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## Education

Undergraduate:

Bachelor of Arts, with Honors  
Genetics; University of California, Berkeley, CA  
1985 - 1987  
Honors Thesis: "Mutagenesis and the study of  
*attTn7* - a specific target in Tn7 transposition"

Medical School:

Doctor of Medicine  
University of California, San Francisco, CA  
1988 - 1992

Internship:

Department of Medicine  
California Pacific Medical Center,  
San Francisco, CA,  
1992 – 1993

Residency:

Department of Ophthalmology  
University of California, San Francisco, CA  
1993 - 1996

Fellowship:

Refractive Surgery, Cornea, and External Diseases  
Jules Stein Eye Institute  
University of California, Los Angeles, CA  
1996 – 1998

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## **Honors and Awards**

Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society, UC Berkeley, 1987  
Alpha Omega Alpha Research Fellowship, UCSF School of Medicine, 1989  
Dean's Prize for Outstanding Research by a Medical Student,  
UCSF School of Medicine, 1990  
Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Society, UCSF School of Medicine, 1991  
Sadie Berkove Award for the Outstanding Graduate,  
UCSF School of Medicine, 1992  
American Medical Women's Association Award for Scholastic Achievement,  
UCSF School of Medicine, 1992  
Asbury Award for Outstanding Research by a Resident,  
UCSF Department of Ophthalmology, 1995  
Heed Foundation Fellowship Award, 1996-1997  
Heed / Knapp Foundation Fellowship Award, 1997-1998  
Clinical Research Award, Jules Stein Eye Institute  
UCLA School of Medicine, 1998  
Who's Who in Ophthalmology  
Council for Refractive Surgery Quality Assurance  
Best Doctors in America  
Qualified and listed at [Trusted LASIK Surgeons](#), a LASIK Directory service that screens surgeons based on experience, premier patient care, and professional credentials

## **Professional Societies**

American Academy of Ophthalmology  
American Medical Association  
California Medical Association  
San Francisco Medical Society  
San Mateo Medical Society  
Peninsula Eye Society  
Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology  
International Society of Refractive Surgery  
American Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgery

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## Peer Review Activities

Reviewer, American Journal of Ophthalmology  
Reviewer, Journal of Cataract and Refractive Surgery  
Reviewer, Journal of Refractive Surgery  
Editorial Board, San Francisco Medicine Journal of San Francisco Medical Society  
Editorial Board, Ophthalmology Management

## Hospital Affiliations

St. Mary's Medical Center, San Francisco, CA  
Seton Medical Center, Daly City, CA  
San Francisco Veteran Administration Medical Center, San Francisco, CA  
Jules Stein Eye Institute UCLA Medical Center, Los Angeles, CA

## Academic Appointments

San Francisco Veteran Administration Medical Center, San Francisco, CA

## Peer-Reviewed Research Publications

**Gringauz E, Orle K, Waddell C, Craig NL.** Recognition of *E.Coli att* Tn7 by transposon Tn7: lack of specific sequence requirements at the point of Tn7 insertion. *J. Bacteriol.* 170:2832-2840, 1988.

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**LaVail MM, Faktorovich EG, Hepler JM, Pearson KL, Yasumura D, Matthes MT, Steinberg RH.** Basic fibroblast growth factor protects photoreceptors from light-induced degeneration in albino rats. *Ann. N.Y. Acad. Sci* 638:341-347, 1991.

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**Faktorovich EG**, Tucker N, O'Brien JM. Thyroid ophthalmopathy.

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(pleomorphic adenoma) of the lacrimal gland in a 6-year-old boy.

American Journal of Ophthalmology 122(3):446-447, 1996.

Kim RY, **Faktorovich EG**, Kuo S, Olson J. Retinal function abnormalities in

membranoproliferative glomerulonephritis type II. American Journal of Ophthalmology 123(5):619-628, 1997.

Maloney RK, **Faktorovich EG**. There is no benefit to deferring laser refractive surgery. Archives of Ophthalmology 116(5):669-671, 1998.

Flach AJ, Dolan BJ, Donahue ME, **Faktorovich EG**, Gonzales GA. Comparative effects of Ketorolac 0.5% or Diclofenac 0.1% ophthalmic solutions on inflammation after cataract surgery. *Ophthalmology* 105:1775-1779, 1998.

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**Faktorovich EG**, Rabinowitz YS. Method for safer penetrating keratoplasty in patients with low scleral rigidity. *Journal of Cataract and Refractive Surgery* 1999;25(7):882-884

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Bilateral Bacterial Keratitis After Laser In Situ Keratomileusis in a Patient With Human Immunodeficiency Virus Infection. *Arch Ophth* 1999; 117: 968-970.

**Faktorovich EG**, Badawi DY, Maloney RK, Ariyasu RG. Growth factor expression in corneal wound healing following excimer laser keratectomy. *Cornea* 1999;18(5):580-588.

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## Non-Peer-Reviewed Publications

**Faktorovich EG.** Your eye health – a series of monthly articles. Nutrition and the Eye. Outlook weekly newspaper. January 1999.

