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# About the Authors and Scheduling

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## About the Authors

The authors of this article include our co-founders **Richard A.K. Chaffoo**, MD, FACS, FICS, a triple board-certified plastic surgeon and hair transplant surgeon, and **Susan M. Stuart, MD,** FAAD, a board-certified dermatologist.

Richard A.K. Chaffoo, MD, FACS, FICS, is a **triple board-certified plastic surgeon and hair transplant surgeon** with expertise in surgical hair restoration and regenerative therapies for hair loss. He completed fellowship training in facial plastic surgery at Stanford University, is a former Chief of Plastic Surgery at Scripps Memorial Hospital Encinitas, and a past president of the San Diego Plastic Surgery Society. He is a frequent faculty member at scientific meetings on hair restoration, plastic surgery, and regenerative therapies in the United States, South America, Europe, and Asia, and is also involved in ongoing research with colleagues at UCSD and Sanford Burnham Prebys, where he is investigating **future cell-based treatments derived from a patient's own hair follicles**.

Susan M. Stuart, MD, FAAD, is a **board-certified dermatologist** who completed her dermatology training at Emory University School of Medicine, a highly regarded academic dermatology program **with**

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Dr. Stuart is the **former Chief of Dermatology at Scripps Memorial Hospital La Jolla and a past president of the San Diego Dermatological Society**. Her background in academic and clinical dermatology provides the foundation for diagnosing the broad range of inflammatory, autoimmune, hormonal, nutritional, scarring, and other medical causes of hair loss in women.

What is distinctive about California Hair MD is the combination of the two recognized medical specialties most directly involved in hair loss and hair restoration: dermatology and plastic surgery. Dr. Stuart brings expertise in the medical diagnosis and treatment of scalp and hair disorders, while Dr. Chaffoo brings expertise in surgical hair restoration, regenerative therapies, and long-term hair restoration planning. Together, they **evaluate women from both a medical and restorative perspective** and **develop individualized treatment plans based on the specific diagnosis or combination of diagnoses present**.

## Schedule a Hair Loss Evaluation

To schedule an evaluation with Dr. Stuart or Dr. Chaffoo at California Hair MD, contact us online or call the office closest to you:

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