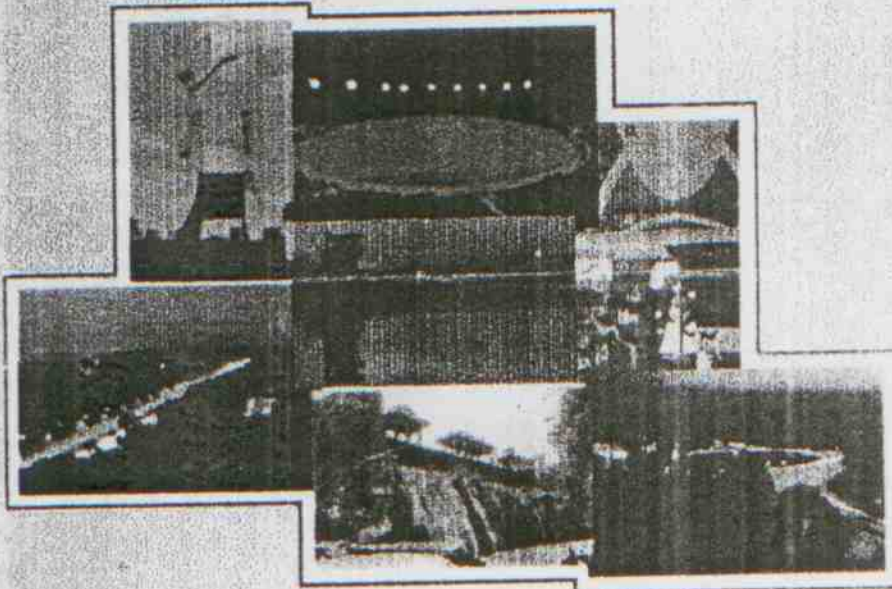




Dr. S. Nataraja Pillai Oration
VITREO RETINAL SOCIETY - INDIA
YEAR - 2003



Venue :
Conference Hall B-Block, Level - IV
Government Medical College & Hospital,
Chandigarh

Prof. Suresh Chandra

*(Clinical Professor in Ophthalmology,
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Dr. S. Nataraja Pillai Oration is dedicated to

Matha, Pitha, Guru, Deva

Thy Business is with Action only,

Never with its fruits

So, let not fruit of action be thy motive,

Nor be thou to inaction attached

Bhagavat Gita (47)

Dr. Suresh Chandra is Vitreo-Retinal Surgeon and Professor of Ophthalmology, University of Wisconsin, Medical School, Madison, Wisconsin, USA. He did his Fellowship in Vitreo-Retinal Surgery from Harvard Medical School in 1974. He has been active in most Clinical Research trials supported by The National Eye Institute and is principal investigator of several studies. He has published over 130 articles and book chapters. He is fellow of the American Academy of Ophthalmology and member of Retina Society and Macula Society. He is also President of the Combat Blindness Foundation, Madison, Wisconsin, USA. In 1996 he was Awarded the "Outstanding Humanitarian Award" by the American Academy of Ophthalmology.



HISTORY OF THE THREE GENERATIONS OF LATE DR. S. NATARAJAN PILLAI

GOVERNMENT OPHTHALMIC HOSPITAL, Marshall's Road (presently known as Rukhmani Lakshmi pathi Road), Chennai, was the first Institution in India to start Ophthalmic Postgraduate Education Degree in 1942 and has produced some of the eminent Ophthalmologists. It was here that the three generations i.e. late Dr. S. Nataraja Pillai, Dr. N. S. Sundaram and Dr. S. Natarajan started their career. All the three generations lived in the same house 10 Marshall's Road (now known as Rukhmani Lakshmi pathi Road), which is really an unique coincidence in a government set up.

THE DETAILS OF THREE GENERATIONS OF OPHTHALMOLOGY, SOCIAL SERVICE AND SPORTS:

First Generation : Late Dr. S. Nataraja Pillai, Eye Surgeon of Madurai
 Second Generation : Dr. N. S. Sundaram, Ophthalmologist at Chennai
 Third Generation : Dr. S. Natarajan, Vitreo Retinal Surgeon, Mumbai & Mr. S. Shenbagaraman, Optometrist, Chennai

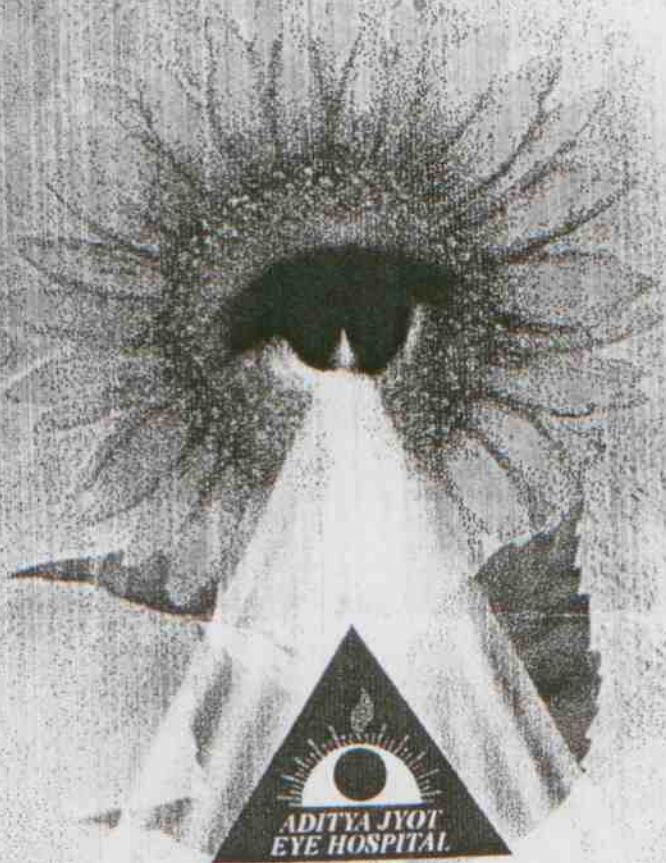
DR. S. NATARAJA PILLAI (1900-2000)

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 the 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. He had captured 3 Cheetas, one bear alive and had hunted many deer and leopards.

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 1944 to 1951 and then continued private practice till his demise. He was one of the pioneer 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.

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