

Phase I/Ia Study of the Safety and Activity of OpRegen[®] in Geographic Atrophy (GA) Secondary to Age-Related Macular Degeneration (AMD)

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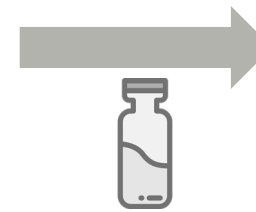
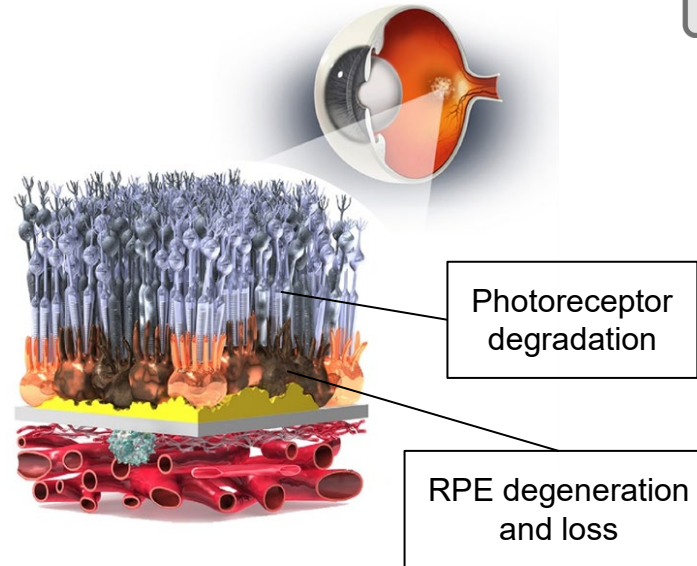
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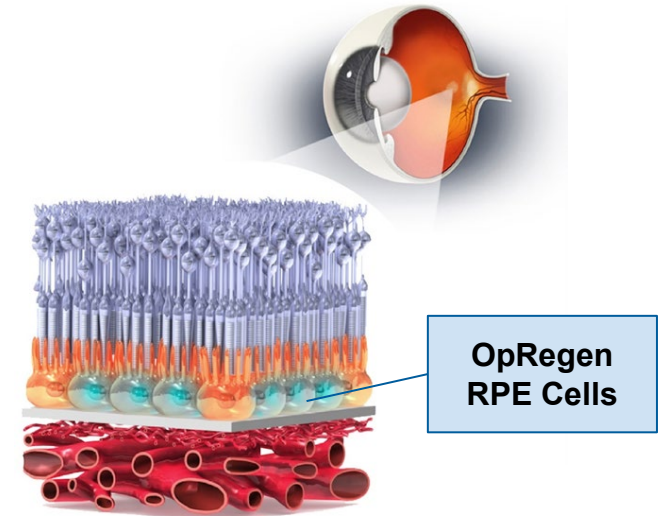
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Before OpRegen
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After OpRegen
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OpRegen has the potential to counteract RPE cell loss
in areas of GA by supporting retinal structure and function

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Subretinal Delivery Via:

- Vitrectomy/retinotomy (n=17)
- Suprachoroidal cannula using Orbit SDS® (Gyroscope Therapeutics) in Cohort 4 only (n=7)

Perioperative Immunosuppressive Regimen:

- Tacrolimus 0.01 mg/kg daily administered until up to 6 weeks after surgery
- Mycophenolate up to 2.0 g daily administered until at least 3 months after surgery

Baseline Characteristics and Study Follow-up

Greater Disease Severity in Cohorts 1-3 Versus Cohort 4

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Age, years, mean (SD / min–max)	78.1 (±8.2 / 64.8–92.2)	75.7 (±8.1 / 60.0–87.7)
Sex, female male, n	7 5	6 6
Study Eye BCVA ^a , letters, mean (SD / min–max)	23.5 (±11.7 / 0–39) [24 letters ≈ 20/320]	44.8 (±7.5 / 28–54) [45 letters ≈ 20/125]
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Safety Summary

OpRegen Was Well Tolerated With an Acceptable Safety Profile

- All 24 (100%) treated patients reported ≥ 1 AE and ≥ 1 ocular AE
 - Most frequent systemic AE: URTI (n=7)
 - Most frequent ocular AEs: conjunctival hemorrhage/hyperemia (n=17) and ERM (n=16)
- The majority of AEs reported (Cohorts 1-3, 87%; Cohort 4, 93%) were mild
- No cluster of AEs related to immunosuppressive regimen were reported
- One patient discontinued due to an AE (stage IV lung adenocarcinoma unrelated to treatment)
- No cases of rejection following OpRegen subretinal delivery have been reported
- No acute or delayed intraocular inflammation, or sustained intraocular pressure increase observed
- Interpretations of the data are limited by the small dataset and the single-arm nature of this study

ERM, epiretinal membrane; URTI, upper respiratory tract infection.

