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Open to all Optometrists? ☒ Yes ☐ No

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☒ Detailed Course Summary

☒ Detailed Course Outline

☒ PowerPoint and/or other Presentation Materials

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☒ CV for EACH Course Instructor

☒ License Verification for Each Course Instructor

Disciplinary History? ☐ Yes ☒ No



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\$50 Mandatory Fee

Pursuant to California Code of Regulations (CCR) § 1536, the Board will approve continuing education (CE) courses after receiving the applicable fee, the requested information below and it has been determined that the course meets criteria specified in CCR § 1536(g).

In addition to the information requested below, please attach a copy of the course schedule, a detailed course outline and presentation materials (e.g., PowerPoint presentation). Applications must be submitted 45 days prior to the course presentation date.

Please type or print clearly.

Course Title OCT & Findings in Retinal Degenerations/Uve	Course Presentation Date 02/13/2017
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Course Provider Contact Information

Provider Name Lina Poyzner (First) (Last) (Middle)	
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Provider Email Address lina.poyzner@med.usc.edu	
Will the proposed course be open to all California licensed optometrists?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
Do you agree to maintain and furnish to the Board and/or attending licensee such records of course content and attendance as the Board requires, for a period of at least three years from the date of course presentation?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO

Course Instructor Information

Please provide the information below and attach the curriculum vitae for each instructor or lecturer involved in the course. If there are more instructors in the course, please provide the requested information on a separate sheet of paper.

Instructor Name Damien Rodger C (First) (Last) (Middle)		
License Number 114719	License Type MD	
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Signature of Course Provider

02/01/2017

Date

OCT and Important (and Sometimes Subtle) OCT Findings in Retinal Degenerations and Uveitis by

Damien Rodger, MD, PhD

Summary

This course is designed to review the mechanics and science behind OCT technology, and focus on the best, most fool proof way to read an OCT, systematically assessing all the retinal layers from top to bottom. The changes in optical coherence tomography images in cases of retinal degeneration and uveitis will then be discussed, focusing on 1. Ellipsoid zone disruption in autoimmune retinopathy/Cancer associated retinopathy, 2. Photoreceptor disruption in vitamin A deficiency, 3. Outer segment tip disruption in plaquenil toxicity and retinitis pigmentosa, 4. Cystoid macular edema and its implications in uveitic syndromes (e.g. Birdshot chorioretinopathy), 5. Subretinal fluid and intraretinal fluid in macular star/B. Henselae. We will then talk briefly about new OCT technology known as OCT-Angiography (OCTA). Suggestions for optometry referrals to general ophthalmologists and retinal surgeons will then be discussed, with time for optometry specific questions to be answered.

Optometric Course Outline

Important (and sometimes subtle) OCT Findings in Retinal Degenerations and Uveitis

February 13, 2017 7pm – 8pm

Sponsoring Organization

USC Roski Eye Institute Keck School of Medicine USC, Los Angeles, CA

Course Faculty

Damien Rodger MD, PhD, Assistant Professor of Clinical Ophthalmology (Vitreoretinal Surgery and Uveitis)

Program Overview

This course is designed to outline the changes in optical coherence tomography visible in cases of retinal degeneration and uveitis and discuss the implications of these findings

Target Audience

This course is designed for practicing optometrists

Educational Objectives

Upon completion of this course optometrists should be able to:

- Use OCT to identify disease in retinal degeneration and uveitis
- Identify patients who would benefit the most from treatment
- Hone OCT reading skills in unusual cases of vision loss

Course Outline

- I. Ellipsoid zone disruption in autoimmune retinopathy/Cancer associated retinopathy
 - a. Overview of findings
 - b. Importance of detection for treatment
- II. Photoreceptor disruption in vitamin A deficiency
 - a. Discussion of clinical problem and difficulty in diagnosis
 - b. Other associated symptoms
- III. Outer segment tip disruption in plaquenil toxicity
 - a. Overview of findings
 - b. Significance in detection of disease
 - c. Implications for altering treatment
- IV. Cystoid macular edema and its implications in uveitic syndromes (e.g. Birdshot chorioretinopathy)
 - a. Overview of findings
 - b. Implications for treatment
 - c. Treatment options
- V. Subretinal fluid and intraretinal fluid in macular star/B. Henselae
 - a. Overview of findings
 - b. Treatment options
- VI. Potpourri of optom selected cases

OCT and Important (and sometimes subtle) OCT Findings in Retinal Degenerations and Uveitis

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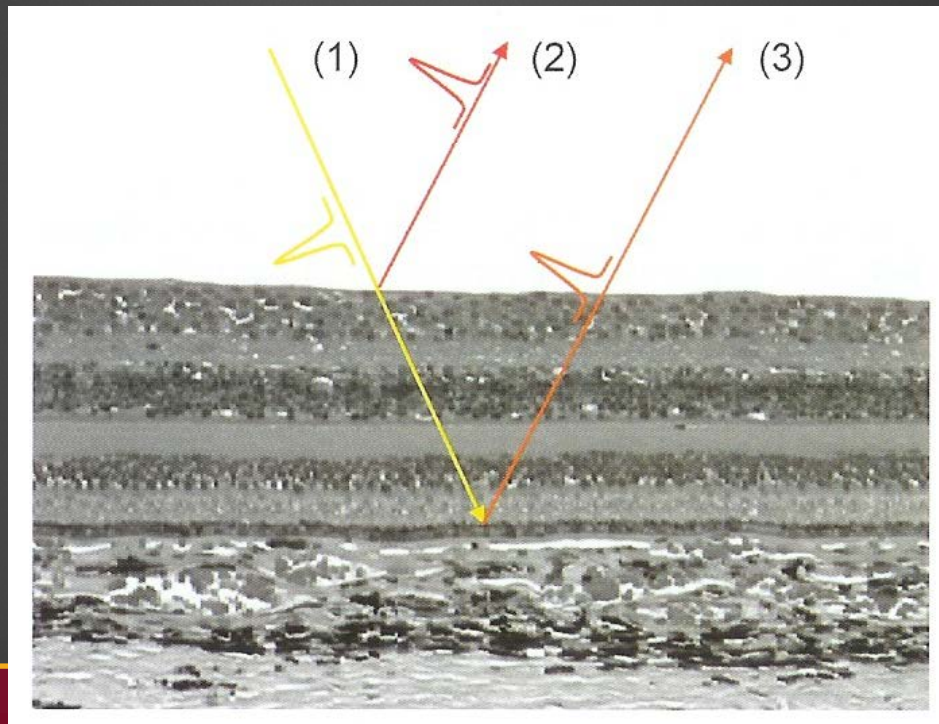
Outline

- ▶ OCT technology background
- ▶ Retinal anatomy as seen on various OCT systems
- ▶ OCT findings by depth
 - ▶ Vitreous & vitreoretinal interface
 - ▶ Intraretinal
 - ▶ Subretinal
 - ▶ Retinal pigment epithelium
- ▶ Interesting cases

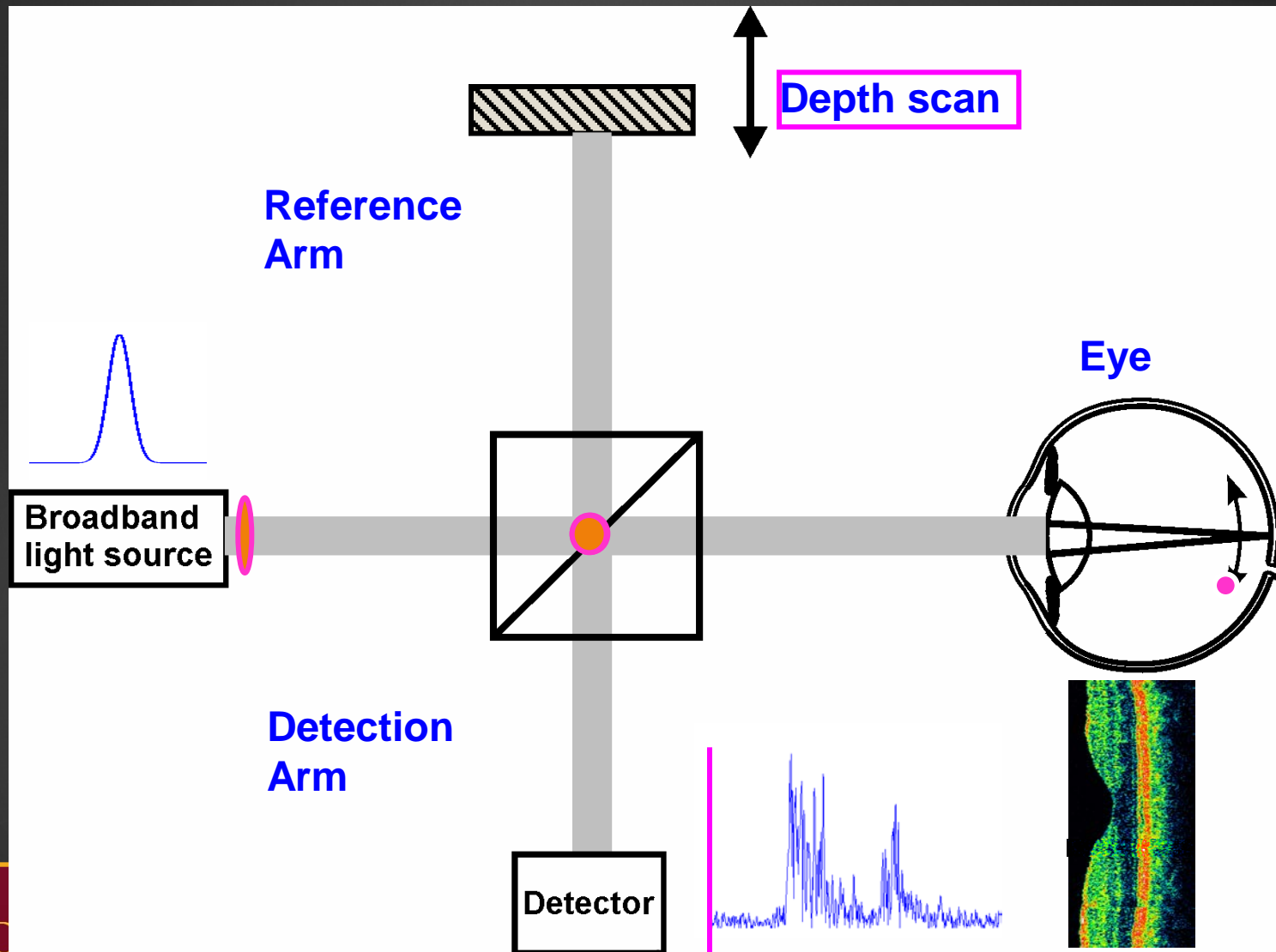


Optical Coherence Tomography (OCT)

