# OUR DOCTORS

## Dr Alex Ioannidis

MBBS FRCOPHTH FRANZCO

Dr Alex Ioannidis is a highly experienced ophthalmic surgeon with a special interest in small incision cataract surgery. He also provides both conventional and femtosecond laser-assisted cataract surgery (FLACS). Dr Ioannidis has expertise in modern intraocular lens (IOL) technology including monofocal IOLs, extended depth of field (EDOF) IOLs and presbyopia-correcting IOLs (MFIOL). He holds weekly operating lists at Vision Hospital Group day surgeries in Camberwell and Preston (Panch Day Surgery Centre).

Dr Ioannidis treats complex cataract cases such as those seen in patients with coexisting eye diseases, including glaucoma and macular degeneration. He offers cataract surgery combined with other surgical procedures, which include minimally invasive glaucoma surgery (MIGS) using the iStent inject system. In addition, Dr Ioannidis provides a range of treatments for patients with anterior segment diseases (disorders of the front part of the eye) using the latest diagnostic and surgical laser technology.

Other areas of interest include management of corneal disorders including keratoconus, for which he performs collagen cross-linking. He has also perfected his technique of micrograft pterygium surgery, using a biological adhesive to apply the graft without the need for sutures. This technique has achieved better cosmetic outcomes and more comfortable post-operative recovery for his patients.

During his consultations, Dr Ioannidis discusses a surgical plan and recommends the appropriate treatment to meet individual visual needs. He takes into consideration the general eye health of the patient in order to optimise refractive outcomes. Dr loannidis is supported by a highly accomplished team of allied health professionals including orthoptists, nurses and anaesthetists, who strive to achieve the highest standards of patient care.

#### BACKGROUND

Dr Ioannidis completed his basic and higher surgical training in the UK at the prestigious Moorfields Eye Hospital in London. His sub-specialist training in anterior segment conditions was complemented with two surgical fellowships – glaucoma (Moorfields Eye Hospital, UK) and cornea and cataract (Sydney Eye Hospital, Australia).

Alongside his passion for providing exemplary eye care, Dr Ioannidis is a committed educator and has held an Honorary Clinical Lecturer position at the University of Melbourne in the Department of Surgery, School of Medicine, since 2014. In addition, he is involved in the clinical and surgical training of ophthalmology trainees, optometry students and medical students. Dr Ioannidis also holds a public appointment at the Royal Melbourne Hospital where he supervises specialists-in-training.

As an expert in his field, Dr Ioannidis has published extensively on a number of subjects relating to anterior segment conditions and treatments. He has a particular interest in novel combination treatments for patients undergoing cataract surgery. In addition, Dr Ioannidis has been the recipient of several awards for his research and academic achievements.

### OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

- Expertise in the use of toric, bifocal and trifocal intraocular lens technology
- Proficiency in minimally invasive glaucoma surgery (MIGS), with three years of experience performing combined cataract and iStent surgery
- Dual-fellowship-trained ophthalmic specialist
- Part of an international working group that helped develop a classification system for the ocular features in Anderson-Fabry Disease
- Consultant ophthalmologist, Royal Melbourne Hospital,
- Consultant ophthalmologist, King's College Hospital, London, UK











#### **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

- Fellow of the Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Ophthalmologists
- Fellow of The Royal College of Ophthalmologists (UK)
- European Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgeons

#### **AWARDS**

- First Prize for Clinical Study, Medical Education and Research Awards (team award) (2007)
- Second Prize for Clinical Governance, Medical Education and Research Awards (team award) (2007)
- Robert and Diana Dick Prize for Academic Achievement Final MB, University of London, UK (1997)
- Gladys-Sandes Prize in Anatomy, University of London, UK (1993)

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