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Ocular AEs With OpRegen

Mainly Related to the Surgical Procedures for Subretinal Delivery

Ocular AEs Occurring in ≥ 2 Patients, n (%)	Cohorts 1-3 (n=12) Legally Blind Vitreotomy (n=12)	Cohort 4 (n=12) Impaired Vision Vitreotomy (n=5) Orbit SDS (n=7)
Conjunctival hemorrhage / hyperemia	9 (75%)	8 (67%)
ERM (macular fibrosis) ^a	10 (83%)	6 (50%)
Clinically significant ERM ^b	1 (8%)	2 (17%)
Cataract	8 (67%)	1 (8%)
RPE detachment	1 (8%)	5 (42%)
Retinal hemorrhage	1 (8%)	5 (42%)
Subretinal fluid	5 (42%)	2 (17%)
Persistent subretinal fluid (>2 weeks)	0	1 (8%)
Choroidal neovascularization (CNV) / neovascular AMD	1 (8%)	3 (25%)
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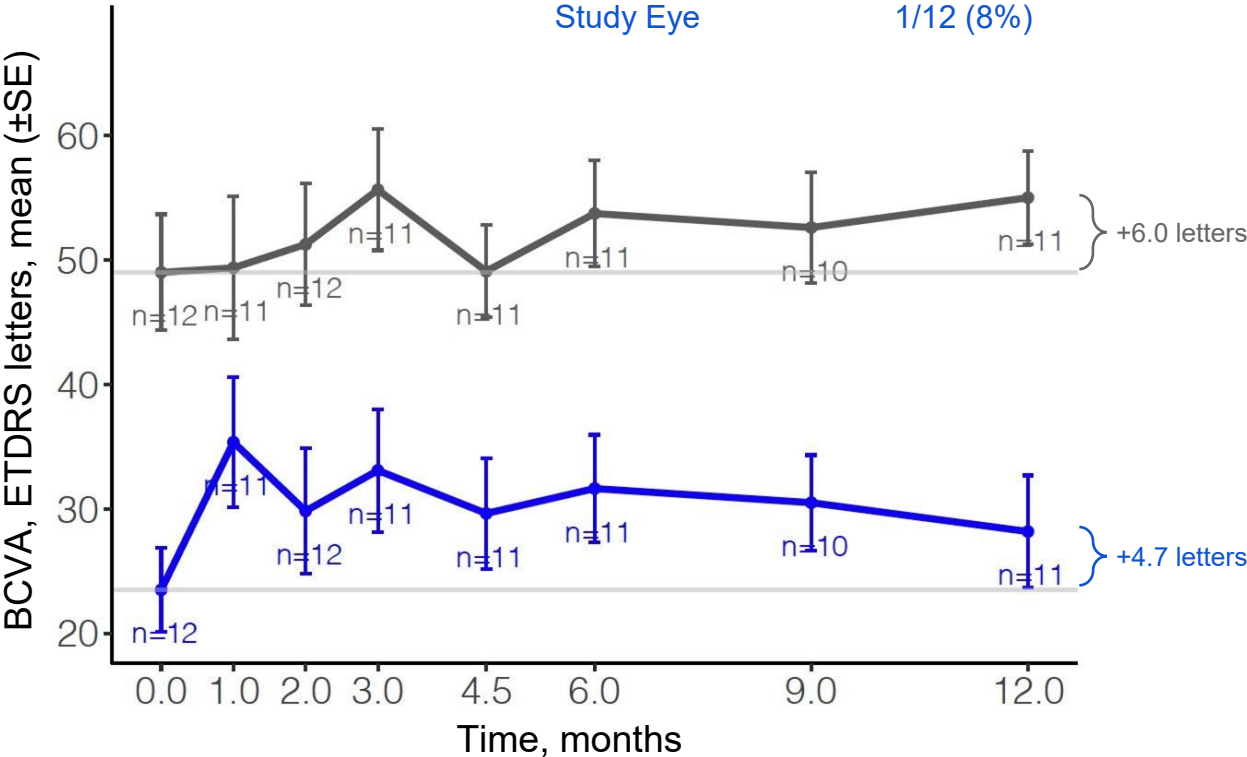
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Preliminary Evidence of Visual Function Improvements

