

Innovations in Clinical Practice COPE#94461-GO

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The Big Picture

- Eye Care Remains Strong
- The Population Grows Older
- Innovation Continues Relentlessly
- Consolidation Threatens Institutions
- OD/MD Collaboration Continues to Grow
- Artificial Intelligence Changes Everything

"To be on the cutting edge of optometry, you need to be on the cutting edge of science and technology."

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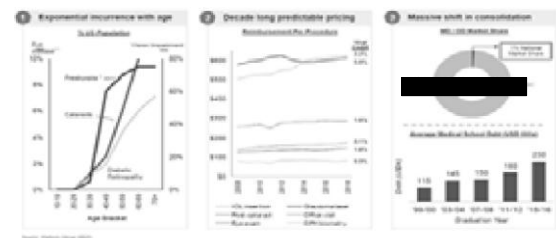
1. Heath, David A., et al. 2017. National Optometry Workforce Survey, Optometry and Vision Science: May 2021 - Volume 98 - Issue 5 - p. 500-511

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- No significant differences between men and women for:
 - Hours works (38.9 vs 37.5)
 - Professional growth satisfaction 65% for both
 - Productivity (patient visits per hour, 2.0 vs. 1.9)
- Data indicate a likely range of additional patient capacity of 2.29 to 2.57 patients per week
- Employed vs. self employed up from 29% in 2012 to 44% employed

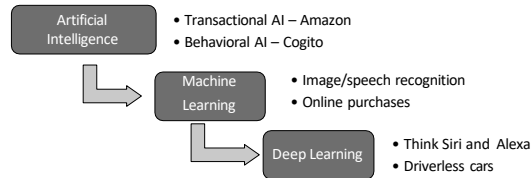
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Medical Vision: Generational Megatrends Drive Growth, Stability, Consolidation



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The Future of Eyecare



<https://www.mathworks.com/discovery/deep-learning.html>

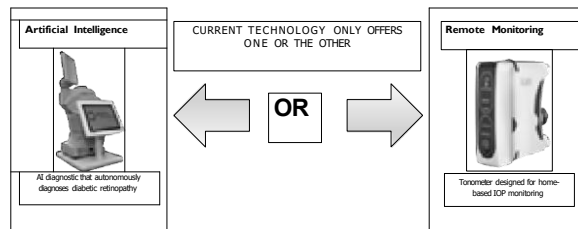
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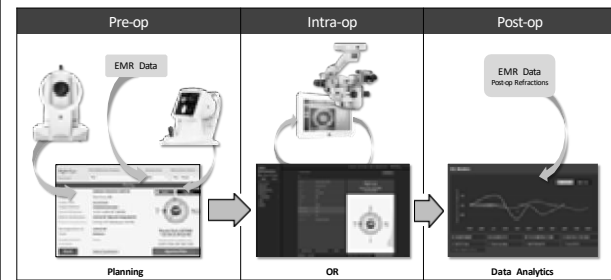
Digital Health in Modern Optometry

Incorporating digital health care models can help propel optometrists into the realm of **artificial intelligence** and leverage the latest innovations in **remote monitoring**.

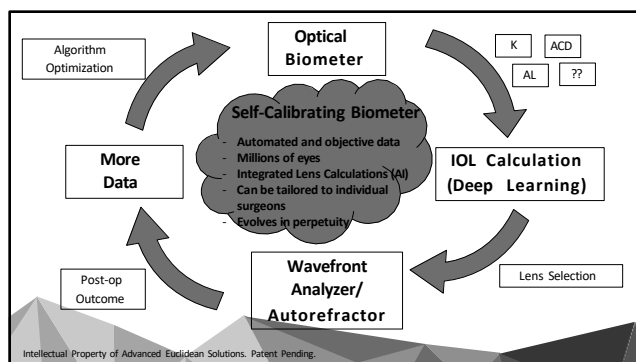


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Cataract Suite



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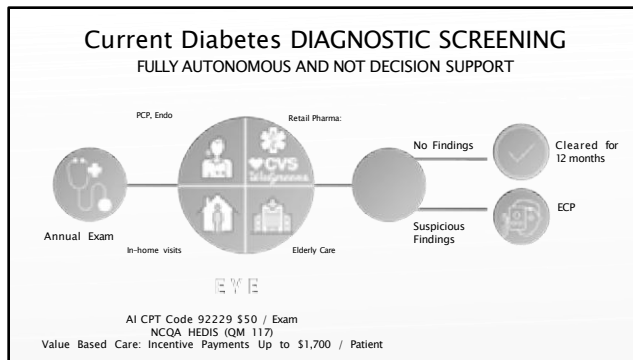
Intellectual Property of Advanced Euclidean Solutions. Patent Pending.

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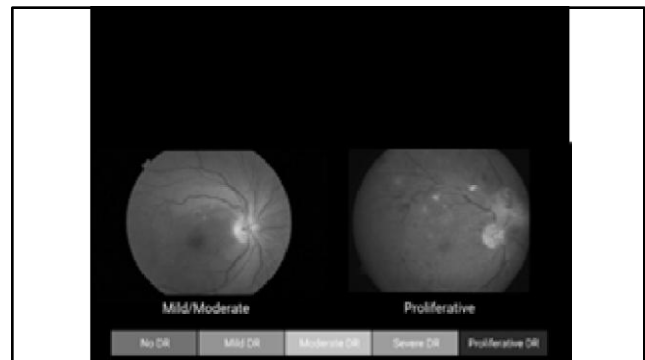
AI and Dry Eye



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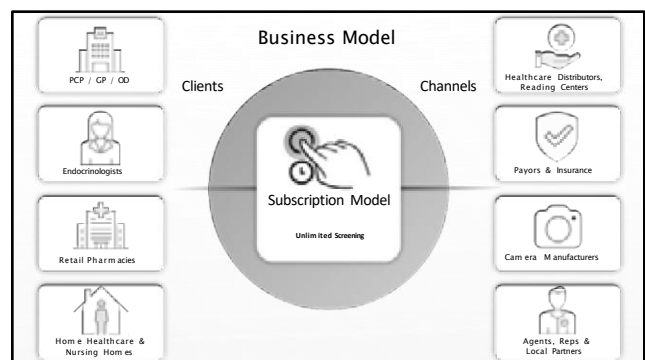
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Phase III Clinical Study Results

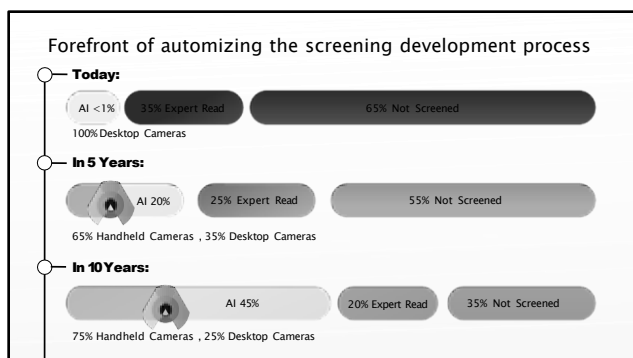
Diagnostic Screening accuracy for Diabetic Retinopathy

	Desktop Camera	Handheld Camera
EFFICACY		
Sensitivity	93.0%	91.9%
Specificity	91.4%	93.6%
USABILITY	1 image per eye Imageability >99%	1 image per eye Imageability >99%

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Evaluation of an AI system for the automated detection of glaucoma from stereoscopic optic disc photographs: the European Optic Disc Assessment Study

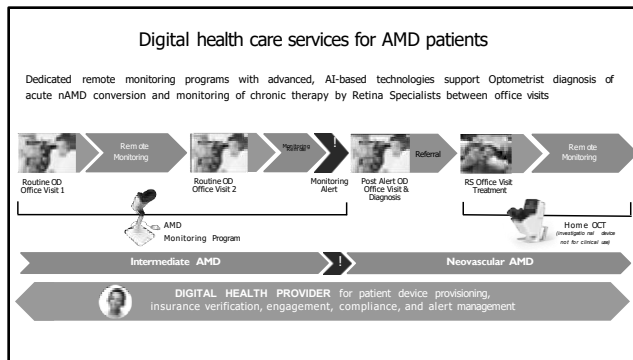
Objectives - To evaluate the performance of a deep learning based Artificial Intelligence (AI) software for detection of glaucoma from stereoscopic optic disc photographs, and to compare this performance to the performance of a large cohort of ophthalmologists and optometrists.

Results

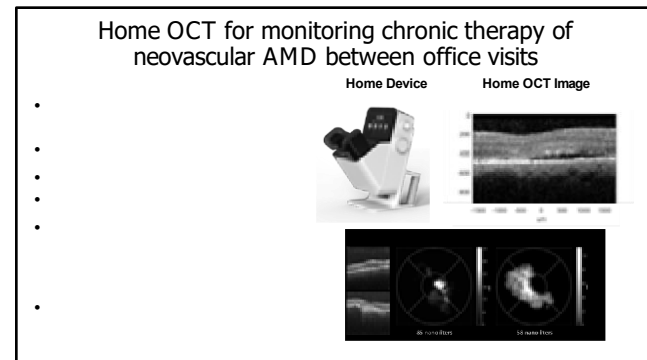
- Pegasus was able to detect glaucomatous optic neuropathy with an accuracy of 83.4% (95% CI: 77.5–89.2)
- This is comparable to an average ophthalmologist / optometrist accuracy of 80.5% / 80% respectively (95% CI: 67.2–93.8) / (95% CI: 67–88) on the same images.
- There was no statistically significant difference between the performance of the deep learning system and ophthalmologists or optometrists.

Rogers, TW, Jaccard, N., Carbonara, F. et al. Eye 2019. DOI:10.1038/s41433-019091903

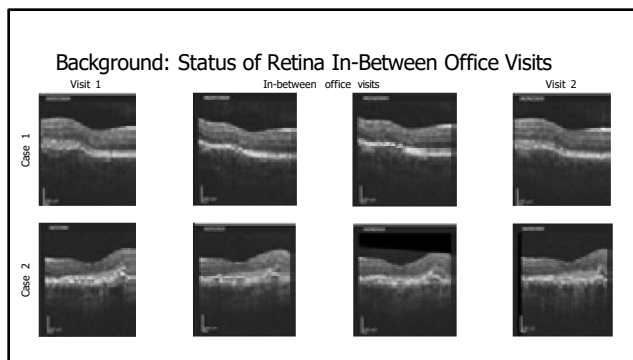
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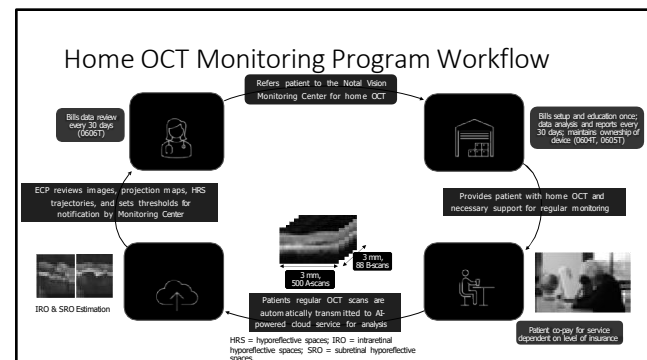
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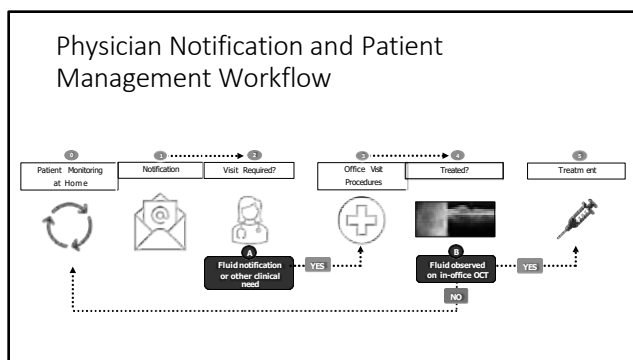
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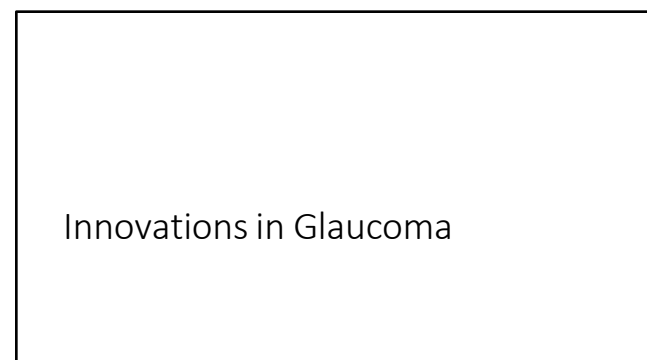
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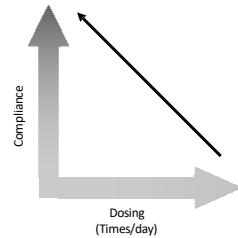
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Patient Compliance and Dosing

