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Paul Phelps, MD, FACS

POSITIONS

Founder and CEO – Chicago Oculofacial Plastic Surgery, S.C.
October 1, 2021 – Present

Director of Oculofacial Plastic Surgery Service – Cook County Health
October 1, 2021 - Present

ACADEMIC AFFILIATION

Clinical Assistant Professor – Northwestern Feinberg School of Medicine

HOSPITAL PRIVILEGES

Northwestern Memorial Hospital – 251 E Huron St, Chicago, IL 60611
Cook County Health – 1969 W Ogden Ave, Chicago, IL 60612

AMBULATORY SURGERY PRIVILEGES

900 N Surgical Center – 60 E Delaware Pl, Chicago, IL 60611

CONTACT INFORMATION

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POSTGRADUATE TRAINING

Fellowship: Oculofacial Plastic Surgery (7/01/2015 – 6/30/2017)
Department of Ophthalmology
Albany Medical College Albany, NY 12208
Dale R. Meyer, MD, FACS, Program Director

Fellowship: Ophthalmic Pathology (7/01/2014 – 6/30/2015)
Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences
University of Wisconsin – Madison, WI 53792
Daniel M. Albert, MD, MS, Program Director

Residency: Ophthalmology (7/01/2011 – 6/30/2014)
Division of Ophthalmology
John H. Stroger, Jr. Hospital of Cook County – Chicago, IL 60612
Surendar Dwarakanathan, MD, Program Director

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Internship: Internal Medicine (6/24/2010 – 6/30/2011)
University of Illinois College of Medicine – Chicago, IL 60612
Fred A. Zar, MD, Program Director

EDUCATION

Medical School: Drexel University College of Medicine (8/08/2005 – 5/21/2010)
Philadelphia, PA 19129
Degree: Doctor of Medicine

Fulbright Scholar to Aravind Eye Hospital (8/25/2008 – 5/02/2009)
Madurai, India

Undergraduate: University of Minnesota Twin Cities (9/08/1998 – 6/20/2003)
Minneapolis, MN 55455
Bachelor of Science, Chemistry
Bachelor of Arts, Neuroscience

Junior Year Abroad (10/06/2000 – 3/23/2001)
Lancaster University
Lancaster, United Kingdom, LA1 4YW
Coursework in History, Physical Chemistry, and Culture

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Attending Surgeon: NorthShore University HealthSystem (8/2017 – 9/2021)
Evanston, IL 60201
Marian Macsai, MD, Chief of Ophthalmology Division

Research Associate: Massachusetts Institute of Technology (8/2003 – 7/2005)
Cambridge, MA 02139
Paul A. Garrity, PhD, Assistant Professor of Biology

Harvard Medical School (08/02/2004 – 12/17/2004)
Molecular Medicine Coursework
George Q. Daily, MD, PhD, Course Director

PAST ACADEMIC AFFILIATION

Clinical Associate Professor of Ophthalmology (3/31/2021 – 9/30/2021)
University of Chicago, Pritzker School of Medicine

Clinical Assistant Professor of Ophthalmology (7/01/2017 – 3/31/2021)
University of Chicago, Pritzker School of Medicine

ACCREDITATION/CERTIFICATION

American Board of Ophthalmology, Certification on 6/05/2016 (Active)
American Society of Ophthalmic Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, 12/05/2017

MEDICAL LICENCURE

Illinois, #036.131388, Date Granted 9/13/2012, Expiration Date 7/31/2026
Wisconsin, #62016-20, Date Granted 3/17/2014, Expired 10/31/2015
New York, #60276931, Date Granted 8/19/2014, Expired 11/30/2017

PROFESSIONAL SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP

American College of Surgeons
American Academy of Ophthalmology
American Academy of Cosmetic Surgery
American Academy of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery
American Society of Ophthalmic Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery

SPECIAL RECOGNITION/PROFESSIONAL AWARDS

Physician Excellence Award – NorthShore University HealthSystem (2020)
Shining Star Award – NorthShore University HealthSystem (2019)
EyeWiki Contest Winner – Canalicular Trauma (2015)
Advocacy Ambassador Award – IL Association of Ophthalmology (2013)
Best Research Project of the Year – Cook County Residency (2012)
Medical Humanities Award – Drexel University College of Medicine (2010)
Fulbright Scholarship – Aravind Eye Hospital (2008)
Alpha Omega Alpha Carolyn L. Kuckein Student Research Award (2006)

