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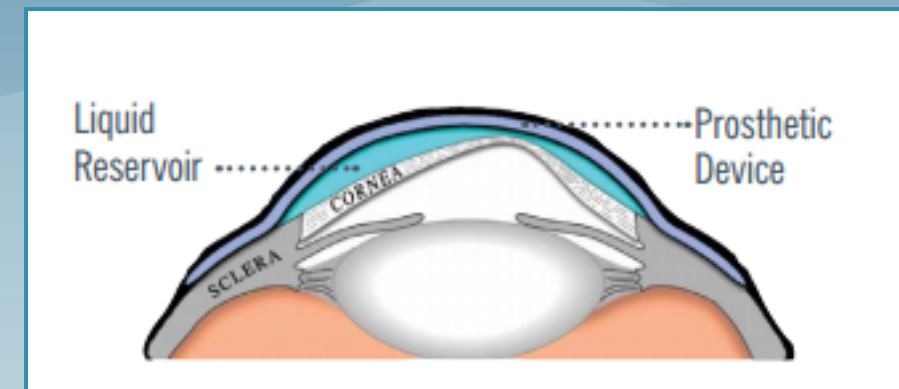


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VIP Ocular Surface Ecosystem Prosthesis Management of Eye Disease



VIP Ocular Surface Prosthesis
vaulting the cornea,
maintaining a cushion of tears.

VIP Ocular Surface Prosthesis devices for Dry Eye Disease

Chronic Severe Dry Eye Disorders

According to a consumer survey¹, 48% of adults report dry eye symptoms. Of those, 42% have trouble reading print as a result of dry eye. Nineteen percent report using over the counter drops to help with the condition, but two thirds of those who use drops find that they are not effective.

Fortunately, 60% of patients with dry eyes have mild symptoms,² however, about 30% do have moderate symptoms and 10% have severe dry eye symptoms.

VIP is a prosthetic replacement of the ocular surface ecosystem which can improve the vision, comfort and quality of life for someone with dry eye.

¹All About Vision; Allergan Consumer Survey

²Contact Lens Spectrum, July 2010, Jason Nichols



An eye with severe dry eye may appear red, watery and irritated.

Causes of Dry Eye

Dry eye can occur or be caused by many conditions. Some are:

- Age related
 - Gender (occurs more with women)
 - Medications and/or medical conditions
 - Autoimmune Disease, Arthritis, Sjogrens
 - Environmental conditions
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- Post Refractive Surgery (LASIK and RK), post-surgery, or post-injury

Patients with dry eyes can experience pain, have trouble with vision, be sensitive to light, and may have trouble seeing at night. Treatment options include antibiotics, fish oils, plugs in the tear ducts, special medications for dry eyes, steroids or artificial tears, gels or ointments. Success rates for patients with moderate to severe dry

Treatment Success Using VIP Prosthetics

Studies have shown that up to 85% of patients achieve successful relief of dry eye symptoms with ocular surface ecosystem prosthetic replacement.³

The scleral lens provides a liquid bandage to the cornea by holding tears between the lens and the eye. Vision is sharp and clear, pain and redness is reduced and the quality of life is often dramatically improved!

³The Boston Foundation, Study of Patients with Sjögren's syndrome

How the VIP Ocular Surface Prosthesis Works

VIP Ocular Surface Prosthetic devices are made of materials that let oxygen pass through the lens promoting long term corneal health and comfort. The lens design provides a thin cushion of fluid that stays between the lens and eye providing immediate dry eye relief and long term wearing comfort. Discomfort and sensitivity to light is greatly minimized, redness is reduced and a healing healthy environment is provided for the eye. The lens is appropriate for most distance prescriptions, toric contact lens prescriptions for patients with astigmatism, and a multifocal bifocal option that provides clear vision for distance, near and everything in between!

Patient Testimonials:

VIP Ocular Surface Prosthetic devices offer three critical benefits to patients with dry eye:

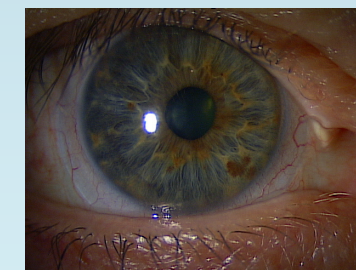
1. Creates a regular smooth ocular surface to provide clear, crisp vision
2. Fits beneath the lids and rests on the sclera (white of the eye) offering exceptional comfort and stability
3. Maintains a vault of soothing tears (liquid bandage) between the lens and cornea keeping the eye moist, comfortable and healthy

I'm a physician so have some insight on being provided good care. The care that I received by Dr. Weshefsky and his staff was exceptional. I have suffered with keratoconus for some time now and this is the first time since she was born that I am able to recognize my daughter's face amongst other things with my affected eye- it's truly life changing. Dr. W has a passion for what he does and not only did he explain everything but he did in understandable terms and he did it with patience. He had no aversion to questions unlike many in the health care field. My final lens fit perfectly and his staff took the time to train me to put in and remove the lenses, supplying all the equipment I would need. Since going to Dr. W I have referred patients to him and will continue to do so and my only hope is that he never retires or moves from the area. Restoring vision is one of the greatest gifts one can give to another and I truly owe Dr. Weshefsky more than the services cost.

S.V. 37 Year old male; Myrtle Beach, SC

Dr. Weshefsky has changed my life. I wear VIP Ocular Surface Prosthetic devices over a cornea transplant. I can see for the first time in 12 years! I love Dr. Tom!

L.S., 65 year old female; Myrtle Beach, SC



VIP Ocular Surface Prosthetic device comfortably fit to eye.