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**LOCAL SURGEON IS AWARDED 2008 “BEST OF SHOW” AWARD FROM
THE AMERICAN ACADEMY OF OPHTHALMOLOGY IN ATLANTA, GEORGIA**

EUGENE, Ore.—Richard S. Hoffman, MD was awarded 2008 “Best of Show” Award at the American Academy of Ophthalmology (AAO) Annual meeting in Atlanta, Georgia for his video presentation entitled “Scleral Fixation Without Conjunctival Dissection”. More than 150 videos were submitted to be considered for the AAO video presentation at the Ninth Annual “Best of Show” ceremony. It’s an accomplishment to have a video accepted for presentation, and quite an honor for it to be awarded 2008 “Best of Show”.

The American Academy of Ophthalmology is the largest national membership association of ophthalmologists, medical and osteopathic doctors who provide comprehensive eye care including medical, surgical and optical care. More than 90 percent of practicing U.S. Eye M.D.s are Academy members, and the Academy has more than 7,000 international members. The American Academy of Ophthalmology was incorporated as an independent organization in 1979.

Dr. Hoffman has extensive experience in intra-ocular implant surgery with over 250 publications in numerous ophthalmic journals and textbooks. He has performed live surgery internationally and has made numerous presentations at both international and national academic meetings and instructional courses. Dr. Hoffman has been a clinical investigator for multiple FDA clinical trials and has designed new surgical instruments for anterior segment surgery and holds an academic appointment of Clinical Associate Professor of Ophthalmology at the Casey Eye Institute/Oregon Health Sciences University.

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