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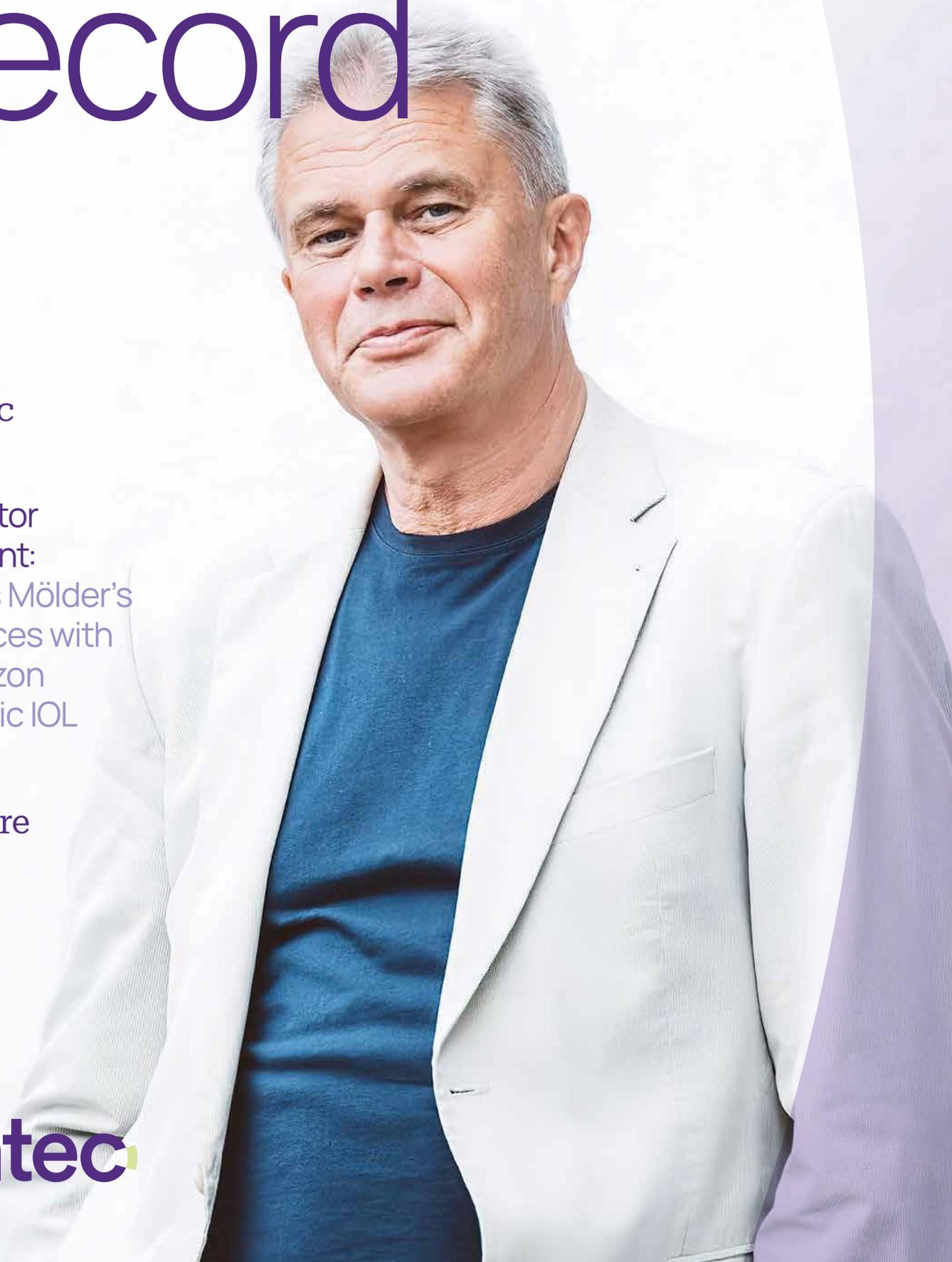
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40 Years
of Ophtec

Both Doctor
and Patient:
Dr. Harras Mölder's
experiences with
the Precizon
Presbyopic IOL

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Preface

Welcome to the latest edition of Ophtec's company magazine. To us, 2023 is a special year, as we celebrate our 40th anniversary!

When Ophtec was founded by my parents in 1983, their goal was to provide surgeons and patients with products that exceeded the available options at that time. Today, we remain driven by the same ambition and determination. This makes me deeply proud and energized to lead the company to the future.

Exciting developments await us as we have great products coming up. Our new iris-fixated presbyopia correcting IOL Artiplus shows amazing results in the clinical trial. We are excited to tell you more about it in this edition.

Undoubtedly you noticed our refreshed brand identity, a modernized look that is distinct, open, and engaging. Throughout this year, you will see our transformation in effect.

In this magazine you will also get to meet the people behind Ophtec, whose passion and expertise drives our progress. All committed to help ophthalmic surgeons worldwide to do their best job possible.

Ever since our early beginning, collaboration is in our DNA. Our deepest gratitude goes to the doctors, partners and patients who have placed their trust in us. Together, we have built strong, close, personal partnerships for 4 decades and we will continue to do so. Together, we help people to see clearly!

