

Black & White Displays: Bibliography

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TOPIC
When the Macintosh first came out, Apple cited studies indicating that a black on white display was superior to white/green/amber on black ones. The reasoning had to do with easier focusing due to a brighter screen closing the iris, and less adjustment required of the eye when looking between paper and screen. Can you cite the references we used to support these conclusions?
DISCUSSION
There were two studies in 1980, and the information can be found in the following books:
• Radl. "Ergonomic Aspects of Visual Display Terminals"; London Taylor and Francis, 1980.
• Bauer and Cavonius. "Improving the Legibility of Visual Display Units through Contrast Reversal"; 1980.
There is also a newer book that summarizes the information in the other two books:
• Etienne Grandjean. "Ergonomics in Computerized Offices"; 1987. Copyright 1990 Apple Computer, Inc.
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