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Attendees include:

40+ device manufacturers representing the majority of consumer electronics produced

From 14 countries

Renowned leaders in Optometry and Ophthalmology

#### **Eyesafe Vision Health Advisory Board Includes World** Leaders in Optometry and Ophthalmology



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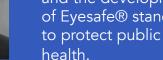


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#### AGENDA

- 1. BLUE LIGHT HEALTH ISSUES
- 2. CALIFORNIA RESOLUTION & MARKET PROGRAMS
- 3. STANDARDS & CERTIFICATION
- 4. SOLUTIONS
- 5. Q&A & FOLLOW-UP



## BLUE LIGHT HEALTH EFFECTS

How Blue Light Affects Vision and Health: 10 Key Points

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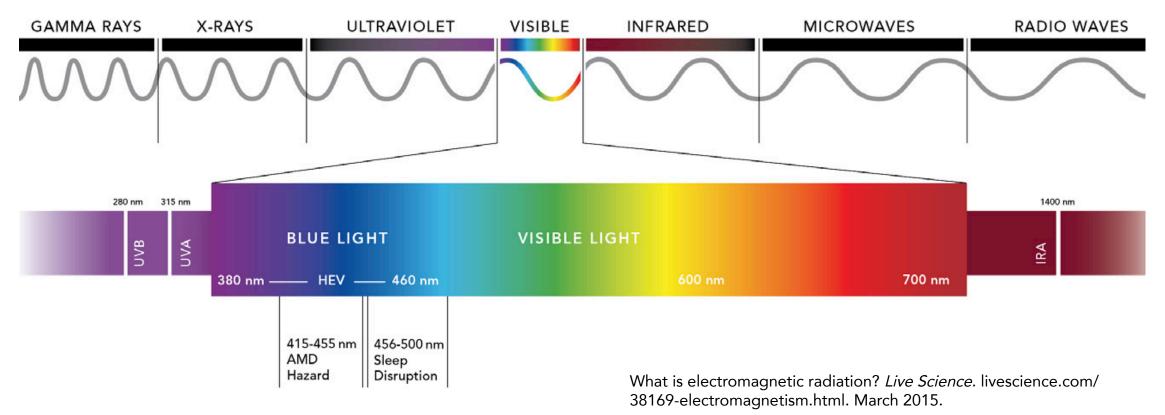


## What is blue light?

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- High-energy visible light (400-500 nm)
- Toxic blue light (415-455 nm) has nearly as much energy as UV-A (315-380 nm)

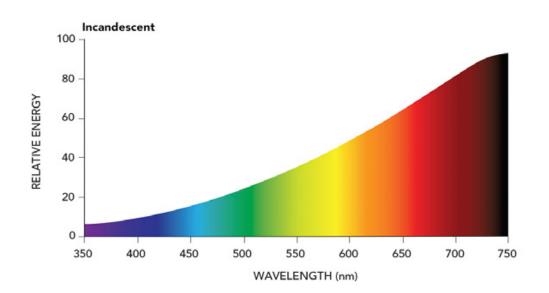
- Emitted by electronic devices and the sun
- Digital age = More blue light exposure

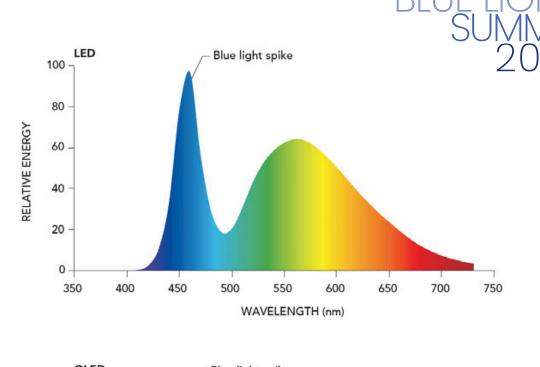


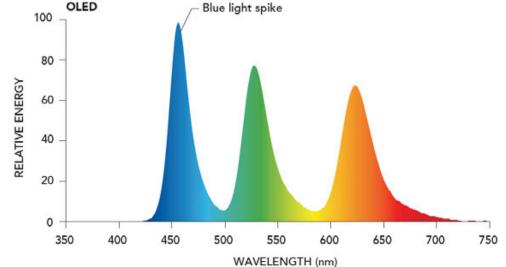
#### What is blue light? (cont.)

