

# SILK – Elsemay Björn Symposium

**August 20th 2018, Jarmo Visakorpi Auditorium, Arvo Ylpön katu 34, Tampere**

- 12:30      Opening of the Symposium  
**Hannu Uusitalo**, Professor, University of Tampere
- 12:40      **Elsemay Björn Lecture**  
**Keith Martin**, Professor, University of Cambridge, UK  
*Retinal ganglion cell death in glaucoma*
- 13:15      **Elsemay Björn Lecture**  
**Leonard Levin**, Professor, McGill University, Montreal, Canada  
*Strategies to optic nerve regeneration*
- 13:50      **Simon Kaja**, Assistant Professor, Loyola University Chicago, USA  
*Targeting reactive astrocytosis in glaucoma – novel opportunities for drug discovery*
- 14:10      Coffee break
- 14:40      **Roger Beuerman**, Professor, Singapore Eye Research Institute  
*The role of anterior segment innervation in eye diseases*
- 15:00      **Heli Skottman**, Associate Professor, BioMediTech Institute, University of Tampere  
*Human pluripotential stem cells as a tool for corneal regeneration*
- 15:20      **Tor Paaske Utheim**, Professor, University of Oslo, Norway  
*Unmet Clinical Needs of Dry Eye*
- 15:40      Closing Remarks  
**Hannu Uusitalo**, Professor, University of Tampere

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