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		Cornea - Photokeratitis
UV		Crystalline Lens - Cataract
		Retina - Macular Degeneration*
HEV 38	80 nm - 450 nm	Retinal Blue Light Hazard incl. Macular Degeneration
44	0 nm - 460 nm	Psychological Glare, Visual Noise
46	50 nm - 490 nm	Entrainment of Circadian System - Sleep-Wake Cycle
44	460 nm - 460 nm 50 nm - 490 nm	 Psychological Glare, Visual Noise Entrainment of Circadian System - Sleep-Wake Cycle

It's time to offer full UV protection How does UV radiation affect the human eye?

Prolonged exposure to UV or high intensities of UV radiation (for example, in sunbeds) damages the tissues of eyes and can cause a 'burning' of the eye surface, called 'snow blindness' or photokeratitis.

UVA

A significant part of UVA radiation is transmitted to the crystalline lens. A small part of the UVA that is not absorbed by the lens goes to the retina and may contribute to macular degeneration.

UVB

The tear layer, cornea and aqueous fluid mainly absorb UVB radiation (all light below 300 nm). UVB also causes burning of the skin (sunburn). High levels / long exposure can cause a burning of the cornea (photokeratitis).

UVC

UVC (far UV) extends from 100 to 280 nm and is the shortest wave, which usually does not penetrate the Earth's ozone layer.

UVA: 315 nm - 400 nm

UVB: 280 nm - 315 nm

UVC: 100 nm - 280 nm



Issues Associated With UVR



Sunburn

Damages skin cells

Wrinkles

Accelerates skin aging

Skin Cancer

Often starts around eye and eye lids

Eye Damage/Diseases

Conjunctiva, Iris, Lens, and Retina



It's time to offer full UV protection Eye health is too important to take risks

Constant exposure to UV rays is not just harmful to the skin, but also to the eyes. Over time, it can cause various forms of eye diseases and accelerated aging of the tissue surrounding the eyes.



Photokeratitis

Sunburn of the cornea due to excessive exposure.



Pinguecula

Thickened deposed of fat, protein, and calcium.

Other Hazards

Keratitis, Pterygium, Melanoma, Carcinoma



Photoaging and DNA change of skin

Photoaging of eyelids makes skin thicker and leads to prominent wrinkles.



Cataract

Clouding of the eye's crystalline lens, often as a result of excessive UV exposure.







Long wavelength UVR penetrates deep into the skin, damaging eyelids and causing photoaging.



Facts and Figures



Skin protection is already known.

But what about protection for the eyes?

Only 21.2% wear sunglasses when being outdoors in the sun.*

*Source: The Vision Council. "Eye Care & Protection", 2017.



4 out of 5 clear lenses do not offer sunglass-level UV protection

UV and Cataracts

Various studies have found a **correlation** between cataract formation and the exposure to UV radiation.⁶

The WHO states roughly **20% of all Cataracts** are caused or enhanced by UV radiation.

6 McCarty CA, Taylor HR. A review of the epidemiologic evidence. Linking ultraviolet radiation and cataracts. Dev Ophthalmol. 2002;.







of world blindness is caused by cataracts.*

*Source: World Health Organization. "Causes of blindness and visual impairment." WHO, 2017.

UV and Skin cancer

The eyelid region is susceptible for UV damage and to develop skin cancers.

Between 5 - 10 % f all skin cancers occur on the eyelids specifically.^{8,9}

But the eye lid area is **often not protected** against UV radiation.



Liverpool University confirmed in a report (7/2017): Many people when putting sunscreen on their face forget to creme eye suroundings.

https://news.liverpool.ac.uk/2017/07/06/misapplication-sunscreen-leaving-people-vulnerable-skin-cancer/

8 Cook BE Jr, Bartley GB. Treatment options and future prospects for the management of eyelid malignancies: an evidence-based update. Ophthalmology 2001 Nov; 108(11):2088-98. 9 Abraham J, Jabaley M, Hoopes JE. Basal cell carcinoma of the medial canthal region. Am J Surg 1973; Oct; 126(4):492-5.

UV radiation is always around.

UV light is always around. Even on cloudy days.

Ground reflectance of UV radiation can increase the **intensity** significantly and provides the eye with an "extra dose"



16. Sliney DH. Physical factors in cataractogenesis: ambient ultraviolet radiation and temperature. Invest Ophthalmol Vis Sci. 1986 May;27(5):781-90.



UV radiation is always around.

Some people are more exposed to it.

- People working outdoors are exposed to
- Up to 50% of the total UV we're exposed to by



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10-20% more UV light than an average indoor worker. ¹⁷

of the total UV we're exposed to by age 60 occurs before we reach the age of 20.¹⁸



According to Vision Watch, only 7.6% of parents report that their children always wear sunglasses outdoors.

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High Energy Visible (HEV) Light



What is HEV / Blue light

- HEV <u>High Energy</u> Visible Light is typically defined as light between 380 500 nm. • As light's wavelength decreases, the energy of the light increases. • Blue light / HEV Light is higher in energy than the other wavelengths in the visible spectrum.









