Keep What’s Important In Sight
Take on Diabetic Macular Edema (DME) or Diabetic Retinopathy (DR) in DME. A treatment plan with EYLEA may help.¹

DME and DR in DME

Support just for you!
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Diabetic Retinopathy (DR) is the most common eye disease caused by diabetes, and Diabetic Macular Edema (DME) is a complication of DR. Both are serious conditions that can cause vision problems.

The good news is that you can take important steps to help manage your vision.

Words underlined in bold are described in the Glossary section of this brochure.

Diabetes is the leading cause of new cases of blindness in people 20 to 74 years of age in the United States.

Diabetes can affect vision permanently. If you have diabetes, a dilated eye exam can detect changes in your vision. Don’t wait. Be sure to get a dilated eye exam at least once a year. Also be sure to follow up with your eye doctor on a regular basis.

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**What is DR?**

DR happens when too much blood sugar (glucose) damages the blood vessels in the **retina**—located in the back of the eye. As a result:

- The retina does not get enough blood and nutrients
- Blood vessels can bulge, weaken, and leak blood into the retina

**What is DME?**

DME is a complication of DR. In DME, the **macula** swells with fluid leaked from the damaged blood vessels.
Having DME or DR in DME may change the way you see the world\textsuperscript{2}

At first, you may have no symptoms of DME or DR in DME. When symptoms appear, they may affect your ability to read, write, drive, and recognize faces. And, over time, both conditions may lead to vision loss.

- **Blurriness in the center of vision**\textsuperscript{4,5}
- **Blind spots or patches**\textsuperscript{4,5}

Vision changes shown are examples and may differ from what you may be experiencing. Talk to your eye doctor about any changes to your vision.

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Get the smartphone app, “In My Eyes,” to use with Google Cardboard to see virtual reality symptoms of DME or DR in DME.

Download now at YouCanTakeAction.com.
Monitoring your vision is important

Your eye doctor may use the following tests to diagnose and monitor your condition and check your treatment progress:

- **Visual acuity test**
  Measures how well you see the letters on an eye chart from a distance.

- **Dilated eye exam**
  Your doctor puts drops into your eye to dilate (widen) the pupil. He or she can then see in the back of the eye, including the retina, for signs of problems or changes.

- **Fundus photography**
  A special camera takes photos showing the inside of the back of the eye.

- **Fluorescein angiography**
  Dye is used to show the blood vessels in the back of the eye.

- **Optical coherence tomography**
  An imaging test that shows the layers and thickness of the retina.

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Take action with the Amsler Grid

Because DME or DR in DME can get worse, it is important that you check your vision in between eye appointments. The Amsler Grid is a simple eye test you can do on your own at home every day.

If you see any problem areas while you’re giving yourself the test, mark them on the Amsler Grid. If your vision is getting worse, contact your eye doctor right away!

Amsler Grid Example

Normal Vision

Impaired Vision

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Pronounced: eye-lee-ah

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EYLEA has been studied in more than 3,000 people with certain diseases of the retina.¹

At least 5.2 million doses of EYLEA have been given since coming to market in 2011.⁹

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How EYLEA works

EYLEA is an *anti–vascular endothelial growth factor (anti-VEGF)* treatment that works by blocking VEGF (a type of protein that affects blood vessels). EYLEA blocks VEGF by trapping it between its molecular arms.

People with DME or DR in DME have high amounts of VEGF

- At high levels, VEGF can cause abnormal blood vessels to grow in the eye and leak fluid
- The leaked fluid can damage the macula and lead to vision loss (see diagram on page 3)
- Blocking VEGF helps reduce the fluid leaking into the macula

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On average, people treated with EYLEA in two clinical studies gained about 10 letters on the eye chart at 1 year, which continued through 2 years with treatment.

On average, before treatment in the studies

N C K Z O
R H S D K
D O V H R
C Z R H S
O N H R C
D K S N V

862 people with DME took part in these 2 clinical studies

They received injections of EYLEA (2 mg) once every 8 weeks after 5 initial monthly doses, or once every 4 weeks, or they received laser treatment.