- Light spectra of different source of light are very different.
- Old to new = more blue.

- LED and OLED screens have blue light spikes.
- Screens keep getting brighter.







# 2 Not all blue light is equal.



Primary Area of Concern

- Toxic blue light (415-455 nm) poses greatest risk to the retina of the eye.
- Longer-wavelength blue light (460-500) drives circadian rhythm.

Far UV 200-315	0	1	UV Region: Cataracts & Other
Near UV 315-380	0	1	
380	0.01	1	Surface Symptoms Blue Region: Digital Eye Strain
385	0.0125	1	
390	0.025	1	
395	0.05	1	
400	0.1	2	
405	0.2	2	
410	0.4	2	
415	0.8	3	
420	0.9	4	
425	0.95	4	
430	0.98	4	
435	1	5	Toxic Blue Region: Retinal Cell Damage & AMD
440	1	5	
445	0.97	4	
450	0.94	4	
455	0.9	4	
460	0.8	3	
465	0.7	3	Healthy & Unhealthy Blue Region: Circadian Rhythms, Melatonin Suppression
470	0.62	3	
475	0.55	3	
480	0.45	2	
485	0.4	2	
490	0.22	2	
495	0.16	1	
500	0.1	1	

Toxicity Zone Level

Wavelength (nm)

Blue Light Hazard

American National Standard for Occupational and Educational Personal Eye and Face Protection Devices (ANSI/ISEA Z87.1-2015) American National Standards Institute.

## **3 Children are especially at risk.**

- Children hold devices closer to their eyes.
- Inverse Square Law: <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> distance = 4x energy.
- Immature lens of a child's eye doesn't block blue light as effectively as adult lens.
- At 400 nm, child's retina is exposed to >10x more blue light than adult retina.

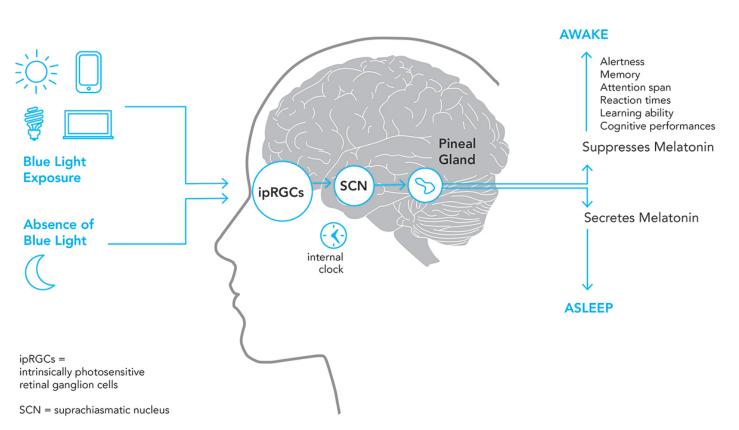
= 3.91x (16)<sup>2</sup> 16″ = 5.6x 8" 4x greater intensity Lens Cornea **Optic Nerve** Retina

Light-emitting diodes (LED) for domestic lighting: Any risks for the eye? Progress in Retinal and Eye Research. F Behar-Cohen, et al. 2011; 30: 239-257.

## 4 Blue light disrupts sleep.

- Blue light from devices used at night make it harder to fall asleep.
- Sleep disruption in children is linked to behavior problems, depression and reduced performance in school.
- Sleep disruption in adults is associated with multiple health problems, including high blood pressure and cardiovascular disease.

Short- and long-term health consequences of sleep disruption. G Medic, et al. *Nature and Science of Sleep*. 2017; 9: 151–161.





# 5 Blue light is linked to digital eye strain.

• Blue light from electronic devices scatters more inside the eye than other light, which can cause eyestrain.

Effect of light scattering simulation in the eye on different color stimuli perception. G Ikaunieks and M Ozolinsh. In 14th Nordic-Baltic Conference on Biomedical Engineering and Medical Physics. IFMBE Proceedings Vol 20. 2008. Springer, Berlin, Heidelberg.



