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PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

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Associate Professor, Stanford University, School of Medicine (2007-2012)  
Assistant Professor, Stanford University, School of Medicine (2000-2006)  
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Director of Residency Program, Department of Ophthalmology (2003-2012)  
Assistant Residency Director, Department of Ophthalmology (1999-2003)  
Acting Assistant Professor, Stanford University, School of Medicine (1999-2000)  
Consultant, Department of Veterans Affairs, Palo Alto Health Care System (2002-2008)

EDUCATION

University of Texas, Dallas, Texas, Fellowship in Cornea, External Diseases, and Refractive Surgery (1998-1999)

Stanford University Medical Center, Stanford, California, Residency in Ophthalmology (1995-1998)

Kaiser Permanente Hospital, Oakland, California, Internship in Internal Medicine (1994-1995)

University of Minnesota Medical School, Minneapolis, Minnesota (1990-1994)

University of Minnesota, College of Liberal Arts, Minneapolis, Minnesota (1986-1990)

BOARD EXAM CERTIFICATION

Recertified by American Board of Ophthalmology – January 2011 to December 2020

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

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12. He L, **Ta CN**, Miño de Kaspar H. "One-day application of topical moxifloxacin 0.5% to select for fluoroquinolone-resistant coagulase-negative Staphylococcus." *J Cataract Refract Surg*. 2009 Oct;35(10):1715-8.
13. Miño De Kaspar H, **Ta CN**, Froehlich SJ, Schaller UC, Engelbert M, Klauss V, Kampik A. "Prospective study of risk factors for conjunctival bacterial contamination in patients undergoing intraocular surgery." *Eur J Ophthalmol*. 2009 Sep-Oct;19(5):717-22.

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15. He L, **Ta CN**, Hu N, Sinnar S, Miño de Kaspar H. "Prospective randomized comparison of 1-day and 3-day application of topical 0.5% moxifloxacin in eliminating preoperative conjunctival bacteria." *J Ocul Pharmacol Ther*. 2009 Aug; 25(4):373-8.
16. Yactayo-Miranda Y, **Ta CN**, He L, Kreutzer TC, Nentwich MM, Kampik A, Mino de Kaspar H. "A prospective study determining the efficacy of topical 0.5% levofloxacin on bacterial flora of patients with chronic blepharoconjunctivitis." *Graefes Arch Clin Exp Ophthalmol*. 2009 Jul;24(7):993-8.
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