Average 7.6 Letter Gain and 25% of Patients With ≥ 15 Letter Gain in Cohort 4

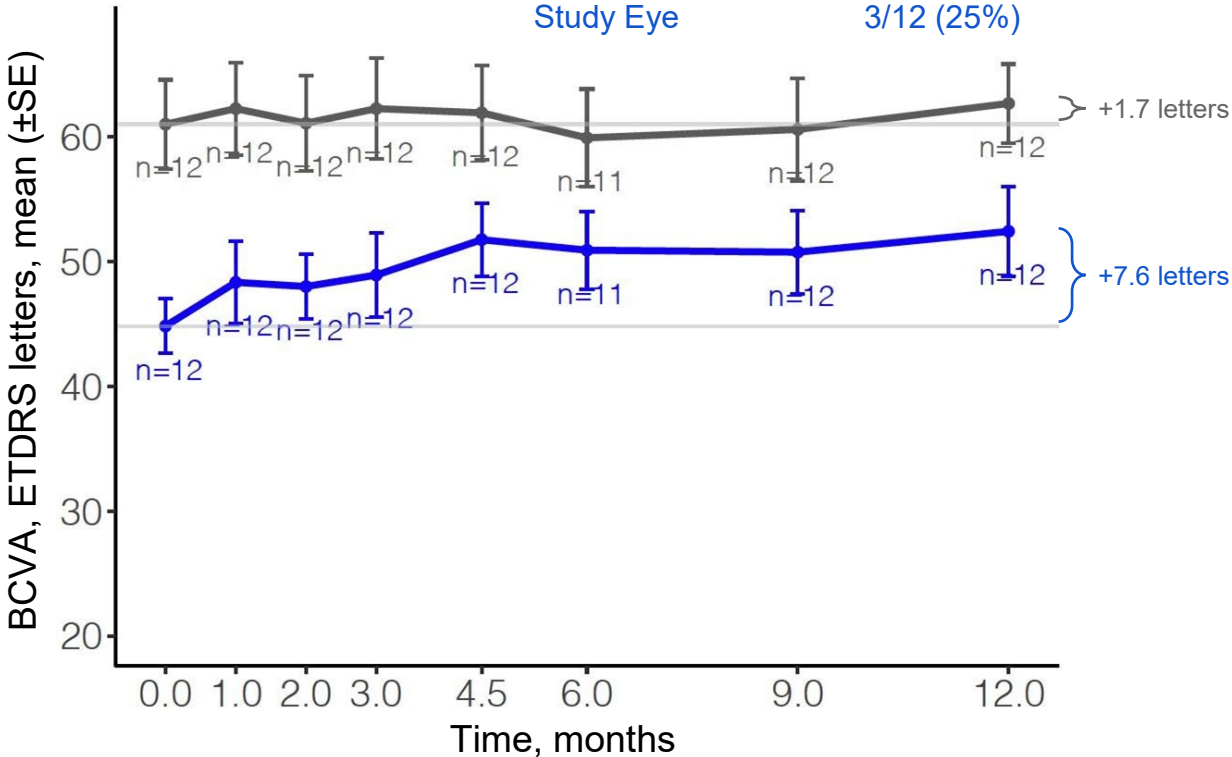
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Fellow Eye	0/12 (0%)
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Cohort 4
(Baseline BCVA $\geq 20/250$ and $\leq 20/64$)

≥ 15 Letter Gain at Month 12, n/N (%)	
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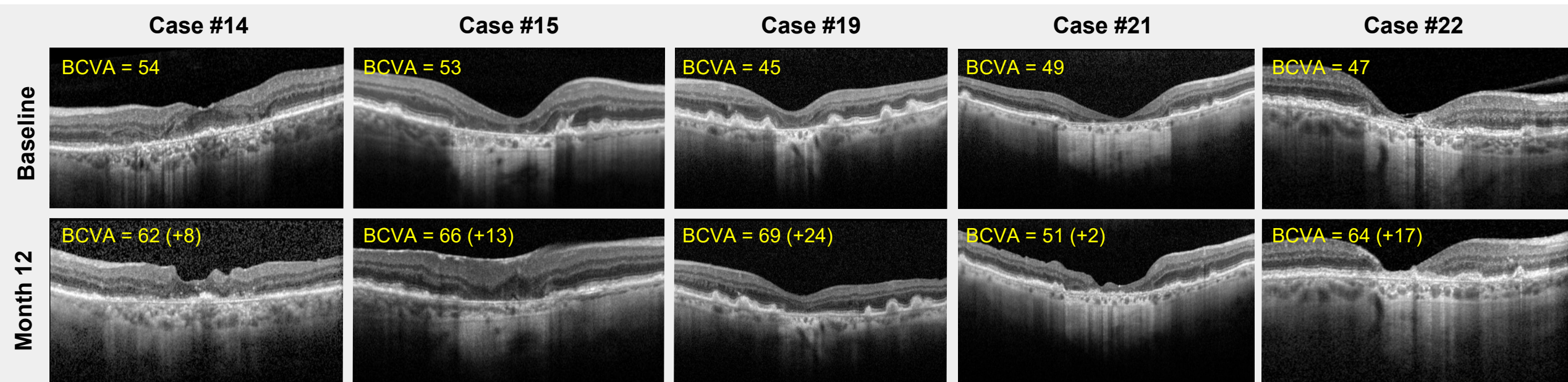


