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2 **1 Appendix 1 – Information with regards to Safety Reporting in**

3 **Non-CTIMP Research**

	Who	When	How	To Whom
<b>SAE</b>	Chief Investigator	-Report to Sponsor within 24 hours of learning of the event  -Report to the MREC within 15 days of learning of the event	SAE Report form for Non- CTIMPs, available from NRES website.	Sponsor and MREC
<b>Urgent Safety Measures</b>	Chief Investigator	Contact the Sponsor and MREC Immediately  Within 3 days	By phone  Substantial amendment form giving notice in writing setting out the reasons for the urgent safety measures and the plan for future action.	Main REC and Sponsor  Main REC with a copy also sent to the sponsor. The MREC will acknowledge this within 30 days of receipt.

<b><u>Progress Reports</u></b>	Chief Investigator	Annually ( starting 12 months after the date of favourable opinion)	Annual Progress Report Form (non-CTIMPs) available from the NRES website	Main REC
<b><u>Declaration of the conclusion or early termination of the study</u></b>	Chief Investigator	<p>Within 90 days (conclusion)</p> <p>Within 15 days (early termination)</p> <p><i>The end of study should be defined in the protocol</i></p>	End of Study Declaration form available from the NRES website	Main REC with a copy to be sent to the sponsor
<b><u>Summary of final Report</u></b>	Chief Investigator	<p>Within one year of conclusion of the Research</p>	<p>No Standard Format</p> <p>However, the following Information should be included:-</p> <p>Where the study has met its objectives, the main findings and arrangements for publication or dissemination including feedback to participants</p>	Main REC with a copy to be sent to the sponsor

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## 8 2 Appendix 2 – Form A, Inclusion criteria

	Question	Required answer
	General Inclusion	
1.	Is the patient over 18 years of age?	Yes
2.	Does the patient have capacity to give informed consent?	Yes
3.	Has the patient previously been enrolled in this study in regards to their other eye?	No
	General Health	
4.	Does the patient have a formal diagnosis of Diabetes Mellitus?	Yes
6.	Has the HbA1c test been performed within the past 2 months.	Yes
7.	Is there a history of chronic renal failure requiring either dialysis or renal transplantation?	No
8.	Has the patient suffered a major thromboembolic event within the past 6 months as (defined as TIA, Stroke, or MI)	No
9.	Has the patient undergone major surgery within the past 6 months or is major surgery planned over the next 12 months defined as requiring GA or reduced mobilisation	No
10.	Is there a documented allergy or a significant adverse event to anti-VEFG therapy in the past?	No
11.	Is the current blood pressure over 180 systolic and/or 100 diastolic?	No

12	Is the patient on pioglitazone	No
13	The patient has any other condition that in the opinion of the investigator would preclude participation in the study (such as unstable medical status or severe disease that would make it difficult for the patient to be able to complete the study)	No
14	The patient has very poor glycaemic control and has started intensive therapy within the previous 3 months.	No
15	The patient will use an investigational drug during the study	

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	Past Ocular History	
16	Has the eye received macular laser photocoagulation within 750 microns of the foveal centre at any point in the past?	No
17	Has the eye undergone vitrectomy at any point in the past?	No
18	Other than intravitreal Ranibizumab, Aflibercept therapy or cataract surgery has the eye undergone any other laser, surgical or injection therapy in the last 24 weeks	No
19	Was any cataract surgery performed at least three months prior to recruitment?	No
20	Besides diabetic maculopathy with or without associated vitreo-retinal interface abnormalities, does the eye suffer from any other underlying	No

	ophthalmic diseases liable to impair visual acuity, including but not limited to: visually significant cataract, AMD, uveitis, vein occlusion, glaucoma, optic neuropathy, amblyopia?	
21	Has the patient had symptomatic visual loss attributable to diabetic macular edema for less than one year.	Yes
	Present Ocular Status	
22	Does the eye have either (i) active (untreated or partially-treated) proliferative diabetic retinopathy or (ii) very severe non-proliferative diabetic retinopathy?	No
23	Is the current BCVA better than 35 ETDRS letters?	Yes
24	Is the central sub field thickness greater than 349 microns?	Yes
25	Is there any Fresh, central axis-involving vitreous hemorrhage?	No
26	Presence of clinically significant cataract or media opacity	No
	Stratification criteria	Yes
27	Presence or absence of localized distortion of the inner retinal surface on the OCT scan due to epiretinal membrane or vitreomacular traction with associated retinal thickening that is contiguous with the central sub field thickening.	<b>Yes:</b> stratify to traction group <b>No:</b> stratify to the no traction group

