# A comparison of widely used clinical contrast sensitivity tests: the relation between defocus specific contrast sensitivity and higher order aberrations

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## Plain English summary of protocol

Not provided at time of registration

## Contact information

## Type(s)

Scientific

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# Additional identifiers

## Protocol serial number

NL799, NTR812

# Study information

## Scientific Title

A comparison of widely used clinical contrast sensitivity tests: the relation between defocus specific contrast sensitivity and higher order aberrations

## Acronym

Defocus specific contrast sensitivity and spherical aberration

## **Study objectives**

Higher order aberrations, like spherical aberration, decreases visual performance.

## Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

## Ethics approval(s)

Medisch Ethische Toetsingscommissie, University Medical Center Groningen, date of MEC approval: 14 Oct 2005 (reference number: METc2005.188).

## Study design

Randomised parallel armed clinical trial

## Primary study design

Interventional

## Study type(s)

Treatment

## Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

No condition, healthy person

#### Interventions

Best corrected visual acuity was determined with an Early Treatment Diabetic Retinopathy Study (ETDRS) chart and the Spherical Aberration (SA) was measured with a wavefront analyzer (WASCA version 1.26.3, Asclepion Meditec, Jena, Germany).

The contrast sensitivity is measured with two computerised tests:

- 1. One with vertical sine-wave gratings (1.5-12 cpd) generated on a CRT (Cambridge Research Systems, Rochester, UK; Von Bekesy tracking method)
- 2. The Holladay sine-wave (1.5 -18 cpd) modulated circular lines (HACSS) (M&S Technologies, Skokie, Illinois, USA),

and with six contrast sensitivity chart tests:

- 1. Pelli Robson contrast sensitivity test
- 2. Low contrast ETDRS-like optotype chart 2.5%
- 3. Low contrast ETDRS-like optotype chart 10%
- 4. Edge contrast sensitivity test: GECKO
- 5. Edge contrast sensitivity test: GECKO-100
- 6. Vector Vision

Contrast sensitivity is measured in mesopic (3 cd/m $^2$ ) and photopic (160 cd/m $^2$ ) conditions, using only the dominant eye. Tests were performed at optimal refractive state of the eye and at a variety of defocus situations (-2D to 2D).

## Intervention Type

Other

#### Phase

**Not Specified** 

## Primary outcome(s)

Selection of the contrast sensitivity test which predicts the spherical aberration most reliably.

## Key secondary outcome(s))

- 1. Spherical aberration as function of age
- 2. RMS as function of age
- 3. Contrast sensitivity as function of age
- 4. Influence of defocus on contrast sensitivity

## Completion date

30/06/2006

# Eligibility

## Key inclusion criteria

No ocular pathology

## Participant type(s)

**Patient** 

## Healthy volunteers allowed

No

## Age group

**Not Specified** 

#### Sex

**Not Specified** 

## Total final enrolment

48

## Key exclusion criteria

- 1. Refractive correction larger than +/- 2 D
- 2. Cylindrical correction larger than 1.5 D
- 3. Cylindrical axis more then 20° from the horizontal or vertical axis

## Date of first enrolment

01/07/2005

## Date of final enrolment

30/06/2006

## Locations

## Countries of recruitment

Netherlands

Study participating centre University Medical Center Groningen Netherlands 9700 RB

# Sponsor information

## Organisation

University Medical Center Groningen (The Netherlands)

## **ROR**

https://ror.org/03cv38k47

# Funder(s)

## Funder type

Government

## **Funder Name**

SenterNovem (The Netherlands)

# **Results and Publications**

Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

# IPD sharing plan summary

Not provided at time of registration

## Study outputs

Output type Details Date created Date added Peer reviewed? Patient-facing?

results presented at ARVO Abstract results

01/05/2007

06/01/2021 No

No