- Literature review of 76 studies show
 - Compliance increases with decreased dosage regimen and complexity¹
 - 79% compliance with QD regimen vs 51% for QID regimens ($p=0.001$)¹
 - Simpler, less-frequent dosing results in better compliance in a variety of therapeutic classes¹



1. Cleaton et al. *Clinical Therapeutics* 2001; 23:1296-1310.

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Delivering Treatment



Steger, Jennifer S. et al. An Evaluation of the Efficacy and Safety of Timolol Maleate 0.5% Microdrops Administered with the Nanodropper. *Ophthalmology*, Volume 131, Issue 9, 1045 - 1055

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Latanoprost PF 0.005% (Iyuzeh)

	Phase 3 (US) Trial (n=325)		Phase 3 (Europe) Trial (n=353)	
	PF-Latanoprost	Xalatan	PF-Latanoprost	Xalatan
Mean baseline IOP \pm SD(mmHg)	18.8 \pm 2.9	19.2 \pm 3.1	24.1 \pm 1.8	24.0 \pm 1.7
Mean IOP reduction from baseline (mmHg) (range)	2.7 (2.2 - 3.0)	3.4 (2.9 - 3.8)	8.6 (8.3 - 8.8)	8.9 (8.8 - 9.0)

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Omidenepag Isopropyl (OMDI) (Omlonti)

- Selective, non-prostaglandin, prostanoid EP2 receptor agonist
- MOA: Increase outflow via both conventional and uveoscleral
- Phase 3 AYAME Study - OMDI 0.002% vs latanoprost 0.005%
 - N = 190
 - QD dosing x 4 week
 - Baseline = 24mmHg
 - OMDI = 25.1% reduction (17.81 mm Hg)
 - AE: Conjunctival hyperemia = 24.5%

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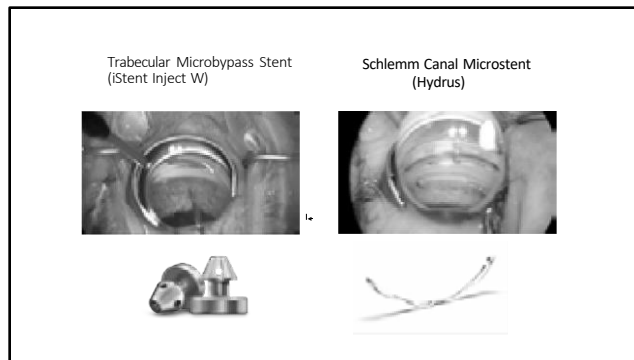
SINGLE	LAT (Latanoprost 0.005%)**	7.5mL
	DOR (Dorzolamide 2%)	10mL
COMBINATION	BRIM-DOR* (Brimonidine 0.15% and Dorzolamide 2%)	10mL
	TIM-LAT* (Timolol 0.5% and Latanoprost 0.005%)**	5mL
	TIM-DOR-LAT* (Timolol 0.5%, Dorzolamide 2%, and Latanoprost 0.005%)**	5mL
	TIM-BRIM-DOR* (Timolol 0.5%, Brimonidine 0.15%, and Dorzolamide 2%)	10mL (10/15mL bottles per shipment)
	TIM-BRIM-DOR-LAT* (Timolol 0.5%, Brimonidine 0.15%, Dorzolamide 2%, and Latanoprost 0.005%)**	5mL
	TIM-BRIM-DOR-LAT* (Timolol 0.5%, Brimonidine 0.15%, Dorzolamide 2%, and Latanoprost 0.005%)**	5mL
QUAD HIT	TIM-BRIM-DOR-LAT* (Timolol 0.5%, Brimonidine 0.15%, Dorzolamide 2%, and Latanoprost 0.005%)**	5mL

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...Other Drop Options

- PDP-716 (0.35% brimonidine tartrate)
 - QD dosing, preservative free, seeking FDA approval
- NCX 470 (NO-donating bimatoprost)
 - Phase 3 trial = superior to latanoprost 0.005%
- CKLP1 (ATP-sensitive potassium channel opener)
 - Lowers EVP 1:1 with IOP reduction
- QLS-111 (ATP-sensitive potassium channel opener)
 - Lowers EVP

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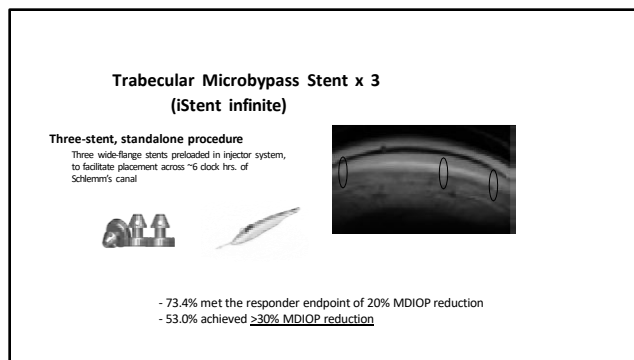
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HORIZON Trial – 4 Year Update

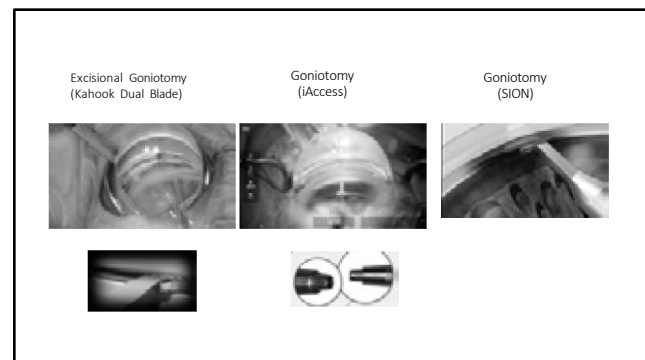
	Stent + Cataract (n=369)	Cataract Only (n=187)
Baseline IOP (mm Hg) after washout	25.5 (+/- 3.0)	25.4 (+/-2.9)
48 months medication free	65%	41%
48 months mean IOP (mm Hg) unmedicated	16.7 (+/-3.1)	17.2 (+/-3.2)
48 months mean IOP (mm Hg)	16.9 (+/-3.3)	17.3 (+/-3.4)
1 preoperative med	52.6%	54%
2 to 4 preoperative med	47.4%	46%

5 Year Update – 66% patient's remain medication-free and 61% reduction in risk to need further surgery

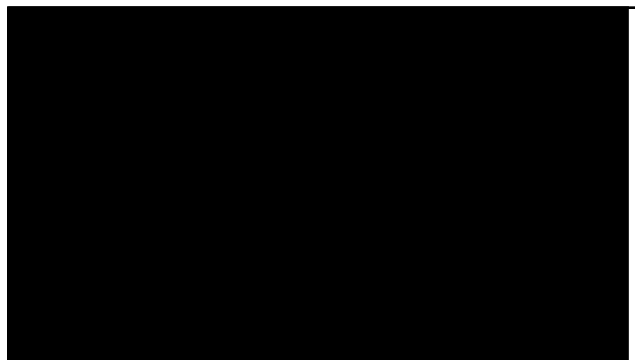
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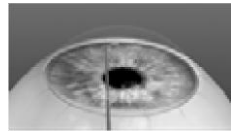
Interim Analysis of STREAMLINE® Surgical System Clinical Outcomes in Eyes with Glaucoma

- Single-arm, prospective, single-arm, first-in-human case series (n=20)
- Baseline medicated IOP 16.3 mmHg
- Unmedicated baseline IOP after washout: 23.5 mmHg
- At month 6, mean IOP reduction of ≥20% from baseline was achieved in 89.5% of eyes (17/19).
- 57.9% (11/19) of eyes decreased dependence on IOP-lowering medications by at least one medication
- 42.1% (8/19) were medication free
- Mean medication use was reduced from 2.0 (0.8) at screening to 1.1 (1.1) at 6 months ($p<0.001$).

Lacrazo-Gomez G, Garg S, Yu E, Kahook MY. Interim Analysis of STREAMLINE® Surgical System Clinical Outcomes in Eyes with Glaucoma. Clin Ophthalmol. 2022 Apr 27;16:1313-1320.

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Ab-interno Trabeculotomy + Canaloplasty (OMNI)



IOP reductions of ~30-40%
Medication reductions of ~45-75%.

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Xen 45 Gel Stent US Pivotal Clinical Trial



Subconjunctival Stent
(Xen)

	Baseline	12 month
	25.1 (3.7)	15.9 (5.2)
Medicated IOP		
	3.5 (1.0)	1.7 (1.5)
Glaucoma Meds		
Hypotony	16 (24.6%)	
Bleb Needling	21 (32.3%)	

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Iridocorneal Angle

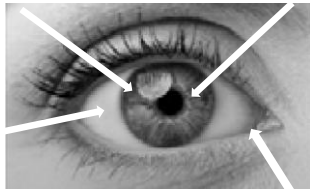
1. Travoprost Intracocular Implant (Glaukos)

Ocular Surface Devices

1. Contact Lenses
2. Microdose latanoprost (EyeNovia)
3. Iontophoresis

Injectable Systems

1. Bimatoprost SR (Allergan)
2. Travoprost Intracocular Implant (OTX)
3. Travoprost Extended Release Implant (Aerie)



Punctal Plug Devices

1. Latanoprost and Travoprost punctal plug delivery system (Mati)

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Patients Attitudes Towards Drug Delivery

- Triple Combination Eye Drop – 85%
- Microdose Eye Spray – 54%
- Drug-eluting Contact Lens – 31%
- Drug-eluting Periocular Ring Insert – 43%
- Injectable Subconjunctival Drug Insert- 32%
- Injectable Anterior Chamber Implant – 30%

N=199

Wang BB, Lin MM, Nguyen T, et al. Patient attitudes towards novel glaucoma drug delivery approaches. Digit J Ophthalmol. 2018; 24(3): 16-23

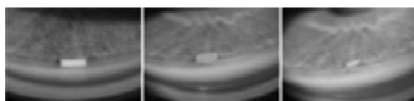
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Bimatoprost SR (Allergan)

(10-microgram bimatoprost sustained-release implant)



- Biodegradable bimatoprost sustained-release implant
- FDA-approved and indicated to reduce IOP in patients with open angle glaucoma or OHT
- Single intracameral administration
- Phase I/II/III Studies



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24 Month Phase I/II Clinical Trial

bimatoprost pellet
(6, 10, 15, or 20 micrograms)

topical bimatoprost 0.03%

24 months – IOP reduction
7.5, 7.3, 7.3, 8.9 mm Hg

24 months – IOP reduction
of 8.2 mm Hg

No Rescue or Retreatment

68% - 6 mos.

