# Technology Tuesday

## Description

Have you lusted, for a very long time for a fully functional â€œheads up displayâ€• (HUD) thatâ€™s no muss, no fuss to wear? No annoying glasses style rigs, no wires dangling around your neckâ€¦.

Well, in a â€œlife imitates artâ€• moment, someone has done your bidding.



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From the Telegraph in the UK:

> Contact lenses with Terminator vision
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> By Richard Gray, Science Correspondent
> Last Updated: 12:01am GMT 27/01/2008
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> An electronic contact lens has been developed that will enable maps and videos to be beamed before the wearerâ€™s eyes.
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> The bionic lens has microscopic circuits fixed to a flexible plastic. The scientists who created the device say the lenses could eventually provide computer-aided vision similar to that of Arnold Schwarzeneggerâ€™s robotic character in the Terminator films.
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> Drivers and pilots would have essential information â€“ their speed and direction, for example â€“ superimposed in front of their eyes, in a massive advance on the kind of â€œwearable displaysâ€• now available, which are spectacles that have images displayed on the lenses.
> [â€¦]

Now, just because this was in an English paper, doesnâ€™t mean it wasnâ€™t homegrown. Babak Parviz, an electrical engineer at the University of Washington is the man with the plan.

And if just data displays arenâ€™t good enough for you, he is working on advanced versions already:

[â€¦]
Mr Parviz plans more sophisticated components to show detailed pictures, and it is possible to include a zoom function. The lenses have been tried on animals but there will be tough safety tests before the technology is developed for people.
[â€¦]

Sign me up for the testing! I wonderâ€¦do they also correct for astigmatism? Probably for an extra costâ€¦

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