



**Dear Friends of ECLSO, dear Colleagues,** welcome to the January 2024 issue of the ECLSO Newsletter.

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## I. ECLSO 2024 - Please register

**The 50th edition of the ECLSO Major Congress.**



ECLSO invites its members, colleagues, ophthalmologists and eye care professionals to the 50th edition of the ECLSO Major Congress.

Let us all meet in Istanbul in order to celebrate this special Jubilee edition!

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**CONGRESS DATES: April 26 - 27, 2024**

**Location: Hilton Hotel Bomonti, Istanbul, Turkey**

**Congress website :** [www.eclso2024.com](http://www.eclso2024.com) or visit via [www.eclso.eu](http://www.eclso.eu) and click on 2024 Congress.

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**February 1st 2024,  
midnight CET**

## II. 30th Anniversary Meeting of MCLOSA

**MCLOSA: 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary meeting in London on December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023.** Take a look at the topics presented by ECLSO Praesidium members and other great invited speakers. [Meeting Report](#) by ECLSO Vice-President, Miss Andrena McElvanney.

**Report on the 20th Congress of Contact Lenses & Ocular Surface Society, on November 3-5, 2023, in Sibiu Romania,** by Prof dr Adriana Stanila, ECLSO Vice-President. Click [here](#) for the full report of the Congress. Topics:

## III. 20th Congress of the Contact Lenses & Ocular Surface Society

- What affects ocular surface health?
- Lifestyle of patients with ocular demodex infestation
- Lifestyle of the patients with recurrent corneal erosions
- Management of ocular allergies - A delicate issue

## IV. Readers' Corner

Again a heartfelt thank you to Dr Dean Saric, ECLSO Auditor and National Representative of Croatia, who invites you to use the [link](#) to the following publication, which he considers to be of interest for our members. **Low-dose atropine eyedrops no better than placebo for slowing myopia progression.** Source: NIH/National Eye Institute - July 13, 2023.

Summary: Use of low-dose atropine eyedrops (concentration 0,01%) was no better than placebo at slowing myopia progression and elongation of the eye among children treated for two years, according to a randomized control trial conducted by the Pediatric Eye Investigator Group (PEDIG) and funded by the National Eye Institute (NEI). The trial aimed to identify an effective way to manage this leading and increasingly common cause of refractive error, which can cause serious uncorrectable vision loss later in life. Results from the trial were published in JAMA Ophthalmology.

*Thank you, Dr Saric.*

ECLSO invites you to also send in your choice of contact lens related articles for our "Readers' Corner". Email the abstract + link to a freely accessible publication to [louise@healthology.eu](mailto:louise@healthology.eu).

## V. SAVE THE DATE

Please also note:

- **ECLSO Jubilee Congress**, April 26 -27, 2024, Hilton Hotel Bomonti, Istanbul, Turkey.
- **EUDES**, Madrid, Spain, 21 - 22 June 2024. One hour ECLSO Panel.
- **WOC: 39th World Ophthalmology Congress**, 16 19 August 2024, Vancouver, Canada.
  - ECLSO participates in the WOC through the International Medical Contact Lens Council (IMCLC) by organising a Symposium.
- **MCLOSA**, December 6th, 2024, London.
  - Featuring ECLSO invited speakers.

ECLSO will keep you informed of our events through our website, on Instagram and LinkedIn. Feel free to contact us with questions and answers @ [louise@healthologu.eu](mailto:louise@healthologu.eu).

We hope you enjoyed reading the ECLSO Newsletter.

Best wishes,



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ECLSO President



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ECLSO Secretary-General

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