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Retina Society**
Annual Meeting

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Welcome to the 2026 Canadian Retina Society Annual Meeting!

Dear Colleague,

We are delighted to welcome you to Toronto as we reconvene with colleagues and friends to learn from one another and connect at the largest annual gathering of Canadian retina specialists.

As always, this year's CRS meeting features a robust scientific program, including presentations and posters that span the full spectrum of medical and surgical retina. Interactive lectures and panel discussions will be led by an outstanding international faculty of renowned guest speakers from across Canada, the United States, Taiwan, Singapore, Austria, and the United Kingdom.

The program also provides ample opportunities to catch up with colleagues, build new professional relationships, and enjoy the vibrant, cosmopolitan experiences that Toronto has to offer. We encourage you to attend the Satellite Symposia and visit our industry partners' exhibits. Evenings will feature planned social events, culminating in the Gala Reception and Dinner on Saturday night.

We hope your time at the 2026 CRS Annual Meeting is both intellectually rewarding and thoroughly enjoyable.

Your 2026 Scientific Planning Committee,

Varun Chaudhary, MD, FRCSC

President, Canadian Retina Society

Bernard Hurley, MD, FRCSC

Director, Continuing Professional Development

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Co-chair, Continuing Professional Development

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This event is an Accredited Group Learning Activity (Section 1) as defined by the Maintenance of Certification Program of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada and approved by the Canadian Ophthalmological Society (COS). You may claim a maximum of 11 HOURS (credits are automatically calculated). The specific opinions and content of this event are not necessarily those of COS, and are the responsibility of the organizer(s) alone.

Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the learning activity.

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Objectives

At the end of the 2026 CRS Annual Meeting, participants will be able to:

- Review current advances in the medical management of retinal diseases, including emerging pharmacologic therapies and evolving treatment strategies for age-related macular degeneration, diabetic macular edema, and retinal vein occlusion
- Interpret advanced retinal imaging and clinical biomarkers to enhance diagnostic accuracy, disease monitoring, and therapeutic decision-making
- Discuss contemporary surgical techniques and clinical decision-making in vitreoretinal surgery, including management strategies for retinal detachment, macular holes, and complex vitreoretinal conditions
- Evaluate emerging technologies and innovations including artificial intelligence, gene therapy, and novel therapeutic platforms that may influence future clinical retina practice

Target Audience

Retina specialists, fellows, and residents.

Scientific Planning Committee

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Varun Chaudhary, MD, FRCSC

Dr. Chaudhary is Professor of Surgery and Academic Head of Ophthalmology at McMaster University. He serves as city-wide Chief of Ophthalmology at St. Joseph's Healthcare Hamilton and Hamilton Health Sciences. He is the current President for the Canadian Retina Society. He is the Editor-in-Chief for the *Canadian Journal of Ophthalmology* and medical retina Section Editor for *EYE*. He is Chair for the Retina Evidence and Trials INternational Alliance (R.E.T.I.N.A)

Dr Chaudhary is passionate about evidence generation in the field of retina. He has over 150 publications and has secured over \$52 million in research funding as Principal Investigator. Dr.

Chaudhary established and serves as the Principal Investigator for the International Retina Trials Consortium with 50 clinical sites globally. He established and leads the Thomas Kevill Advanced Vitreoretinal Imaging (AVI) Lab at McMaster University. He has delivered over 20 invited key-note lectures globally.

He serves on multiple clinical and medical advisory boards and global steering committees for retina endeavors spanning from basic science research to multi-national clinical trials in the field of retina. He also serves on Data Safety Monitoring Boards for multiple phase 2 and pivotal phase 3 global trials in AMD, DR and gene therapy. He serves as expert member on international guideline development committees.

He has been awarded multiple Education, Achievement and Research Awards including the 2023 NSERC Brockhouse Canada prize for interdisciplinary research in Science and Engineering, Surgeon Scientist Mid-Career Research Award, Faculty of Health Sciences, McMaster University (2024), the Honor and Senior Honor Award by the American Society of Retinal Specialists (ASRS) & the Award for Excellence in Ophthalmic Research by the Canadian Ophthalmological Society.



Bernard Hurley, MD, FRCSC

Dr. Hurley is a Vitreo-Retinal Surgeon and an Assistant Professor in the Department of Ophthalmology at the University of Ottawa Eye Institute, where he also serves as Fellowship Director and Medical Director of the Ophthalmic Medical Technology. He currently serves as Director of Continuing Medical Education for the Canadian Retina Society, Vice-chair of the Ophthalmology examination committee for the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada and Chair of the Ophthalmology exam board for Royal College International. He received the Teacher of the Year award in the Residency Program in 2011, 2013, and 2022, and for the Ophthalmic Medical Technology Program in 2016. Dr. Hurley completed his

postgraduate medical education with a Retina fellowship at the Wills Eye Hospital in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, where he was twice awarded the Outstanding Fellow Award. He has written several chapters and has been the author or co-author of many peer-reviewed publications on topics including diabetic retinopathy and age-related macular degeneration. He has received research support from the E.A. Baker Foundation.



Keyvan Koushan, MD, FRCSC

Dr. Koushan attended the University of Toronto for his undergraduate and medical school education, followed by his ophthalmology residency training at McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario. He subsequently went on to finish a 2-year medical/surgical retina fellowship at the University of Florida, Jacksonville. He currently holds the position of Co-chair of the Scientific Planning Committee for the Canadian Retina Society. He is actively involved in teaching medical students and residents and is also an investigator in multiple clinical trials on diabetic retinopathy and macular degeneration. He is the creator and host of the Retina Channel podcast, which is a venue for discussing new publications

in retina. Dr. Koushan has presented at many scientific meetings and has published over a dozen peer-reviewed journal articles or book chapters. He is currently involved in multiple research projects and is the Principal Investigator for the DRCR network at TRI. He has been involved in multiple volunteer organizations, including Foundation Fighting Blindness, Vision Walk, and the CNIB.

