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Medical Research at EyeHealth Northwest published in Medical Journal, Clinical Ophthalmology



PORTLAND, OR, Jan 17, 2018—Dr Kerry Hagen, Cataract, Cornea and Dry Eye Specialist at EyeHealth Northwest in Portland, Oregon, publishes new clinical research of breakthrough technology, LipiFlow for effective Dry Eye Treatment due to Meibomian Gland Dysfunction (MGD). In an original clinical study, Dr. Hagen compared the head-to-head effectiveness of a single direct Thermal Pulsation treatment (VTP-Lipiflow) of obstructed and blocked Meibomian glands with a 3-month course of oral antibiotic, Doxycycline.

“As our knowledge base increases, we are finding a major driver of dry eye disease is meibomian gland dysfunction” stated Dr. Hagen. “Studies, such as this, are important to guide practitioners in optimal disease management” related to MGD and dry eye, explained Dr. Hagen. Overall, conclusive results of the study demonstrated a single 12-minute VTP-LipiFlow procedure significantly more effective than the 3-month daily course of oral doxycycline at improving the dry eye symptoms secondary to MGD. Comparatively, given the minimal risk profile of the single VTP-LipiFlow procedure over long-term doxycycline use, a single LipiFlow procedure presents a favorable alternative to long-term antibiotic use.

Additional findings and research details comparing the MGD treatments can be reviewed in international medical journal, Clinical Ophthalmology.

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Dr. Kerry Hagen continues to provide advanced treatment care and options to patients suffering from MGD and dry eye. The recent study illustrates his continued dedication and commitment to advanced and effective treatment in healthcare and our community. To learn more about Dr. Hagen or schedule an appointment, please contact our office at 503-227-2020 or contact us online: <http://www.eyehealthdryeye.com/northrup/take-the-dry-eye-self-test.htm>