# St. Teresa's Hospital Eye Centre

# Patient Information Argon Laser Treatment

#### Introduction

Argon laser is used to treat some eye diseases. Argon laser is a high-density monochromatic light beam. It is usually used on the iris and retina.

Argon laser can be used in the follow eye diseases:

- 1. Diabetic Retinopathy
- 2. Glaucoma
- 3. Retinal hole
- 4. Retinal Vein Occlusion
- 5. Eye Tumor

## **Procedure for argon laser:**

- 1. The diseased eye is locally anesthetized (usually with eye drops). Pupil is dilated if needed.
- 2. Special contact lens is used to focus the beam on the affected area.
- 3. Patient may feel mild pain during the treatment.
- 4. Leave with an escort after the argon laser procedure is advised.
- 5. Painkiller can be taken if needed.

## **Post-treatment Care:**

- 1. Follow up after the treatment is required as some of the patients need more than one laser treatment.
- 2. Avoid contact sports after laser treatment.

Follow up visit is arranged on	at	by
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