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## EDUCATION

Vanderbilt University, B.A., 1983  
UHS/ The Chicago Medical School, MD., 1987  
Internship: Michael Reese Hospital and Medical Center, 1987-89 Residency: Louisiana State University Eye Center, 1988-92  
Chairman: Herbert E. Kaufman, M.D.  
Glaucoma Fellowship: New York Eye and Ear Infirmary, 1992-93  
Preceptor: Robert H. Ritch, M.D.

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## EMPLOYMENT/ HOSPITAL AFFILIATIONS

Kantor Eye Institute & Laser Center, April 2000 to Present  
Florida Eye Health, November 1999 to March 2000  
Fort Lauderdale Eye Institute, September 1993 to October 1999  
  
Sarasota Memorial Hospital  
Doctor's Hospital  
Center for Advanced Eye Surgery, Ambulatory Surgery Center

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## CERTIFICATIONS

Diplomate, National Board of Medical Examiners, 1988  
Diplomate, American Board of Ophthalmology, 1994, 2004  
State of Florida Medical License #ME-0064752, 1993  
VISX Excimer Laser System Certificate of Achievement: PRK,  
Myopic LASIK and Hyperopic LASIK

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## FELLOWSHIPS / ASSOCIATIONS

Fellow, American Academy of Ophthalmology  
Fellow, American College of Surgeons  
  
Florida Medical Association  
American Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgery

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## **APPOINTMENTS AND HONORS**

Clinical Assistant Professor, Department of Clinical Sciences, Florida State University  
College of Medicine (2005 – Present)

Clinical Assistant Professor, Department of Ophthalmology, University  
of South Florida College of Medicine (2000 – Present)

Adjunct Clinical Assistant Professor of Ophthalmology, Lake Erie College of  
Osteopathic Medicine (2006 – Present)

Chief of the Ophthalmology Service, Sarasota Memorial Hospital 2005-2006

Medical Consultant for the Florida Agency for Health Care April 2001 - Present

American Medical Association - Physician's Recognition Award  
(1999-2001)

Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society

The Chicago Medical School Dean's Award for Service to the School

Cum Laude, Vanderbilt University

Vanderbilt University Honor Council

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## **CLINICAL INVESTIGATIONS**

- March, 1994: Merck Protocol 047-00: A Parallel, Randomized, Double-Masked Study Comparing the 0.5% Timolol/2.0% MK-507 Combination Ophthalmic Solution to 0.5% Timolol Ophthalmic Solution or 2.0% MK-507 Ophthalmic Solution in Patients with Elevated Intraocular Pressure
- May, 1994: Insite Protocol C-93: A Three Month Study to Compare the Efficacy and Safety of 0.1% Betasite to 0.5% Betasite to 0.5% Betagan
- June, 1994: Merck Protocol 048-01: A One-Year, Parallel, Randomized, Double-Masked, Active-Controlled, Multiclinic Study Comparing the Corneal Safety of 2.0% MK-507 Ophthalmic Solution, 0.5% Timolol Ophthalmic Solution, and 0.5% Betaxolol Ophthalmic Solution in Patients with Elevated Intraocular Pressure with Ocular Hypertension or Glaucoma
- July, 1995: Alcon Laboratories Protocol C-95-48: A Three-Month, Multicenter, Triple-Masked, Primary Therapy Study of the Efficacy and Safety of BID and TID Dosed AL-4862 1.0% Ophthalmic Suspension Compared to TID Dosed Dorzolamide 2.0% and BID Dosed Timolol 0.5% in the Treatment of Patients with Primary Open-Angle Glaucoma or Ocular Hypertension
- January, 1997: Allergan Protocol 192371-003-00: A Multicenter, Double-Masked, Randomized, Vehicle-Controlled, Parallel Group Study of the Safety and Efficacy of Cyclosporine 0.05% and 0.1% Ophthalmic Emulsions Used Twice Daily for Up to One Year in Patients with Moderate to Severe Keratoconjunctivitis Sicca

- October, 1997: Merck Protocol TRU414: A Parallel, Randomized, Double-Masked, Active Controlled, Multiclinic Study Comparing the Tolerability and Efficacy of 2.0% MK-507 Ophthalmic Solution and Orally Administered Acetazolamide in Patients with Ocular Hypertension or Glaucoma
- January, 1998: Alcon Laboratories Protocol C-97-72: A Six-Month, Triple-Masked, Parallel Group Therapy Study of the Safety and Efficacy of AL-6221 0.0015% and AL-6221 0.004% Compared to Timoptic 0.5% in Patients with Open-Angle Glaucoma or Ocular Hypertension
- Caronia RM, Liebmann JM, Friedman R, Cohen H, Ritch R.: Trabeculectomy at the inferior limbus. Arch Ophthalmol 114:4:387-391, 1996.
- March, 2001 Alcon Laboratories Protocol CM – 01 – 01: A Twelve Week Primary Therapy Study of the Safety and Efficiency of Travatan 0.004% in Patients Whose Intraocular Pressure is not Adequately Controlled on Timolol in Different Ethnic Populations.
- July, 2001 Alcon Laboratories Protocol CM –01-06: A Four Week Therapy Study of the Efficiency of Travatan 0.004% in Patients Whose Intraocular Pressure is not Adequately Controlled or Who are Intolerant to Other Intraocular Pressure Lowering Medications

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## **PERSONAL**

Board Member, YMCA, Babe Weiller Branch, Sarasota, Florida (2004 – Present)

Born in Brooklyn, New York, 1961

Married to Carin and has two children, Zachary and Jared

Personal Interests/Activities: Physical Fitness, Collecting Vintage Phonographic Records