- First reported in 1991 by Huang



Mechanics of Time Domain OCT

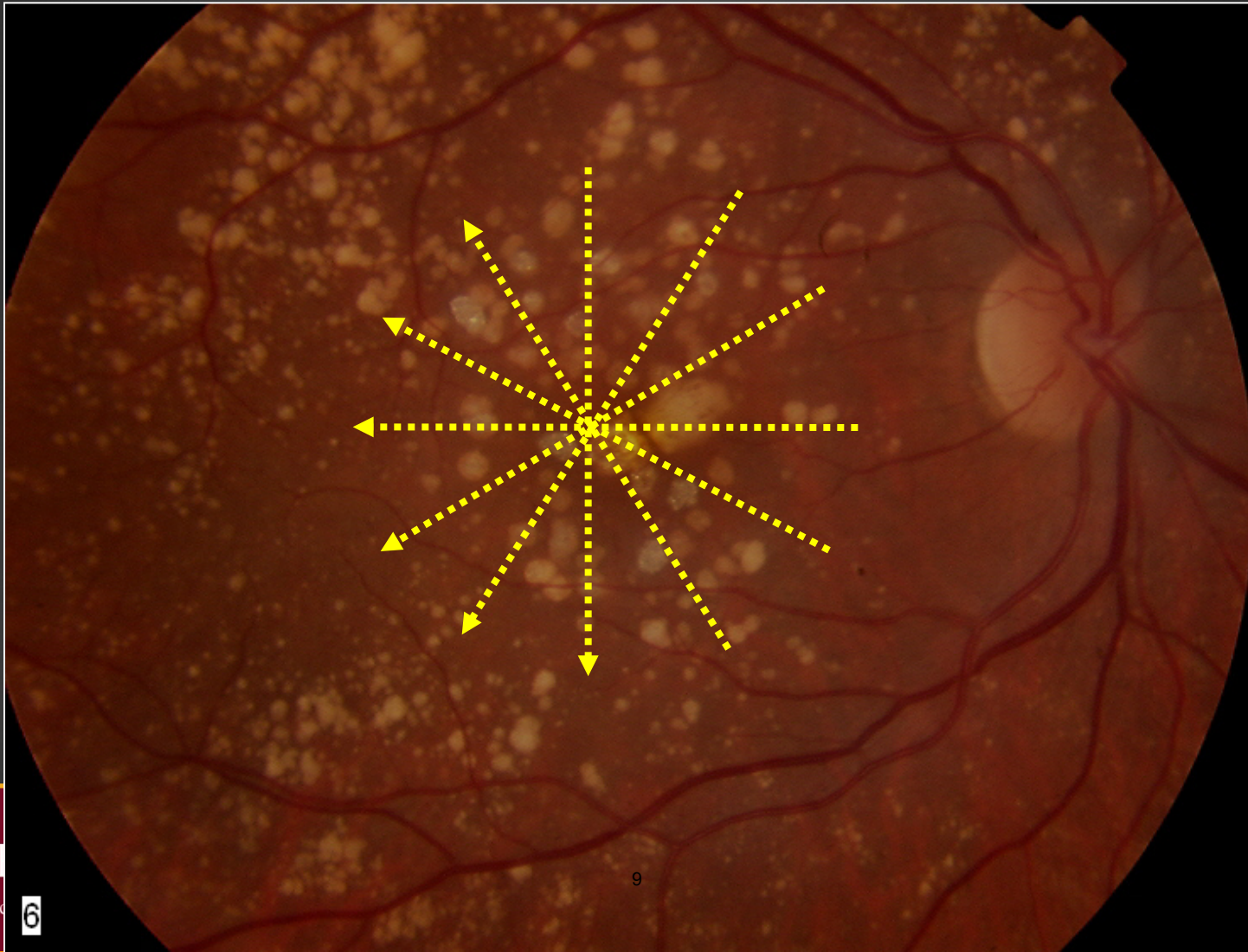


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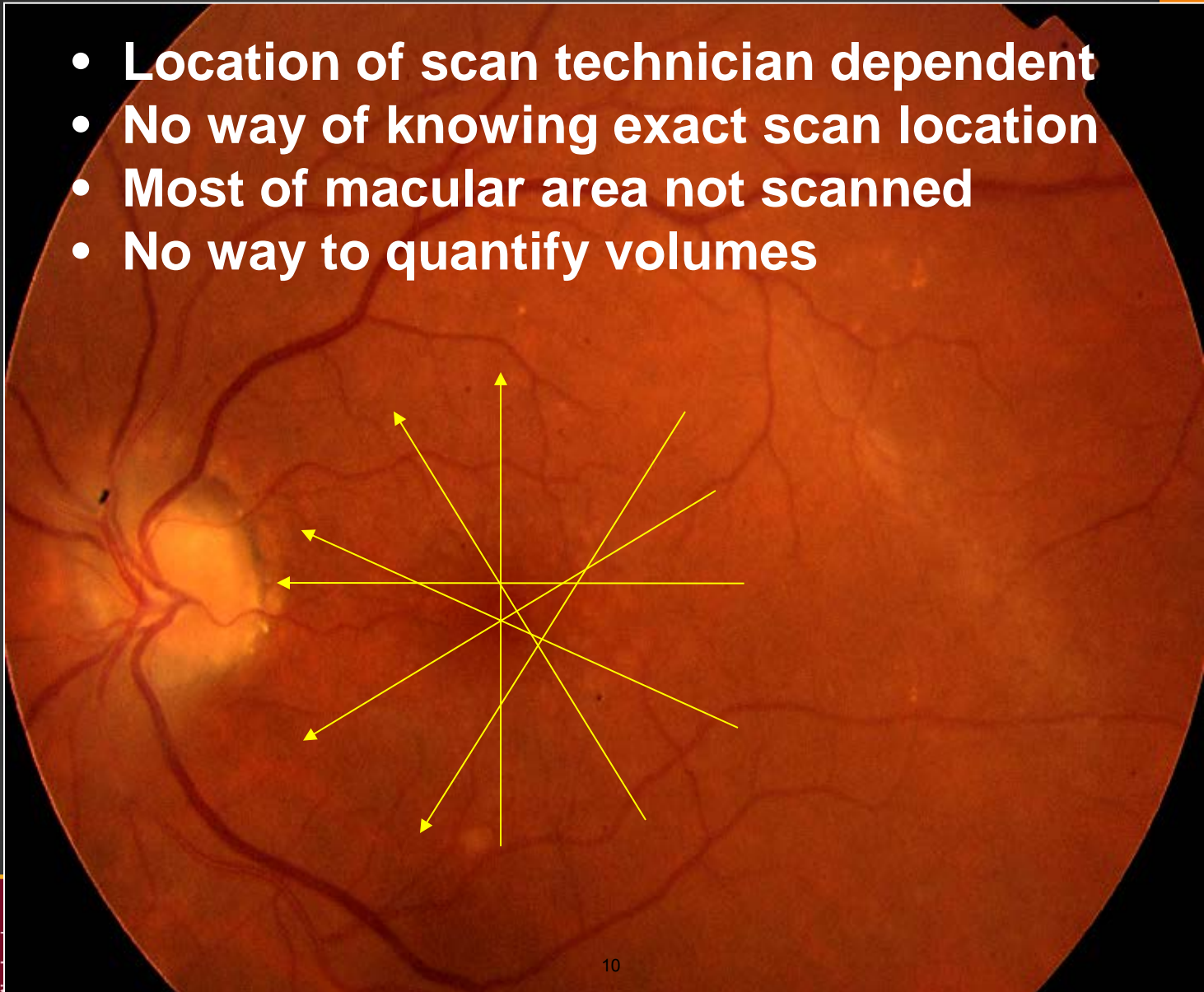
Stratus OCT Macular Scanning Strategy

6 diagonal scans centered on fovea

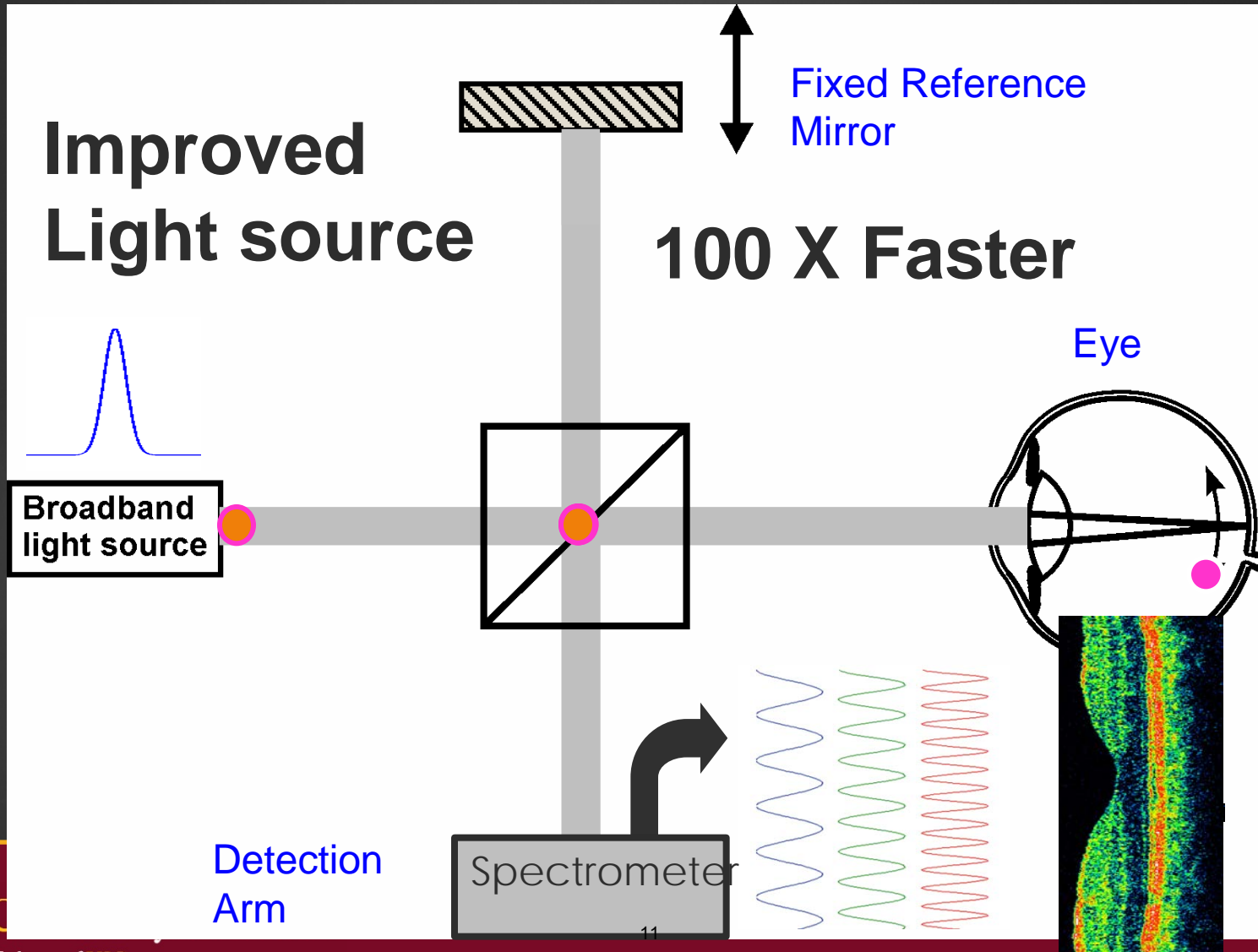


Limitations of Stratus OCT

- Location of scan technician dependent
- No way of knowing exact scan location
- Most of macular area not scanned
- No way to quantify volumes

