

Wissenschaftliche und klinische Schwerpunkte der Universitätsklinik für Augenheilkunde im Pius-Hospital Oldenburg

Der Schwerpunkt des klinischen und wissenschaftlichen Interesses unserer Arbeitsgruppe liegt im Bereich Hornhauttransplantation und Augenoberflächenrekonstruktion sowie der Entwicklung neuer Ansätze zur Augenoberflächen- und Tränendrüsenregeneration. Ein besonderer Forschungsschwerpunkt liegt in der Entwicklung von Ersatzgeweben zur Rekonstruktion von Bindehaut und Hornhaut sowie der Stimulation der kornealen Nervenregeneration zur Entwicklung neuer Therapien für die Neurotrophe Keratopathie. Ein weiterer Schwerpunkt ist die Evaluation des regenerativen Potentials epithelialer und mesenchymaler Tränendrüsen-Stammzellen im Hinblick auf eine klinische Anwendung bei Patientinnen und Patienten mit schwerstem trockenem Auge sowie die Etablierung vaskularisierter 3D-Modelle zur Rekonstruktion der Tränendrüse.

Im Einzelnen beinhaltet dies aktuelle Projekte zu folgenden beispielhaften Themen:

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