

Flora Levin MD, FACS

Oculofacial Plastic & Cosmetic Surgery

Current Positions

2014 – Present

- Private Practice, Fairfield County, CT
- Clinical Assistant Professor, **Yale School of Medicine**
- Surgical Oncology/Ophthalmic Oncology, **Smilow Cancer Hospital at Yale-New Haven**

Past Positions

2010 – 2014

Assistant Professor, **Yale School of Medicine**
Director, Ophthalmic Plastic & Orbital Surgery

2009 – 2010

New York Medical College, Valhalla NY
Assistant Professor of Ophthalmology

2009 – 2010

The New York Eye & Ear Infirmary, NY
Attending Physician

2009 – 2010

St. Luke's-Roosevelt Hospital Center, NY
Junior Attending Physician, Department of Ophthalmology

Post-Graduate Training

2009 – 2010

The New York Eye & Ear Infirmary

- Fellowship: Ophthalmic Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery
- Preceptor: Dr. Robert C. Della Rocca

2008 – 2009

Edward S. Harkness Eye Institute, Columbia University

- Fellowship: Neuro-Ophthalmology
- Preceptors: Dr. Jeffrey G. Odel and Dr. Myles Behrens

2005 – 2008	UMDNJ-New Jersey Medical School	Newark NJ
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ophthalmology Residency • Chief Resident 2007-2008 	
2004 – 2005	Washington Hospital Center	Washington DC
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Internship, Medicine 	

Education

2002 – 2004	Weill Medical College of Cornell University	
	Doctor of Medicine	
2002 – 2004	Boston University School of Medicine	Boston MA
1996 – 2000	Boston University	Boston MA
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Modular Medical Integrated Curriculum BA/MD Program • B.A. Economics, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> 	

Medical License

- CT License: 048767
- DEA No: FLo800967

Qualifying Exams

- Board Certified, American Board of Ophthalmology, November 2009

Publications

Levin F, Kazim M, Smith TJ, Marcovici E., Rosiglitazone-induced proptosis. Archives of Ophthalmology 2005 Jan;123(1):119-21

Turbin R, **Levin F**, Maxwell D. Recognition of Transorbital Intracranial Injury. *Clinical Ophthalmology* 2007;1(1) 1-5

Johnson KS, **Levin F**, Chu DS. Persistent corneal epithelial defect associated with erlotinib treatment. *Cornea* 2009 Jul;28(6):706-7

Levin F, Khalil M, Della Rocca D, McCormick S, Maher E, Della Rocca R. Excision of Periocular Basal Cell Carcinoma with Stereoscopic Microdissection of Surgical Margins for Frozen Section Control: Report of 200 Cases. *Arch Ophthalmol.* 2009 Aug; 127(8):1011-5

Levin F, Merriam J, Schubert H, Blume R, Odel JG. Occult Temporal Arteritis in a 54-Year-Old Man. *Journal of Neuro-Ophthalmology.* 2011 Jun;31(2):153-4.

Levin F, Turbin RE, Langer PD. Acellular Human Dermal Matrix as a Skin Substitute for Reconstruction of Large Periocular Cutaneous Defects. *Ophthalmic Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery.* 2011 Jan-Feb; 27(1):44-7

Perumal B, Black EH, **Levin F**, Servat JJ. Non-infectious Orbital Vasculitides. *Eye (Lond).* 2012 May; 26(5): 630-9

Lin JL, Servat JJ, Bernardino CR, Goldberg RA, **Levin F**. Bilateral Corneal Perforations and Autoproptosis as Self-Induced Manifestations of Ocular Munchausen's Syndrome. *Orbit* 2012 Aug; 31(4): 252-5

Elmann S, Blaydon S, Nakra T, Connor M, Mukhopadhyay C, **Levin F**, Schwarcz R, Shepler T, Shore JW, Wladis EJ, Shinder R. Periocular Abscesses Following Brow Epilation. *Ophthal Plast Reconstr Surg.* 2012 Nov; 28(6):434-7

Elia MD, Kombo N, Abbed K, **Levin F**, Servat JJ. Extraction of Fronto-orbital Metallic Radio Antenna Through Stallard Orbitotomy. *Orbit*. 2013 Apr;32(2):141-2

Flora Levin. When Glaucomatous Damage Isn't Glaucoma. *Review of Ophthalmology*. May 2013.