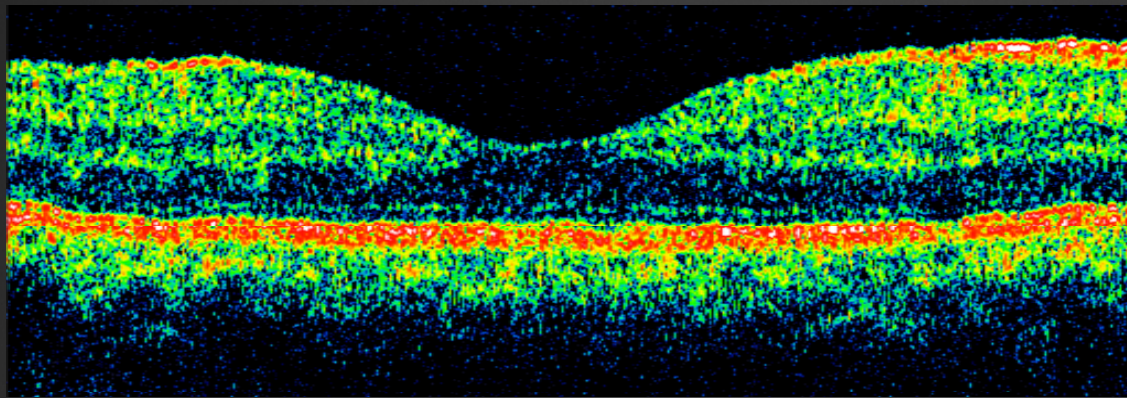


Spectral Domain OCT Mechanic



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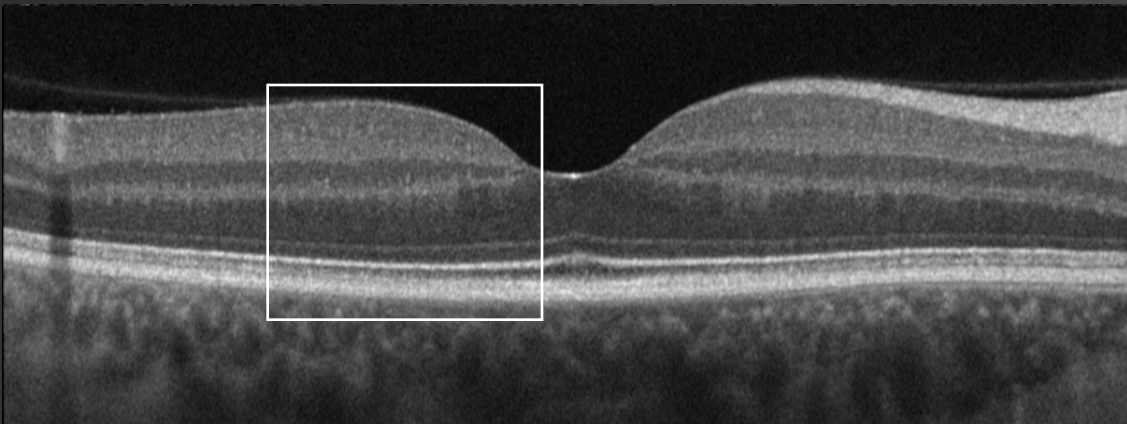
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Zeiss Stratus (OCT 3)

(10 μ m axial resolution)

Time Domain

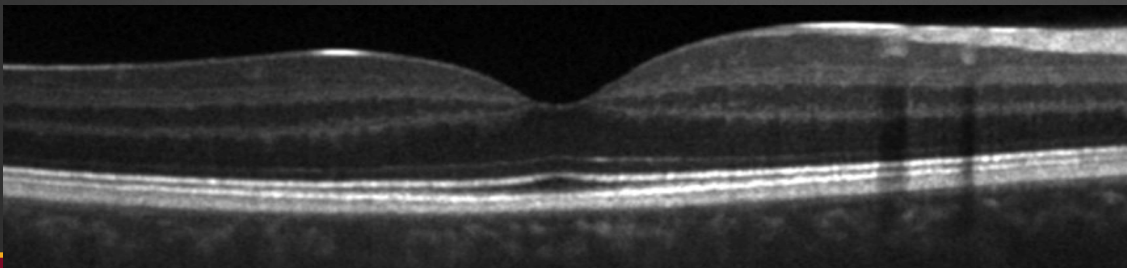


Zeiss Cirrus

(5 μ m axial resolution)

Spectral Domain

Frame Averaged



Heidelberg Spectralis

(4 μ m axial resolution*)

Spectral Domain

Frame-Averaged



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Normative Values

	Spectralis	Cirrus	Stratus
Central subfield	270.2 + 22.5	220.5 – 294.8	168 - 239
Superior inner macula	336.0 + 20.6	295.2 – 344.6	243 - 296
Nasal inner macula	335.0 + 19.3	296.9 – 347.7	240 - 297
Inferior inner macula	334.9 + 16.7	292.4 – 342.3	246 - 297
Temporal inner macula	322.6 + 16.5	285.1 – 333.0	240 - 294
Superior outer macula	329.6 + 16.4	254.1 – 293.8	207 - 256
Nasal outer macula	339.5 + 16.9	263.8 – 312.5	198 - 274
Inferior outer macula	325.4 + 16.6	245.7 – 286.4	207 - 256
Temporal outer	320.1 + 15.4	239.3 – 278.6	199 - 276

Reading the OCT

► Zeiss Stratus

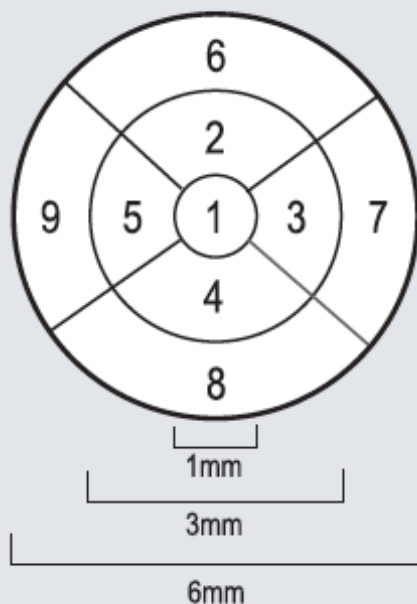


Fig. 1 AREDS grid used for reporting retinal thickness in both Cirrus and Stratus OCT systems.



Signal Strength

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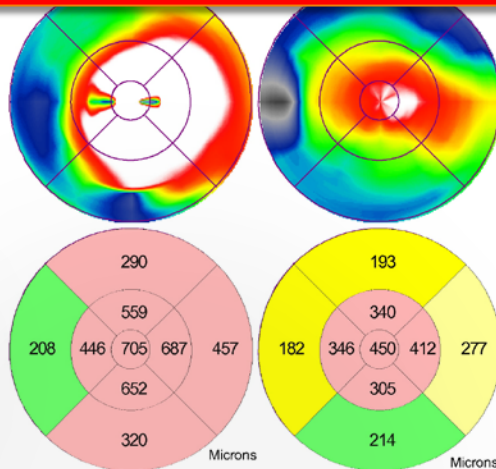
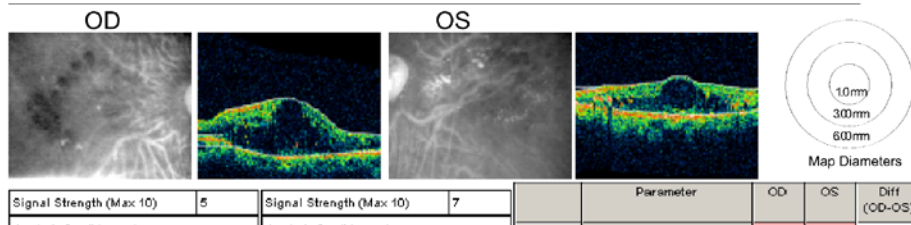
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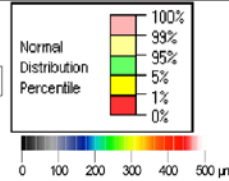
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- ▶ 10 (strong)
- ▶ Analysis algorithm may fail if signal strength is less than 5





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Average Retinal Thickness (microns)	Temporal inner macula	446	412	34
	Superior inner macula	559	340	219
	Nasal inner macula	687	346	341
	Inferior inner macula	652	305	347
	Temporal outer macula	208	277	-69
	Superior outer macula	290	193	97
	Nasal outer macula	457	102	275
	Inferior outer macula	320	214	106
	Superior/Inferior outer	0.906	0.902	0.004
	Temporal/Nasal inner	0.649	1.191	-0.542
Volume (cubic mm)	Temporal/Nasal outer	0.465	1.522	-1.067
	Fovea	0.554	0.353	0.201
	Temporal inner macula	0.702	0.647	0.055
	Superior inner macula	0.070	0.534	0.344
	Nasal inner macula	1.08	0.544	0.536
	Inferior inner macula	1.025	0.479	0.546
	Temporal outer macula	1.105	1.473	-0.368
	Superior outer macula	1.541	1.027	0.514
	Nasal outer macula	2.423	0.965	1.458
	Inferior outer macula	1.701	1.134	0.567
	Total macula volume	11.013	7.100	3.953



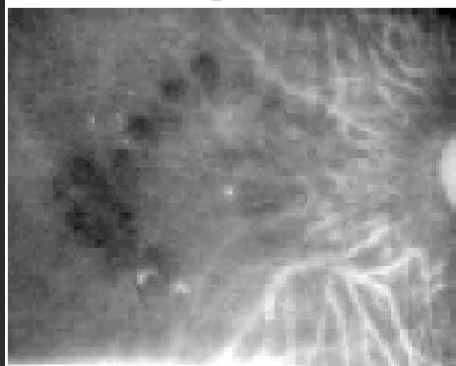
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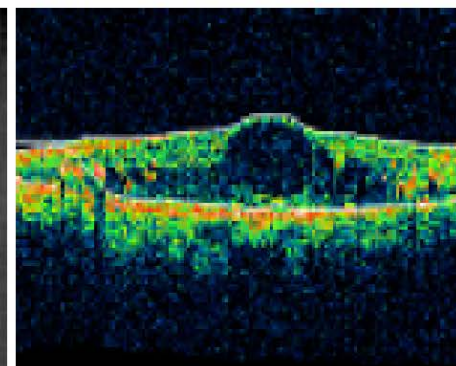
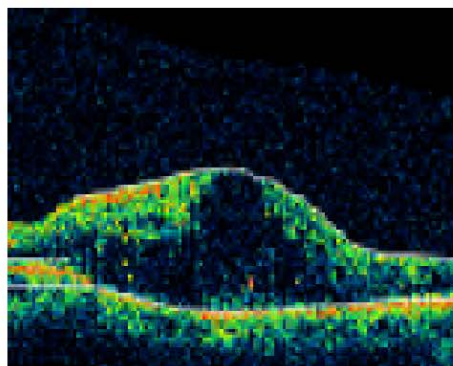
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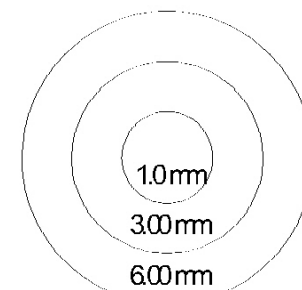
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Map Diameters



