

Video journal of vitreoretinal surgery (VJVRs)

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Advantages / Purpose:

To aid in the transfer of knowledge and skills of vitreoretinal surgical procedures for ophthalmic surgeons and allied personnel and to provide a platform for scientific publication of surgical videos.

Methods:

Video Journal of Vitreoretinal Surgery (VJVRs) is designed as a new, independent, peer-reviewed, free-access online and DVD journal that publishes videos of surgical procedures of the vitreous and retina. Every issue will comprise three sections: a) Original video: contributions presenting a surgical technique, b) Interesting case: presentation of a surgical case, c) New technology: addressing new developments of devices and instrumentation. Published videos can be cited in the surgeon's publication list. A distinguished international scientific editorial board is available to VJVRs and will help in further development of the journal.

Effectiveness / Safety:

VJVRs takes advantage of video technology to capture and transfer all facets of the diseases of the posterior segment of the eye and thereby to complement traditional paper-based publications. The scientific quality of published videos is assured by the peer-review procedure.

Take home message:

The Video Journal of Vitreoretinal Surgery (www.vjvrs.org) follows a new frontier of visualized scientific publication by providing peer-reviewed videos in the field of vitreoretinal surgery. We invite all posterior segment surgeons and fellows to actively participate by submitting their videos for publication.