

Title (en)  
Method for the polishing and finishing of optical lenses

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Verfahren zum Polieren und Veredeln von optischen Linsen

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Méthode pour le polissage et finissage de lentilles optiques

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Abstract (en)  
[origin: EP0650803A1] A method for polishing an optical quality surface, such as an ophthalmic lens, to finish which can accept a hardenable protective coating without using an abrasive slurry or gel, including the steps of: (a) providing an optical lens having a first major surface, the first major surface having an initial Rtm value of greater than 0.35 micrometers; (b) bringing the first major surface into a frictional contacting relationship with an abrasive article (10), wherein the abrasive article includes a sheet-like structure having deployed on at least one major surface thereof a plurality of individual abrasive composites, each composite having a plurality of abrasive particles dispersed in a binder; and (c) moving at least one of the contacting first major surface and abrasive article relative to each other with rotational and/or oscillatory movement in the presence of a liquid substantially free of abrasive particles in a manner and for a time effective to polish the first major surface to provide a final Rtm value in the first major surface of 0.30 micrometers or less. <IMAGE>

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