STRATUS OCT
Retinal Thickness Tabular Output Report - 4.0.1 (0056)



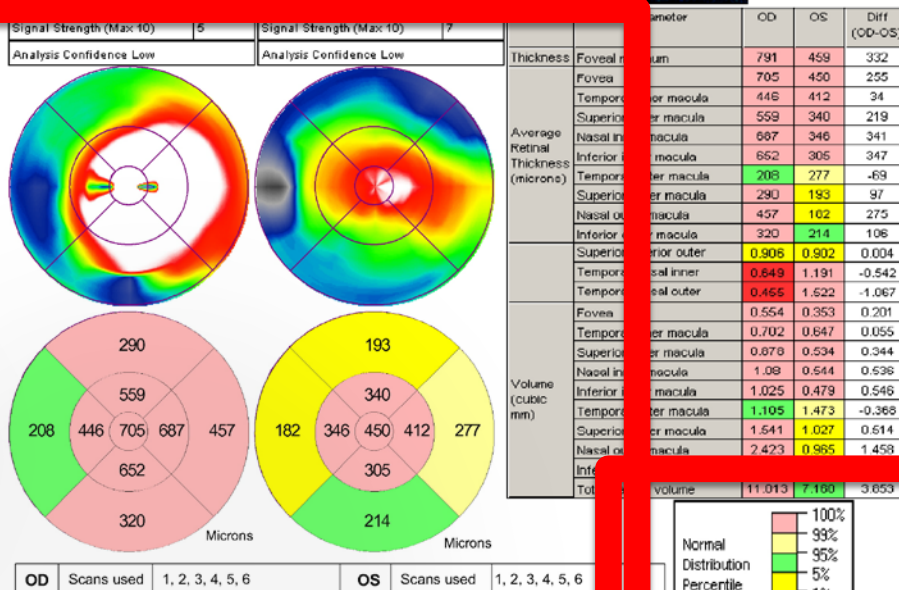
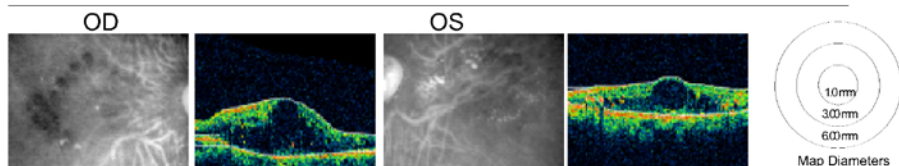
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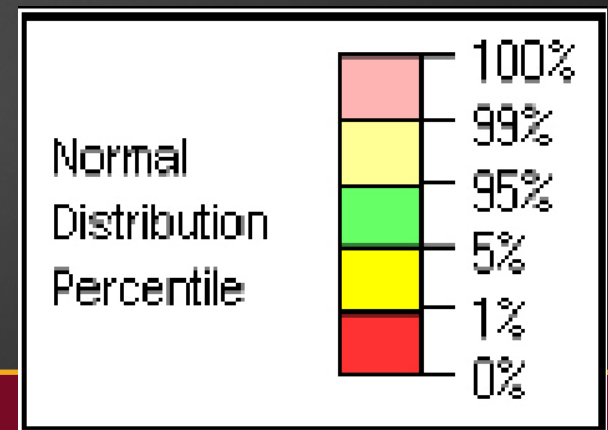
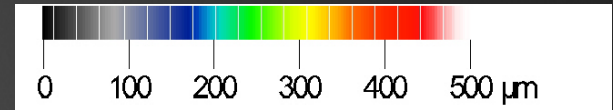
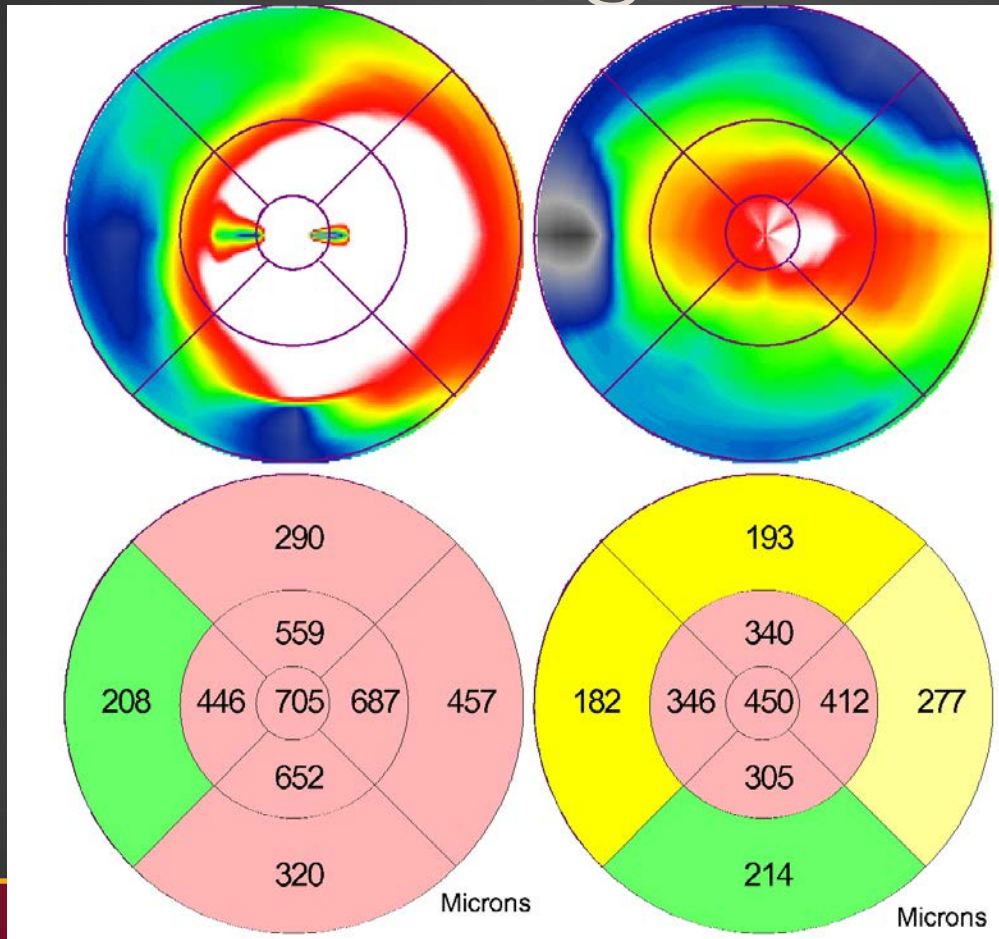
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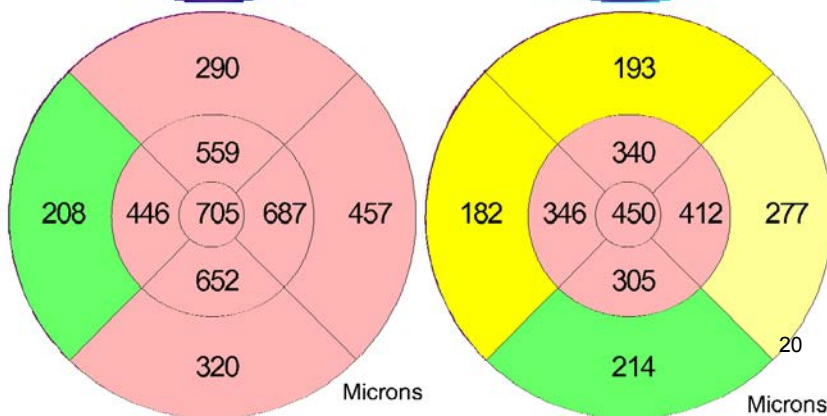
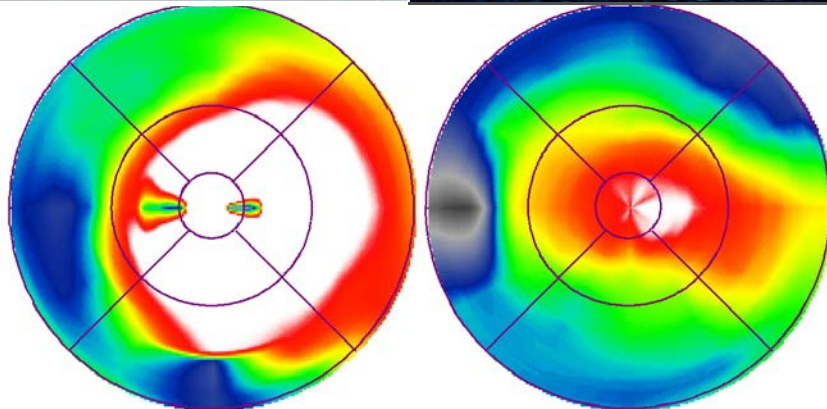
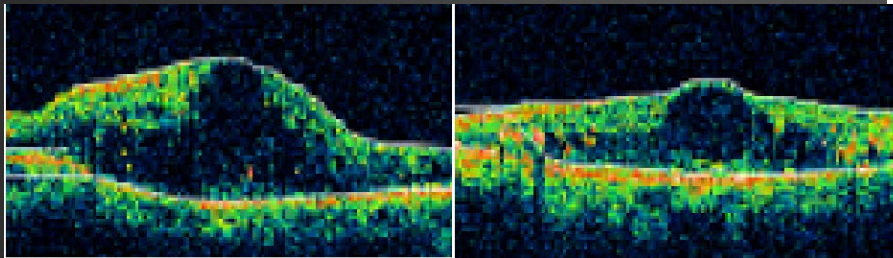


