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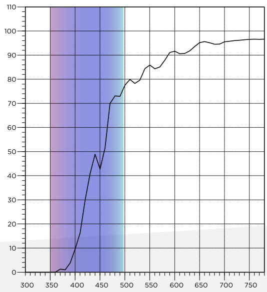
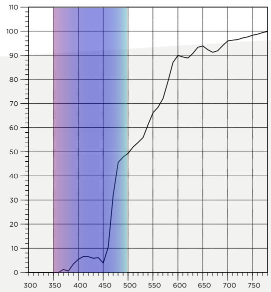
410	16.34	420	29.90	430	40.88	440	48.91	450	42.81	460	51.51	470	70.01	480	73.10	490	72.94	500	77.58	510	79.93	520	78.27	530	79.66
540	84.41	550	85.90	560	84.37	570	85.09	580	87.91	590	91.11	600	91.64	610	90.62	620	90.70	630	91.77	640	93.59	650	95.21	660	95.63
670	95.16	680	94.54	690	94.60	700	95.55	710	95.77	720	96.05	730	96.19	740	96.40	750	96.57	760	96.63	770	96.58	780	96.64		





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670	91.26	680	91.94	690	94.09	700	96.00	710	96.30	720	96.55	730	97.23	740	97.65	750	98.36	760	98.78	770	99.44	780	99.90		

X100 · X100 EVO

nm	%T	nm	%T	nm	%T	nm	%T	nm	%T	nm	%T	nm	%T	nm	%T	nm	%T	nm	%T	nm	%T	nm	%T	nm	%T
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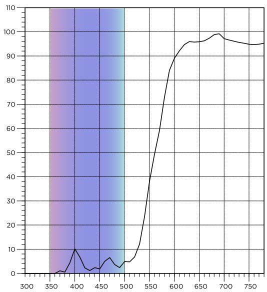

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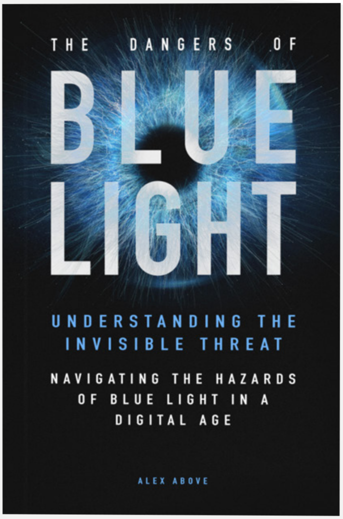
THE DANGERS OF BLUE LIGHT

Blue light is a type of light with a short wavelength that produces more energy. Although it is produced naturally by the sun, it is the blue light from digital screens that is a problem. From causing eye fatigue to sleep disturbances, the effects of blue light are more profound than we think.

We look in detail at the characteristics and learn about the dangers of blue light exposure through one of the chapters of the book 'The Dangers of Blue Light' edited by Alex Above for the OptimalYou series available free of charge to BlueX customers in **English, Italian, German, Spanish and French**. **Download the full complimentary copy now.**



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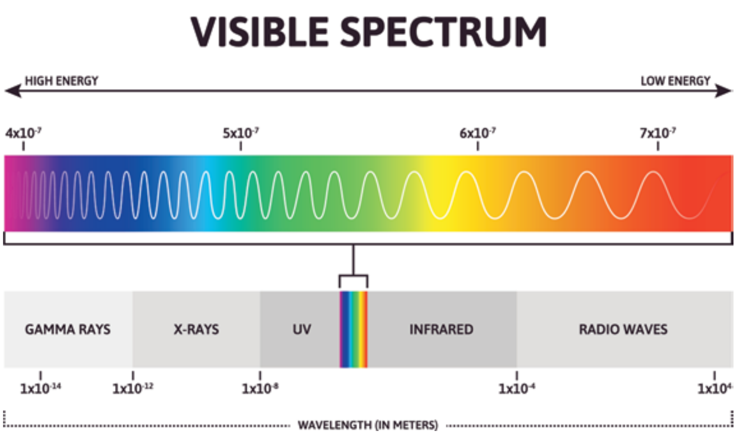
THE DANGERS OF BLUE LIGHT

To fully comprehend the hazards associated with blue light exposure, it is critical to first understand the fundamental nature of light itself. Light, in its most basic sense, is a form of electromagnetic radiation that is visible to the human eye. The electromagnetic spectrum includes radio waves, microwaves, infrared radiation, visible light, ultraviolet light, X-rays, and gamma rays.

