

Annexure 1: Questionnaire and responses

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| dr.siddharth@gmail.com | more than 1 year | Almost all patients excluding a few | 5y | 16y | 0.75 D/yr | 1y | Some-times | 0.01 | 4-6 wk | 6 month-ly | Implied consent | Most patients are compliant | progression more than 0.5 D in 6 months | continue as before | Extremely happy | Agree | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Frequently | No | No | May-be | rarely | Rarely | rarely | never | never | May-be | Yes |
| drshalinika@gmail.com | more than 1 year | Almost all patients excluding a few | 5y | 14y | 0.5 D/6 months | till child is 16 yrs of age | Some-times | 0.01 | 8 wk | 6 month-ly | Implied consent | Most patients are compliant | Change the time of instillation from night to morning | Extremely happy | Agree | Yes | May-be | No | No | Maybe | Frequently | May-be | No | No | rarely | Rarely | rarely | never | never | Yes | Yes |
| drmrhikothari@gmail.com | more than 1 year | Almost all patients excluding a few | 3y | 16y | 0.5 D/yr | 2y | Al-ways | 0.01 | 6 months | 6 month-ly | Implied consent | Patients are always compliant | Progression not reduced by atleast half in 1 year | Straight away start with progressive lined glasses | Extremely happy | Strong-ly agree | No | May-be | Yes | Maybe | Always | No | No | No | some-times | Some-times | some-times | never | never | No | No |
| neepathacker@yahoo.com | less than 1 year | Only some patients | 6y | 14y | 0.5 D/6 months | dont now yet | Al-ways | 0.01 | 4-6 wk | 6 month-ly | Written informed consent | Most patients are compliant | Progression more than 0.5 D in 6 months | Increase the concentration in steps | Somewhat happy | Agree | Yes | Yes | No | Maybe | Frequently | No | No | No | never | Never | never | never | never | Yes | Yes |
| drshahyash@gmail.com | less than 1 month | In all patients with myopia progression | 5y | 14y | 0.75 D/yr | 2y | Some-times | 0.01 | 12 wk | quarterly | Implied consent | Most patients are compliant | Progression more than 1 D in 1 year | Increase the concentration in steps | not reached any conclusion yet | Neutral | May-be | May-be | May-be | No | Sometimes | May-be | No | No | rarely | Rarely | rarely | never | never | May-be | Yes |
| hema_shankar2001@yahoo.com | more than 1 year | In all patients with myopia progression | 5y | 16y | 0.5 D/6 months | till child is 16 yrs of age | Fre-quent-ly | 0.01 | 6 months | 6 month-ly | Implied consent | Most patients are compliant | progression more than 0.5 D in 6 months | continue as before | not reached any conclusion yet | Agree | Yes | May-be | No | No | Frequently | May-be | No | No | rarely | Rarely | rarely | never | never | Yes | Yes |
| anand78kumar@gmail.com | more than 1 year | In all patients with myopia progression | 3y | 14y | 0.5 D/yr | 1y | Fre-quent-ly | 0.01 | 6 months | 6 month-ly | Implied consent | Most patients are compliant | Progression more than 0.5 D in 1 year | Increase the concentration in steps | Somewhat happy | Dis-agree | Yes | Yes | Yes | Maybe | Frequently | No | No | No | never | Never | never | never | never | Yes | No |
| doctorashini@gmail.com | less than 1 month | In all patients with myopia progression | 6y | 12y | 0.5 D/6 months | 6 months | Rarely | 0.01 | 4-6 wk | quarterly | Implied consent | Most patients are compliant | Not experienced | Not experienced | not reached any conclusion yet | Dis-agree | Yes | Yes | No | No | Always | No | No | No | never | Never | never | never | never | Yes | Yes |