International Guest Speakers



Audina Berrocal, MD, FASRS

PROFESSOR OF CLINICAL OPHTHALMOLOGY
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Dr. Berrocal completed her medical degree and ophthalmology residency at Tufts University School of Medicine, Boston, and she received vitreoretinal surgery and uveitis training at the Bascom Palmer Eye Institute, University of Miami Miller School of Medicine, Miami. She has since remained on the faculty at Bascom Palmer, where she is a Professor of Clinical Ophthalmology and the Johnstone Horvitz Endowed Chair. She also serves as Director of the Pediatric Retina Service at Bascom Palmer Eye Institute and Jackson Memorial Hospital, as well as Vitreoretinal Fellowship Director. Dr. Berrocal is internationally recognized for her approach to pediatric retinal diseases. She has conducted extensive basic and clinical research studies in retinopathy of prematurity (ROP) and has co-authored more than 300 peer-reviewed papers on the subject. In recognition of her work in ROP, Dr. Berrocal received the Bernadotte Foundation Award. Dr. Berrocal is an active member of the Retina Society, the Macula Society, and Club Jules Gonin, and she holds leadership positions in many of these organizations, including the American Academy of Ophthalmology and the American Society of Retina Specialists, where she serves on the Executive Committee and Council Leadership. She is also one of the founding members of the Vit-Buckle Society. She is the recipient of the ASRS Crystal Apple Award for her dedication to surgical teaching and the Bernice Z. Brown Lecture Award from the Women in Ophthalmology for her commitment to advancing women in the field.



Hung-Da (Honda) Chou, MD

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Dr. Chou completed his Vitreoretinal Fellowship in Taiwan, his Ocular Oncology Clinical Fellowship at Moorfields Eye Hospital and Royal Liverpool University Hospital, UK, and his Research Fellowship at the Liverpool Ocular Oncology Research Group. He is the first ocular oncologist in Taiwan to have hands-on surgical training in plaque brachytherapy, intraocular tumour biopsy, and proton marker implantation surgery. He is currently establishing the first Ocular Oncology Center in Taiwan. Dr. Chou is a EURETINA mentorship alumnus (Mentor: Prof Jens Kiilgaard, Denmark) and received the Silver Award and the Best Self-Initiated Project Award in the Asia-Pacific Vitreo-retina Society Leadership Development Program. He is the founding member of the Young Ophthalmologist Committee in the Taiwan Ophthalmological Society and actively participates in YOC activities in the Asia-Pacific region. Dr. Chou's clinical and academic interests include ocular oncology and macular surgeries. He has published as the first or senior author in journals such as the *British Journal of Ophthalmology*, *American Journal of Ophthalmology*, *Ophthalmology Retina*, *Clinical and Experimental Ophthalmology*, and *Eye*. Dr. Chou is pursuing a PhD in Biomedical Science at the National Central University, Taiwan.



Adrian Koh Hock Chuan, MD, MBBS (Singapore)

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Dr. Koh completed Fellowships in Medical Retina at Moorfields Eye Hospital, London, and the Jules Stein Eye Institute, Los Angeles. He is Past-President of the Singapore Society of Ophthalmology, member of the Executive Council of the College of Ophthalmologists, Executive Director of ESASO Asia, and Congress President of the 2010 5th APVRS. Dr. Koh is also an active member of the Macula Society and Club Jules Gonin. His areas of expertise include degenerative macular disease such as polypoidal choroidal vasculopathy, choroidal neovascularization, retinal dystrophy, visual electrophysiology, and retinal vascular disease. Dr. Koh is the Principal Investigator of the EVEREST trial and Chairman of the PCV Roundtable of Experts, and he sits on several international advisory boards and steering committees.

International Guest Speakers



John Kitchens, MD, FASRS

OPHTHALMOLOGIST AND VITREORETINAL SURGEON
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Dr. Kitchens completed his medical degree at the Indiana University School of Medicine, Indianapolis, his ophthalmology residency at the University of Iowa Hospital, Iowa City, and his vitreoretinal fellowship at Bascom Palmer Eye, Miami, where he was named Chief Resident. Dr. Kitchens specializes in vitreoretinal diseases and his main clinical interests are new treatments for age-related macular degeneration, diabetes and vascular disease, on which he has presented nationally and internationally. Dr. Kitchens has developed several innovative surgical techniques and has been awarded the American Society of Retina Specialists Rhett Buckler Award on 3 different occasions. He is a National Board Examiner and is listed on the OSN Retina Top 150 Innovators in Medical Surgical Retina. He is repeatedly named on the America's Top Ophthalmologists and Best Doctors in America lists, and he is featured on the Discovery Channel's Mystery Diagnosis.



Professor Ursula Schmidt-Erfurth, MD

PROFESSOR OF OPHTHALMOLOGY
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Dr. Schmidt-Erfurth founded the Vienna Reading Center and the Ophthalmic Image Analysis group (OPTIMA), an interdisciplinary team of computer scientists and retina experts. Her clinical expertise includes surgical and medical retina. Her scientific research focuses on innovative techniques in retinal imaging with a focus on artificial intelligence and the translational introduction of novel diagnostic and therapeutic strategies in retinal disease. She holds several patents for the development of novel imaging analysis methods and has published more than 600 scientific peer-reviewed papers. She is a full member of the Austrian Academy of Sciences, the ethics board of the Federation of European Academies of Medicine (FEAM), the Macula Society, the Retina Society, ASRS, and the Club Jules Gonin et al.



Professor David Steel, MBBS, FRCOphth, MD(Res)

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Dr. Steel is a consultant retinal specialist at Sunderland Eye Infirmary, Sunderland, UK, and Honorary Professor of Retinal Surgery at Newcastle University, Honorary Professor of Ophthalmology at the University of Sunderland and visiting Professor of Ophthalmology at the University of Liverpool. He has published more than 400 peer-reviewed publications with more than 15 000 citations and supervised more than 70 trainees in a range of projects and degrees. Dr. Steel was named as the UK National Institute for Health Research and Royal College of Ophthalmologists Researcher of the Year award in 2018. He is a Past-President of the British and Eire Association of Vitreoretinal Surgeons, an elected Executive Board member of the Club Jules Gonin, and sits on the EURETINA VR and Research boards. He has taken part as a chief or Principal Investigator in more than 50 clinical trials on all aspects of retinal disease and compiled more than 20 systematic reviews. He recently chaired the Royal College of Ophthalmologists full thickness macular holes guidelines, in collaboration with the American Society of Retina Specialists, Canadian Retina Society, and EURETINA.