Both studies measured the number of letters on the eye chart people could read before and after treatment with EYLEA at 1 and 2 years.

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These results are from 2 clinical studies; your individual results may vary.

Discuss with your eye doctor if treatment with EYLEA may be right for you.

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In some patients, injections with EYLEA may cause a temporary increase in eye pressure within 1 hour of the injection. Sustained increases in eye pressure have been reported with repeated injections, and your doctor may monitor this after each injection.
On average,
more than a third of people treated with EYLEA in the studies improved their vision by at least 15 letters (or 3 lines) on the eye chart at 1 year.¹

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Results from these clinical studies were seen with an average of 8 to 9 treatments of EYLEA 2 mg dosed every 8 weeks (after 5 initial monthly doses) in the first year and 5 more injections with the same dosing schedule in the second year.\textsuperscript{10,11}

At 2 years, the severity of DR was reduced in some patients with EYLEA, and some patients experienced improvement in DR.\textsuperscript{1}

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It’s important to keep with the treatment schedule as prescribed by your eye doctor

EYLEA is the only FDA-approved treatment for DME and DR in DME with a recommended dose of 2 mg administered by injection in the eye every 2 months (8 weeks) following 5 initial monthly (every 4 weeks) injections.1,12

› EYLEA may be dosed once per month, but in most patients, additional benefit was not seen with this dosing plan1
› Some patients may need monthly (every 4 weeks) dosing after the first 5 months (20 weeks)1

After 5 initial monthly doses, some patients may need only half as many injections of EYLEA. Your eye care team will determine the EYLEA dosing schedule that’s right for you1

Your eye care team will want to see you regularly to check your vision to help you make the most of your treatment with EYLEA.

Work with your eye care team to make sure you can keep your appointments and stay on your recommended treatment schedule.

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Side effects that have occurred with treatment

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  • increased redness in the eye
  • eye pain
  • cataract
  • moving spots in the field of vision
  • increased pressure in the eye
  • vitreous (gel-like substance) detachment

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EYLEA is for prescription use only. For additional safety information, please talk to your doctor and see the full Prescribing Information for EYLEA.

You are encouraged to report negative side effects of prescription drugs to the FDA. Visit www.fda.gov/medwatch, or call 1-800-FDA-1088.
Get the most out of your appointments with your eye care team

Being prepared can help you get the most out of your appointments and your recommended treatment plan with EYLEA. Here are some things you can do before, during, and after your appointments to help.

Before your appointment—preparation is key

Ask your eye doctor’s office how long the appointment might be, and arrange for someone to drive you to and from the appointment. Besides assisting with transportation, your friends and loved ones can be a source of support for you.

Bring to your appointment:

➤ **A list of questions**, so you’ll remember everything you want to ask your eye care team

➤ **A list of all prescription and over-the-counter medicines you take** and when you take them

➤ **Dark glasses.** Your eyes may be sensitive to light afterwards

Get a Discussion Guide with questions to bring to your appointments at [EYLEA.com](http://EYLEA.com).

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During your appointment—know what to expect

Your eye doctor will

➤ Discuss the procedure with you
➤ Examine, wash, and numb your eye
➤ Check your eye pressure after the injection

After your appointment—take it easy

➤ You may have some temporary visual problems. Do not drive or operate heavy machinery
➤ You may have a temporary increase in eye pressure. Your doctor should check for this
➤ Your eyes may be sensitive to light. Wear dark glasses
➤ You may experience side effects. Contact your eye doctor right away

Are you a caregiver?
For tips on helping support loved ones with retinal disease, visit EYLEA.com.
Tips on your treatment with EYLEA

You’ll want to do everything you can to get the most out of your treatment

Stick to your scheduled appointments. If you must miss an appointment, reschedule it as soon as possible.

Follow all of your eye care team’s instructions. Your eye doctor is your primary source for information and treatment recommendations.

Download an Amsler Grid at EYLEA.com to routinely check your vision at home. If you notice changes in your vision, call your eye doctor right away—don’t wait for your next office visit.

