Invitation to Participate in a Research Study

Do contact lenses change your eyes during wear?

Researchers at The University of New South Wales, School of Optometry and Vision Science are seeking volunteer research participants to learn about changes that might happen to your eyes during contact lens wear.

Would the research study be a good fit for me?
The study might be a good fit for you if:

- Are 18 years of age or older;
- You are healthy and have never worn contact lenses previously or have not worn contact lenses during the past six months;
- You currently wear glasses but are interested in wearing contact lenses, with refractive correction of -0.5 to -6 dioptre in both eyes, or +0.50 to +6.00D with astigmatism of 0.75 dioptre or less;
- You wear glasses to correct your short or long sight (but only have astigmatism of 0.75D or less),
- Are able to read and comprehend English and give written informed consent,
- Are generally healthy and do not have issues that prevent you from safely wearing contact lenses;
- Are willing to wear the study contact lenses for the duration of 6 months;
- Have NOT had eye surgery, infection, allergies or acute inflammation in the last 3 months;
- Are NOT pregnant or lactating

What would happen if I took part in the research study?
If you decide to take part, you will be asked to attend 6 visits over 6 months. You will be asked questions about your medical history and any current medications you are taking. Various eye-related tests, similar to those conducted at a regular eye exam will be performed, and each study visit will take approximately 1 hour to complete. If you qualify for the study, you will be asked to wear contact lenses on a daily wear basis (you must NOT sleep in your lenses). You will be provided with contact lenses and all contact lens disinfecting solutions to use with the lenses for the duration of the study.

Will I be paid to take part in the research study?
You will be reimbursed $20 per visit for your expenses associated with attending each of the research study visits at UNSW.

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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