

## **Brief description of presentation**

### **Bioptic Drivers in the USA: Survey of Driving Habits and Telescope Use**

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In this presentation the results of a detailed questionnaire on driving with a bioptic telescope will be reviewed. The majority of subjects reported that their telescope was very useful and that quality of life was significantly enhanced through being permitted to drive with a bioptic telescope.

### **Alex Bowers Biosketch**

Alex originally qualified as an Optometrist and worked at Manchester Royal Eye Hospital for several years before taking up a lecturing position in the Department of Vision Sciences at Glasgow Caledonian University. Whilst in Glasgow, Alex completed her PhD on the topic of Reading Performance in Visual Impairment. Alex is currently a Postdoctoral Fellow with Eli Peli at Schepens Eye Research Institute Boston where she is involved with projects evaluating novel devices to aid mobility and a series of studies investigating low vision driving with and without assistive optical devices.