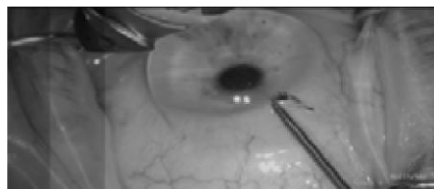
40% - 12 mos.

28% - 24 mos.

Craven ER, Walters T, Christie WC, Day DG, et al.
24-Month Phase I/II Clinical Trial of Bimatoprost
Sustained-Release Implant (Bimatoprost SR) in
Glaucoma Patients. *Drugs*. 2020 Feb;90(2): 167-179.

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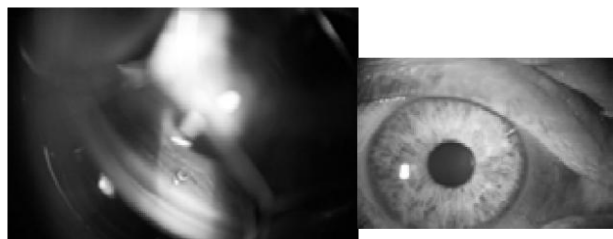
Travoprost intraocular implant



36 Month Update

1. 70% and 68% of subjects in fast and slow-release were well-controlled on fewer or same medications as baseline.
2. Average IOP reductions were 8.3 mmHg and 8.5mmHg in the fast and slow-release arms.

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Drug-Eluting Contact Lens

Attractive option secondary to
large residence time in the eye
and upward of 50% bioavailability
in comparison with eye drop
formulations.



Li, CC, Chauhan, A. Modeling ophthalmic drug delivery by soaked contact lenses. *Ind Eng Chem Res* 2006; 45: 3718-3734.
Peng, C-C, Kim, J, Chauhan, A. Extended delivery of hydrophilic drugs from silicone-hydrogel contact lenses containing Vitamin E
diffusion barriers. *Biomaterials* 2010; 31: 4032-4047.

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CL Drug Delivery

- Silicon hydrogel CL addressed hypoxia-related complications
- Rapid release kinetics
 - May differ based on CL material / drug combos
 - Rate of drug release is not constant over time
- March 2022 – FDA Approval of etafilcon A drug-eluting contact lens with ketotifen

Li, CC, Chauhan, A. (2006) Modeling ophthalmic drug delivery by soaked contact lenses. *Ind Eng Chem Res* 45: 3718-3734.

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CL Drug Delivery – What does the future hold?

- Molecular imprinting - Creates specific drug recognition sites within the polymer through the use of molecular templates
- Vitamin E coatings - Form diffusion barriers within the lens, which forces the target drug to take long complex paths to diffuse from the lens
- Nanoparticles - Encapsulated with the target drug can be loaded and released from the CL, and the extended release is controlled by the degradation of the nanoparticles
- Concerns - Frequent lens application?? Non-CL wearers?? Cost??

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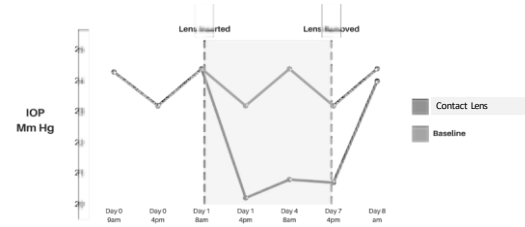
Drug-Eluting Contact Lens

- MediPrint Ophthalmics
 - LLT-BMT1 – drug eluting contact lens - bimatoprost
- Phase I – SIGHT-1
 - 5 Subjects wore the lens for 7 days continuously
 - Demonstrated 100% tolerability and no adverse events
 - IOP efficacy was noted
- SIGHT-2 – Phase 2b dose-ranging clinical study is underway

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Glaucoma: SIGHT-1 Human Clinical Results

Intraocular Pressure (IOP) reduction at each timepoint over 7 days of continuous wear



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Punctal Plug Delivery System

Latanoprost and Travoprost designs

U.S. Phase II Multi-center Trials (Lower Puncta)
 Glau 12 (n=92) – 96% retention rate
 Glau 13 (n=87) – 92% retention rate

Phase II Clinical Study
 L-Evolve – 5.5 mmHg IOP lowering over 12 weeks study



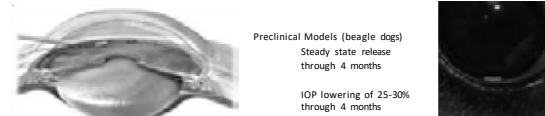
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Travoprost Intracameral Implant

(Ocular Therapeutic)

Bioresorbable sustained-release implant injected into the AC

Goal: Steady release of travoprost with target duration from 4 to 6 months



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Travoprost Intracameral Implant

(Ocular Therapeutic)

Phase 1, prospective, multi-center, open label

Cohort 1 n=5
(15 micrograms)

Day 28 -9.1 mm Hg (n=5)
 Mo. 4 -7.6 mm Hg (n=4)
 Mo. 6 -7.5 mm Hg (n=3)

*Mo. 21 - -9.3 (n=1)

Cohort 2 n=4
(26 micrograms)

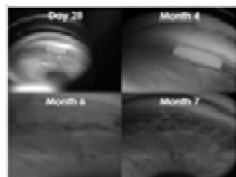
Day 28 -6.0 mm Hg (n=4)
 Mo. 4 -6.8 mm Hg (n=4)
 Mo. 6 -6.1 mm Hg (n=3)

*Mo. 9 - -5.9 (n=2)

Cohort 3 n=4
(15 micrograms
Fast Degrading)

Day 28 -11.5 mm Hg (n=3)
 Mo. 4 -13.8 mm Hg (n=2)

*Mo. 6 -12.5 (n=1)



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IOL-Haptic-Based Drug Delivery



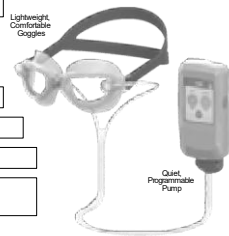
- Drug-eluting pads attached to haptics
- Goal is 3 years of drug delivery
- Feasibility Study – 23 patients
 - 45% mean IOP reduction
 - 100% of patients were 18 mmHg or below
 - All were off topical medications
 - No significant adverse events
 - Visual outcomes similar to other IOLs

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AN ELEGANT SOLUTION

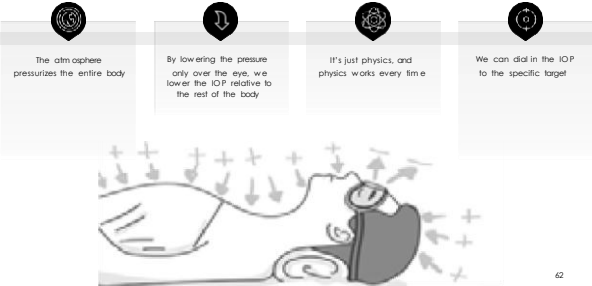
FYSX O-PAP
(Ocular Pressure Adjusting Pump)

- Only nonsurgical, non-pharma way to lower IOP
- Lowers IOP in every eye, every time
- Lowers IOP safely
- Can be used in combination with existing therapies
- Titrates IOP to target pressure level
- Lowers IOP during the vulnerable period at Night
- Ability to monitor usage, encourage compliance, and obtain data



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THE SOLUTION IS BASED ON PHYSICS



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2 Multi-Center Randomized Controlled Trials

Apollo – Open-Angle Glaucoma

- N = 128 eyes of 64 Subjects
- Contralateral Eye Served as Control
- IOP Inclusion - 13-32 mmHg
- POAG, NTG, OHT, and Glaucoma Suspects**
- 89.7% had IOP Reduction of >20%
- 100% of eyes had IOP Reduction
- IOP decreased from 19.4 to 12.9 mmHG (34%)**
- IOP Decreased in addition to existing therapy
- IOP Decrease regardless of Baseline IOP
- No SAEs
- ~20% of eyes had temporary lid edema

Artemis – Normal Tension Glaucoma

- N = 182 eyes of 91 Subjects
- Contralateral Eye Served as Control
- IOP Inclusion - ≤ 21 mmHg
- NTG Only – IOP Measure Overnight in Sleep Lab**
- 98.2% had IOP Reduction of >20% at night
- 100% of eyes had IOP Reduction
- IOP decreased from 20.2 to 12.2 mmHG (39%)**
- IOP Decreased in addition to existing therapy
- IOP Decrease regardless of Baseline IOP
- No SAEs
- ~17% of eyes had temporary lid edema

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Home IOP Monitoring

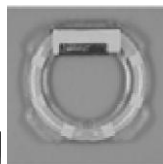
- A device is intended as an adjunct for monitoring IOP of adult patients (self-use). The tonometer is designed for use at home or on the go.



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Continuous IOP Sensors Implandata Eyemate

- Sulcus based IOP sensor
- 8 pressure-sensitive capacitors
- Diameter: 11.2 mm
- Thickness: 0.5 mm



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ARGOS-02 Trial: 1-year Results

- 22 Patients
- Major Design Changes:
 - 0.9 to 0.5mm thickness with 0.1mm rounded tapering
 - 4 haptics to prevent ciliary sulcus rotation
- IOP Concordance:
 - D30:
 - Eyemate: 22.2 ± 9.2 mmHg
 - GAT: 19.5 ± 6.8 mmHg
 - D360:
 - Eyemate: 15.7 ± 3.8 mmHg
 - GAT: 14.1 ± 2.2 mmHg



American Journal of Ophthalmology 153 (10):1010-1015 (2013)

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Smart soft contact lens (BVS Sight)

- 24-hour IOP monitoring
 - Lens power
 - Wetable
 - O2 Transmissibility
 - Overnight wearability



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Sensors on the horizon...

- AcuMEMS (Menlo Park, CA)
 - iSense System: implantable sensor
- Glaukos (San Clemente, CA)
 - DOSE Medical IOP Sensor
- Implantsdata Ophthalmic Products GmbH
 - Suprachoroidal IOP sensor
- Injectsense Inc (Emeryville, CA)
 - Configurable on-demand sensor
- LaunchPoint Technologies (Goleta, CA)
 - Sensor attached to IOL or injected into vitreous
- Solix (Waltham, MA)
 - wireless intracocular sensor



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Multifocal Pupillographic Objective Perimetry (mfPOP),



- 100% objective
- Improve scheduling
- Simultaneous bilateral exam
- Easy to use & sanitize

Video Courtesy of Konan Medical

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The Future of Visual Field Testing?



Validation of a Wearable Virtual Reality Perimeter for Glaucoma Staging, The NOVA Trial: Novel Virtual Reality Field Assessment | TVST | ARVO Journals

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Augmented / Virtual Reality

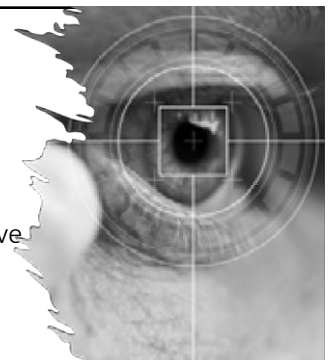


- Patient education
- Visual Field
- Visual Acuity
- Color Vision (D-15) 92283
- Pediatrics Visual Field
- Contrast Sensitivity
- Low Contrast Visual Acuity
- Dark Adaptation 92284
- Many more tests in the works....

