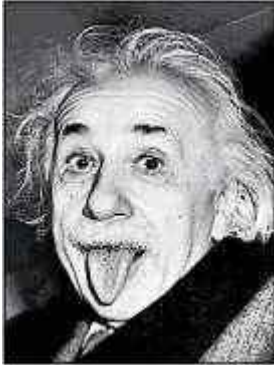




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Albert Einstein: high brows are out?

The low brows have it

HIGH brows are out. Low brows are in.

That's no reflection on intellect, just the verdict of fashion-conscious young Germans.

A survey on plastic surgery has found a shift in brow trends, with arches that sit high and peak in the middle out of favour.

Instead, those that curve lower over the eye and peak one-third from the outside are deemed more attractive.

Researchers at the University of Regensburg and Johns

Hopkins University in the US found people up to 29 judged arched eyebrows to be unattractive. They wrote in *Aesthetic Plastic Surgery*: "The eyebrows are frequently placed too high . . . leaving the patients with an unnatural astonished expression."

But Sydney-based plastic surgeon Dr Steve Merten said the definition of an attractive eyebrow had always been low-lying with the peak on the outside.

Brow lift operations cost \$6000-\$10,000.