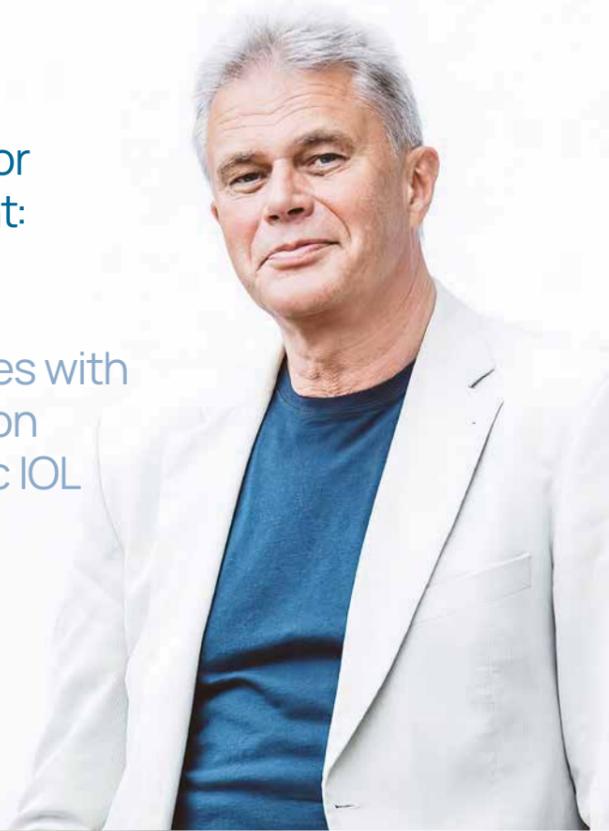
Thank you for being with us.

Warm regards,

Erik Jan Worst
President & CEO
Ophtec BV

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40 Years of Ophtec

4 decades of ingenious
intraocular solutions...
and counting

The establishment of Ophtec in 1983 went beyond a mere business idea. It was driven by a profound mission fueled by Mrs. Anneke Van Dam-Worst, who aimed to bring her husband Prof. Dr. Jan Worst's innovative intraocular discoveries to as many surgeons and patients as possible.

Our story begins in the late 1970s when Dr. Worst visited a hospital in Taxila, Pakistan. He noticed that cataract patients were leaving the hospital without proper corrective glasses. Driven to help, he began implanting cataract lenses but realized that the existing models were impractical. He sought a better, faster, and simpler procedure. During a surgery, he made a fortuitous discovery - iris tissue trapped in the lens's slots did not cause any issues. Inspired by this observation, he developed lens models that could be fixed to the iris, one of which featured two holes with slits on either side of a blank optic. This lens could be easily attached to the iris and functioned perfectly. Upon returning to the Netherlands, he refined the concept, giving birth to the Artisan lens.

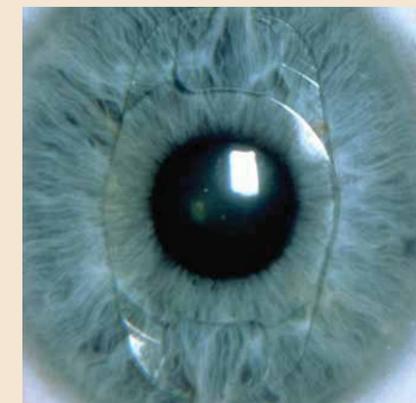
In 1983, Ophtec was founded with a strong ambition to create superior products compared to what was commonly available at that time and to support eye surgeons in every conceivable way to achieve their goals. The spirit and unwavering dedication of our founders continue to guide Ophtec to this day, resulting in 40 years of ingenious solutions... and we're just getting started.



1983

Founding of Ophtec

On October 24th, Ophtec was founded by Prof. Dr. Jan Worst and his wife Anneke Worst-Van Dam.



1986

First Implantation of Myopia Claw Lens

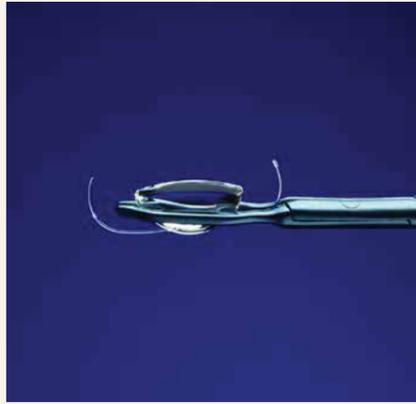
The lens was fixated on the iris, marking the first implantation where the natural lens remained in the eye. This lens is now known as the Artisan.



1994

Development of CTR

The Capsular Tension Ring (CTR) was developed to stabilize the capsular bag in the presence of weakened zonulas.



1996

Development of Foldable Lenses

Our engineers started working on reducing the incision size by creating foldable lenses. This was the birth chamber of our Artiflex IOLs.



2000

The New Generation Takes Over

Erik Jan Worst takes over the role of CEO from his mother. Ophtec remains a family business up to present day.

'When Ophtec was founded by my parents, their goal was to provide surgeons and patients with products that exceeded the available options at that time. Today, we remain driven by the same ambition.'

Erik Jan Worst

2023

Artiplus in Clinical Trials

Our new presbyopia-correcting Phakic IOL is showing promising results in clinical trials, providing a new solution for a younger group of patients.



2004

FDA Approval of Artisan Myopia

The Artisan Myopia was the first Phakic intraocular lens that got approved by the NVA.



2006

Development of DualTec Injector

The DualTec is a unique injector where the surgeon can choose to push or twist the IOL in the patient's eye.



2010

Development of Ringject

The CTR now has a pre-loaded inserter for enhanced convenience.



2013

Launch of Precizon Lenses

The beginning of a new range of premium cataract IOLs. The lens designs and optics stand out due to the use of patented CTF and TCT technologies.



Series – The Practice

Eye Centre Erfurt

'We function exceptionally well as a team and patients notice this too. It gives them confidence in us.'

Eye Center Erfurt celebrates three decades of commitment and exceptional ophthalmic care this year. The combined expertise of Dr. Antje Röckl and Dr. Andreas Neugebauer has propelled the clinic to the forefront of eye care in Thuringia, Germany, offering innovative treatments and personalized care to their patients.