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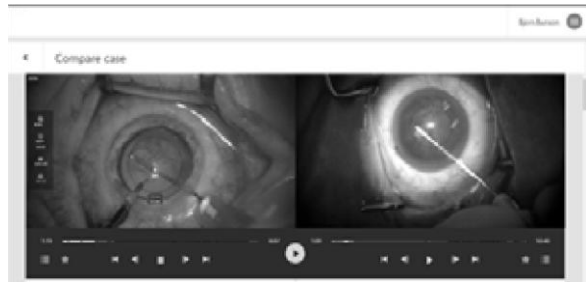
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Innovations in Refractive + Cataract Surgery



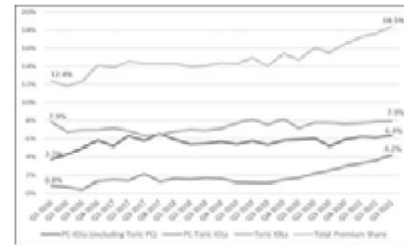
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AI Based Segmentation – Case Comparison



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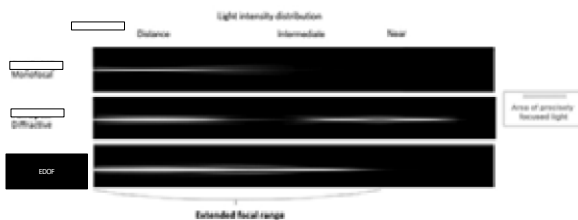
Advanced Technology IOLs Driving Innovation and Market Penetration



49.1%
Increase in ATIOL
penetration from
Q1 2016 to Q3
2021¹

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Optics



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AN OPPORTUNITY TO EXPAND WITH PATIENT SELECTION

Extended Depth of Focus (EDOF)

Possibly Candidate To Select:

- For a patient who might have been thinking about distance only, but who would benefit from extended vision
- Unsuitable to a diffractive lens or a lens that splits light

Have a healthy cornea (if moderate to severe ocular surface disease (e.g., dry eye), is diagnosed, treat and resolve prior to cataract surgery)

Have astigmatism levels within the available toric range

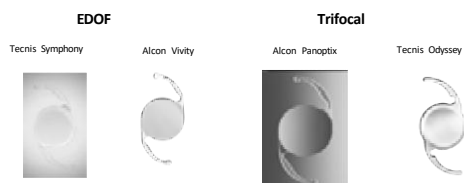
Multifocal/Trifocal

Possibly Candidate To Select:

- Have not undergone refractive surgery
- No glaucoma or retinal pathology
- Desire to be glasses-free as much as possible

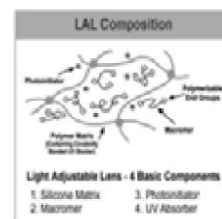
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Presbyopic Correcting IOLs (PCIOL)

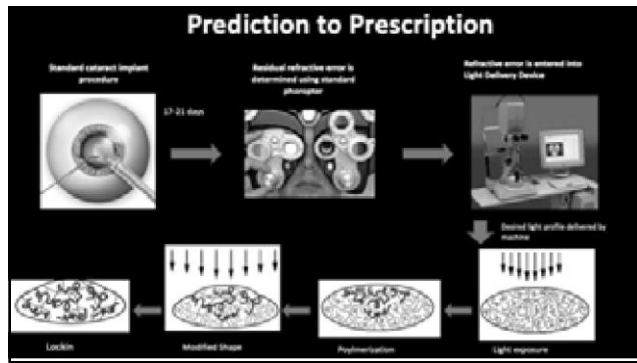


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Light Adjustable Lens-What's Special?



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FDA Clinical Results

- 91.8% within 0.50 D of target manifest refraction spherical equivalent
- Results showed that 100% of study eyes had a best corrected visual acuity of 20/40 or better at the 6 month po visit.

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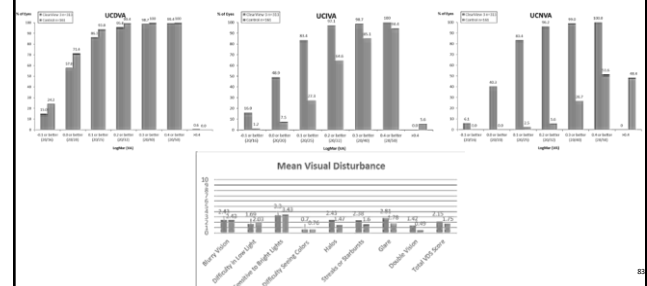
Multifocal – Clearview 3

- Asymmetric segmented multifocal IOL
- Available in 0.25 Diopter power increments.
- 3.0 diopter sector-shaped add
- Zero Aberration lens
- Bi-aspheric



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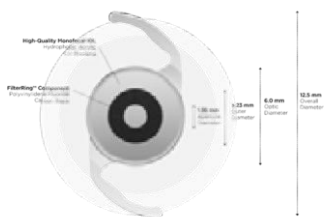
Multifocal – Clearview 3



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Apthera™ Small Aperture IOL:

Non-Diffractive, Wavefront-Filtering, Extended Depth of Focus Design



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The Toric IOL Challenge

- 52.6% of patients present with ≥ 0.75 D of cylinder prior to cataract surgery¹
- Global toric IOL adoption remains below 5%²
- Toric IOLs challenges
 - Inability to correct astigmatism exactly due to limited power options
 - Surgical planning complexity and added expense
 - Surgical misalignment and post-implantation rotation reduces effectiveness
 - Surgically induced astigmatism can reduce effectiveness of the correction and axis shifts can induce misalignment
 - Low levels of corneal astigmatism (<0.75 D) are left uncorrected by today's available toric IOL powers

¹Warren Hill, MD Keratometry Database, n=6,000
²Market Scope 2018 IOL Report

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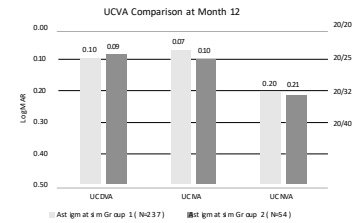
Study Overview

- To assess the efficacy a non-toric small aperture IOL in eyes that have preop corneal astigmatism of up to 1.5 D.
- Study Design:** Prospective, multi-center, clinical FDA study.
 - Cataract Patients (N=343) received the IC-8 IOL in one eye and a monofocal or monofocal toric IOL in the fellow eye. Patients were then assigned into two groups based on preop corneal astigmatism in their Aphthera IOL Eye:
 - Group 1: less than 1.0 D of astigmatism, N= 273
 - Group 2: 1.0 to 1.5 D of astigmatism, N= 70
- Mean monocular uncorrected visual acuities for Distance (UCDVA), intermediate(UCIVA) and near (UCNVA) were reported for the Aphthera IOL eye in logMAR \pm standard deviation at 12 months post-op

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Small Aperture Optics with Corneal Astigmatism

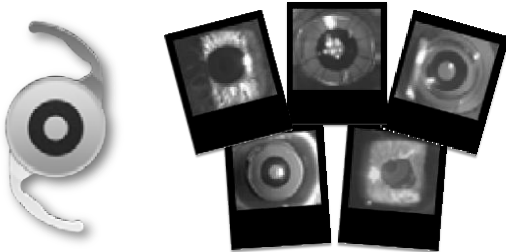
- At 12 Months, no statistically significant differences were noted between groups at any given distance ($p > 0.05$)



- Mean MRSE by Astigmatism Group:
 - Group 1: $-0.338 \text{ D} \pm 0.48$
 - Group 2: $-0.224 \text{ D} \pm 0.45$

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Small Aperture Lens



Approval letter December 2021 from FDA

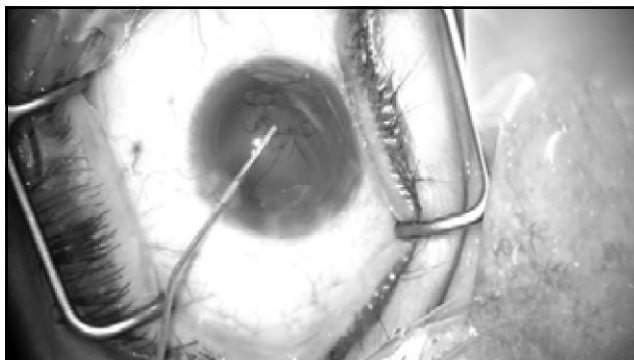
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What's Next in IOL Technology?

- Modular IOL Systems
- Accommodating
- Multifocal / trifocal
- Extended Depth of Focus



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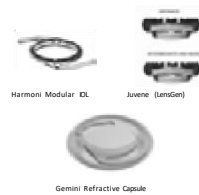
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Pipeline IOL Technology

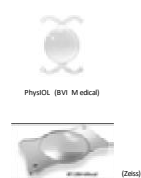
Accommodating



Modular



Trifocal

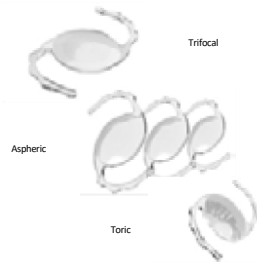


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Supplementary IOLs

- Designed for sulcus implantation
- Reduces risk for complications
 - Interlenticular opacification
 - Pigment dispersion
 - Iris chafing



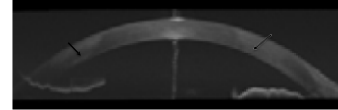
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Presbyopia

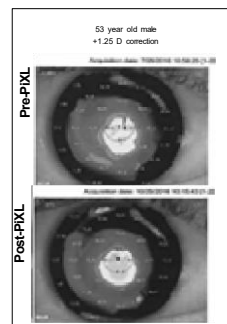
Spatially targeted, epithelium-on, accelerated cross-linking

More than 200 eyes treated internationally to date



- Midperipheral cross-linking, no UVA applied to central cornea
- Image above: High resolution OCT image showing mid peripheral corneal stromal demarcation line after epi-ON PXL with oxygen

Investigational. Not FDA approved.



Clinical case example from Jeff Machel, MD

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Ocular Rigidity Correlation Age-Related Eye Diseases

Decreased Ocular Blood Flow

Ocular Rigidity & Age-related Eye Diseases:

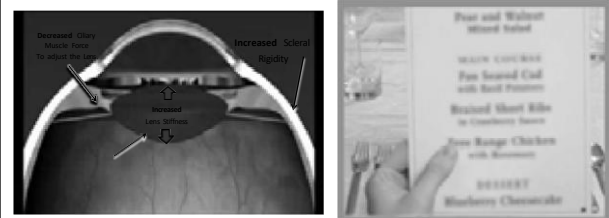
- ❖ Age Related Loss of Visual Accommodation → Presbyopia
- ❖ Age Related Increase in IOP → Glaucoma
- ❖ Age Related lens stiffening → Cataract
- ❖ Age Related decrease → AMD & other Pathos

Glaucoma

Age Related Cataract

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Ocular Rigidity: Leads to Loss of Visual Accommodation



Detorakis ET, Pallikaris IG. Ocular rigidity: bio-mechanical role, in vivo measurements and clinical significance. Clin Experiment Ophthalmol 2012 May 18.

