

Efficacy of 500 Hz Excimer Laser Ablation in Compound Myopic Astigmatism With Cyclotorsion Alignment and Pupil Centroid Shift Compensation: An RCT

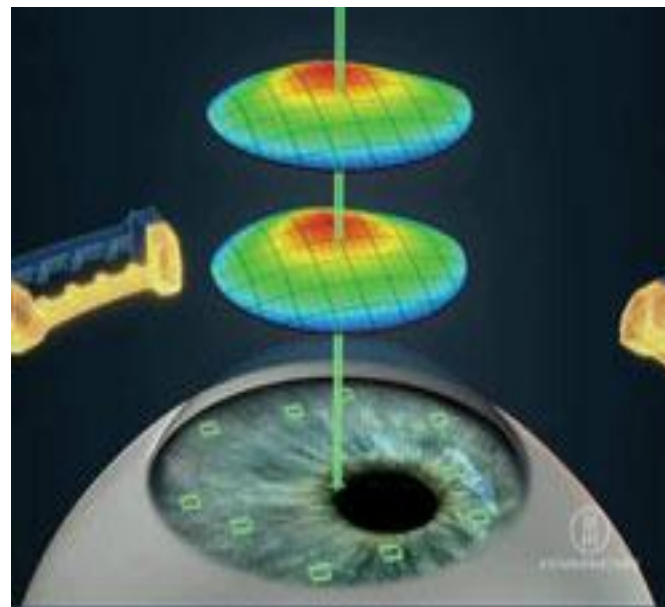
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Pupil Centroid Shift

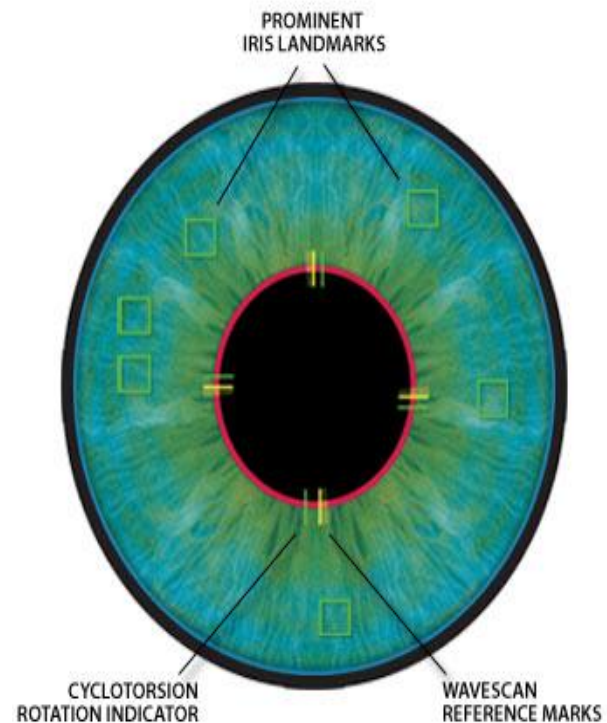
- Occurs with change in pupil diameter
- Aberrations measured over a **dilated pupil / mesopic** condition in a seated position are surgically corrected over an **undilated** pupil in **supine** position
- **Induced HOAs**



PCSC: Wavefront centred on preoperatively measured dilated pupil rather than intraoperative constricted pupil in supine position