Participants

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Agenda

Friday, April 17, 2026

PLENARY SESSION #1 – SURGERY I

Cinema – first floor

Moderators: Keyvan Koushan, MD; Bernard Hurley, MD

3:30 PM	Welcome and Opening Remarks <i>Co-chairs: Bernard Hurley, MD; Keyvan Koushan, MD</i>
3:40 – 4:35 PM	East vs West Fellows Surgical Video Session 2026 <i>Moderators: Amin Kherani, MD; David Wong, MD</i>
4:40 – 4:50 PM	Pearls in Pediatric Surgical Retina <i>Audina Berrocal, MD</i>
4:52 – 5:02 PM	Power of Vitrectomy Cutter Biopsy <i>Hung-Da Chou, MD</i>
5:02 – 5:12 PM	Myopic Traction Maculopathy Surgery: A Beginner's Guide <i>Hung-Da Chou, MD</i>
5:12 – 5:30 PM	Q&A
6:00 PM	Welcome Reception – New Fort Hall

Saturday, April 18, 2026

7:00 AM Breakfast – Princes’ Gate Pre-function Area / Princes’ Gate Ballroom

PLENARY SESSION #2 – ANTI-VEGF

Cinema – first floor

Moderators: Jason Noble, MD; James Whelan, MD

8:30 – 8:35 AM	Welcome and Review of Agenda <i>Bernard Hurley, MD; Keyvan Koushan, MD</i>
8:35 – 8:45 AM	Potential for Q20 Week Dosing with Faricimab and Extended Treatment Outcomes in Age-related Macular Degeneration: A Post Hoc Analysis of the TENAYA/LUCERNE Trials <i>Adrian Koh Hock Chuan, MD, MBBS</i>
8:47 – 8:55 AM	SPECTRUM: First Canadian Real-world Outcomes with Aflibercept 8 mg in Previously Treated Diabetic Macular Edema <i>Keyvan Koushan, MD</i>
8:57 – 9:05 AM	Long-term Canadian Real-world Experience with Faricimab in Patients with Neovascular Age-related Macular Degeneration and Diabetic Macular Edema <i>Parth Shah, MD</i>
9:06 – 9:11 AM	Introduction to Mila Oh Memorial Talk <i>John Chen, MD</i>
9:13 – 9:23 AM	Mila Oh Memorial Talk: Battle of the Next Generation Therapies <i>John Kitchens, MD</i>
9:24 – 9:32 AM	Aflibercept 8 mg in Retinal Vein Occlusion: Final Results from the QUASAR Study <i>Varun Chaudhary, MD</i>
9:33 – 9:41 AM	SPECTRUM: First Canadian Real-world Outcomes with Aflibercept 8 mg in Previously Treated Neovascular Age-related Macular Degeneration <i>Raman Tuli, MD</i>
9:42 – 9:52 AM	Current Management of Polypoidal Choroidal Vasculopathy in 2026 <i>Adrian Koh Hock Chuan, MD, MBBS</i>
9:52 – 10:05 AM	Q&A
10:15 – 11:00 AM	Please see page 24
11:00 – 11:25 AM	Break – Poster Session – Princes’ Gate Pre-function Area POSTER SESSION – Library Collection Lounge

Saturday, April 18, 2026

PLENARY SESSION #3 – SURGERY II

Cinema – first floor

Moderators: Varun Chaudhary, MD; Wai-Ching Lam, MD

11:30 – 11:40 AM	Lamellar Macular Holes - What's Going On and What Should We Do? <i>David Steel, MBBS, MD(Res)</i>
11:42 – 11:50 AM	Is 20/20 Vision Good Enough? Outcomes of Complete Pars Plana Vitrectomy During IOL Exchange for Lens Opacification in Patients with Preserved Visual Acuity <i>Robert Gizicki, MD</i>
11:52 AM – 12:00 PM	Suprachoroidal Viscopexy for Rhegmatogenous Retinal Detachment: Two-year Safety and Efficacy Outcomes <i>Aurora Pecaku, MD</i>
12:00 – 12:10 PM	Q&A
12:12 – 12:20 PM	Pneumatic Retinopexy as a Temporizing Treatment Strategy for Retinal Detachment: A Population-based Cohort Study <i>Gareth Mercer, MD, PhD</i>
12:22 – 12:30 PM	Vitrectomy After Successful Pneumatic Retinopexy for Rhegmatogenous Retinal Detachment <i>Robert Gizicki, MD</i>
12:32 – 12:42 PM	Tamponade Choice with Vitrectomy for Rhegmatogenous Retinal Detachment; Does It Make a Difference? <i>David Steel, MBBS, MD(Res)</i>
12:42 – 12:50 PM	Q&A
12:50 – 1:35 PM	LUNCH – Princes' Gate Pre-function Area / Princes' Gate Ballroom POSTER SESSION – Library Collection Lounge
1:35 – 2:15 PM	Please see page 24

Saturday, April 18, 2026

PLENARY SESSION #4 – POTPOURRI

Cinema – first floor

Moderators: Geoff Williams, MD; Shaheer Aboobaker, MD

2:25 – 2:35 PM	What in the World is Going on in the United States? <i>John Kitchens, MD</i>
2:37 – 2:45 PM	In Vivo Assessment of Peripheral Vitreous Traction with Ultra-widefield Swept-source OCT in Rhegmatogenous Retinal Detachment <i>Isabela Martins Melo, MD</i>
2:47 – 2:57 PM	Let's Talk About Stickler Syndrome <i>Audina Berrocal, MD</i>
2:57 – 3:07 PM	Q&A
3:09 – 3:19 PM	FEVR is Hot! <i>Audina Berrocal, MD</i>
3:21 – 3:29 PM	Comparative Outcomes of Secondary Intraocular Lens Fixation Techniques <i>Kirill Zaslavsky, MD</i>
3:31 – 3:39 PM	Comparison of Clinical Outcomes of Sutureless Flanged Intrasccleral (Yamane) and Four-point Gore-Tex Suture Techniques for Intraocular Lens Fixation <i>Robert Gizicki, MD</i>
3:39 – 3:45 PM	Q&A
3:50 – 4:35 PM	Please see page 25
4:35 – 5:00 PM	BREAK – Princes' Gate Pre-function Area / Princes' Gate Ballroom POSTER SESSION – Library Collection Lounge
5:00 – 5:45 PM	CRS Annual General Meeting
6:30 PM	RECEPTION – Princes' Gate Pre-function Area GALA – Princes' Gate Ballroom

Sunday, April 19, 2026

7:00 AM Breakfast – Princes’ Gate Pre-function Area / Princes’ Gate Ballroom

PLENARY SESSION #5 AGE-RELATED MACULAR DEGENERATION

Cinema – first floor

Moderators: Amin Kherani, MD; David Maberley, MD

8:35 – 8:45 AM How to Assess Functional Loss and Progression in Geographic Atrophy
Ursula Schmidt-Erfurth, MD

8:47 – 8:55 AM One Year Results of a Phase 2 Pharmacodynamic Study: Subretinal Delivery of Investigational Gene Therapy Sura-vec (ABBV-RGX-314) for Neovascular Age-related Macular Degeneration
Robert Gizicki, MD

8:57 – 9:05 AM Reduction in Subretinal Hyperreflective Material Volume with Faricimab vs Aflibercept 2 mg in Treatment-naïve Neovascular Age-related Macular Degeneration: A TENAYA/LUCERNE Post Hoc Analysis
Nirojini Sivachandran, MD, PhD