The clinic has a rich history of providing exceptional eye care in the region. It all started in 1993 when Dr. Schmidt founded the clinic in Weimar, before later relocating to Erfurt. This was three years after the reunification to one German country. Before this time, during the GDR era, everything was state-owned, and the vast majority of surgeries were only performed in hospitals. Dr. Schmidt's step to establish a clinic after those challenging times was groundbreaking. 'We've come a long way since then,' shares Dr. Röckl. 'Now it's the opposite. Only a few cataract surgeries are done in the hospital, and most of them are done in private practices.'

Over the years, the clinic has grown in stature, attracting skilled surgeons and dedicated medical professionals to join its ranks. Dr. Schmidt retired in 2019, passing the torch to Dr. Röckl and Dr. Neugebauer, who have carried on the clinic's legacy of excellence.

What distinguishes Eye Center Erfurt is the seamless processes that have been meticulously developed over the years and the harmonious work atmosphere. Dr. Röckl reflects on this: 'We have a grown structure and extensive experience, enabling us to achieve fast and efficient processes, resulting in a remarkably optimized workflow.' Dr. Neugebauer adds, 'We always do the same thing every day, ensuring consistency and delivering high-quality care. It is hard work to maintain this level of dedication, but it is what makes us successful.' Dr. Röckl also emphasizes the importance of their team, saying, 'We function exceptionally well as a team, and that creates a strong foundation and a positive work environment. It is crucial and very important. And patients notice this too. It gives them confidence in us.' The optimization efforts extend beyond people and processes to the clinic's floorplan. In 2013, a renovation project was undertaken, which included the establishment of a dedicated room for patient preparation and streamlined postoperative care. The renovation was carefully planned and executed by Dr. Schmidt and Dr. Neugebauer, further contributing to the clinic's overall success.

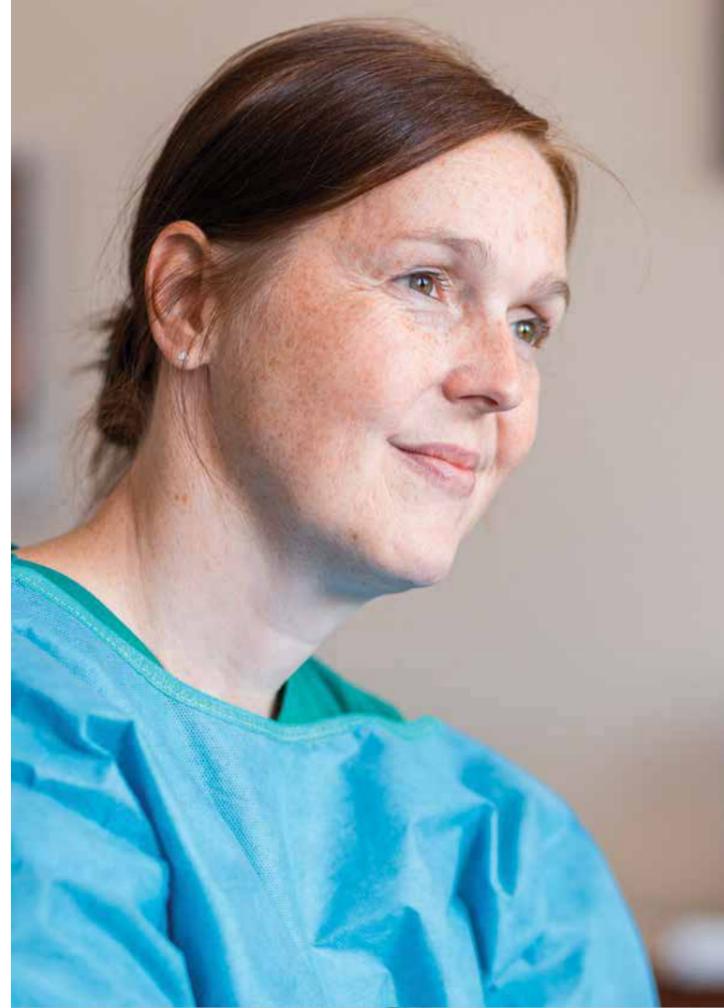
'I'm truly proud of our young doctors, who establish meaningful connections with our patients, going beyond the treatments and IOLs.'

Their well-established routine allows for individualized procedures, ensuring that each patient receives personalized attention within

the clinic's framework. Dr. Röckl expresses her pride in the presence of numerous talented young doctors at the clinic, who exhibit genuine enthusiasm and exceptional skills. 'I'm truly proud of our young doctors, who are dedicated to providing personalized treatment. They establish meaningful connections with our patients, going beyond the treatments and IOLs. Their interactions make a difference.'

'Our future plans include expanding our refractive surgery offerings, providing patients with a wider range of high-quality vision options.'

Looking ahead, Dr. Röckl and Dr. Neugebauer recognize the importance of staying updated with emerging trends and advancements in ophthalmology. Eye Center Erfurt is strategically positioned in Erfurt. There is an increasing shift towards outpatient care in Germany as a whole. Dr. Röckl emphasizes their advantageous location: 'Our location in Erfurt is exceptional, allowing us to cater to the needs of our patients in Thuringia.' Dr. Neugebauer adds, 'Our future plans include expanding our refractive surgery offerings, providing patients with a wider range of high-quality vision options. We are committed to continuing our tradition of personalized care that goes beyond standard procedures, ensuring our patients receive the utmost attention and satisfaction.'



Background

Dr. Neugebauer joined the clinic in 2009 and collaborated with Dr. Smidt in performing cataract surgeries. In 2014, Dr. Röckl also joined the clinic, the same year they started to implant multifocal lenses. Eye Centre Erfurt has a long-standing history of providing refractive surgery services. Starting from 2021, the Eye Clinic Erfurt has partnered with Ophtec to utilize technologies such as the Robomarker, Ringject, Artisan Aphakia, and IOLmatic. And we are proud to contribute to the ongoing development of refractive surgery with the use of premium IOLs.