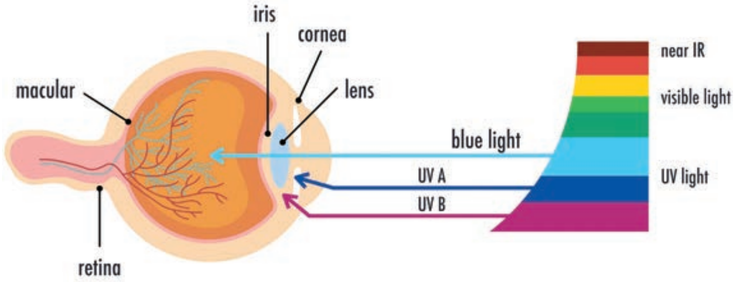


The energy of light is transmitted in particles known as photons. The energy of a photon is inversely proportional to the wavelength of light it represents, meaning that shorter wavelengths correspond to higher energy photons. The spectrum of visible light ranges from **approximately 400 to 700 nanometers** (nm), with violet light at the lower end and red light at the upper end. Blue light, with wavelengths **ranging from 400 to 495 nm**, thus falls into the high-energy end of the visible light spectrum.

The sun emits a broad spectrum of electromagnetic radiation, including visible, ultraviolet, and infrared radiation. The sun's visible light is composed of multiple colors, each with a different wavelength. When sunlight passes through the Earth's atmosphere, the short-wavelength blue and violet light are scattered in all directions, resulting in the sky's blue appearance. This phenomenon, known as Rayleigh scattering, is also the reason why the sun appears red at sunrise or sunset, when the sunlight must pass through more of the Earth's atmosphere.

Artificial light sources, such as incandescent bulbs, fluorescent tubes, and LEDs, also emit a spectrum of light, including blue light. The percentage of blue light emitted by these sources varies significantly. For example, traditional incandescent bulbs emit relatively little blue light, while most LEDs and compact fluorescent lamps emit a higher proportion of blue light. Furthermore, digital screens, such as those on televisions, computers, smartphones, and tablets, emit significant amounts of blue light, often in proximity to the user.

The human eye is adapted to handle the natural blue light from the sun. However, the eye is not as well equipped to deal with the intensified and often prolonged exposure to blue light from artificial sources. The cornea and lens of the eye are effective at blocking most UV rays from reaching the light-sensitive retina, but they do not block blue light as efficiently.



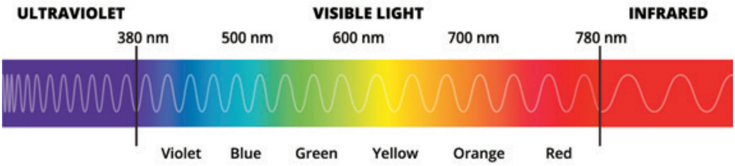
These are the main categories of artificial blue light:

- **Digital Screens**: Devices such as smartphones, tablets, laptops, and desktop monitors emit significant amounts of blue light. Their prevalence in daily life has significantly increased the average person's exposure to blue light.
- **LED and Fluorescent Lighting**: These energy-efficient lighting technologies are known for their high levels of blue light compared to older incandescent bulbs. LED lights are increasingly used in homes, offices, and street lighting.
- **Incandescent lights** emit less blue light than LEDs and fluorescent lights but still contribute to overall exposure.

The impact of this intensified exposure to blue light on human health is a growing area of scientific research. Studies suggest that excessive exposure to blue light could lead to digital eye strain, disrupt sleep patterns, and potentially contribute to more serious eye conditions such as macular degeneration.

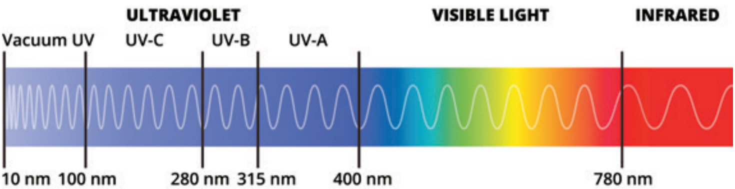
EXPLORING THE SPECTRUM

Light can be categorized in various ways based on different characteristics, such as wavelength, color, intensity, and source.



Invisible light

Invisible light refers to electromagnetic radiation that falls outside the visible spectrum, meaning the human eye cannot perceive it. Despite being invisible to us, invisible light plays crucial roles in various natural phenomena and technological applications.