**Faktorovich EG.** Your eye health – a series of monthly articles. Cataracts. Outlook weekly newspaper. February 1999.

**Faktorovich EG.** Glaucoma and its management. Outlook weekly newspaper. March 1999.

**Faktorovich EG.** Electronic Medical Record. San Francisco Medicine Magazine. May 1999.

**Faktorovich EG.** Focus on vision correction. POA Notebook for San Francisco Police Officers' Association. May 1999.

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**Faktorovich EG.** Clear Natural Vision. The Fire News / International Association of Firefighters. June 1999

**Faktorovich EG.** Quest for Perfect Vision. Mill Valley Herald. September 1999

**Faktorovich EG.** LASIK: The role of pre- and postoperative medication. Refractive Eye Care for Ophthalmologists. December 1999.

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**Faktorovich EG.** Surgical management of presbyopia. EyeTech Update. June 2000

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**Faktorovich EG**. Refractive Surgery and Corneal Transplantation. Downey Medical Center Continuing Education Series, Downey, CA, March 1998

Badawi DY, **Faktorovich EG**, Maloney RK, Ariyasu RG. Corneal haze in rabbits following excimer laser keratectomy and correlation with basic fibroblast growth factor expression. Invest. Ophthalmol. Vis. Sci. 39 (Suppl):1642, 1998.

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**Faktorovich EG.** Clarify Your Options. Commonwealth Club. San Francisco, CA, 1999.

**Faktorovich EG,** McDonald M, et al. LASIK and Dry Eyes. Roundtable discussion. Ocular Surgery News Hawaiian Eye Meeting. Maui, HI, 2000.

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**Faktorovich EG.** Corneal dystrophies and degenerations. 1<sup>st</sup> Annual San Francisco Cornea Symposium, 2002.

**Faktorovich EG.** Wavefront Technology. 2nd Annual San Francisco Cornea Symposium, 2003.

**Faktorovich EG,** Osegawa R. Postoperative Infections: Treatment and Prophylaxis. 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Meridith Morgan Symposium, UC Berkeley School of Optometry, 2003.

**Faktorovich EG.** Systemic Medications in Primary Eye Care. San Mateo Optometric Society, 2003.

**Faktorovich EG.** Systemic Medications in Primary Eye Care. Santa Clara Optometric Society, 2004.

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Nosova E, **Faktorovich EG.** Effect of Restasis on Dry Eye and Photophobia After LASIK with the Femtosecond laser. American Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgery 2006

**Faktorovich EG**, Nosova E. Wavefront aberrations after LASIK: Femtosecond laser versus Hansatome microkeratome. American Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgery 2006

**Faktorovich EG**, Lee SF, Nosova E. Topical medications update in cornea, external diseases, and refractive surgery. 5<sup>th</sup> Annual San Francisco Cornea, Cataract, and Refractive Surgery Symposium, 2006.

**Faktorovich EG**, Seibel B, Lee SF. Presbyopia solutions. Asian Optometric Society Meeting, 2006.

**Faktorovich EG**, Lee SF, Nosova E, Day G. IntraLase: Facts vs. Fiction. Ocular Symposium, 2006.

**Faktorovich EG.** Comparison of higher order aberrations after LASIK with IntraLase vs. Hansatome microkeratome. Refractive Surgery Subspecialty Day Meeting, International Society of Refractive Surgery of the American Academy of Ophthalmology, 2006.

**Faktorovich EG.** Comparison of higher order aberrations after LASIK with IntraLase vs. Hansatome. American Academy of Ophthalmology and the Asia Pacific Academy of Ophthalmology, 2006.

**Faktorovich EG.** Phototherapeutic keratectomy for post-LASIK ametropia in patients with epithelial basement membrane dystrophy. American Academy of Ophthalmology and the Asia Pacific Academy of Ophthalmology, 2006.

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**Faktorovich EG**, Lee SF. NearVision CK: Procedure and Results. Pacific Vision Institute Grand Rounds. 2006

**Faktorovich EG.** Efficacy of topical morphine for pain control after PRK. American Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgery. 2007

**Faktorovich EG.** Phototherapeutic keratectomy for post-LASIK ametropia in patients with epithelial basement membrane dystrophy. American Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgery. 2007

**Faktorovich EG**, Lee SF. PRK 2007: managing patients for optimized outcomes. 6<sup>th</sup> Annual San Francisco Cornea, Cataract, and Refractive Surgery Symposium, 2007

**Faktorovich EG**, Lee SF. Presbyopia solutions. Ocular Symposium, 2007

**Faktorovich EG.** Management of post-LASIK ametropia in patients with ABMD. ASCRS Summer Refractive Congress. 2007

**Faktorovich EG.** Pain control after PRK. ASCRS Summer Refractive Congress. 2007

**Faktorovich EG.** Post-PRK corneal irregularity in a patient with allergies. ASCRS Summer Refractive Congress. 2007

**Faktorovich EG.** Efficacy of topical morphine for pain control after PRK. American Academy of Ophthalmology. 2007

**Faktorovich EG**, Powers M, Kuznetsova J, Day G. Prevalence, pre-operative risk factors, and treatment of symptomatic post-LASIK binocular vision disorders. American Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgery. 2008

**Faktorovich EG.** Comparison of LASIK safety and accuracy with three excimer laser platforms. American Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgery. 2008

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## **Ongoing Research**

LASIK in patients with epithelial basement membrane dystrophy

Topical MSO4 and Sumatriptan for analgesia after phototherapeutic keratectomy

Anterior Segment Optical Coherence Tomography (OCT) following LASIK with  
IntraLase FS laser