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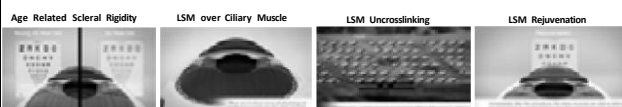
Solution: Laser Scleral Microporation "Uncrosslinking" Scleral Microfibrils to Rejuvenate BioDynamics

Problem

- ↑ Ocular/ Scleral rigidity
- ↓ Efficiency Ciliary Muscle Forces
- ↓ Lens shape changes during accommodation
- ↑ Positive Spherical Aberration (SA)/undesirable monochromatic aberrations

LSM Solution

- ↓ Scleral biomechanical Stiffness
- ↑ Ciliary Muscle forces on the Lens
- ↑ Lens shape changes during accommodation
- ↓ Positive Spherical Aberration SA /undesirable monochromatic aberrations



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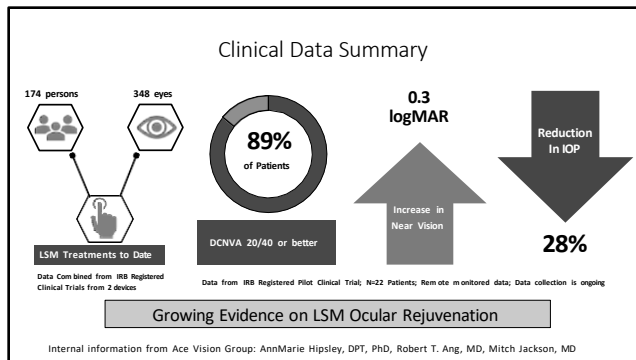
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Laser Scleral Microporation: LSM Procedure

Courtesy Dr. Mitch Jackson

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Pharmacologic Treatments for Presbyopia Are Coming, With Miotic Drops Occupying the Majority of Development

Topical Drops in Development	Active Ingredient(s)	Mechanism of Action
Brimochol™ (Vision Therapeutics)	Carbachol + bimatoprost tartrate	Carbachol: Miotic. Bimatoprost tartrate: Prevents pupil dilation, inhibits contraction of ciliary muscle, increases bioavailability of carbachol ^{1,2} , prevents redness ³
CSF-1 (Orasis)	Pilocarpine	Miotic
PRX-100/Liquid Vision (Presbyopia Therapies)	Acetate	Miotic
ADN 150584 (Allergan)	Pilocarpine	Miotic
MioLine (Syneos)	Pilocarpine	Miotic
AcuStream™ (Notalus)	Pilocarpine	Miotic
Nyad® and Pilocarpine Combination Kit (Duphree)	Pheniramine mesylate and pilocarpine	Miotic (both pilocarpine and pheniramine mesylate products). Vasodilates small muscle (pheniramine mesylate product) ⁴
True Vision Treatment™ Contact lenses and Eye Drops Kit (Yella Health)	Hyaluronidase and collagenase	Alters cornea ⁵
ORIS44 (Reovis)	Lipic acid choline ester	Lens softening agent
VPS-001 (Viewpoint Therapeutics)	Stabilizing alpha-crystallin molecule	Target: protein misfolding to restore native, functional shape ⁶

► Miotic drops increase depth of field by inducing a pinhole effect

- Low risk, highly effective and easily reversible compared to surgical alternatives
- Miotic drops aren't without side effects: headache, brow ache, IOP fluctuations, myopic shift and hyperemia^{4,5}
- Single-agent cholinergic miotics likely to have more of an issue with these side effects than combination drops

► Lens softening topical agents intend to increase ability to accommodate with usage over time

1. Brimochol™ (Vision Therapeutics) is a combination of Carbachol and Bimatoprost Tartrate. Carbachol is a cholinergic agonist that causes pupil constriction and increases intraocular pressure. Bimatoprost Tartrate is a prostaglandin analog that causes pupil dilation and increases intraocular pressure. 2. Brimochol™ (Vision Therapeutics) is a combination of Carbachol and Bimatoprost Tartrate. Carbachol is a cholinergic agonist that causes pupil constriction and increases intraocular pressure. Bimatoprost Tartrate is a prostaglandin analog that causes pupil dilation and increases intraocular pressure. 3. Brimochol™ (Vision Therapeutics) is a combination of Carbachol and Bimatoprost Tartrate. Carbachol is a cholinergic agonist that causes pupil constriction and increases intraocular pressure. Bimatoprost Tartrate is a prostaglandin analog that causes pupil dilation and increases intraocular pressure. 4. Nyad® and Pilocarpine Combination Kit (Duphree) is a combination of Pheniramine mesylate and Pilocarpine. Pheniramine mesylate is an antihistamine that causes vasodilation and increases intraocular pressure. Pilocarpine is a cholinergic agonist that causes pupil constriction and increases intraocular pressure. 5. True Vision Treatment™ Contact lenses and Eye Drops Kit (Yella Health) is a combination of Hyaluronidase and Collagenase. Hyaluronidase is an enzyme that breaks down hyaluronic acid, which is a component of the cornea. Collagenase is an enzyme that breaks down collagen, which is a component of the cornea. 6. VPS-001 (Viewpoint Therapeutics) is a stabilizing alpha-crystallin molecule. Alpha-crystallin is a protein that is involved in the structure and function of the lens. VPS-001 is designed to stabilize alpha-crystallin and prevent it from misfolding, which can lead to cataracts.

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CSF-1 (Orasis)

- Demonstrated efficacy 20 minutes after administration and can last up to 8 hours, as measured on day 15,
- Preservative-free formulation of pilocarpine, an established eye care therapeutic, designed to achieve an optimal balance between efficacy, safety, and comfort.

PRX-100/Liquid Vision (Presbyopia Therapies)

- Primary endpoint was met with 71% of participants dosed with LN2100 achieving three-lines or greater improvement at 3 hours
- Rapid onset and long duration shown with
- 71% of participants achieving three-lines or greater improvement at 30 minutes and 40% at 10 hours

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Innovations in Cornea and Anterior Segment

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Epi-On Crosslinking

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Breaking News

- Epioxa Phase 3 clinical trial successfully achieved its primary efficacy outcome by demonstrating a Kmax treatment effect of -1.0 diopter (D) ($p < 0.0001$) at the Month 12 study endpoint.
- The treatment was generally well-tolerated, with 91.5% of enrolled treatment patients completing the 12-month trial, compared to 90.9% of enrolled control patients. No patients randomized to Epioxa treatment discontinued early due to an adverse event and there were no ocular serious adverse events reported.
- The majority of adverse events reported were mild and transient in nature.

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Epstein, Randy J. MD; Belin, Michael W. MD; Gravemann, Deborah RN, CCRP; Littner, Roxanne MS; Rubinfeld, Roy S. MD. EpiSmart Crosslinking for Keratoconus: A Phase 2 Study. *Cornea* 42(7):p 858-866, July 2023.

- The overall mean change in CDVA was -0.06 and -0.07 logMAR at 6 and 12 months post-op, respectively ($P < 0.001$ for improvement in each of 3 groups), with the average visual acuity improving from 20/41 at baseline to 20/35 Snellen at 12 months post-op.
- Overall, UCVA was significantly improved by about 1 line of vision at 6 and 12 months post-op ($P < 0.001$ for improvement at both time points and for each group), with the average uncorrected visual acuity improving from 20/150 at baseline to 20/120 Snellen at 12 months post-op.
- Change in Kmax post-op by treatment group (mean \pm 95% CI). The topographic flattening was 0.25 – 0.5 diopter and statistically significant for 2 groups at 6 months and all 3 groups at 12 months.

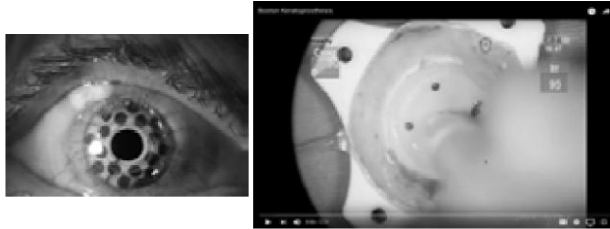
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Novel Graft Failure Tx Options

- Keratoprosthesis – “KPro”
- Restores vision by marrying mechanical central lens optic with a peripheral donor cornea
- KPro has three components which are assembled into a single unit
- A PMMA front plate with an optical stem extends through a 3 mm hole in a donor cornea and overlaps it centrally
- Titanium back plate snaps onto the optical stem and abuts the posterior side of the cornea
- K-Pro sutured into place much like a PKP
- Central optic provides for vision even if the cornea becomes cloudy or opaque.

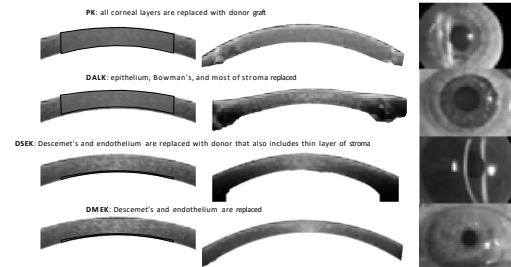
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KPro



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EK : Alphabet Soup Review



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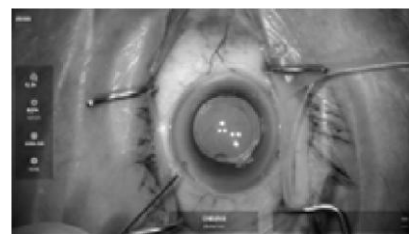
Keratoplasty Risks

- Rejection → Failure
 - Chronic corticosteroids
- Donor tissue related infections
 - Possible endophthalmitis or loss of eye (rare!)
- Gas and suture-related issues



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Descemet's Stripping Only



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Descemet's Stripping Only

- Indications
 - Presence of central guttae
 - Clear peripheral cornea with an endothelial cell count > 1000 cells/mm² on confocal or specular microscopy
 - Phakic or pseudophakic
- Contraindications
 - Advanced corneal stroma edema (haze, bullae, DM folds)
 - Peripheral endothelial cell count < 1000 cells/mm²
 - Presence of secondary corneal pathology
 - History of herpes simplex virus or cytomegalovirus keratitis

https://eyewiki.aao.org/Descemetorhexis_Without_Endothelial_Keratoplasty#note-17

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Borkar DS, Veldman P, Colby KA. Treatment of Fuchs Endothelial Dystrophy by Descemet Stripping Without Endothelial Keratoplasty. Cornea. 2016 Oct;35(10):1267-73

- n=13
- Four eyes demonstrated resolution of K edema with visible central endo cell mosaic (410-864 cells/mm) by one month with VA 20/25-20/40
- Four eyes similar response by 3 mo
- Two eyes at 6 mos
- Final vision ranged from 20/15-20/20 in 10 eyes except for 2 with retinal pathology

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DSO Complications

- Descemetorhexis decentration
- Descemet membrane detachment
- Posterior stromal opacities
- Irregular corneal astigmatism
- Persistent corneal edema

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DMEK vs. Descemet Stripping Only (DSO)

	DMEK	DSO
Indications	Guttata any diameter	Central < 4.5 – 5.0 mm
Surgery	DSO + graft placement (30 - 45 minutes)	DSO (10 - 15 minutes)
Postop	Supine positioning 48 hours	No positioning
Visual recovery	1-3 weeks	6-8 weeks
Drops	Chronic corticosteroid for rejection prophylaxis	Corticosteroid 1-2 months Extra Rho kinase inhibitor
Success	90-95%	80-85%

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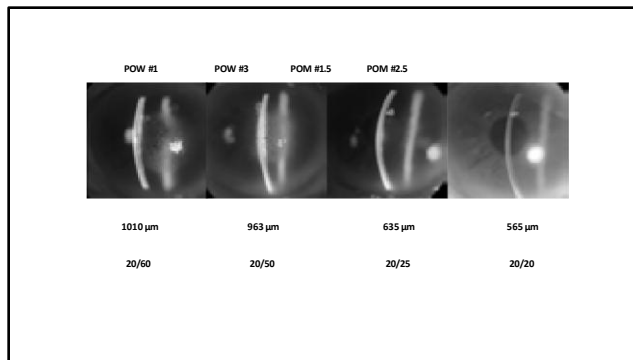
Rho Kinase Inhibitors