9:05 – 9:10 AM Q&A

9:10 – 9:20 AM How do You Diagnose Polypoidal Choroidal Vasculopathy without Indocyanine Green Angiography?
Adrian Koh Hock Chuan, MD, MBBS

9:22 – 9:30 AM Avacincaptad Pegol for Geographic Atrophy: 3.5-Year Results from the GATHER2 Open-label Extension Trial
Varun Chaudhary, MD

9:32 – 9:42 AM Age-related Macular Degeneration as a Complex Disease Between Atrophy and Neovascularization
Ursula Schmidt-Erfurth, MD

9:42 – 10:00 AM Q&A

10:00 – 10:30 AM BREAK – Princes’ Gate Pre-function Area / Princes’ Gate Ballroom
POSTER SESSION – Library Collection Lounge

Sunday, April 19, 2026

PLENARY SESSION #6 – ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

Cinema – first floor

Moderators: Varun Chaudhary, MD; Peter Kertes, MD

10:32 – 10:42 AM	Practical Ways to Use Existing AI in Clinic <i>John Kitchens, MD</i>
10:44 – 10:52 AM	Baseline Peripheral Vascular Leakage is Linked to Treatment Response in Patients with Central Retinal Vein Occlusion: A Pilot Study <i>Alan Cruess, MD</i>
10:54 – 11:02 AM	Subretinal Delivery of Investigational Sura-vec (ABBV-RGX-314) as a Gene Therapy <i>Shaheer Aboobaker, MD</i>
11:04 – 11:14 AM	AI as a Management Tool for Neovascular Age-related Macular Degeneration <i>Ursula Schmidt-Erfurth, MD</i>
11:14 – 11:20 AM	Q&A

PLENARY SESSION #7 – SURGERY III

Cinema – first floor

Moderators: Keyvan Koushan, MD; Bernard Hurley, MD

11:25 – 11:35 AM	How Should We Treat Refractory Macular Holes? <i>David Steel, MBBS, MD(Res)</i>
11:37 – 11:44 AM	Predictors of Primary Anatomic Reattachment with Pneumatic Retinopexy for Rhegmatogenous Retinal Detachment <i>Aurora Pecaku, MD</i>
11:46 – 11:54 AM	Outer Retinal Corrugations Indicate Retinal Break Status in Rhegmatogenous Retinal Detachment <i>Jeffrey Mah, MD</i>
11:56 AM – 12:06 PM	Double the Adjuncts, Double the Confidence in Macular Surgery <i>Hung-Da Chou, MD</i>
12:06 – 12:20 PM	Q&A
12:20 PM	Concluding Remarks <i>Bernard Hurley, MD; Keyvan Koushan, MD</i>
12:30 PM	GRAB & GO LUNCH (LOCATED OUTSIDE CINEMA)

Satellite Symposia

Unaccredited

Astellas

Saturday April 18 – 10:15-11:00 AM – Coronation Park

Title:

Advancing Biomarkers in GA

Faculty:

Varun Chaudhary, MD, FRCSC (*Chair*)
John Kitchens, MD, FASRS
Ursula Schmidt-Erfurth, MD
Wai-Ching Lam, MD, FRCSC

Objectives:

- Understand the role of latest imaging biomarkers in GA
- Integrate biomarkers to clinical-decision making
- Access real-world applications and limitations of current biomarkers

Overview:

The Advancing Biomarkers in Geographic Atrophy (GA) symposium brings together leading clinicians and imaging experts to explore the rapidly evolving landscape of GA. This focused 45-minute session examines how structural and functional biomarkers are reshaping early detection, disease monitoring, and therapeutic decision-making for patients with GA. Participants will gain insights into imaging modalities; learn how biomarkers correlate with real-world functional outcomes; and understand emerging evidence around complement pathway activity and treatment response indicators. Through expert presentations and interactive discussion, the symposium aims to equip clinicians with practical, clinically actionable strategies to integrate biomarker-driven approaches into everyday GA care, enhancing prediction and patient experience.

Roche

Saturday April 18 – 1:35-2:15 PM – Coronation Park

Title:

RETIFY: 2026 Playlist

Faculty:

Keyvan Koushan, MD, FRCSC
(*Moderator*)
Adrian Koh Hock Chuan, MD, MBBS
(*Singapore*)
John Kitchens, MD, FASRS
Marko Popovic, MD, FRCSC

Objectives:

- Review the APVRS consensus guidelines of PCV with a focus on disease entity, diagnosis, and treatment
- Highlight the impact of continuous drug delivery on treatment experience and identify the ideal candidates for these platforms
- To evaluate novel artificial intelligence technologies and their application to ophthalmology

Bayer

Saturday April 18 – 3:50-4:35 PM – Coronation Park

Title:

**Confidence Through Experience:
Clinical Pearls to Inform Real-World
Treatment Decisions**

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Objectives:

- Translate key clinical trial and RWE data into practical strategies to reduce treatment burden in retinal disease
- Define evidence-based approaches for initiating and switching patients, including interval selection and extension in routine practice
- Apply case-based clinical pearls to manage challenging real-world scenarios in the Canadian treatment landscape

Overview:

In this session, attendees will gain practical insight into management of retinal diseases based on latest real-world evidence with anti-VEGF therapies. Patient case studies from across Canada and the US will be presented to explore the clinical pearls with the audience.

Posters

Learnings from Posters may be claimed under Section 2: Individual Learning, as education content review (reading). You may claim 0.5 credits per hour.

Poster Sessions

Efficacy and Safety of Pars Plana Vitrectomy for Primary Symptomatic Vitreous Floaters: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis

Ahmad, A; Kailani, Z; Bakar Butt, A; Tao, BK; Pandya, BU; Pereira, A; Tang, T; Popovic, M; Arjmand, P; Yan, P; Kherani, A; Kertes, P.

Pregnancy-Associated Bilateral Central Retinal Vein Occlusion and Diabetic Retinopathy: A Trimester-Sensitive Approach

Ahmad, A; Ji, P; Sivachandran, N.

Real-Time Closed-Loop Simulator for Cortical Visual Prosthetics Using Neural-State Modulation

Mouawad, A; Chen, J.

Prognostic Value of Widefield Fluorescein Angiography for Systemic Immunomodulatory Therapy Initiation and Visual Acuity Outcomes in Patients with Non-Infectious Uveitis

Pereira, A; Kherani, I; Tang, T; Al-Ghafri, M; Felfeli, T; Christakis, P; Kaplan, AJ; Derzko-Dzulynsky, L; Yan, P; Bakshi, NK.