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19 **3 Appendix 3: Schedule of assessments**

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<b>Assessment</b>	<b>Week 0, Baseline</b>	<b>Week 0 – Week 8</b>	<b>Treat and Extend  Follow up visits</b>	<b>Week 52  Final visit</b>
Informed Consent	x			
Demographics	x			
Ophthalmic History	x			
Medical History	x			

Blood Pressure	x			
COMplog Visual Acuity	x		x	x
Contrast Sensitivity (at participating centres)	x			x
ERG (at participating centres)	x			x
Slit lamp exam and Cataract Assessment	x	x	x	x
High Resolution Macular OCT (sent to reading centre)	x			x
Macular OCT (not sent to reading centre)	x		x	x
Fundus Photographs and Retinopathy grading	x			x
Vitrectomy operation		x		
Ranibizumab or Aflibercept followed by Treat and Extend	x	x	x	x
VFQ-25 patient questionnaires <sup>‡</sup>	x			x

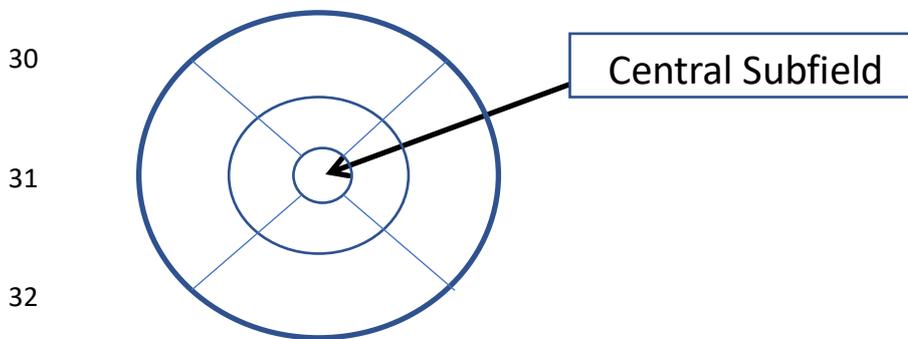
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23 **4 Appendix 4: Assessment of subfield thickness and OCT**  
24 **settings with EDI where possible**

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26 On the OCT result page, the following ETDRS grid is displayed for all machines. The central subfield thickness  
27 measurement is the value at the centre of the circle (arrow). Before recording the central subfield thickness  
28 please make sure that the grid is centred at the fovea and the segmentations errors are corrected.

29 Image 1: Central subfield in ETDRS grid



33 **4.1 Settings**

34 Settings for OCT machines used other than Heidelberg.

35 High resolution scans are taken at baseline and final visit. Routine scans are taken at follow up visits. Enhanced  
36 Depth Imaging (EDI) may be used for where available for high-resolution images, however it is advised to  
37 check for image quality at the vitreo-macular interface. It may, therefore, be necessary to take scans with and  
38 without EDI.

39 Topcon for both eyes

40 High res scan = Raster Line scan,

41 Routine scan = 3D Scan, 6x6mm, 512x128

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43 Cirrus for both eyes

44 High Res scan = 5 line HD Raster scan (length 9mm)

45 Routine Scan = Macular Cube 512x128

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47 Spectralis for both eyes

48 High res scan = pre set 7 lines Raster scan

49 Routine scan = 31 sections, 30°x25°, ART 15, HS

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## 54 **4.2 Instructions**

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56 1. Scan parameter e.g. Raster Line scan, or 3D Scan, 6x6mm, 512x128

57 2. Fixation set to Macula

58 3. Position patient, line the OCT on the pupil and drive the camera forward

59 4. Focus on the retina

60 5. Optimise the scan signal

61 6. Make sure the OCT image is centre on the screen

- 62 7. Press the button to capture the OCT scan
- 63 8. Click save, then check image quality
- 64 9. Repeat procedure for 2<sup>nd</sup> scan scan
- 65 10. Repeat procedure for both eyes
- 66 11. Export baseline and 12 month scan to central unit within 2 months of baseline test, and 1 month of final
- 67 assesment.