- Ripasudil 0.4% op sol
 - QID x 2 months
- Netarsudil 0.02% op sol
 - BID x 2 months



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Trefoil Therapeutics

- 2 investigational products based on TTHX1114, its engineered FGF1, to treat a spectrum of corneal diseases.
- Intracameral injection
- Stimulates stimulates corneal endothelial cell protection, proliferation and migration

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Allergic Conjunctivitis

- IgE is elevated in seasonal, perennial, atopic, vernal, and giant papillary conjunctivitis
- IgE is produced locally in the conjunctiva by the local plasma cells which bind to mast cells and basophils to release histamine¹
- Diagnosis of allergic conjunctivitis in patients who have no systemic atopic disease is difficult because most of the time serum IgE concentrations are low²⁻³
- For allergic conjunctivitis, while local concentrations of IgE may be high, systemic concentrations may be low except in vernal allergic conjunctivitis (indicating both a systemic and a local response)²⁻³
- Eosinophils in conjunctival scrapings are elevated in only 45% of patients⁴
- Lipid disruption due to ocular allergy probably affects evaporation and may alter tear flow⁵

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Lacrimal Fluid

- A degeneration of the lacrimal gland can result in a diminished tear flow and changes in the protein composition of the lacrimal fluid^{1,2}
- The major proteins of normal tear fluid are lysozyme, lactoferrin and tear-specific prealbumin^{3,4}
- The results of immunofluorescence, tissue culture and the simultaneous disappearance of these proteins from the tear fluid of KCS patients indicate a common origin, i.e., the lacrimal gland^{3,4}
- In comparison with the Schirmer test, the rose Bengal test and the tear film break-up-time, the lactoferrin test is reported to be the most reliable, single marker in the diagnosis of KCS⁵

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What is Human Amniotic Membrane?

- Studies show AM enhances the wound healing process:
 - It reduces pain
 - It reduces inflammation
 - It reduces scar formation
 - Contains essential growth factors for cell growth and diversification
 - Antimicrobial properties

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Cryopreserved Membrane w/BCL

- Hydrated CAM
- Ringless
- Room Temperature Storage
- Size (Ø): 12 mm

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Corneal Esthesiometer

	Non Contact	Cochet-Bonnet	Cotton Wisp
Portable	✓	✓	✓
Noncontact	✓		
Stimulus	Ambient Air Pulses	Mechanical Force	Mechanical Force
Standardized and validated levels of stimulus	✓	Is dependent on multiple parameters	
Reproducible	✓	No. Depends on the user.	

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Corneal Esthesiometer

- Portable and Hand-held
- Non-Invasive system
- Five levels of stimulation
- Electronic position system
- Designed to be used in 2 modes: placed on a slit lamp and hand-held

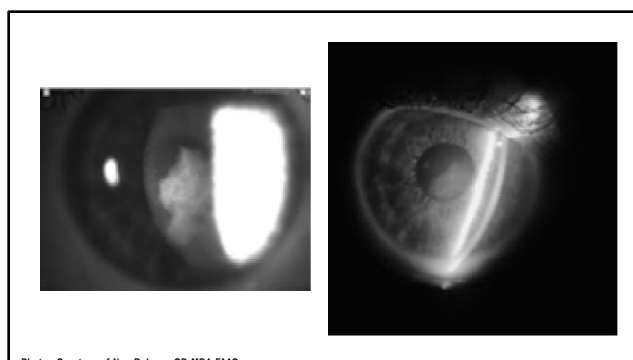
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Topical Losartan

- Losartan is an angiotensin II receptor blocker (ARB) that impedes transforming growth factor (TGF) beta signaling by inhibiting activation of signal transduction molecule extracellular signal-regulated kinase (ERK)
- TGF beta roles include: scarring fibrosis associated with corneal trauma, chemical burns, infections, surgical complications, and persistent epithelial defects, as well as conjunctival fibrotic diseases, such as ocular cicatricial pemphigoid and Stevens-Johnson syndrome.

Steven E. Wilson, MD, Director of Corneal Research at Cleveland Clinic Cole Eye Institute

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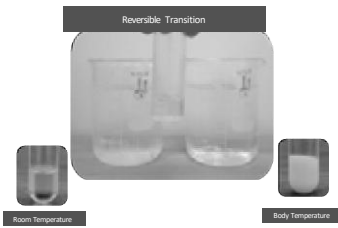
Personalized Tear Retention

- A liquid hydrogel is deployed from a sterile, single-use applicator. The gel adapts to the shape of the tear duct then transitions to a flexible solid
- 3-minute bilateral procedure
- No sizing required
- Bespoke geometry eliminates foreign body sensation
- No falling out

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Smart Gel Transitions from Liquid to Flexible Solid

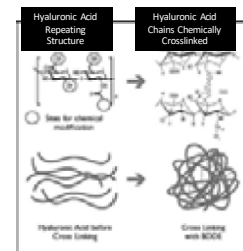
- Biocompatible
- Non-degradable
- Removes with saline rinse
- Pending recommended replacement schedule (e.g., 6 months, 1 year)



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Punctal Occlusion

- Cross-linked hyaluronic acid gel that allows patient's eyes to be bathed in their own natural tears
- Customized for each individual patient
- Provides a full fill of the canalicular system
- Lasts for 6 months
- In-office procedure reimbursed through existing CPT code (68761)

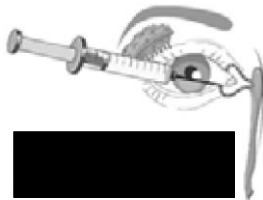


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Simple & Efficient for your Practice

Instructions for Use

1. The gel comes in a pre-filled injector with enough gel to treat the lower and upper canaliculi.
2. The cannula tip is placed in the punctum and the gel is inserted.
3. The gel flows through the punctum into the lacrimal sac.
4. If you see the gel extruding from the upper punctum, you know that both the upper and lower puncta have been blocked.



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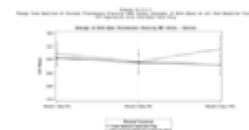
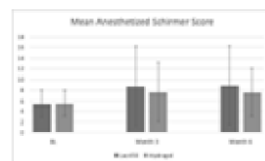
US FDA Clinical Trial Summary

- n = 157
- Subjects with anesthetized Schirmer score ≤ 10 mm, Ocular Surface Disease Index (OSDI) score ≥ 23 , presence of corneal staining and patent bilateral lacrimal drainage systems were randomized in a 2:1 ratio to LACRIFILL (n = 103) or a hydrogel plug (n = 54).
- Primary endpoint at 3 months; gel removed by irrigation at 6 months
- 510(k) Clearance December 2022

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Greater Increase in Schirmer with CXL Filler

Trend Towards Better Maintenance of the Corneal Surface (Stable vs. Increased Staining at Month 6)



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Sahara RCT Background

The aim of this study was to compare the effectiveness of branded Restasis twice-daily versus TearCare technology (2 procedures, baseline and month 5) at 6 months after initiation of treatment on improvement of signs and symptoms of DED.

- Restasis (cyclosporine .05%, CsA) Rx has been broadly utilized in the treatment of dry eye for the past 15 years, without regard for etiology
- Compliance and adherence challenges with all pharmaceutical and at home treatments hinder their overall effectiveness
- TearCare is an office-based ECP administered therapeutic thermal eyelid technology for the treatment of evaporative DED due to MGD
- Providers, Payors and Patients are interested to understand effectiveness of targeted interventional treatments compared to legacy pharmaceutical agents

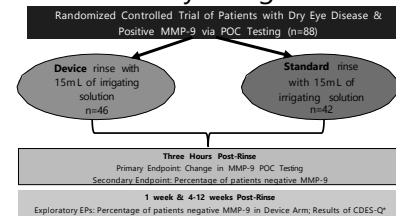
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Conclusions

- TearCare treatment is superior to branded Restasis in improving TBUT and multiple measures of meibomian gland function
 - Both treatments produce significant improvements in patient reported symptoms
- TearCare administration and therapeutic effect in SAHARA RCT is consistent with "real-world"
 - Compliance to branded Restasis in SAHARA RCT was atypical of "real-world" patient behavior (on average 5.7 bottles over 6 months)
- Results of SAHARA RCT may warrant earlier intervention with TearCare
 - Equal patient access to TearCare may be justified

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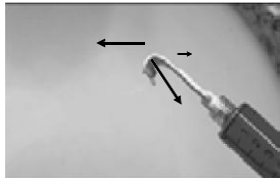
Study Design



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Irrigating Eyelid Retractor

Fixed to a syringe, the retractor has 5 ports which aim fluid at the palpebral conjunctiva, bulbar conjunctiva and conjunctival fornix.

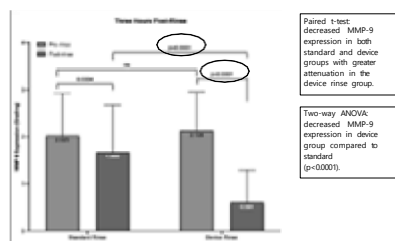


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Results—Primary Endpoint



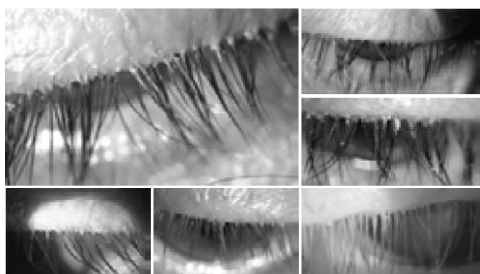
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Tixel (MGD Procedure)



- FDA-cleared treatment
- Uses precisely-controlled heat to restore/improve eyelid gland function powered by Thermo-Mechanical Action®, this treatment consists of short pulses (6 milliseconds) of high heat applied via gentle pressure from the proprietary, self-disinfecting, Titanium-coated tip
- 2 min procedure for both eyes

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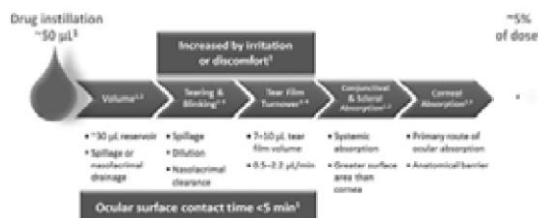
Lotilaner ophthalmic solution 0.25%
TP-03

- Indications and Usage: indicated for the treatment of Demodex blepharitis
- Dosed BID (approximately 12 hours apart) for 6 weeks
- No contraindications
- Side Effects
 - The most common ocular adverse reaction observed in controlled clinical studies with XDEMYV was instillation site stinging and burning (reported in 10% of patients)
 - Chalazion/hordeolum and punctate keratitis in 2% of patients



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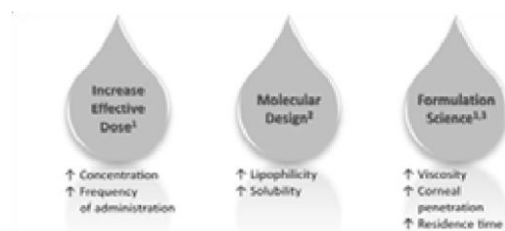
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Nanomicelles Matter



CoA, cyclopentyl A.