Here are the classification and essential aspects of invisible light:

Ultraviolet (UV) Light: UV light has shorter wavelengths than visible light, ranging from approximately 10 nm to 400 nm. Based on wavelength, it is divided into three main categories: **UVA** (long-wave UV, 315–400 nm), **UVB** (medium-wave UV, 280–315 nm), and **UVC** (short-wave UV, 100–280 nm).

UV light is invisible to the human eye but has various practical applications, such as sterilization, tanning, and fluorescent lighting. Overexposure to UV light can also have harmful effects on the skin and eyes.

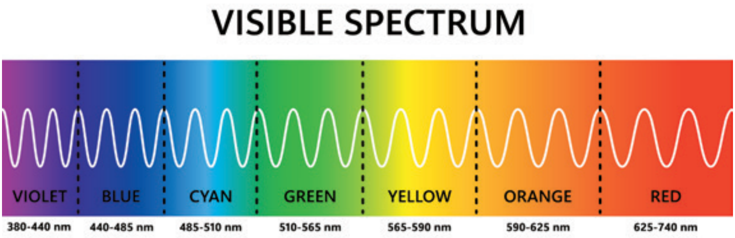
Infrared (IR) Light: IR light has longer wavelengths than visible light, ranging from approximately 750 nm to 1 millimeter (mm). It is often divided into near-infrared (NIR), mid-infrared (MIR), and far-infrared (FIR) based on wavelength. Infrared radiation is commonly used in applications such as remote controls, thermal imaging, and infrared heaters.

Visible Light

This is the portion of the electromagnetic spectrum that is visible to the human eye, ranging from approximately 380 nanometers (nm) to 750 nm in wavelength. Visible light is responsible for the colors we perceive in the world around us and is often further categorized into different colors based on wavelength, such as red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo, and violet.

Light color can be classified based on energy levels, typically represented by wavelength or frequency. Here's a general classification of light colors based on their energy levels:

- **High Energy Colors** (Short Wavelengths): Blue and Violet
- **Medium Energy Colors** (Intermediate Wavelengths): Yellow and Green
- **Low Energy Colors** (Long Wavelengths): Red and Orange



So, light with shorter wavelengths (such as violet and blue) has higher energy levels, while light with longer wavelengths (such as orange and red) has lower energy levels.

Classifying the main categories of light by color, these are the main ones:

- **Blue Light**: Blue light refers to light with wavelengths between approximately 400 nm and 495 nm. While blue light is part of the visible light spectrum, it has gained attention due to its potential effects on eye health and sleep, particularly when emitted from digital screens and LED lighting.
- **Green Light**: Green light falls within the visible light spectrum and has wavelengths between approximately 495 nm and 570 nm. It plays a crucial role in human vision and color perception and is commonly used in traffic lights, lasers, and displays.

- **Red Light**: Red light is a component of the visible light spectrum, with wavelengths ranging from approximately 620 nm to 750 nm. It is often used in signaling, photography, and therapeutic applications such as photo biomodulation.

SOURCES OF BLUE LIGHT

Having analyzed these main categories, let us look at all the primary sources of blue light. Here's a comprehensive exploration:

1. **Sunlight**: The primary natural source of blue light is sunlight. While the sun emits light across the entire visible spectrum, blue light is particularly abundant in sunlight, especially during the morning hours when the sky appears blue. This natural blue light helps regulate our circadian rhythm, sleep-wake cycle, and mood.
2. **Electronic Devices**: Smartphones, tablets, computers, and televisions all emit significant amounts of blue light, mainly LED screens. The proliferation of these devices has led to increased exposure to blue light, particularly in the evenings and at night when people tend to use their devices before bed.
3. **LED Lighting**: Light-emitting diode (LED) lighting has become increasingly popular due to its energy efficiency and longevity. LED lights are used in various applications, including residential, commercial, and automotive lighting. While LED lighting offers many benefits, it also emits blue light, especially in the cool white spectrum. The widespread adoption of LED lighting has contributed to greater exposure to blue light indoors.

