

**Defocus Incorporated Multiple Segment (DIMS)
spectacle lenses and 0.025% Atropine for
myopia control in a European population: 12-
month results of a randomized clinical trial**

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CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

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MYOPIA MANAGEMENT



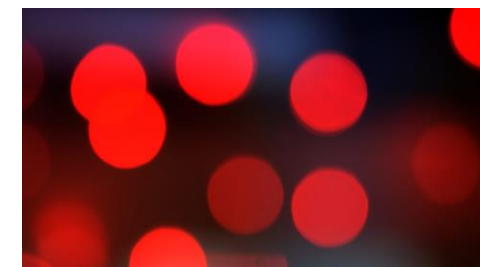
**ENVIROMENTAL
RISK FACTORS**



**PHARMACEUTICAL
INTERVENTIONS
(Atropine Eyedrops)**



**OPTICAL
INTERVENTIONS**



**Repeated Low-level
Red Light (RLRL)**

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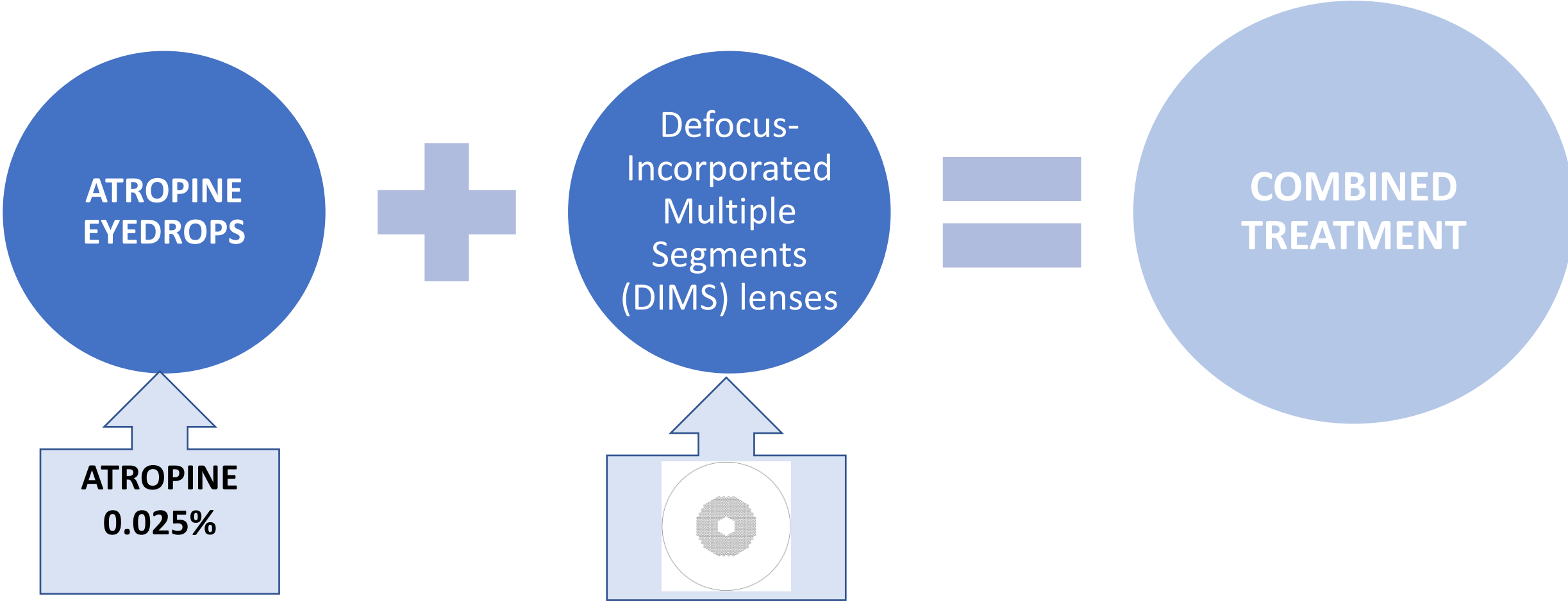
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Defocus Incorporated Multiple Segment (DIMS) spectacle lenses and 0.025% atropine for myopia control: 12-month results of a Randomized Controlled Trial