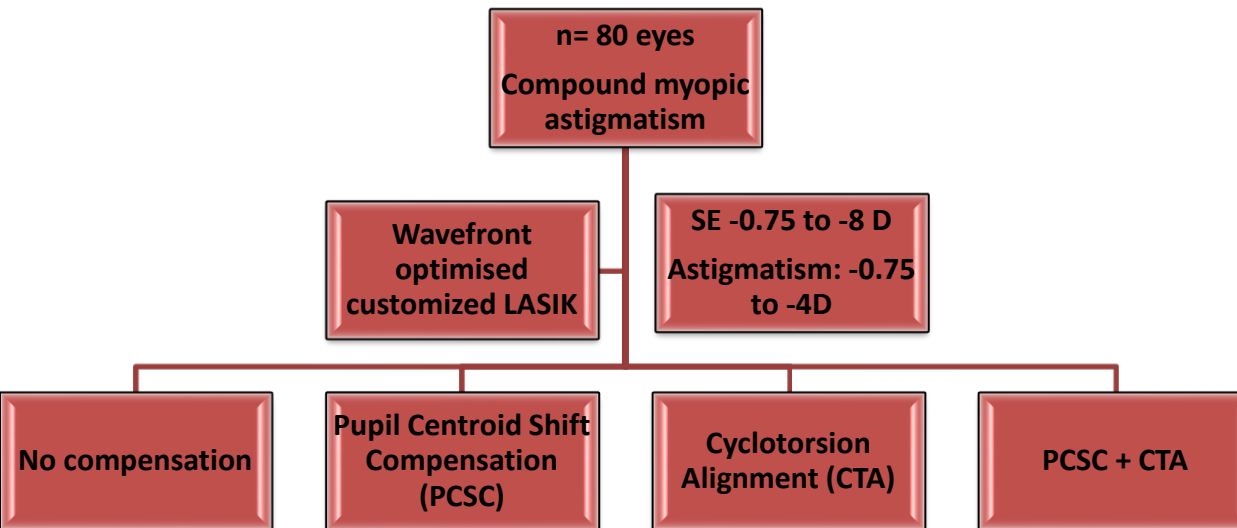
Cyclotorsion

- Cyclotorsion is a cause of under-correction and residual HOAs
- Factors causing cyclotorsion:
 - Rotation of the head and body
 - Position-induced cyclotorsion



CTA: Wavefront directed on preoperatively measured axis

Materials and Methods



- Pupil centre detection and Iris registration captured on Topolyzer™ (ALLEGRETTO Wavelight®, ALCON)
- Pre-requisites:
 - 4 consecutive readings (auto capture) taken
 - 65% accuracy in each reading
 - Based on limbus detection in all 4 readings

Prospective randomized clinical control trial
n= 80 (20 in each group)
Age: 20- 38 yrs

Materials and Methods: Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria

Inclusion Criteria

- Stable refractive history >1 year
- Myopia and astigmatism eligible for LASIK
 - SE -0.75 to -8 D
 - Astigmatism -0.75 to -4D
- More than 18 years of age
- Postoperative refractive target emmetropia
- Discontinuation of contact lens (2 weeks prior for soft CL, 4 weeks prior for RGP CL)

Exclusion Criteria

- Patients younger than 18 years
- CDVA worse than 6/24
- H/O previous ocular surgery/ocular co-morbidities/trauma/inflammation
- H/O corneal dystrophy, , irregular cornea on corneal topography
- Corneal thickness values that will result in residual bed less than 300 μ m

Results: Pre-operative Parameters

| | Without PCSC/CTA | With PCSC | With CTA | With PCSC & CTA | p value |
|----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|---------|
| UCVA | 1.02±0.42 | 1.18±0.47 | 0.95±0.39 | 0.95±0.43 | 0.2854 |
| Spherical Equivalent | -3.72±2.13 | -4.76±1.99 | -3.54±1.74 | -3.81±2.02 | 0.211 |
| Contrast sensitivity | 1.85±0.12 | 1.84±0.11 | 1.90±0.11 | 1.83±0.12 | 0.163 |
| Glare acuity | 0.2 (0-0.3) | 0.25 (0-0.4) | 0.2 (0-0.4) | 0.2 (0-0.4) | 0.121 |
| HO TOTAL | 0.07 (0.02-0.24) | 0.08 (0.02-0.34) | 0.07 (0.02-0.29) | 0.10 (0.025-0.393) | 0.428 |

Comparable preoperative BCVA, contrast sensitivity, glare acuity and higher order corneal aberrations

Results: Post-operative Parameters

| | Without PCSC/CTA | With PCSC | With CTA | With PCSC & CTA | p value |
|----------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|---------|
| UCVA | 0 (-0.079-0.176) | 0 (0-0.301) | 0 (0-0.301) | 0 (0-0.176) | 0.8824 |
| Refractive cylinder | -0.5 (-0.75-+1) | -0.5 (-0.75-+0.5) | -0.25 (-0.25-+0.5) | -0.25 (-0.75-+0.25) | 0.2972 |
| Spherical equivalent | 0 (-1.25-+0.375) | -0.25 (-1.125-+0.625) | +0.125 (-1-+0.625) | +0.125 (-0.5-+0.5) | 0.1445 |