4. **Compact Fluorescent Lamps (CFLs)**: CFLs are another type of energy-efficient lighting commonly found in homes and businesses. While emitting less blue light than LED lights, they still contribute to overall blue light exposure. LED lighting has mainly replaced CFLs due to their inferior energy efficiency and shorter lifespan.
5. **Fluorescent Lighting**: Traditional fluorescent tubes used in offices, schools, and industrial settings also emit blue light. While newer fluorescent tubes are designed to emit less blue light compared to older models, they still contribute to indoor blue light exposure.
6. **Streetlights and Outdoor Lighting**: Many cities have transitioned to LED streetlights and outdoor lighting for their energy-saving benefits. While these lights improve visibility and safety at night, they also emit blue light, which can impact both humans and wildlife. Excessive outdoor blue light exposure at night has been linked to disruptions in circadian rhythm and sleep patterns.
7. **Phototherapy Devices**: Blue light therapy is a treatment method used in dermatology to treat various skin conditions, such as acne and psoriasis. Specialized devices emit blue light at specific wavelengths to target bacteria or stimulate skin cells. While these treatments can be effective, prolonged exposure to blue light from phototherapy devices may affect eye health and circadian rhythm regulation.
8. **High-Intensity Discharge (HID) Lamps**: HID lamps, including metal halide and mercury vapor lamps, are commonly used for outdoor lighting, stadium lighting, and in industrial settings. These lamps emit

significant amounts of blue light, which is essential for achieving high-quality white light output.

9. **Television Screens**: Like computer monitors, television screens emit blue light, especially LED and LCD models. With the popularity of streaming services and binge-watching culture, many people spend long hours in front of their television screens, increasing their exposure to blue light in the evening.
10. **Vehicle Headlights**: Modern vehicle headlights often utilize LED or HID technology, which emits blue light. While these headlights improve driver visibility and safety, they can also contribute to glare and discomfort for oncoming traffic, raising concerns about the potential effects of blue light exposure on road safety.

HOW BLUE LIGHT AFFECTS THE BODY

The human visual system is highly sensitive to light in the blue spectrum, which is part of the natural ambient light in our environment. To understand the effects of blue light on the body, we must first understand the biological mechanisms involved.

The retina contains photoreceptors that convert light into electrical signals for the brain to interpret as images. Among these photoreceptors are the intrinsically photosensitive retinal ganglion cells (ipRGCs), which are particularly responsive to blue light.[1] These cells play a crucial role in regulating the body's circadian rhythm, or internal biological

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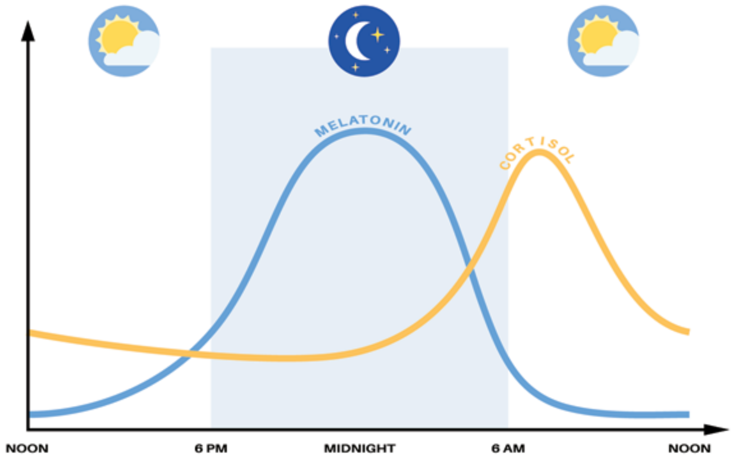
1. *Schmidt, T. M., Chen, S. K., & Hattar, S. (2011). Intrinsically photosensitive retinal ganglion cells: many subtypes, diverse functions. Trends in neurosciences, 34(11), 572–580. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.tins.2011.07.001*

clock, which governs sleep-wake cycles, hormone release, and other physiological processes.

When ipRGCs detect blue light, they send signals to the brain's suprachiasmatic nucleus (SCN), the body's central circadian clock.[2] These signals suppress the production of melatonin, a hormone that promotes sleep, and stimulate the production of cortisol, which promotes alertness.



This mechanism evolved to align our sleep-wake cycles with the cycle of day and night: exposure to morning sunlight, which is rich in blue light, helps us wake up, while the absence of light at night allows melatonin levels to rise, promoting sleep.

However, artificial sources of blue light can disrupt this natural rhythm. Exposure to blue light in the evening, for

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2. *Lazzerini Ospri, L., Prusky, G., & Hattar, S. (2017). Mood, the Circadian System, and Melanopsin Retinal Ganglion Cells. Annual review of neuroscience, 40, 539–556. https://doi.org/10.1146/annurev-neuro-072116-031324*

example from a smartphone or computer screen, can suppress melatonin production and delay sleep onset. Over time, this can lead to chronic sleep deprivation, which is associated with a range of health problems, including cardiovascular disease, diabetes, obesity, and depression.

