Reviewer’s report

Title: Tracing the natural course of visual acuity and quality of life in neovascular age-related macular degeneration: a systematic review and quality of life study

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This is an excellent study correlating QoL with VA in patients with AMD. Importantly, this gives ophthalmologists important counseling tools for patients and makes it clear that earlier intervention is likely to maintain QoL. The writing is clear and the conclusions are sound. The graphs are well done and easy to interpret. The methodology is sound. I would suggest that the authors mention that the approach they employed for this study is sound and has been mirrored in studies of other eye disease. For example, a recent similar study was performed correlating Visual Field loss and QoL in patients with glaucoma (http://www.aaojournal.org/article/S0161-6420(14)00737-4/abstract)

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