

Appendix Table A3. Baseline characteristics of study population: Demographics and contact lens care history as reported in self-administered study questionnaire by participants (n=165).

Category	Variable	Number (percentage)
Contact lens material*	Conventional hydrogels	93 (72.0)
	Silicone hydrogels	36 (28.0)
Disinfecting solution*	Hydrogen peroxide based	8 (4.8)
	Multipurpose solution	157 (95.2)
Years of lens wear	Up to 5 years	80 (48.5)
	More than 5 years	85 (51.5)
Days of lens wear	Less than once per week	43 (26.2)
	More than once per week	121 (73.8)
Hours of lens wear/day	Up to 12 hours per day	53 (32.1)
	More than 12 hours per day	112 (67.9)
Mode of lens purchase	From optometrist/optical outlet	115 (71.4)
	From online sources	46 (28.6)

*The number of responses in these categories may not add up to a total (165) as the self-reported nature of the risk factor questionnaire allowed participants to skip some questions.