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Subretinal Delivery of OpRegen to GA Area and Fovea

Greater Visual Function Gains With Areas of Outer Retinal Structure Improvement

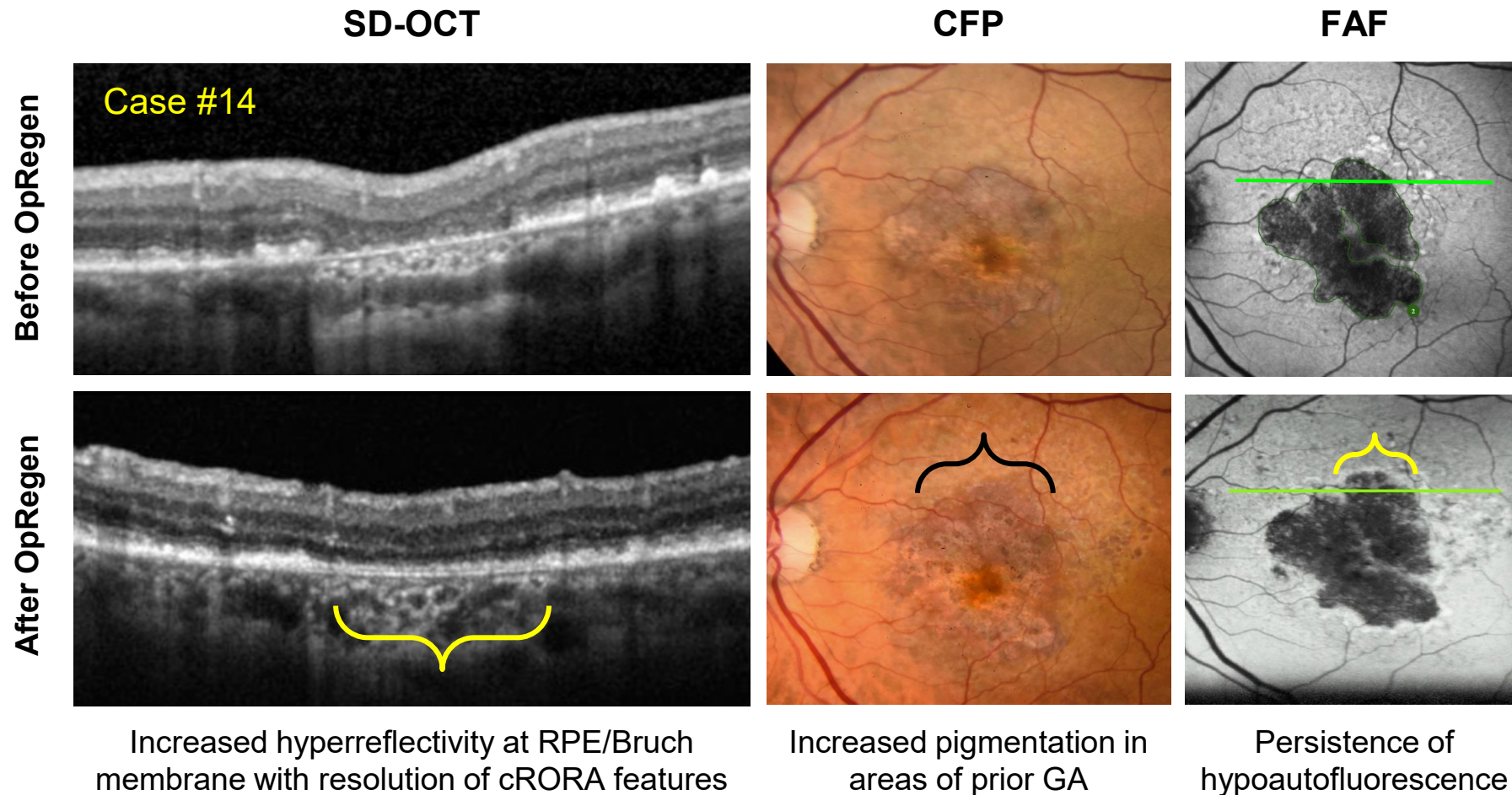
- Five patients in Cohort 4 had OpRegen delivered to most or all of the GA area, including the fovea
 - These 5 patients had greater gains in visual function (average 12.8 letter gain), with evidence for regions of apparent improvement of outer retinal structure as assessed by SD-OCT