METHODS



Cycloplegic Spherical
Equivalent Refraction
(SER)



Axial Length
(Biometry)



Choroidal Thickness
Optical Coherence
Tomography (OCT)



Visual Related
Quality of Life
(VR-QoL)

Primary Outcomes

Secondary Outcomes

INTERVENTIONS

1

Atropine 0.025%

Atropine sulfate at 0.025% concentration

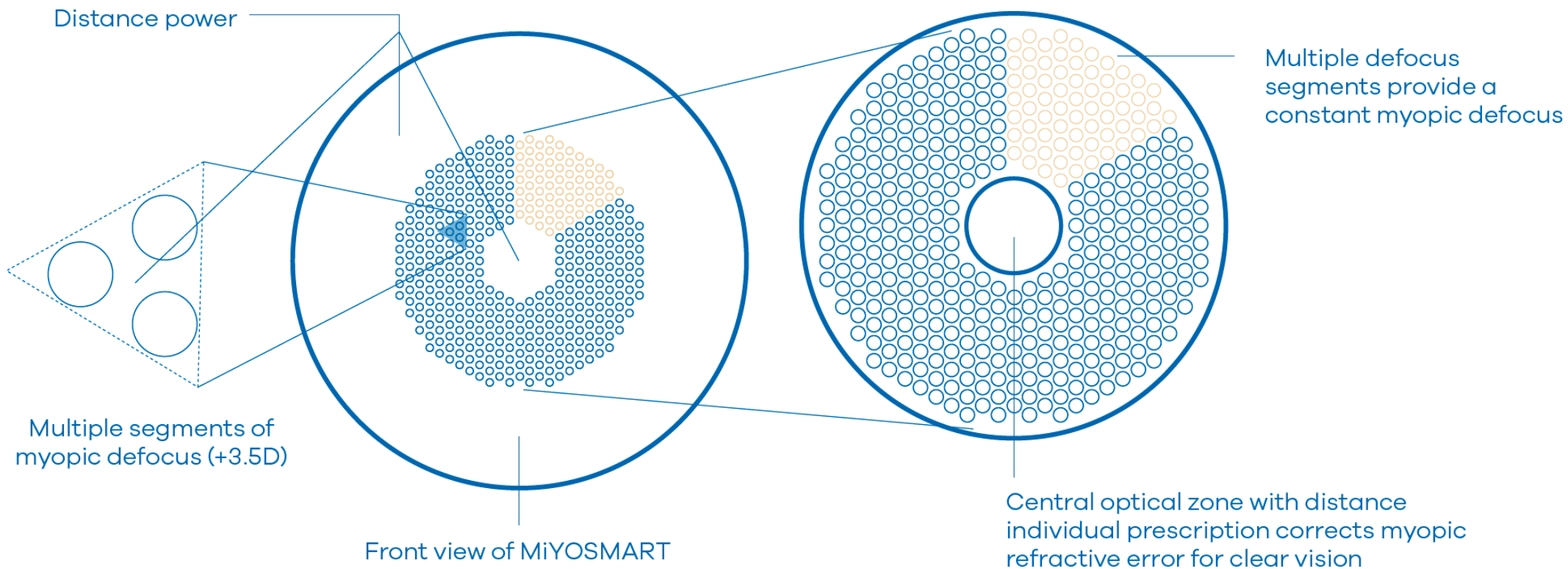
- ❖ Compounded Atropine → *not commercially available in Europe.*

All eyedrops came from the same compounding Pharmacy specialized in the preparation of individualized medications

