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Past, Presence and Future of Presbyopia-Correcting IOLs

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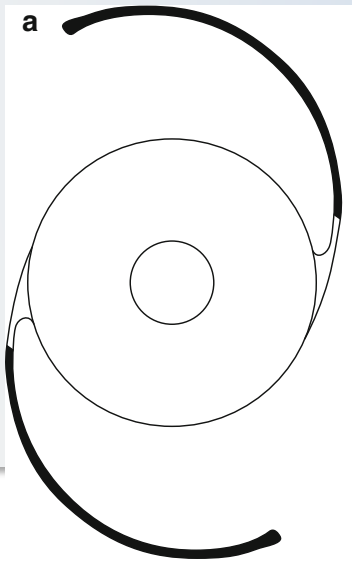
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Early Multifocal IOL Designs

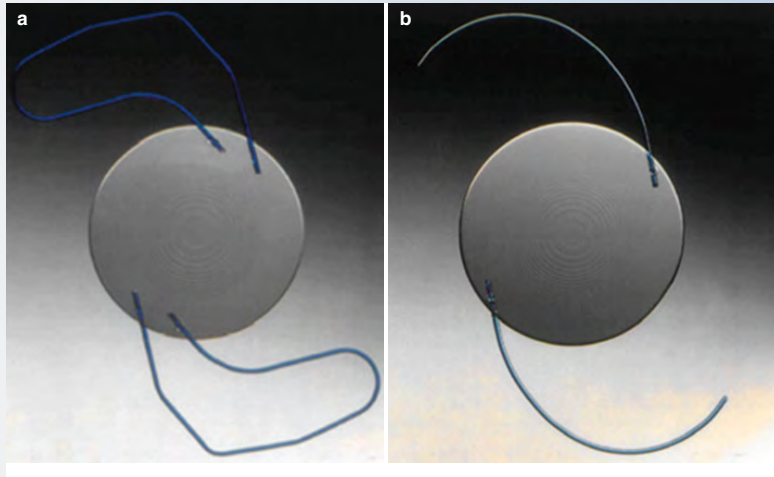
First Bifocal IOL

- First human implant was done by John Pierce in 1986
- „Bulls Eye“: Central near zone (Iolab NuVu IOL)



3M Diffractive Bifocal IOL

- FDA study started 1987 by Richard Lindstrom
- First MIOL I implanted

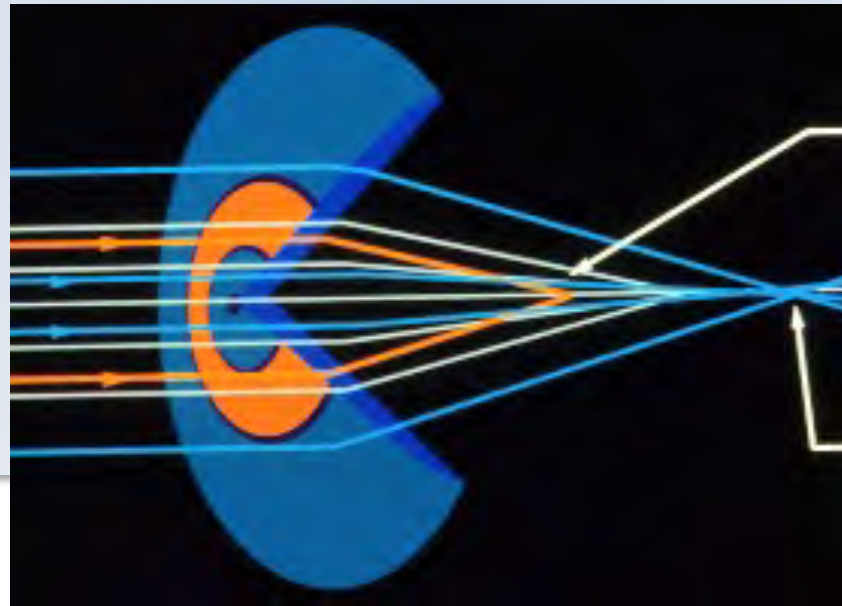


My Academic Career started with MIOs !

- Board-certified in ophthalmology 1989
- Research on multifocal IOLs 1989-1993
- MIOs were topic of my habilitation (qualification for professorship) 1993
- Professor of Ophthalmology in 2000

True Vista MIOL (Storz, St. Louis)

- 3-zone refractive MIOL
- I participated in the European Multicenter Study 1990



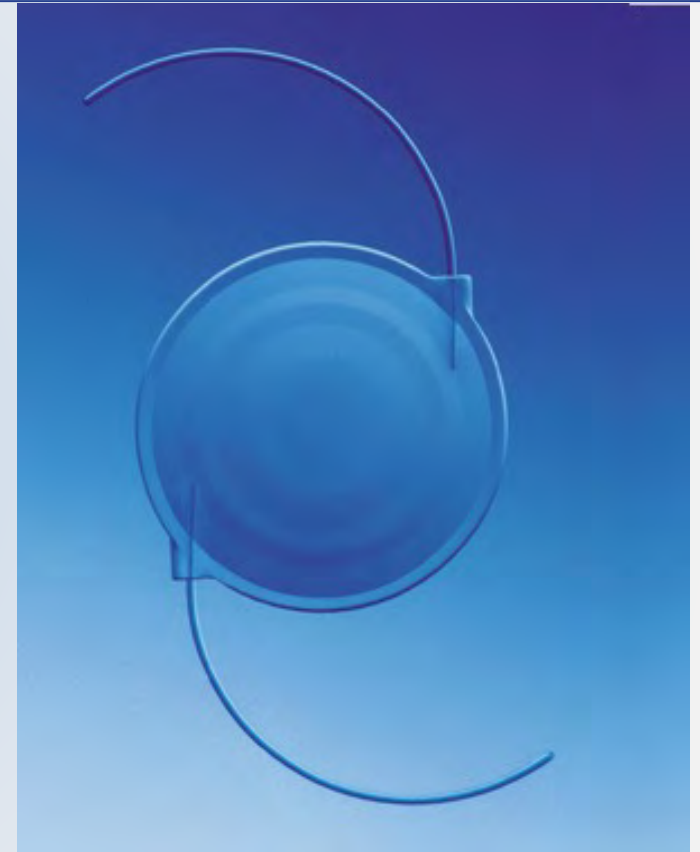
AcuraSee MIOL (Alcon, Ft. Worth)

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Array MIOL (AMO)

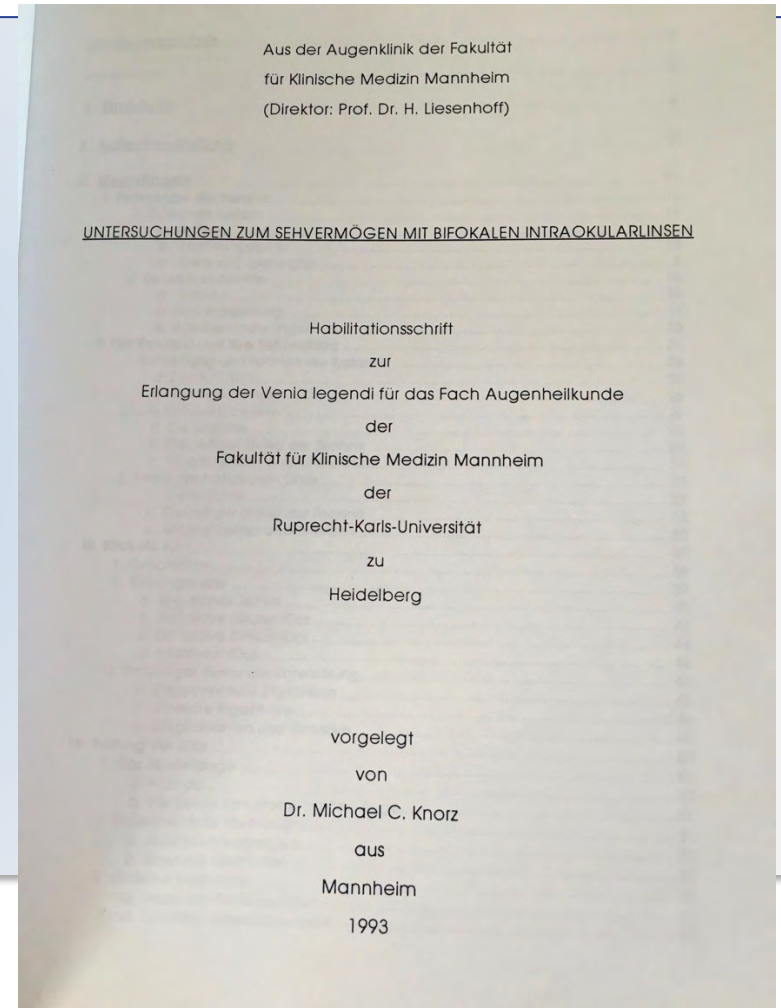
- 5-zone refractive MIOL
- I participated in the European Multicenter Study 1993
- First FDA-approved MIOL (1997)
- First foldable MIOL
- More than 200,000 IOLs implanted



