Microbiome of the ocular surface and its stability over time

Researchers at The University of New South Wales are seeking volunteer research participants to learn about what constitutes the core and transient microbial community on the ocular surface and eyelids.

Would the research project be a good fit for me?
The study might be a good fit for you if:
- You are over 18 years of age
- You are healthy (have no eye or systemic disease)
- Do not have dry eye
- Do not wear contact lenses and have not worn contact lenses in the past 3 months
- Have not previously had any ocular trauma or ocular surgery (including corneal refractive surgery)
- Have not used any antibiotic, anti-inflammatory or immunosuppressive medication in the past 6 months

What would happen if I took part in the research project?
If you decide to take part you would:
- Baseline: Visit 1 (15 minutes)
  - Screening assessment
  - Assessment of ocular surface using a biomicroscope.
  - Have swabs taken of the conjunctiva (white part of your eye) and lower lid margin of both your eyes.
- 1 month: Visit 2 (10 minutes)
  - Assessment of ocular surface using a biomicroscope.
  - Have swabs taken of the conjunctiva and lower lid margin of both your eye
- 3 months: Visit 2 (10 minutes)
  - Assessment of ocular surface using a biomicroscope.
  - Have swabs taken of the conjunctiva and lower lid margin of both your eye

Will I be paid to take part in the research project?
There are no additional costs associated with participation in this research project, nor will you be paid.

Who do I contact if I want more information or want to take part in the study?
If you would like more information or are interested in being part of the study please contact:

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