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## 69 **5 Appendix 5: Visual Tests, Assessment of visual acuity and**

### 70 **contrast sensitivity**

71 Refracted best corrected visual acuity (BCVA) is performed at baseline and final visit in all subjects in  
72 both eyes. The better of habitual refraction and pinhole acuity is recorded in both eyes at follow up  
73 visits. VA is always measured in the study eye first, then the fellow eye.

#### 74 **Initial VA Measurement:**

75 At the baseline visit, initial VA is measured, whilst the subject is wearing his/her own distance glasses or  
76 unaided (if subject doesn't have distance glasses), using COMplog visual acuity software. At all follow-up  
77 visits refraction found during the previous study refraction will be used. The fellow eye is lightly patched  
78 with a tissue. If the initial acuity is less than 20/200 refraction should occur at 1 metre.

#### 79 **Subjective Refraction**

80 Subjective refraction should be carried out according to the methods routinely employed by the  
81 Optometry Department at host site. The subjective refraction is performed at 4m using the COMplog  
82 ETDRS chart in standard room lighting.

83 **Final VA Measurement**

84 VA in the study eye first is always measured first, then the fellow eye. The subject is instructed that the  
85 chart contains letters only and no numbers. If the subject forgets this during the course of the  
86 examination, they should be reminded that the chart contains no numbers and asked for a letter instead  
87 of the number. The subject is advised that there are 5 letters on each line, and that they should attempt  
88 to read the line from left to right. The examiner must not point at any letters or read any letters out loud  
89 during the test. It is acceptable to briefly point at a line, should the subject have difficulty finding the  
90 next line. The subject should be instructed to read the letters slowly, about one letter per second. The  
91 subject should be encouraged to guess any letters that are difficult to read, and be instructed to make a  
92 definite decision. If the subject is unable to identify a certain letter they should tell the examiner that  
93 they are moving on to the next letter along the line. If the subject incorrectly identifies a letter and then  
94 proceeds to read the next letter, s/he cannot go back and correct the mistake later. It is permissible to  
95 allow correction as long as the subject has not started to read the next letter aloud. The subject should  
96 be asked (and encouraged) to move on to the next line, as long as they manage to correctly identify at  
97 least one letter on the previous line.

98 With the subject wearing the best correction in the trial frame, the eye not being tested is occluded with  
99 a standard occluder in the trial frame, or with a tissue/patch behind the frame, if the subject moves  
100 his/her head a lot to use eccentric fixation.

101 Following refraction the best VA's are measured at 3m using COMPlog with a 24 inch secondary monitor.  
102 COMPlog will be set for 5 letters per line with termination criteria of 5 letters wrong per line. COMPlog  
103 will be calibrated for viewing distance and screen resolution prior to each testing session.

104 Measurements will be performed in number of ETDRS letters. Room lighting is on during COMPlog  
105 measurements.

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107 **ETDRS Score**

108 **Testing for Count Fingers**

109 If the subject's VA is so poor that s/he cannot correctly identify any letters on the COMPlug secondary  
110 monitor, then test for Count Fingers. The eye not being tested should be completely occluded with a  
111 patch. A light must be shone from behind the subject's head at the examiner's hand. The examiner holds  
112 the hand two feet in front of the subject's face and presents an arbitrary number of fingers in random  
113 order and repeated 5 times. Eccentric fixation, if present, should be encouraged. If the subject correctly  
114 identifies 3 of the 5 presentations, then count fingers vision is noted. If not, then the subject must be  
115 tested for hand movements.

116 **Testing for Hand Movements**

117 The eye not being tested is occluded with a patch. A light must be shone from behind the subject's head  
118 at the examiner's hand. The examiner's hand should be moved two feet in front of the subject with all  
119 fingers spread out. The hand should be moved either horizontally or vertically at a constant speed of  
120 approx. one back and forth movement per second. The subject is asked to watch the examiner's hand  
121 and respond to the question "in which direction is my hand moving?" The examiner should not explain  
122 that it will be moving either from side to side or up and down! Correct answers at four out of five  
123 presentations suggest that hand movement vision is present. If not, then light perception should be  
124 tested for.