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| dr.rushabh@gmail.com | less than 6 month | In all patients with myopia progression | 5y | 16y | 0.5 D/6 months | 1y | Some-times | 0.01 | 12 wk | 6 monthly | Not taken yet | Only some patients are compliant | Progression not reduced by atleast half in 1 year | Straight away start 1 percent atropine with progressive lined glasses | not reached any conclusion yet | Agree | Yes | No | No | Yes | Rarely | May-be | Yes | Yes | No | No | rarely | Some-times | Some-times | rarely | Yes | Yes |
| monicasant@hotmail.com | not yet using | Only some patients | 6y | 14y | 0.5 D/yr | 1.5y | Rarely | 0.01 | 8 wk | 6 monthly | Written informed consent | Most patients are compliant | Progression more than 1 D in 1 year | Discontinue atropine therapy and suggest alternatives | not reached any conclusion yet | Neutral | No | Yes | No | Yes | Always | No | No | No | No | No | rarely | Some-times | rarely | Yes | Yes | |
| dr.riddhi@yahoo.co.in | less than 3 months | Only some patients | 4y | 14y | 0.5 D/6 months | Till progression | Some-times | 0.01 | 12 wk | quarterly | Implied consent | Only some patients are compliant | Progression more than 0.5 D in 1 year | Not experienced this | not reached any conclusion yet | Neutral | Yes | May-be | No | Yes | Frequently | No | Yes | Yes | No | rarely | Some-times | rarely | Yes | Yes | | |
| suraj.bhagde@rediffmail.com | less than 6 month | In all patients with myopia progression | no lower limit | 16y | 0.5 D/yr | till child is 16 yrs of age | Some-times | 0.01 | 4-6 wk | quarterly | Implied consent | Most patients are compliant | Progression more than 0.5 D in 1 year | Atropine 1% weekly dose with PAL or Bifocals | Somewhat happy | Agree | May-be | May-be | No | Yes | Rarely | May-be | May-be | May-be | May-be | Never | Never | Never | Never | May-be | No | |
| dratuseeth@yahoo.com | less than 1 year | Only some patients | 5y | 14y | 1.0D/yr | till child is 16 yrs of age | At-ways | 0.01 | 6 months | 6 monthly | Implied consent | Most patients are compliant | Progression more than 1 D in 1 year | continue as before | not reached any conclusion yet | Neutral | Yes | No | May-be | No | Frequently | May-be | No | Yes | Yes | rarely | Never | rarely | Never | Yes | Yes | |
| ashwitsainani@hotmail.com | less than 1 year | Only some patients | 4y | 14y | 0.75 D/yr | I have not discontinued any treatment. But I consider a Patient who has progression of more than 0.75 D a year in the first 2 years. | Fre-quent-ly | 0.01 | 8 wk | quarterly | Implied consent | Most patients are compliant | I have not diagnosed any patient as a nonresponder. But I would offer alternative therapies and stop atropine. | I have not had any non responders. I would offer alternative therapies and stop atropine. | not reached any conclusion yet | Agree | Yes | No | No | No | Sometimes | May-be | No | No | No | Never | Rarely | never | never | Yes | Yes | |

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| dr. ashishdoshi@yahoo.com | more than 1 year | In all patients with myopia progression | 3y | 16y | 0.75 D/yr | 2y | Some-times | 0.01 | 6 months | 6 month-ly | Implied consent | Most patients are compliant | Progression more than 1 D in 1 year | Increase the concentration in steps | Extremely happy | Agree | Yes | Yes | No | Maybe | Frequently | No | No | never | Never | rarely | never | Yes | Yes | |
| dprashantmurhe@gmail.com | more than 1 year | Only some patients | 5y | 1.0 D/yr | 1.0 D/yr | Just started 1.5 years back continuing with the first patient | All ways | 0.01 | 3 days to know difficulty in near vision and any allergies | quarterly | Written informed consent | Most patients are compliant | Almost all patients have responded as yet. Patient number is very less though | Did not see non responders yet. | not reached any conclusion yet | Neutral | No | Yes | Maybe | No | Always | Yes | No | never | Rarely | never | never | May-be | Yes | |
| 39shah@gmail.com | less than 1 year | Almost all patients excluding a few | 6y | 12y | 0.5 D/yr | 2y | Some-times | 0.01 | 4-6 wk | quarterly | Written informed consent | Most patients are compliant | Progression more than 0.5 D in 1 year | Still waiting for results | not reached any conclusion yet | Dis-agree | Yes | Yes | Maybe | Yes | Frequently | May-be | Yes | No | Never | never | never | Yes | Yes | |