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On August 28th, 2009 NASA launched the Space Shuttle Discovery on Mission STS-128 to the International Space Station. On board the shuttle will be a device created by Optometrist Dr. Paul Filar of Sturgeon Bay Wisconsin. The [Provizion Anterior Segment and Retinal Camera Attachment](#) allows for telemedicine and photo-documentation of the eyeball. Images and video clips from Dr. Filar's camera can be sent around the world, or in this case, to Earth from Space. The camera attachment is a compact, portable, digital camera that fits onto a PanOptic Ophthalmoscope. The camera attachment is scheduled to be left on the International Space Station as a medical tool for any ophthalmology needs that may arise.

Dr. Filar was inspired to develop the Anterior Segment and Retinal Camera attachment because he travels to a nursing home and also to the rural community of Washington Island, Wisconsin to see patients. He was interested in creating an instrument that was portable but also affordable to practitioners. He developed the camera attachment, and has worked with Mike Keyser at Key Industrial Plastics in Sturgeon Bay to produce it. Dr. Filar comments, "I am extremely excited and proud about the opportunity to work with NASA in this unique capacity. It is amazing that my product will soon be up in space assisting astronauts at the International Space Station!"