

Cataract patients have a choice of treatments, including the AcrySof® IQ Toric IOL that treats pre-existing corneal astigmatism at the same time that it corrects cataracts.

With a single procedure, you have the potential to enjoy freedom from glasses or contacts for distance vision with enhanced image quality—allowing you to see life through a new lens.

Cataracts and Astigmatism Defined

A cataract is like a cloud over the eye's lens. It interferes with quality of vision and makes normal activities, such as driving a car, using a computer, or seeing people's faces, increasingly difficult.

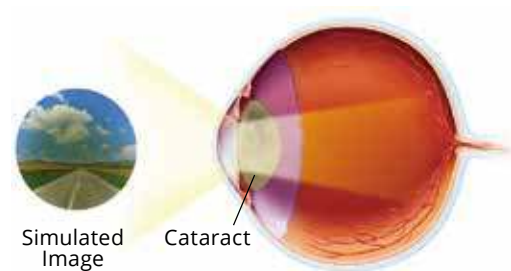
Astigmatism is caused by an irregular curvature of the cornea or the lens, and it hampers the ability to see fine detail. Astigmatism affects vision at all distances and is a separate vision problem from cataracts.

Talk to Your Doctor

Because cataract surgery is an important decision, you may have some questions. Make sure to discuss any questions you have with the doctor who will perform your surgery. This is the best way to get clear answers that apply specifically to your vision and the cataract procedure you're considering.

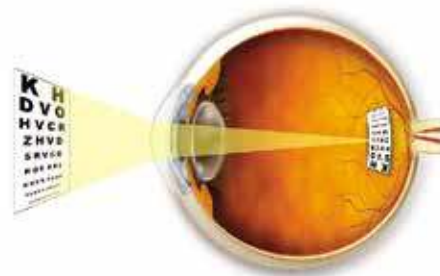
Eye With Cataract

As the eye ages, the lens becomes cloudier, allowing less light to pass through. The light that doesn't make it to the retina is diffused or scattered, leaving vision defocused and blurry.



Eye With Astigmatism

When the surface of the cornea has an uneven curvature and is shaped more like a football than a basketball, light rays are not able to focus on one spot, and vision becomes distorted. This common irregularity is called a "corneal astigmatism."



See life through the AcrySof® IQ Toric IOL.

Ask your doctor about your cataract surgery options. For more information, visit CataractSurgery.com.



IMPORTANT PRODUCT INFORMATION

CAUTION: Restricted by law to sale by or on the order of a physician. **DESCRIPTION:** The AcrySof® IQ Toric Intraocular Lenses (IOLs) are artificial lenses implanted in the eye of adult patients following cataract surgery. These lenses are designed to correct pre-existing corneal astigmatism, which is the inability of the eye to focus clearly at any distance because of different curvatures on the cornea, and provide distance vision. **WARNINGS / PRECAUTIONS:** You may experience and need to contact your eye doctor immediately if you have any of the following symptoms while using the antibiotic eye drops prescribed by your doctor: itching, redness, watering of your eye, sensitivity to light. The safety and effectiveness of the AcrySof® IQ Toric IOL has not been established in patients with eye conditions, such as an increase in eye pressure (glaucoma) or complications of diabetes in the eye (diabetic retinopathy). As with any surgical procedure, there are risks involved. These risks may include but are not limited to infection, damage to the lining of the cornea, the retinal layer which lines the inside back wall of your eye may become separated from the tissue next to it (retinal detachment), inflammation or swelling inside or outside the eye, damage to the iris (the colored diaphragm around the pupil), an increase in eye pressure that cannot be controlled by medicine and secondary surgical procedure. A toric IOL corrects astigmatism only when it is placed in the correct position in the eye. There is a possibility that the toric IOL could be placed incorrectly or could move within the eye. This may result in less improvement or a reduction in vision because your astigmatism has not been fully corrected, or it may cause visual symptoms. **ATTENTION:** As with any surgical procedure, there are risks involved. Prior to surgery, ask your eye doctor to provide you with an AcrySof® IQ Toric Patient Information Brochure, which will inform you of the risks and benefits associated with this IOL. Discuss any questions about possible risks and benefits with your eye doctor.

References:

1. Lane SS, Ernest P, Miller KM, Hileman KS, Harris B, Waycaster CR. Comparison of clinical and patient-reported outcomes with bilateral AcrySof toric or spherical control intraocular lenses. *J Refract Surg.* 2009;25(10):899-901 doi:10.3928/1081-597X-20090617-05
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TREAT CATARACTS AND ASTIGMATISM WITH ONE PROCEDURE



Simulated image with cataracts and astigmatism.

Simulated image with an AcrySof® IQ Toric IOL. Although this result is typical, individual results may vary.

Correcting Astigmatism at the Time of Cataract Surgery

During cataract surgery, the cataract-affected natural crystalline lens is replaced with an artificial intraocular lens (IOL). IOLs are typically made of a flexible material, which allows your surgeon to fold and insert the IOL through a very small incision. Once the cataract has been removed and the IOL is in the proper position, light can once again travel unimpeded to the back of the eye.

The most basic option is a monofocal IOL, which does not correct existing vision problems such as astigmatism. With a monofocal IOL, you may still experience blurred and distorted vision if you have astigmatism; this is because it cannot correct preexisting corneal astigmatism. High-quality vision cannot be regained unless the astigmatism is also corrected.

Seeing Beyond Boundaries

The AcrySof® IQ Toric IOL is changing the way people see cataract surgery—and life. This foldable, single-piece lens is implanted during cataract surgery to replace the clouded lens. It provides clear distance vision for patients with astigmatism and reduces their need to wear glasses.

Simply put, in most cases, the AcrySof® IQ Toric IOL lets you leave your glasses and contacts behind by recapturing your quality distance vision in one step.

Q. What is the success rate of the AcrySof® IQ Toric IOL with preoperative astigmatism?

A. In clinical trials, the majority of patients with preoperative astigmatism achieved freedom from glasses for distance vision when the AcrySof® IQ Toric IOL was implanted.¹ It's made of the same biocompatible lens material that has already been successfully implanted in more than 100 million people since 1991.²

Simulated image with a cataract and astigmatism



Q. How long does it take to recover from cataract surgery?

A. Recovery after cataract surgery is generally quick and usually occurs within only a few days. Most patients have improved vision soon after surgery, and your sight may continue to improve for several days or weeks. The actual procedure involves removing the cloudy lens and replacing it with an IOL, such as the AcrySof® IQ Toric IOL.

Simulated image with a monofocal IOL and astigmatism



Q. Is cataract surgery safe?

A. All surgeries have risks; however, cataract surgery is one of the safest and most common surgical procedures performed.

Q. Am I a candidate for the AcrySof® IQ Toric IOL?

A. If you have a cataract and astigmatism, ask your doctor if you're a candidate for the AcrySof® IQ Toric IOL.

Simulated image with AcrySof® IQ Toric IOL



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