

Accelerated Pulsed Crosslinking for Keratoconus

ello Leucci
el M Gore
Anand
aos Kopsachilis
ael N Nicholae
ail I Malandrakis
e D Allan



Study Objective



To report 24-month results of accelerated continuous vs. pulsed corneal cross-linking in progressive keratoconus using the Avedro KXL[®] system

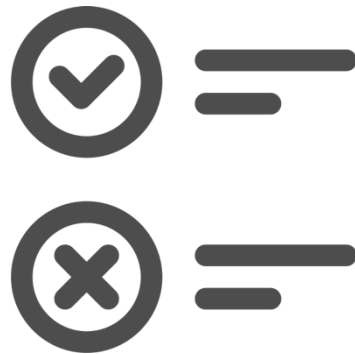
Primary Outcome Measure:

- Keratometric stability / Failure rates

Secondary Outcome Measure(s):

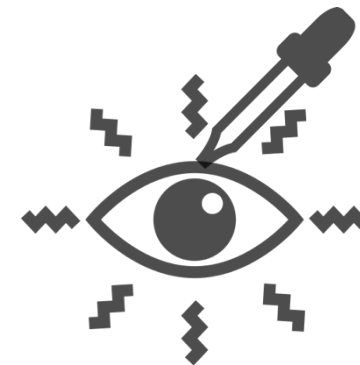
- Vision
- Rate of infective keratitis

Methodology



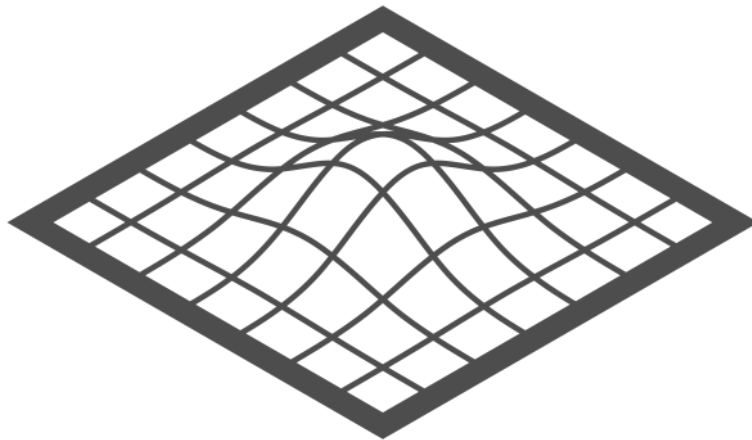
- **Prospective Case Series**
- Inclusion Criteria
 - Pre-Op ectasia progression $\geq 1D$ or $\geq 2.5D$
- Exclusion Criteria
 - Minimum Stromal thickness $< 375\mu m$
 - Active ocular surface disease

- **10 minutes Riboflavin 0.1% soak**
- Continuous UVA exposure at $30mW/cm^2$ for 4 minutes (2013-14)
- Pulsed UVA exposure at $30mW/cm^2$ (1.5 seconds on/off) for 8 minutes (2014 onwards)



Images by Schmidt Sergey and Carin Marzaro; The Noun Project (Creative Commons)

