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This Clinical Review provides us an insight into Cassini Total Corneal Astigmatism and the opportunities to improve surgical planning

Studies have demonstrated that posterior corneal astigmatism could be a factor in generating unexpected postoperative outcomes. Research has shown that selecting toric IOLs based on anterior corneal measurements could lead to over-correction in eyes that have with-the-rule astigmatism (vertical steep axis) and under-correction in eyes that have against-the-rule astigmatism (horizontal steep axis). In addition, there seems to be a large variety in the relationship between anterior and posterior astigmatism in pre-cataract populations of patients. Keeping this challenge in mind, Cassini has worked closely with many key-opinion leading physicians to help develop a solution.

Cassini's new Total Corneal Astigmatism functionality uses patented second Purkinje reflection-based analysis of the posterior cornea. Cassini posterior and anterior data is calculated to provide surgeons with the total corneal power, as well as steep axis and magnitude of astigmatism. This means that patients undergoing cataract surgery benefits from actual measurements of the Total Corneal Astigmatism (TCA) rather than using a generic nomogram. Cassini provides the data that enables cataract surgeons to create a unique, personalized surgical plan for each patient individually, without ignoring the posterior corneal astigmatism.

Our leading surgeons provide interesting data and case examples including:

- Repeatability of Total Corneal Astigmatism Technology
- Understanding Posterior Corneal Astigmatism to Avoid Post-Op Surprises
- Using Total Corneal Astigmatism to Improve Planning in Patients with Lower Amounts of Cylinder
- Capturing Reliable Data in Patients with Dry Eye



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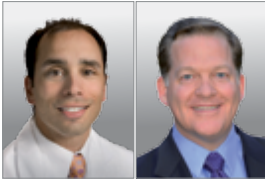
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Repeatable Total Corneal Analysis

A Total Corneal Astigmatism (TCA) reading was measured in a group of 321 eyes. In this TCA study, 34 eyes had less than 0.5D, 209 eyes had between 0.5-1.5D and 78 eyes had more than 1.5D of total corneal astigmatism. All 321 eyes were measured using Cassini TCA version 2.0.2, which resulted in excellent axis and magnitude repeatability. Cassini was especially repeatable in the critical 0.5-1.5D patient group.

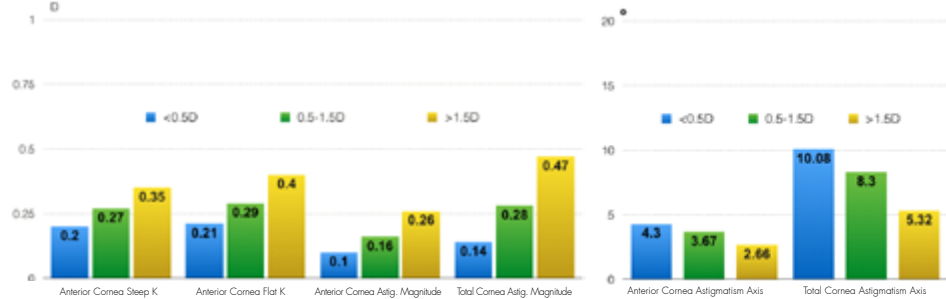


Figure 1 The repeatability of the magnitude per group

Figure 2 The repeatability of the axis per group



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Initial Inter-device Comparison Study

A comparison measuring the repeatability of three devices: Cassini, Magellan (Nidek), and IOLMaster (Carl Zeiss Meditec) was conducted on three different eye groups. Analysis of healthy corneas, post myopic LASIK-treated and a controlled group of post-cataract patients was measured. Three separate measurements were obtained using each machine in order to assess the repeatability of axis and magnitude.

Healthy(n=20)

	Steep K	Flat K	Cyl	Axis
Cassini Sim K	0.13	0.13	0.12	2.94
Magellan (SIM)	0.15	0.14	0.06	4.78
IOL Master	0.14	0.08	0.15	8.85
Cassini Total	/	/	0.13	5.11

Post Refractive(n=13)

	Steep K	Flat K	Cyl	Axis
Cassini Sim K	0.17	0.15	0.09	3.29
Magellan (SIM)	0.19	0.17	0.08	4.25
IOL Master	0.10	0.10	0.14	9.99
Cassini Total	/	/	0.21	5.99

Post Cataract(n=8)

	Steep K	Flat K	Cyl	Axis
Cassini Sim K	0.20	0.20	0.13	3.40
Magellan (SIM)	0.21	0.18	0.11	8.78
IOL Master	0.07	0.13	0.16	6.97
Cassini Total	/	/	0.18	5.88

All three devices demonstrated good repeatability. There was no significant difference between the devices regarding K measurements and magnitude of astigmatism. Cassini outperformed both devices with its SimK axis repeatability. Cassini TCA was demonstrated to be more repeatable than the IOLMaster with respect to axis.

TCA is Critical in Patients with Low Astigmatism

The Cassini measurement of a 68 year old patient resulted in 0.3D of Total Corneal Astigmatism (TCA) while the anterior corneal astigmatism was approx. 1.0D.

All the other anterior corneal measurements (OPD III, IOL Master) resulted in a consistent 1.0D of astigmatism at the corneal plane. Combined with SIA of 0.39D the recommendation was to use a BL1UT 2.00D @ 89 which would result in residual astigmatism of 0.06D @89.

