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Congratulations!!! Congratulations!!! Congratulations!!!

Members of OSWB make their presence felt
at American Academy of Ophthalmology Annual Meeting 2008

Dr. Samar Basak wins the AAO achievement award. Nine participants from West Bengal... Many scientific presentations and awards in the bag.

It was a glittering performance by the members of OSWB at the annual meeting of the American Academy of Ophthalmology held at Georgia World Congress Center at Atlanta between 7th and 11th November 2008. Members of OSWB are participating routinely at American Academy of Ophthalmology (AAO) conference for the last few years. It was an extraordinary performance this year. We take pride for the awards won and compliments achieved by the delegates from West Bengal. Nine delegates from West Bengal were Dr. P. K. Bakshi, Dr. Samar Basak, Dr. Shyamal Pandey, Dr. Amitava Biswas, Dr. Chandrima Paul, Dr. Sanjay Thakur, Dr. Saurav Sanyal, Dr. T. K. Sinha and Dr. Partha Mandal.

It is with great pride that we announce that our own Dr. Samar Basak has been crowned with AAO achievement award. At present he is the only one from eastern India with this achievement.

What is AAO achievement award? An ophthalmologist earning a minimum of ten points is entitled for this award in the next annual meet of AAO. For a presentation in one category, a delegate wins one point. More than one presentation in a single category can earn only one point in a year and so a delegate has to contribute in different categories to earn more than one point. There is a maximum limit of three points earned in whatever way it may be in one academic year. There are also other ways to earn points like doing five journal reviews in a year can earn one point or publication of article in AAO journal can earn one point.

Dr. Samar Basak had many scientific deliberations and achievements at Atlanta as follows:

- **“Best Video Award”** entitled- “Late Secondary Angle Closure Glaucoma Following Descemet Stripping Endothelial Keratoplasty and Its Management”.
- **International Ophthalmologist Education Award-2008**
- **Poster:** entitled - “Periodic Endothelial Cell loss in Descemet Stripping Endothelial Keratoplasty: *in First 110 Cases*”.
- **Free Paper (Glaucoma):** entitled - “Late Secondary Angle Closure Glaucoma Following Descemet Stripping Endothelial Keratoplasty”.
- **Instruction Course (Co-instructor):** High Risk Keratoplasty Comprehensive Strategy for the Management of PCR (with or without Vitreous Disturbance) by the Anterior Segment Surgeons



Dr. Samar Basak with Award at AAO



Dr. Saurav Sanyal with his poster

Dr. Saurabh Sanyal presented a poster : "Centurion syndrome --- a simple surgical challenge".

Dr. Chandrima Paul presented a poster : "OCT plays a decisive role in glaucoma suspects".

Dr. Partha Mandal presented a poster : "Risk factors for failures of conservative management in chronic synechial angle closure". This was recognized as a 'Star' poster.