SD-OCT, spectral domain optical coherence tomography. BCVA measured by ETDRS letter score.

Assessment of GA Following OpRegen Delivery

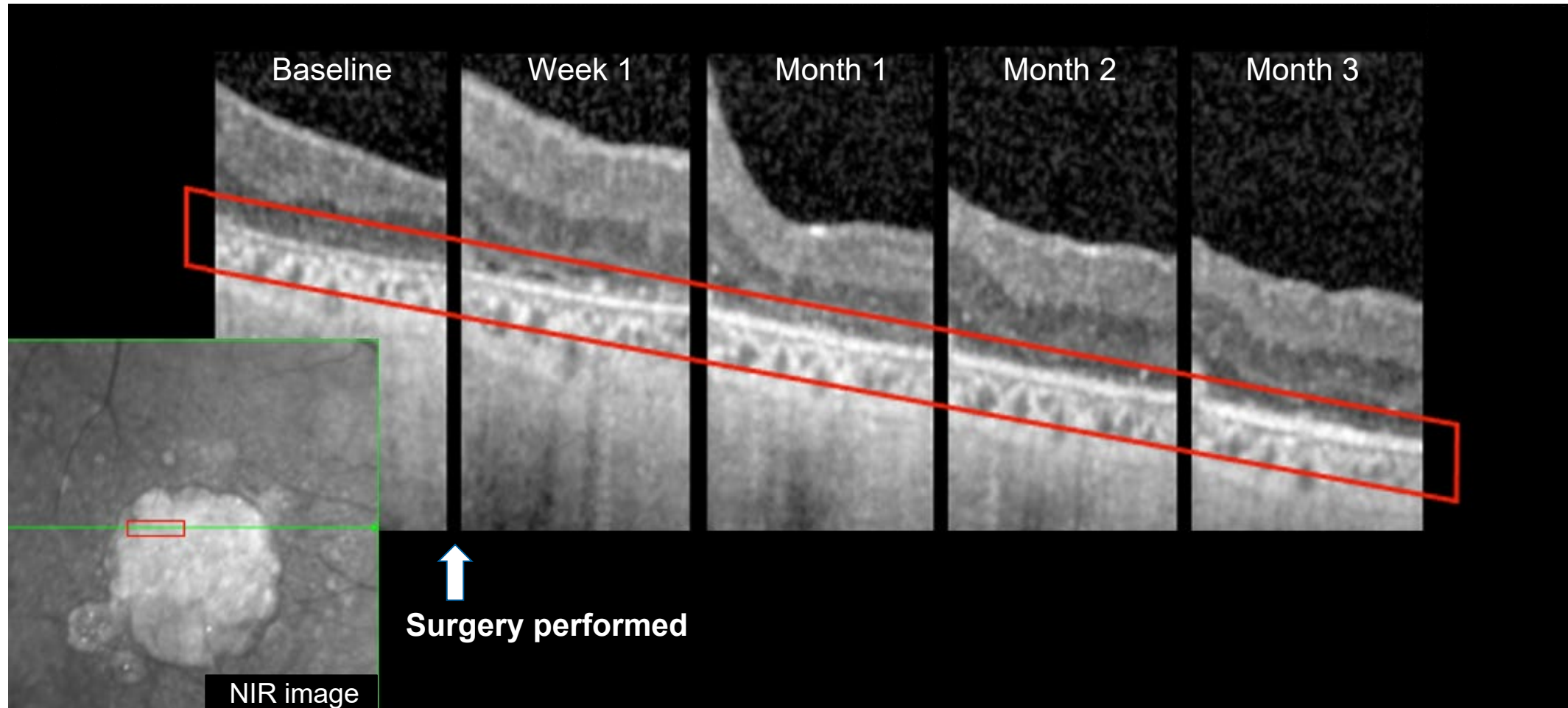
Advantages of SD-OCT versus Fundus Autofluorescence (FAF) Imaging



