

SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIALS

Intravitreal Aflibercept for the Treatment of Diabetic Macular Edema in Routine Clinical Practice: Results from the 24-Month AURIGA Observational Study

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Supplementary Methods

Sample size

The sample size justification for the AURIGA diabetic macular edema (DME) treatment cohorts used a two-sided 95% confidence interval (CI) of ± 1.72 letters to enable sufficient precision in the assessment of the mean change in visual acuity (VA) from baseline to Month 12 (primary endpoint) by country and by cohort. This calculation incorporated a conservative standard deviation (SD) estimate of 13 letters for the change in VA from baseline based on POLARIS, an observational study of ranibizumab in patients with DME [1, 2]. Assuming a drop-out rate of 20%, ≥ 275 patients each with treatment-naïve and pretreated DME needed to be enrolled in each of the participating countries to achieve sufficient precision for a by-country analysis (calculated using nQuery v.7.0; Statistical Solutions Ltd., Cork, Ireland). Based on the countries' level of interest in these cohorts, the AURIGA study aimed to enroll treatment-naïve patients from all countries/regions participating in the study (France, Germany, Italy, Mainland China, Middle East, Russia, and Taiwan; where the Middle East countries consisted of Egypt, Kuwait, Lebanon, Saudi Arabia, and the United Arab Emirates), and pretreated patients from Italy, Mainland China, and Russia. This resulted in an overall planned enrollment of 1925 and 825 patients with treatment-naïve and pretreated DME, respectively.

Exclusion criteria

Exclusion criteria included: any contraindications listed in the local intravitreal aflibercept (IVT-AFL) Summary of Product Characteristics (SmPC); concomitant therapy with a systemic anti-vascular endothelial growth factor (anti-VEGF) or pro-VEGF agent; concomitant therapy with any other agent for the treatment of DME in the study eye; structural damage to the center of the macula in either eye that is likely to preclude improvement in VA following the resolution of macular edema, or any other condition expected to permanently limit VA outcomes over the course of the study; patients with prior retinal surgery; laser photocoagulation (pan-retinal or macular) in the study eye within 90 days of Day 1; and a history of stroke or transient ischemic attacks within the last 6 months. In the pretreated cohort, only patients who had received prior treatment with steroids or intravitreal anti-VEGF agents other than IVT-AFL were eligible for enrollment. Additional exclusion criteria applied to pretreated patients were prior treatment with laser, anti-angiogenic drugs, ocular surgery, or intravitreal dexamethasone or triamcinolone within the last 3 months; a dexamethasone implant within the last 6 months; or a fluocinolone implant within the last 3 years.

COVID-19 sensitivity analysis

The date by which ≥ 100 confirmed Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) cases were reported in a country was considered to be its COVID-19 start date. The COVID-19 start dates for each country reporting DME data were: China, January 22; France, February 29; Germany, March 1; Italy, February 23; Russia, March 13; and Taiwan, March 18 (all in 2020). In the 4 participating countries in the Middle East, the COVID-19 start date ranged from March 14 to March 18, and a start date of March 14 was applied to the pooled analysis of data from this region.

Supplementary Table 1 Reasons for switch to IVT-AFL treatment in the pretreated cohort

	Italy pretreated (n=75)	Russia pretreated (n=276)	Mainland China pretreated (n=33)	Overall DME pretreated (N=384)
Effort to extend treatment interval	0	2 (0.7)	2 (6.1)	4 (1.0)
Persistent intraretinal or subretinal fluid	38 (50.7)	209 (75.7)	1 (3.0)	248 (64.6)
Recurrence of fluid	32 (42.7)	40 (14.5)	3 (9.1)	75 (19.5)
New hemorrhage	0	1 (0.4)	3 (9.1)	4 (1.0)
Decreased vision	0	12 (4.3)	9 (27.3)	21 (5.5)
Lack of compliance	0	5 (1.8)	0	5 (1.3)
Patient request	2 (2.7)	7 (2.5)	9 (27.3)	18 (4.7)
Other	2 (2.7)	0	6 (18.2)	8 (2.1)
Missing	1 (1.3)	0	0	1 (0.3)

Values are n, %. DME, diabetic macular edema; IVT-AFL, intravitreal aflibercept.