High-Accuracy Automated Detection of Outer Retinal Tubulations on OCT Using a Deep Learning Model

Zhang, E-R; Mouawad, A; Al-Khuzaei, S; Deud, B; Ayalon, A; Chen J.

Incidence of Delayed Retinal Tears and Retinal Detachments in Initial Uncomplicated Cases of Posterior Vitreous Detachments

Lau, A; Zhang, E-R; Chaker, A; Zwaig, J; Chow, D; Chen J.

Short-Term Outcomes of Switching to Faricimab in nAMD and DME Patients with Suboptimal Responses to Aflibercept

Zhang, E-R; Ayalon, A; Al Ghafri, M; Kapusta, M; Lederer, DE; Galic, IJ; Chen, J.

Ellipsoid Zone Loss as a Retinal Complication after Chimeric Antigen Receptor T-Cell Therapy: A Case Report

Zhang, E-R; Lederer, DE.

Increasing Subretinal Fluid over a Stable Choroidal Nevus Unmasking an Overlying Retinal Tear – A Diagnostic Pitfall: A Case Report

Daud, F; Pandya, BU; Tang, T; Krema, H; Altomare, F; Yan, P.

Visually Predictive Biomarkers on OCTA Following Anti-VEGF Treatment of Retinal Vein Occlusion - A Systematic Review

King, S; Daud, F; Kowal, S; Lai, A; Loewen, D; Weng, N; Qiu, W; Nanji, K; Wahab, C; Yan, P.

Intraoperative Intraocular Pressure Management During Vitreoretinal Surgery: A Survey of Canadian Vitreoretinal Surgeons

Ling, JYM; Cai, C; Mammo, Z; Lam, W-C.

Defining Intraocular Safety Limits for Povidone-Iodine Irrigation: A Concentration- and Time-Dependent Study in Rats

Huo, L; Cioana, M; Ware, M; Shoichet, M; Yan, P.

Age-Related Choroidal Atrophy (ARCA): A Systematic Review of Multimodal Imaging, Clinical Features, and Differentiation from AMD and GA

Lai, A; Pereira, A; Issa, M; Al Ghafri, M; Dollin, M; Hurley, B; Chhablani, J; Yan, P.

Macular and Retinal Manifestations Following COVID-19 Vaccinations: A 2025 Update Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis

Ji, PX; Krishnan, AR; Famiyeh, I-M; Ahmad, A; Sivachandran, N.

Carbon Footprint of Pars Plana Vitrectomy, Pneumatic Retinopexy and Scleral Buckle for Rhegmatogenous Retinal Detachment Repair

Moorjani, R; Loh, GK; Tennant, MTS; Kertes, PJ; Grewal, PS.

Comparative Analysis of Subretinal Fluid Characteristics in Regulated and Dysregulated Rhegmatogenous Retinal Detachment

Sabour, S; Pecaku, A; Martins Melo, I; Karla, R; Muni, RH.

High-Resolution Visualization of Posterior Vitreous Using Swept-Source OCT and Custom Software Enhancement

Sabour, S; Pecaku, A; Martins Melo, I; Muni, RH; Wong, DT.

Selective Therapeutic Response to Faricimab in a Coats' Disease Variant with Cystoid Macular Edema

Rotholz, T; Kim, GE; Ji, PX; Sivachandran, N.

Non-Surgical Treatment of Full Thickness Macular Holes: A Systematic Review

Miller, T; Kamali Zonouzi, S; Arjmand, P.

Unexplained Vision Loss Following Silicone Oil Removal: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis

Yu, P; Mofid, K; Naveed, F; Huo, L; Tao, BK; Pereira, A; Tang, T; Lam, W-C; Mandelcorn, ED; Wong, DT; Yan, P.

Case Report: A Different Kind of Oil Removal

Kherani, A.

Prospective Evaluation of Choroidal Compartments and Vascularity Index in Rhegmatogenous Retinal Detachment Using Swept-Source OCT

Pecaku, A; Martins Melo, I; Samet, S; Sabour, S; Zaman, M; Kirk, C; Mohammed, AR; Chhablani, J; Muni, RH.

Rare, and New, Causes of Tapetal-like Retinal Sheen

Ballios, BG; Kodida, R; Zhai, Y.

Early Canadian Faricimab Experience in Patients with Neovascular Age-related Macular Degeneration or Diabetic Macular Edema Previously Treated with Bevacizumab Only

Gizicki, R; Tuli, R; Sivachandran, N; Aboobaker, S; Ta Kim, D; Koushan, K; Levasseur, SD; McLaughlin, A; Wittenberg, L; Lee, T; Abbas, K; Baker, J; Aboukarr, A; Alexander, J; Park, JG.

SPECTRUM: First Canadian RealWorld Outcomes with Aflibercept 8 mg in Previously Treated Neovascular Age-related Macular Degeneration

Tuli R; Chaudhary, V; Mok, A; Soliman, K; on behalf of the SPECTRUM study investigators.

Anatomical Success and Visual Improvement After Macular Hole Repair Procedures: A Retrospective Analysis from a Canadian Ambulatory Surgery Center

Naveed, F; Rotholz, T; Khannejad, S; Hashemi, E; Kunde, H; Hwang, K; Aksoy, U; Mohammed, AR; Aboobaker, S.

Study Design and Rationale of the FARTHER Study: A Single-arm, Open-label, Multicenter Study Investigating the Switch to Faricimab in Responsive Aflibercept nAMD Patients

Chaudhary, V; Kertes, P; Baker J.

Modified Technique for Intrasccleral Haptic Fixation of Posterior Intraocular Lenses

Zarza, V; Williams, G; Olson, K; Azarcon, C; Kherani, S.

Anesthetic Practices in Vitreoretinal Surgery: A Study on Retrobulbar Anesthesia and Monitored Anesthesia Care

Ayalon, A; Zhang, E-R; Wasser, LV; La Mantia, A; Deud, B; Kapusta, MAA.

Comparing NEI-VFQ-25 Scores Administered in Clinic and Online in Individuals with Vision Impairment

Thomas, A; Thangavadivelu, L; Moniz, L; Mikhail, D; Tuli, R; Wong, DT; Qian, C; Sivachandran, N.

ARCHER II, a Phase 3 Randomized Clinical Trial of Vonaprument (ANX007) in Patients with Dry AMD and GA: Study Design and Rationale Informed by Outcomes From ARCHER

Tuli, R; Borland, S; Taylor, L; Clark, L; Desai, R; Thompson, X.

Social Events

Social Events

Welcome Reception

Friday April 17, beginning at 6:00 PM

Greet friends and colleagues at the Welcome Reception!

