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Recent Innovega Patent Allowance Advances Smart Contact Lens Technology

Bellevue, Wash., January 7, 2019 — The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has issued a notice of allowance to complement the 12 patents already issued to [Innovega Inc.](#), a company that aims to deliver stylish, lightweight, wearable display technology with high resolution and a panoramic field of view. The recently allowed patent, titled “Contact Lens and Method and Systems for Constructing a Contact Lens,” claims the ability to supply the required oxygen to the cornea when the lens contains components that are not oxygen permeable.

“Our team continues to advance our intellectual property, refine our display eyewear reference designs, sponsor clinical testing and conduct discussions about our technology with potential contact lens and display eyewear partners,” said Steve Willey, Innovega Co-Founder, President and CEO. Innovega is currently conducting a round of financing with New York-based [SeedInvest](#) for the purpose of completing its Phase III FDA clinical investigations for the iOptik® and eMacula™ contact lenses.

The family of Innovega patents claim systems and methods for coupling eyeborne optics with display eyewear in pursuit of two goals: eliminating the need to wear a heavy, cumbersome apparatus; and delivering a panoramic field of view instead of the narrow field that’s inherent with conventional waveguide optics. Innovega’s latest patent allowance adds to one allowed in mid-2018 that claimed methods for regulating water vapor transmissibility while maintaining oxygen transmissibility in ultra-high oxygen permeable lens materials. Both patents were filed by inventors and scientists Jerome Legerton, William Meyers and Jay Marsh.

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About Innovega

Innovega is developing the world’s first human-friendly, panoramic-field-of-view system for augmented reality and virtual reality. Its eMacula™ combination of stylish glasses and smart contact lenses provides the user with a discreet, high performance entertainment and information experience that goes beyond any available system.

The company was co-founded by prominent inventor and optometrist Jerome A. Legerton and Stephen Willey, former CEO of augmented reality pioneer MicroVision. Innovega has been funded by grants from the National Science Foundation, Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency, the National Institutes of Health National Eye Institute and from private investment.

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