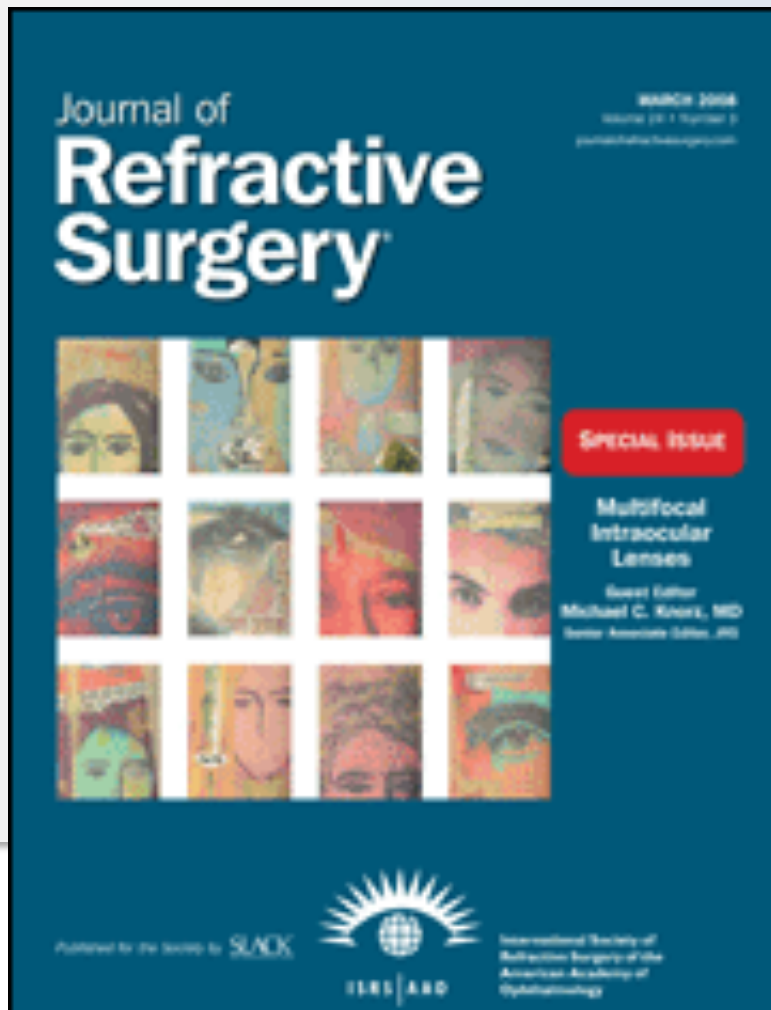
My Research on Multifocal IOLs

- Lab research with Storz in St. Louis
 - Modulation transfer function (MTF)
 - Through-Focus-Response (TFR)
 - Defocus curves
- Clinical research in Mannheim, Germany
 - Visual acuity
 - Contrast sensitivity
 - Defocus curves
- I correlated lab data and clinical data

I wrote a thick book on MIOs in 1993..



15 Years later I edited a JRS Special Edition on MIOL



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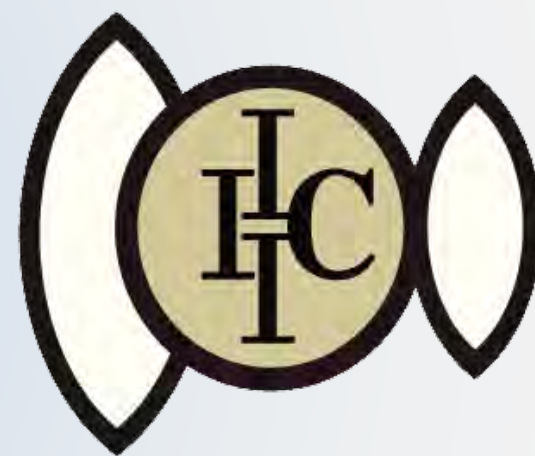
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Membership IIIC in 1999



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Extended Depth of Focus (EDoF) IOLs

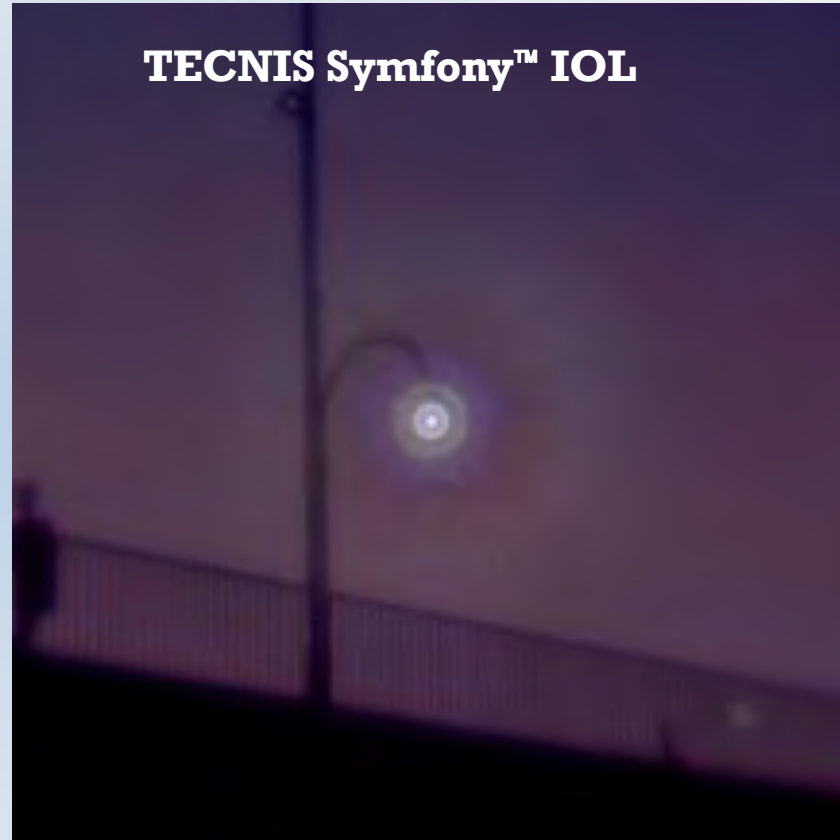
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Extended Depth of Focus (EDoF) IOLs

- **Diffraction EDoF**
 - Symphony IOL (AMO) first FDA-approved EDoF, 2016
 - Zeiss AT LARA
- **Refractive EDoF**
 - Vivity (Alcon)
 - RayOne EMV (Rayner)
 - TECNIS PureSee (J&J)