- The allogeneic hESC-derived RPE cells in OpRegen are young and have low lipofuscin content
- Therefore, OpRegen RPE cells are not expected to be readily detectable by standard FAF following subretinal delivery

Greater Hyperreflectivity Visible at RPE/Bruch Membrane

SD-OCT Imaging Suggests OpRegen Presence in Areas of Former GA

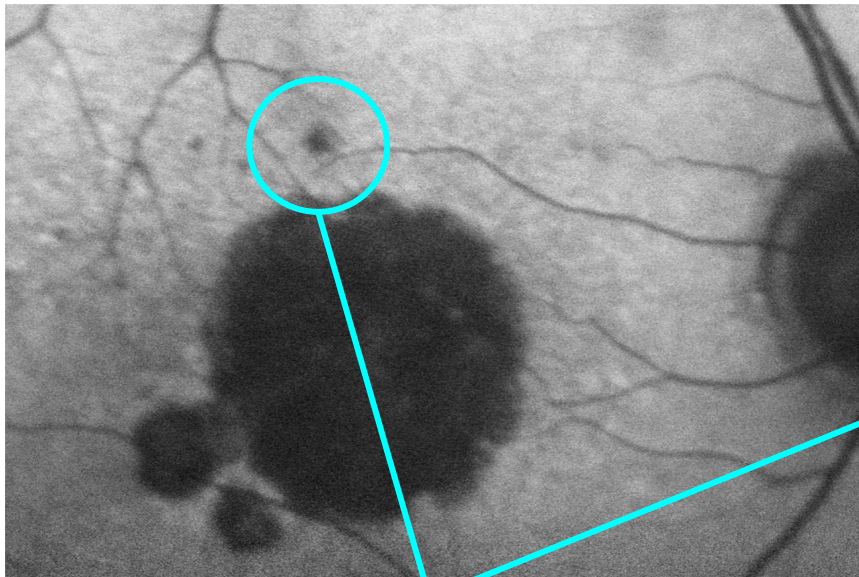


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Examples of Improvements in Outer Retinal Structure by SD-OCT *In Cases With OpRegen Delivery to the Area of GA*

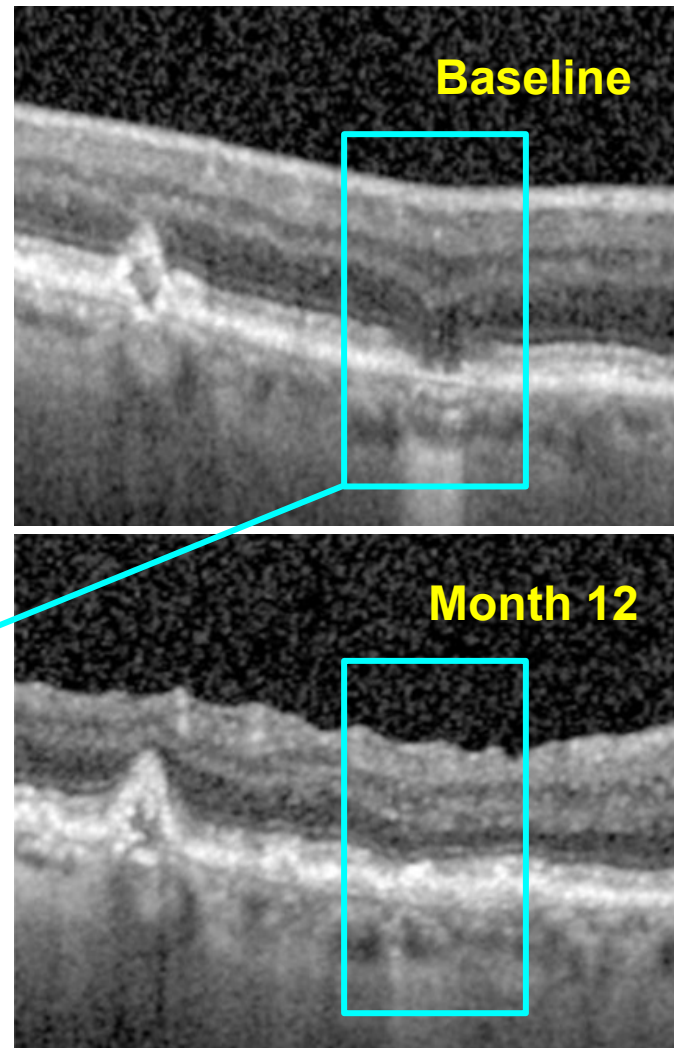
Resolution of iRORA

Case #21



Area of hypoautofluorescence on FAF at baseline with features of iRORA on SD-OCT

iRORA, incomplete RPE and outer retinal atrophy.

