ALASTAIR CARRUTHERS, MD, FAAD, AND JEAN D.A. CARRUTHERS, MD, FRCS, RECEIVE EUGENE J. VAN SCOTT AWARD FOR INNOVATIVE THERAPY OF THE SKIN
Carruthers Co-Present the Phillip Frost Leadership Lecture at the 2012 Academy Annual Meeting

SAN DIEGO (March 16, 2012) – The American Academy of Dermatology (Academy) today awarded Alastair Carruthers, MD, FAAD, and Jean D.A. Carruthers, MD, FRCS(C), FRCOphth, with the 2012 Eugene J. Van Scott Award for Innovative Therapy of the Skin at its 70th Annual Meeting. In conjunction with this award, the doctors also co-presented the Phillip Frost Leadership Lecture at the plenary session of the Academy’s Annual Meeting.

The award recognizes the Carruthers’ introduction of botulinum toxin A for clinical use in dermatology. In addition to aesthetic use to treat fine lines and wrinkles, dermatologists’ use of botulinum toxin A also has had an impact on the management of skin conditions including hyperhidrosis and other sweat related diseases, and has been found to alleviate symptoms of chronic pain syndromes, such as migraines.

During the Phillip Frost Leadership Lecture, the doctors discussed their recent investigations for treatment of both the face and other areas of the body. They also presented information on the safety of neurotoxins and their optimum use for cosmetic rejuvenation, as well as the future of botulinum toxin treatment. They concluded their presentation with information about the future of dermatologic procedures that encompass both the cosmetic and medical facets of the specialty.

Dr. Alastair Carruthers is clinical professor of dermatology with the faculty of medicine at the University of British Columbia in Vancouver. Dr. Jean Carruthers is clinical professor in the department of ophthalmology at the University of British Columbia and is an honorary member of the Academy.

At the Annual Meeting, the doctors received the $15,000 Eugene J. Van Scott Award for Innovative Therapy of the Skin along with an additional $10,000 for the Phillip Frost Leadership Lecture. This award and lecture were made possible by a generous donation from Phillip Frost, MD, FAAD, emeritus clinical professor of dermatology at the University of Miami School of Medicine and former chairman of the dermatology department at Mt. Sinai Medical Center in Miami Beach, Fla. Dr. Frost named the award after his mentor, Eugene J. Van Scott, MD, FAAD, a recognized dermatology researcher, with whom he worked at the National Institutes of Health early in his career.

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