



14th Zermatt Winter Meeting January 22-25 2026

Thursday 22.01.2026

15.00-15.45 Registration

15.50-16.00 Welcome to the participants *Gordana Sunaric, Anton Hommer, Luca Rossetti*

16.00-16.20 The Memorial Lecture: The Life and Legacy of Allvar Gullstrand *Gauti Jóhannesson*

16.20-18.15 Session 1: Case presentations. Interactive with voting

Jury: *Selim Orgul, Anna Prinz, Dario Romano*

16.20-16.40 Case 1: (presentation, voting, discussion) *Barbara Teuchner*

16.40-17.00 Case 2: (presentation, voting, discussion) *Theodoros Filippopoulos*

17.00-17.20 Case 3: (presentation, voting, discussion) *Michele Figus*

17.35-19.30 Session 2: Controversies: Truths and Non-truths. Interactive with voting

Jury: *Ananth Viswanathan, Cornelia Hirn, Paolo Fogagnolo*

1) Systemic hypertension is a risk factor for the incidence and progression of glaucoma

17.35-17.45 True: *Konstantin Gugleta*

17.45-17.55 Not true: *Stylianos Kandarakis*

17.55-18.05 *Discussion among the teams*

18.05-18.15 Rebuttal

18.15-18.20 Voting

2) Preserflo is as efficacious as trabeculectomy

18.20-18.30 True: *Julian Garcia Feijoo*

18.30-18.40 Not true: *Andy McNought*

18.40-18.50 *Discussion among the teams*

18.50-19.00 Rebuttal

19.00-19.05 Voting

3) ROTA (RNFL Optical Texture Analysis) is as important as other OCT parameters in evaluating glaucoma

19.05-19.15: True: *Francesco Oddone*

19.15-19.25 Not true: *Bal Chauhan*

19.25-19.35 *Discussion among the teams*

19.35-19.45 Rebuttal

19.45-19.50 Voting

Friday morning 23.1.2026

8.45--9.50 **Session 3: Debates** Moderators: Gordana Sunaric, Andy McNaught, Georg Mossbeck

8.45-8.50 Introduction: "Interventional glaucoma – the new paradigm" Video 3 min

"The future of glaucoma is in the operating room"

8.50-9.00 1) True *Norbert Pfeiffer*

9.00-9.10 2) Not true *James Kirwan*

9.10-9.20 *Discussion among the teams*

9.20-9.30 Rebuttal

9.30-9.40 Voting

9.45-10.35 **Session 4: Hot Topics** Moderators: Clemens Vass, Fotis Topouzis, Gauti Jóhannesson

9.45-10.00 Industry: Friend or foe? *Stephano Miglior*

10.00-10.10 *Discussion*

10.10-10.25 GLP1 agonists and glaucoma *Len Levin*

10.25-10.35 *Discussion*

10.45-17.00 **Workshop in groups: 3 x 2 hours**

1) OCT for high myopia

2) Visual fields today

3) New diagnostic tools

Friday afternoon 23.1.2026

17.00-18.15 **Session 5: Updates** Moderators: Sanna Leunonen, Carlo Traverso, Phillipe Kestelyn

17.00-17.15 Latest updates on glaucoma's contribution to vision impairment in Europe and
the wider world – is our house in order? *Rupert Bourne*

17.15-17.25 *Discussion*

17.25-17.40 Update on angle closure disease *Anrew Tatham*

17.40-17.50 *Discussion*

17.50-18.05 Steroids, uveitis and glaucoma *Narciss Okhravi*

18.05-18.15 *Discussion*

18.20- 19.30 Session 6: “Battle Royale”: Misconception, yes or no?

Jury: Len Levin, Anton Hommer, Stephan Estermann

1) The C/D ratio is a critical part of the clinical evaluation

18.20-18.30 Yes: *Jorg Sturmer*

18.30-18.40 No: *Karl Mercieca*

18.40-18.50 *Discussion among the teams*

18.50-19.00 Rebuttal

19.00-19.05 Voting

2) Glaucoma suspects can have refractive surgery

19.05-19.15 Yes: *Stefan Kaminski: View of a refractive surgeon*

19.15-19.20 No: *Milko Iliev: View of the glaucoma specialist*

19.20-19.30 *Discussion among the teams*

19.30-19.40 Rebuttal

19.40-19.45 Voting

Saturday morning 25.1.25

8.45-10.45 **Session 7: Opinions** Moderators: Andrew Tatham, Delphine Bifrare, Fotis Topouzis

8.45.-9.00	Slit lamp management/procedures;: What, why and why not	<i>Carlo Traverso</i>
9.00-9.10	<i>Discussion</i>	
9.10-9.25	SLT: A phantom outside the United Kingdom	<i>Luca Rossetti</i>
9.25-9.30	<i>Discussion</i>	
9.30-9.45	Exfoliation glaucoma: developing drug targets based on genetics and biology	<i>Tin Aung</i>
9.45-9.55	<i>Discussion</i>	
9.55-10.10	How experts diverge in their evaluation of scientific papers	<i>Bal Chauhan</i>
10.10-10.20	<i>Discussion</i>	
10.20-10.35	Systematic reviews: Are they really best in the hierarchy of evidence?	<i>Manuele Michelessi</i>
10.35-10.45	<i>Discussion</i>	

10.45-17.00 **Workshop in groups:** 3x 2 hours

- News on medical treatment
- Role of lasers
- New in surgical therapy, cases

Saturday afternoon 25.1.25

17.00-19.00 **Session 8: Surgery** Moderators: Karl Mercieca, Ana Prinz, Milko Iliev

17.00-17.15	Choice of clinical IOP endpoints may invalidate some studies	<i>Alessandro Rabiolo</i>
17.15-17.25	<i>Discussion</i>	
17.25-17.40	Limited lifespan of MIGS destructive procedures? Evidence and experience	<i>Antonio Fea</i>
17.40-17.50	<i>Discussion</i>	
17.50-18.05	The right surgery for the right patient	<i>Sophie Lemmens</i>
18.05-18.15	<i>Discussion</i>	

18.15-18.30 **Session 9: I agree to disagree.** Moderators: James Kirwan, Julian Garica Feijho Subconjunctival bleb-forming devices: Which do I prefer and why ?

18.15-18.25	Xen	<i>Herbert Reitsamer</i>
18.25-18.35	Preserflo	<i>Clemens Vass</i>

18.35-18.45 *Discussion among teams / tables*
18.45-18.55 *Rebuttal*
18.55-19.00 *Voting*

19.00 -19.40 **The Zermatt Winter Meeting Lecture**

“From observation to knowledge - via trials and evidence: A bumpy road” *Gerd Antes*

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20.00 **End of the official scientific meeting**