ASDS awards eight clinical research grants

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Rolling Meadows, IL (PRWEB) October 06, 2017 -- The American Society for Dermatologic Surgery (ASDS), the largest specialty organization representing dermatologic surgeons, has awarded a total of $96,669 to eight new research projects. The Cutting Edge Research Grant program was introduced in 1999 with the goal of uniting education and innovation to encourage clinical research and the transfer of new technologies into the surgical practice setting. Today, it also supports Board-directed research that tackle advocacy and practice management topics, in addition to translational research projects.

The research projects will focus on topics including microneedling for surgical scars, medical spa perception, patient preferences for skin cancer treatment and the impact of drug compounding regulations.

“The Cutting Edge Research Grant program enables ASDS members to pursue various subjects within the dermatologic surgery specialty and further position themselves as the true skin experts,” said ASDS President Lisa Donofrio, MD. “Year after year, the research conducted through these grants helps produce findings that will make an impact.”

The 2017 recipients and research projects are:

- Juliet F. Gibson, MD (UT Southwestern): Medical Spas in the United States: medical oversight, physician and patient perceptions, and associated litigation*
- Jeffrey F. Scott, MD (University Hospitals Cleveland Medical Center): A skin cancer risk model for hematopoietic stem cell transplant recipients*
- Jeremy R. Etzkorn, MD (University of Pennsylvania): Evaluation of patient preferences for skin cancer treatment using choice-based conjoint analysis*
- Wesley Yu, MD (University of California): Validation of the English Basal and Squamous Cell Carcinoma Quality of Life (BaSQuoL) Questionnaire and Application to Dermatologic Surgery*
- Eric Sorenson, MD (UCLA Division of Dermatology): Early Treatment with Microneedling for Surgical Scars*
- Thomas J. Knackstedt, MD (Cleveland Clinic Foundation): The Utility of Radiologic Imaging and Prognostic Significance of American Joint Committee on Cancer (AJCC) Pathologic (T) Staging in Squamous Cell Carcinoma of the Nail Apparatus
- Bassel Mahmoud, MD, PhD (University of Massachusetts Medical School): Fractional versus ablative Er:YAG laser in melanocyte transplantation surgery, a prospective randomized study with an objective evaluation
- Diana Bolotin, MD (The University of Chicago): The Impact of Drug Compounding Regulations on Dermatologic Practice*

*Indicates Board-directed research topic

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American Society for Dermatologic Surgery (ASDS) is the largest specialty organization exclusively representing dermatologic surgeons who have unique training and experience to treat the health, function and beauty of your skin. ASDS members are pioneers in the field. Many are involved in the clinical studies that bring popular treatments to revitalize skin and fill and diminish wrinkles to the forefront. Their work has helped create and enhance many of the devices that remove blemishes, hair and fat, and tighten skin. Dermatologic surgeons also are experts in skin cancer prevention, detection and treatment. As the incidence of skin cancer rises, dermatologic surgeons are committed to taking steps to minimize the life-threatening effects of this disease. For more information, visit asds.net.

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