

# Color discrimination with filter lenses assessed through the use of the CAD test: a preliminary study

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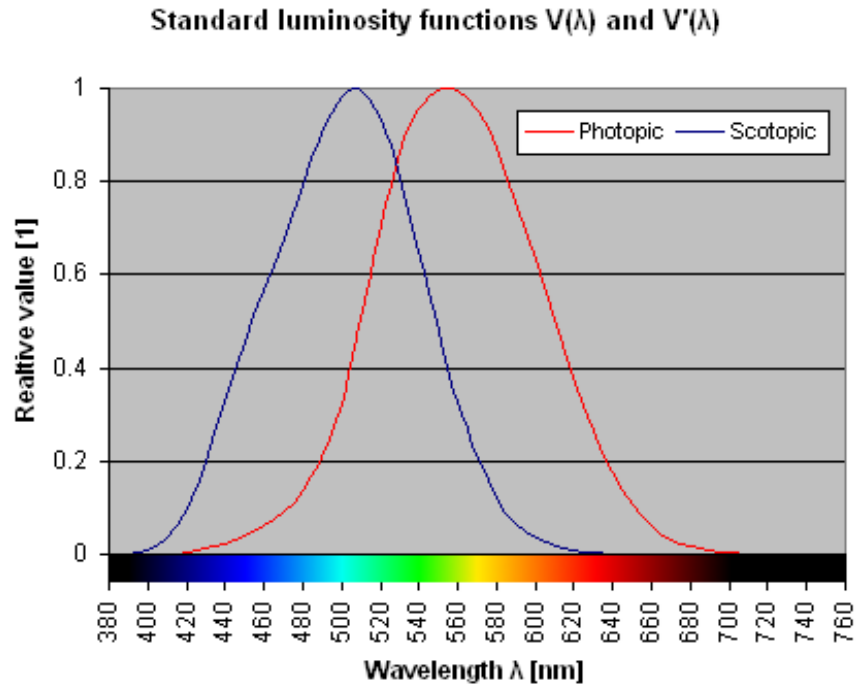
# Colors and visual illusions

*Every perception of color is an illusion, we do not see colors as they really are. In our perception they alter one another.* (Josef Albers)

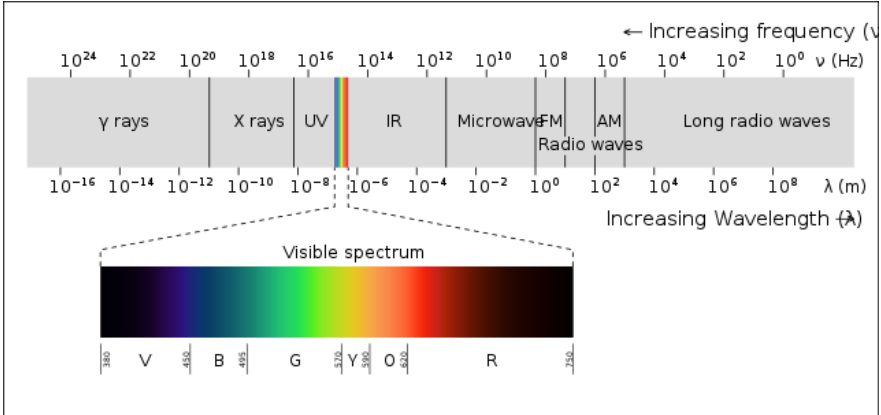
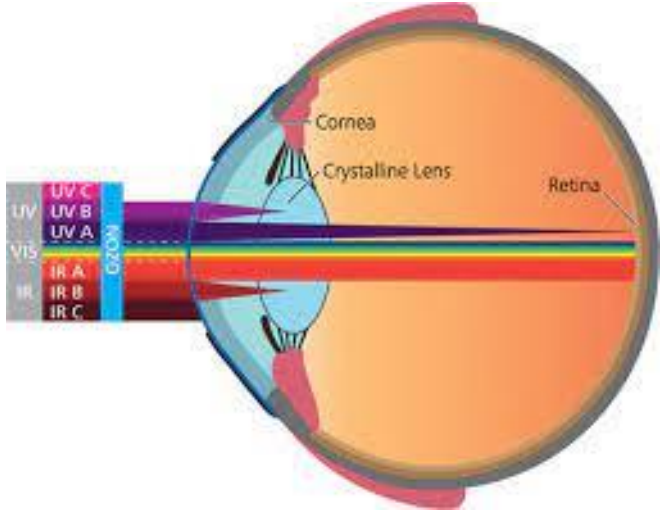
*Color only starts to exist when our perception systems produce the impression of 'color': light is perceived on the retina as a stimulus and is processed into a perception of color in our brain. In substance, colors are already illusions in themselves....*