Staging and Disease Severity



Topography: 2 Stages¹

- Stage 1: $K_{\max} < 55D = +1D$
- Stage 2: $K_{\max} \geq 55D = +2.5D$

Vision Analysis: Anterior K2

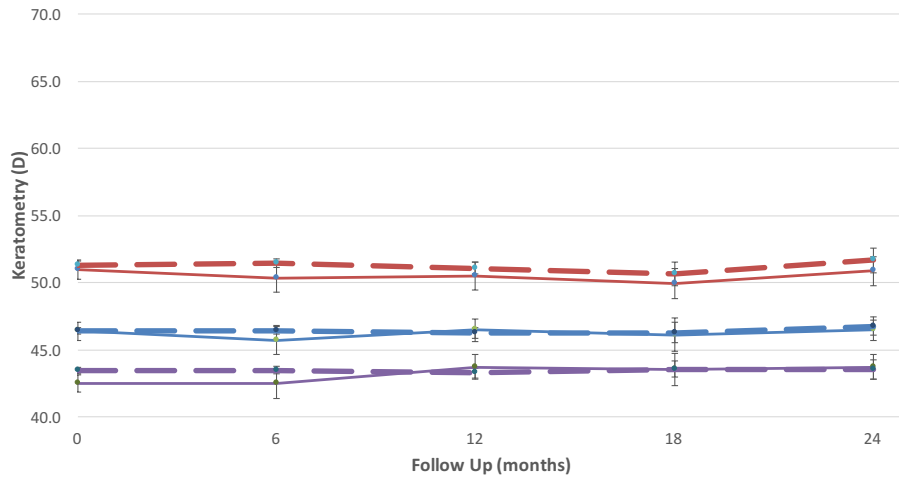
- Stage 1 $\leq 48D$
- $>48D$ Stage 2 $\leq 53D$
- $>53D$ Stage 3 $\leq 55D$
- Stage 4 $\geq 55D$

¹ Differential precision of corneal Pentacam HR measurements in early and advanced keratoconus (Tom H Flynn, Daya P Sharma, Catey Bunce, Mark R Wilkins); Br J Ophthalmol doi:10.1136/bjophthalmol-2015-307201;

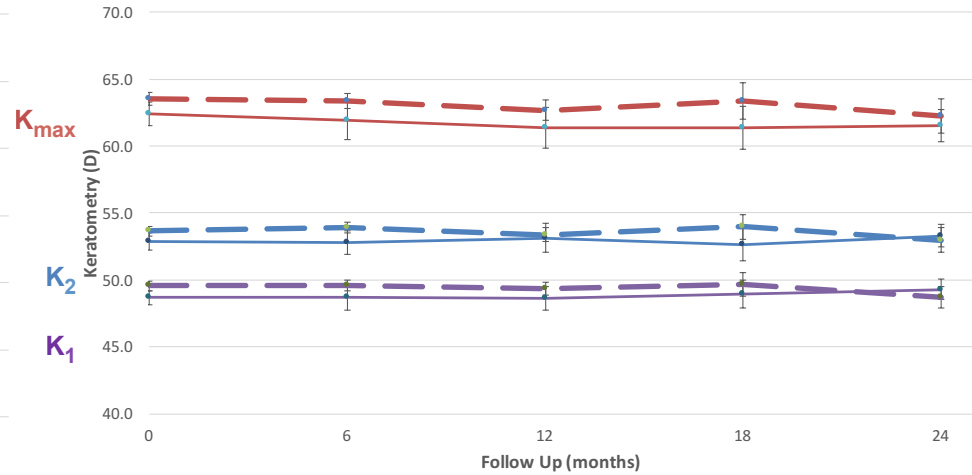
Image by Nono Martinez Alonso; The Noun Project (Creative Commons)