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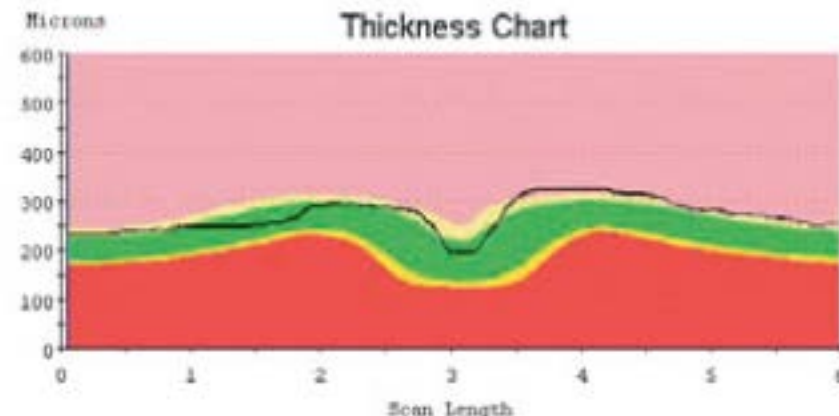
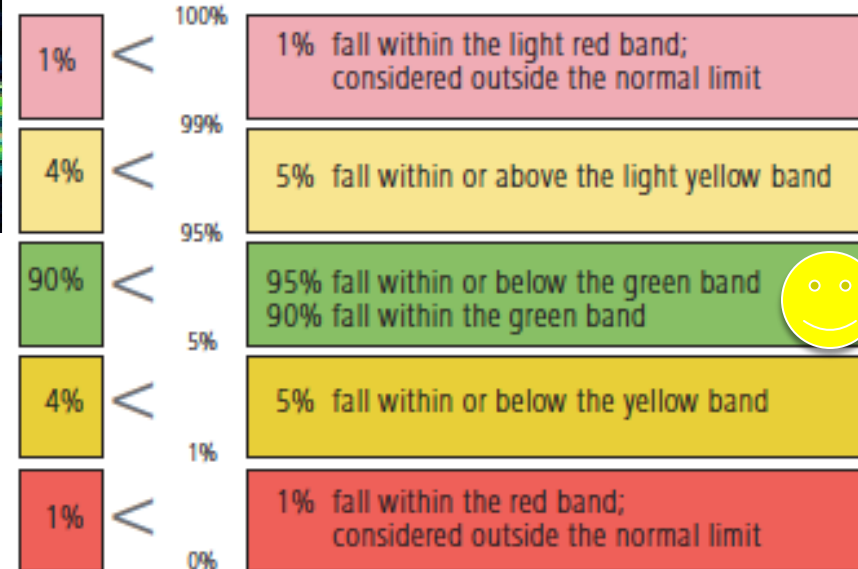
Sector Averages



Normative Data



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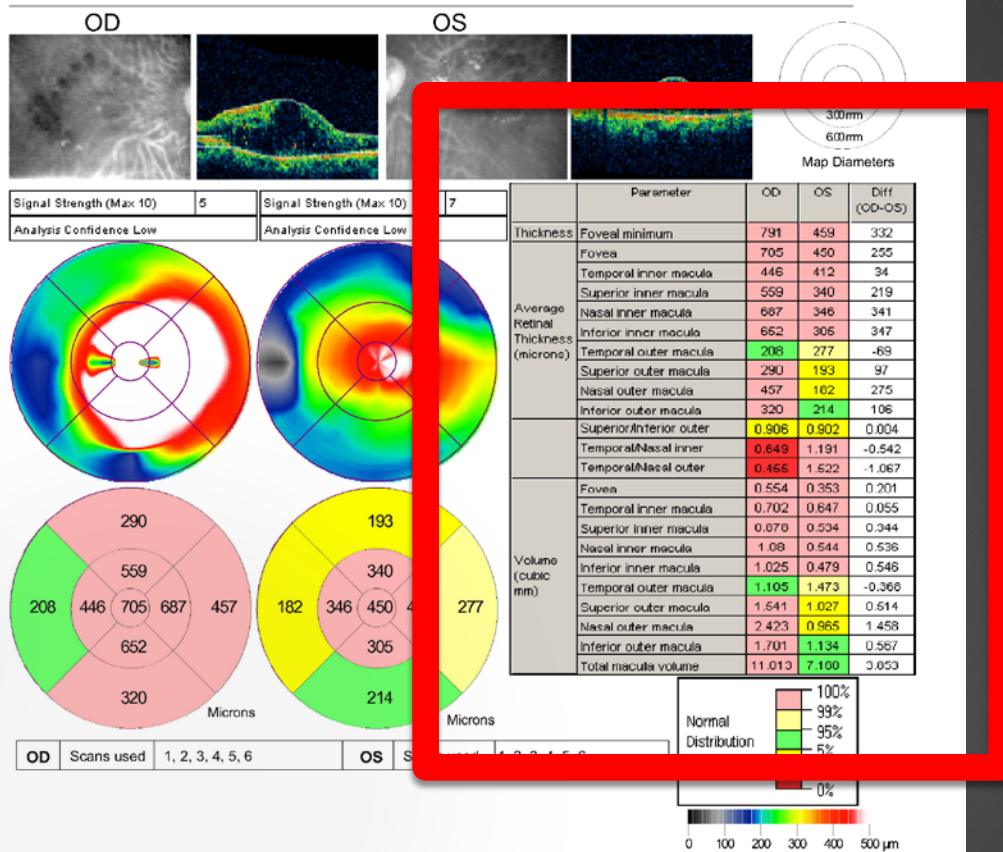
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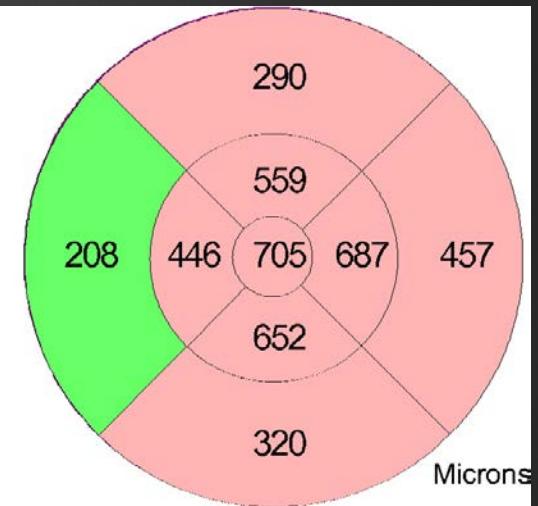
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Subfield Measurements

Sector averages

	Parameter	OD	OS	Diff (OD-OS)
Thickness	Foveal minimum	791	459	332
Average Retinal Thickness (microns)	Fovea	705	450	255
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Reading the OCT

► Zeiss Cirrus

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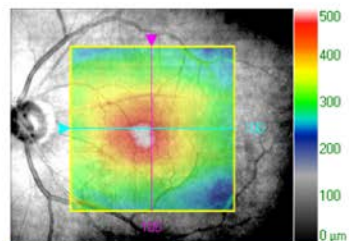
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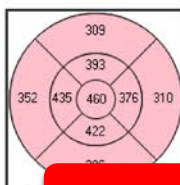
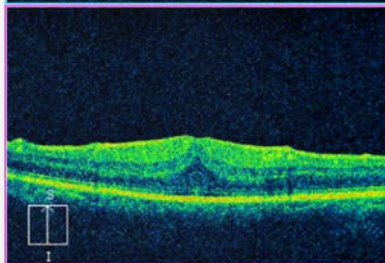
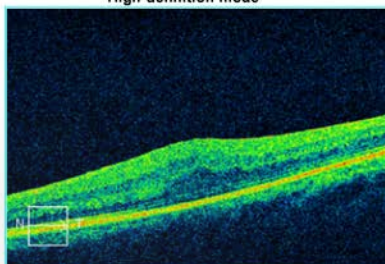
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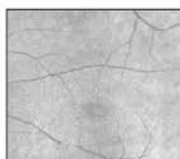


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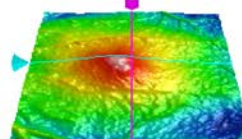
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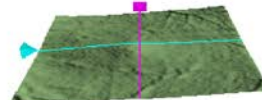
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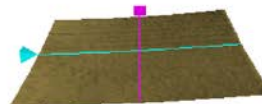
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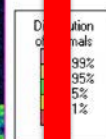
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ILM



RPE



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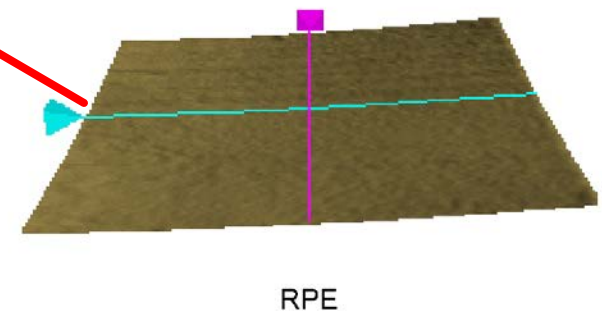
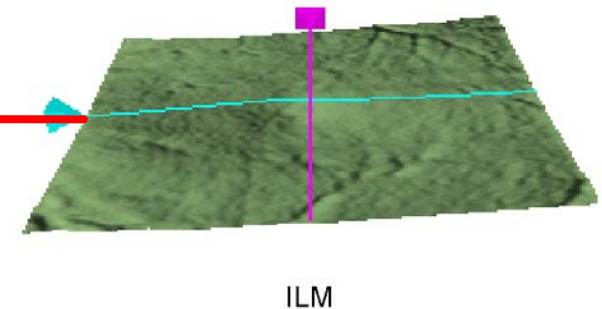
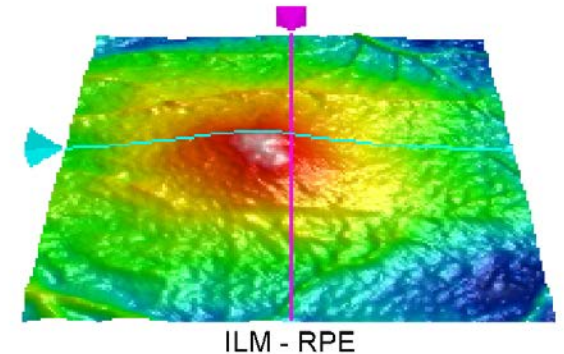
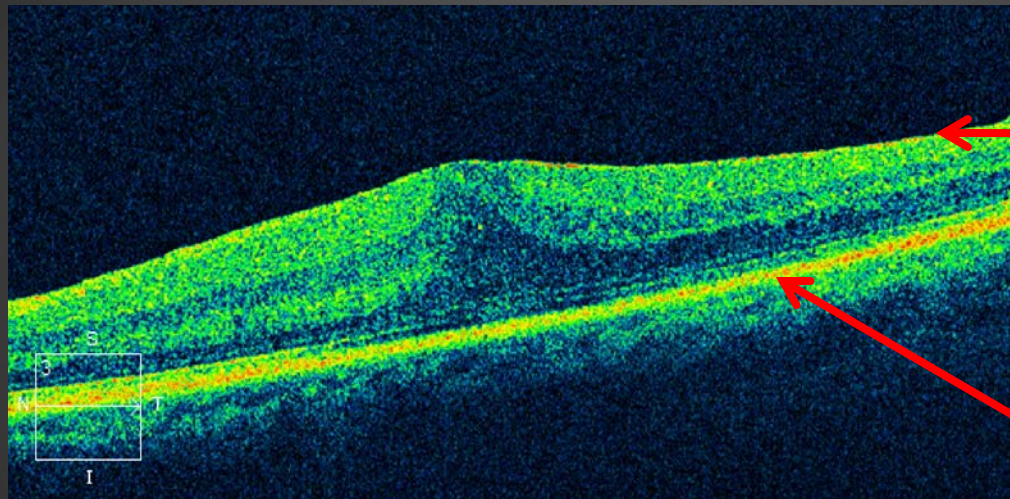
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- ▶ 3D Macular thickness map
- ▶ Segmented ILM map
- ▶ Segmented RPE map