Supplementary Table 2 Time (months) to treatment initiation per country

Treatment-naïve cohort	France (n=164)	Germany (n=150)	Italy (n=207)	Russia (n=280)	Middle East (n=203)	Taiwan (n=267)	Mainland China (n=207)	Overall cohort (N=1478)
Time from symptom occurrence to first IVT-AFL injection	7.9±15.0	5.2±19.5	25.2±58.8	17.3±24.3	13.4±39.3	9.7±28.8	6.6±10.5	12.7±32.8
Time from DME diagnosis to first IVT-AFL injection	5.9±13.6	4.4±19.4	21.9±57.0	10.1±17.6	8.7±35.1	7.6±25.1	2.4±6.9	9.0±29.8
Time from decision-to-treat to first IVT-AFL injection	0.4±0.7	0.5±0.5	0.8±0.9	0.5±1.3	0.6±1.6	0.7±1.2	0.1±0.2	0.5±1.1
Pretreated cohort	Italy (n=75)	Russia (n=276)	Mainland China (n=33)	Overall cohort (N=384)				
Time from symptom occurrence to first IVT-AFL injection	44.6±57.0	29.3±23.5	22.1±32.1	31.6±33.8				
Time from DME diagnosis to first IVT-AFL injection	40.0±55.8	21.9±19.8	15.3±25.4	24.8±31.5				
Time from decision-to-treat to first IVT-AFL injection	0.7±0.7	1.2±2.3	0.1±0.1	1.0±2.0				

Values are mean±SD. DME, diabetic macular edema; IVT-AFL, intravitreal aflibercept; SD, standard deviation.

Supplementary Table 3 Baseline visual acuity and central retinal thickness in each cohort, by country

	Treatment-naïve (n=1478)	Pretreated (n=384)
Baseline VA, letters		
France	67.1±10.6	
n	145	
Germany	65.0±15.3	
n	142	
Italy	54.5±21.0	58.3±18.9
n	200	73
Russia	54.2±19.2	48.7±19.4
n	280	275
Middle East	61.2±19.5	
n	191	
Taiwan	49.7±19.6	
n	258	
Mainland China	48.5±20.8	52.5±18.2
n	195	30
Total	56.0±19.8	50.8±19.5
N	1411	378
Baseline CRT, µm		
France	453±128	
n	149	
Germany	391±132	
n	116	
Italy	457±116	448±115
n	172	63
Russia	443±132	470±155
n	275	271
Middle East	403±131	
n	178	
Taiwan	433±120	
n	265	
Mainland China	474±216	454±143
n	137	26
Total	437 ±140	465 ±148
N	1292	360

Data are mean±SD unless otherwise stated. CRT, central retinal thickness; SD, standard deviation; VA, visual acuity.

Supplementary Table 4 Mean change in visual acuity (letters) from baseline to Month 12 stratified by gender

	Female treatment-naïve (n=723)	Male treatment-naïve (n=751)	Overall DME treatment-naïve (N=1478)^a	Female pretreated (n=222)	Male pretreated (n=162)	Overall DME pretreated (N=384)
Baseline						
Mean VA	54.4±20.4	57.5±19.1	56.0±19.8	48.7±19.5	53.8±19.2	50.8±19.5
n, %	695 (96.1)	712 (94.8)	1411 (95.5)	221 (99.5)	157 (96.9)	378 (98.4)
Change from BL to Month 12						
Mean (95% CI)	6.0 (4.7, 7.3)	7.3 (6.0, 8.7)	6.7 (5.7, 7.6)	7.9 (5.5, 10.3)	6.8 (3.6, 10.0)	7.4 (5.5, 9.4)
n, %	632 (87.4)	637 (84.8)	1273 (86.1)	214 (96.4)	144 (88.9)	358 (93.2)

Data are from the FAS (LOCF) and values are mean±SD unless otherwise stated. The mean VA change data are based on the nearest VA assessment within the ±60-day visit window at Month 12.