Meet Annemarie

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Sonja
David
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Elena
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Jesse
Carla
Delene
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In this interview, we sat down with Annemarie, Sales Office Assistant at Ophtec, to chat about her role and experiences within the ophthalmic sector.

Can you describe your role as a Sales Office Assistant?

'I primarily focus on processing orders, labeling, and coordinating the transportation of these orders. While I don't have much direct contact with customers, I frequently communicate with colleagues from the internal sales and logistics teams. Essentially, I act as a liaison between these departments. I also often interact with transport companies.'

What do you enjoy most about your job?

'I find it most exciting to promptly resolve issues for our customers,' Annemarie admits with a smile. 'Before an order reaches its intended destination, there are many parties involved. Sometimes, things can go wrong along the way, and it is truly rewarding to be able to address and resolve them as smoothly as possible.'

What are your aspirations for professional growth?

'I am eager to take advantage of the training opportunities provided by Ophtec. For instance, I would love to learn additional languages and potentially have the chance to travel abroad. Spain or South Africa are destinations that particularly appeal to me.'

What has been your experience in the ophthalmic sector so far?

'When I joined Ophtec, I was immersed in the world of ophthalmology through e-learning courses and company tours. It opened up a whole new world for me, one that I would never have experienced as a patient. I find it incredibly fascinating to learn more about eyes, lenses, and the latest developments within this sector.'

At Ophtec, we are thrilled to have Annemarie on our team. Her enthusiasm, adaptability, and thirst for knowledge contribute to our commitment and passion for the betterment of patient care in the ever-evolving world of ophthalmology.

Both Doctor and Patient: Dr. Harras Mölder's experiences with the Precizon Presbyopic IOL

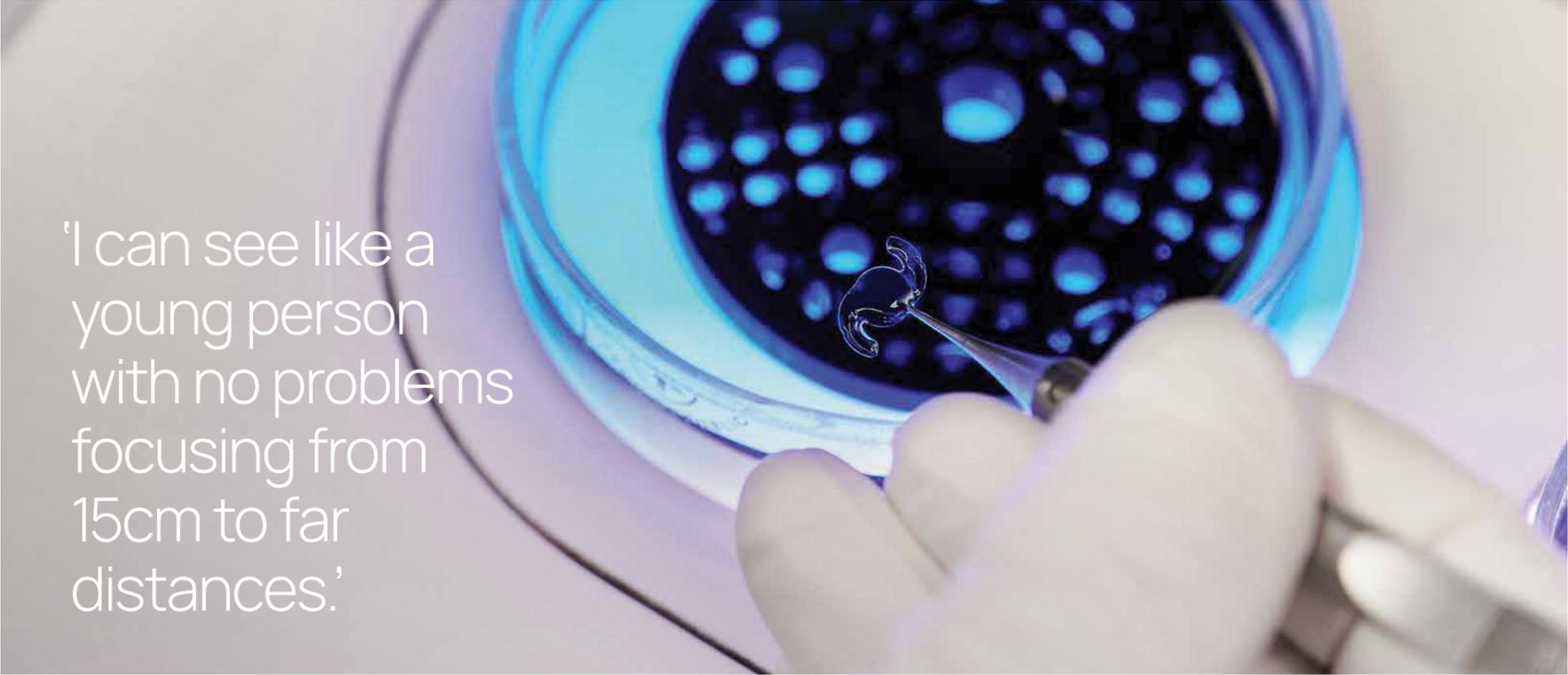
Dr. Harras Mölder is an experienced ophthalmologist that has been using Precizon Presbyopic NVA lenses to address presbyopia in his patients since 2018. Over time, he has developed a robust partnership with Ophtec. Delve into Dr. Mölder's expertise and discover his insights on the Precizon Presbyopic NVA lenses, including his reasons for selecting them for all of his patients requiring presbyopia correction.

