



Dear Friends and Colleagues,

It is our greatest pleasure to welcome you all to Gothenburg on the 14-17th of October 2026 for the Nordic Congress of Ophthalmology, NOK. The conference will take place at Svenska Mässan in the central part of the city next to the amusement park, Liseberg, which will be open for its Halloween season. Svenska Mässan is part of the Gothia Towers, where most of you will reside during your stay in Gothenburg, at a convenient walking distance to the heart of the city. You will be able to get a view of the city from the roof top bar at the 23rd floor while enjoying THE best prawn sandwich in the world.

The scientific programme will include a wide variety of topics including oculoplastic procedures, as well as cornea and strabismus surgery, new types of glaucoma shunts, a battle between advocates for different types of secondary IOL implants, and more. There will also be focus on paediatric ophthalmology; retinopathy of prematurity, abusive head trauma, cerebral visual impairment, congenital cataract/glaucoma and the hot topic of paediatric myopia – if, and how, to treat.

Several internationally renowned professors will lecture: Gus Gazzard (emerging therapies in glaucoma), Valerie Biousse (ocular manifestations of cerebrovascular disease), Nancy Newman (optic neuropathies), Jay Chablani (central serous chorioretinopathy) and more. Additional topics include metastatic uveal melanoma, inherited retinal degenerations, treatment of dry AMD, health economy and patient safety. The Swedish Association of Ophthalmic Nurses and the Swedish Orthoptic Association will have special symposia as well as Young Ophthalmologists, the latter including sessions on the glaucoma angle, complicated cataract cases and AI in ophthalmology.

Although the weather in Gothenburg is usually ghastly in October you will be able to enjoy indoor activities such as a visit to the Museum of Art to view a large collection of Nordic artists or to the newly built exhibition hall World of Volvo. For the brave and sporty, a morning run through drizzling rain may be just the thing. Alternatively, a guided city tour by boat under the bridges, in Venetian style, may be just as refreshing.

The banquet will, of course, be held in the dockyard. Buses will be able to take you to the other side of the river Göta Älv in order to get to Eriksbergshallen, an old mechanic works that was once part of Gothenburg's vibrant shipping industry. There you will have dinner with local entertainment while enjoying a view of the harbour by night.

All in all, we promise you a highly memorable stay in Gothenburg; scientifically, socially, meteorologically and otherwise. A warm welcome!

On behalf of the Organising Committee,
Madeleine Zetterberg, President of NOK 2026



Keynote speakers



Prof. Valerie Biousse

Emory University School of Medicine, Atlanta, USA

Valerie Biousse, MD holds the Reunette Harris Chair of Ophthalmologic Research, and is Professor of Ophthalmology and Neurology in the section of neuro-ophthalmology at Emory University School of Medicine in Atlanta, GA, USA. She serves as Vice Chair for Faculty Affairs, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion and Neuro-Ophthalmology Fellowship Director in the Department of Ophthalmology at Emory University.



Prof. Jay Chhablani

University of Pittsburgh, USA

Dr. Jay Chhablani is a Professor of Ophthalmology and Vitreo-Retinal Surgeon at the University of Pittsburgh, where he also serves as the Vice Chair, Clinical Research at the UPMC Vision Institute. He founded the Choroid Analysis and Research (CAR) Lab, which focuses on computational and biological research in choroidal diseases.



Prof. Gus Gazzard

UCL Institute of Ophthalmology, UK

Prof. Gus Gazzard was made a Consultant in the Glaucoma Service at Moorfields Eye Hospital in 2009. Following training at Cambridge University and a 2 year Research Fellowship with Prof Peng Khaw in Singapore, where he ran the 6-year Singapore-5FU surgical trial of trabeculectomy and established a RCT looking at early lens extraction for acute angle closure, he was a Surgical Fellow at Moorfields 2006-08 and received his research degree for a thesis on angle anatomy and visual field loss in angle-closure glaucoma.



Prof. Nancy J. Newman

Emory University School of Medicine, Atlanta, USA

Prof. Nancy J. Newman holds the LeoDelle Jolley Chair of Ophthalmology, and is Professor of Ophthalmology and Neurology and Instructor in Neurological Surgery at the Emory University School of Medicine, where she serves as the Director of Neuro-Ophthalmology.



Dr. Preeti Patil

University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine, USA

Dr. Preeti Patil is an Associate Professor of Ophthalmology at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine, USA, and a pediatric ophthalmologist and pediatric neuro-ophthalmologist at the UPMC Vision Institute and UPMC Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh.



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