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	FULL TITLE: National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) „Biomedical Research Centre for Ophthalmology“
ACRONYM	BMRC for Ophthalmology
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KEY WORDS	Translational eye research; Age-related Macular Degeneration; Diabetes; Glaucoma; Inherited Eye Disease and Paediatric Ophthalmology; Ocular Surface Disease; Ocular Repair, Regeneration and Pharmaceutics
SUMMARY	The aim of the Biomedical Research Centres is to apply the innovative research advances made in fundamental biomedical research to clinical research that will benefit patients. England has five comprehensive BMRCs and seven specialist BMRCs. Within the specialist BMRC for Ophthalmology, we focus on six core research themes, as listed under the „key words“ above: all have the objective of translating scientific advances into treatment for patients in a timely fashion.
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PROJECT WEB-SITE	http://www.moorfields.nhs.uk/bmrc