(Color illusions, by Gianni Sarcone and Marie Jo Waeber)

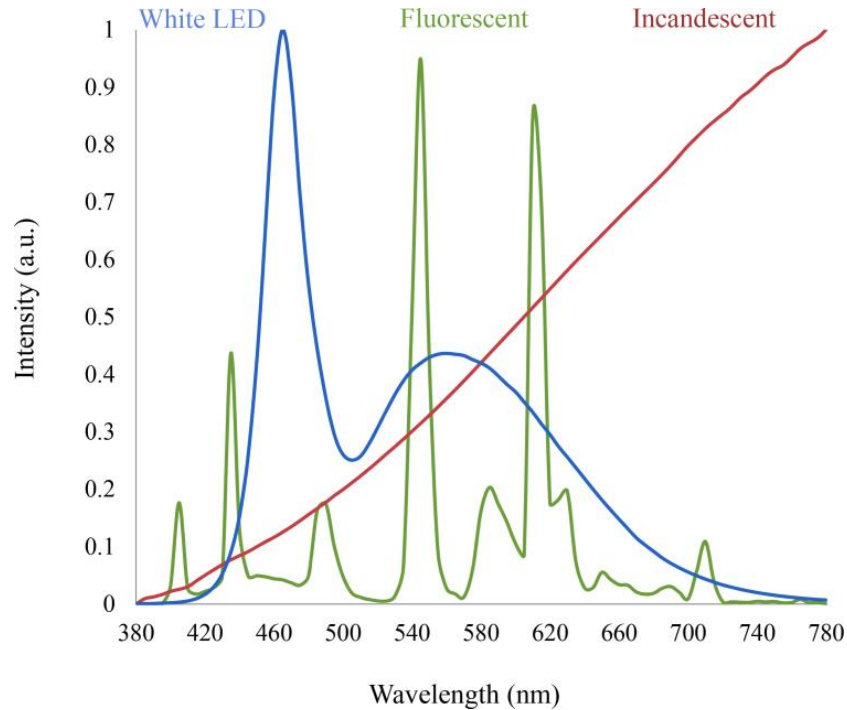
# Spectral sensitivity of the human eye



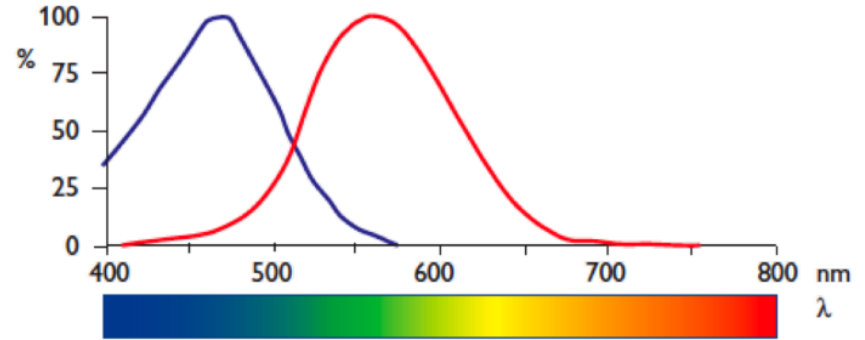
# Eye damages caused by electromagnetic radiation



