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SCENAR THERAPY APPLICATIONS

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SCENAR THERAPY IN TREATMENT OF MYOPIA AND HYPERMETROPIA IN SCHOOLCHILDREN

Vision problems are universally on the rise. Myopia, in particular, is regarded as one of the most important socio-medical problems of today.

What factors are known to cause the development of myopia?

1. Hereditary susceptibility - children of myopic parents are frequently myopic;

2. Weak primary accommodation causing a compensatory lengthening of the eye;

3. External conditions, professional stress caused by extended concentration on small objects located close to the eyes. Such a development path of myopia is frequent in growing subjects;

4. Unbalanced, strained accommodation and convergence causing accommodation spasms, leading to false and subsequently to true myopia. This can be promoted by vegetative nervous system disorders, since the pupil sphincter is mediated by parasympathetic nerves and the dilatators by the sympathetic. Strange as it seems, general health conditions can contribute much to myopic development. Such diseases as rheumatism, arthritis, chronic tonsillitis escalation cause a general weakening of conjunctive tissues in the whole organism, including the eye sclera. Such a sclera extends readily, causing increased myopia.

Myopia is among the principal causes of eye-related handicaps (25-28%); absolute frequency varies depending on countries and regions, in Russia the frequency of myopia in schoolchildren is assessed at 2,3% to 13,8%, in middle school graduates at 3,5% to 32,2%.

For many children today's sedentary lifestyle, early introduction to the watching of TV and working with computers at preschool age causes the adaptation of the eyes to close viewing distances at the cost of remote viewing clarity.

Hypermetropia (farsightedness) is characterized by the location of a main optical system focus behind the retina. This is caused by the spherical shape of the eyeball and subnormal size. About 8% of adults are diagnosed with weak (under 2,0 D) hypermetropia and 4% have hypermetropia over 2,0 D. Farsighted eyes quickly get tired, especially during work on close distance at reading and the writing.

To decide on the applicability of SCENAR therapy in the abovementioned disorders we used the SCENAR device with an external "hairbrush" electrode. The external electrode of the device was placed under the occipital tubercle, and was slowly moved peri-orbitally for 15 minutes. The treatment used comfortable power settings of 90 Hz frequency.

8 patients with myopia and 7 with hypermetropia were treated, none reported any unpleasant sensations during or following the treatment sessions. 6 to 9 sessions were performed on each subject. All patients underwent eyesight evaluation, electro sensitivity, electrolability measurement and perimetry of both eyes.

Presented below are some selected treatment results:

1. Patient P. 15 yrs. old, diagnosed with slight myopia VOD=0,2-0,3 sph -1,5D=0,6 VOS=0,3 sph -2D=0,7 Following treatment: VOD=0,7 VOS=0,7



Illustration figures:

- 1. Normal view field
- 2. View field before SCENAR treatment
- 3. Improvement in the view field following SCENAR treatment

2. Patient K. 14 yrs. old, diagnosed with slight myopia VOD=0,4 sph -1,5D=0,9 VOS=0,3 sph -1,5D=0,9 VOD=0,6 sph -1,0D=1,0 VOS=0,5-0,6 sph -1,0D=0,9

3. Patient N. 17 yrs. old, diagnosed with average myopia VOD=0,02 VOS=0,5 VOD=0,04 VOS=0,7

4. Patient D. 7 yrs. old, diagnosed with slight hypermetropia VOD=0,4 VOS=0,5 VOD=0,6 VOS=0,6



5. Patient V 9yrs. old, diagnosed with slight hypermetropia VOD=0,5 VOS=0,9 VOD=0,7 VOS=1,0

6. Patient A., 12 yrs. old, diagnosed with average hypermetropia VOD=0,1 sph +6,5D=0,5 VOS=0,1 sph +6,5D=0,7 VOD=0,5-0,6 sph+6,5D=0,6-0,7 VOS=0,4 sph +6,5D=0,7-0,8

Thus, our preliminary research allows the conclusion that SCENAR therapy is efficient for treating myopia and hypermetropia in school-aged children. It is recommended that the SCENAR developers consider a special "spectacles" external electrode for connecting to the device; or possibly a consideration of a specialized SCENAR impulse generator version located directly in the spectacles frame.

SCENAR TECHNOLOGY OVERVIEW

The name SCENAR derives from: Self-Controlled Energo-Neuro-Adaptive Regulation.

The SCENAR is an electronic-therapy device invented by a team of Russian Scientists (Alexander Karasev and Prof. Revenko) and developed further by RITM OKB ZAO in the 1980's for use in space, where cosmonauts would have a means of treating themselves in orbit, without the need to take drugs.

RITM OKB ZAO in the only manufacturer of the original SCENAR technology.

RITM OKB ZAO now has set up a branch in Australia - RITM Australia to provide local support for their products - SCENAR devices for Professionals and Home user and Healing Blankets.

RITM SCENAR devices are CE Mark certified (the highest standard for manufacturing medical devices in the world), ISO 9001, ISO 13845.

RITM SCENAR devices are also included in the Australian Register for Therapeutic Goods Administration under TGA # 140659.

At present the SCENAR medical devices have been recognized in 60 countries all over the world: the United Kingdom, Australia, New Zealand, the Netherlands, Austria, Germany, Italy, Israel, Hungary, Czech Republic, Turkey, South Korea, the US, etc.

Over 6,000 doctors are now using the Scenar as an integral part of their medical practice.

The product range includes professional devices and devices for home users and sportsman, Healing Blankets and accesories.

	Professional series SCENAR devices – for medical practitioners and therapists
and a second	Home SCENAR device series – sportsmen and personal home use
	OLM Healing Blankets and their modifications