^aFour treatment-naïve patients had missing gender data in the Middle East cohort. BL, baseline; CI, confidence interval; DME, diabetic macular edema; FAS, full analysis set; LOCF, last observation carried forward; SD, standard deviation; VA, visual acuity.

Supplementary Table 5 Change in visual acuity (letters) from baseline to Months 6, 12, and 24 in each country and the overall treatment cohorts

	France	Germany	Italy	Russia	Middle East	Taiwan	Mainland China	Total
Treatment-naïve (n=1478)								
BL								
Mean VA	67.1±10.6	65.0±15.3	54.5±21.0	54.2±19.2	61.2±19.5	49.7±19.6	48.5±20.8	56.0±19.8
n	145	142	200	280	191	258	195	1411
Month 6								
Mean VA	72.8±12.3	69.8±14.0	61.2±20.8	62.3±17.3	66.9±14.9	59.2±17.7	57.0±19.1	63.5±17.7
n	149	145	157	270	154	252	159	1286
Change from BL	6.1±11.6	4.6±11.4	5.8±17.4	8.0±12.7	7.3±17.7	9.5±18.8	7.5±19.4	7.3±16.0
95% CI	4.1, 8.1	2.6, 6.5	3.1, 8.6	6.5, 9.5	4.4, 10.2	7.1, 11.8	4.4, 10.6	6.4, 8.2
n	133	137	153	270	145	244	152	1234
Month 12								
Mean VA	72.9±11.4	69.3±16.1	61.2±19.8	60.8±17.8	67.2±15.6	58.2±19.6	56.1±20.8	62.9±18.6
n	151	146	181	270	164	255	160	1327
Change from BL	5.9±10.7	4.0±11.4	6.3±19.3	6.5±13.6	8.0±18.9	8.4±20.9	6.4±21.7	6.7±17.4
95% CI	4.1, 7.8	2.1, 5.9	3.4, 9.1	4.9, 8.1	5.0, 11.0	5.8, 11.0	2.9, 9.9	5.7, 7.6
n	133	138	177	270	155	247	153	1273
Month 24								
Mean VA	72.6±11.0	70.3±16.1	60.0±20.8	58.9±18.5	65.8±17.4	57.6±20.4	56.0±20.7	62.1±19.2
n	152	146	182	270	170	256	160	1336
Change from BL	5.5±10.4	5.0±11.7	5.0±21.6	4.6±14.6	6.1±20.5	8.1±20.7	6.3±21.8	5.9±18.1
95% CI	3.7, 7.3	3.0, 6.9	1.8, 8.2	2.9, 6.4	2.9, 9.3	5.5, 10.7	2.8, 9.7	4.9, 6.9
n	134	138	178	270	160	248	153	1281
Pretreated (n=384)								
BL								
Mean VA			58.3±18.9	48.7±19.4			52.5±18.2	50.8±19.5
n			73	275			30	378
Month 6								
Mean VA			62.8±15.8	59.1±18.5			49.6±20.5	59.1±18.4
n			64	265			24	353
Change from BL			5.5±13.9	10.7±17.8			-6.1±22.3	8.7±17.9
95% CI			1.9, 9.0	8.5, 12.8			-16.0, 3.8	6.8, 10.6
n			62	264			22	348