# New light sources



# The third class of retinal photoreceptors

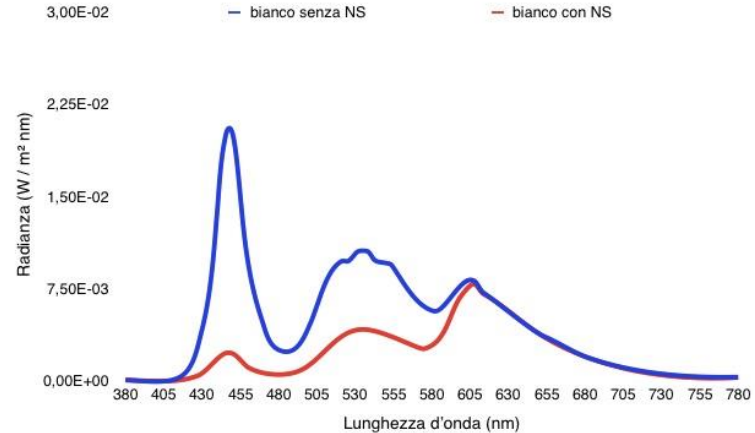


Spectral sensitivity functions:  $V(\lambda)$  (red function) and  $B(\lambda)$  (blue function)

# The circadian rhythm and the blue light



# Aids for the blue light: the night shift



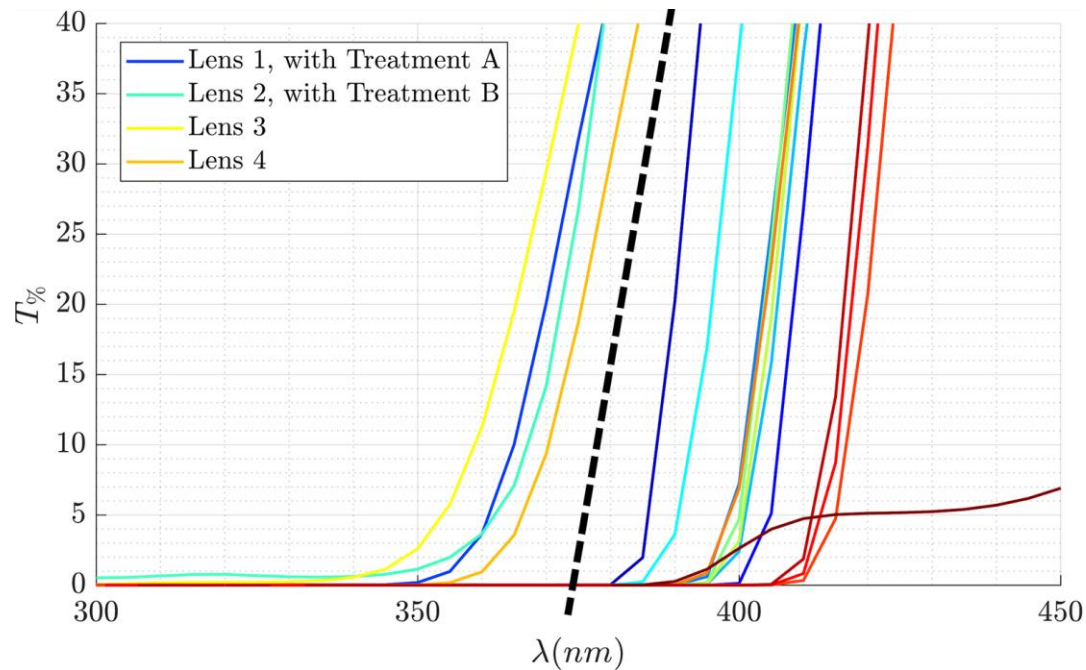


# Aids for the blue light: lenses



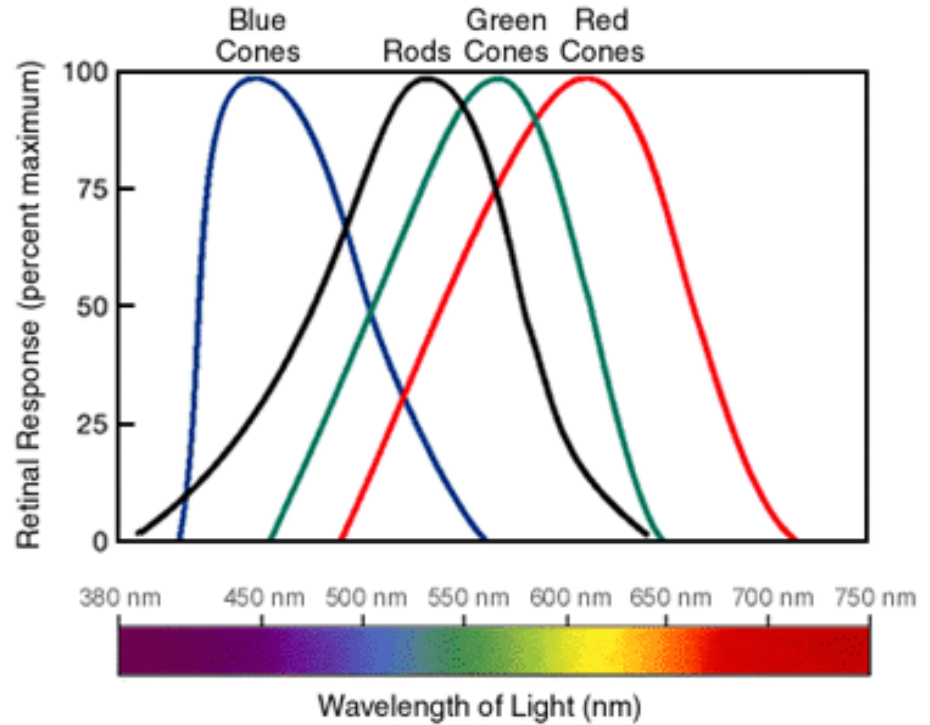
Ophthalmic lenses,  
contact lenses and  
intraocular lenses

