

Internship Proposal

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2. Internship project title: *Corneal Topography with null-screens*

3. Internship Description : It is proposed to apply the null-screen method [1] for corneal surface evaluation [2]. The design of the null-screens will have a conical shape, which allows us to evaluate a larger area of the corneal surface. Various point patterns (targets) will be used to improve the accuracy of measurements. For this it is proposed:

A. Design of the corneal topographer

- 1 Selection of the best cone and distance to the test surface.
- 2 Selecting the right lighting for the prototype.
- 3 Selection of the lens and CCD to be used in the prototype to make the captures of the images.
- 4 Design of an arrangement of points (targets) that allows to evaluate a large area of the corneal surface.
- 5 Design of null-screens for a spherical surface
- 6 Design of null-screens for an aspherical surface

B. Evaluation of surface topography of the human cornea.

- 1 Measurement of the radii of curvature of spherical surfaces and aspherical surfaces with diameters similar to the diameter of the cornea.
- 2 Recovery of the shape of surfaces.
- 3 Obtaining curvature maps.

C. Characterization of the corneal topographer.

- 1 Determination of precision and uncertainty in measurements.
- 2 Evaluation of errors in measurements: systematic and random.
- 3 Determination of the sensitivity of the corneal topographer.
- 4 Comparison of results with a commercial corneal topographer.

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