#### 6 Blue light causes dry eyes.

- Researchers in China found blue light damages cells on the surface of the eye, triggering inflammation and dry eye symptoms.
- Mechanism appears to be oxidative stress caused by formation of reactive oxygen species (ROS) in the cornea.

Research progress about the effect and prevention of blue light on eyes. ZC Zhao, et al. *International Journal of Ophthalmology*. 2018; 11(12): 1999–2003.

Protective effects of blue light-blocking shades on phototoxicity in human ocular surface cells. Y Niwano, et al. *BMJ Open Ophthalmology*. 2019; 4: e000217.



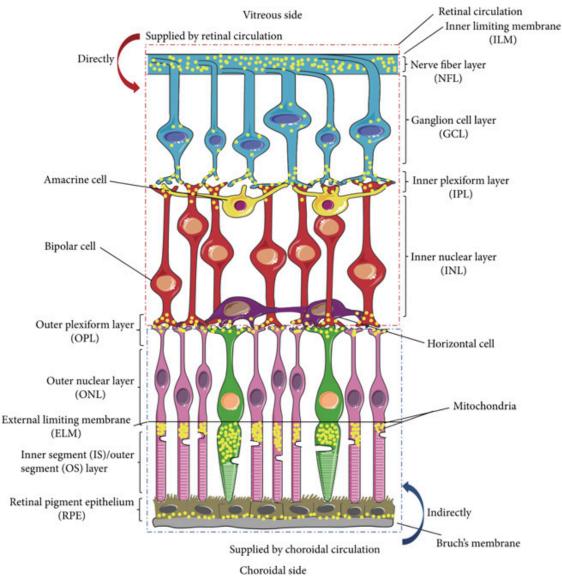
## 7 Blue light damages the retina.



- Blue light damages photoreceptor cells in the retina that could cause permanent vision loss.
- Mechanism appears to be oxidative stress in the mitochondria of cells.
- Similarity to age-related macular degeneration is concerning.

Effects of blue light on the circadian system and eye physiology. G Tosini, et al. *Molecular Vision*. 2016; 22: 61-72.

Mitochondria as potential targets and initiators of the blue light hazard to the retina. JX Tao, et al. *Oxidative Medicine and Cellular Longevity.* 2019; article ID 6435364.



#### 8 Blue light has psychological effects.

 Frequent use of electronic devices appears to be a factor in the increase in mood disorders and negative social behavior among adolescents and young adults.

National trends in the prevalence and treatment of depression in adolescents and young adults. R Mojtabai, et al. *Pediatrics*. 2016; 138(6): e20161878.



# 9 Blue light impairs cognitive performance.

- Blue light exposure has been linked to decreases in cognitive performance, attention, memory and decision-making.
- A study of night computer workers found the use of a blue light filter significantly improved alertness, cognitive performance and sleep quality.

The effects of screen light filtering software on cognitive performance and sleep among night workers. R Kazemi, et al. *Health Promotion Perspectives*. 2019; 9(3): 233-240.



# 10 Blue light accelerates aging.

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- In a study of fruit flies, researchers found adult flies that were exposed to blue light 12 hrs/day showed accelerated aging effects, including brain degeneration.
- In a recent study in Iran, researchers found blue light exposure from electronic devices caused oxidative stress that's been associated with premature aging of the skin.

Daily blue-light exposure shortens lifespan and cause brain neurodegeneration in Drosophila. TR Nash, et al. *npj Aging and Mechanisms of Disease*. 2019; 5(8).

Can light emitted from smartphone screens and taking selfies cause premature aging and wrinkles? N Arjmandi, et al. *Journal of Biomedical Physics & Engineering*. 2018; 8(4): 447-452.