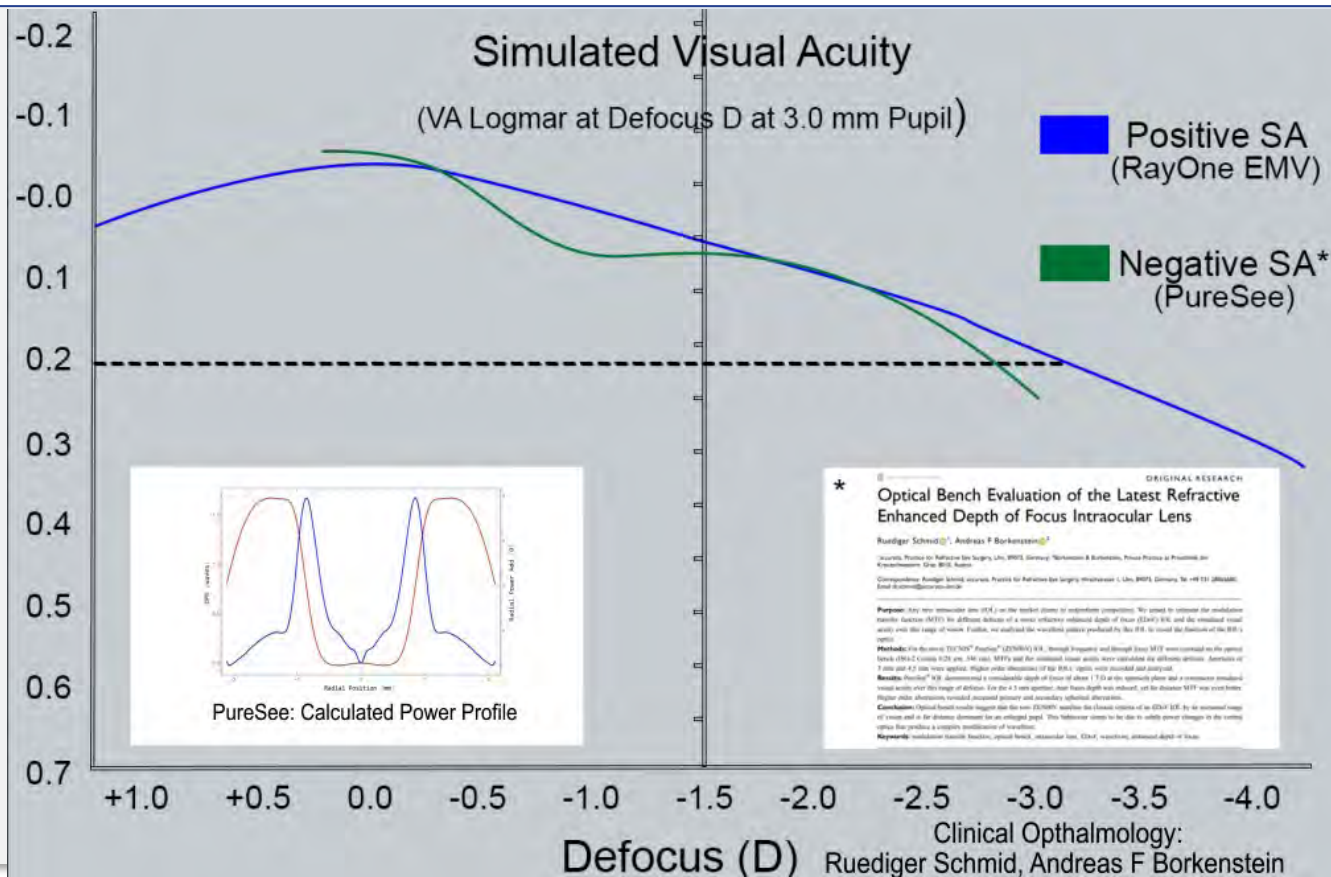


EDoF: Refractive vs Diffractive: *Less Halos !*



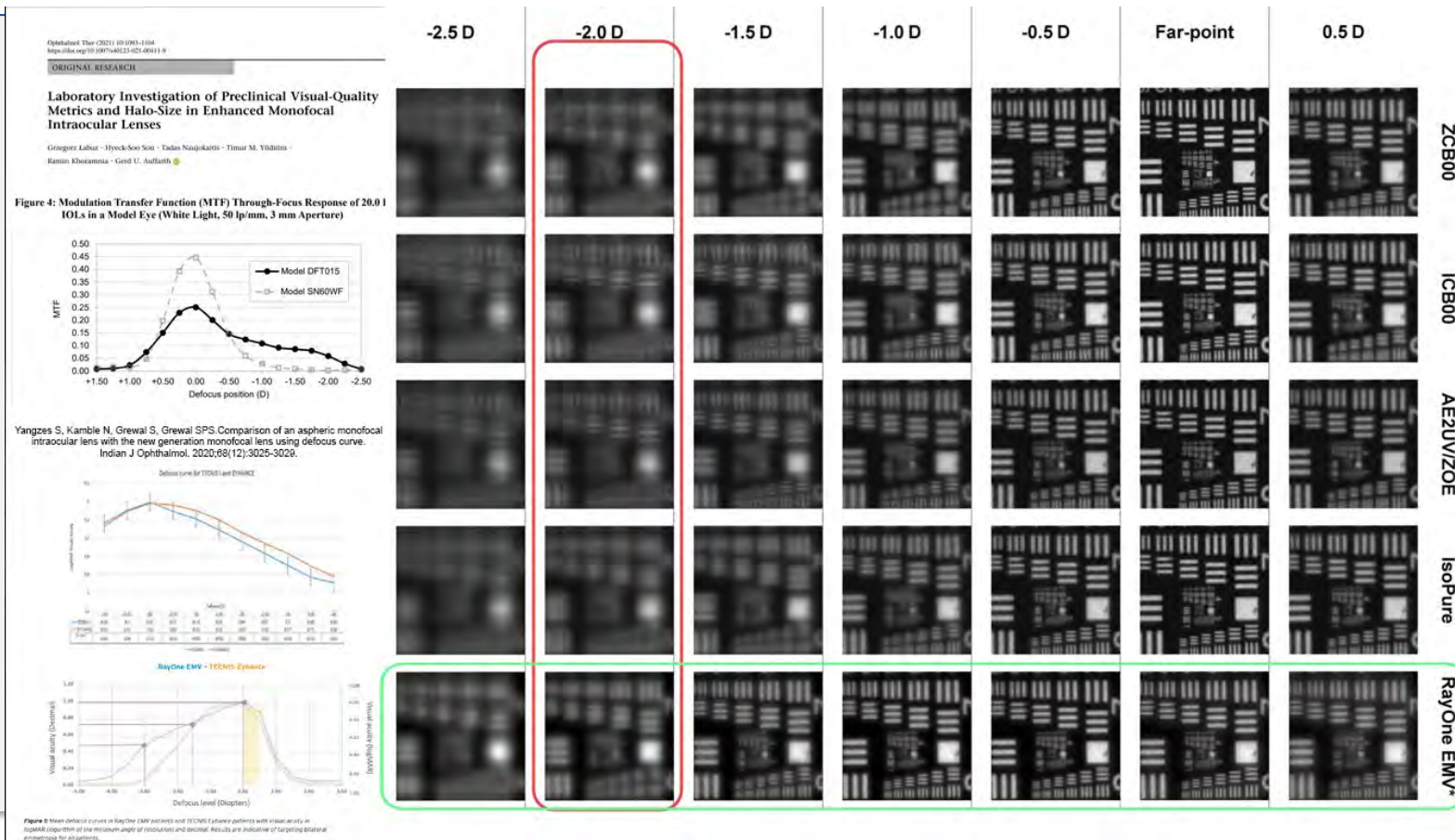
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TECNIS PureSee vs Rayner RayOne EMV



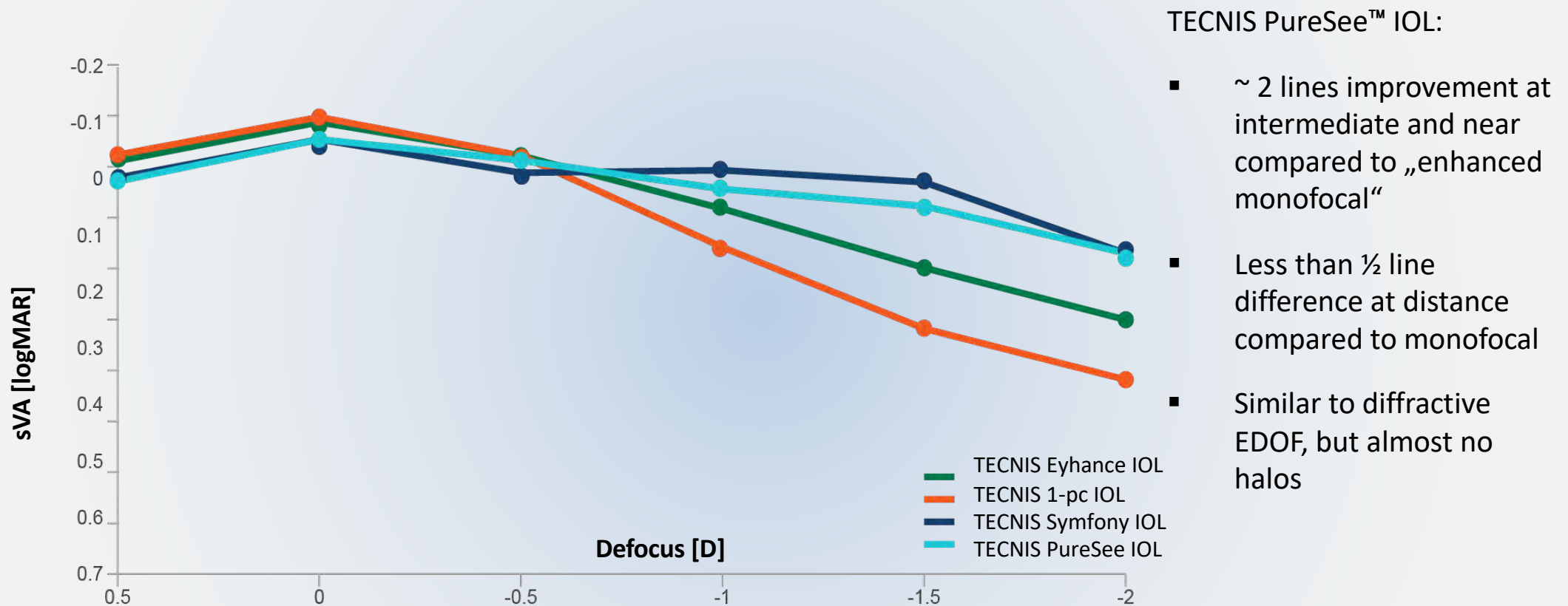
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Rayner RayOne EMV vs Monofocal



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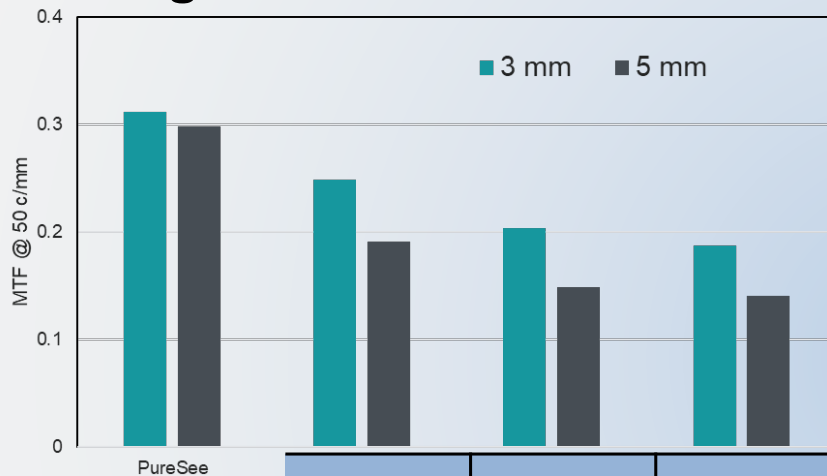
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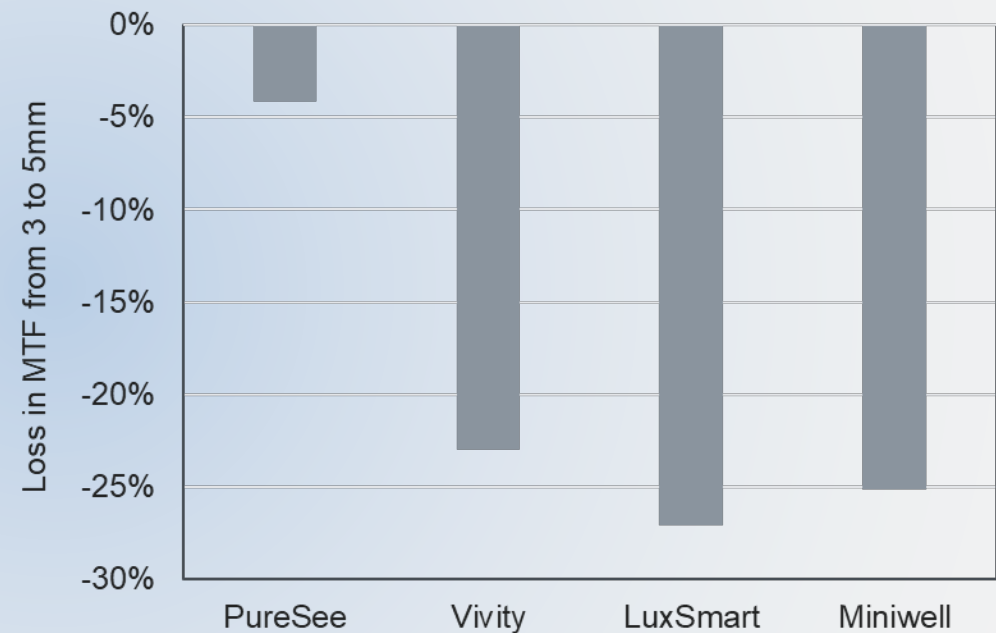
TECNIS PureSee EDoF – MTF and Contrast

Image contrast at distance



MTF Differenz zur DEN00V	3mm	-20 %	-35%	-40 %
	5mm	-36 %	-51%	-53 %

Relative MTF reduction with increasing pupil size (3mm to 5mm)



Courtesy Gerd Auffarth

The background of the slide is a composite image. It features several human eyes, but instead of natural pupils, they contain vibrant, colorful galaxies. The galaxies are depicted with bright yellow and orange cores, surrounded by swirling bands of blue, purple, and white. The eyes are shown from a slightly different angle, with eyelashes visible. The overall effect is a surreal and artistic representation of vision and technology.