Month 12						
Mean VA		61.1±18.6	57.6±20.0		52.0±19.9	57.9±19.8
n		70	268		25	363
Change from BL		3.8±14.8	9.1±19.0		-1.3±18.7	7.4±18.5
95% CI		0.2, 7.4	6.8, 11.4		-9.4, 6.7	5.5, 9.4
n		68	267		23	358
Month 24						
Mean VA		60.8±18.6	58.6±20.3		52.0±19.9	58.6±20.0
n		71	269		25	365
Change from BL		3.5±17.1	10.1±20.0		-1.3±18.7	8.1±19.7
95% CI		-0.6, 7.6	7.7, 12.5		-9.4, 6.7	6.1, 10.1
n		69	268		23	360

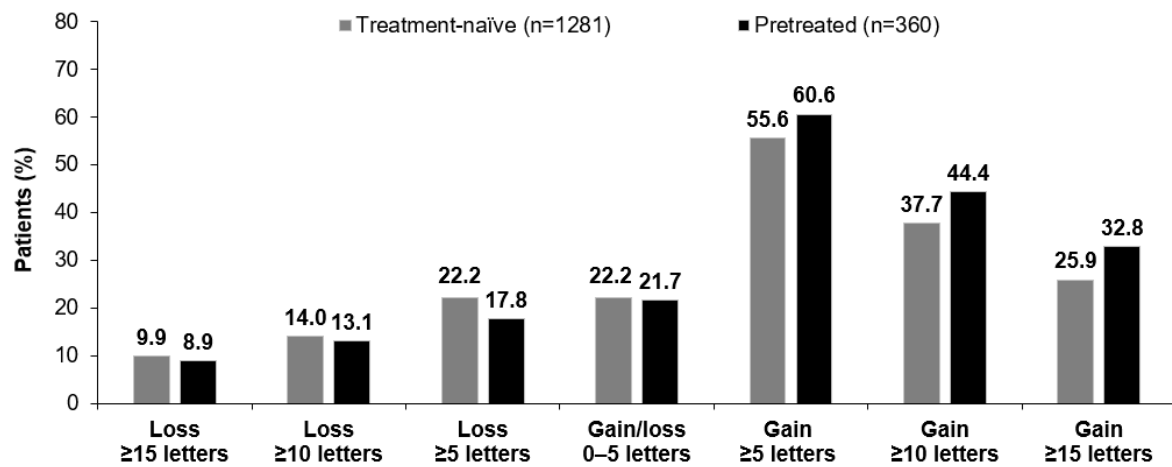
Data are mean ± SD unless otherwise stated. The mean VA change data are based on the nearest VA assessment within the ±30-day visit window at 6 months and within the ±60-day visit window at Months 12 and 24. BL, baseline; SD, standard deviation; VA, visual acuity.

Supplementary Table 6 Mean number of intravitreal aflibercept treatments for each country

	Treatment-naïve (n=1478)	Pretreated (n=384)
Until Month 6 visit		
France	5.0±1.4	
Germany	5.0±1.6	
Italy	4.1±1.4	4.3±1.2
Russia	4.4±1.5	4.1±1.5
Middle East	2.7±1.5	
Taiwan	4.0±1.5	
China	2.0±1.1	1.9±1.0
Total	3.8±1.7	3.9±1.5
Until Month 12 visit		
France	6.6±2.6	
Germany	7.1±3.2	
Italy	5.0±2.0	5.4±1.9
Russia	5.7±2.5	5.1±2.4
Middle East	3.4±2.2	
Taiwan	5.1±2.4	
China	2.1±1.2	2.1±1.2
Total	4.9±2.8	4.9±2.4
Until Month 24 visit		
France	7.8±4.0	
Germany	9.0±5.3	
Italy	5.6±2.7	6.2±2.8
Russia	7.0±3.9	6.6±3.7
Middle East	4.0±2.8	
Taiwan	5.6±2.9	
China	2.1±1.2	2.1±1.2
Total	5.7±3.9	6.2±3.6

Data are mean ± SD. SD, standard deviation.

