



## Dion Paridaens, MD PhD

OCULOPLASTIC, LACRIMAL AND ORBITAL SURGEON

Following his medical training in the University of Utrecht, Dion Paridaens performed a two-year oncology fellowship in Moorfields Eye Hospital and the Institute of Ophthalmology, London. He later completed his Ph.D. thesis on periocular melanoma in

1993 and was awarded the FC Donders Prize in 1995 for his scientific contributions.

Since 1996 he has worked in the Oculoplastic & Orbital Service of the Rotterdam Eye Hospital, The Netherlands, a high volume tertiary care institution.

In 1997 he was a visiting orbital fellow in Vancouver, British Columbia. He is an honorary Consultant to the Erasmus Medical Center Rotterdam and held a position as Professor in Geneva (Geneva University Hospitals). Prof Paridaens has been an invited lecturer and guest surgeon in various countries and has published over 100 PUBMED publications. He co-authored several book chapters and educational DVDs and iPhone application on oculoplastic surgery and orbital decompression.

His research focuses on periocular and intraocular tumors, eyelid- & lacrimal surgery and orbital inflammatory disorders. He introduced and reported on several new techniques in oculoplastic, lacrimal and orbital surgery. His team described the first use of anti TNF in a series of patients with thyroid orbitopathy, as well as a potential therapeutic role for anti-PDGF in this condition. He has supervised several PhD students. He has been the clinical director of the oculoplastic/orbital fellowship in the Rotterdam Eye Hospital since 1991.

Between 1997 and May 2010 he was Editor-in-Chief of the international Journal ORBIT. In 2011 he was co-founder of the Rotterdam Thyroid Center. He has been the (elected) Secretary of E.S.O.P.R.S. since 2014.