

23andMe IDs multiple genetic factors implicated in nearsightedness

The following is an excerpt.

In the largest ever genome-wide association study on myopia, 23andMe, the leading personal genetics company, identified 20 new genetic associations for myopia, or nearsightedness. The company also replicated two known associations in the study, which was specific to individuals of European ancestry. The study included an analysis of genetic data and survey responses from more than 50,000 23andMe customers and demonstrates that the genetic basis of myopia is complex and affected by multiple genes.

Read the full press release here: [23andMe identifies multiple genetic factors impacting development of nearsightedness](#)