125 **Testing for Light Perception**

126 Light perception should be tested with an indirect ophthalmoscope in a darkened room. The indirect  
127 ophthalmoscope should be focused at 1meter with the rheostat set at maximum voltage. From that  
128 distance the beam should be directed in and out of the eye at least four times, and the subject should be  
129 asked to respond when they see the light. If the examiner is convinced that the subject perceives light,

130 vision should be recorded as “Light Perception”. If not, vision should be recorded as “No Light  
131 Perception”.

## 132 **6 Appendix 7: Fundus photography and EDTRS grading of** 133 **retinopathy**

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135 Retinopathy is graded in all subjects at baseline and visit at 52 weeks. 4 stereo photographs must be  
136 obtained or a single Optos wide field fundus photograph.

137 4 stereo photographs

- 138 1. 4 stereo photographs: Centred on the disc with the temporal border on the macula
- 139 2. Centred on the macula with the nasal border over the centre of the disc.
- 140 3. Directly inferior to the macula with the inferior border in line with the superior edge of the disc.
- 141 4. Directly superior to the macula with the superior border in line with the inferior edge of the disc.

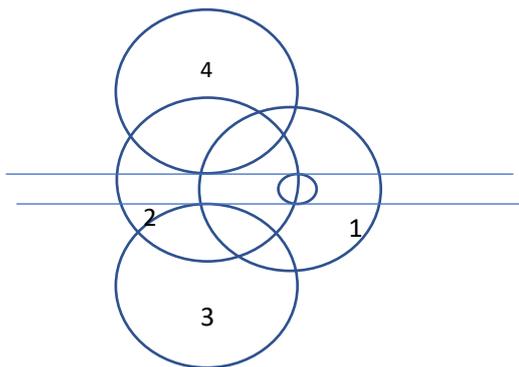
142 Image 2: 4 retinal stereo photographs

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147 Optos: Imaging should be performed in a dimly lit room. Before beginning, check the amount of air in the eye  
148 pillow and set it so that when the pillow is touched, you can feel the scan head.

149 Patient should be sitting straight ahead with knees facing the device. Have the patient move close to the  
150 instrument. Observe that they are sitting up straight and tall with the chair close to the unit. Hand the patient

151 the hand switch button and explain that when instructed to do so, they will click the button to capture an  
152 image.

153 Position the instrument using the up and down switch so that the patient's pupil is in the centre of the image  
154 aperture. Patients will lean forward if the table height is too low, causing lash and lid on the image. Leaning  
155 into the instrument will prevent the eye from getting closer to the eye pillow.

156 While the patient is about 2 inches away from the eyehole, position the patient's right/left eye by rotating the  
157 head to a 45° angle; and ensure that their nose is outside the pillow

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159 Adjust their position until the green light is in the centre of their view (see example 3). Tell the patient to  
160 move in slowly, keeping the green ball in view, until they see a thin red ring, (see example 4). Support the  
161 patient's head to help guide the patient. The iris should fill the alignment ring.

162 Ask the patient to open both eyes wide and not to blink during the flash. Have the patient click the hand  
163 switch button. You may control the hand switch button if necessary. While the patient is still against the eye  
164 pillow, review the image quality. Particularly note the optic disk saturation and adjust if necessary and re-  
165 image.

166 When the iris aligns with the eye camera ring, the patient should be looking directly at the green dot and see a  
167 full fine red halo in their peripheral vision

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170 In some patients, images may be obscured by the patient's lids and lashes. You should follow your practice  
171 procedures to minimize lids and lashes in images.

172 In some cases the amount of lid and lash can be minimized by gently lifting the patient's eyebrow. With clean

173 hands, place your thumb below the patient's eye and your forefinger on the brow line. Gently open the eye a  
174 little further. Just lifting the upper lid may pull the lower lid further into the image.