Multifocal / Trifocal „full range of vision“ IOLs

Multifocal / Trifocal IOLs (MIOL)

- **Diffractional MIOL**

- ReSTOR +3 MIOL (Alcon), 2005 (more than 900,000 implanted)
- PanOptix (Alcon), 2019
- TECNIS Odyssey (J&J), 2023
- AT LISA TRI IOL (Zeiss)
- FineVision IOL (BVI Medical)



- **Refractive MIOL**

- Array (1997) and ReZOOM (2005), both AMO
- Rayner RayOne Galaxy (2024)



Clinical Results with Zeiss AT LISA Trifocal IOLs

- EuroEyes has implanted > 60,000 Zeiss AT LISA TRI



EuroEyes Clinical Data - Refractive Lens Exchange

- 3,842 eyes (1,921 patients) in 2017 + 2018
- Mean SE -0.6 D (-20 D to +12 D)
- 5 surgeons
- 2,212 eyes (58%) 6-months follow up



EuroEyes Data - Patient Satisfaction

- Satisfied: 95 % (1,819 patients)
- Not satisfied after initial surgery: 5 % (102 patients)
 - **Residual refractive error: 4.5 % (88)**
 - Optical side-effects of trifocal IOL: 0.5 % (14)

How to Handle Unhappy Patients ?

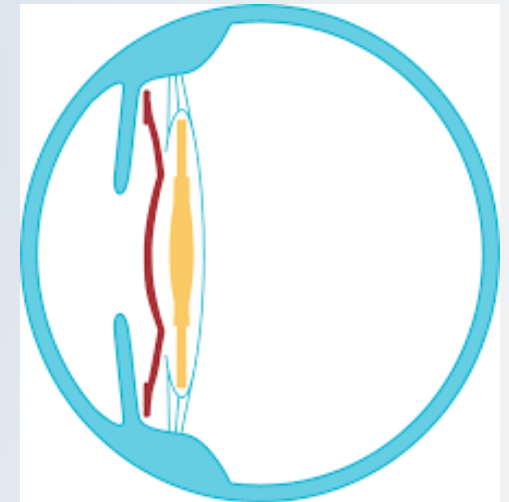
- Most important: TALK !! Show EMPATHY !
 - Explain that it takes time to get used to halos
 - Explain that halos show „that the IOL works“
 - Explain that residual refractive errors can be treated
 - Correct residual errors with CL or glasses until they can be treated
- Treat residual refractive errors after 3 – 6 months

How to Treat Residual Refractive Error ?

- Limbal Relaxing Incisions (LRI)
 - Fast and easy

- Add-on IOL

- LASIK or PRK
 - Avoid in dry eyes



Persistent Optical Side - Effects of Trifocal IOLs

- Persistent optical side effects are rare
 - 0.5 % of patients only
- IOL exchange for monofocal or EDoF IOL is an option
 - Not before 6 months after surgery
- We observed an exchange rate of 0.05% (1 of 1,921)



IOE Exchange: My Recommendations

- **Dominant eye should be exchanged first !**
 - Dominant eye should be corrected for distance
- Demonstrate reading vision with dominant eye only
 - Patients will be unable to read with dominant eye only

Most patients will prefer to keep the MIOE in the other eye for reading !

What about YAG – Laser ?

Patient unhappy and capsular opacification visible:
What shall we do ?

- If patient was initially happy after surgery:
 - Perform YAG - Laser capsulotomy early
- If patient was complaining from day 1:
 - DO NOT PERFORM YAG, but exchange MIOL !



Comparison of EDoF and MIOL

Optics - EDoF vs MIOL

- Extended Depth of Focus (EDoF) IOLs
 - ***Refractive optic (spherical aberration)***

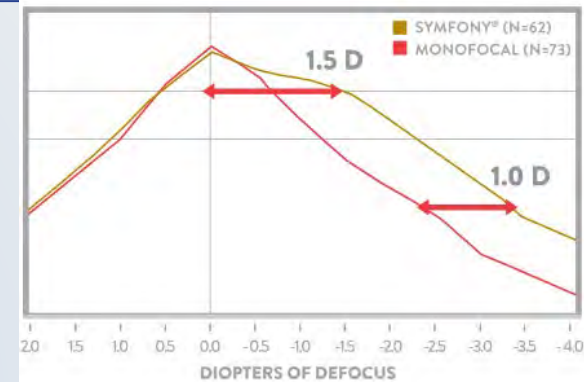


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 - ***Diffractive optic***

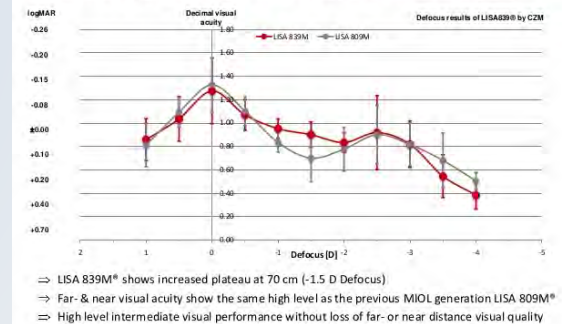


Near Add - EDoF vs MIOL

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 - Provide about 1.5 D of near add***
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 - Provide about 3 D of near add***



Defocus curves for LISA 809 and 839



Optical Side Effects – EDoF vs MIOL

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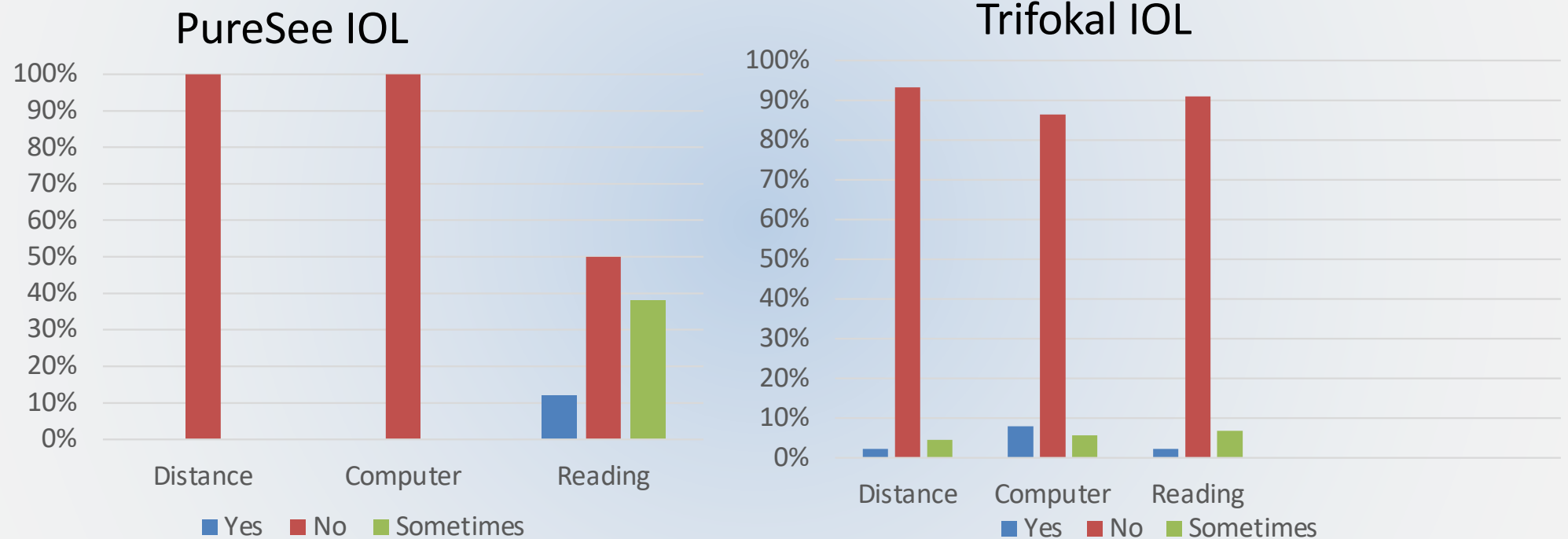
Need for Glasses – EDoF vs MIOL

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Clinical Results - PureSee EDoF vs Zeiss Trifocal

Do you need glasses at distance, intermediate or near ?



Courtesy Jannik Boberg-Ans

What can Patients expect ?

- Extended Depth of Focus (EDoF)
 - Excellent distance and good intermediate vision (laptop)
 - Few optical side effects
 - Reading glasses frequently required
- Multifocal / trifocal IOLs (MIOL)
 - Good distance, intermediate and near vision
 - Significant optical side effects
 - Small risk of IOL exchange (0.05%)
 - No glasses at all !

