

Farhad Hafezi, MD PhD



Farhad Hafezi was born in 1967 and grew up in Fribourg in Switzerland. He studied medicine in Fribourg and Berne. Farhad Hafezi fluently speaks German (mother tongue), English, French, Polish and Farsi. He is married and has three daughters.

Wikipedia and web profile

- For more information, please visit: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Farhad_Hafezi or <http://www.elza-institute.com>

The “Power-List” 2014, 2016 and 2018

- In 2014 and 2016 Prof. Hafezi was voted by peers onto the “PowerList”, a list of the 100 most influential international personalities in ophthalmology. Now, in April 2018, Prof. Hafezi has been ranked No. 20 of the Top 100.

Clinical activities

- Prof. Hafezi’s clinical focus are the cornea and complication management after complicated refractive laser surgery. He was instrumental in implementing corneal cross-linking technology in ophthalmology.
- From 2010 to 2014, Farhad Hafezi was Professor and Chairman of the Department of Ophthalmology of the Geneva University Hospitals, Geneva, Switzerland. In 2012, he was also appointed Clinical Professor of Ophthalmology at the Department of Ophthalmology, Keck School of Medicine, University of Southern California (USC) Los Angeles.

Current positions

- Professor at the Faculty of Medicine, University of Geneva, Switzerland
- Clinical Professor of Ophthalmology, Keck School of Medicine, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, USA
- Visiting Professor of Ophthalmology, Wenzhou Medical University, China
- Medical Director, The ELZA Institute, Zurich, Switzerland
- Research Group Leader, Center for Applied Biotechnology and Molecular Medicine (CABMM), University of Zurich, Switzerland

Publications, International activities, Educational Activities

- By April 2018, Prof. Hafezi has published more than 180 scientific articles, and his scientific work has been cited more than 7'400 times, his total impact factor is 608 and his *h* index is 44.
- He is an Associate Editor of the "*Journal of Refractive Surgery*" and on the Editorial Board of the "*International Journal of Keratoconus and Ectatic Corneal Disease*", "*Current Eye Research*" and the "*Iranian Journal of Ophthalmology*". He frequently moderates courses at the ESCRS (European Society for Cataract and Refractive Surgery) and the AAO (American Academy of Ophthalmology).
- Prof. Hafezi is also a member of the Advisory Board of “Global ONE”, the educational network of the American Academy of Ophthalmology (AAO).

Awards

- Prof. Hafezi has received 23 national and international awards and distinctions, both for his scientific work and for the development of new technologies (innovation awards). Awards include, amongst others, the ARVO Foundation/Carl Camras Translational Research Award (USA) 2014, as well as the highest distinctions in ophthalmology of Switzerland and Belgium.