- ❖ *Government regulated → Drug Quality and Security Act*

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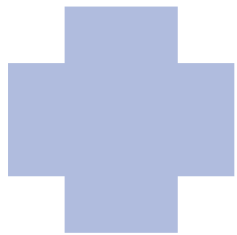
Defocus-Incorporated Multiple Segments (DIMS) spectacle lenses



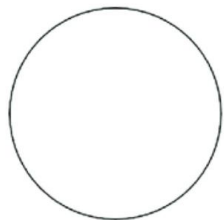
Randomized Controlled Trial (RCT) aims to evaluate and compare the efficacy of combination treatment using 0.025% atropine and DIMS spectacle lenses compared to 0.025% atropine and single vision (SV) lenses in slowing myopia progression

Group A

ATROPINE
EYEDROPS
0.025%

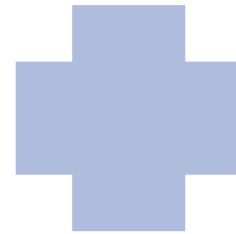


Single
vision
lenses

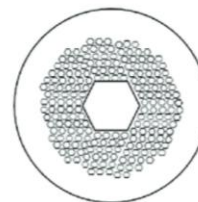


Group B

ATROPINE
EYEDROPS
0.025%



DIMS
spectacle
lenses



METHODS



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Combination therapy vs. Monotherapy

**Atropine 0.025%
eyedrops**



**DIMS spectacle
lenses**



**12 month
Preliminary Data**



RESULTS:

Demographic Data

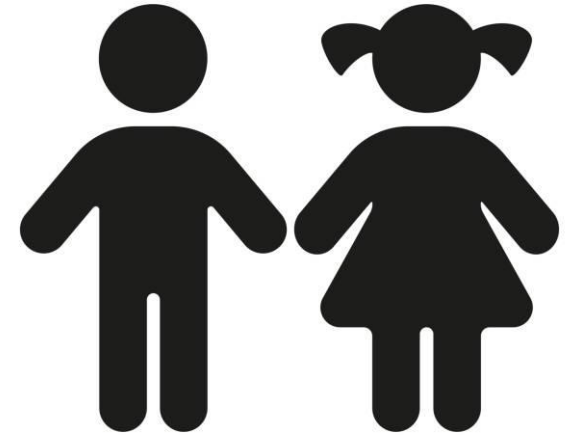
➤ 79 patients completed the 12 month-follow-up to date

Group A

- **n=38 (48.1%)**
- Mean Age 9.00 ±2.74years
- Female 47.4%

Group B

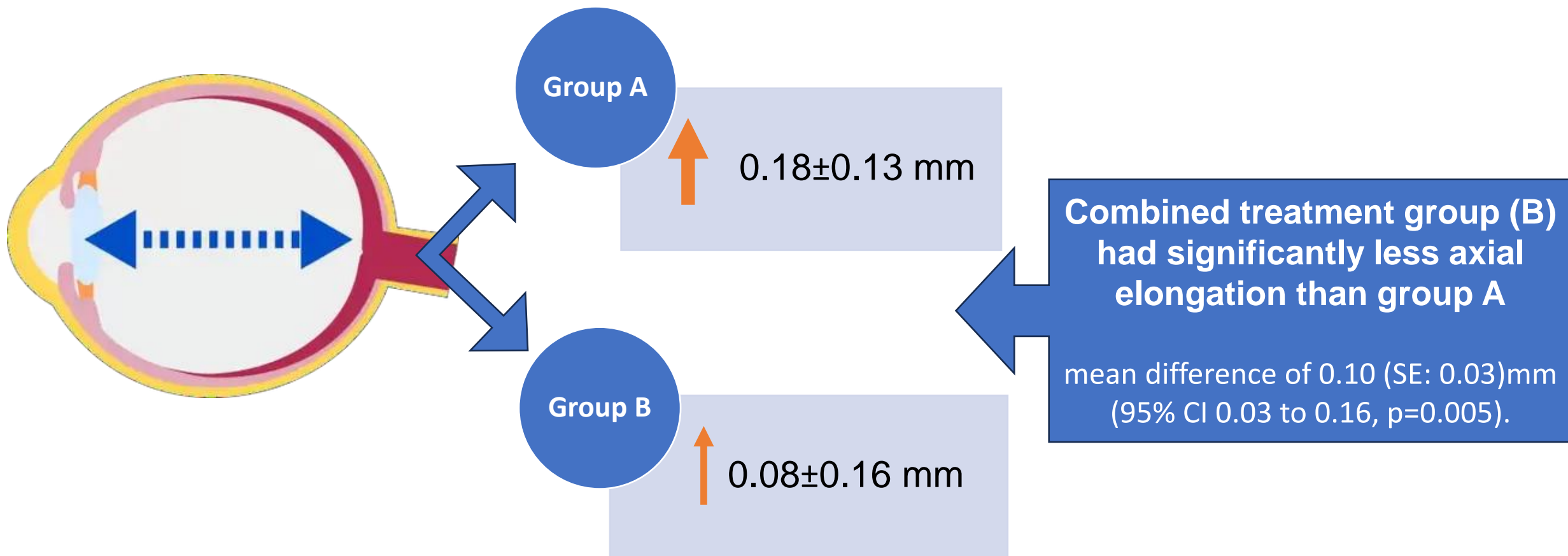
- **n=41 (51.9%)**
- Mean Age 9.68±2.65 years
- Female 46.3%