#### **Blue Light Health Effects: Summary**

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- Sleep Disruption (and assoc. health problems)
- Digital Eye Strain
- Dry Eyes
- Retinal Damage
- Mood Disorders & Psychological Effects
- Reduced Cognitive Performance
- Accelerated Aging

How to Save Your Eyes in the Digital Age

The Handbook for Eye Care and Electronics

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(English and Chinese available)





#### **GUIDING RESEARCH** 5 Key Blue Light Research Articles

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#### **5 Key Blue Light Research Articles**



- 1 Light-emitting diodes (LED) for domestic lighting: Any risks for the eye? F. Behar-Cohen et al., *Progress in Retinal and Eye Research 2011*, 30, 239-257
- 2 **Effects of blue light on the circadian system and eye physiology.** G. Tosini et al. *Molecular Vision* 2016; 22, 61-72
- Global rise of potential health hazards caused by blue lightinduced circadian disruption in modern aging societies.
   M. Hatori et al. npj Aging & Mechanisms of Disease 2017, 3:9
- 4 Ocular and visual discomfort associated with smartphones, tablets and computers: what we do and do not know.
  S. Jaiswal, et al., *Clinical and Experimental Optometry*, 2019.0(0)
- 5 **Circadian photoreception: ageing and the eye's important role in systemic health.** PL Turner and MA Mainster. *Br J Ophthalmol.* 2008; 92(11): 1439-44

- LEDs and potential risk of phototoxicity
- Mechanisms of light-induced damages
- Eye physiology of children and adults
- Effects of blue light on the circadian rhythm
- Mechanisms of retinal damage
- Cumulative exposure to blue light and its potential effects
- Blue light and its impact on circadian rhythm
- Health consequences
- Effects of digital displays on eye strain
- Children
- Short-term symptoms when using digital screens
- Crystalline lens transmittance with age
- -> Role of retinal ganglion cells in circadian reception

#### See <u>www.eyesafe.com/research</u>



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#### CALIFORNIA RESOLUTION & MARKET INITIATIVES What it means for manufacturers

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#### California Blue Light Resolution SCR73

- Unanimously passed by California Senate and Assembly designating October 10<sup>th</sup> Blue Light Awareness Day each year
- Resolution was introduced by Senator Richard Pan (a pediatrician), passed unanimously in both the Senate and Assembly, and filed with the CA Secretary of State on September 19, 2019.
- The purpose of the resolution is to encourage all Californians (and their children) to "consider taking protective safety measures in reducing eye exposure to high-energy visible blue light."

# Screen Time and Blue Light Research to Guide Standards

- Research partnership on the health effects of blue light on the eye, visual system and overall health and wellness.
- Purpose of research is to guide development of Eyesafe industry standards
- Areas of study include dry eye and worker productivity impacts, among other topics





#### Health Insurance Provider Blue Light Solutions

- Eyesafe is working with insurance providers to offer benefits for low blue light solutions
- Insurance members and employers receive discounted offerings for solutions
- Eyemed (55M members) will be announcing coverage for Eyesafe solutions this year

#### Payer

Problem: Subject to higher expenses from blue light associated conditions

- Incentivize use of blue light filtration technology
- Preventative care to proactively address blue light emissions

eye





#### Provider

*Problem: High use of digital devices driving needless patient interactions* 

- Order/prescribe blue light filtration technology addressing eye conditions
- Increased patient satisfaction
- Lower cost of treatment

- Advocate eye health
- Provide healthy solutions to consumers





#### **STANDARDS** Eyesafe Standards & Requirements

**PAUL HERRO** Eyesafe COO



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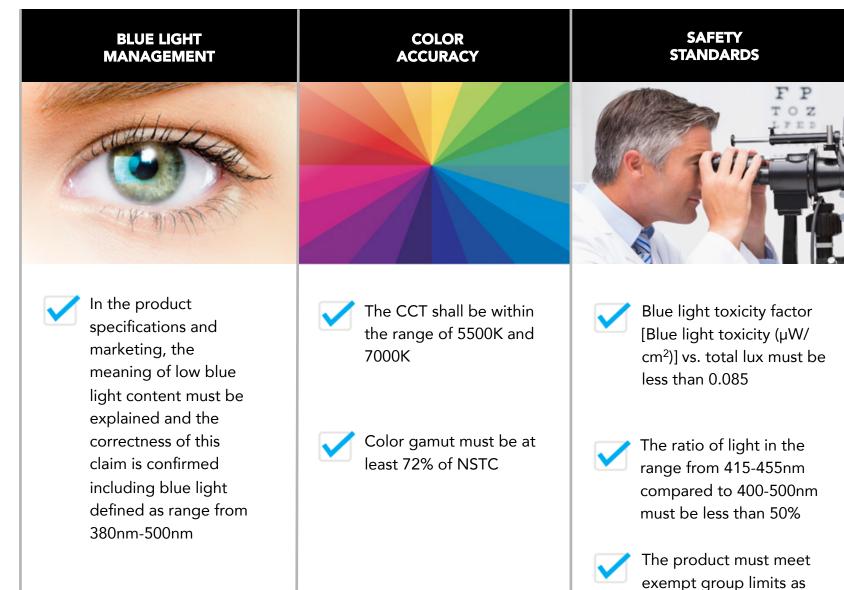