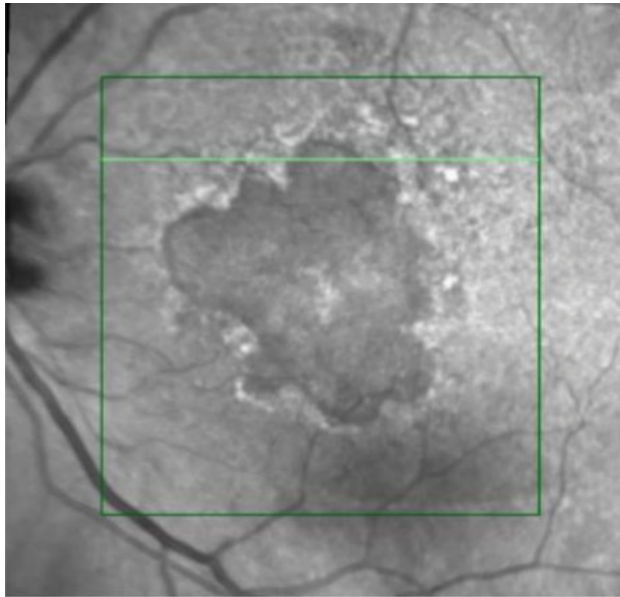


- Focal disruption of the RPE layer, choroidal hypertransmission, and outer retinal subsidence at baseline are no longer present at month 12
- Registration of scans is confirmed by presence of a prominent druse and by choroidal vascular markings

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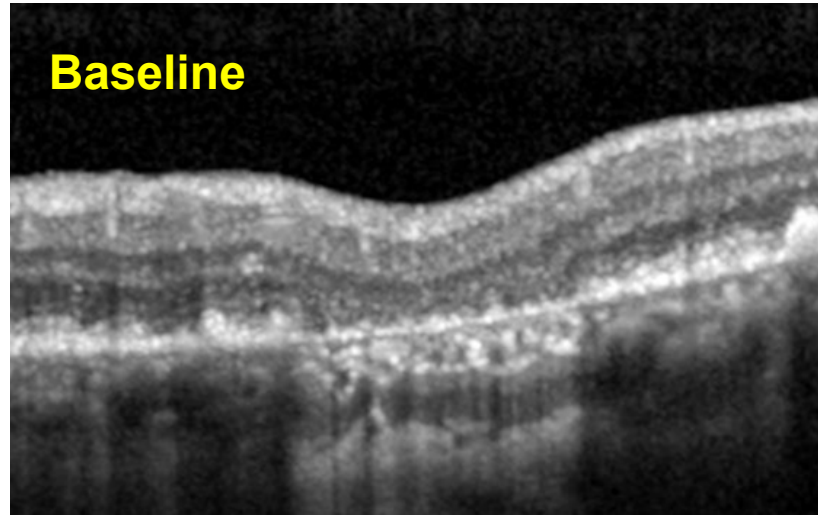
Resolution of cRORA near borders of baseline GA

Case #14

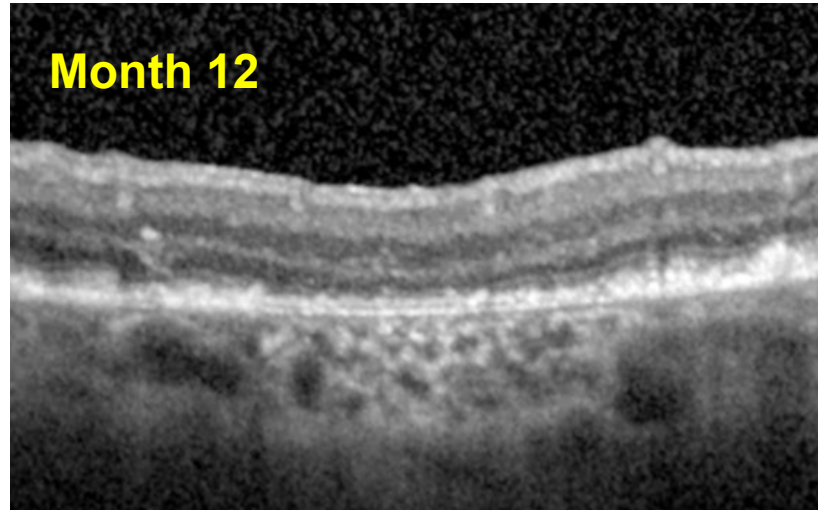


cRORA, complete RPE and outer retinal atrophy.

