

## **Interocular Symmetry in Retinal Nerve Fiber Layer Thickness in Children: The Hong Kong Children Eye Study**

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**Supplementary Table. Univariable analysis between log-transformed Interocular absolute difference of RNFL thickness with systemic and ocular determinants**

	Global	TS	T	TI	NI	N	NS
	$\beta$ (P values)						
Age, years	-0.041 (0.598)	0.003 (0.680)	-0.002 (0.733)	<0.001 (0.966)	-0.011 (0.080)	-0.006 (0.316)	0.005 (0.365)
Sex	0.217 (0.155)	-0.016 (0.180)	-0.002 (0.826)	-0.001 (0.964)	0.004 (0.758)	-0.013 (0.267)	-0.008 (0.516)
Body mass index, kg/m <sup>2</sup>	-0.021 (0.429)	0.004 (0.037)	<0.001 (0.894)	-0.03 (0.109)	-0.002 (0.328)	-0.001 (0.780)	-0.001 (0.531)
Waist circumference, cm	<0.001 (0.591)	0.002 (0.064)	<0.001 (0.835)	-0.001 (0.520)	-0.001 (0.123)	<0.001 (0.945)	-0.001 (0.231)
Head circumference, cm	0.003 (0.141)	0.006 (0.041)	0.006 (0.038)	0.002 (0.527)	-0.002 (0.558)	0.001 (0.780)	0.005 (0.108)
Systolic blood pressure, mm Hg	-0.010 (0.137)	0.001 (0.085)	<0.001 (0.401)	0.001 (0.186)	<0.001 (0.362)	<0.001 (0.916)	<0.001 (0.568)
Diastolic blood pressure, mm Hg	0.001 (0.877)	<0.001 (0.804)	0.001 (0.264)	<0.001 (0.832)	<0.001 (0.760)	<0.001 (0.577)	-0.001 (0.249)
Visual acuity difference*, logMAR unit	0.587 (0.075)	0.370 (0.396)	-0.218 (0.576)	1.009 (0.019)	1.096 (0.010)	-0.101 (0.805)	0.089 (0.832)
Axial length difference*, mm	0.515 (<0.001)	0.106 (0.355)	0.292 (0.004)	0.327 (0.106)	0.608 (<0.001)	0.086 (0.422)	0.226 (0.039)
SE difference*, D	0.203 (<0.001)	0.028 (0.622)	0.207 (<0.001)	0.112 (0.046)	0.171 (0.002)	0.075 (0.158)	0.185 (0.001)
Astigmatism difference*, D	0.094 (0.031)	0.038 (0.582)	-0.064 (0.292)	0.024 (0.725)	0.135 (0.044)	0.074 (0.251)	0.020 (0.762)
CCT difference*, $\mu$ m	0.031 (0.001)	0.049 (0.003)	0.010 (0.517)	-0.002 (0.921)	0.013 (0.773)	0.027 (0.092)	0.023 (0.153)
Central macular thickness difference*, $\mu$ m	<0.005 (0.989)	0.008 (0.581)	0.016 (0.242)	<0.001 (0.992)	0.006 (0.674)	0.013 (0.354)	-0.027 (0.064)
Intraocular Pressure *, mmHg	0.009 (0.713)	-0.001 (0.976)	0.009 (0.736)	0.047 (0.124)	-0.009 (0.763)	0.002 (0.935)	-0.017 (0.561)

RNFL, retinal nerve fibre layer; TS: temporal superior; T: temporal; TI: temporal inferior; NI: nasal inferior; N: nasal; NS: nasal superior; SE: spherical equivalent

\*Refers to log-transformed absolute difference between the right and left eye