Results: Topography at 24 months 282 eyes; Age 26±6 years

Stage 1: $K_{max} < 55D$
Topography Baseline to 24 months



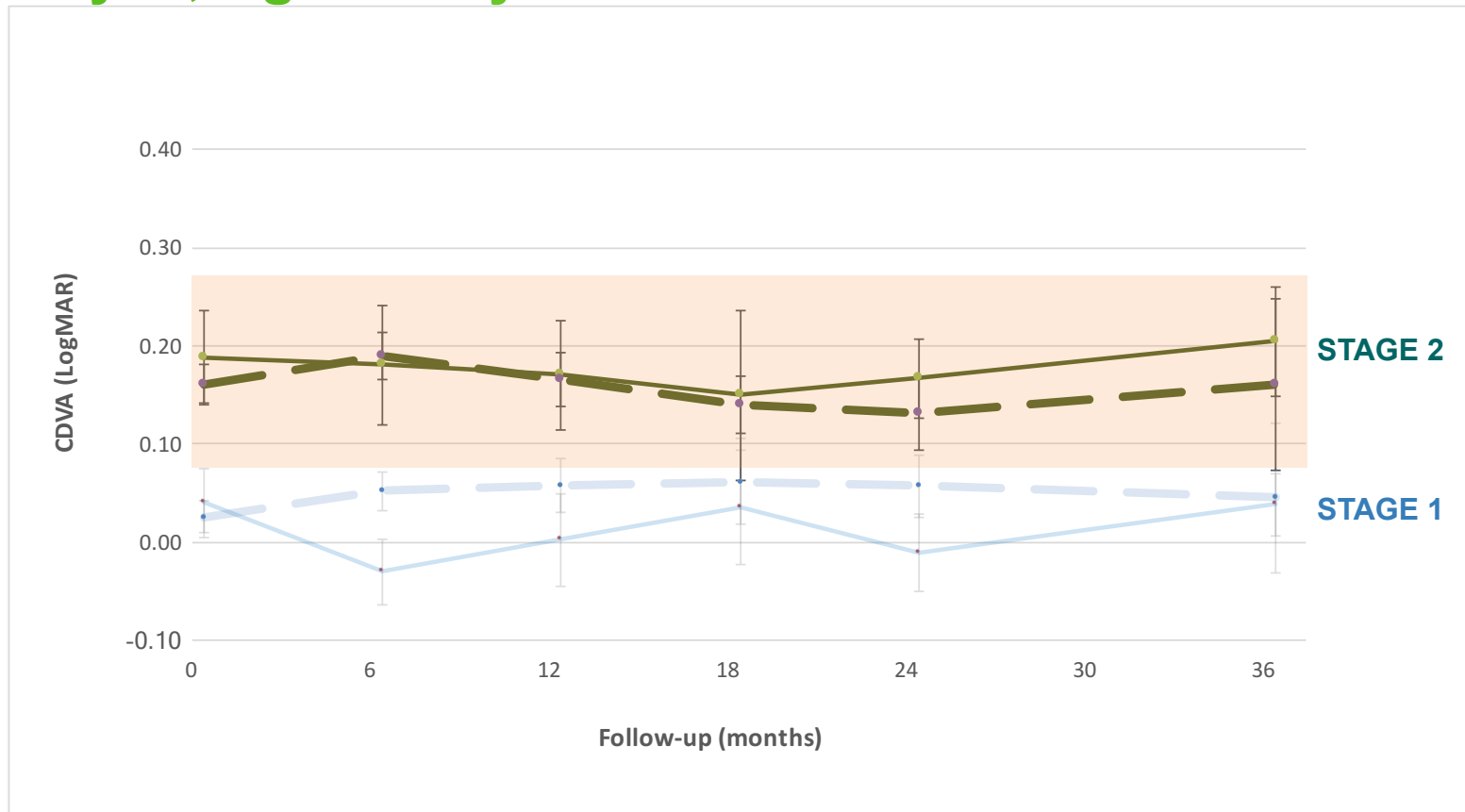
Stage 2: $K_{max} \geq 55D$
Topography Baseline to 24 months