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#### Eyesafe<sup>®</sup> Requirements Evolve to Respond to the Changing State of Clinical Research

- Eyesafe 1.0 was released in May, 2019 to establish baseline requirements for blue light emissions and display performance
- Eyesafe 1.1 was released October, 2019 to update the blue light hazard function
- Eyesafe 2.0 is under development and will include detailed specifications related to display performance

#### **Eyesafe Display Requirements**



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Eyesafe established requirements with leaders in the eye and healthcare community, the latest research and recognizing industry standards.

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THIS PRODUCT MEETS EYESAFE® REQUIREMENTS FOR REDUCED BLUE LIGHT EMISSIONS AND COLOR INTEGRITY

outlined in EN 62471

#### Eyesafe Communicates Device Health and Safety and Reduced Blue Light with High Color Performance

- Eyesafe combines technology and brand licensing and is designed to enable brands to derive maximum value of low blue light displays allowing for:
- Suppliers to incorporate best-in-class technology driven by requirements from globally recognized eye-care professionals
- Brands to take advantage of market leading blue light advocacy, research and education without an individual investment.
- Brands to take advantage of a leading consumer brand and identification for their product
- Brands to differentiate their products as "health first"



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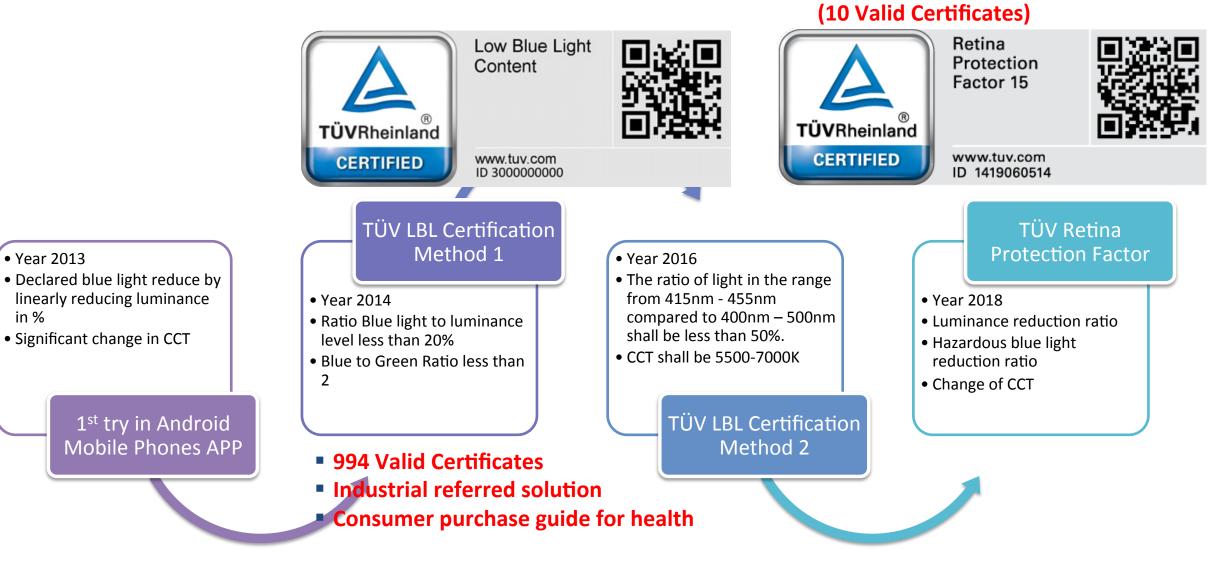
#### **CERTIFICATIONS** TUV Rheinland & Eyesafe Standard Certification Process

