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New Clinical Advances in Macular Degeneration

Message from the Guest Editors

Age-related macular degeneration (AMD) is a progressive macular disease that represents an increasing burden for both patients and healthcare systems worldwide. The clinical manifestations of AMD range from drusen to geographic atrophy and macular neovascularization. Until a few years ago, there was no proven treatment for dry AMD. However, early and intermediate AMD have recently been recognized as multifactorial entities that respond to various therapies, including complement factors and statins. In addition, several studies have supported the use of anticomplement therapies to reduce the progression of geographic atrophy. On the other hand, many new agents against the vascular endothelial growth factor have recently been approved for the treatment of neovascular AMD. Nevertheless, we still have limited knowledge of the indication criteria and outcomes of these new treatment agents following different treatment protocols. This Special Issue of the *Journal of* Clinical Medicine focuses on clinical advances in macular degeneration in terms of diagnostic methods, biomarkers, new therapeutic concepts, agents, and protocols.

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