Servat J, **Levin F**, Nesi-Eloff FD, Nesi F. Performing an Endoscopic Conjunctivodacryocystorhinostomy. *EyeNet*, May 2013.

Shield D, Servat J, Paul S, Turbin RE, Moreau A, de la Garza A, El Rassi E, Silbert J, Lesser R, **Levin F**. Periocular Necrotizing Fasciitis Causing Blindness. *JAMA Ophthalmol*. 2013 Sep 1;31(10):1225-7

Samuel Yun, **Flora Levin**, Javier Servat. Demodex Folliculitis Presenting as Periocular Vesiculopustular Rash. *Orbit*. 2013 July 29 [Epub ahead of print]

Yang E, Fisher M, Servat J, **Levin F**. Neonatal orbital abscess after sinus surgery: a case report and brief review. *Orbit*. 2013 Oct;32(5):312-4

Elia MD, Shield D, Kazim M, Shinder R, Yoon M, McCulley TJ, Shore JW, Greene D, Servat JJ, **Levin F**. Spontaneous Subperiosteal Orbital Hemorrhage. *Orbit*. 2013 Oct;32(5):333-5

NORDIC Idiopathic Intracranial Hypertension Study Group Writing Committee, Wall M, McDermott MP, Kieburtz KD, Corbett JJ, Feldon SE, Friedman DI, Katz DM, Keltner JL, Schron EB, Kupersmith MJ. Study Collaborator. Effect of acetazolamide on visual function

in patients with idiopathic intracranial hypertension and mild visual loss: the idiopathic intracranial hypertension treatment trial. JAMA. 2014 Apr 23-30;311(16):1641-51

Friedman DI, McDermott MP, Kiebertz K, Kupersmith M, Stoutenburg A, Keltner JL, Feldon SE, Schron E, Corbett JJ, Wall M; Study Collaborator; NORDIC IIHTT Study Group. The idiopathic intracranial hypertension treatment trial: design considerations and methods. J Neuroophthalmol. 2014 Jun;34(2):107-17

Greene DP¹, Shield DR, Shields CL, Shields JA, Servat JJ, Lin CJ, Douglass AM, Fulco EA, **Levin F**. Cutaneous melanoma metastatic to the orbit: review of 15 cases. Ophthal Plast Reconstr Surg. 2014 May-Jun;30(3):233-7.

Shaheen C. Kavoussi, MD, Joseph Giacometti, MD, J. Javier Servat, MD, **Flora Levin, MD**
The relationship between sex and symmetry in thyroid eye disease. Clinical Ophthalmology 2014;8 1295-1300

Elia MD, Gunel M, Servat JJ, **Levin F**. Extraction of Fronto-orbital Shower hook through Transcranial Orbitotomy. Craniomaxillofacial Trauma and Reconstruction. 2014 Jun; 7(2): 147-8.

Wladis EJ, **Levin F**, Shinder R. Clinical Parameters and Outcomes in Periorbital Necrotizing Fasciitis. Ophthalmic Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, 2015 Feb 11.

Posters

Khalil M, **Levin F**, McCormick S, Maher E, Della Rocca D, Rosenbaum S, Della Rocca R. Results of Surgical Removal of Malignant Eyelid Tumors With Frozen Section Controlled

Excision. Poster Presentation. American Academy of Ophthalmology (AAO) annual meeting, October 2005

Levin F, Turbin R, Langer P. Use of Acellular Human Dermal Matrix as a Skin Substitute for Large Periocular Cutaneous Defects. Poster Presentation. ARVO Annual Meeting, May 2006

Levin, F, Mirani, N, Langer, P. Canalicular Adenoma of the Lacrimal Gland. Poster Presentation. ARVO Annual Meeting, May 2007

Levin F, Turbin R, Mirani N, Langer P. Sino-Orbital Fungal Disease in Immunocompromised Patients: Debridement and Local Amphotericin Therapy as an Alternative to Exenteration. AAO Annual Meeting, November 2007

Kim HJ, **Levin F**, Turbin RE, Wolansky LJ, Bielory L, Frohman LP. Location of magnetic resonance optic nerve involvement as a predictor of therapy required for sarcoid optic neuropathy. ARVO Annual Meeting, May 2008

Levin F, Kazim M. Massive Congenital Craniofacial Teratoma. International Orbital Society Meeting, September 2008