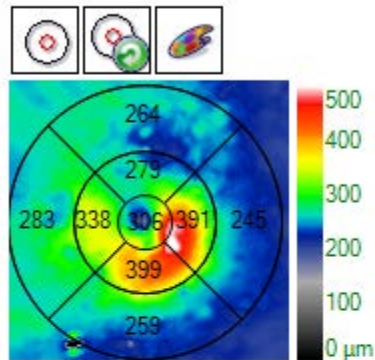


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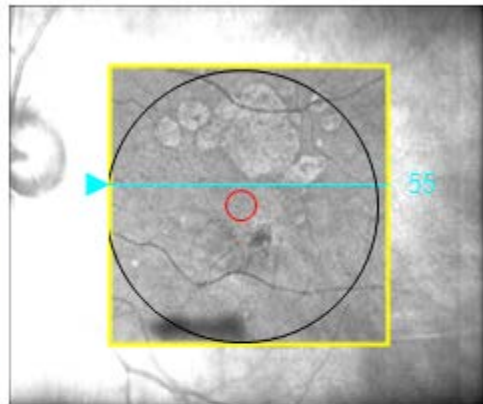
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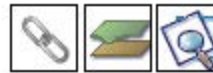
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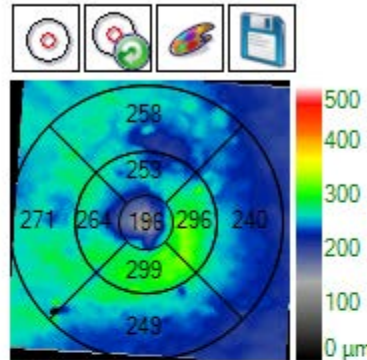
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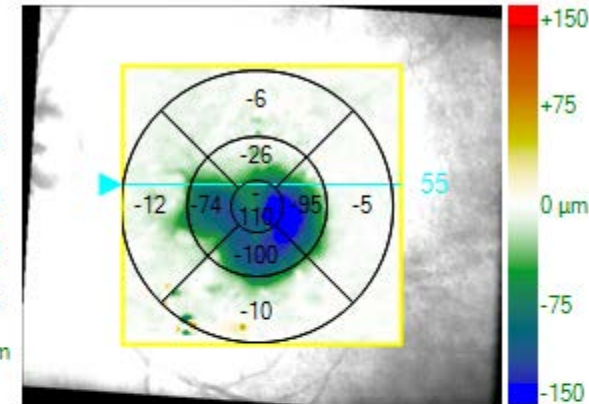
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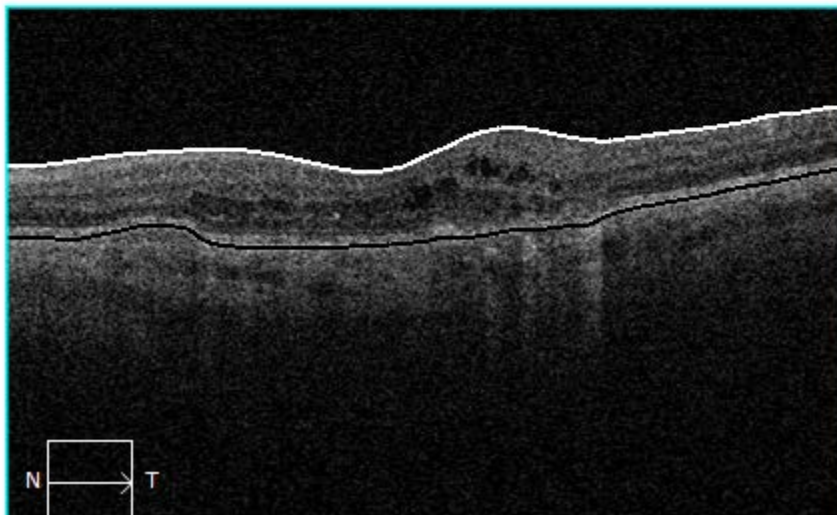
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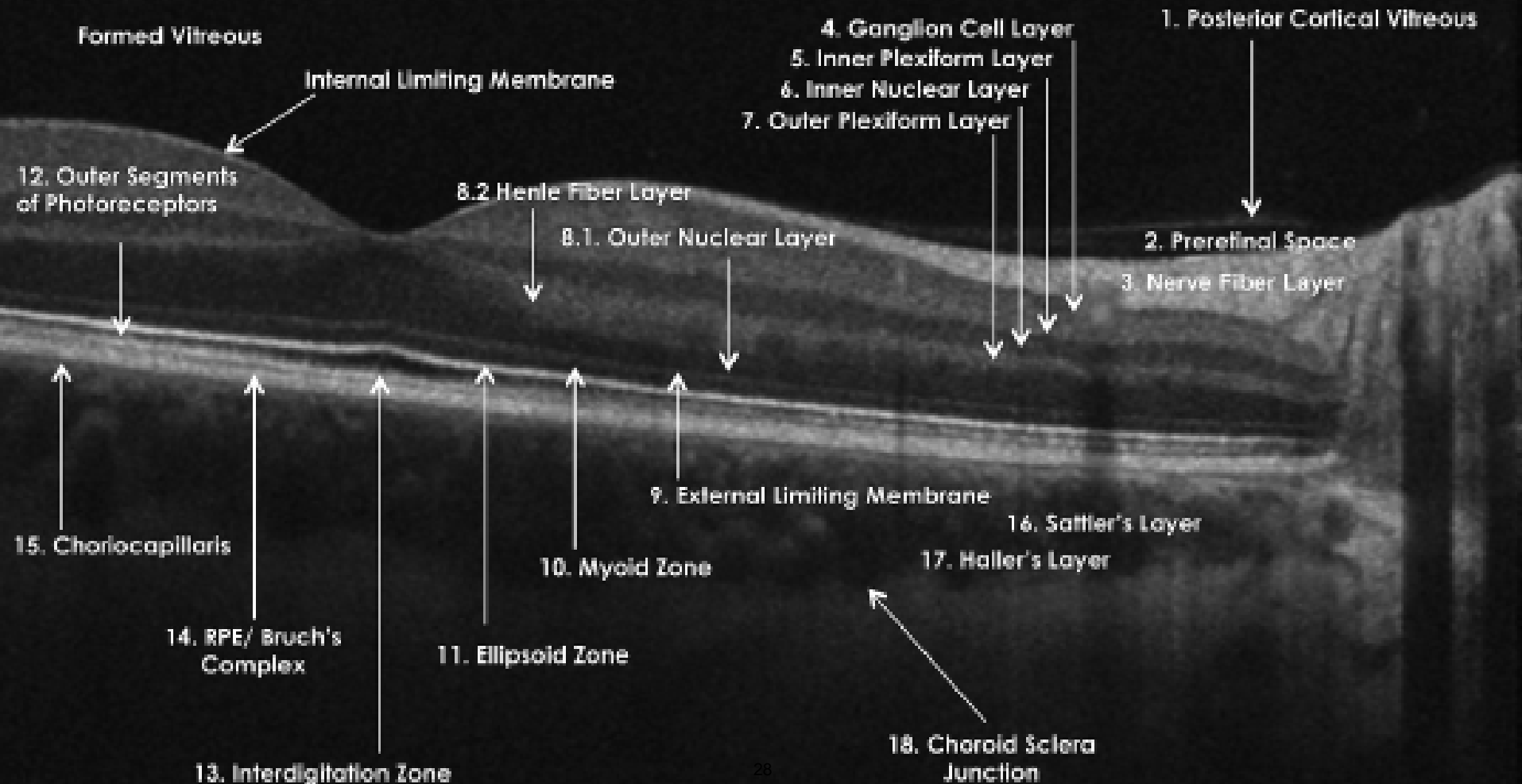


