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Case Report: “No more compromises.”

History:

Jl is a 53-year old WF, who came in for her routine eye exam. As in the past, during this exam, she reported poor near vision with her current contact lenses. Her job requires a mix of distance and near vision. Some of her days are spent primarily driving; other days are spent doing intricate near work. Since this patient has experienced compromises with her vision in the past, we always try the latest, newest multifocal technology in the hopes of finding the lens that can keep up with her changing vision. Many times, to achieve the right balance of near and distance vision needs, we try different approaches, lenses and powers, targeting her different daily activities and duties. For example, she uses distance glasses over her contacts for driving, and reading glasses over her contacts for better near acuity. This year, the first question she asked was "Is there anything new for me to try?" And there was.

Habitual Lenses: -7.00/med Acuvue 1 Day Moist Multifocals OU

Subjective Refraction: OD -7.50 DS, OS -7.25-0.75x135 with a +2.25 add OU, which provided her with 20/20 distance and near vision OU.

Initial trial lenses: -7.00 NaturalVue® (etafilcon A) Multifocals OU

Within minutes, Jl said "I have never seen this clearly at distance and near with a pair of contacts!" Visual acuity was 20/20 distance and near. No over-refraction was performed. Jl left with a 10-day supply of the lenses, and has been happily wearing them ever since. She does not need any extra help for distance while driving or while performing her near tasks.

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