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Nanoparticles Matter

The eye's natural mucins can trap and eliminate suspension eye drops

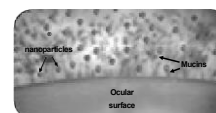


- This reduces overall penetration to the target ocular tissue

Nanoparticles of active drug with a proprietary coating to support penetration of the mucus barrier

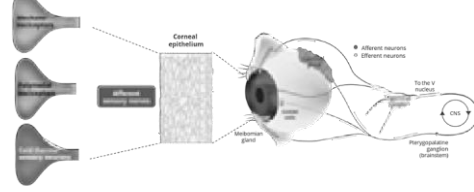
~300 nm nanoparticle with mucopenetrating surface coating

Particles <500 nm are designed to penetrate mucus pores²³



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Corneal Sensory Neurons



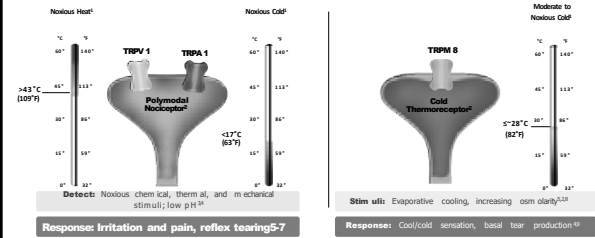
Cold thermoreceptors monitor for changes to the tear film and regulate basal tear production¹⁻³

Polymodal nociceptors detect and warn of irritating and harmful stimuli and produce reflex tears⁴⁻⁶

Image Adapted from Cornea Medical & Contact Lens (C) 2018. <https://www.corneamedical.com/cornea-medical>
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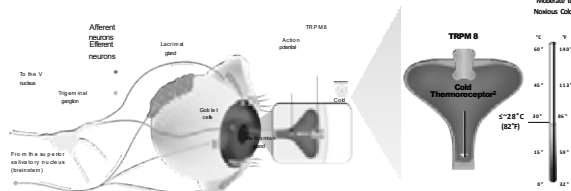
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Reflex vs Basal Tears



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Stimulating TRPM8 for Tear Production

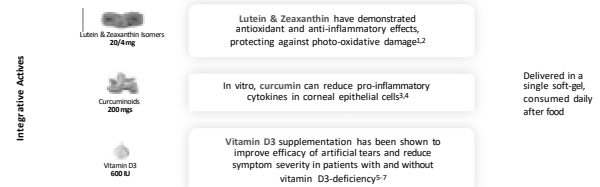


TRPM8 receptors activate trigeminal neural signaling and LFU activity, resulting in the coordinated innervation of the lacrimal gland, goblet cells, and meibomian glands to regulate basal tearing³⁻⁵

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Latest Proprietary Blend of Antioxidant Ingredients for Dry Eye



Lutein & Zeaxanthin have demonstrated antioxidant and anti-inflammatory effects, protecting against photo-oxidative damage^{1,2}

In vitro, curcumin can reduce pro-inflammatory cytokines in corneal epithelial cells^{3,4}

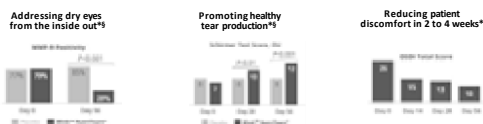
Vitamin D3 supplementation has been shown to improve efficacy of artificial tears and reduce symptom severity in patients with and without vitamin D3 deficiency⁵⁻⁷

Delivered in a single soft-gel, consumed daily after food

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Evaluated in two randomized, double-masked, placebo controlled clinical studies



In the US study (NCT05481450), Blink Nut/Tear significantly improved tear volume and OSDI total score vs placebo, from baseline to end of study (Day 56; P<0.001 for both). There were also significant improvements in TRUT, SPEED, ocular staining scores (P<0.0001 for each outcome), tear osmolarity (P<0.0005), and presence of MMP-9 (P<0.0017). N=116, randomized 1:1 Nut/Tear.

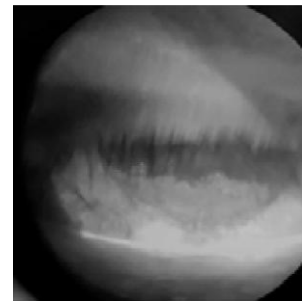
OSDITest, Ocular Surface Disease Index; TRUT, Tear Break Up Time; SPEED, Standard Patient Evaluation of Eye Dryness questionnaire; TRUT, Tear break up time.

*These statements have not been evaluated by the Food and Drug Administration. This product is not intended to diagnose, treat, cure, or prevent any disease.

§ Based on a clinical study

© Blink Nut/Tear. Proven Ophthalmol Ther. 2021;10(3):581-599. | MMP-9, matrix metalloproteinase 9; OSDI, ocular surface disease index; OU, left eye.

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Video Courtesy of Jake Lang, MD

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What About the Retina?

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Treatment for Dry AMD



- The mechanism of photobiomodulation (PBM) at the cellular level has been ascribed to the activation of mitochondrial respiratory chain components resulting in stabilization of metabolic function and initiation of a signaling cascade, which promotes cellular proliferation and cytoprotection.

**Not approved in the US

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- The LIGHTSITE III, a prospective, double-masked, randomized, multi-center clinical trial
- The objective was to treat dry AMD subjects with PBM every four months for a duration of 24 months.
- Primary endpoints:
 - Best corrected visual acuity (BCVA) was evaluated at 13 months, and if statistically significant, ($p < 0.025$) the complete 13-month efficacy and safety endpoints would be unmasked.
 - The study will continue to treat and follow subjects for safety for a total 24 months.
- N = 100 pts 2:1 PBM to sham
- The results demonstrated statistically significant improvement in the primary endpoint in BCVA at 13 months in the PBM treatment group over the sham-treatment group ($p < 0.003$). In addition, a sustained, mean increase in ETDRS letter score of 5.5 letters from baseline was seen at the 13-month timepoint in the PBM-treated subjects BCVA ($p < 0.0001$).

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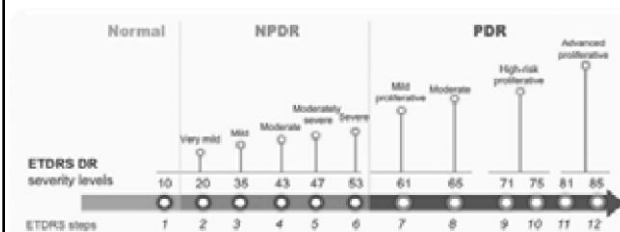
Potential Treatment for DR and DME

- First-in-class, twice-daily oral tablet drug candidate
- Specifically targets Apurinic/Apyrimidinic Endonuclease 1/Redox Effector Factor-1 (APE1/Ref-1) protein, referred to as Ref-1.
- APX3330 has a dual mechanism of action in validated pathways, decreasing both abnormal angiogenesis and inflammation by blocking pathways downstream of Ref-1.
- APX3330 specifically blocks Ref-1's redox signaling function leading to simultaneous decreases in the activity of several important proangiogenic and proinflammatory transcription factors relevant to the pathophysiology of retinal and choroidal vascular diseases: HIF-1 α to reduce VEGF signaling and NF- κ B to modulate VEGF, TNF- α and other inflammatory cytokines.

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Diabetic retinopathy severity scale



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FDA-Approved Ophthalmic Digital Drug Delivery Platform



- Patented digital device platform technology
- Unique, class-leading drug products
- High-value product pipeline addressing areas of significant medical and market need
- Multi-faceted business model with revenue from direct sales and licensing agreements

Device with microdose array print technology

- Designed to address issues with ease-of-use and dosing precision
- Delivers efficacy while improving tolerability and reducing side effects¹
- Digital OptecareSM capabilities²

¹ Wu SL, Rabkin TR, Farn NG, Bhat S, Serfaty T. Hydrogel with microarray print facilitates intravitreal drug delivery. Invest Ophthalmol Vis Sci. 2021;62(12):3050-3064. ² Optecare. Optecare suite of digital ophthalmic and delivery capabilities.

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Tropicamide and Phenylephrine HCL ophthalmic spray 1%/2.5

- Speed and simplicity with each spray
- The only FDA approved fixed-dose combination of the leading pupil dilating drugs
- Reliable time to peak efficacy and dilation resolution
- In clinical studies 97% of patients reported zero side effects¹



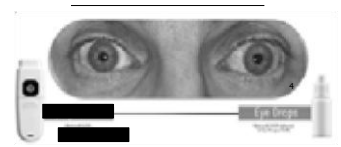
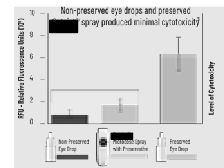
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Delivers 80% Less Drug Volume Than Eye Droppers

Sufficient for efficacy while improving benefits from reducing excessive exposure to both drugs and preservatives.^{1,2}

Minimizes Excessive Drug Exposure to Ocular Tissues³

Improves Local Tolerability and Decreases Systemic Exposure⁴



When tolerability is poor, patients are very likely to discontinue their medication or put pressure on the ECP to change their treatment⁵

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Digital Technology



The Optejet[®] is capable of automatically tracking usage

OPTECARE: Multiple Benefits for All Stakeholders	
PATIENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reminders to take medicine Ability to track compliance progress Opportunity for brand-specific encouragement May be monetized through app subscription service
PHYSICIAN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ability for quicker action with more accurate data Opportunity for billing: CPT Code (98980) for monthly check of compliance data
PAYER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cost savings: Less likely to have patient on second medication if compliance is the issue Better outcomes: Compliance with drug therapy shown to slow disease progression

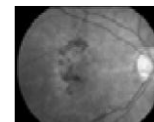
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Retina In-Office Diagnostics



OCT



OCT-A



OCT-A is optical coherence tomography angiography. Images courtesy of Walter O. Wittey, MD, MBA, FAOC.

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Multisite Study Confirmed Automated Dark Adaptometer Is Highly Sensitive, Specific, & Accurate

High sensitivity

- Correctly identified 90.6% of confirmed AMD cases

High specificity

- Correctly identified 90.5% of confirmed normal cases

High accuracy

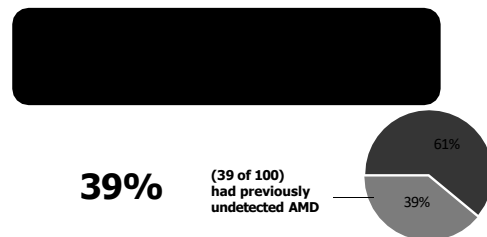
- 90.6% overall accuracy



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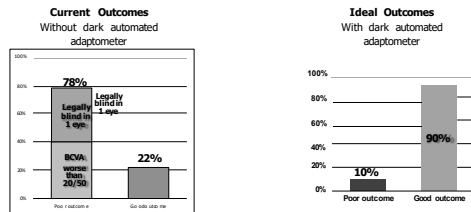
Undetected AMD Is a Significant Problem



Data courtesy of Jeffrey Gerson, MD, Glin Eye Care.

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Primary Eye Care Has a Major Opportunity to Maintain the VA of Patients With AMD



BCVA = best-corrected visual acuity.
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Current and Future of At-Home Testing/Monitoring

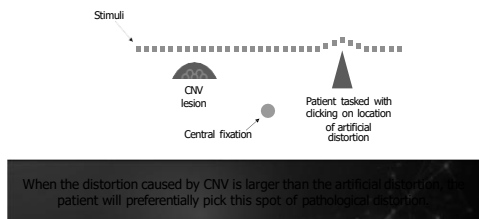


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Preferential Hyperacuity Perimetry Delivers Accurate, Highly Sensitive, Specific Disease Detection

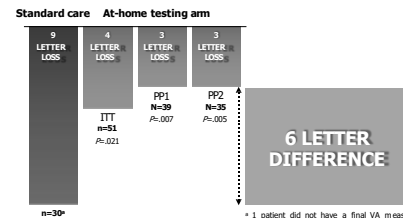
human ability to perceive small differences in the relative spatial localization of two objects in space.



CNV = choroidal neovascularization.

