **Presentations**

May 2002	Natural History of Patients with Stargardt-Like Dominant Dystrophy Associated with Recently Described ELOVL4 Mutations
	Association for Research in Vision & Ophthalmology, Ft. Lauderdale, FL
Dec 2001	Management of POHS Associated Subfoveal Choroidal Neovascularization
	University of Iowa Department of Ophthalmology, Grand Rounds
Nov 2001	von Hippel-Lindau Disease
	University of Iowa Department of Ophthalmology
Oct 2001	Neurofibromatosis: Retinal & Choroidal Manifestations
	University of Iowa Department of Ophthalmology
Sep 2001	Sub-acute Acute Retinal Necrosis
	University of Iowa Department of Ophthalmology, Grand Rounds
May 2001	Macular Degeneration: The Patient Perspective
	Annual Symposium, University of California, Davis Department of
	Ophthalmology
Mar 2001	Enucleatoin vs. Evisceration
	University of California, Davis Department of Ophthalmology, Grand Rounds
Feb 2001	Pseudophacodonesis
	University of California, Davis Department of Ophthalmology, Grand Rounds
Jan 2001	Peripheral Retinal Neovascularization
	University of California, Davis Department of Ophthalmology, Grand Rounds
Jan 2001	Unilateral Frosted Branch Angitis
	University of Califronia, Davis Department of Ophthalmology, Grand Rounds
Dec 2000	High Risk LASIK
	University of California, Davis Department of Ophthalmology, Grand Rounds
Dec 2000	Chronic Red Eye: A Masquerade Syndrome
	University of California, Davis Department of Ophthalmology
May 2000	Red Reflex Screening: Does Dilation Matter?
	Annual Symposium, University of California, Davis Department of
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### **Professional Memberships**

American Academy of Ophthalmology California Academy of Ophthalmology American Medical Association Sonoma County Medical Association

#### **Community Service**

Blind Olympics, Team Leader. Sacramento, CA AIDS Home, Volunteer. New Orleans, LA Parkway Partners, Volunteer. New Orleans, LA Madison House Medical Services, Volunteer. Charlottesville, VA

## **Languages**

Fluent in English, Spanish & Danish

#### **Interests**

Skiing, mountain biking, camping, travel