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# ASCDAS Physician Profile



**Vic A. Narurkar, MD,**  
fourth president  
of ASCDAS.

**V**ic A. Narurkar, MD, was President of ASCDAS from 2006 to 2007. Selected as one of the “Best Doctors in America,” he is an author of more than 100 publications and book chapters. He has been instrumental in developing technologies worldwide, including fractional resurfacing, laser hair reduction, photorejuvenation, and the combined use of botulinum toxins, fillers, and lasers. His greatest profes-

sional thrill is working with venture capitalists and start-up companies. “I truly have [Silicon] Valley fever. Seeing companies evolve from ideas on a piece of paper to multinational giants and being involved in their development is a rush like nothing else.” Dr. Narurkar is committed to resident and fellow education, and during his tenure as president of ASCDAS, he introduced the Alan Scott Residency Award and secured funding for residents to attend the annual meeting. Making the nonprofit organization ASCDAS a premier society for cosmetic dermatology, with generous contributions from industry leaders, such as Allergan, Inc; BioForm Medical, Inc; Dermik Aesthetics; Medicis Pharmaceutical Corporation; Merz Pharmaceuticals; and OrthoNeutrogena, is pivotal to his philosophy of giving back to the community. He sees many challenges ahead and established a South Asian task

force after receiving an anonymous letter containing disparaging remarks on cultural identities. In the Bay Area, he was instrumental in developing volunteer physician education for Project New Start, a pro bono organization that assists high-risk youth with tattoo removal, education, and job placement. He is often spotted at various charitable events in San Francisco with his “celebrity” dachshunds, Piggy and Squash.

**Name:** Vic A. Narurkar, MD

**Hometown:** Manhasset, New York

**College:** Brown University, Providence, RI

**Medical School:** Stanford University, Stanford, CA

**Residency:** Stanford University

**Fellowship:** Cleveland Clinic, OH

**Current Practice:** Director and Founder, Bay Area Laser Institute, San Francisco, CA, and Assistant Clinical Professor of Dermatology, UC Davis School of Medicine

**Greatest Accomplishment:** Teaching residents and fellows and being instrumental in developing the Alan Scott Residency Award at the annual ASCDAS Meeting, Exhibition & Workshops.

**Most Important Mentors in Life:** There are 3: Kathy Fields, MD, for showing me

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*Best thing about being a dermatologist: Practicing in San Francisco, which is the epicenter of technology, multiculturalism, and innovation...*

that success and integrity are not incompatible; Mary Lupo, MD, for her wisdom and guidance; and Wm. Philip Werschler, MD, for his friendship and unparalleled generosity.

***Favorite Quote:*** “Hold fast to the spirit of youth and let years to come do what they may” (John Jay).

***Favorite Place to Go:*** It is a toss-up between my vacation home on the Big Island of Hawaii and New Zealand,

which symbolizes what a great civilization can really be.

***Best Thing About Being a Dermatologist:*** Practicing in San Francisco, which is the epicenter of technology, multiculturalism, and innovation and the most beautiful city in the world. It is truly a privilege to have international leaders in banking, technology, and health care as my patients.

***In Another Life I Would Be:*** Dora Carrington, the British painter who was truly ahead of her time.

***If I Had One Wish it Would Be:*** Understanding and embracing diversity instead of perpetuating xenophobia. ■