Moreover, prolonged exposure to blue light can cause direct damage to the retina.[3] Blue light has a shorter wavelength and higher energy than other colors of light, which can cause it to penetrate deeper into the eye and generate reactive oxygen species (ROS). These highly reactive molecules can damage the retina's cells, leading to conditions such as age-related macular degeneration, a leading cause of vision loss in older adults.

There is also emerging evidence that blue light may affect other systems in the body. For example, a study in mice found that exposure to blue light can affect glucose metabolism, leading to increased blood sugar levels.[4] Another study found that blue light can affect the gut microbiome, the community of microbes that plays a crucial role in health and disease.[5] These findings suggest that the effects of blue light may extend beyond the eye and the circadian system, although more research is needed to understand these mechanisms fully.

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3. *Zhao, Z. C., Zhou, Y., Tan, G., & Li, J. (2018). Research progress about the effect and prevention of blue light on eyes. International journal of ophthalmology, 11(12), 1999–2003. https://doi.org/10.18240/ijo.2018.12.20*
4. *Masís-Vargas, A., Hicks, D., Kalsbeek, A., & Mendoza, J. (2019). Blue light at night acutely impairs glucose tolerance and increases sugar intake in the diurnal rodent Arvicanthis ansorgei in a sex-dependent manner. Physiological reports, 7(20), e14257. https://doi.org/10.14814/phy2.14257*
5. *Zhang, Y., Wang, Z., Dong, Y., Cao, J., & Chen, Y. (2022). Blue Light Alters the Composition of the Jejunal Microbiota and Promotes the Development of the Small Intestine by Reducing Oxidative Stress. Antioxidants (Basel, Switzerland), 11(2), 274. https://doi.org/10.3390/antiox11020274*

THE EYE AND BLUE LIGHT

The human eye, an organ of profound complexity, operates much like a camera, capturing light and converting it into images that the brain can process. However, not all light is perceived or handled the same way by the eye, and blue light has become a focus of study due to its potential harm.

The human eye is structured to allow light to pass through the cornea and the lens, focusing it onto the retina, a layer of light-sensitive cells at the back of the eye. This light is then transformed into electrical signals that are interpreted by the brain as images. While the anterior structures of the eye block most UV rays, they are not as efficient at filtering out blue light, allowing a significant amount of it to reach the retina.

Extended exposure to blue light has been associated with retinal damage. The high energy of blue light can cause oxidative stress, leading to the death of photoreceptor cells in the retina. This process, known as phototoxicity, might contribute to the development of age-related macular degeneration (AMD), a leading cause of blindness in the elderly.

Additionally, blue light is critical in regulating our circadian rhythm or biological clock. Specialized photosensitive cells in the retina, known as intrinsically photosensitive retinal ganglion cells (ipRGCs), respond specifically to blue light. These cells signal the brain to suppress melatonin production, a hormone that induces sleep. Thus, exposure to blue light during the evening can disrupt sleep patterns, leading to sleep deprivation and associated health problems.

The harmful effects are mostly associated with blue-violet light (approximately 415-455 nm), closer to the spectrum's ultraviolet end.

PSYCHOLOGICAL EFFECTS OF BLUE LIGHT

Exposure to blue light, particularly from electronic devices, has been associated with several significant psychological effects on human health. These effects range from alterations in mood states to more severe implications such as sleep disorders, depression, and increased risk of certain mental health disorders.

As already mentioned, researchers have identified that exposure to blue light suppresses the secretion of melatonin,[6] a hormone that regulates sleep-wake cycles. This suppression can disrupt circadian rhythm, leading to sleep quality and duration impairments. Several studies have established a strong correlation between poor sleep and psychological disorders like depression, anxiety, and bipolar disorder.[7] Moreover, chronic sleep deprivation has been linked to cognitive impairments, including decreased attention, memory, and cognitive speed.

Blue light exposure can also lead to digital eye strain, which has psychological implications. Digital eye strain can cause dry eyes, headaches, blurred vision, and neck and shoulder pain, leading to mental fatigue. This fatigue can reduce productivity and increase stress levels, further exacerbating psychological distress.