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Patients Who Used At-Home Testing for nAMD Lost Fewer Letters

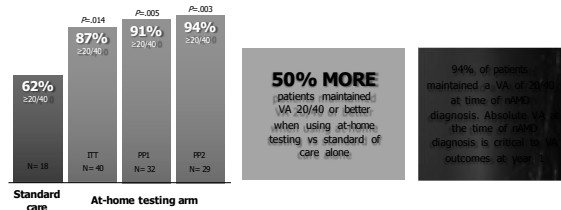


* 1 patient did not have a final VA measure at nAMD diagnosis from the total 31 patients who converted

ITT = intention-to-treat; PP1 = initial per-protocol population; PP2 = second per-protocol population.
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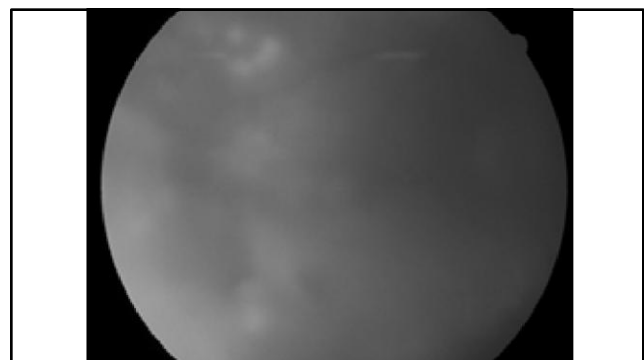
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More Patients Who Used At-Home Testing for nAMD Maintained VA $\geq 20/40$



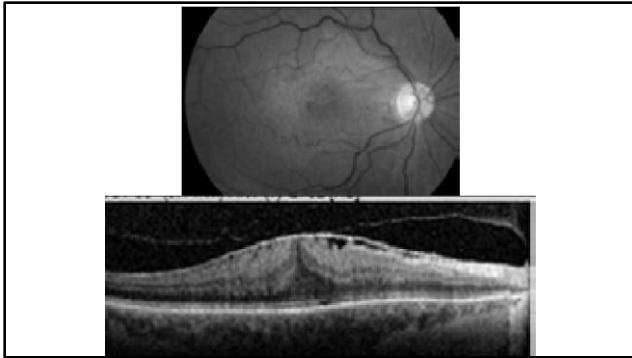
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Treatment for PDR: Vitrectomy

- Indicated after weeks to months of blood not clearing from vitreous heme
- Best results if done within 6 months of heme (DRVS)
- Usually done at 6 weeks
- Alleviate retinal traction, ERM
- When PRP is not enough
- Cataracts!



Photo accessed from http://www.epicenterofretina.com/collage_location/treatments.php?ip=28

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Vitrectomy

- Inability to visualize breaks due to opacities
- In RRD, inability to close breaks
- First line treatment for pseudophakes
- Remove vitreous and replace with air, gas, or oil
- Can be performed with other procedures
- Good for single, large tears
- Unresolving Vitreous Heme
- Induce cataract
- Rarely requires sutures

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Tamponade Agents

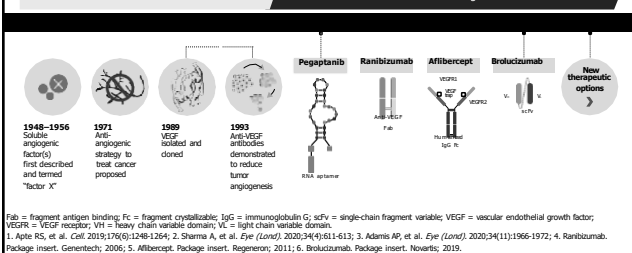
- Air
 - Lasts 3 to 5 days
- Sulfur hexafluoride (SF6)
 - Doubles its volume
 - Last 10-14 days
- Perfluoropropane (C3F8)
 - Quadruples its volume
 - Lasts approximately 60 days

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Anti-VEGF Therapies Have Redefined the Care of Patients With Retinal Diseases

Historical timeline of VEGF discovery¹

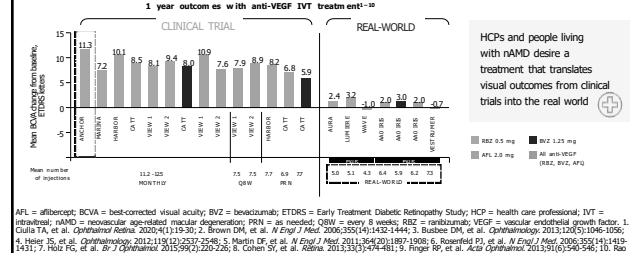
The evolution of anti-VEGF therapies for retinal disease management²⁻⁶



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Yet, Visual Acuity Is Not Translated From Clinical Trials to the Real World

Patients with nAMD experience worse visual outcomes in the real world because they receive fewer anti-VEGF injections compared with patients receiving fixed, frequent therapy in randomized clinical trials¹⁻¹⁰

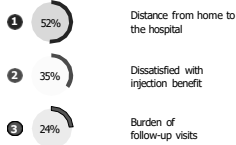


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Visual Acuity Decreases Due to Fewer IVT Injections and Patients Lost to Follow-up

Current anti-VEGF injections place significant burden on patients and caregivers^{1,2}

Most common reasons for patients discontinuing IVT injections^{1,2}



Other factors include²:

- Patient anxiety (reported in 56% of patients);
- 39% fear going blind from injections
- 37% have concerns around effectiveness
- Patients not being able to stick to the treatment plan

1. Boulanger-Sorensen E, et al. *J Fr Ophthalmol*. 2015;38(7):600-627. 2. Senneker H, et al. *Am J Ophthalmol*. 2014;158(4):643-650.

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Current Standard of Care for nAMD Involves Frequent Injections

Drug	Hallmark Trial	Dose	Key Finding(s)	Safety
Bevacizumab	CATT	1.25 mg Q4W	• Mean BCVA Δ +7.8 letters over 24 months • BCVA and CRT comparable to ranibizumab Q4W	• Higher systemic adverse events with bevacizumab
Ranibizumab	ANCHOR/MARINA	0.5 mg monthly	• Mean BCVA Δ +6.6 to +10 letters over 24 months	• 1.3% - 2.1% endophthalmitis • 6.2% - 10% ocular inflammation ≥1+
Aflibercept	VIEW1/VIEW2	2 mg Q4W or 2 mg Q8W	• Aflibercept noninferior to ranibizumab q4w • Mean BCVA Δ +8.4 to +9.3 letters over 52 weeks • Comparable fluid resolution between groups	• Endophthalmitis in 1% in each group in VIEW1, 0% in VIEW2
Brolucizumab	HAWK/HARRIER	6 mg Q8W or 6 mg Q12W	• Noninferior to aflibercept • Mean BCVA Δ +6.1 to +6.6 letters over 48 weeks • Superior fluid resolution compared to aflibercept	• Endophthalmitis 1% • Inflammation 4% • Rare post-marketing reports of vasculitis

Q4W = central retinal thickness, Q4W = every 4 weeks, Q12W = every 12 weeks.
Bevacizumab, n=100 in CATT; ranibizumab, n=100 in ANCHOR/MARINA; aflibercept, n=100 in VIEW1/VIEW2; brolucizumab, n=100 in HAWK/HARRIER.
1. Bevacizumab. *N Engl J Med*. 2012;366(10):1077-1085. 2. Ranibizumab. *N Engl J Med*. 2011;364(12):1120-1130. 3. Aflibercept. *N Engl J Med*. 2013;369(10):1119-1127. 4. Brolucizumab. *N Engl J Med*. 2020;382(10):957-967. 5. Comparison of Age-related Macular Degeneration Treatment Trials (CATT) Research Group. *N Engl J Med*. 2012;366(10):1077-1085.

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Novel & Pipeline Therapeutic Agents & Treatment Delivery Systems for AMD/DME in Early- or Late-stage Development to Offer Extended Duration of Action via Various Mechanisms or Delivery

- Faricimab
- Aflibercept 8 mg
- KSI-301
- OPT-302
- OCS-01
- THR-149
- UBX1325
- Port delivery system (PDS)
- Gene therapy

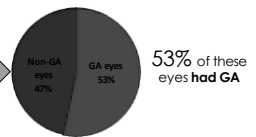
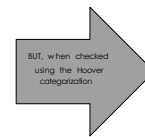


AMD = age-related macular degeneration; DME = diabetic macular edema.

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GA is underdiagnosed

Out of 201 eyes, 75 eyes were coded as **early or intermediate AMD***



Patient coding may not provide adequate information about GA prevalence, which may be due to:

- Inadequate attention paid to coding GA (untreatable at the time)
- **Good visual acuity may lead to an underdiagnosis of GA**

*In a recent, retrospective study of patients (n=201) eyes with AMD referred to a single low vision rehabilitation center, from October 2018 to June 1, 2022, GA was diagnosed for the study using microperimetry with infrared imaging (dense scotoma) and often OCT imaging (complete GA).

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Multimodal imaging of an eye with GA¹

A: Color fundus photography

B: Fundus autofluorescence

C-D: Fluorescein angiography (over course of exam)

E-F: Optical coherence tomography

G: Near-infrared reflectance

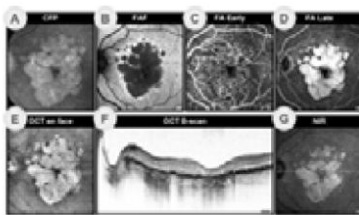


Figure 1 from Fleckenstein M et al. *Ophthalmology*. 2018;125(3):389-392.

1. Fleckenstein M et al. *Ophthalmology*. 2018;125(3):389-392. OCT = optical coherence tomography; FA, fluorescein angiography; FA, fundus autofluorescence; GA, geographic atrophy; NIR, near-infrared reflectance; OCT, optical coherence tomography.

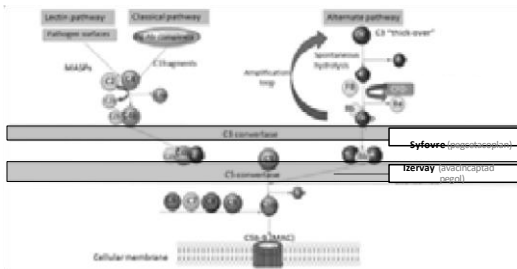
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Geographic Atrophy (GA) Treatment



- Prior to 2023, AREDS2 supplementation was the only recourse for DARM.
- Complement factor H is an important gene in the pathogenesis of ARM.
- Complement over-activation may result in excessive phagocytosis, inflammation, and cell lysis... resulting in retinal cell damage.

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Geographic Atrophy (GA) Treatment

Syfovre (pegcetacoplan)

- FDA: Feb 2023
- MOA: C3 inhibitor
- OAKS & DERBY (n = 1,252) ⁷
- 16-22% reduction in progression
- Rare cases of retinal vasculitis
- GALE – long-term extension study



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Geographic Atrophy (GA) Treatment

IZERVAY (avacincaptad pegol)



- FDA: Aug 2023
- MOA: C5 inhibitor
- GATHER1/2 (n = 734) ⁸
- 14-27% reduction in progression
- No definitive vision effect**

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Geographic Atrophy (GA) Treatment

- Goal of current GA therapy is EARLY intervention.
- Although Syfovre (pegcetacoplan) and IZERVAY (avacincaptad pegol) cannot completely halt the progression of GA, they have both been shown to statistically slow the progression of lesion expansion.
- Not all patients are ideal candidates for these drugs, so it's imperative to refer to a retinal surgeon in a timely fashion to establish clinical baseline.

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Conclusions

- Numerous innovations in eye care
- Consider the impact on your patients and your practice
- Utilize evidence based medicine
- Practice at the highest level of our profession

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