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Light - Eye - Vision

Vision & Color

The human eye is sensitive to light from 380 to 780 nm. The retina consists of **3 classes of photoreceptors**:

Rods and Cones(Color)

- Cones (S, M and L) are sensitive to bright light, giving us scotopic and photopic vision to form a representation of the visual world
- Rods (R) are sensitive to dim light

Intrinsically Photosensitive Retinal Ganglion Cells (ipRGCs)

- Provide a stable representation of ambient light intensity.
- Exhibit a peak spectral sensitivity between 460 484 nm.
- Contribute to conscious sight and to non-image-forming functions



Relative spectral sensitivities of the five photoreceptors in human retina, including S-, M-, L-cones, rods, and **ip**RGCs

Light - Eye - Vision

Intrinsically Photosensitive Retinal Ganglion Cells (ipRGCs)

- Control pupil size and regulates the amount of light getting to the retina.
- Provide a control for our biological clock, known as the "circadian rhythm".
- Influence the secretion of the hormone melatonin into the bloodstream.
- Contribute to higher levels of alertness and may contribute significantly to more effective visual learning.
- Inadequate exposure of the ipRGCs to blue light may aggravate many common problems on health and wellbeing, including sleep disorders, depression, and impaired cognitive function.



Some figures:

A typical human retina contains about

- 120 million rod cells
- 6 million cone cells
- very few photosensitive ganglion cells (only approx. 1% of the 1.5m ganglion) cells)

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Light - Eye - Vision

Light Transmission through the Eye

- The absorbance and the light transmission by the crystalline lens depends on the age.
- Therefore also the spectral retinal illumination varies with age.
- The age-related reduction strongest of illumination occurs in the violet and blue part of the visible spectrum.



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Blue Light Challenges: BLH

The Blue Light Hazard BLH

- Blue Light Hazard is the potential for a photochemical induced retinal injury resulting from electromagnetic radiation exposure.
- The Blue Light Hazard function spreads roughly from 390 to 510 nm.
- The peak at 450nm has highest potential to cause damage to the retina.
- Blue Light Hazard may be a contributor to the development of age-related macular degeneration (AMD).
- Depending on light source the Blue Light Hazard spectrum is modified and looks different.





Managing Blue Light Duality

Action spectrum of BLH Blue Light Hazard



Action spectrum of ipRGC



Blue Light and Digital Devices

•Blue light outdoors is 30 times stronger than devices

0.07 Watts/Square Meter / Steradian / nm 0.06 0.05 0.04 0.03 0.02 0.01 0



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Current solutions

•Current solution do not attenuate the BLH





Current solutions



Wavelength (nm)



Current solutions



Blue Comparisons



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Blue Misconceptions

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Blue light – No credible eye health threat in everyday life conditions

- •Some studies report long term exposure to blue Blue light in sunlight causes macular degeneration^{*}, but others have contradicted them^{**}
- •National Eye institute currently lists only age, race, family history, genetics and smoking as risk factors for maculopathy
- Research relies on self reporting
- •A smartphone's luminance would have to be more than 100,000 units to be deemed unsafe by standards organizations. This is brighter than being outdoors at noon-time on a mountain with full sunshine blazing on freshly fallen snow

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The UV Problem

UV Protection is a topic many consider already "solved"

- from Total Solar UV radiation up to 400 nm.

380nm is the optical industry UV definition for clear lenses

400nm is the globally recognized definition of UV

Clear lenses, even polycarbonate lenses, do not protect eyes

 UV back-side AR coatings only address the small amount (~5%) of reflected UV that gets to the back of a lens

SO WHAT CAN WE DO KNOWING THIS?

*Calbo, J., & González, J. A. (2005). Empirical studies of cloud effects on UV radiation: A review. Reviews of Geophysics, 43(2).

UV IRRADIANCE

... on Cloudy days, in shadows, and full sun.

Studies discuss mean UV exposure under clouds from 70-75%*.

Current market standards for UV in lenses don't always consider the full UV spectrum up to 400nm

UVA 380 - 400 Longer Wavelengths	
UVA 315 - 380	
UVB 280 - 315	

The new standard in patient care and UV protection

*calculated from transmittance data from 280-400nm range using Solar spectralirradiance Es (λ), ISO 8980-3:2013

Total Solar UV radiation Protection*

The UV Index.

A good indicator when protection is recommended.

UV Index 3 and above.

You might be surprised how high the UV Index is in your home town during the day.

Even in Central Europe & US; on a sunny day in summer, the UV Index easily can exceed 7 on its peak.

"...Billions are spent worldwide to treat these diseases, many of which could have been prevented or delayed. The Global Solar UV Index should be an important element of an integrated and long-term public health approach to sun protection..."

The WHO basic sun protection messages

- Limit exposure during midday hours.
- Seek shade.
- Wear protective clothing.
- Wear a broad-brimmed hat to protect the eyes, face and neck.
- Protect the eyes with wrap-around design sunglasses or sunglasses with side panels.
- Use and reapply broad-spectrum sunscreen of sun protection factor (SPF)15+ liberally
- Avoid tanning beds.
- Protect babies and young children.

(web page of the WHO)

http://www.who.int/uv/intersunprogramme/activities/uv_index/en/

PRODUCT SOLUTIONS

...on sunny days.

What are the available solutions on the market against UV Radiation?

- Sunglasses
 - Cannot be worn all day
- ZEISS UVProtect in any material
 - Sunglass level UV protection in a clear lens
- Photochromics
- Trivex, 1.67, 1.74

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Seeing is Believing

Clear lens transmits UV Dark lens is UVProtect Absorbs all UV - none transmits to the eye

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