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Go beyond treatment
Managing your overall health is also important in caring for your vision.\(^2,6\)

➢ **Control blood sugar and blood pressure** through diet, exercise, and (in some cases) medication\(^2,6\)

➢ **Don’t smoke**\(^6\)

**Support**
EYLEA4U® is a comprehensive support program with several resources available to help eligible patients, including financial assistance with the cost of EYLEA.
Call EYLEA4U at **1-855-EYLEA4U** (1-855-395-3248), Option 4, 9 AM to 8 PM Eastern Time.

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Tips to help with low vision

Just a few changes may make a big difference in your daily routine

Control light, contrast, and glare\textsuperscript{13,14}

- Keep rooms evenly lit, use adjustable lamps for direct light, and use nightlights
- Use contrasting colors around the house—for example, paint doorframes and railings a different color from walls

Take charge of your kitchen\textsuperscript{13,14}

- Organize items on shelves in cabinets and in the refrigerator
- Mark appliance dials with brightly colored stickers

Manage your medicines\textsuperscript{13,14}

- Mark pill bottles with differently colored rubber bands or Velcro to tell them apart
- Use large-print pill boxes

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Ask your eye care team for additional tips to help with low vision in your everyday life.

**Improve your view**
- Read with a magnifying glass
- Read large-print materials
- Enlarge the type size on your computer, and maximize contrast settings

**Stay organized**
- Keep commonly used items in the same easy-to-reach places
- Remove clutter, cords, and throw rugs

**When you are out and about**
- Carry a magnifying device and a penlight or small flashlight
- Wear sunglasses to reduce glare
- Talk to your eye doctor about driving
Resources for DME and DR in DME

The following organizations offer information on living with DME or DR in DME:

- **American Association of Diabetes Educators**
  Dedicated to promoting healthy living through self-management of diabetes and related chronic conditions.
  [www.diabeteseducator.org](http://www.diabeteseducator.org) | 1-800-338-3633

- **American Diabetes Association**
  Funds research to prevent, cure, and manage diabetes, and delivers services to hundreds of communities.
  [www.diabetes.org](http://www.diabetes.org) | 1-800-342-2383

- **National Eye Institute: Diabetic Eye Disease**
  Dedicated to vision research that saves sight and reduces visual impairment and blindness.

- **National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases**
  Provides information and resources to increase knowledge and understanding of diabetes.
  [www.niddk.nih.gov/health-information/diabetes](http://www.niddk.nih.gov/health-information/diabetes) | 1-301-496-3583

Visit [YouCanTakeAction.com](http://YouCanTakeAction.com) for more resources.

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Prevent Blindness
Leading consumer advocate for eye health and safety with the mission of preserving sight.
www.preventblindness.org | 1-800-331-2020

VisionAware
Helps adults who are losing their sight by providing information, daily living techniques, a directory of services, and a supportive online community.
www.visionaware.org

Need a ride? Rides in Sight can help
Sometimes getting to and from your eye care appointments can be difficult. Regeneron Pharmaceuticals supports Rides in Sight,* a transportation-referral service.

Learn more by calling 1-855-607-4337 or visiting www.ridesinsight.org.

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Support Specialists—
Your live link to EYLEA4U®

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Getting support

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Glossary

› **Amsler Grid:** A simple vision test that looks like graph paper with a dot in the middle. May be used at home as a tool to monitor vision between eye care appointments.

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› **Eye chart:** A chart for measuring visual acuity (how well a person sees) that has rows of letters that get smaller from top to bottom. A person reads the smallest letters seen. The more letters seen, the better the vision.

› **Fluorescein angiography:** A test in which dye is used to show the blood vessels in the back of the eye.

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› Fundus photography: A test in which a special camera takes photos showing the inside of the back of the eye.

› Macula: The part of the retina responsible for sharp central vision.

› Optical coherence tomography: A test that shows the layers and thickness of the retina.

› Pupil: The opening that controls the amount of light entering the eye.

› Retina: The light-sensitive tissue at the back of the eye.

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