JOURNAL/EDITORIAL SERVICE

JAMA Ophthalmology – Scientific Reviewer
American Journal of Ophthalmology – Scientific Reviewer
Ophthalmic Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery – Scientific Reviewer

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP/LEADERSHIP

AAO – Oculoplastics PQRS Measure Development Committee Member (2019)
AAO – EyeWiki Editorial Board Member (2017-present)
AAO – YO Advocacy Subcommittee Member (2018-2021)
ASOPRS – Oral Board Examiner Committee Member (2019-present)
ASOPRS – Industry Relations Workgroup (2023-present)
ISEPS – Treasurer Board of Directors (2019-2022)

GRANTS

Functional and Cosmetic Oculofacial Plastic Surgery Simulation Lab – Awarded \$10,885.00 by the Department of Surgery at NorthShore University HealthSystem (2019)

Functional and Cosmetic Oculofacial Plastic Surgery Simulation Lab – Awarded \$9,685 by the Department of Surgery at NorthShore University HealthSystem (2020)

CLINICAL RESEARCH

A Phase 2b, Study of Linsitinib in Subjects with Active, Moderate to Severe Thyroid Eye Disease (TED) (LIDS) (2024, PI)
Teprotumumab Expanded Access Program Illinois (2020, PI)
Clobetasol Topical for Treatment of Chalazion (2019, Co-I)
Use of Oxymetazoline Ophthalmic for Ptosis (2019, Co-I)

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

1. Rosenzweig M, Brennan KM, Tayler TD, **Phelps PO**, Patapoutian A, Garrity PA. The Drosophila ortholog of vertebrate TRPA1 regulates thermotaxis. *Genes Dev.* 2005;19(4):419–424. doi:10.1101/gad.1278205
2. Kim UR, Arora V, Ramchandran S, Shah AD, **Phelps PO**. Orbital hyalinizing spindle cell tumor with giant rosettes. *Ophthalmic Plast Reconstr Surg.* 2010;26(1):30–32. doi:10.1097/IOP.0b013e3181b80b3f
3. **Phelps PO**, Kapadia AA, Chennuri R, Mehta DG. Metastatic mixed germ-cell neoplasm presenting as retinal detachment. *J Clin Oncol.* 2012;30(13):e133–e136. doi:10.1200/JCO.2011.38.2093
4. Chen M, **Phelps PO**. A Case Report: Extranodal Marginal Zone Lymphoma of Eyelid. *Int J Ophthalmic Pathol.* 2014;1:2
5. **Phelps PO**, Williams K. Thyroid eye disease for the primary care physician. *Dis Mon.* 2014;60(6):292–298. doi:10.1016/j.disamonth.2014.03.010
6. Marcet MM, Kuk AK, **Phelps PO**. Evidence-based review of surgical practices in endoscopic endonasal dacryocystorhinostomy for primary acquired nasolacrimal duct obstruction and other new indications. *Curr Opin Ophthalmol.* 2014;25(5):443–448. doi:10.1097/ICU.0000000000000084
7. **Phelps PO**, Marcet MM, Hong AR, Nichols JW. Eyelid Myeloid Sarcoma: Ominous Presentation of Acute Myelogenous Leukemia. *Orbit.* 2015 Feb; 34(1):30-2 Phelps PO, Surapaneni KR, Nehls SM, Altaweel MM. Uveal Melanoma Presenting as a Pigmented Conjunctival Lesion. *Ophthalmology.* 2015;122(8):1652. doi:10.1016/j.ophtla.2015.06.021
8. Marcet MM, **Phelps PO**, Lai JS. Involutional entropion: risk factors and surgical remedies. *Curr Opin Ophthalmol.* 2015 Jul;26(5):416-21