All $p > 0.05$

There was no significant association between group and sex ($p = 0.93$) or the difference in age between the groups ($p = 0.26$).

RESULTS: Mean AL \pm SD change over 12 months



RESULTS: Mean SER \pm SD progression over 12 months

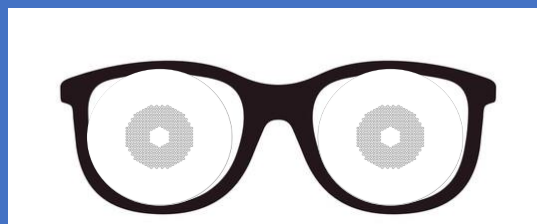
Group A

0.16 \pm 0.31 D



Group B

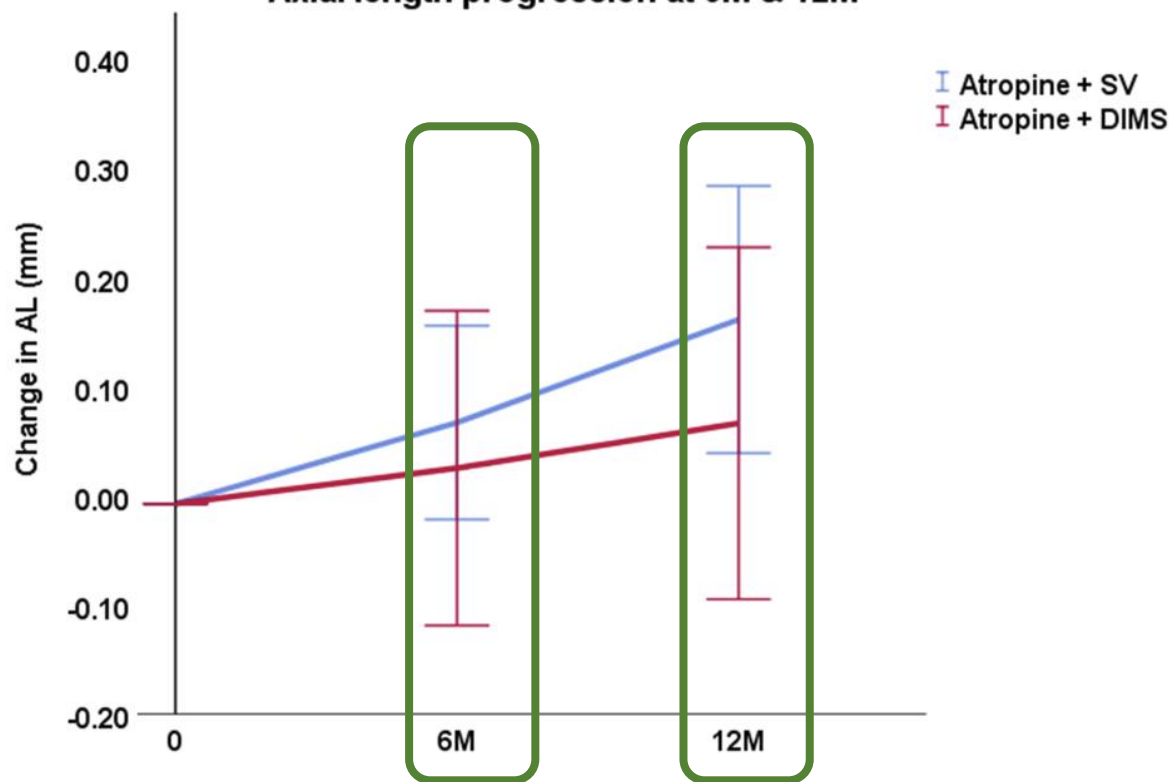
0.15 \pm 0.38 D



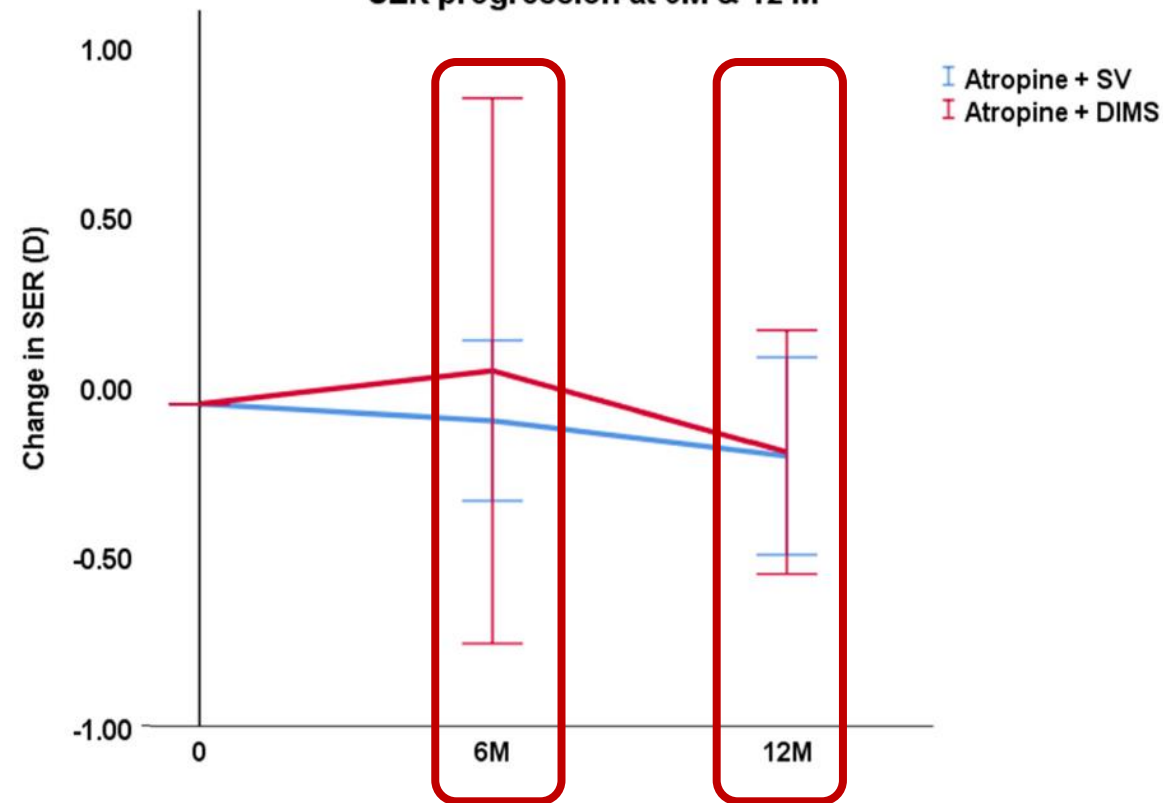
mean difference -0.01D (SE: 0.08, 95% CI -0.17 to 0.14, p=0.87).