# Do blue-block lenses block all harmful radiations?



# Color vision

There are three types of cones (S, M, L) that are sensitive to different wavelengths of the visible spectrum



# Why we need to measure color vision?

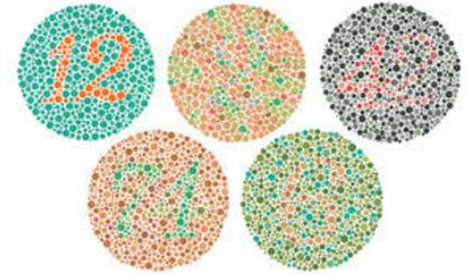
- Checking if there is an influence of filter lenses in color vision;
- Recognizing acquired or congenital deficiencies;
- Job security;
- Picking up early warning signs of illness



# Color vision tests

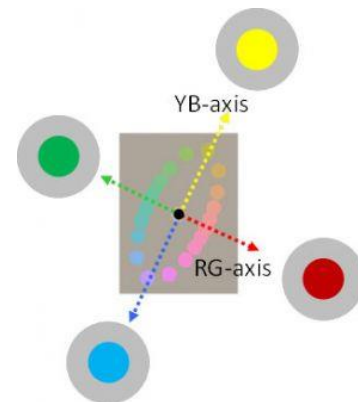
- Ishihara's test
- Nagel anomaloscope test
- CUCT test
- D-15 test

New test: Colour Assessment & Diagnosis test (CAD)