9. **Phelps PO**, Marcet MM, Hong AR, Nichols JW. Eyelid myeloid sarcoma: ominous presentation of acute myelogenous leukemia. *Orbit*. 2015;34(1):30–32. doi:10.3109/01676830.2014.938169
10. Albert DM, **Phelps PO**, Surapaneni KR, et al. The Significance of the Discordant Occurrence of Lens Tumors in Humans versus Other Species. *Ophthalmology*. 2015;122(9):1765–1770. doi:10.1016/j.ophtha.2015.05.028
11. Marcet MM, **Phelps PO**, Lai JS. Involutional entropion: risk factors and surgical remedies. *Curr Opin Ophthalmol*. 2015;26(5):416–421. doi:10.1097/ICU.000000000000186
12. **Phelps PO**, Warner EJ, Nehls SM. Boston Keratoprosthesis with Severe Ecstasia. *Ophthalmology*. 2015;122(9):1736. doi:10.1016/j.ophtha.2015.06.046
13. Surapaneni KR, **Phelps PO**, Potter HD. Palisaded Encapsulated Neuroma of the Eyelid. *Ophthalmology*. 2015;122(8):1554. doi:10.1016/j.ophtha.2015.05.016
14. **Phelps PO**, Surapaneni KR, Nehls SM, Altaweel MM. Uveal Melanoma Presenting as a Pigmented Conjunctival Lesion. *Ophthalmology*. 2015;122(8):1652. doi:10.1016/j.ophtha.2015.06.021
15. **Phelps PO**, Seagrave Z, Williams KM. Blastomycosis in the Eyelid of a Native Chicagoan. *Ophthalmology*. 2015;122(5):1015. doi:10.1016/j.ophtha.2014.12.021
16. Surapaneni KR, Struck MC, **Phelps PO**. Peters Anomaly. *Ophthalmology*. 2015;122(6):1130. doi:10.1016/j.ophtha.2014.12.027
17. Surapaneni KR, Ringeisen AL, **Phelps PO**. Fuchs' Adenoma. *Ophthalmology*. 2015;122(6):1164. doi:10.1016/j.ophtha.2014.12.025
18. **Phelps PO**, Tran AQ, Nehls SM. Complication Following Radial Keratotomy and LASIK. *Ophthalmology*. 2015;122(6):1172. doi:10.1016/j.ophtha.2014.12.026
19. **Phelps PO**, Surapaneni KR, Potter HD. Monckeberg's Arteriosclerosis in Temporal Arteritis Suspect. *Ophthalmology*. 2015;122(6):1186. doi:10.1016/j.ophtha.2014.12.023
20. **Phelps PO**, Hinshaw MA, Potter HD. Warty Dyskeratoma of the Eyelid. *Ophthalmology*. 2015;122(7):1282. doi:10.1016/j.ophtha.2015.04.022
21. **Phelps PO**, Wei LA, Surapaneni KR. Spring-Loaded Enucleation. *Ophthalmology*. 2015;122(7):1394. doi:10.1016/j.ophtha.2014.12.028
22. **Phelps PO**, Potter HD, Lucarelli MJ. Apocrine Chondroid Syringoma of the Eyelid. *Ophthalmology*. 2015;122(7):1415. doi:10.1016/j.ophtha.2015.02.027
23. Surapaneni KR, Koreishi A, **Phelps PO**. Bitot's Spots in Gastric Bypass Patient. *Ophthalmology*. 2016;123(3):521. doi:10.1016/j.ophtha.2015.04.030
24. Burris CK, Azari AA, Eagle RC Jr, Rapuano CJ, Marangoz D, Potter HD, Kim K, Thuro B, **Phelps PO**, Surapaneni K, Rodriguez ME, Raven ML, Lee V, Damani MR, Carey M, Kanavi MR, Javadi MA, Albert DM. Concordance Between Clinical and Histopathological Diagnosis of Corneal Specimens. *Ophthalmology*. 2017;124(5):744–745. doi:10.1016/j.ophtha.2016.11.038
25. Ali Bautista S, Wladis EJ, Farber M, Falk NS, **Phelps PO**. Silicone oil migration into the orbit. *Orbit*. 2018;37(5):368–370. doi:10.1080/01676830.2017.1423345
26. **Phelps PO**, Carlson JA, Meyer DR. Enlarging Pigmented Eyelid Mass Associated with Remote Pencil Trauma. *Ocul Oncol Pathol*. 2017;3(4):310–312. doi:10.1159/000470913

