

Suzanne Véronneau-Troutman MD FRCS(C) FACS
Curriculum Vitae - Abbreviated

Suzanne Véronneau-Troutman is Clinical Professor Emeritus of the Department of Ophthalmology at the Weill Medical College Cornell University and Attending Surgeon (retired) at the New York Presbyterian Hospital and the Manhattan Eye Ear and Throat Hospital in New York City. She received her MD degree from the University of Montréal in 1957 from which institution, in 1993, she was awarded the *Medal of the 150th Anniversary* as an outstanding graduate.

Following her senior rotation at Hôpital Notre Dame in Neurosurgery and Plastic Surgery in 1958 she became the first resident in Ophthalmology at Hôpital Maisonneuve under the direction of Dr. Michel Mathieu from where she left to continue her ophthalmology training in Lyon, France at the Hôpital Edouard Herriot and at Moorfield's Eye Hospital and the Institute of Ophthalmology in London, England. In 1961 she obtained her first board certification in ophthalmology from the Royal Colleges of Physicians of London and Royal College of Surgeons of England. From London she went to India to the Ghandi Eye Hospital in Aligahr, a stay that marked her culturally as well as broadening her ophthalmic medical and surgical experience.

In 1962 she returned to Canada where she was certified by the Québec and Canadian Boards of Ophthalmology and in 1963 she passed the then challenging examination for Fellowship in the Royal College of Surgeons of Canada FRCS(C).

While abroad she had specialized in Ocular Motility in Lyon with Professors René and Suzanne Hugonnier and in London with Mr. Keith Lyle. On her return to Montréal in 1962 her former chief Dr. Mathieu invited her to join his group practice and to direct the Strabismus Clinic in the Ophthalmology Department of the Hôpital Maisonneuve.

When, in 1967, she married Dr. Richard Troutman, an internationally known anterior segment surgeon and pioneer in ophthalmic microsurgery, and moved to New York, she limited her practice to the medical and microsurgical treatment of Ocular Motility disturbances. She edited and translated into English the 814 page 2nd French Edition, "Strabismus, Heterophoria and Oculomotor Paralysis", by her former mentors René and Suzanne Hugonnier. Published in 1969 by CV Mosby it was one of the first major textbooks on Strabismus published in English.

In 1970 she was certified as a Diplomate of the American Board of Ophthalmology, her fourth ophthalmic specialty certification. The same year she received the *Resident's Award for Outstanding Teaching* at the New York Eye and Ear Infirmary when she was Assistant Director of the Department of Motor Anomalies.

Over the next three decades she served as Chief of Strabismus Clinics at the New York Hospital Cornell Medical Center and at the Manhattan Eye Ear and Throat Hospital. She also served as Chief of Strabismus Clinics at the Bronx Lebanon Hospital and the Catholic Medical Center of Brooklyn and Queens.

She became a fellow of the American College of Surgeons in 1976. She is a member or fellow of many National and International Ophthalmology Societies, among them the prestigious American Ophthalmological Society (AOS), to which she was elected in 1978, the 8th woman to become a member of that society since its founding in 1864. She is a charter member of the Association for Pediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus where she chaired the Costenbader Lecture committee in 1997.

She was elected to several terms on the Board of Directors of Women in Ophthalmology, of which she is a member since its foundation, giving the *First Bernice Brown Honor Lecture* of that Society in 2004, as well as to the Board of the International Strabismological Association, where she chaired the Terminology Committee.

Since 1995 she is the representative of the AOS to the Pan American Association of Ophthalmology (PAAO) and was elected many times to its Board of Directors. Since 1991, through the Microsurgical Research Foundation that she and her husband founded in 1976, they have permanently endowed the PAAO with a \$10,000.00 Prize awarded biennially in *Strabismus, Amblyopia and/or Strabismus Microsurgery* and alternately in the subspecialties of her husband, Dr. Richard Troutman *Corneal and Refractive Surgery*. The award is limited to younger clinicians and researchers under the age of 45.

Underlining her commitment to support education and research she has in 1997 permanently endowed 2 Scholarships and a Prize in the Department of Education at Université du Québec à Montréal (UQAM) to honor the memory of her sister Denise, former Professor in that Department. In 2006 she established a perpetual endowment at Université de Montréal (U de M) to support research scholarships in the Department of Ophthalmology at the MA and PhD levels. To date she has donated \$825,000.00 of her personal money for the two endowments.

She has given more than three hundred lectures and courses on her specialty of Ocular Motility in the USA and abroad. She is senior author of 36 articles in scientific journals as well as of 32 book chapters and reviews. Her book "*Prisms in the Medical and Surgical Management of Strabismus*", considered a classic in its field, was published in English by CV Mosby in 1994. It has since been translated and published in French, Japanese, and Portuguese.

Her biographical profile appears in Marquis' *Who's Who of American Women* in the Landmark 2005 *Silver Anniversary Edition*, *Who's Who in Medicine and Health Care*, *Who's Who in America* and *Who's Who in the World*.