No difference in UCVA and the mean post-operative residual cylinder between the groups at 6 month follow up

Results: Spherical Aberration

| | Without PCSC/CTA | With PCSC | With CTA | With PCSC & CTA | p value |
|---------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---------|
| Pre-operative | 0.018 (0-0.087) | 0.024 (0.002-0.122) | 0.023 (-0.05-0.13) | 0.03 (0.007-0.19) | 0.166 |
| 6 months | 0.033 (-0.031-0.119) | 0.039 (0.003-0.137) | 0.026 (-0.059-0.134) | 0.032 (-0.001-0.177) | 0.569 |
| p value | 0.007 | 0.000 | 0.121 | 0.501 | |

The increase in spherical aberration in the group with CTA and both CTA and PCSC was not significant while it was significant in the other two groups

Results: Trefoil and Secondary Astigmatism

| | | Without PCSC/CTA | With PCSC | With CTA | With PCSC & CTA | p value |
|-----------------------|---------------|------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|---------|
| Secondary Astigmatism | Pre-operative | 0.016 (0.001-0.36) | 0.019 (0.004-0.078) | 0.015 (0.03-0.134) | 0.018 (0.001-0.131) | 0.67 |
| | 6 months | 0.027 (0.003-0.057) | 0.025 (0.002-0.086) | 0.03 (0.002-0.142) | 0.015 (0.004-0.071) | 0.263 |
| | p value | 0.01 | 0.04 | 0.000 | 0.501 | |
| Trefoil | Pre-operative | 0.04 (0.004-0.075) | 0.038 (0.006-0.188) | 0.04 (0.002-0.152) | 0.034 (0.004-0.188) | 0.994 |
| | 6 months | 0.054 | 0.043 | 0.05 | 0.035 | 0.293 |
| | p value | 0.002 | 0.009 | 0.005 | 0.881 | |

The increase in secondary astigmatism and trefoil in the group with both CTA and PCSC was not significant while it was significant in the other three groups

Results: Contrast Sensitivity

| | Without PCSC/CTA | With PCSC | With CTA | With PCSC & CTA | p value |
|---------------|------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------------|---------|
| Pre-operative | 1.85±0.12 | 1.84±0.11 | 1.90±0.11 | 1.83±0.12 | 0.163 |
| 1 month | 1.55±0.11 | 1.6±0.11 | 1.6±0.12 | 1.59±0.08 | 0.229 |
| 6 months | 1.66±0.1 | 1.68±0.1 | 1.72±0.08 | 1.73±0.09 | 0.127 |
| p value | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | |

The reduction in contrast sensitivity in the group with CTA and both CTA and PCSC was the lesser as compared to other two groups

Results: Glare Acuity

| | Without PCSC/CTA | With PCSC | With CTA | With PCSC & CTA | p value |
|---------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------|
| Pre-operative | 0.2 (0-0.3) | 0.25 (0-0.4) | 0.2 (0-0.4) | 0.2 (0-0.4) | 0.121 |
| 1 month | 0.6 (0.4-0.8) | 0.6 (0.5-0.8) | 0.5 (0.2-0.7) | 0.45 (0.2-0.7) | <0.05 |
| 6 months | 0.5 (0.4-0.6) | 0.5 (0.4-0.7) | 0.46 (0.3-0.6) | 0.4 (0.2-0.6) | <0.05 |
| p value | <0.05 | <0.05 | <0.05 | <0.05 | |

The drop in glare acuity was least in the group with both CTA and PCSC as compared to other three groups

Conclusions

- Wavefront-optimised LASIK is an effective modality for the correction of compound myopic astigmatism of $-3.9 \pm 1.9D$ (-0.75 to -8)
- Glare acuity in all groups dropped after the procedure. The **decrease was the least in the group in which PCSC and CTA were compensated during the procedure.**
- All groups studied showed a significant drop in **Contrast sensitivity** at 1 month. The **groups in which PCSC and CTA was done showed the maximum improvement at 6 months.**
- All groups studied showed an increase in **Higher Order Aberrations** following the procedure. However the **induced aberrations were least in the group in which PCSC and CTA was done.**