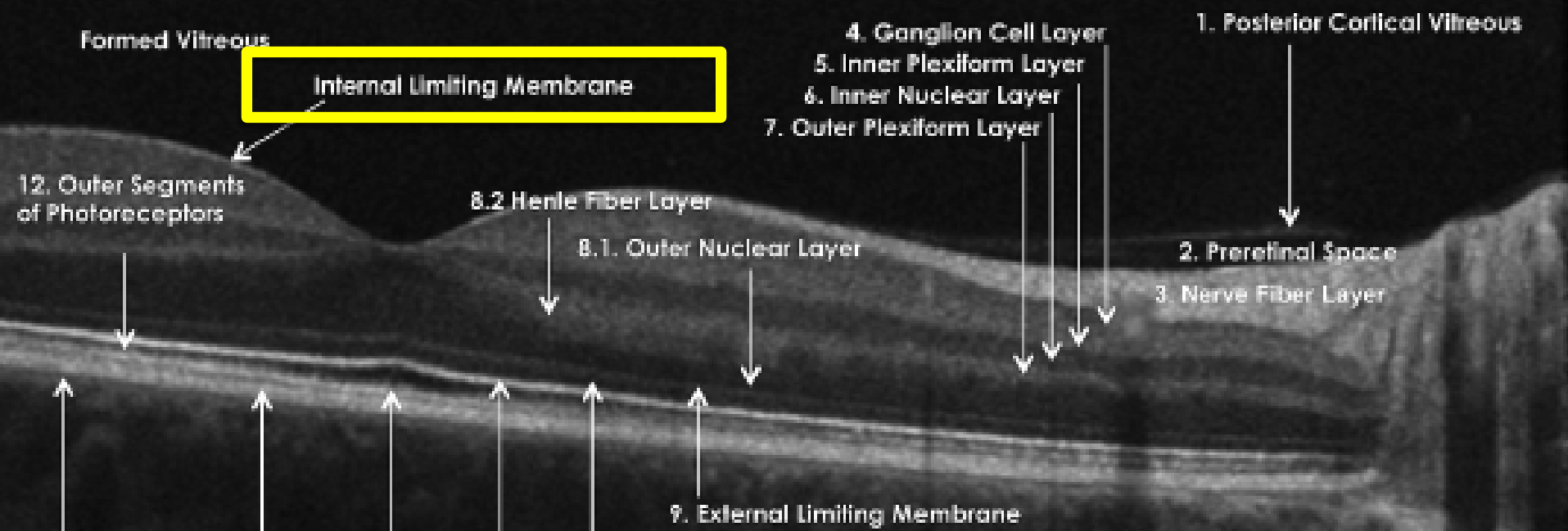
Reading the OCT

- ▶ Heidelberg Spectralis

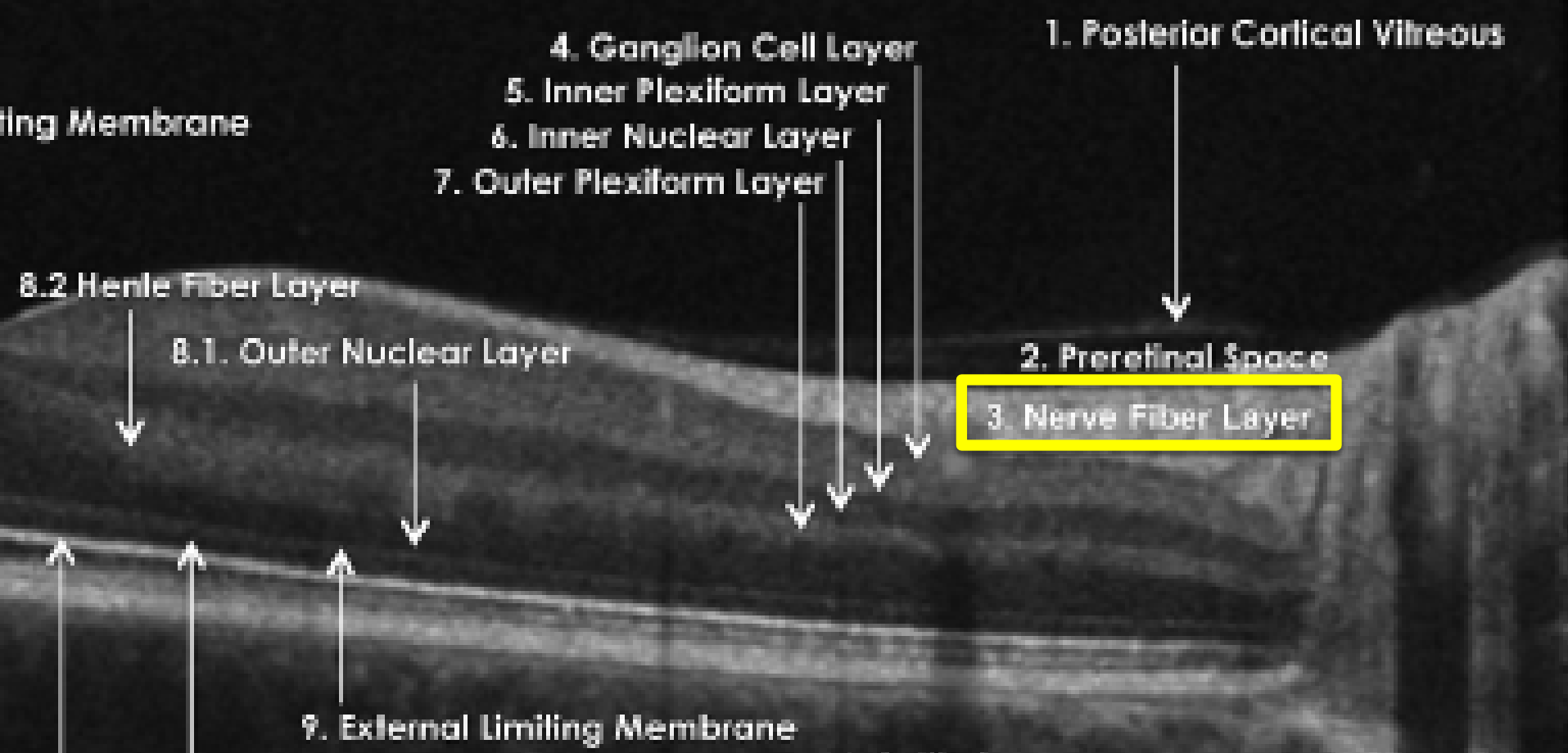


International Nomenclature for Optical Coherence Tomography Panel

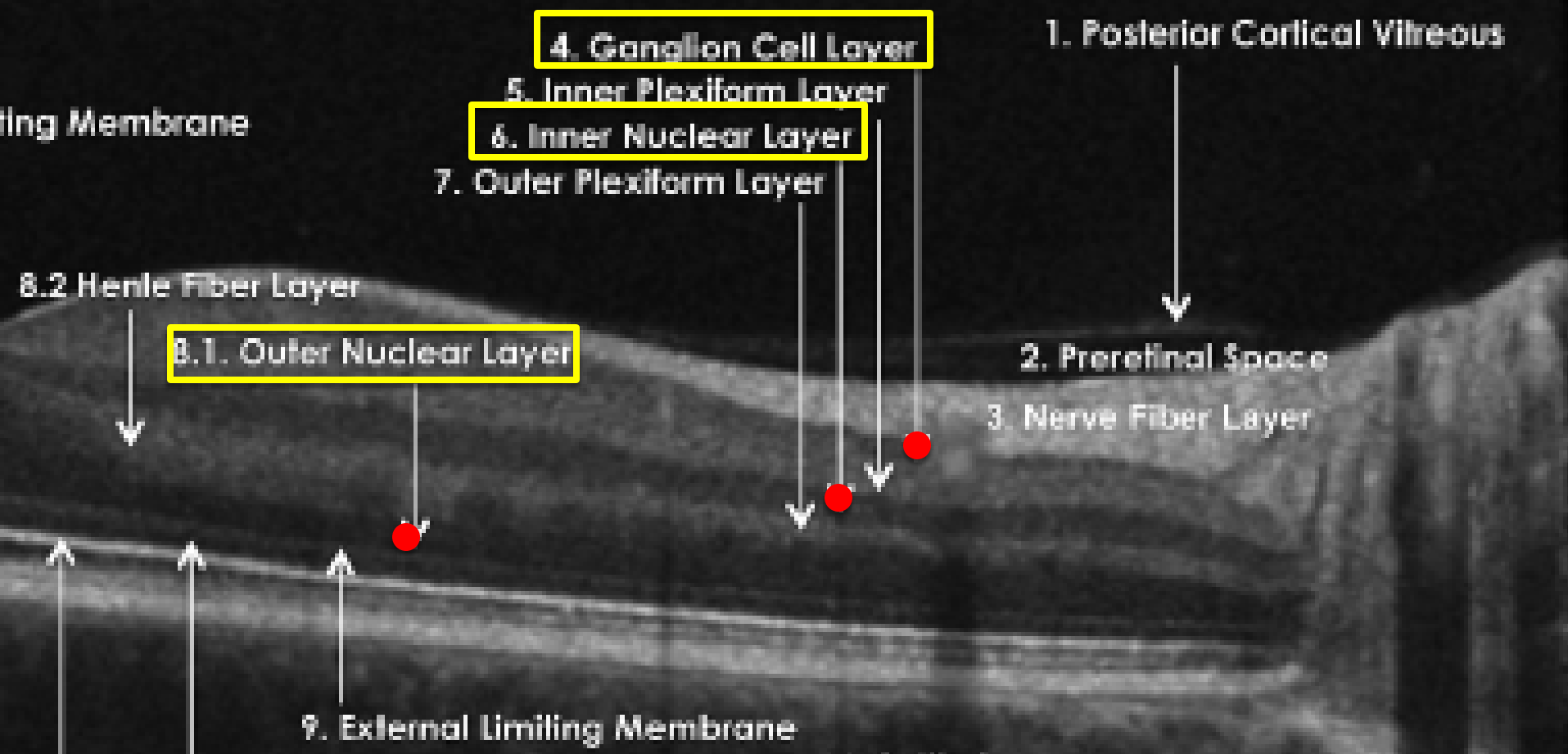




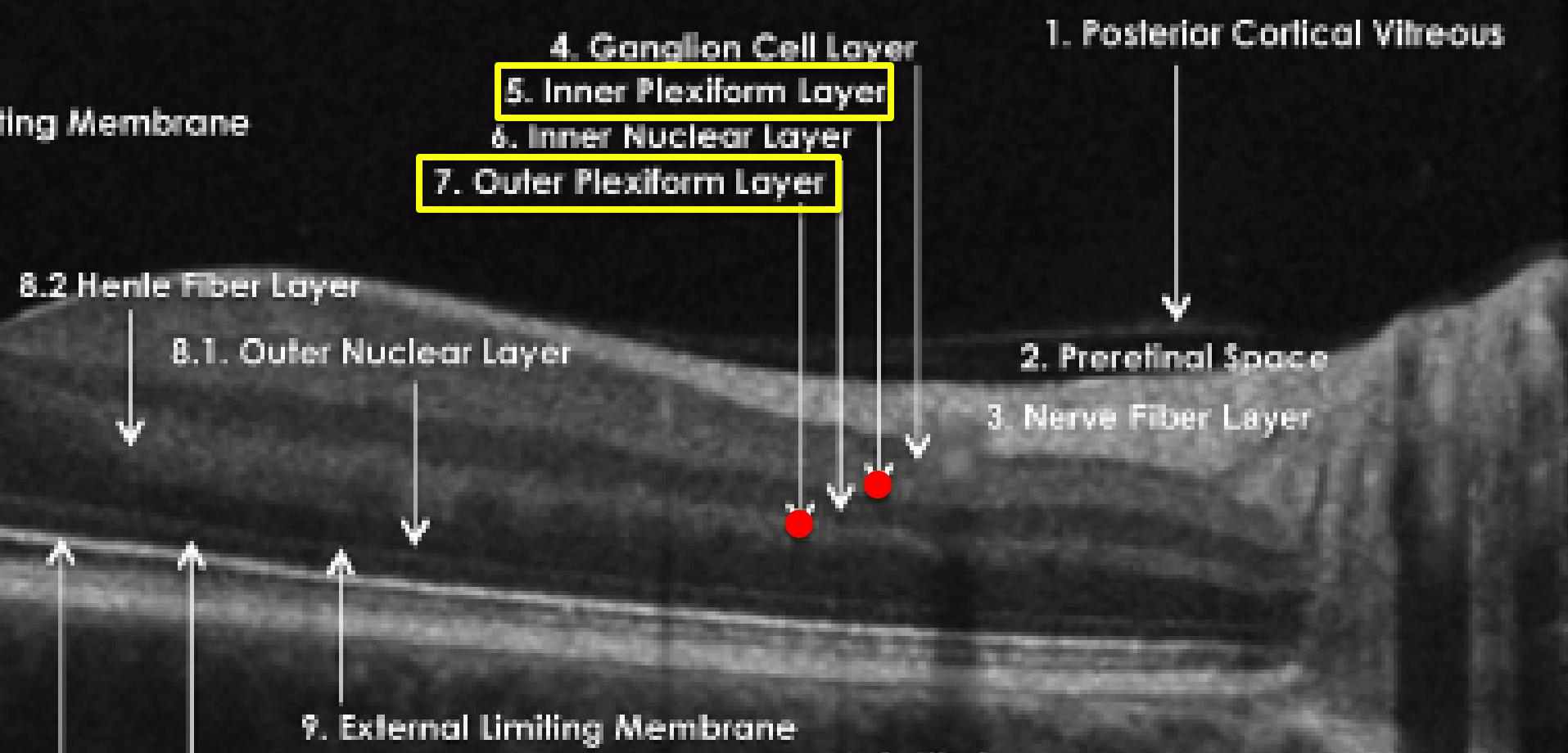