Supplementary Figure 1 Letter gains and losses from baseline to Month 24 in treatment-naïve and pretreated patients with diabetic macular edema following intravitreal aflibercept treatment



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Appendix I: AURIGA ethics approval committees

Name of Institutional Ethics Committee (IEC)/Institutional Review Board (IRB)	Approval number
SAUDI ARABIA	
King Faisal Specialist Hospital & Research Center - Jeddah IRB	RC-J/381/39
King Faisal Specialist Hospital & Research Center - Riyadh IRB	C380/541/39
King Khaled Eye Specialist Hospital IRB	RD/2600/6557-18
King Saud University Medical City IRB	18/0201/IRB
King Abdullah International Medical Research Center IRB (study site: King Fahd National Guard Hospital)	IRBC/1559/19
TAIWAN	
Taipei Veterans General Hospital IRB	2018-06-016CCU
Shin Kong Wu Ho-Su Memorial Hospital IRB	20180902C
Chi Mei Medical Center IRB	10711-004
National Taiwan University Hospital Research Ethics Committee	201808068RSC
Mackay Memorial Hospital IRB	18CT035be
Changhua Christian Hospital IRB	180817
China Medical University Hospital Research Ethics Committee	CMUH107-REC1-134
Kaohsiung Veterans General Hospital IRB	VGHKS18-CT10-06
Kaohsiung Medical University Hospital IRB	KMUHIRB-F(II)-20180137
National Cheng Kung University Hospital IRB	AB-CR-107-053
Tri-Service General Hospital IRB	2-108-01-015
Hualien Tzu Chi Hospital, Buddhist Tzu Chi Medical Foundation Research Ethics Committee	IRB109-050-B
Taipei Municipal Wan Fang Hospital IRB	N202003042
Far Eastern Memorial Hospital Research Ethics Review Committee	109077-F
CHINA	
Jinan Second People's Hospital IRB	Ji lun shen No. 2019-03
Weifang Eye Hospital IRB	Yuan Lun Kuai No.[2019]01
Shanghai General Hospital IRB	Yuan Lun Kuai No.[2019]43
Beijing Aier Intech Eye Hospital IRB	BJAIER2019IRB02
Medical Ethics Committee of the First Affiliated Hospital of Jinan University	[2019]Lun Shen Pi Ke No.030
Aier Eye Hospital IRB	GZAIER2019IRB11
Medical Ethics Committee of Tianjin Eye Hospital	Research Review No.201901
Medical Ethics Committee of Eye & Ent Hospital of Fudan University	[2019]Lun Shen Zi No.(2019049)

The Affiliated Eye Hospital of Shandong University of Traditional Chinese Medicine Medical Ethics Committee	SDTCMAEHEC2019-01
Medical Ethics Committee of Henan Eye Hospital	HNEECKY-2019(7)
The First Affiliated Hospital of Guangzhou University of Chinese Medicine Ethics Committee	No. ZYYEC2019-018-JT
Ethics Committee of Shenzhen Eyes Hospital	Shen Eye Lun Shen No. 20190701-01
Medical Ethics Committee of Tianjin Medical University Eye Hospital	2019KY-11
Medical Ethics Committee of Shandong Eye Institute	Qing Yan Lun Shen (Kuai) No.[2019]01
The First Affiliated Hospital of Zhengzhou University Scientific Research and Clinical Trial Ethics Committee	Drug-2019-079
Medical Ethics Committee of Joint Shantou International Eye Center of Shantou University and The Chinese University of Hong Kong	EC 20190911(4)-P04
Shanxi Eye Hospital Drug Clinical Trial IRB	SXEH2019IRB02
Xuzhou No.1 People's Hospital Medical Ethics Committee	xyll[2019]22
IRB of Beijing Hospital	2019BJYYEC-107-01
Ethics Review Committee of Peking Union Medical College Hospital	B314
Ethics Committee of Xinhua Hospital Affiliated to Shanghai Jiaotong University School of Medicine	XHEC-C-2019-022-2