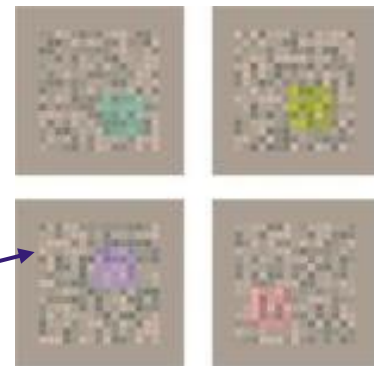
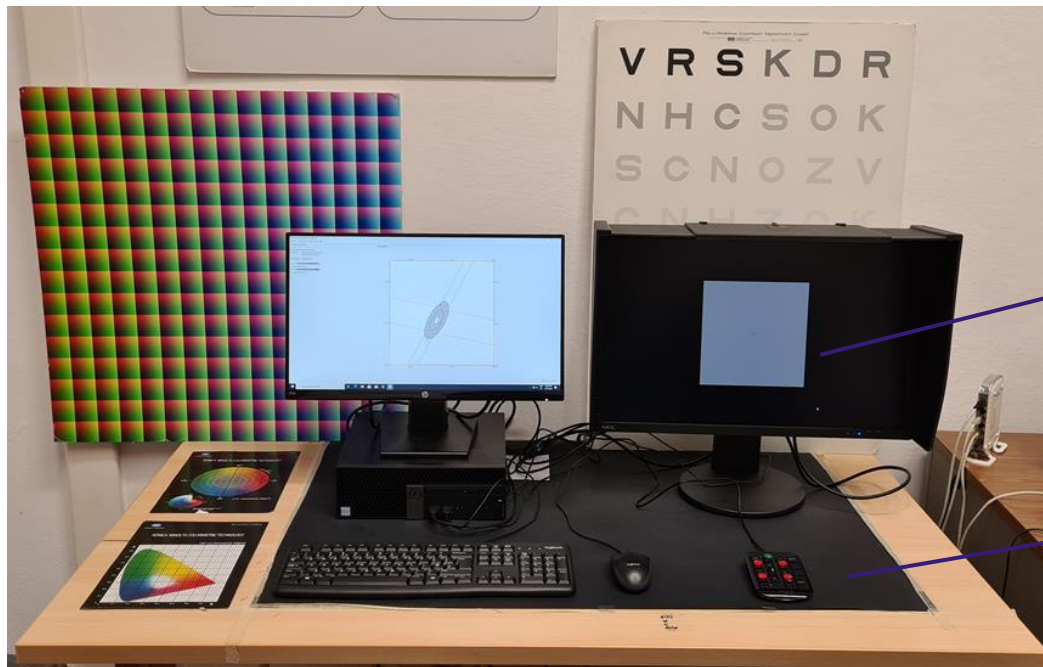


# The Colour Assessment and Diagnosis test

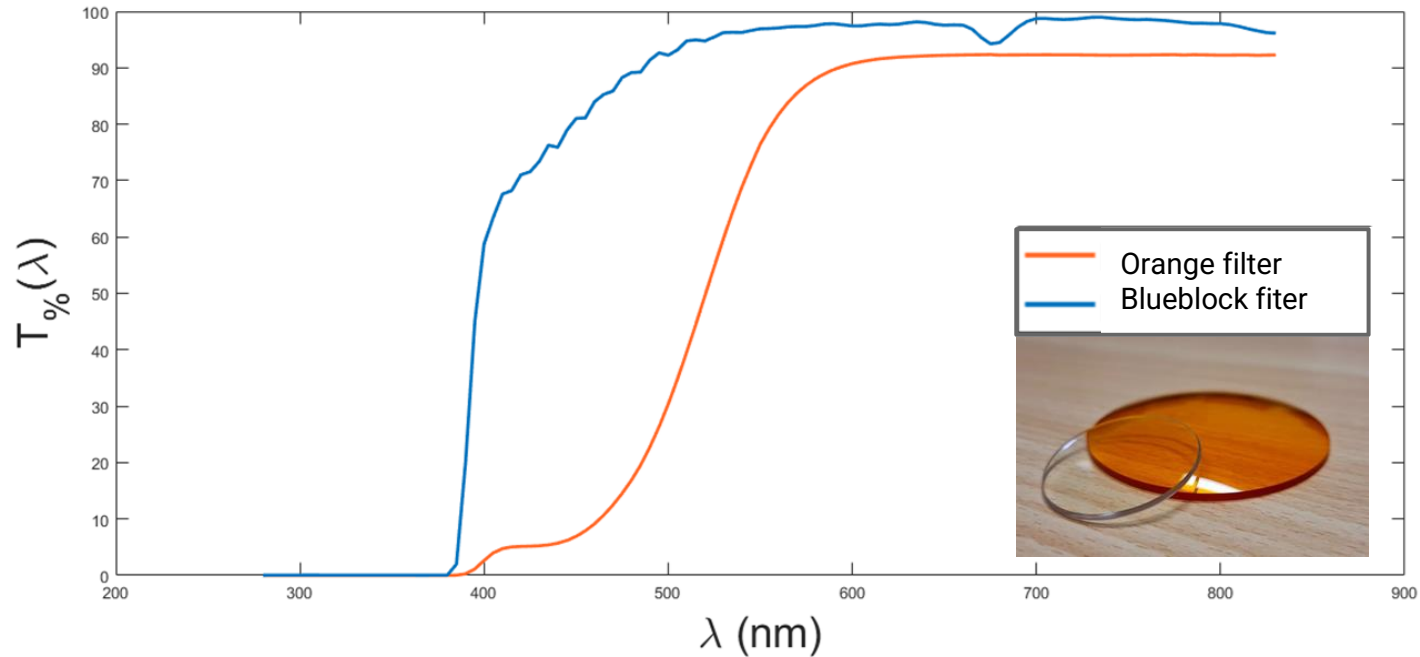
- It's possible to diagnose accurately the subject's class of color vision (normal, deutan-, protan-, tritan-like congenital loss, or acquired color-vision deficiency)
- Thresholds were measured in several color directions selected along the YB and RG axes
- Introduction of CAD unit
- The CAD test uses spatiotemporal luminance noise to isolate the detection of colour signals