On a quest to enhance refractive surgery

With over 25 years of experience, Dr. Mölder has dedicated his career to helping patients improve their vision. "I went to study medicine with an idea to become a psychiatrist but in time I understood my real interest was surgery. I read some literature about eye surgery and then realised that I had been good with making small toys in my childhood. Then I thought - why not to do tiny manoeuvres for the sake of people's sight when it seems to suit me?" he says.

'The response of my first patient encouraged me to perform more surgeries.'





'I can see like a young person with no problems focusing from 15cm to far distances.'

One lens for all patients who wish to correct their Presbyopia

When asked about his preference for the Precizon Presbyopic NVA lenses, Dr. Mölder says, "I have seen the benefits of these lenses first-hand, both in my patients and in my own personal experience. I know that this implant can provide extremely good vision quality - why should I seek for an alternative? I am well aware of EDOF market growing but it's not my main interest for now."

Ophtec people

Dr. Mölder: "I have known Ophtec for many years and got to know Ophtec for the so called "champagne cork" prosthesis which was sutured into scleral layers with metal sutures. I used it in two patients with severe corneal scarring from chemical burn when working in East-Tallinn Central Hospitals eye clinic in the middle/end of 1990-s. Later on, I was impressed by their phakic IOLs and developed an admiration for the company. What stands out in my relationship with Ophtec is the human factor - warm interactions with genuine people. This is something that should not be taken for granted, not only in business but in life as well!"

'Warm interactions with genuine people should not be taken for granted, not only in business but in life as well!'

After completing his medical studies at the Faculty of Medicine of the University of Tartu in Estonia Dr. Mölder travelled the world, gaining experience in various clinics and hospitals in Nigeria, Russia, Sweden, the United Kingdom, and Estonia. "During this time, I specialised in glaucoma and corneal transplantation. As I was also very interested in refractive surgery, I started working at clinics specialised in laser treatment" he says. Dr. Mölder is committed to continuously improving and developing refractive surgery in Estonia. He has performed the first toric, multifocal, and supplementary lens operations in the country. Currently, Dr. Mölder is a Senior Ophthalmologist at Laservisioon, a private clinic in Tallinn, Estonia.

First experience with Precizon Presbyopic NVA

Dr. Mölder was first introduced to Precizon Presbyopic NVA intraocular lenses in 2018 and has been using them ever since. "I was informed that Precizon Presbyopic NVA IOLs have fewer unwanted side-effects such as halos and glare, compared to other multifocals. It was quite common for my multifocal patients to experience some trouble with night-time driving for about two months post-op."

"After the bilateral treatment of my first Precizon Presbyopic NVA patient, I called him for a check-up two days post-op. The gentleman had driven approximately 200 km in the early morning darkness and twilight. I asked him with some apprehension, "How is it?"

He responded: "The upcoming headlights were somewhat strange, but not too much." His response encouraged me to perform more surgeries, and more again."

From doctor to patient: an experience worth sharing

Personally experiencing the benefits of the Precizon Presbyopic NVA lens, Dr. Mölder explains, "I had been considering RLE with Multifocal IOLs for some time, as I wanted to be free from spectacles again and I was curious about how it would be to have IOLs implanted. I wanted to understand the impact of side effects on my patients" he says. "In the end, I decided on Precizon Presbyopic NVA IOLs because my patients were highly satisfied with it."

Dr. Mölder fully embraced the adventure of the implantation process: "I did what I usually prohibit my patients from doing: I woke up, had my soup, tried to read messages on my phone, and I could do it. I then drove home by myself. In the first few days, I could see everything that I needed to, but there was some 'mist,' probably due to my dry eyes. I experienced some difficulties with near-tasks at the end of the first month post-op, but everything passed. I am convinced that becoming a good multifocal lens patient is mostly brainwork, provided one has a good refractive outcome. When my eyes are not dry, I can see like a young person with no problems focusing from 15cm to far distances - it's smooth."

'I know that this implant can provide extremely good vision quality - why should I seek for an alternative?'

Product Highlight

CTF Technology



How does Precizon Presbyopic CTF achieve a smooth transition from near to distance, including all the intermediate distances? Where does the vision come from for the middle distance?

CTF technology is composed of different segments that wisely combine refractive and spherical aberration principles with a unique variable distribution. With a slight continuous transition of power and asphericity along and across each segment (Fig. 1), CTF technology results in closely spaced multiple focal points each of them being elongated with enhanced depth of focus. Hence creating a continuous transition between these multiple focal points that result in uninterrupted quality images for the brain from distance to near.

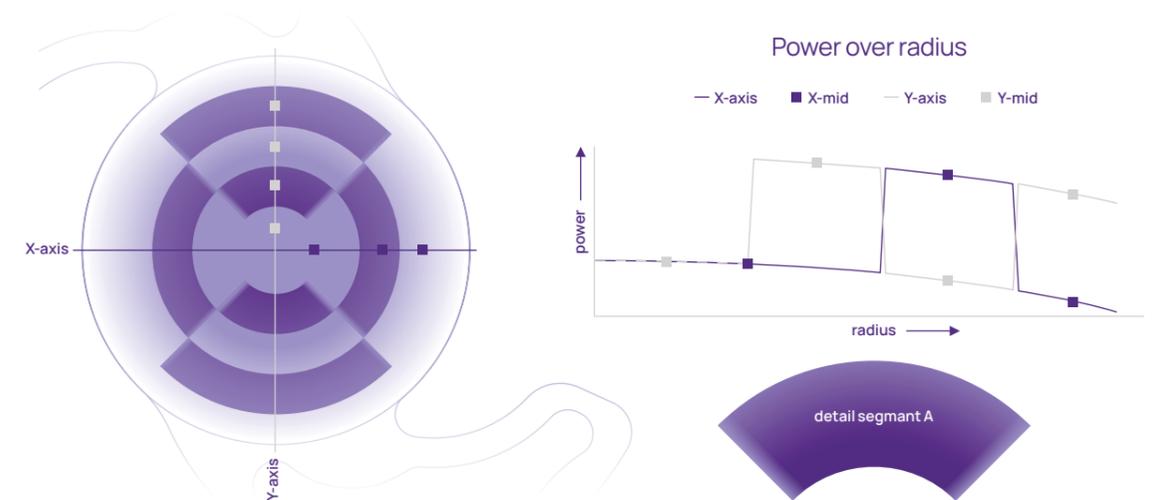


Figure 1.

