

## **Dr. James Ridgway**

Dr. James Ridgway graduated with honors with undergraduate degrees in both painting and biology. After earning his medical doctorate from the University of Arizona he went on to complete his internship in general surgery at the University of California, Irvine. There he was awarded a post-doctoral fellowship at the nationally acclaimed Beckman Laser Institute and Medical Clinic. Dr. Ridgway subsequently completed his residency in Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery at the University of California, Irvine. During this time, Dr. Ridgway trained with several world-renowned authorities in Facial Plastic Surgery and received multiple national awards including honors from The Triologic Society, American Head and Neck Society, American Broncho-Esophagological Association, and the American Society for Laser Medicine and Surgery.

These foundational experiences led Dr. Ridgway to pursue the prestigious Fellowship in Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery at the University of Washington. During his tenure Dr. Ridgway served as faculty in the Division of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, with his entire experience focused on facial plastic surgery, complex soft tissue reconstruction after head and neck cancer removal, and craniofacial trauma reconstruction.

Dr. Ridgway is actively involved in a number of national, scholastic and volunteer efforts including his roles on both humanitarian and research committees for the American Academy of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, authorship of numerous original manuscripts and his ongoing efforts in medical mission work. He is a member of both the American Academy of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery and the American Academy of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery. Dr. Ridgway's practice encompasses the entire spectrum of facial plastic and reconstructive surgery, from aesthetic procedures to extensive post-traumatic and cancer reconstruction.

His Honors and Awards Include:

- Shirley Baron Resident Research Award – The Triologic Society: Western Section prize manuscript
- Award for Outstanding Academic Performance: Department of Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery, University of California, Irvine
- American Head and Neck Society: Prize manuscript in the field of Head and Neck Surgery
- Triologic Society Resident Research Award
- University of California Irvine Clinical Research Symposium Award: First Place Presentation
- Seymour R. Cohen Award – American Broncho-Esophagological Association: Prize essay in the field of pediatric laryngology and bronchoesophagology
- UCI Chao Cancer Center Research Award
- American Society for Laser Medicine and Surgery (ASLMS) Research Award
- University of California Irvine Clinical Research Symposium Award: Third Place Presentation
- Western Resident Medical Research Forum Award