Furthermore, there is evidence to suggest that excessive expo-

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6. *West, K. E., Jablonski, M. R., Warfield, B., Cecil, K. S., James, M., Ayers, M. A., Maida, J., Bowen, C., Sliney, D. H., Rollag, M. D., Hanifin, J. P., & Brainard, G. C. (2011). Blue light from light-emitting diodes elicits a dose-dependent suppression of melatonin in humans. Journal of applied physiology (Bethesda, Md. : 1985), 110(3), 619–626. https://doi.org/10.1152/japplphysiol.01413.2009*
7. *Comsa, M., Anderson, K. N., Sharma, A., Yadav, V. C., & Watson, S. (2022). The relationship between sleep and depression and bipolar disorder in children and young people. BJPsych open, 8(1), e27. https://doi.org/10.1192/bjo.2021.1076*

to blue light may contribute to mood disorders. A study conducted by LeGates[8] found that exposure to blue light can have antidepressant effects, possibly due to its impact on brain regions that regulate mood. However, this effect can become maladaptive when exposure is chronic, potentially leading to mood instability and increased risk of mood disorders.

Research has also indicated that blue light might contribute to addictive behaviors. A study published in the Journal of Psychiatric Research reported that individuals who spent more time in front of screens had higher levels of internet addiction symptoms.[9] While the exact mechanism is unclear, it is hypothesized that blue light may enhance the rewarding effects of screen time, making it harder to disengage from electronic devices.

Additionally, the impact of blue light on children and adolescents is a growing concern. Children and adolescents are more susceptible to the effects of blue light due to their developing visual systems and higher screen time. Studies suggest that excessive screen time and exposure to blue light could contribute to attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) symptoms and other behavioral problems in this population.[10]

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8. *LeGates, T. A., Fernandez, D. C., & Hattar, S. (2014). Light as a central modulator of circadian rhythms, sleep and affect. Nature reviews. Neuroscience, 15(7), 443–454. https://doi.org/10.1038/nrn3743*
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10. *Liu, H., Chen, X., Huang, M., Yu, X., Gan, Y., Wang, J., Chen, Q., Nie, Z., & Ge, H. (2023). Screen time and childhood attention deficit hyperactivity disorder: a meta-analysis. Reviews on environmental health, 10.1515/reveh-2022-0262. Advance online publication. https://doi.org/10.1515/reveh-2022-0262*

It is important to note that not all effects of blue light are detrimental. Blue light has been found to boost alertness, help memory and cognitive function, and elevate mood. However, the timing and duration of exposure determine whether these effects are beneficial or harmful. For instance, exposure to blue light during the day can enhance alertness and cognitive performance, but exposure in the evening can disrupt sleep and lead to psychological distress.

The psychological effects of blue light are a complex interplay of physiological, behavioral, and environmental factors. Therefore, it is crucial to balance the benefits of technology use with potential health risks. Simple strategies such as limiting screen time, using blue light filters, and avoiding electronic devices before bedtime can help mitigate the psychological effects of blue light.

LONG-TERM HEALTH RISKS

Scientific evidence has increasingly pointed to the potential long-term health risks associated with excessive exposure to blue light.

A critical area of concern is the potential damage to the eyes. The high energy and short wavelength nature of blue light can penetrate the eye's natural filters, reaching the retina. Over time, this can lead to macular degeneration, a severe condition leading to loss of central vision. Prolonged exposure to blue light can also lead to cataracts, a clouding of the eye's lens leading to blurred vision.

Another significant long-term health risk is associated with sleep disorders. As blue light suppresses melatonin production, the hormone responsible for regulating sleep cycles, chronic exposure can disrupt circadian rhythms. This can result in insomnia or other sleep disorders, which are associated with a range of health problems, including obesity, diabetes, cardiovascular disease, and even certain types of cancer.

Moreover, there is growing evidence to suggest that chronic exposure to blue light could contribute to mental health disorders. As sleep and mental health are closely intertwined, disruptions to sleep can lead to or exacerbate conditions such as depression, anxiety, and mood disorders. Furthermore, some studies suggest that blue light exposure could directly affect mood regulation, although more research is needed to fully understand this relationship.

Cardiovascular health is another area of potential impact. Several studies have shown that exposure to light at night, mainly blue light, can disrupt the body's natural rhythms, leading to increased heart rate and blood pressure.[11] Over time, this can contribute to the development of cardiovascular disease.

Finally, emerging evidence suggests a potential link between blue light exposure and certain types of cancer. While the research is still in its early stages, some studies have suggested that exposure to light at night may increase the risk of breast and prostate cancer. The proposed mechanism is the disruption of melatonin production, which is crucial in regulating the body's internal clock and various metabolic functions, including cell growth and reproduction.

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