



If you're living with dry AMD, there's **more to see**

Your dry AMD could progress into geographic atrophy.
Learn how you can get ahead of it

Geographic atrophy (GA) is an advanced form of dry AMD that causes **irreversible vision loss**

GA can start to develop with subtle symptoms, or even no symptoms at all

With GA, retina cells die. By the time vision loss becomes noticeable, GA may have already spread throughout the eye. The most common signs and symptoms of GA are:



Washed-out colors



Difficulty seeing in **low light** or at night



Straight lines that look **wavy or crooked**



Blurriness or blank spots in the field of vision



A loss of **central vision**, the straight-ahead vision used to complete everyday tasks

1.5 million people across the US are living with GA, but only 1 out of 4 individuals have been diagnosed.

From time of diagnosis, it can take about 2.5 years* for GA to spread to the center of the eye

When GA reaches the center of the eye, it can lead to a significant loss of central vision and, eventually, legal blindness

As GA progresses, some challenges can interfere with lifestyle and independence. These include:



Difficulty **driving**



Struggles **reading**

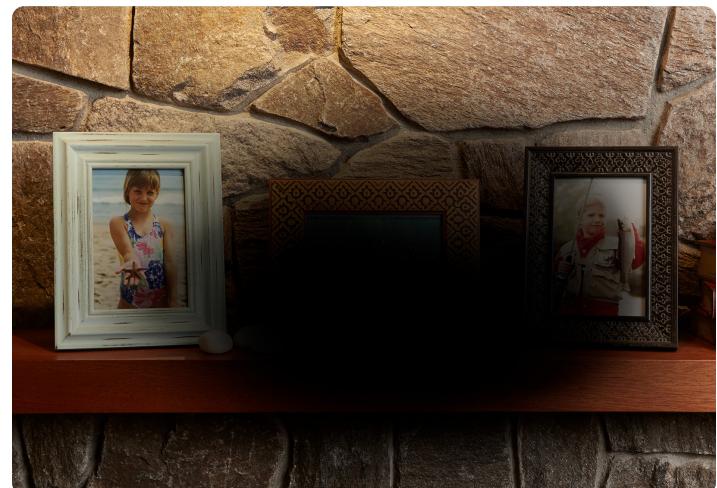


Hard time **recognizing faces**

See how GA can progress over time:



Diagnosis



2.5 years later

*Average time since diagnosis of GA. Speed of progression is different for every person.

Slowing vision loss is the top priority in managing GA

Because once your vision is gone, it's gone

Talk to your doctor about how you can monitor your vision and get ahead of GA.

Consider asking your doctor:

- What are the risk factors for developing GA?
- Have you seen any signs of GA when examining my eyes? What stage am I at?
- How can we continue to monitor my vision to see if my dry AMD is progressing to GA?
- Is there anything I can do to slow the progression of GA?



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