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A CALL FOR EARLY INTERVENTION

"Many of the traditional reasons for a glaucoma referral remain unchanged: rapid disease progression, severe stage at diagnosis, and uncontrolled or acutely elevated IOP. The sentiment, however, that all nonsurgical options must be exhausted before a referral has (fortunately) become outdated."
—Lorraine M. Provencher, MD; "When to Refer Patients to a Glaucoma Specialist," *Cataract & Refractive Surgery Today*

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Coalition for Vision Research

Ten US-based organizations have formed a coalition to launch scEYEnce (Twitter @scEYEncenow), a campaign designed to educate the public, the media, policymakers, and other key stakeholders about the importance of vision research. Members of the working group include the AAO, Glaucoma Research Foundation, Foundation Fighting Blindness, National Eye Institute, and more. According to scEYEnce, the campaign will use traditional and social media outreach to highlight cutting-edge research and the scientists conducting it, graphics that illustrate the impact of vision loss, and a resource-filled website featuring stories and sources on new insights and investigations.

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Moving Glaucoma Surgery Into the Clinic



On *GT: The Podcast*, Sébastien Gagné, MD, describes the advantages of performing MIGS outside the OR and discusses his technique for ab externo implantation of the Xen Gel Stent (Allergan) at the slit lamp.

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SOCIAL AWARENESS

In January—Glaucoma Awareness Month—many ophthalmologists and industry members used social media to spread the word about #glaucoma and inform the public of the importance of yearly eye examinations.

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MEETING UPDATES

- American Glaucoma Society (AGS) Annual Meeting
March 4–7, 2021 | Virtual
- Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology (ARVO) Annual Meeting
May 1–7, 2021 | Virtual
- American Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgery (ASCRS) Annual Meeting
July 23–27, 2021 | Las Vegas