Location: New Fort Hall

**Please note that dress is business casual*

Gala Reception and Dinner

Saturday, April 18, beginning at 6:30 PM

Location: Princes' Gates Ballroom & Pre Function Area

**Please note that dress is semi-formal*

Evaluation

Evaluation of Presentations

Plenary Session 1 – SURGERY

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Please rate the Surgical Video Presentations on an individual basis

Presentation: East vs West Fellows Surgical Video Session 2026

Moderators: Amin Kherani, MD, David Wong, MD

Poor

Fair

Good

Very Good

Excellent

Comments: _____

Did the video session meet the outlined learning objectives? Yes No

Was the video session free of commercial bias? Yes No

Did the presenter provide a disclosure statement? Yes No

Please rate the following presentations on an individual basis

Presentation: Pearls in Pediatric Surgical Retina

Presenter: Audina Berrocal, MD

Poor

Fair

Good

Very Good

Excellent

Comments: _____

Did the presentation meet the outlined learning objectives? Yes No

Was the presentation free of commercial bias? Yes No

Did the presenter provide a disclosure statement? Yes No

Presentation: Power of Vitrectomy Cutter Biopsy

Presenter: Hung-Da Chou, MD

Poor

Fair

Good

Very Good

Excellent

Comments: _____

Did the presentation meet the outlined learning objectives? Yes No

Was the presentation free of commercial bias? Yes No

Did the presenter provide a disclosure statement? Yes No

Evaluation of Presentations

Presentation: Myopic Traction Maculopathy Surgery: A Beginner's Guide

Presenter: Hung-Da Chou, MD

Poor

Fair

Good

Very Good

Excellent

Comments: _____

Did the presentation meet the outlined learning objectives? Yes No

Was the presentation free of commercial bias? Yes No

Did the presenter provide a disclosure statement? Yes No

Please rate the moderators for this session:

Poor

Fair

Good

Very Good

Excellent

Comments: _____

Please identify how the information provided in this session will impact your practice.

Plenary Session 2 – ANTI-VEGF

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Please rate the following presentations on an individual basis

Presentation: Potential for Q20 Week Dosing with Faricimab and Extended Treatment Outcomes in Age-related Macular Degeneration: A Post Hoc Analysis of the TENAYA/LUCERNE Trials

Presenter: Adrian Koh Hock Chuan, MD, MBBS

Poor

Fair

Good

Very Good

Excellent

Comments: _____

Did the presentation meet the outlined learning objectives? Yes No

Was the presentation free of commercial bias? Yes No

Did the presenter provide a disclosure statement? Yes No

Evaluation of Presentations

Presentation: SPECTRUM: First Canadian Real-world Outcomes with Aflibercept 8 mg in Previously Treated Diabetic Macular Edema

Presenter: Keyvan Koushan, MD

Poor

Fair

Good

Very Good

Excellent

Comments: _____

Did the presentation meet the outlined learning objectives? Yes No

Was the presentation free of commercial bias? Yes No

Did the presenter provide a disclosure statement? Yes No

Presentation: Long-term Canadian Real-world Experience with Faricimab in Patients with Neovascular Age-related Macular Degeneration and Diabetic Macular Edema

Presenter: Parth Shah, MD

Poor

Fair

Good

Very Good

Excellent

Comments: _____

Did the presentation meet the outlined learning objectives? Yes No

Was the presentation free of commercial bias? Yes No

Did the presenter provide a disclosure statement? Yes No

Presentation: Mila Oh Memorial Talk – Battle of the Next Generation Therapies

Presenter: John Kitchens, MD

Poor

Fair

Good

Very Good

Excellent

Comments: _____

Did the presentation meet the outlined learning objectives? Yes No

Was the presentation free of commercial bias? Yes No

Did the presenter provide a disclosure statement? Yes No

Presentation: Aflibercept 8 mg in Retinal Vein Occlusion: Final Results from the QUASAR Study

Presenter: Varun Chaudhary, MD

Poor

Fair

Good

Very Good

Excellent

Comments: _____

Did the presentation meet the outlined learning objectives? Yes No

Was the presentation free of commercial bias? Yes No

Did the presenter provide a disclosure statement? Yes No

Evaluation of Presentations

Presentation: SPECTRUM: First Canadian Real-world Outcomes with Aflibercept 8 mg in Previously Treated Neovascular Age-related Macular Degeneration

Presenter: Raman Tuli, MD

Poor

Fair

Good

Very Good

Excellent

Comments: _____

- Did the presentation meet the outlined learning objectives? Yes No
- Was the presentation free of commercial bias? Yes No
- Did the presenter provide a disclosure statement? Yes No

Presentation: Current Management of Polypoidal Choroidal Vasculopathy in 2026

Presenter: Adrian Koh Hock Chuan, MD, MBBS

Poor

Fair

Good

Very Good

Excellent

Comments: _____

- Did the presentation meet the outlined learning objectives? Yes No
- Was the presentation free of commercial bias? Yes No
- Did the presenter provide a disclosure statement? Yes No

Please rate the moderators for this session:

Poor

Fair

Good

Very Good

Excellent

Comments: _____

Please identify how the information provided in this session will impact your practice.

Evaluation of Presentations

Plenary Session 3 – SURGERY II

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Please rate the following presentations on an individual basis

Presentation: Lamellar Macular Holes - What's Going On and What Should We Do?

Presenter: David Steel, MBBS, MD(Res)

Poor

Fair

Good

Very Good

Excellent

Comments: _____

Did the presentation meet the outlined learning objectives? Yes No
 Was the presentation free of commercial bias? Yes No
 Did the presenter provide a disclosure statement? Yes No

Presentation: Is 20/20 Vision Good Enough? Outcomes of Complete Pars Plana Vitrectomy During IOL Exchange for Lens Opacification in Patients with Preserved Visual Acuity

Presenter: Robert Gizicki, MD

Poor

Fair

Good

Very Good

Excellent

Comments: _____

Did the presentation meet the outlined learning objectives? Yes No
 Was the presentation free of commercial bias? Yes No
 Did the presenter provide a disclosure statement? Yes No

Presentation: Suprachoroidal Viscopexy for Rhegmatogenous Retinal Detachment: Two-year Safety and Efficacy Outcomes

Presenter: Aurora Pecaku, MD

Poor

Fair

Good

Very Good

Excellent

Comments: _____

Did the presentation meet the outlined learning objectives? Yes No
 Was the presentation free of commercial bias? Yes No
 Did the presenter provide a disclosure statement? Yes No

Evaluation of Presentations

Presentation: Pneumatic Retinopexy as a Temporizing Treatment Strategy for Retinal Detachment: A Population-based Cohort Study

Presenter: Gareth Mercer, MD, PhD

Poor

Fair

Good

Very Good

Excellent

Comments: _____

- Did the presentation meet the outlined learning objectives? Yes No
- Was the presentation free of commercial bias? Yes No
- Did the presenter provide a disclosure statement? Yes No

Presentation: Vitrectomy After Successful Pneumatic Retinopexy for Rhegmatogenous Retinal Detachment

Presenter: Robert Gizicki, MD

Poor

Fair

Good

Very Good

Excellent

Comments: _____

- Did the presentation meet the outlined learning objectives? Yes No
- Was the presentation free of commercial bias? Yes No
- Did the presenter provide a disclosure statement? Yes No

Presentation: Tamponade Choice with Vitrectomy for Rhegmatogenous Retinal Detachment: Does It Make a Difference?