RESULTS: Mean AL and SER over 12 months

Axial length progression at 6M & 12M



SER progression at 6M & 12M



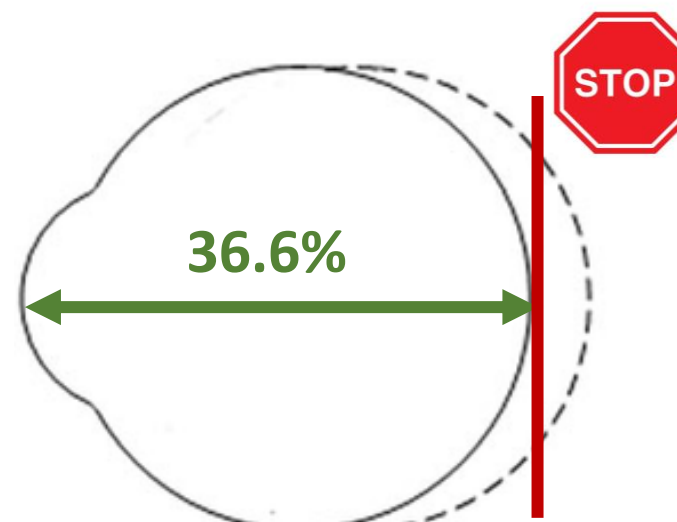
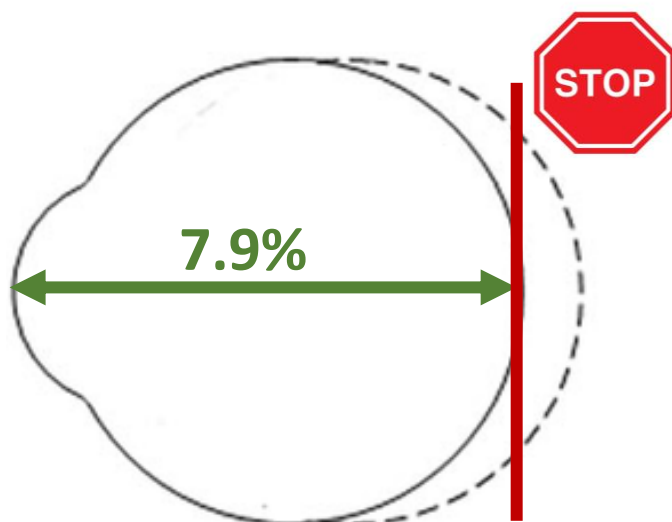
RESULTS: No axial elongation over 12 months