Levin F, Rosenblat E, Odel JG. Photoreceptor abnormalities on ultrahigh resolution optical coherence tomography in a case of presumed multiple evanescent white dot syndrome/acute idiopathic blind spot enlargement syndrome. North American Neuro-Ophthalmology Society (NANOS) Annual Meeting, February 2009

Rosenblat E, **Levin F**, Odel J. Malignant bronchial carcinoid metastasis to the pituitary in patient with a previously diagnosed prolactinoma. NANOS Annual Meeting, February 2009

Rosenblat E, **Levin F**, Odel JG, Hood DC. The pattern of abnormal multifocal visual evoked potential latencies involving the cecocentral and arcuate nerve fiber regions in patients with recovered optic neuritis. ARVO Annual Meeting, May 2009

Francis JH, Lynskey GE, Milman T, Della Rocca D, **Levin F**. Bilateral Orbital Cavernous Hemangioma Causing Bilateral Optic Neuropathy. American Academy of Ophthalmic Pathology (AAOP) Annual Meeting, October 2010.

Levin F, Hood DC, Odel JG, Lesser RL. Clinical Electrophysiology and Optical Coherence Tomography in Superior Segmental Optic Nerve Hypoplasia. NANOS Annual Meeting, February 2011

Joseph Lin, Juan Servat, Carlo Bernardino, Robert Goldberg, **Flora Levin**. Ocular Self-Mutilation Requiring Surgical and/or Psychiatric Intervention. ASOPRS annual meeting, October 2011

Joseph Giacometti, **Flora Levin**. The Relationship Between Gender, Clinical Symmetry and Disease Activity in Thyroid Eye Disease. ASOPRS annual meeting. October 2011.

Joseph Giacometti, Javier Servat, Miguel Materin, **Flora Levin**. Topical imiquimod in the Treatment of Conjunctival Actinic Keratosis. ASOPRS annual meeting. November 2012

Daniel Lee, Joseph Giacometti, Javier Servat, Miguel Materin, **Flora Levin**. T1799A BRAF Mutation in Conjunctival Melanoma Arising from Primary Acquired Melanosis. American Academy of Ophthalmic Oncology & Pathology annual meeting. November 2012

Kalyam K, Servat J, Shinder R, Mehendale R, Lelli G, Tovilla JL, **Levin F**. Canalicular injury associated with dog bites in the pediatric population. American Society of Ophthalmic Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery (ASOPRS), Chicago IL, October 2014

Levin F, Lelli G, Narayan D. Novel genetic mutations in orbitoblepharophymosis phenotype. American Society of Ophthalmic Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery (ASOPRS), Chicago IL, October 2014

Presentations

Levin F, Turbin R, Langer P. Acellular Human Dermal Matrix as a Skin Substitute for Reconstruction of Large Periocular Cutaneous Defects. American Society of Ophthalmic Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery (ASOPRS) Annual Meeting, November 2006

Levin F. 54 year-old man with amaurosis fugax. Atlantic Coast Retina Club Fellows Presentations: "Home vs. Away". New York NY, January 2009. Winner of the "Best Case Presentation" Award

Levin F, Merriam J, Schubert H, Blume R, Odel JG. 54 year-old man with amaurosis fugax and cotton wool spots. Frank B. Walsh Session Presentation, North American Neuro-Ophthalmology Society (NANOS) annual meeting, February 2009

Sean Paul, , , Annie Moreau, Adam de la Garza, **Flora Levin** Periocular Necrotizing Fasciitis. American Society of Ophthalmic Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery (ASOPRS), October 2011

Solly Elmann, Sean Blaydon, Cindy Calderon, Michael Connor, **Flora Levin**, Robert Schwarcz, Todd Shepler, John Shore, Edward Wladis, Roman Shinder. Periocular Abscess Following Brow Epilation. American Society of Ophthalmic Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery (ASOPRS), October 2011

David Shield, **Flora Levin**. Spontaneous subperiosteal orbital hemorrhage. III Orbial Society Open Symposium. Buenos Aires, Argentina, September 2012

Daniel Greene, Enzo Fulco, Carol Shields, Jerry Shields, Miguel Materin, Javier Servat, **Flora Levin**. Cutaneous melanoma metastatic to the orbit. American Society of Ophthalmic Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery (ASOPRS), Chicago IL, November 2012

Ze Zang, Jonathan Silbert, Javier Servat, Justin Gutman, Roman Shinder, **Flora Levin**. Idiopathic Orbital Inflammation: A Review of Treatment Response Patterns. American Society of Ophthalmic Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery (ASOPRS), Chicago IL, November 2013. Selected as '**Best of ASOPRS**' for presentation at the AAO subspecialty day.