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## 178 **7 Appendix 8: COMPlog visual acuity software**

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180 COMPlog is a computerised visual acuity measurement system consisting of a laptop PC capable of running  
181 Microsoft Windows XP®, a 24 inch 1920X1080 resolution LCD flat panel secondary monitor and a software  
182 programme running within the Microsoft dotnet® framework. The examiner controls the test through a series  
183 of sequential control screens presented on the laptop monitor ([fig 1](#)): these enable collection of demographic  
184 data, control of various aspects of the testing algorithm (see below), response recording, and presentation of  
185 results in one of two logMAR formats (decimal logMAR and number of ETDRS letters) and one of three Snellen  
186 equivalent format scores (Decimal Snellen, UK Snellen and US Snellen).

187 Image 3: COMPlog set-up



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190 The COMPlg testing algorithm consists of two phases, “range finding” and “thresholding”, both of which

191 require forced choice responses from the subject and input of the response to each letter as correct or

192 incorrect by a technician. Range finding aims to roughly identify threshold and consists of presentation of

193 sequentially smaller single crowded Sloan letter steps starting from 0.8 logMAR, with a step size of 0.2 logMAR.

194 If the 0.8 logMAR letter cannot be correctly identified, then sequentially larger letters are presented. The

195 thresholding phase commences 0.4 logMAR larger than the range finding result, unless this exceeds 1.2 logMAR

196 in which case it commences at 1.6 logMAR. The thresholding phase consists of presentation of sequential lines

197 of randomly chosen Sloan letters surrounded by a crowding box. No letters are repeated on any line. The line

198 size increment employed in the thresholding phase is set at 0.1 log units. The other aspects of the test are

199 however user-controllable: these include letter spacing, the presence or absence of crowding bars, the number

200 of letters per line, number of letters per line incorrectly identified to terminate the test and number of tests

201 upon which the score is based. In this study, five letters per line spaced half a letter width apart and surrounded

202 at the same separation by a crowding box of one stroke width thickness (fig 1) were employed. The termination

203 criterion is set at all five letters on one line. In the event of letters being incorrectly identified on the first

204 thresholding line sequentially larger lines are presented until an entire line is correctly read, with the

205 programme then descending to threshold, but only presenting lines of each size of letters once. If all five letters

206 cannot be fitted simultaneously on to the secondary monitor, the line is broken up into fractions with as many  
207 letters as possible of each size being presented. Letters larger than 1.6 logMAR are not presented, if a patient is  
208 unable to correctly identify any letters of 1.6 logMAR size, the programme invites scoring on a count fingers,  
209 hand movements, perception of light and no perception of light scale. In this way, with a 21 inch monitor and a  
210 single viewing distance of 3 m, an acuity range of up to 1.68 logMAR (one ETDRS letter, 1.5/71 UK Snellen or  
211 20/957 US Snellen) may be measured without moving the patient.  
212 Once the termination criterion has been met, the test automatically terminates with calculation and  
213 presentation of a fully interpolated logMAR acuity score and its Snellen equivalent in the selected formats,  
214 along with the total test time

## 215 **8 Appendix 9: Exporting data**

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217 Topcon

218 Export Procedure

219 You have two options when exporting the FDS file. Option one is a simple copy and paste of the file while option  
220 2 uses the Data Management option in the Topcon software.

### 221 Option 1

222 In the Topcon software find the patient you want to export. Click on the scan you wish to export i.e. Radial Scan  
223 RE and the same visit for the LE. Make a note of the encounter ID's for both eyes, circled in blue in the  
224 screenshot below. Locate the matching FDS files in the Data folder of the Topcon installation. This will vary from  
225 site to site but is typically Z:\3DOCT\_DATABASE\DATA. The Z can be any drive letter.

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228 Once you have found the appropriate FDS files that match the encounter ID's as noted in the step above, right  
229 click and choose copy, then paste the files into the folder you created earlier.

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231 Option 2  
232 You can also use the Data Management option in the Topcon software. Open up the patient's visits and select  
233 the scans you want to export. In the dropdown box next to "Copy To:" choose "Export" and click "Copy To:" This  
234 will export both scans to a predefined folder on your system. This will vary from site to site but is typically  
235 Z:\Export. The FDS files can then be moved from the Export folder to the patient folder created earlier.