Group A

- 7.9% of the children in had no axial elongation over 12 months

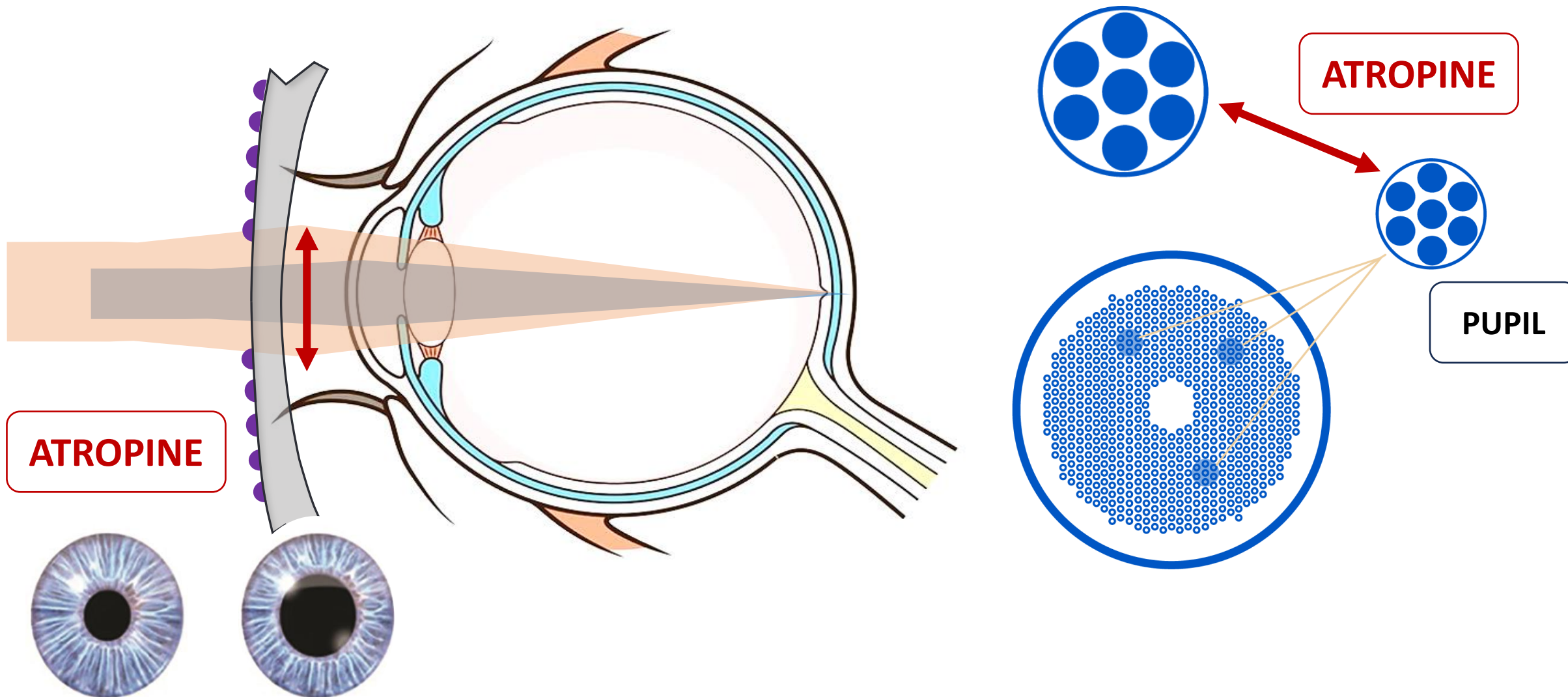
Group B

- 36.6% had no axial elongation over 12 months



P=0.002

DISCUSSION: Possible mechanisms: Atropine + DIMS lenses



COMBINED TREATMENT: Atropine + DIMS Spectacle Lenses

> *Sci Rep.* 2022 Dec 24;12(1):22311. doi: 10.1038/s41598-022-25599-z.

Asian

Synergistic effects of defocus-incorporated multiple segments and atropine in slowing the progression of myopia