EDoF

Unser LASIK Zentrum - Unser Team

Gegründet 1993

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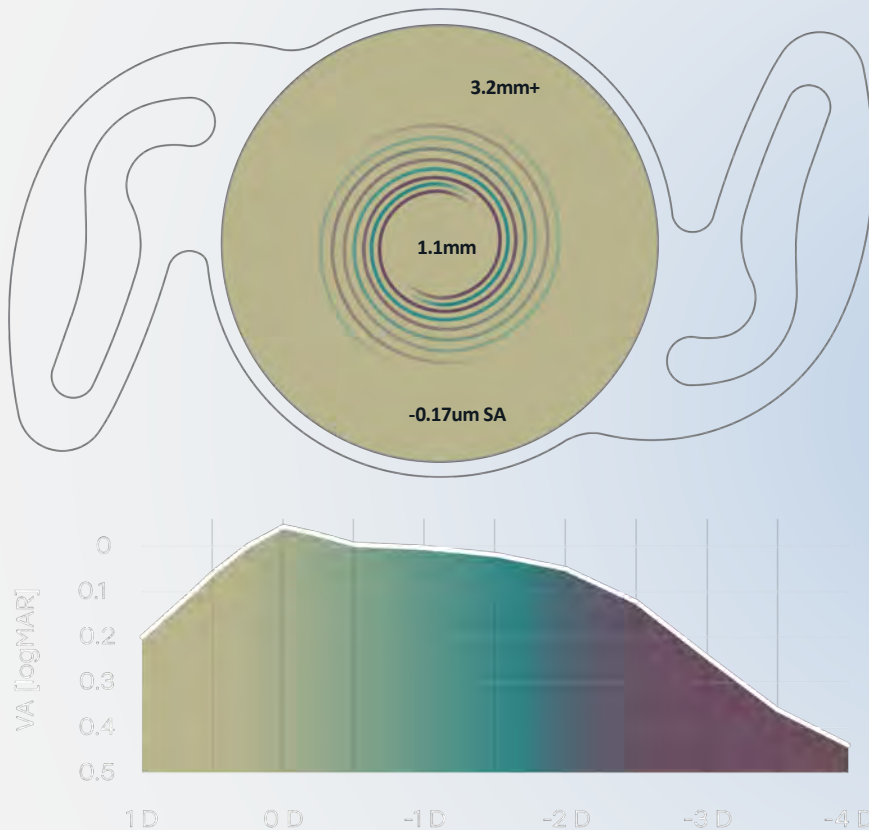
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A close-up of a human eye. The iris is replaced by a vibrant, multi-colored galaxy or nebula pattern. A series of thin, curved lines, representing an intraocular lens (IOL), are visible across the pupil area. The eye is surrounded by dark, textured skin and eyelashes.

Modern Presbyopia - Correcting IOLs

The Spiral IOL | Designed with AI



- **A proprietary AI engine** created a unique optical spiral tuned for optimal patient outcomes.
- Spiral tracks allow **continuous variance of power**, focusing light at every position along the defocus curve.
- Results in **precise control of the optical power** from far to near focus, producing a **smooth and continuous full range of vision**.
- The **smooth and continuously changing surface** with no abrupt transitions decreases dysphotopsia and light loss.

Glare and Halos – Galaxy vs Diffractive

Galaxy (n=52)

	Halo	Glare
Size	26.2 ± 25.4	8.0 ± 15.2
Intensity	31.2 ± 31.3	10.8 ± 18.2



RayOne Galaxy halo and glare simulator at 1-month (n=52).
Rayner multicentre data collection

PanOptix (n=24)

	Halo	Glare
Size	39.3 ± 20.8	10.1 ± 14.5
Intensity	49.7 ± 21.9	21.7 ± 24.8



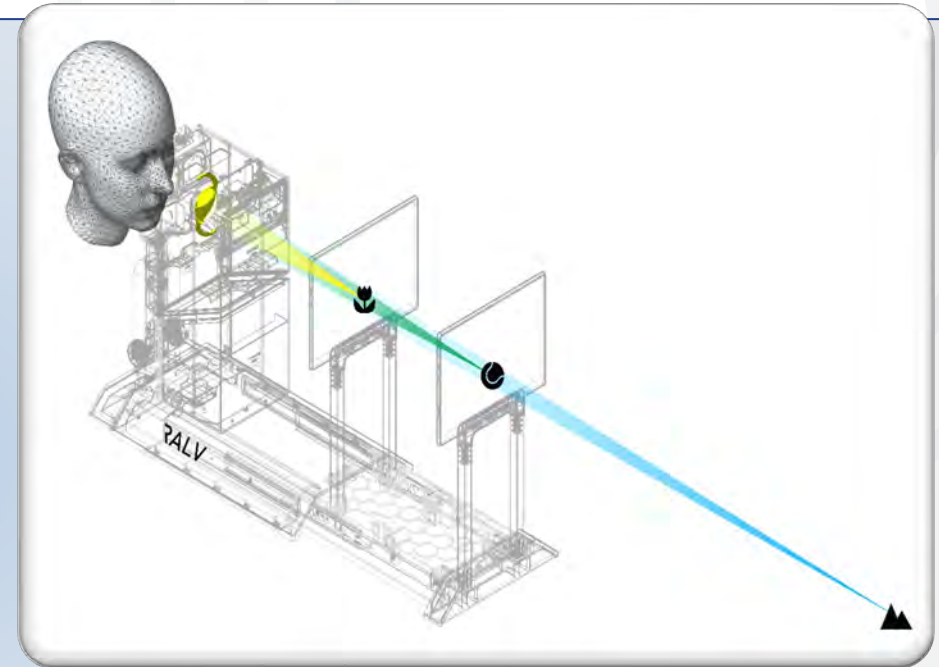
PanOptix, Alcon, at 3 Month (n=24).

Adapted from Lwowski C et al. J Refract Surg. 2023 Aug;39(8):510-517.

Based on Halo T1, as illustrated in paper.

RALV (Real Artificial Lens Vision) | DEZIMAL GmbH

- **Demonstration** of achievable vision after implantation of an IOL.
- Main benefit: enables direct comparison of **multiple lens designs**.
- IOLs are inserted in the RALV Device:
 - realistic visual impression
 - IOLs tested without implantation



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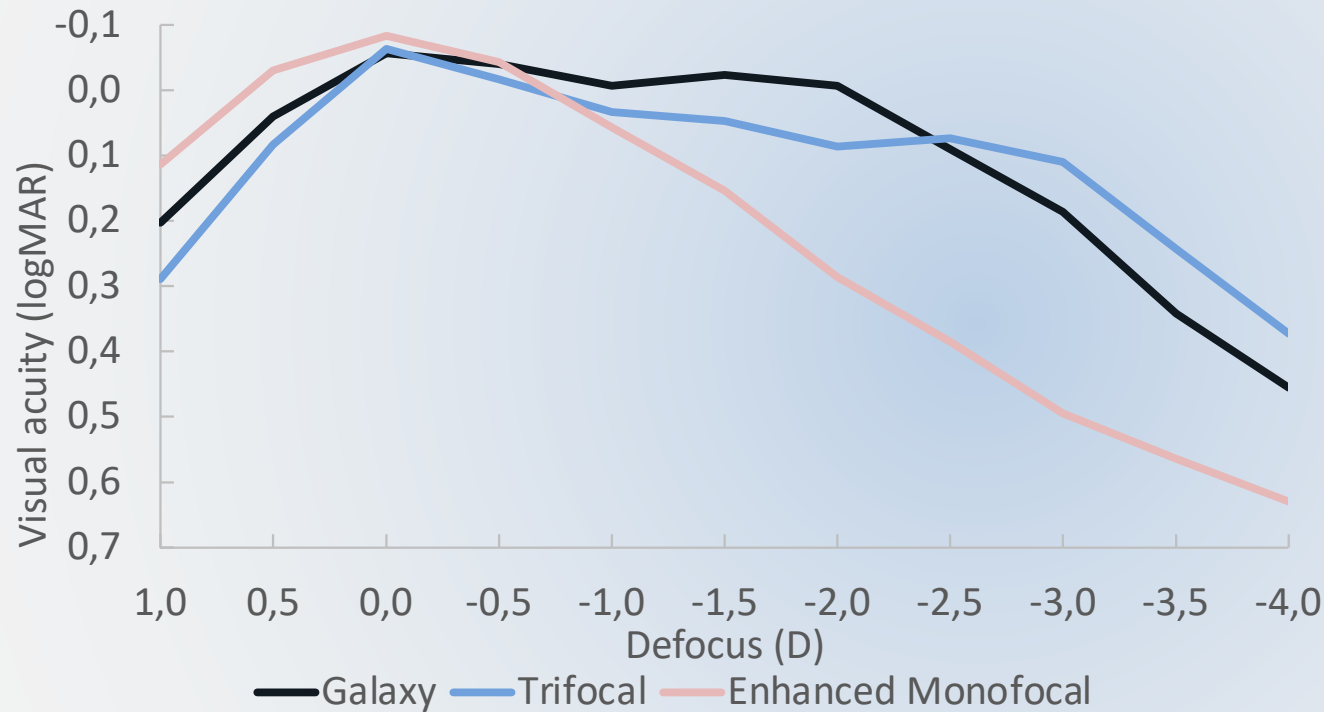
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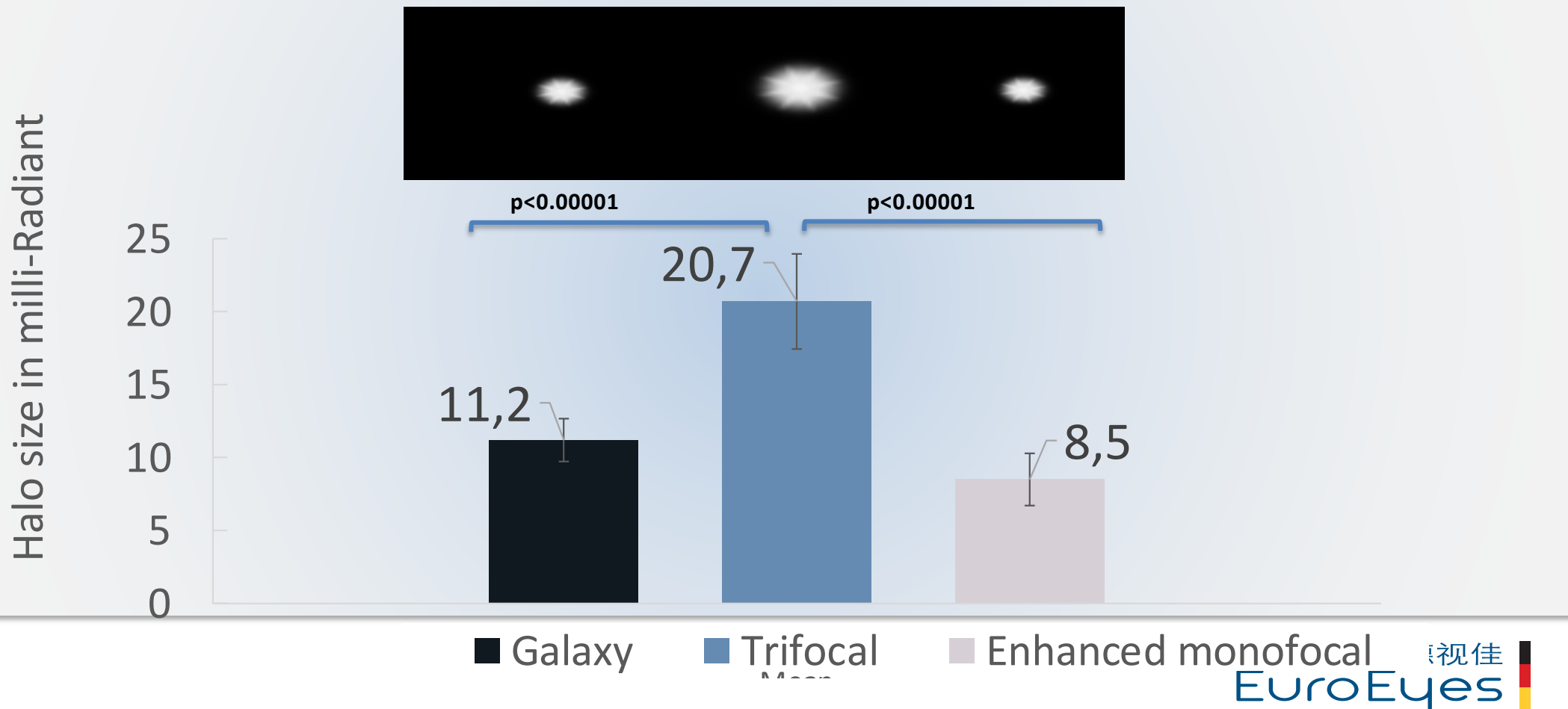
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Defocus Curve Galaxy vs Trifocal vs Monofocal+