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238 Anonymize the FDS/FDA  
239 The FDS file is the Topcon native export file (OCT1000) which can be opened on the Topcon review software.  
240 The file will contain whatever patient information was input on patient registration. If the coded data protocol  
241 was used then there is no need to anonymize it. If however actual patient names were used at registration then  
242 you must anonymize the FDS file which is now in the patient folder.

243 DO NOT ANONYMIZE THE FDS FILE IN THE TOPCON DATA FOLDER.

244 To anonymize the FDS file you need a small application called "OCTPatientInfoRemover" (see icon below) All  
245 sites should have this application.

246 IMPORTANT NOTE:

247 If you are using a newer system which exports .fda files, the "OCTPatientInfoRemover" program will not find the  
248 .fda file. Simply rename this to .fds and it will work.

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250 Cirrus

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- 252 • Create a new folder on the Desktop by clicking the new folder icon and name it
- 253       “studyname\_subjectID\_dateofscan”
- 254 • Go to the main patient database
- 255 • Click “records/export”
- 256 • Search for the patient you wish to export
- 257 • Click browse in the “Export to” box and browse to the folder created in step 1 above
- 258 • Select the scans you wish to export
- 259 • Click export and save to this new folder
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- 261 Spectralis
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- 263 Before exporting any scans, create a folder on the Desktop to where you will export the images. Use the
- 264 following naming protocol:
- 265 “CentreID\_PatientID\_VisitNumber\_DateOfVisit” eg “20\_1234\_week4\_26 April218” Please use month name
- 266 rather than number.
- 267 • Search for patient to be exported
- 268 • Double click on patient name in the left panel of the window to load into the right panel
- 269 • In order to export only the visit required, you must open the scans in the viewer by double clicking on the

270 patient name in the right panel

271 • Select the visit required from the tabs across the top of the screen

272 • If scans are separated into eyes (Re & LE), click on the “No Split” icon to merge all scans

273 • Highlight all scans

274 • Right click on the scans and select “Export/asE2E” (dialog box as below)

275 • Set the destination to the folder created as above

276 • Leave the rest as default as patient data should be anonymised when entered and click ok

277 • You should now have one E2E file in the destination folder

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## 281 **9 Appendix 10: Castor database**

282 The Castor database is a secure online database that permits entry of non-identifiable patient data pertaining  
283 to the VIDEO trial.

284 Sites will be provided with a username and password upon registration.

285 Users will be required to enter baseline information at week 0 and follow the instructions to randomise the  
286 patient to treatment or control group.

287 Data is entered at each numbered follow-up appointment and at the final week 52 visit. Data is entered as  
288 numbers, free text, or multiple-choice selection via radio buttons or drop down menus.

289 It has been designed to be easy to use, safe and to facilitate compliance with good clinical practice guidelines .

290 A screenshot of the interface is shown below.

291 Image 4: Castor database

**Baseline Characteristics**  
**4. Baseline Assessments**

● 4.3 BP Systolic	<input type="text" value="120"/>	mmHg
● 4.4 BP Diastolic	<input type="text" value="80"/>	mmHg
● 4.5 BCVA on CompLOG	<input type="text" value="35"/>	
● 4.6 Reading Acuity	<input type="text" value="36"/>	
● 4.7 Contrast Sensitivity	<input type="text"/>	<i>This field is required</i>
● 4.8 Lens status	<input type="text" value="Phakic"/>	
● 4.8.1 Is there visually significant cataract?	<input type="text" value="Phakic"/>	

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## 294 10 Appendix 11: Data monitoring and Ethics Committee Charter

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296 A DMEC will be appointed for this study, the aim of which is protect the interests of the patients in the trial  
297 and will authority to terminate the trial in the event of harm to either group.

298 Every 3 months all patients with SAE or losing 3 and 6 lines of vision compared to baseline will be reported to  
299 the DMC

300 Where vision loss has occurred, other cause will be determined from the clinical record

301 The DMEC have the right to stop the trial in the event being advise by the statistician of a statistical probability  
302 of harm occurring to patients in either arm.

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## TRANSPARENT REPORTING of TRIALS

CONSORT 2010 Flow Diagram

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