Presenter: David Steel, MBBS, MD(Res)

Poor

Fair

Good

Very Good

Excellent

Comments: _____

- Did the presentation meet the outlined learning objectives? Yes No
- Was the presentation free of commercial bias? Yes No
- Did the presenter provide a disclosure statement? Yes No

Please rate the moderators for this session:

Poor

Fair

Good

Very Good

Excellent

Comments: _____

Please identify how the information provided in this session will impact your practice.

Evaluation of Presentations

Plenary Session 4 – POTPOURRI

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Please rate the following presentations on an individual basis

Presentation: What in the World is Going On in the United States?

Presenter: John Kitchens, MD

Poor

Fair

Good

Very Good

Excellent

Comments: _____

Did the presentation meet the outlined learning objectives? Yes No

Was the presentation free of commercial bias? Yes No

Did the presenter provide a disclosure statement? Yes No

Presentation: In Vivo Assessment of Peripheral Vitreous Traction with Ultra-widefield Swept-source OCT in Rhegmatogenous Retinal Detachment

Presenter: Isabela Martins Melo, MD

Poor

Fair

Good

Very Good

Excellent

Comments: _____

Did the presentation meet the outlined learning objectives? Yes No

Was the presentation free of commercial bias? Yes No

Did the presenter provide a disclosure statement? Yes No

Presentation: Let's Talk About Stickler Syndrome

Presenter: Audina Berrocal, MD

Poor

Fair

Good

Very Good

Excellent

Comments: _____

Did the presentation meet the outlined learning objectives? Yes No

Was the presentation free of commercial bias? Yes No

Did the presenter provide a disclosure statement? Yes No

Evaluation of Presentations

Presentation: FEVR is Hot!

Presenter: Audina Berrocal, MD

Poor

Fair

Good

Very Good

Excellent

Comments: _____

Did the presentation meet the outlined learning objectives? Yes No

Was the presentation free of commercial bias? Yes No

Did the presenter provide a disclosure statement? Yes No

Presentation: Comparative Outcomes of Secondary Intraocular Lens Fixation Techniques

Presenter: Kirill Zaslavsky, MD

Poor

Fair

Good

Very Good

Excellent

Comments: _____

Did the presentation meet the outlined learning objectives? Yes No

Was the presentation free of commercial bias? Yes No

Did the presenter provide a disclosure statement? Yes No

Presentation: Comparison of Clinical Outcomes of Sutureless Flanged Intracapsular (Yamane) and Four-point Gore-Tex Suture Techniques for Intraocular Lens Fixation

Presenter: Robert Gizicki, MD

Poor

Fair

Good

Very Good

Excellent

Comments: _____

Did the presentation meet the outlined learning objectives? Yes No

Was the presentation free of commercial bias? Yes No

Did the presenter provide a disclosure statement? Yes No

Please rate the moderators for this session:

Poor

Fair

Good

Very Good

Excellent

Comments: _____

Please identify how the information provided in this session will impact your practice.

Evaluation of Presentations

Plenary Session 5 – AGE-RELATED MACULAR DEGENERATION

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Please rate the following presentations on an individual basis

Presentation: How to Assess Functional Loss and Progression in Geographic Atrophy

Presenter: Ursula Schmidt-Erfurth, MD



Poor



Fair



Good



Very Good



Excellent

Comments: _____

Did the presentation meet the outlined learning objectives?

 Yes

 No

Was the presentation free of commercial bias?

 Yes

 No

Did the presenter provide a disclosure statement?

 Yes

 No

Presentation: One Year Results of a Phase 2 Pharmacodynamic Study: Subretinal Delivery of Investigational Gene Therapy Sura-vec (ABBV-RGX-314) for Neovascular Age-related Macular Degeneration

Presenter: Robert Gizicki, MD



Poor



Fair



Good



Very Good



Excellent

Comments: _____

Did the presentation meet the outlined learning objectives?

 Yes

 No

Was the presentation free of commercial bias?

 Yes

 No

Did the presenter provide a disclosure statement?

 Yes

 No

Presentation: Reduction in Subretinal Hyperreflective Material Volume with Faricimab vs Aflibercept 2 mg in Treatment-naïve Neovascular Age-related Macular Degeneration: A TENAYA/LUCERNE Post Hoc Analysis

Presenter: Nirojini Sivachandran, MD, PhD



Poor



Fair



Good



Very Good



Excellent

Comments: _____

Did the presentation meet the outlined learning objectives?

 Yes

 No

Was the presentation free of commercial bias?

 Yes

 No

Did the presenter provide a disclosure statement?

 Yes

 No

Evaluation of Presentations

Presentation: How do You Diagnose Polypoidal Choroidal Vasculopathy without Indocyanine Green Angiography?

Presenter: Adrian Koh Hock Chuan, MD, MBBS

Poor
 Fair
 Good
 Very Good
 Excellent

Comments: _____

Did the presentation meet the outlined learning objectives? Yes No

Was the presentation free of commercial bias? Yes No

Did the presenter provide a disclosure statement? Yes No

Presentation: Avacincaptad Pegol for Geographic Atrophy: 3.5-Year Results from the GATHER2 Open-label Extension Trial

Presenter: Varun Chaudhary, MD

Poor
 Fair
 Good
 Very Good
 Excellent

Comments: _____

Did the presentation meet the outlined learning objectives? Yes No

Was the presentation free of commercial bias? Yes No

Did the presenter provide a disclosure statement? Yes No

Presentation: Age-related Macular Degeneration as a Complex Disease Between Atrophy and Neovascularization

Presenter: Ursula Schmidt-Erfurth, MD

Poor
 Fair
 Good
 Very Good
 Excellent

Comments: _____

Did the presentation meet the outlined learning objectives? Yes No

Was the presentation free of commercial bias? Yes No

Did the presenter provide a disclosure statement? Yes No

Please rate the moderators for this session:

Poor
 Fair
 Good
 Very Good
 Excellent

Comments: _____

Please identify how the information provided in this session will impact your practice.