FRANCE

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GERMANY

Ethikkommission der Technischen Universität München	252/17S
Ärzttekammer Nordrhein	2017386
Ethikkommission der Otto-von Guericke-Universität an der Medizinischen Fakultät und am Universitätsklinikum Magdeburg A.ö.R	174/17
Sächsische Landesärztekammer Ethikkommission	EK-BR-83/17-1
Ärzttekammer Hamburg	MC-387/17
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Ethikkommission der Universität zu Lübeck	18-093
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Ethikkommission der Universitätsmedizin Göttingen	12/5/18
Ethikkommission der Landesärztekammer Rheinland Pfalz	2018 - 13331
Ethik-Kommission der Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg	308/18
Ethikkommission der Medizinischen Fakultät Heidelberg	S-224/2019
Ethik-Kommission des Fachbereichs Medizin der Johann Wolfgang Goethe-Universität	19-2019

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ITALY

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Comitato Etico Milano Area 3	108-032018
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Comitato Etico dell'Insubria	136 of 2018
Comitato Etico Milano Area 3	247-052018
Comitato Etico Val Padana	34514 of 15/10/2018
Comitato Etico di Bergamo	125/18
Comitato Etico di Brescia	NP 3214
Comitato Etico Area Pavia	20180028515
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Comitato Etico Università degli Studi della Campania "Luigi Vanvitelli"	545 24/07/2018-Protocollo 13642/18
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Comitato Etico Lazio 1	981/CE 1249
Comitato Etico dell'Università Sapienza	164 SA_2018-RIF CE 5079

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RUSSIA

Independent Interdisciplinary Committee on Ethical Review of Clinical Trials

Extract from protocol №18 of the meeting of Independent Interdisciplinary Committee on Ethical Review of Clinical Trials dated Nov 10, 2017 (approval of the whole study)

Moscow City Independent Ethics Committee

Extract from protocol №15 of Moscow City Independent Ethics Committee ethical review dated Feb 21, 2018 (City Clinical Hospital №67 named after Vorokhobova L.A.)

Ethics Committee of State Novosibirsk Regional Clinical Hospital

Extract from protocol №2 of the meeting of Ethic Committee of State Novosibirsk Regional Clinical Hospital dated May 11, 2018 (State Novosibirsk Regional Clinical Hospital)

Independent Review Board of Kazan Regional Ophthalmological Hospital

Extract from protocol №2 of the meeting of Independent Review Board of Kazan Regional Ophthalmological Hospital dated Mar 11, 2019 (Kazan Regional Ophthalmological Hospital)

KUWAIT

National MOH approval, Kuwait

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EGYPT

National MOH approval, Cairo

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UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

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Appendix II: COMETA (Costs and Outcomes of ReTInAI Disease) questionnaire

- 1) How are you completing the questionnaire?
 - a) By myself, no assistance required
 - b) With assistance from family, partner, friend
 - c) With assistance from health-care professional

- 2) What describes best your living environment?
 - a) I am living alone
 - b) I am living with family, spouse, partner, friend
 - c) I am living in institutional care

- 3) What describes best your current activity?
 - a) Full-time, self-employed
 - b) Part-time
 - c) Unemployed due to vision loss
 - d) Unemployed
 - e) Home maker
 - f) Retired early due to vision loss
 - g) Retired
 - h) Employed, not further specified
 - i) Other

- 4) In the past 3 months, did you have to take days of sick leave?
 - a) No
 - b) Yes
Number of days of sick leave _____

- 5) In the past 3 months, did you have to reduce working hours permanently?
 - a) No
 - b) Yes
Number of weekly working hours permanently reduced _____

- 6) In the past 3 months, did you have to change your type of work?
 - a) No
 - b) Yes

- 7) In the past 3 months, did you spend time in hospital because of vision impairment?
 - a) No
 - b) Yes
Days spent in inpatient stay _____
Days spent with a day visit or treatment _____
Days spent at emergency unit _____
Days spent in a specialized centre _____

- 8a) In the past 3 months, did you experience a fall/accident because of vision impairment?
 - a) No
 - b) Yes

- 8b) Did you receive treatment for your fall/accident?