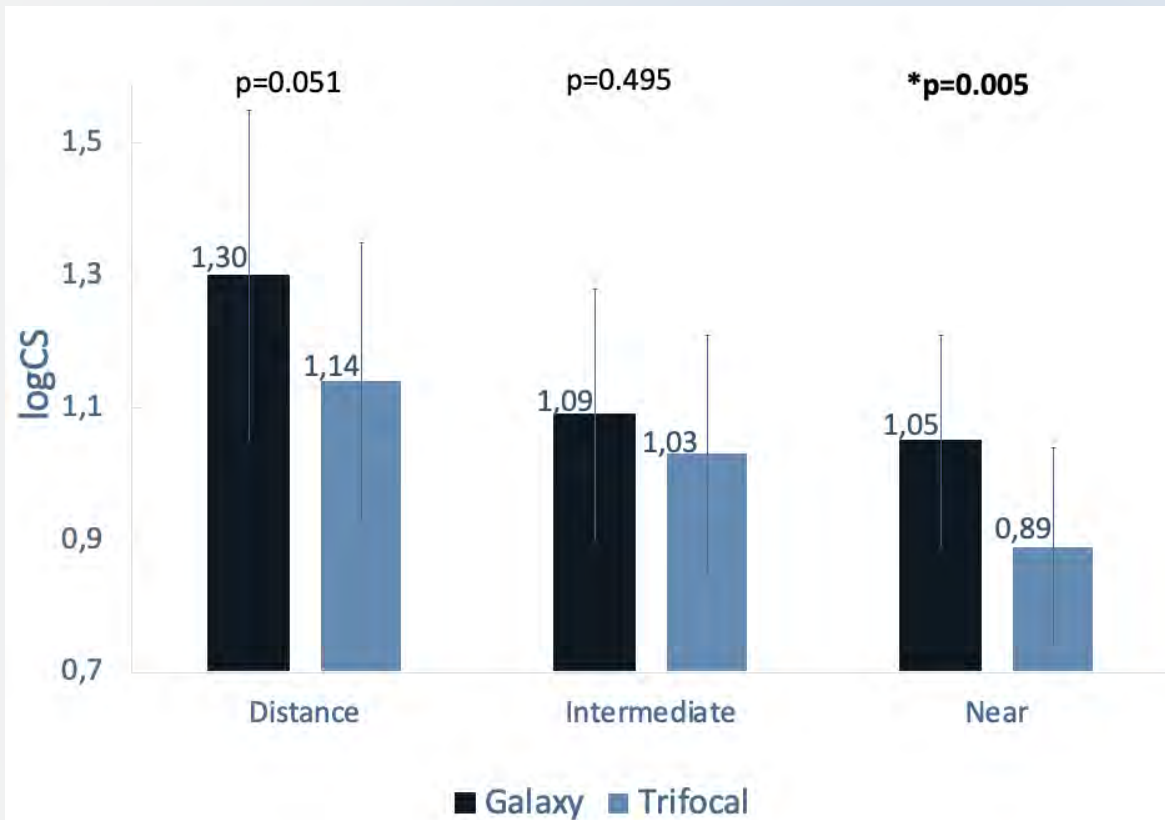


- **Excellent distance vision.**
- **Full range of vision comparable to a trifocal IOL.**
- **Better intermediate VA with smooth plateau between 0.0 D and -2.50 D for Galaxy compared to trifocal IOL.**

Halo Size Galaxy vs Trifocal vs Monofocal+

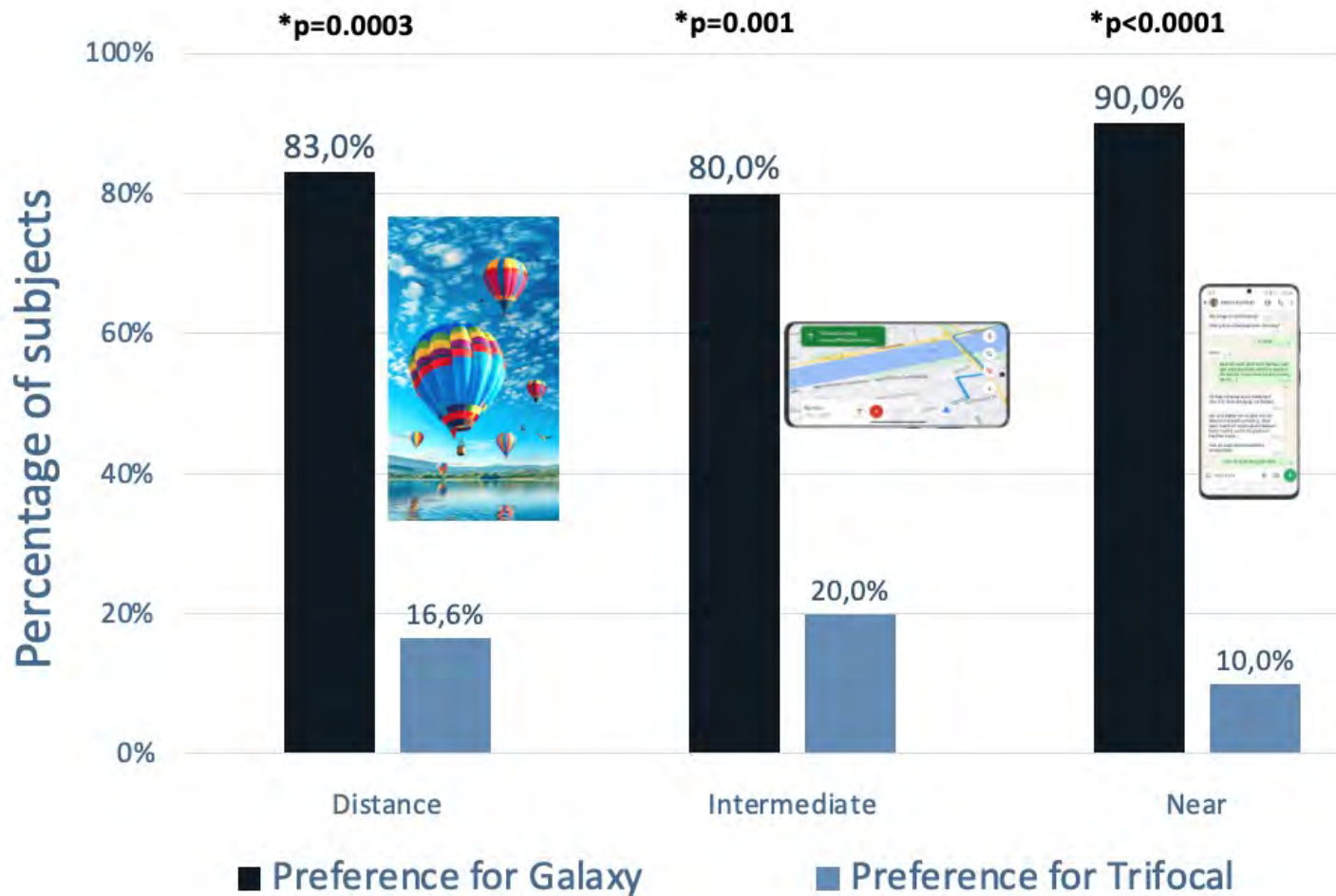


Contrast Sensitivity Galaxy vs Trifocal



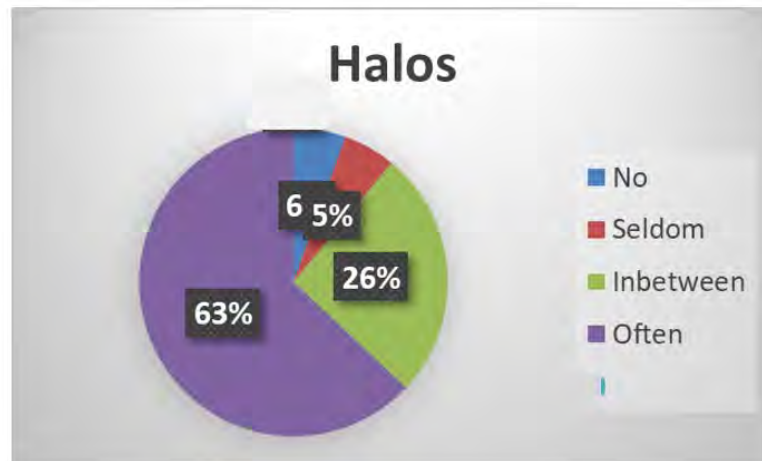
The Galaxy spiral IOL demonstrated **better contrast sensitivity** compared to a diffractive trifocal IOL.