Results: Topography at 24 months
282 eyes; Age 26±6 years

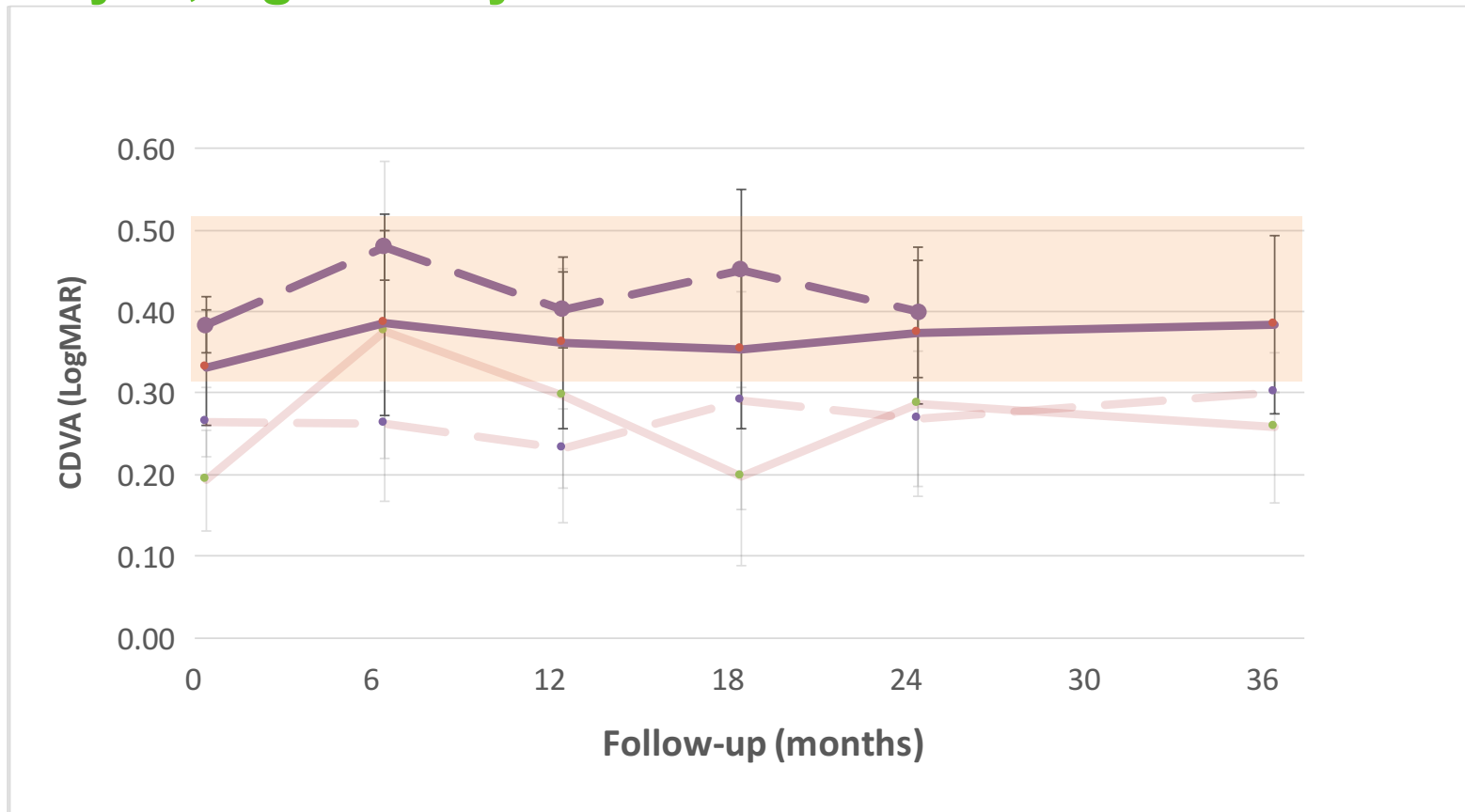
	CONTINUOUS (n=139)		PULSED (n=143)	
	< 55D	≥ 55D	< 55D	≥ 55D
<i>n</i>	38	101	47	96
Staged	9.7% (3.7)	5.3% (5.4)	8.7% (4.1)	5% (4.8)
1.5	5% (1.9)	13% (13.1)	3.7% (1.7)	11% (10.6)
2.5	1.3% (0.5)		2% (0.9)	

Results: Best Corrected Visual Acuity at 24 months 243 eyes; Age 26±6 years

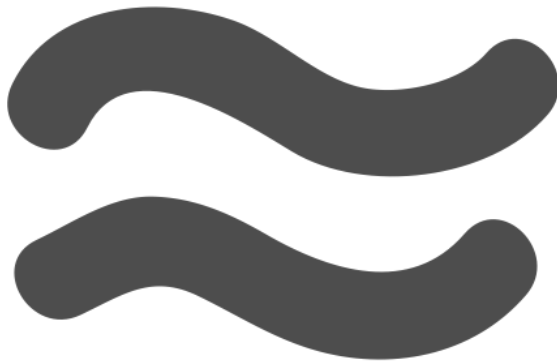


Repeated Visual Acuity Measurement: Establishing the Patient's Own Criterion for Change (BROWN, BRIAN PhD; Loive -Kitchin, Jan 1993; OVS

Results: Best Corrected Visual Acuity at 24 months 243 eyes; Age 26±6 years



Conclusion



Efficacy was similar for both accelerated continuous and pulsed CXL in stabilising disease progression in keratoconus.

Image by Jason D. Rowley; The Noun Project (Creative Commons)