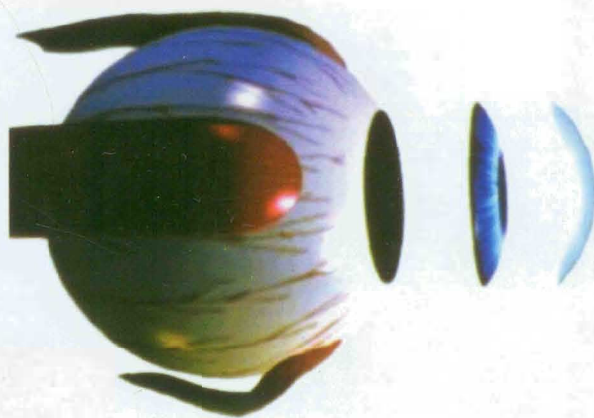


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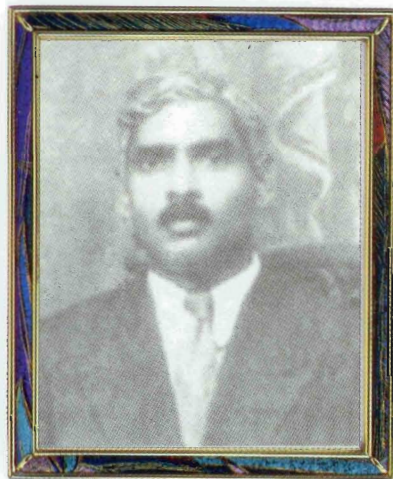


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**Dr. S. Nataraja Pillai**  
**Oration**



**Dr. Nataraja Pillai**

(1900 – 1974)

Dr. Subramaniyan Nataraja Pillai was born in March 1st 1900 and studied at St. John's College, Palayamkottai, Thirunelvely District. He was trained by Col. Wright (authority on Tropical Ophthalmology and who started Museum in Ophthalmology).

He was blessed with two sons, two daughters and 14 grand children. He represented College Hockey Team, did L. M. P. Course at Tanjore Medical School, joined Medical Service as Sub assistant Surgeon in Thirunelvely in the earlier period. As per British rule, one has to serve 3 years (1.5 years jail duty and 1.5 years Agency duty) and he will be posted at his native place during the last five years of service. He therefore served all the three years of service as agency duty at Boipariguda in Koraput, Garjam. Dt. (Orissa), which was in Madras Presidency. He had great interest in hunting.

After the Agency duty, he was posted as Sub-assistant Surgeon at GOH in 1938 as a Pathologist. He studied and got L. O. in 1939 and continued to serve in all the departments of GOH till 1943. He worked in Govt. Erskine Hospital, Madurai from 1948 to 1951 and then continued private practices till his demise at Madurai. He was one of the pioneers to do eye camps at Virudhu Nagar and Dindugal with the help of TVS family. He was a member of Lion's Club and worked as a Hon. Magistrate for two terms.

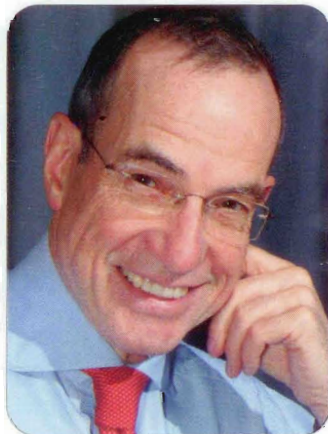
## Orators awarded the “Nataraja Pillai Oration”

- 2001 **Dr. Neil E. Kelly (USA)**
- 2003 **Prof. Suresh Chandra,**  
Clinical Professor of Ophthalmology,  
University of Wisconsin, USA.  
**Topic:** Update in Macular degeneration
- 2004 **Dr. Eugene de Juan, CEO,**  
Doheny Retina Institute,  
Los Angeles, California.  
**Topic:** My experience with limited macular translocation
- 2005 **Dr. John R Heckenlively**  
Paul Lichter Professor of Ophthalmic Genetics,  
Director, Visual Physiology Lab,  
Kellogg Eye Center,  
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI  
**Topic:** Autoimmune Retinopathy, CAR and MAR Syndromes
- 2006 **Dr. Vinod Lakhanpal**  
Baltimore, USA  
**Topic:** Prevention and Management of Massive Suprachoroidal Hemorrhage
- 2007 **Dr. Baruch D. Kuppermann,**  
Department of Ophthalmology  
University of California, Irvine  
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Irvine, California  
**Topic:** Ocular Drug Delivery Systems and their Clinical Implications
- 2008 **Dr. Frank Koch M.D.**  
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| 1973 – 1978   | Medical studies in Mainz and Hamburg  |
| 1979 – 1985   | Medical assistant in the Ophthalmology Department of the St. George Hospital in Hamburg |
| 1985          | Named head physician of the University Eye Clinic in Kiel                               |
| 1990          | Appointed deputy director of the University Eye Clinic in Kiel                          |
| since 02.1993 | Appointed Director of the Eye Clinic in Frankfurt-Höchst                                |

**Publications:** First author of more than 70 scientific papers

**Awards:**

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| 1985 | Hans Sautter Prize<br>Northwest German Ophthalmologists  |
| 1987 | Commendation of a film<br>"A new temporary silicone keratoprosthesis"<br>German Ophthalmological Society (DOG)           |
| 1989 | First Prize for the film<br>"Bilateral endosurgery in primary immovable retina"<br>German Ophthalmological Society (DOG) |
| 1999 | First Award<br>"Macular Surgery"<br>Vitreous Society Film Festival<br>German Ophthalmic Surgeons (DOC)                   |
| 2005 | The EURETINA Lecture<br>Claere Jung-Foundation Hamburg   |
| 2008 | Innovator's Lecture<br>German Ophthalmic Surgeons (DOC)  |