Subjective Preference Galaxy vs Trifocal



EuroEyes Data – Galaxy vs Zeiss AT LISA

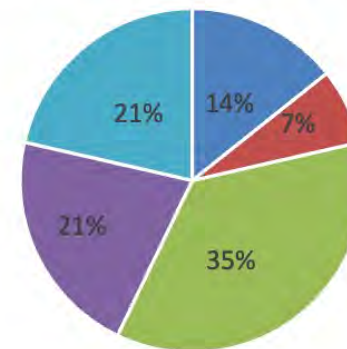
Zeiss AT LISA TRI



Often or always **89%**
6% No Halo

RayOne Galaxy

Halos not severe



Often or always 42%
14% No Halo

Courtesy Jannik Boberg-Ans

The World's First Adjustable Intraocular Lens

Light Adjustable Lens

- ☼ Crystal clear silicone optic
- ☼ Photoreactive UV-absorbing material
- ☼ 6.0 mm diameter/13.0 mm overall length

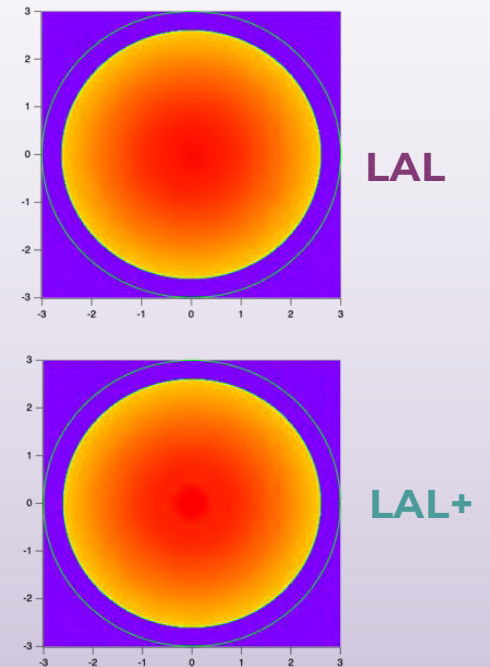
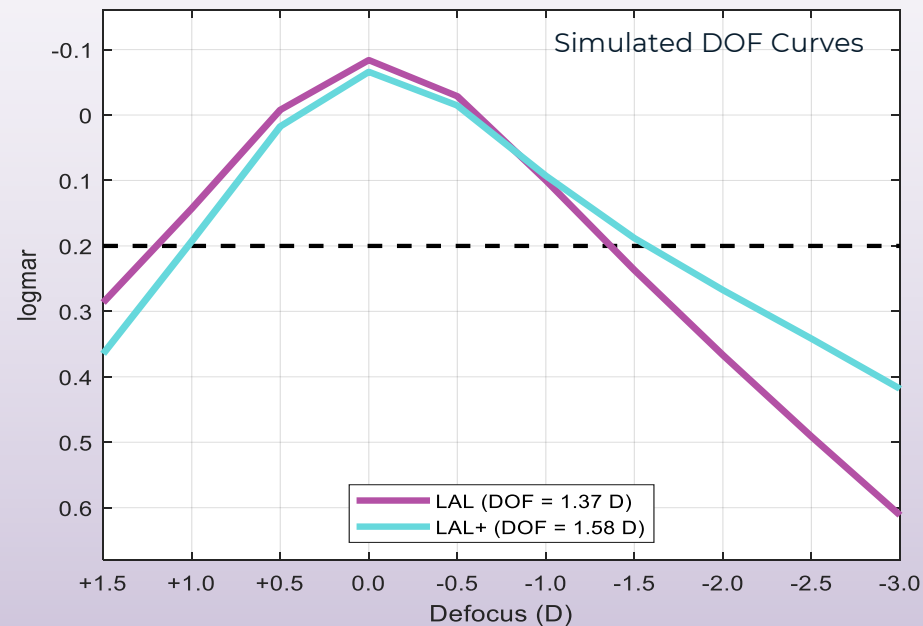
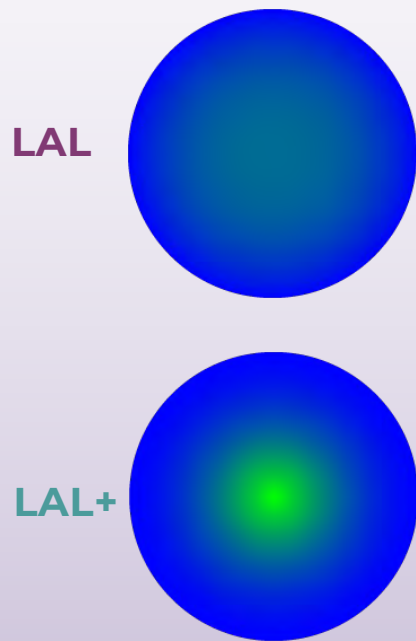
Light Adjustable Lens Powers

- ☼ -2.0 D to +15.0 D in 1.0 D increments
- ☼ +16.0 D to +24.0 D in 0.5 D increments
- ☼ +25.0 D to +30.0 D in 1.0 D increments

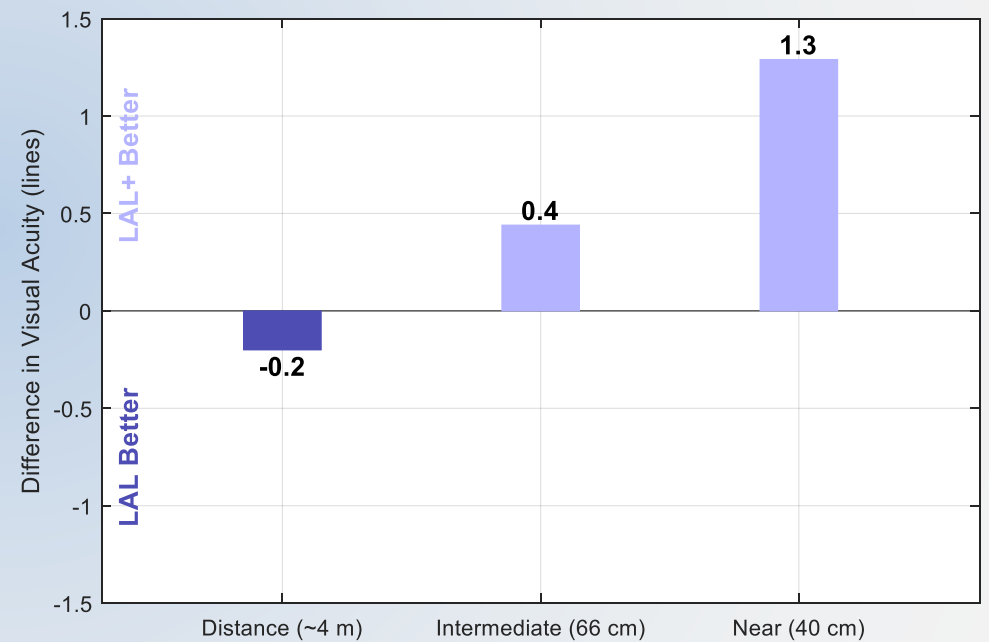
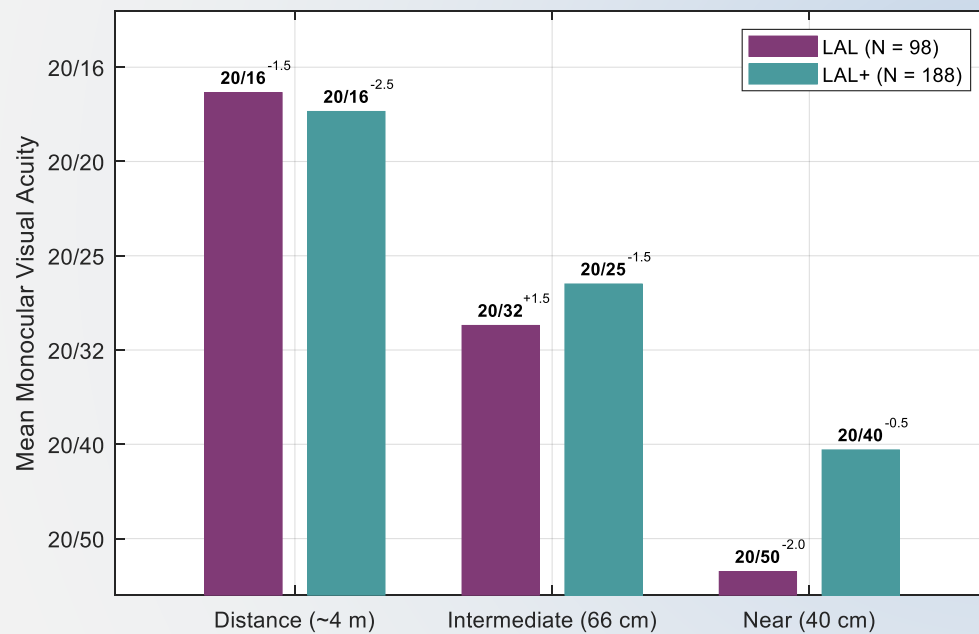


What is the LAL+?