# The CAD test

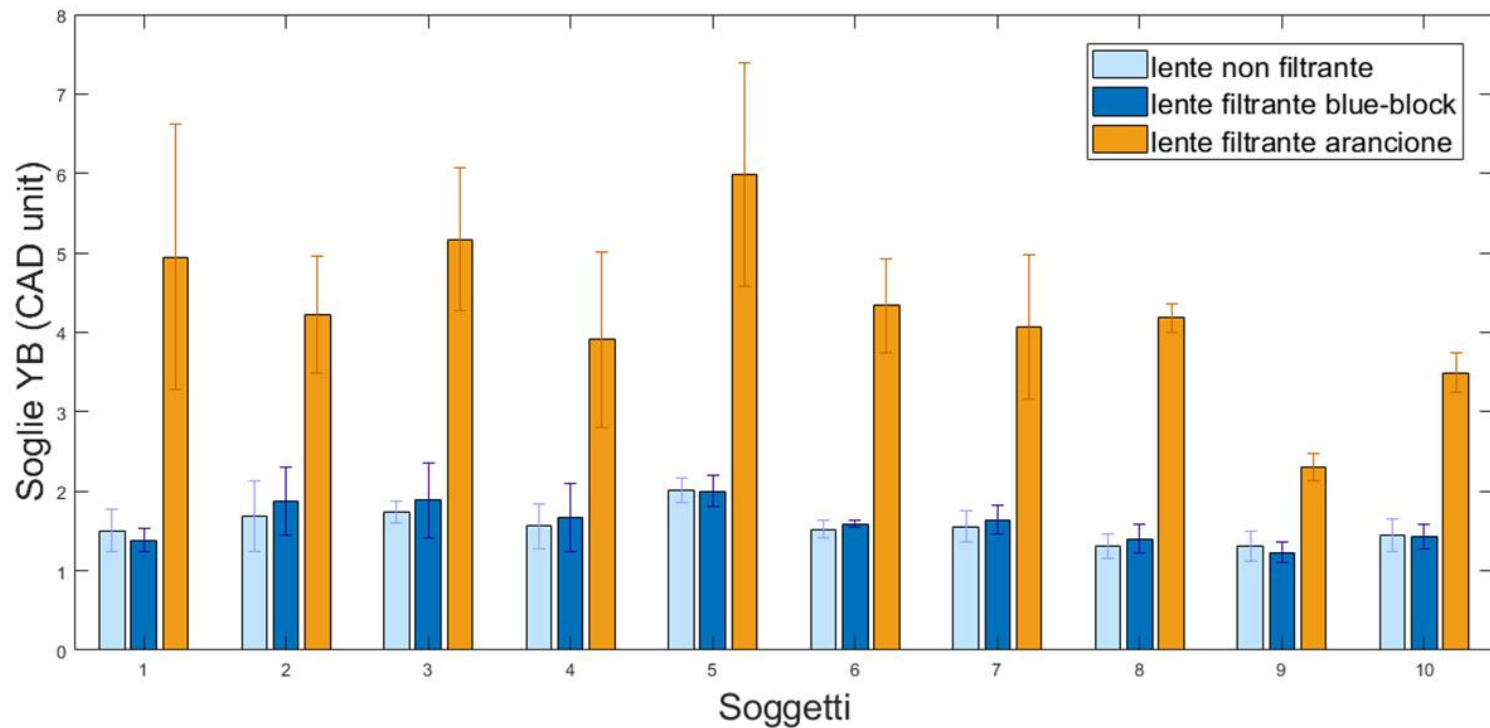


# Color perception through filter lenses

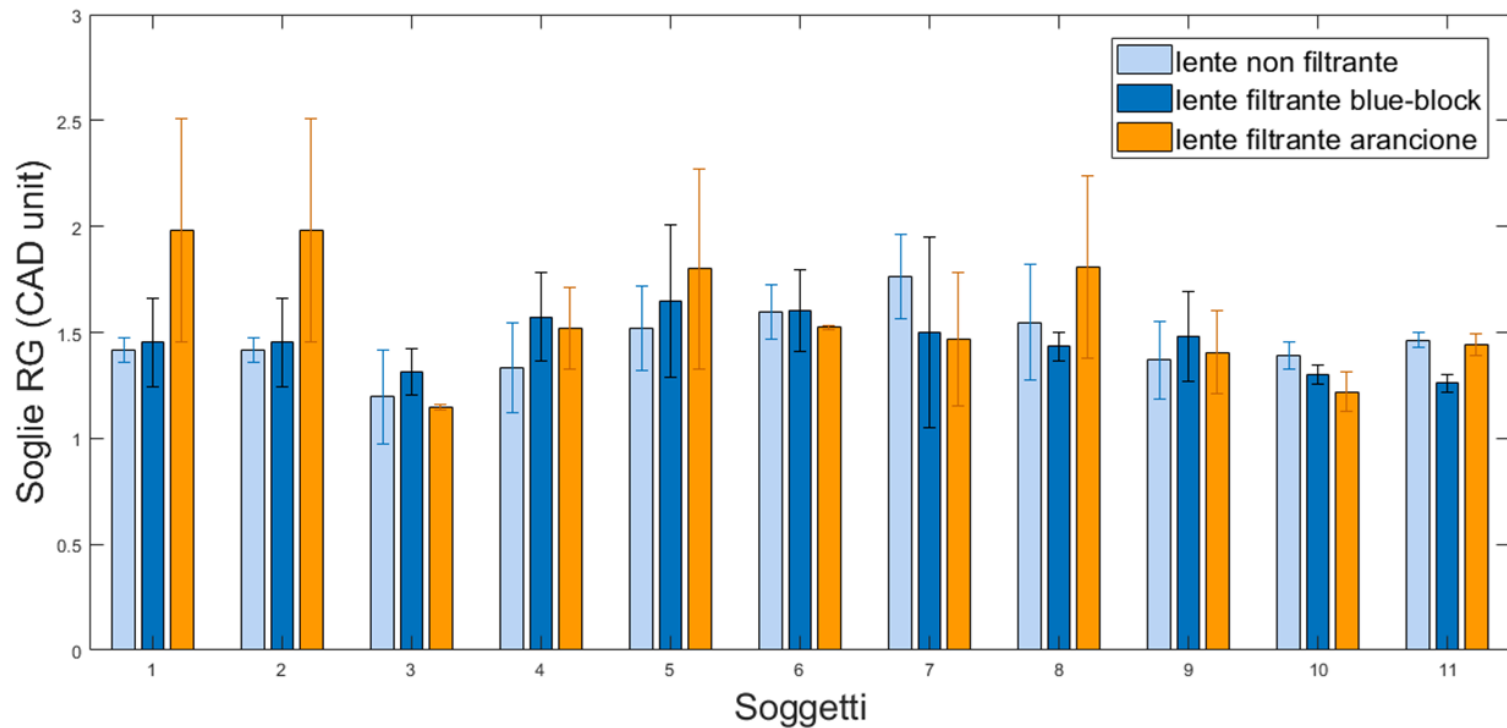




# Results: YB thresholds



# Results: RG thresholds



# Conclusions

- The CAD test can be used to measure the variation in color perception through filter lenses;
- The blue-block lens does not affect the color perception;
- Integrating subjective parameters on color perception into regulations for filter lenses wear.

Thank you for your attention