The image above illustrates the power transition within and along each segment (note the color degradation inside each segment). The transition of power from the center to the peripheries of each individual segment result in a curved, continuous and non-linear power distribution along the radius of the IOL without hard diopter transitions. This is a major difference from standard MIOLs that have a uniform power distribution along each ring with a hard diopter transition from distance to near.

Dr. Luis León Ibáñez
Cataract and refractive surgeon,
as well as medical coordinator at
the Instituto Oftalmológico MOAT
in Castellón, Spain.

In December 2021,
Dr. Luis León
performed cataract
surgery on his own
father. Together,
they now share
their experience
and shed light on
the remarkable
outcomes achieved
through the use
of the Precizon
Presbyopic NVA
lens.

From Son to Surgeon: operating on my own father

What led you to become an eye surgeon?

'It was a spontaneous choice to choose ophthalmology as a specialisation during my medical studies. I discovered my passion for microsurgery and realized that my meticulous and delicate nature suited this field. So here I am.'

Do you recall your first solo surgery?

'I perfectly remember the day I performed my first cataract surgery on my own. It was one of the most beautiful days of my life. In fact, I took a picture with my two mentors when I finished that surgery, and it's a photo I cherish.'

Can you tell about your first experiences with the Precizon Presbyopic NVA lens?

'I was pleasantly surprised by the remarkable vision achieved when I implanted the Precizon Presbyopic NVA lens in my first patient. The quantity and quality of vision were impressive, especially the near vision. This success motivated me to further utilize the lens, resulting in one of the longest implant series in Europe.'

How did you experience operating on your own father?

'Operating on my father was not stressful at all. I have the best team, the latest technology, and, most importantly, my father's trust. He knows my career and the care I provide to my patients. He proved to be the person who could trust my hands the most.'

What makes the Precizon Presbyopic NVA the best choice for your father?

'The unique optic maintains the benefits of monofocality while offering multifocal capabilities. It is pupil independent, tolerates residual refractive errors and decentration, and handles dry eye well. In my experience, this lens makes a significant difference in visual quality, enhancing the overall quality of life for individuals like my father.'

Mr. Luis León:

'After just one day, I noticed that I could see colours with a clarity that I had not perceived since I was 14 or 15 years old.'

Besides Ophthalmology, do you have other big passions in life?

'Absolutely. Apart from my ophthalmology career, I have a passion for soccer and painting. I am very fond of Real Madrid and Castellón Football Club. And I find great satisfaction in collecting and restoring paintings. I often draw a parallel between the restoration of vision through cataract surgery and the restoration of art pieces. It's a fascinating connection between my two passions. But, my greatest passions lie in my family—my wife and daughter. There is no doubt about that.'

Mr. Luis León, what was it like to be operated by your own son?

'My son found out that my cataracts had increased more than 30% in one year. And so he told me: now I am going to perform cataract surgery on you. For me, this was a surprise, but I was also excited because I had wanted to get rid of my glasses for a while. My son explained to me which lenses he was going to implant in my eyes. He told me: 'I am going to implant, in my opinion, by far the best lenses; and you are going to notice it'. I knew I couldn't have been in better hands—surrounded by the skilled OR team, the lenses, and the hands of my son Luis.'

What is your vision like after surgery?

'I want to tell all the people who are going to have cataract surgery that my results after the implantation with this lens have been extraordinary. After just one day, I noticed that I could see colours with a clarity that I had not perceived since I was 14 or 15 years old. Everything became clear once again, regardless of the distance. I expected to see without glasses, but since I did not know how it was to see well, the truth is that the surgery exceeded my expectations.'

'My father proved to be the person who could trust my hands the most.'