Evaluation of Presentations

Plenary Session 6 – ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

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Please rate the following presentations on an individual basis

Presentation: Practical Ways to Use Existing AI in Clinic

Presenter: John Kitchens, MD

Poor

Fair

Good

Very Good

Excellent

Comments: _____

Did the presentation meet the outlined learning objectives? Yes No

Was the presentation free of commercial bias? Yes No

Did the presenter provide a disclosure statement? Yes No

Presentation: Baseline Peripheral Vascular Leakage is Linked to Treatment Response in Patients with Central Retinal Vein Occlusion: A Pilot Study

Presenter: Alan Cruess, MD

Poor

Fair

Good

Very Good

Excellent

Comments: _____

Did the presentation meet the outlined learning objectives? Yes No

Was the presentation free of commercial bias? Yes No

Did the presenter provide a disclosure statement? Yes No

Presentation: Subretinal Delivery of Investigational Sura-vec (ABBV-RGX-314) as a Gene Therapy

Presenter: Shaheer Aboobaker, MD

Poor

Fair

Good

Very Good

Excellent

Comments: _____

Did the presentation meet the outlined learning objectives? Yes No

Was the presentation free of commercial bias? Yes No

Did the presenter provide a disclosure statement? Yes No

Evaluation of Presentations

Presentation: AI as a Management Tool for Neovascular Age-related Macular Degeneration

Presenter: Ursula Schmidt-Erfurth, MD

Poor

Fair

Good

Very Good

Excellent

Comments: _____

Did the presentation meet the outlined learning objectives? Yes No

Was the presentation free of commercial bias? Yes No

Did the presenter provide a disclosure statement? Yes No

Please rate the moderators for this session:

Poor

Fair

Good

Very Good

Excellent

Comments: _____

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Plenary Session 7 – SURGERY III

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Please rate the following presentations on an individual basis

Presentation: How Should We Treat Refractory Macular Holes?

Presenter: David Steel, MBBS, MD(Res)

Poor

Fair

Good

Very Good

Excellent

Comments: _____

Did the presentation meet the outlined learning objectives? Yes No

Was the presentation free of commercial bias? Yes No

Did the presenter provide a disclosure statement? Yes No

Evaluation of Presentations

Presentation: Predictors of Primary Anatomic Reattachment with Pneumatic Retinopexy for Rhegmatogenous Retinal Detachment

Presenter: Aurora Pecaku, MD

Poor

Fair

Good

Very Good

Excellent

Comments: _____

Did the presentation meet the outlined learning objectives? Yes No

Was the presentation free of commercial bias? Yes No

Did the presenter provide a disclosure statement? Yes No

Presentation: Outer Retinal Corrugations Indicate Retinal Break Status in Rhegmatogenous Retinal Detachment

Presenter: Jeffrey Mah, MD

Poor

Fair

Good

Very Good

Excellent

Comments: _____

Did the presentation meet the outlined learning objectives? Yes No

Was the presentation free of commercial bias? Yes No

Did the presenter provide a disclosure statement? Yes No

Presentation: Double the Adjuncts, Double the Confidence in Macular Surgery

Presenter: Hung-Da Chou, MD

Poor

Fair

Good

Very Good

Excellent

Comments: _____

Did the presentation meet the outlined learning objectives? Yes No

Was the presentation free of commercial bias? Yes No

Did the presenter provide a disclosure statement? Yes No

Please rate the moderators for this session:

Poor

Fair

Good

Very Good

Excellent

Comments: _____

Please identify how the information provided in this session will impact your practice.

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Overall Evaluation

Meeting Objectives

Following my participation in the 2026 Canadian Retina Society Annual Meeting, I am able to:

- Review current advances in the medical management of retinal diseases, including emerging pharmacologic therapies and evolving treatment strategies for age-related macular degeneration, diabetic macular edema, and retinal vein occlusion
- Interpret advanced retinal imaging and clinical biomarkers to enhance diagnostic accuracy, disease monitoring, and therapeutic decision-making
- Discuss contemporary surgical techniques and clinical decision-making in vitreoretinal surgery, including management strategies for retinal detachment, macular holes, and complex vitreoretinal conditions
- Evaluate emerging technologies and innovations including artificial intelligence, gene therapy, and novel therapeutic platforms that may influence future clinical retina practice

Please rate the degree to which the objectives were met:

Not at all Minimally Moderately To a high degree Completely

Please rate the overall quality of this meeting:

Poor Fair Good Very Good Excellent

Comments: _____

Were the Guest Lecturer presentations relevant to your practice?

Yes No

If you responded “No” to the above question, please elaborate below.

Comments: _____

Moderators were effective and kept the sessions on schedule.

Yes No

If you responded “No” to the above question, please elaborate below.

Comments: _____

Were the presentations free of commercial bias?

Yes No

If you responded “No” to the above question, please elaborate below.

Comments: _____

Overall Evaluation

Which CanMEDS Roles were addressed during this event?

- Medical Expert** – As Medical Experts, physicians integrate all of the CanMEDS Roles, applying medical knowledge, clinical skills, and professional values in their provision of high-quality and safe patient-centred care. Medical Expert is the central physician role in the CanMEDS Framework and defines the physician’s clinical scope of practice.
- Communicator** – As Communicators, physicians form relationships with patients and their families that facilitate the gathering and sharing of essential information for effective health care.
- Collaborator** – As Collaborators, physicians work effectively with other health care professionals to provide safe, high-quality, patient-centred care.
- Leader** – As Leaders, physicians engage with others to contribute to a vision of a high-quality health care system and take responsibility for the delivery of excellent patient care through their activities as clinicians, administrators, scholars, or teachers.
- Health Advocate** – As Health Advocates, physicians contribute their expertise and influence as they work with communities or patient populations to improve health. They work with those they serve to determine and understand needs, speak on behalf of others when required, and support the mobilization of resources to effect change.
- Scholar** – As Scholars, physicians demonstrate a lifelong commitment to excellence in practice through continuous learning and by teaching others, evaluating evidence, and contributing to scholarship.
- Professional** – As Professionals, physicians are committed to the health and well-being of individual patients and society through ethical practice, high personal standards of behaviour, accountability to the profession and society, physician-led regulation, and maintenance of personal health.

Has the information provided during this activity enhanced your ability to practice medicine?

If this activity were to be repeated again, what additional topics and/or formats would you like to have included?

Key learnings that I will apply in my practice:

Please provide any additional comments you may have regarding the program.
We welcome your feedback.

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