- The LAL+ has a slightly extended depth of focus by adding a small continuous increase in central lens power
- This optical design further extends the depth of focus prior to any light treatments, while maintaining high-quality distance vision.



Distance Corrected Visual Acuity LAL vs LAL+

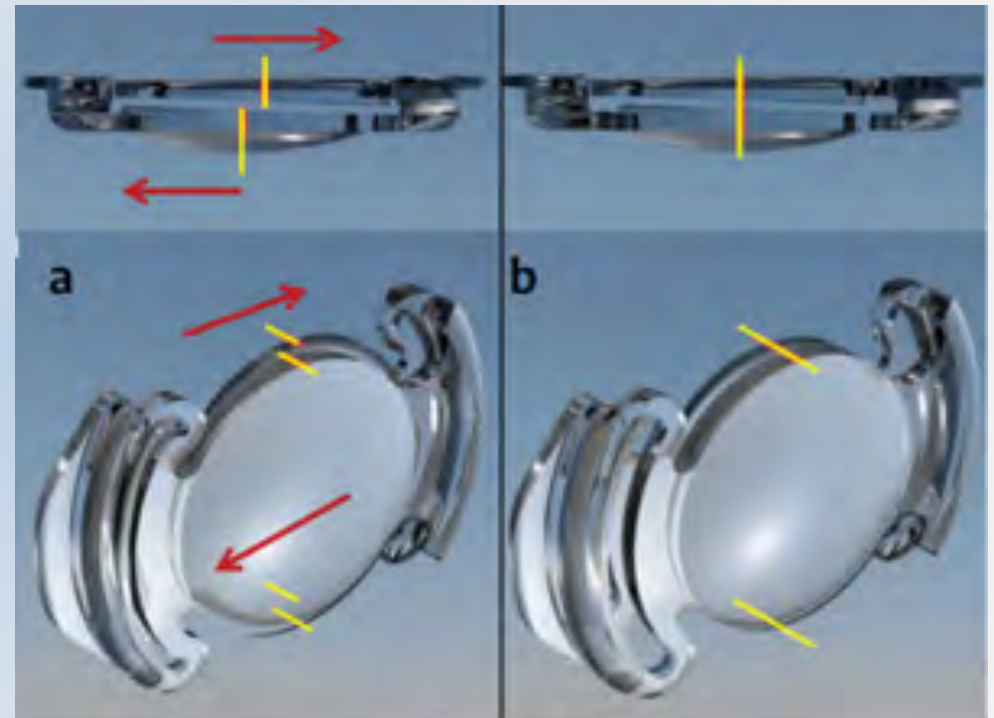




Future of Presbyopia - Correcting IOLs

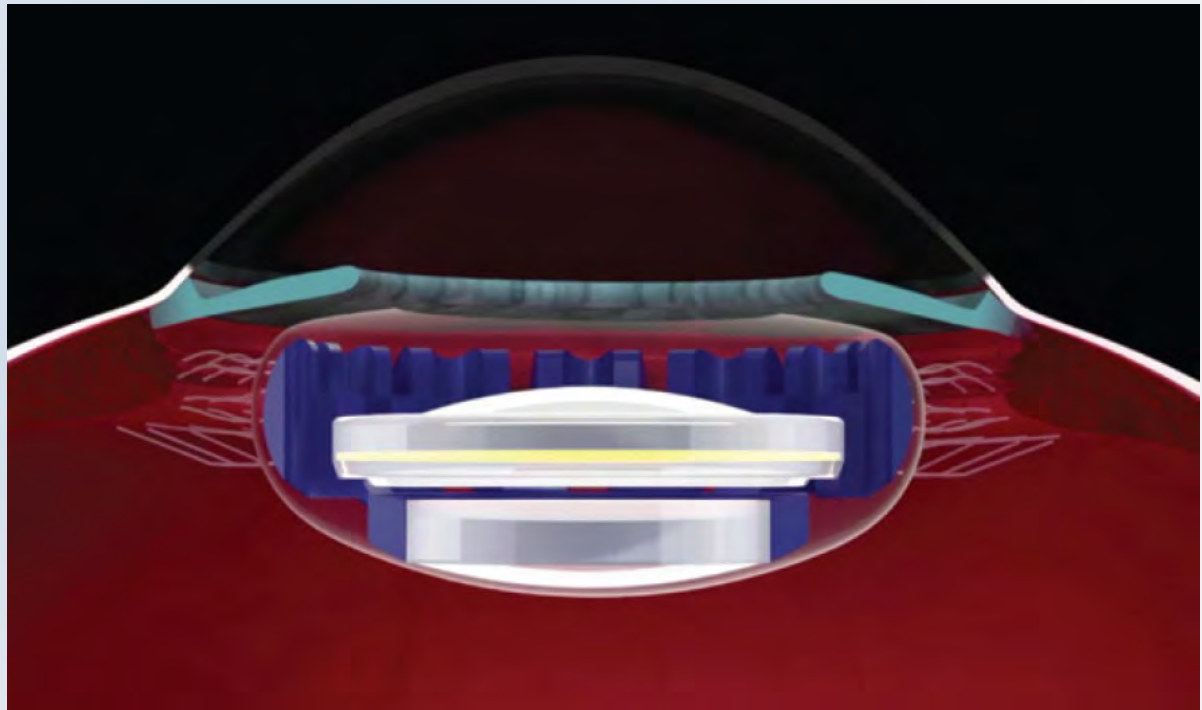
Lumina (AkkoLens International, The Netherlands)

- CE-marked 2024
- Sulcus placement
- Two lateral shifting optics



Juvene (LensGen, Irvine, CA)

- FDA trial completed
- Fluid-filled optic



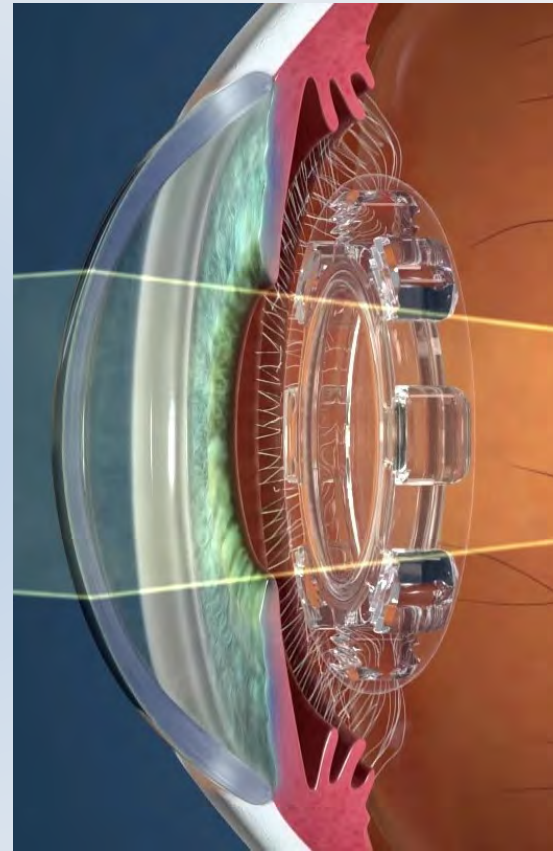
OmniVu (Atia Vision, Campbell, CA)

- IDE for FDA trial approved May 2025
- Dual optic
- Fluid-filled base



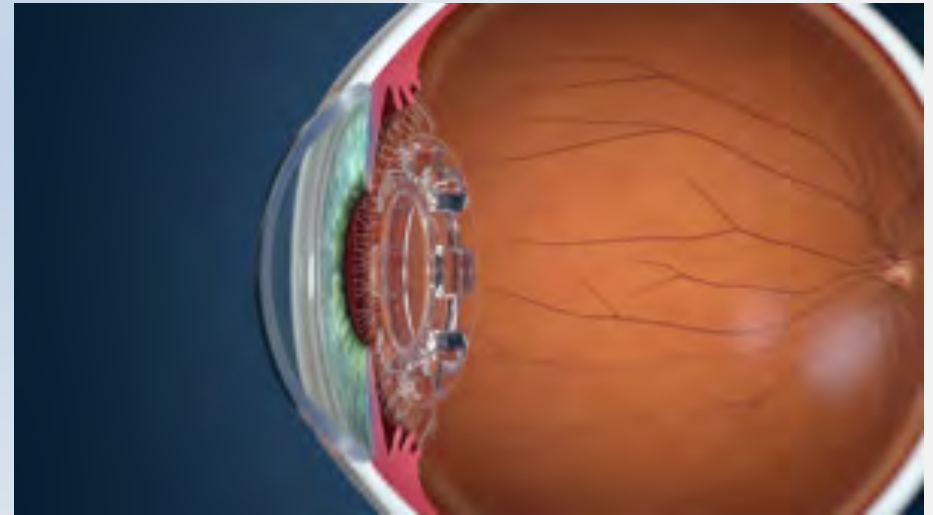
JelliSee IOL (JelliSee Ophthalmics, McLean, VA)

- Studies outside US
- Silicone oil filled optic



FluidVision IOL (Alcon, Ft. Worth, TX)

- Studies outside US
- Silicone oil filled optic



Conclusions

Presbyopia – correcting IOLs will become standard of care

- Refractive EDoF IOLs will slowly replace monofocal IOLs
- *Adjustable EDoF IOLs (LAL+) are an exciting new option*
- Refractive MIOLs (Galaxy) will replace diffractive MIOL
- *Accommodating IOLs represent the next step into the future*



Thank you !