	OPDIII (Sim)	IOL Master(Sim)	Cassini TCA
Corneal Astigmatism	0.82D	1.16D	0.30D
Expected Post-Op Astigmatism w/ SIA	1.21D	1.55D	0.69D
Surgical Correction of Astigmatism	Toric Lens - BL1UT 2.00 (Treat 1.33D @ Corneal Plane)		Crystalens AT-52A0 with single LRI

Final surgical plan was Crystalens with single LRI. Post op: 20/20. Plano.

Conclusions:

Understanding Posterior Cylinder will give more confidence in determining best treatment option for our patients.

Better diagnostics will only help increase our astigmatism management opportunities



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Understanding Posterior Astigmatism to Avoid Post-Op Surprise

This case is a 72 year old woman with a visually significant cataract in her left eye. Data from the OPDIII, Lenstar and Cassini all confirmed against-the-rule astigmatism. Based on the anterior data, nomograms would suggest increasing the magnitude of correction as displayed below.

	OPD	Lenstar	Cassini TCA
Corneal Astigmatism	1.67D@172	2.11D@159	1.51D@163
Nomogram Adjustment	1.21D	1.55D	TCA
Surgical Correction of Astigmatism	Treating 1.97D	Treating 2.41D	Treating 1.51D

Plan based off of Cassini Data: ZCT 225 24.0 D IOL aligned at 163 degrees to correct only 1.50 D astigmatism.

One month MRx indicated 0.5D of residual astigmatism at 50 degrees. Had posterior and total corneal astigmatism not been included in the surgical plan, this patient would have been overcorrected by 1.0-1.5D. Understanding posterior astigmatism is important and Cassini provides an important new insight.

Cassini LED Technology with Dry Eye Patients

69 yo female presents for Cataract evaluation on November 10, 2014

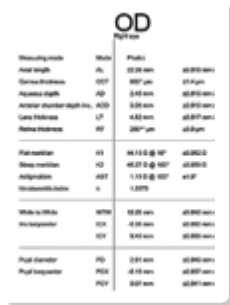


Figure 1 1st LenStar reading pre-operatively

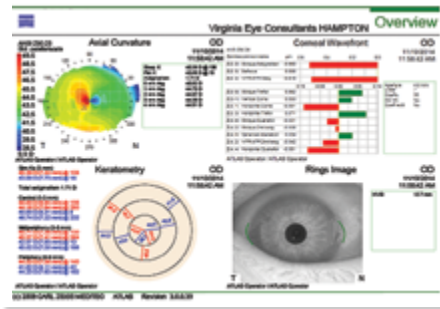


Figure 2 Atlas reading pre-operatively

In Placido measurement (Figure 2), good mires suggests great quality image, but the Sim astigmatism reading is 1.13D (Figure 1) and 1.71D (Figure 2), respectively between Lenstar and Atlas. The discrepancy between K values were very concerning. Placido-based topographers are sensitive to tear film break up time, which is a common feature in dry eye patients. Based on the discrepancy of data, it was difficult to determine whether a Toric IOL or LRI would be the best option for treatment.

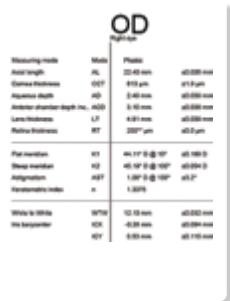


Figure 3 2nd LenStar reading pre-operatively

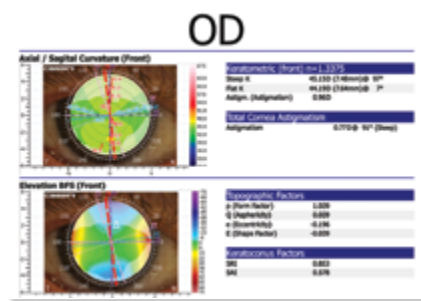


Figure 4 Cassini reading pre-operatively

The Sim astigmatism reading is 1.08D (Figure 3) and 0.96D (Figure 4), respectively between 2nd measurement of Lenstar and Cassini, but the total corneal astigmatism measured by Cassini is only 0.77D.

Surgical plan was selected with standard IOL w/ LRI: single 25 degree @ 097 degrees. One month Post-operative UCVA 20/20 +2; MRx: Plano

Conclusion: Cassini LED technology can be more accurate in setting of tear film disturbances and dry eye disease than placido-based topographers.

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Cassini Specifications

True Axis

- Multicolor LED imaging technology combined with 2nd Purkinje imaging technology
- Anterior Axis repeatability within 3 degrees

True Magnitude

- Diopter range 4.00D - 171.00D (Anterior)
- Display K-values per zone 3/5/7/9mm (Anterior)
- Keratometric indices display in D (diopters) or mm (millimeters)

True Capture

- Auto Capture with joystick positioning
- Measurement Quality Factor parameter
- Auto pupil detection
- Topographic indices - E (shape factor), e (eccentricity), Q (asphericity), p (form factor)
- Keratoconus indices - SAI (Surface Asymmetry Index), SRI (Surface Regularity Index)

True Accuracy

- Submicron accuracy due to color LED triangulation technology < 0.8µm (Anterior)

True Technology

- External Ocular Photography
- [Anterior]Topographic maps - Axial, Refractive, Tangential, Elevation, Corneal Aberrations, Recorded color HD external ocular photography
- Multiple color spectrum options
- Incorporated patient management program
- USB, Direct print, PDF, JPG, 3rd party output connectivity
- Mesopic and photopic pupillometry