Lin J, Servat J, Lelli G, **Levin F**. Blepharoptosis from statin-induced necrotizing myopathy. American Society of Ophthalmic Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery (ASOPRS), Chicago IL, October 2014

Elia M, Lally S, Kalyam K, Pakneshan S, Fisher M, Ho C, Sinard J, Hanlol A, Choi J, Lelli G, Servat J, Shields J, Shields C, Levin F. Periocular melanoma-in-situ treated with

Imiquimod. American Society of Ophthalmic Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery (ASOPRS), Chicago IL, October 2014

Lectures & Courses

Instructor: Surgical Anatomy of the Orbit & Lacrimal System: Cadaver Demonstration. American Academy of Ophthalmology Annual Meeting, October 2009

Instructor: Surgical Anatomy of the Eyelids: Cadaver Demonstration. American Academy of Ophthalmology Annual Meeting, October 2009, 2010

Idiopathic Intracranial Hypertension: What we do and do not know. Invited Speaker, Department of Ophthalmology Grand Rounds, St. Luke's-Roosevelt Hospital Center, New York, December 2009

Idiopathic Intracranial Hypertension. Invited Speaker, Clinical Neuroscience Grand Rounds, Departments of Neurosurgery & Neurology, School of Medicine, December 2010

Thyroid Eye Disease. Department of Medicine, Section of Endocrinology. Invited Speaker, School of Medicine. February 2011, December 2011

Neuro-ophthalmic Manifestations of Orbital Disease. Invited Speaker, American Association of Certified Orthoptists (AACO) Regional meeting, June 2011

Neuro-Ophthalmology of Craniosynostosis. Invited Speaker, New England Ophthalmological Society (NEOS) Meeting, September 2011

Ophthalmic Plastic & Orbital Surgery. Invited Speaker, Department of Surgery, Plastic Surgery Section Grand Rounds, School of Medicine, January 2012

Neuro-Ophthalmology Pearls for Glaucoma Specialists. Invited Speaker, Annual Glaucoma Symposium. October 2012

Pediatric Oculoplastic Surgery. Invited Speaker, Department of Surgery, Plastic Surgery Grand Rounds, School of Medicine, January 2013

Orbital Inflammation. Invited Speaker, Connecticut Society of Eye Physician. January 2013

Oculoplastic Role in Ophthalmic Oncology; Invited Speaker, Yale Eye Center Alumni Symposium. June 2013

Organizer, XXX Pan American Congress of Ophthalmology, Talking about Oculoplastics & Caipirinhas; Invited Speaker: Facial Nerve Palsy, August 8, 2013; What Can We Do About Anophthalmia, August 10, 2013; Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

“More harm is done because you do not look, than from no knowing what is in the book”
Invited Speaker; Grand Rounds, Rutgers Medical School Department of Ophthalmology, December 2013

“More harm is done because you do not look, than from no knowing what is in the book”
Invited Speaker; Grand Rounds, Weill Cornell Medical College Department of Ophthalmology. February 2014.

The Role of Imaging in Thyroid Eye Disease. Invited Speaker, New England Ophthalmological Society. April 11, 2014

“Ptosis: The tale of a falling eyelid” Invited Speaker, Department of Surgery, Plastic Surgery Grand Rounds, Yale University, February 2015

Moderator. The Orbit and Beyond. New England Ophthalmological Society, April 2015

Faculty, School of Medicine Human Anatomy and Development Course, Ophthalmology Course, Orbital Anatomy & Dissection Course, 2010 - Present

Professional Membership

- American Academy of Ophthalmology
- Connecticut Medical Association
- North American Neuro-Ophthalmology Society (NANOS)
- International Thyroid Eye Disease Society (ITEDS)
- New England Ophthalmological Society
- Connecticut Society of Eye Physicians
- Fellow, American College of Surgeons

Journal Reviewer

- Craniomaxillofacial Trauma and Reconstruction.

Languages

Bilingual in Russian