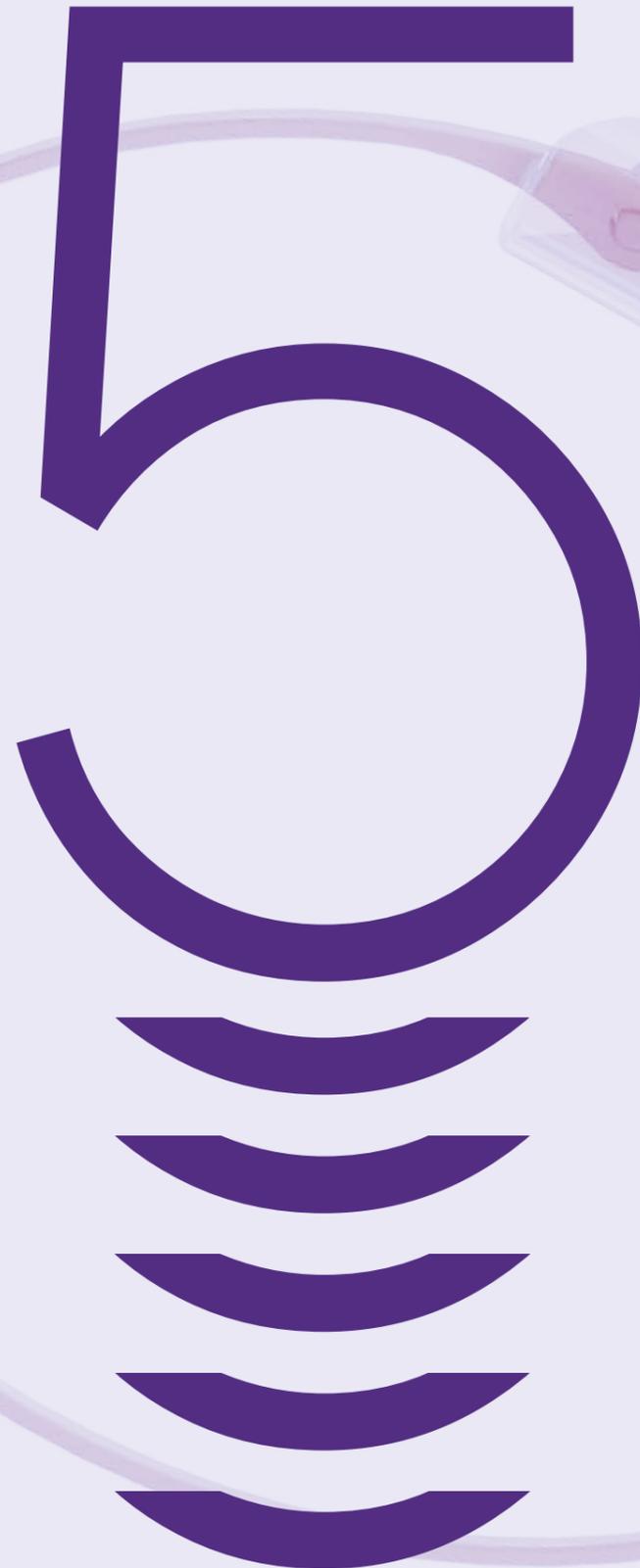


What is CTF?

Continuous Transitional Focus (CTF) is a technology that offers your patients a full range of vision from near to far with a smooth continuous transition. Discover the scientific proof by downloading the clearly compiled clinical science compendium.



Five Frequently Asked Questions to Our Consultants About Ringject and CTR



1.

When do you use a CTR?

Capsular tension rings (CTRs) are designed to stabilize the capsular bag in cases of zonular dehiscence allowing an IOL to be implanted in the bag when it might otherwise have had to be positioned elsewhere.

2.

Many surgeons use the CTR in combination with MIOs. Why?

Positioning of multifocal intraocular lenses (MIOs) is important because a tilt or decentration can decrease the visual quality and produce optical side effects, causing subjective symptoms and patient dissatisfaction. To avoid these effects, CTRs have been demonstrated to play a role in the stability and positioning of IOLs and can prevent IOL rotation and decentration caused by capsular bag contraction.

3.

Are CTRs preloaded?

CTRs can be ordered both individually or preloaded with injector systems like the Ringject.

4.

How come Ophtec's CTR is the easiest to implant?

The Ringject has a 'ski-tip' feature – the ends of the rings are gradually formed to 'tip-up' like a ski tip. This allows the CTR to be easily guided in the capsule as the ring is dialed-in. The 'ski tip' allows the tip to flow unimpeded in capsule and not become 'snagged'. Also, Ophtec's CTR is extremely flexible with incredible strength, thanks to its unique production process with compression molding technology. Only Ophtec can tie its tension rings in a knot.

5.

How does the Ringject work?

The Ringject system is a preloaded CTR in a single use injector. The CTR is prepositioned and is designed to be self-loading for the surgeon's convenience. Clockwise or counterclockwise insertion is possible. The Ringject system is provided in a sterile blister, ready for use.



More Questions?

Whether in the OR or just a phone call away, our team is ready to support you with expert advice and outstanding solutions.

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Interview

Artiplus: Empowering a New Patient Group

Innovation is at the heart of Ophtec. In this interview we talk to Paolo Soleri, R&D manager at Ophtec. Together with his team, Paolo developed our new iris-fixated presbyopia correcting IOL; Artiplus. Time to ask him all about this new premium lens.

Hi Paolo, can you tell us more about the upcoming lens Artiplus?

Sure! Artiplus is a great new lens design. It's based on our trusted Artiflex platform, with a different optic. This optic is special because it can correct presbyopia, and also correct aspherical errors, myopia, or light hyperopia.

For which patient groups could Artiplus be a solution?

We aim for a new patient group that normally cannot be helped with surgery. Patients that are either too old for regular refractive surgery or too young for cataract surgery. I would say patients just a little bit older than me, between the ages of 45 and 60.

For these patients a clear lens exchange is not a good solution. Why perform surgery on a healthy eye and remove a healthy natural lens? And laser surgery for Presbyopia can only be a partial solution to give some extra reading power. However, these patients are unhappy because they do not want to wear reading glasses. With Artiplus we have a lens that can help this group become spectacle independent.

You already mentioned the optics, what's so special about it?

For Artiplus we used our innovative CTF technology. We already implemented this technology in our Precizon Presbyopic NVA, our multifocal cataract lens. It's a multisegmented optic, where the different segments generate multiple elongated focal points allowing a full range of vision. Patients are able to see clearly again at all distances; far, near, and intermediate. I always use the example of our CEO, who has the Precizon Presbyopic NVA lens in his eyes, and I have never see him wearing reading glasses.

We did make some changes in the optics, because Artiplus serves a different patient group. For this lens, we developed an aspherical surface, and work aberration free. The eye is an amazing optical system. We do not want to affect it with extra aberrations. We try to correct vision in a healthy eye and preserve the natural vision properties that the eye gives us.

The add power of Artiplus is +2,5D. This way, we are able to offer the same reading distance as our Precizon Presbyopic NVA, despite the lens being positioned differently in the eye.

If you take a look at classical bi- or trifocal lenses, you will notice they have peaks where they have a good vision, while in-between vision might perform less. EDOF lenses often offer good intermediate vision, but are insufficient for near vision. With Artiplus we offer good vision at all distances.

What are the benefits of using an iris-fixated IOL?