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## **Milestone to reduce blue light**

From 1<sup>st</sup> industrial try to TÜV Low Blue Light Certification...

in %



New solution for anti-blue light film

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#### TÜV Rheinland is Now Certifying Eyesafe Display Requirements

- Announcing new industry mark representing health and safety for manufacturers
- Representing efficacy in protection from blue light and color quality
- Identifies achievements of Eyesafe Standard health requirements

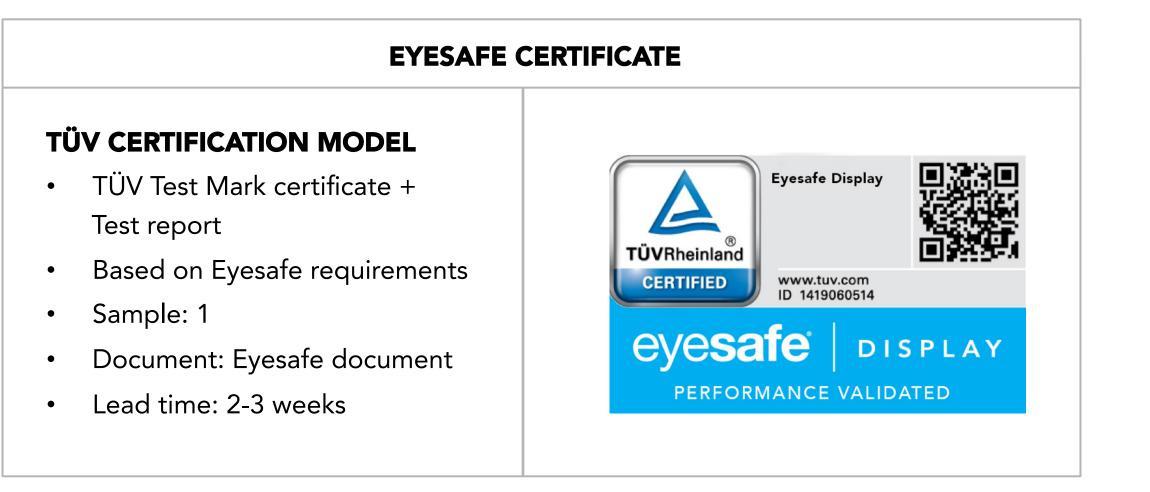




### **Eyesafe Standard Validation Service**



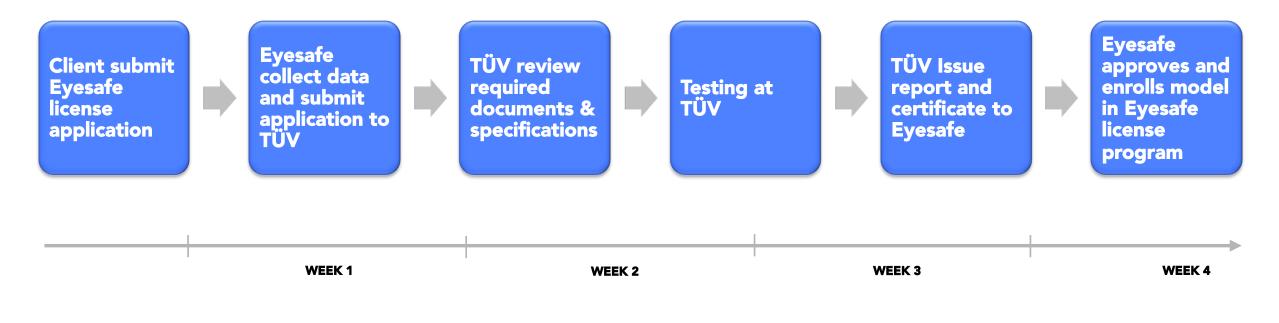
TÜV AK Certificate + test report based on Eyesafe standard



# **Eyesafe Certification by TÜV Rheinland**



 TÜV will receive the panel and validate achievement of requirements to the Eyesafe Standard



NOTE: Requires commercial agreement with Eyesafe and participation in the Eyesafe Program



### **TÜV Certification for Accessory Film—Retina Protection** Factor

Applicable to accessory optical film and display product module that has the function to reduce hazardous blue light.