Baseline



Month 12



At month 12, compared with baseline:

- Features of cRORA no longer present
- Greater hyperreflectivity at the level of RPE/Bruch membrane
- Less choroidal hypertransmission
- Resolution of retinal subsidence, with greater continuity of outer retinal layers

Similar features also seen at nasal, superior, and inferior borders of GA in this case

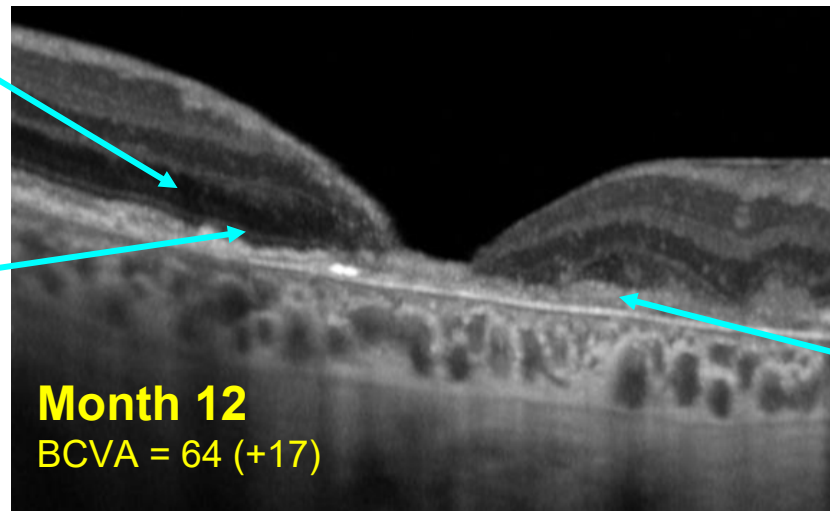
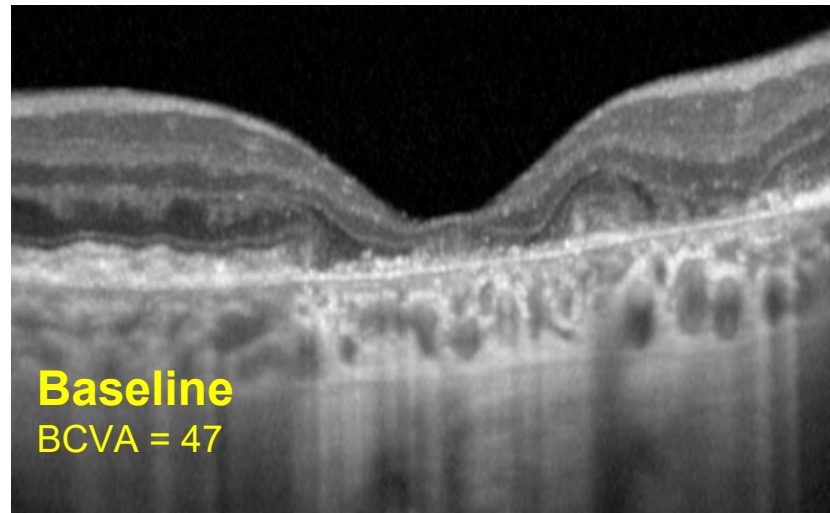
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Outer retinal layer improvement near the foveal center

Case #22

Hyporeflective layer continuous with **outer nuclear layer** at scan margins extends more centrally

Hyperreflective layer continuous with **external limiting membrane** also extends more centrally



Greater hyperreflectivity at the level of **RPE/Bruch membrane**

Summary and Future Directions

- 12-month primary endpoint data from this Phase I/IIa study suggest that OpRegen is well tolerated with an acceptable safety profile and mostly mild AEs
- The ocular AEs observed with OpRegen were mainly related to the surgical procedures used for subretinal delivery
- Preliminary evidence of outer retinal structure and visual function improvements with OpRegen was observed in patients with GA and impaired vision (Cohort 4 [n=12])
 - SD-OCT imaging analysis is ongoing
- These data support the potential for OpRegen to slow, stop, or reverse disease progression in GA
- Further assessment of the optimal disease stage for intervention, surgical procedure for subretinal delivery, and target delivery location of OpRegen in a larger, controlled clinical study is needed to confirm these preliminary findings

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