

Keratoconus

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Keratoconus Latest News

A recent study has revealed that the treatment of keratoconus, a condition that threatens vision, can worsen even after treatment.

About Keratoconus

- It is a **vision disorder** that occurs **when the normally round cornea (the front part of the eye) becomes thin and irregular (cone) shaped.**
- This abnormal shape **prevents the light entering the eye from being focused correctly on the retina and causes distortion of vision.**
- Keratoconus often starts when people are in their **late teens to early 20s.**
- The vision symptoms slowly get **worse over a period of about 10 to 20 years.**
- It **often affects both eyes** and can lead to very different vision between the two eyes.
- Symptoms can differ in each eye, and they can change over time.
- **Treatment and Prevention:**

- There is **no known prevention for keratoconus**.
- **Early stages can be treated with glasses**, but with progression of the disease into late childhood and early adulthood, **corneal transplantation** may be needed to restore sight.
- **Corneal collagen cross-linking** is a procedure designed to stop the progression of keratoconus or slow it down.

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