As a surgeon, you can take advantage of all the benefits from our trusted Artiflex platform. Its reversible, it allows you to operate in a safe distance from the natural lens and it offers excellent centration on the pupil. For toric lenses like the Artiflex toric, and soon the Artiplus toric, you can position the lens optimally to correct astigmatism. The lens will not rotate at all. Additionally, this platform offers a one size fits all solution. As long as the patient fits the inclusion criteria, you would not have to worry about the white-to-white diameter (WTW) or IOL sizing. You're good to go.

How is the set-up of the clinical trial? What stage are you in?

Artiplus is already commercially available in South-Korea and under clinical trial in Europe. We're currently running a multicenter study in Spain, South-Korea and in the Netherlands. The lead investigator is Prof. Dr. Guëll, former President of the European Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgery (ESCRS). We have a well-balanced patient population, with approximately 60% Caucasian and 40% Asian individuals. Currently, we have successfully implanted 40 patients binocular, so twice as much eyes. A six-month follow up will be conducted before submitting the data to the notified bodies for the CE mark. We expect to deliver patient data and clinical results in the beginning of 2024.

How are the first study results?

The results are really good. We see the same wow-effect for far vision that we know from our Artiflex lenses, combined with great results for intermediate (80cm) and near vision (40cm). This is off course important, but in our opinion not everything. The feedback we get on our CTF technology is that it provides excellent natural vision. In other words, patients experience smooth transitions between distances and do not suffer from side effects like halos, glares or dysphotopsia. Most patients are extremely happy with the quality of vision.

We are particularly proud on the defocus curve. Artiplus performs very well compared to trifocal lenses, which are considered the golden standard, at least for cataract lenses. We have a very flat curve from far to near and we outperform other available products in the market on near sight.

Could this lens also serve as an add-on for cataract patients?

That's a concept we're exploring with our Korean colleagues and doctors. Suppose you had cataract surgery, but you still need to wear reading glasses. In this case, Artiplus can be implanted in the eye. You would not have issues with anterior chamber depth (ACD), you have plenty of room, and you can still perfectly iris-fixate the lens. Already a few lenses have been implanted as piggy bag solution in South-Korea. If we keep getting promising results, we could decide to register for this purpose in Europe as well.

Which patient's reaction impressed you most?

I had the pleasure to be in the operating theatre with Dr. Cézon in Seville, during the surgery of the first patient within the study. Dr. Cézon is an experienced user of Artiflex. The patient was a bit tensed, but after surgery he was already making jokes. Although it's not described in the protocol, the doctor gave him a bottle of hand gel on the first day post-op. The patient could already read the smallest letters on the label, one day post-op! To us, that was an impressive moment. And we continue to get good feedback from other patients. We are absolutely convinced we have something special with Artiplus.

What are you personally proud of?

Being a technician, I love the fact that we managed to put our CTF technology on a different platform, and tailored it for a different need. We did not create just another multifocal

or toric lens. No, we created a lens that covers a whole new patient segment and can really make a difference for doctors and patients.

And our final question; is this our best lens ever?

Oh, that's a tough question! Our Precizon Presbyopic NVA is also a fantastic lens, our first lens with CTF technology. We have copied and adapted this technology. Therefore, the optics on Artiplus is amazing, it's a beautiful material, and it's a beautiful lens. So maybe it is our best product. "Ogni scarrafone è bello 'a mamma soja". Every child is beautiful in the eyes of his mother, or in my case the eyes of the father.

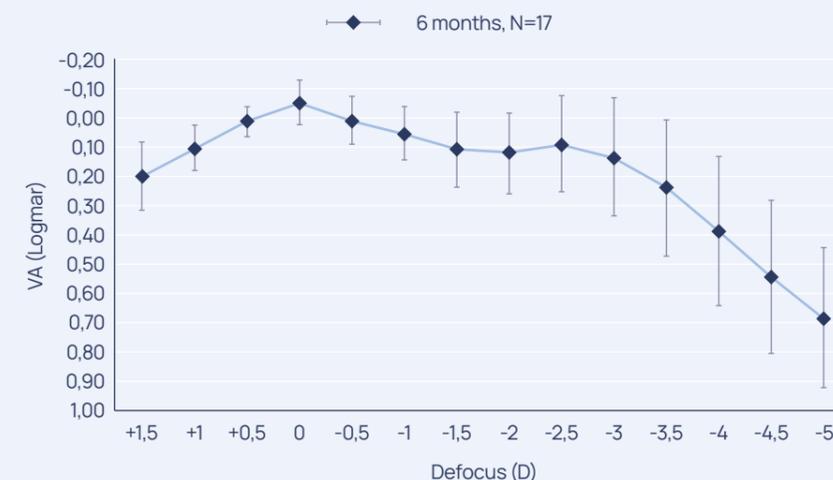


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Enrique Marquez Honored With Dr. Fleming Award for Health Excellence 2023

Enrique Marquez, General Manager of Ophtec Spain, has been awarded with the prestigious Dr. Fleming Award for Health Excellence 2023 by the European Society for Social and Cultural Promotion. The dedication of healthcare professionals and their vital contributions to well-being were celebrated during a ceremony.

Enrique received the award for his professional career of over 35 years where he contributed in several milestones in modern medicine, such as endoscopic surgery, femtosecond lasers and currently intraocular lenses. Throughout his career, Enrique has excelled as a technical trainer, teacher, product specialist, manager, and director in innovative healthcare companies.

But Marquez's contributions go beyond his professional endeavors. Enrique has also actively supported the Roma Project Foundation, a pedagogical research initiative benefitting individuals with intellectual disabilities, particularly Down Syndrome (Roma Project Foundation).

Enrique:

'For me, the important thing was that, as a representative of the medical industry, we were given the visibility we deserve because we are 'behind' everything that moves medicine forward.'



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