27. Polans AS, McAnulty JF, **Phelps PO**, Darjatmoko SR, Burris CK, Albert DM. Pilot Study of a "Large-Eye," Surgically Induced Dry Eye Rabbit Model by Selective Removal of the Harderian, Lacrimal, and Meibomian Glands. *Ocul Oncol Pathol*. 2017;4(1):52–56. doi:10.1159/000475994
28. **Phelps PO**, Farber MJ, Meyer DR. Pigmented Conjunctival Lesions as Presenting Signs of Vaginal Melanoma. *Ocul Oncol Pathol*. 2018;4(2):79–81. doi:10.1159/000478278
29. **Phelps PO**, Wladis EJ, Meyer DR. Association of Involutional Lower Eyelid Entropion with Reduced Upper Eyelid Position Relative to the Corneal Light Reflex: Quantification of Facial Asymmetry. *Ophthalmic Plast Reconstr Surg*. 2018 Sep/Oct;34(5):467-471.
30. To J, Macsai M, **Phelps PO**. Chronic Conjunctivitis in an Older Patient With Ptosis [published online ahead of print, 2019 Nov 14]. *JAMA Ophthalmol*. 2019;10.1001/jamaophthalmol.2019.4439.
31. **Phelps PO**, Wladis EJ, Meyer DR. Reply Re: "Association of Involutional Lower Eyelid Entropion With Reduced Upper Eyelid Position Relative to the Corneal Light Reflex: Quantification of Facial Asymmetry". *Ophthalmic Plast Reconstr Surg*. 2019;35(3):300. doi:10.1097/IOP.0000000000001360
32. To J, **Phelps PO**. Sebaceous Adenoma in Patient with Visceral Malignancies. *Ophthalmic Plast Reconstr Surg*. 2020 Jan 8. doi: 10.1097/IOP.0000000000001513
33. **Phelps PO**, Abariga SA, Cowling BJ, Selva D, Marcet MM. Antimetabolites as an adjunct to dacryocystorhinostomy for nasolacrimal duct obstruction. *Cochrane Database of Systemic Reviews*. 2020 Apr 7;4(4):CD012309. doi:10.1002/14651858.CD012309.pub2
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35. Moran JM, **Phelps PO**. Periocular skin cancer: Diagnosis and Management. *Dis Mon*. 2020 June 26:101046. doi: 10.1016/j.disamonth.2020.101046
36. Avdagic E, **Phelps PO**. Eyelid ptosis (Blepharoptosis) for the primary care practitioner. *Dis Mon*. 2020 June 27:101040. doi: 10.1016/j.disamonth.2020.101040
37. Hakim F, **Phelps PO**. Entropion and ectropion. *Dis Mon*. 2020 June 29:101039. doi: 10.1016/j.disamonth.2020.101039
38. Khanna S, **Phelps PO**. The basics of baggy eyelids. *Dis Mon*. 2020 Jul 1:101037. doi: 10.1016/j.disamonth.2020.101037
39. Avdagic E, **Phelps PO**. Nasolacrimal duct obstruction as an important cause of epiphora. *Dis Mon*. 2020 Jul 1:101043. doi: 10.1016/j.disamonth.2020.101043
40. Gordon AA, **Phelps PO**. Management of preseptal and orbital cellulitis for the primary care physician. *Dis Mon*. 2020 Jul 1:101044. doi: 10.1016/j.disamonth.2020.101044

41. Shaw LT, **Phelps PO**. The basics of brow ptosis. *Dis Mon.* 2020 Jul 1:101038. doi: 10.1016/j.disamonth.2020.101038.
42. Gordon AA, Danek DJ, **Phelps PO**. Common inflammatory and infectious conditions of the eyelid. *Dis Mon.* 2020 Jul 1:101042. doi: 10.1016/j.disamonth.2020.101042
43. Gordon AA, Tran LT, **Phelps PO**. Eyelid and orbital trauma for the primary care physician. *Dis Mon.* 2020 Jul 1:101045. doi: 10.1016/j.disamonth.2020.101045
44. Blitzer AL, **Phelps PO**. Facial spasms. *Dis Mon.* 2020 Jul 1:101041. doi: 10.1016/j.disamonth.2020.101041
45. Chen KW, **Phelps PO**. Acquired Epiblepharon Alleviated with Teprotumumab Treatment in Active Thyroid Eye Disease Patient. *Ophthalmic Plast Reconstr Surg.* 2021 Jul 15. doi: 10.1097/IOP.0000000000002002
46. Chun LY, **Phelps PO**. A Case of Unrelenting Facial Swelling. *The American Journal of Cosmetic Surgery.* 2023;40(1):26-28. doi: 10.1177/07488068211070113
47. **Phelps PO**, Dewan MA, Meyer DR. Simplified Eyelid Margin Repair. *Facial Plast Surgery Aesthet Med.* 2023 Oct 20. Doi: 10.1089/fpsam.2023.0159
48. Wong AA, **Phelps P**. Atypical location of Pleomorphic Adenoma Involving the Eyelid Margin. *Ophthalmology.* 2024 Jan 27:S0161-6420(23)00936-2. Doi:10.1016/j.optha.2023.12.029. Epub ahead of print. PMID: 38284950
49. **Phelps PO**, Ibrahim NA, Holds JB, Massry GG. Infraorbital Injections of Polymethylmethacrylate Microspheres: Treatments for Delayed Granulomatous Inflammation. *Facial Plast Surg Aesthet Med.* 2024 Apr 24. doi: 10.1089/fpsam.2024.0013. Epub ahead of print. PMID: 38656207.