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European

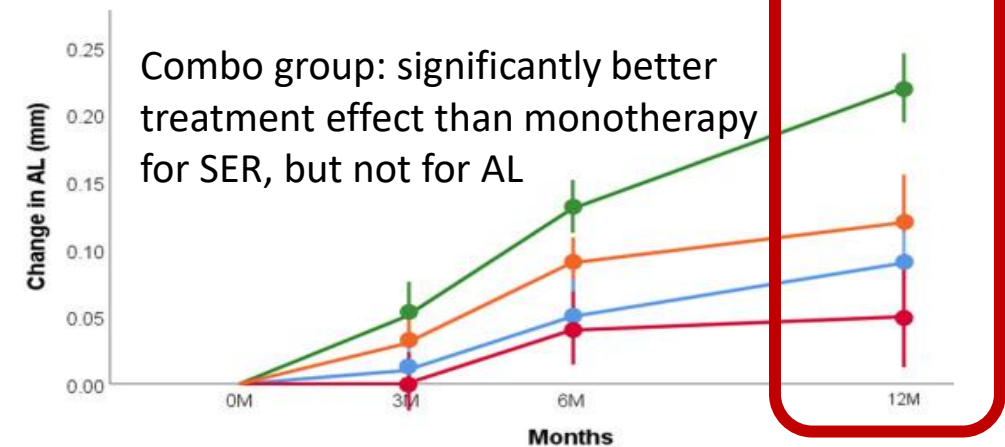
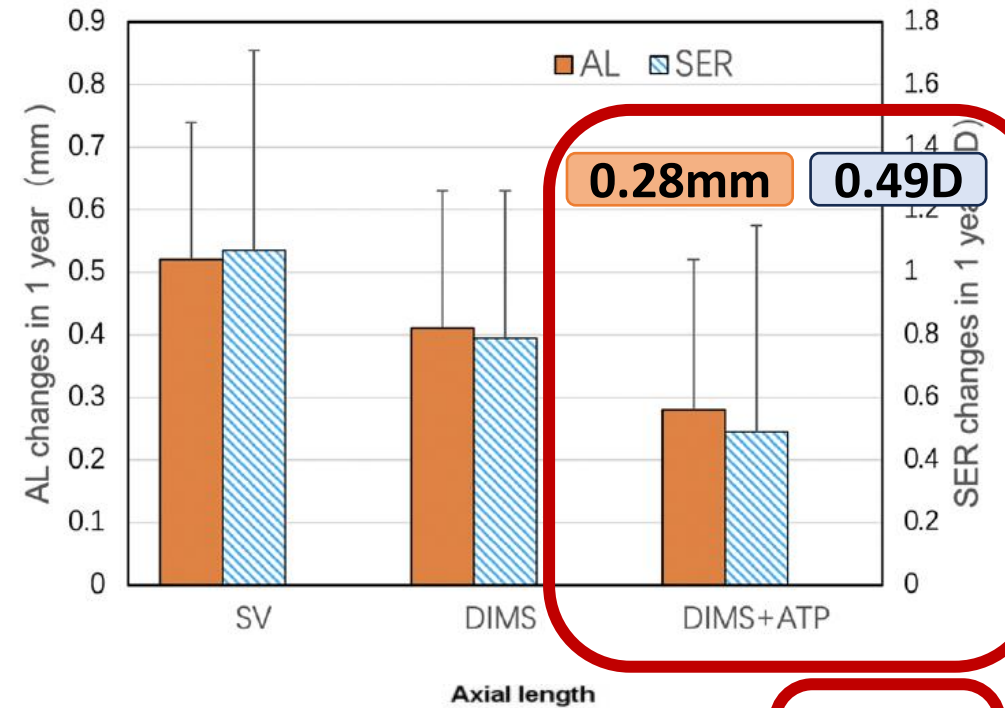
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ATROPINE
0.01%



DIMS
Spectacle
Lenses



Error Bars: +/- 1 SE

CONCLUSIONS

1

Combination treatment with 0.025% atropine and DIMS spectacle lenses is more effective in controlling axial elongation than 0.025% atropine with SV lenses

2

The differences in SER between the groups were not significant

CONCLUSIONS

3

The AL increase in group B (0.07mm/year) was less than that previously reported with DIMS lenses alone in Asian (0.11mm/year) and European children (0.18mm/year) over 12 months

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These findings suggest that other factors, such as pupil size, may enhance the efficacy of DIMS lenses in controlling axial elongation, supporting a possible synergistic effect of the two treatments.

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Combined 0.025% atropine and DIMS spectacle lens treatment is more effective in controlling axial elongation than 0.025% atropine with SV lenses



**Preliminary data
12-month results → Long-term results
Atropine concentration
Rebound effect**

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