



Additional information and resources

Room one, Morning: The wider world of macular conditions

Session one - Dr Christina Karakosta, Retinal imaging for inherited eye disorders:
[Optical coherence tomography \(OCT\) and photography clinic with virtual review | CUH](#)

Session two - Dr Michael Crossland, Well-being and mental health in young people with inherited macular disease:
[Improving support services for teenagers with macular disease - Macular Society](#)

Session three - Dr Rebecca Thomas and Berni Warren, Diabetic Macular Oedema:
[Diabetic macular oedema - Macular Society](#)

Session four - Robin Spinps, Inclusive design and the future of AI-powered smart glasses and wearable technology.

Magnifier app: [Magnifier - Apps on Google Play](#)

RNIB Talking Books: [Talking books service | Books in accessible formats | RNIB](#)

Audible Audiobooks: [Audible | Listen to Audiobooks, Podcasts & Originals](#)

Gemini AI: [Use AI](#)

RNIB Eyeware app: [Eyeware | RNIB](#)

Other relevant information:

Macular conditions: [The various types of macular conditions - Macular Society](#)

WAYP: <https://www.macularsociety.org/support/wayp/>

Lived Experience Advisory Panel: For more information about the panel please email Leap@macularsociety.org

Room one, Afternoon: Age-related macular degeneration (AMD)

Session one - Romi Chhabra, Latest developments in wet and dry AMD treatment:

[What is macular degeneration? Causes, symptoms and treatment options - Macular Society](#)

[What is geographic atrophy? - Macular Society](#)

[Wet age-related macular degeneration - Macular Society](#)

[Early AMD - Macular Society](#)

Session two - Professor Ruth Hogg, Understanding the early stages of AMD through studying people as they age:

[Finding early AMD changes using eye scans - Macular Society](#)

[Using data science to diagnose AMD sooner and detect change over time - Macular Society](#)

Session three - Professor Maria Balda, New research into how cells in the macula respond to stress and how this can contribute to AMD:

[Understanding new stress response pathway involved in AMD - Macular Society](#)

[Cell-cell adhesion Lab | UCL Faculty of Brain Sciences](#)

Session four - Professor Lyndon da Cruz, Latest news on cell replacement as a treatment for AMD and other macular diseases:

[Carr Lab | UCL Faculty of Brain Sciences](#)

Watch on demand

If you can't stay with us all day, all the presentations **will be available from the conference page on our website**. News and updates will also appear in our newsletters and publications throughout the year. If you pre-registered for the conference, further notifications will be sent to you by email.

Save the date

Please join us again next year! Save the date Saturday 11 September 2027! If you have any suggestions about how we can improve the conference for next year, please add your comments to the survey which will be sent out after the event.

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General/Helpline

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Our Research

To learn more about the research that the Macular Society funds go to our website: <https://www.macularsociety.org/research/explore/>

To sign up to our Research Participant Database and hear about opportunities to take part in research on macular disease fill in the form on our website: <https://www.macularsociety.org/research/get-involved/>

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