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3. **Phelps PO**. Globe Rupture. *Atlas of Clinical Emergency Medicine.* E Ed. Sherman SC, Ross C, Nordquist E, Wang E, and Cico S. LWW. 2015. P 70
4. **Phelps PO**, Meyer DR. Frontalis Sling, *Compendium of Oculofacial, Orbital and Lacrimal Surgery.* Springer-Verlag. 2019. Pp 53-55

WEB-BASED JOURNAL ARTICLES

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2. **Phelps PO**. Actinic Keratosis. EyeWiki. <http://eyewiki.aao.org>
3. **Phelps PO**. Canalicular Trauma. EyeWiki. <http://eyewiki.aao.org>
4. Moran JM, **Phelps PO**. Periocular Dermatitis. EyeWiki. <http://eyewiki.aao.org>

ABSTRACTS/PRESENTATIONS/POSTERS

1. Public Health: A Vision for South India. Nashville Fulbright Enrichment Seminar. 2/26/2010. Nashville, TN.
2. **Phelps PO**, Hill G, LaMattina K, Giovingo M, Wongsakhaluang J, Ahuja RM. Emergency Room Diagnosis and Treatment Study 2 (ERODS2). ARVO Annual Meeting, Poster exhibit, 5/07/2012. Fort Lauderdale, FL.
3. A Case Report of Granulocytic Sarcoma. Chicago Oculoplastic and Reconstructive Surgery Society. 4/30/2013. Chicago, IL.
4. Advocacy Ambassador Day Presentation. Chicago Ophthalmology Society. 5/13/2013. Chicago, IL.
5. Ofori D, **Phelps PO**, Ahuja RM. Emergency Room Diagnosis and Treatment Study 3 (ERODS3). American Academy of Ophthalmology Poster exhibit, 11/17/2013. New Orleans, LA
6. **Phelps PO**, McAnulty J, Darjatmoko S, et al. The Role of the Harderian and Lacrimal Glands in the Prevention of Dry Eye in Rabbits. ARVO Annual Meeting, Poster exhibit, 5/03/2015. Denver, CO
7. Patel K, **Phelps PO**. Ptosis as the primary presentation of an orbital crystal storing histiocytosis. ASOPRS Fall Meeting. YASOPRS Eye Openers: Rapid Fire Cases and Presentations, 10/14/2015. Chicago, IL
8. Patel K, Bakhsh S, **Phelps PO**. The effect of tetracaine on eyelid position in patients with dry eye syndrome. ASOPRS Fall Meeting. Poster Presentation, 10/14/2015. Chicago, IL
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10. Patel K, **Phelps PO**. Unique eyelid presentation of IgG4 positive adult-onset xanthogranuloma in a patient without asthma. ASOPRS Fall Meeting. Video Presentation, 11/10/2017. New Orleans, LA
11. **Phelps PO**. Retrobulbar hemorrhage on Xarelto – you cut me open and I keep bleeding. ASOPRS 2018 Spring Scientific Symposium. Podium Presentation, 6/01/2018. Austin, TX
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14. Moran JM, Mohadjer Y, Shiloach M, Zakieh AR, Macsai M, **Phelps PO**. Efficacy and Complications of 5-FU and Triamcinolone Combination for Treatment of Chalazia. ARVO 2020 annual meeting digital presentation.
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