#### **RPF Classification** Rules:

<b>Classification Requirement</b>	RPF Level	Luminance reduction	Change of CCT
RPF15	15	≤20%	≤250K
RPF20	20	≤20%	≤350K
RPF30	30	≤20%	≤500K

### Meet with TÜV Rheinland and Eyesafe at China International Import Expo November 5<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>



Contact us to arrange a meeting 11/5-11/10





### **SOLUTIONS** Eyesafe Technology & Display Solutions

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#### **OTHER BLUE LIGHT FILTERS**

#### EYESAFE® DISPLAY

Harmful Blue Light Range

Other Blue Light Filters

High Energy Visible Blue Light (HEV)

400 415 435 455 475 500 Wavelength (nm)

Others adjust the blue light by shifting color to warmer hues which impacts color

Harmful Blue Light Range

Eyesafe® Display

High Energy Visible Blue Light (HEV)

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Eyesafe<sup>®</sup> Display redesigns light emission and the color filter for beautiful color with less blue light

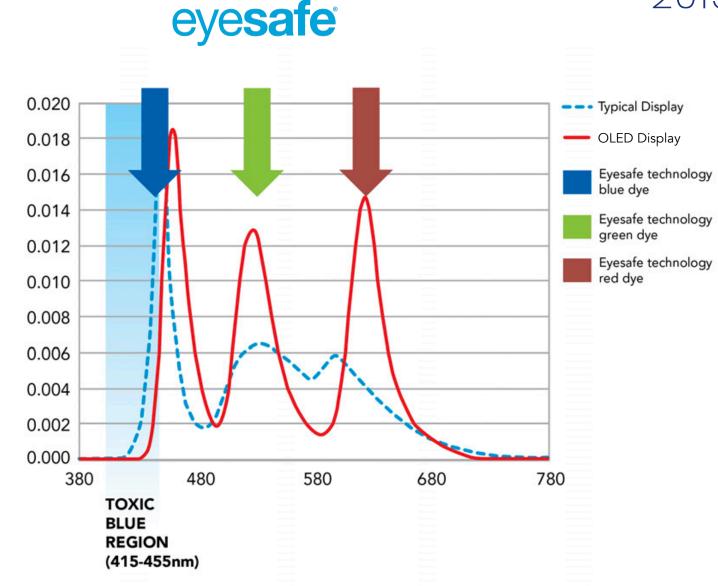
### Eyesafe Surgically Manages Blue Light While Maintaining Color Performance

 Eyesafe dyes provide best-inclass blue light management while maintaining color performance

cd/m<sup>2</sup>

- Targeted filtration focused in the most toxic blue light range
- Achieves Eyesafe® Standard requirements

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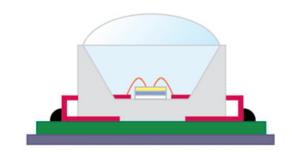
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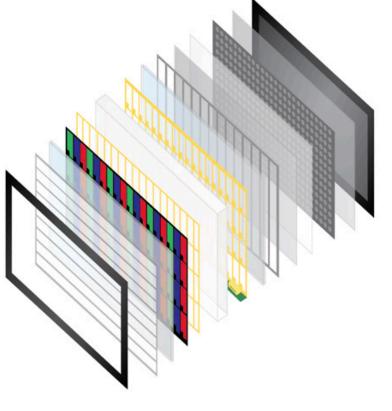


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### **Eyesafe Technical Solutions**















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## **YOUR QUESTIONS**

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## **NEXT STEPS**

- 1 Submit Blue Light Health Issues & Research Questions to Vision Health Advisory Board
- 2 Get the Handbook in English or Chinese from Eyesafe and TÜV Rheinland
- **3** Submit Questions on Standards, Certification and Solutions
- 4 Meet with Eyesafe and TÜV Rheinland at CIIE
- **5** Review materials at Bluelightsummit.com



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