- a) No
- b) Yes

8c) For your fall/accident, were you treated

- a) At hospital
- b) Ambulatory care

Days spent in inpatient stay _____

Days spent with a day visit or treatment _____

Days spent at Emergency unit _____

Days spent in a specialized centre _____

9) Number of visits to ophthalmologist / retinal specialist in the past 3 months _____

Duration:

- a) Up to 1 hour
- b) 2–3 hours
- c) Half a day
- d) More

10) Number of visits to general practitioner / family doctor in the past 3 months _____

Duration:

- a) Up to 1 hour
- b) 2–3 hours
- c) Half a day
- d) More

11) Number of visits to other medical specialist in the past 3 months _____

Duration:

- a) Up to 1 hour
- b) 2–3 hours
- c) Half a day
- d) More

12) Number of visits to orthoptist (vision specialist) in the past 3 months _____

Duration:

- a) Up to 1 hour
- b) 2–3 hours
- c) Half a day
- d) More

13) Number of visits to nurse in the past 3 months _____

Duration:

- a) Up to 1 hour
- b) 2–3 hours
- c) Half a day
- d) More

14) Number of visits to psychologist/counsellor in the past 3 months _____

Duration:

- a) Up to 1 hour
- b) 2–3 hours

- c) Half a day
- d) More

15) In the past 3 months, did you have to make changes to your living situation because of your vision loss?

- a) No
- b) Yes

16) Did you pay out of your own pocket?

- a) No, fully reimbursed
- b) Yes, but partly reimbursed
- c) Yes

17) Number of days needing transportation in the past 3 months _____

Duration:

- a) Up to 1 hour
- b) 2–3 hours
- c) Half a day
- d) More

18) Number of days needing home help (household tasks) in the past 3 months _____

Duration:

- a) Up to 1 hour
- b) 2–3 hours
- c) Half a day
- d) More

19) Number of days needing social aid in the past 3 months _____

Duration:

- a) Up to 1 hour
- b) 2–3 hours
- c) Half a day
- d) More

20) Number of days needing nurse support in the past 3 months _____

Duration:

- a) Up to 1 hour
- b) 2–3 hours
- c) Half a day
- d) More

21) Number of days needing meals delivery in the past 3 months _____

Duration:

- a) Up to 1 hour
- b) 2–3 hours
- c) Half a day
- d) More

22) Number of days needing laundry service in the past 3 months _____

Duration:

- a) Up to 1 hour
- b) 2–3 hours

- c) Half a day
- d) More

23) Which aids have you used in the past 3 months because of poor vision?

- a) Eye glasses
- b) Stand/lamp magnifier
- c) Speech synthesizer
- d) Special diabetes device
- e) TV glasses
- f) Video magnifier
- g) Computer within an integrated auditory system
- h) Walking aids
- i) Contact lenses
- j) Telescopic lenses
- k) Special phone
- l) Enlarger screen
- m) Hand-held magnifier
- n) Medication dispenser

25a) Did you require assistance from your family or friends because of your vision problems in the past 3 months?

- a) No
- b) Yes

25b) Type of assistance needed

- a) Basic self-care activities (hours per week _____)
- b) Instrumental activities (hours per week _____)
- c) Mobility help, transportation (hours per week _____)
- d) Help with medication (hours per week _____)
- e) Handling administrative tasks (hours per week _____)
- f) Keeping company, spending time together (hours per week _____)

25c) Who was the caregiver who provided this assistance?

- a) Spouse/partner
 - Not working
 - Working
- b) Family member
 - Not working
 - Working
- c) Friend/neighbour
 - Not working
 - Working

25d) Did your caregiver reduce/give up work?

- a) No
- b) Yes, reduced work hours
- c) Yes, gave up work

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