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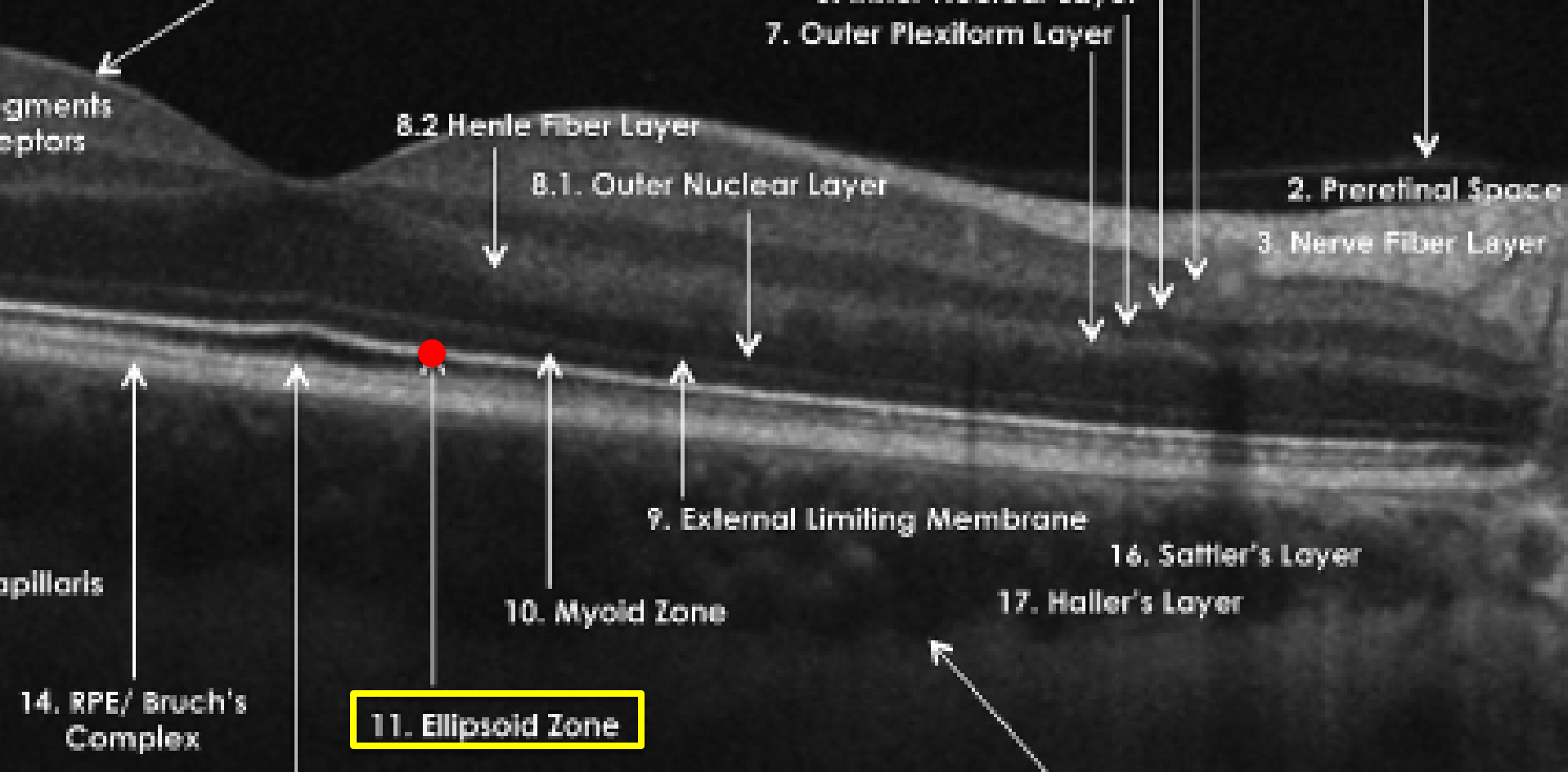
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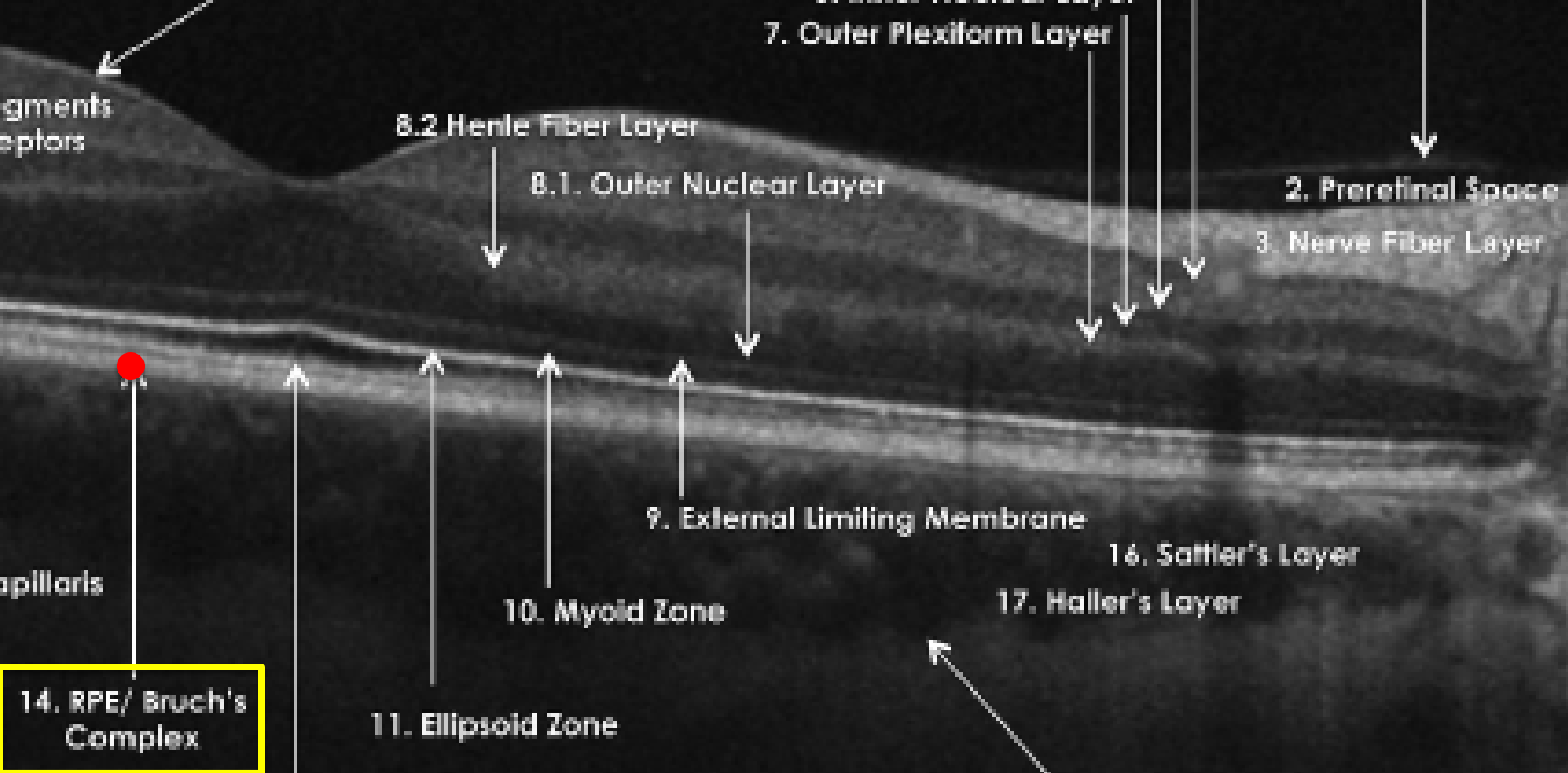
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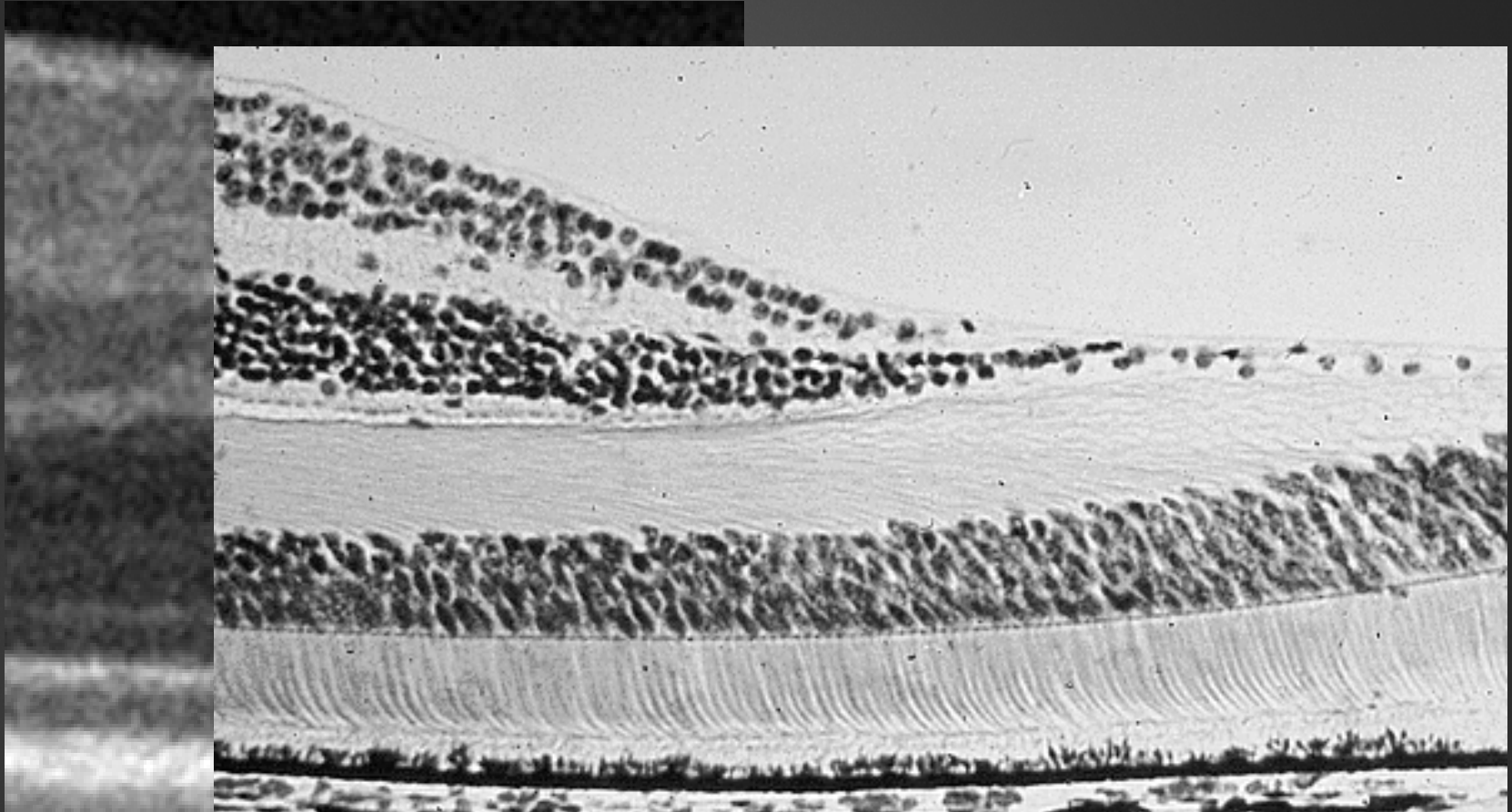
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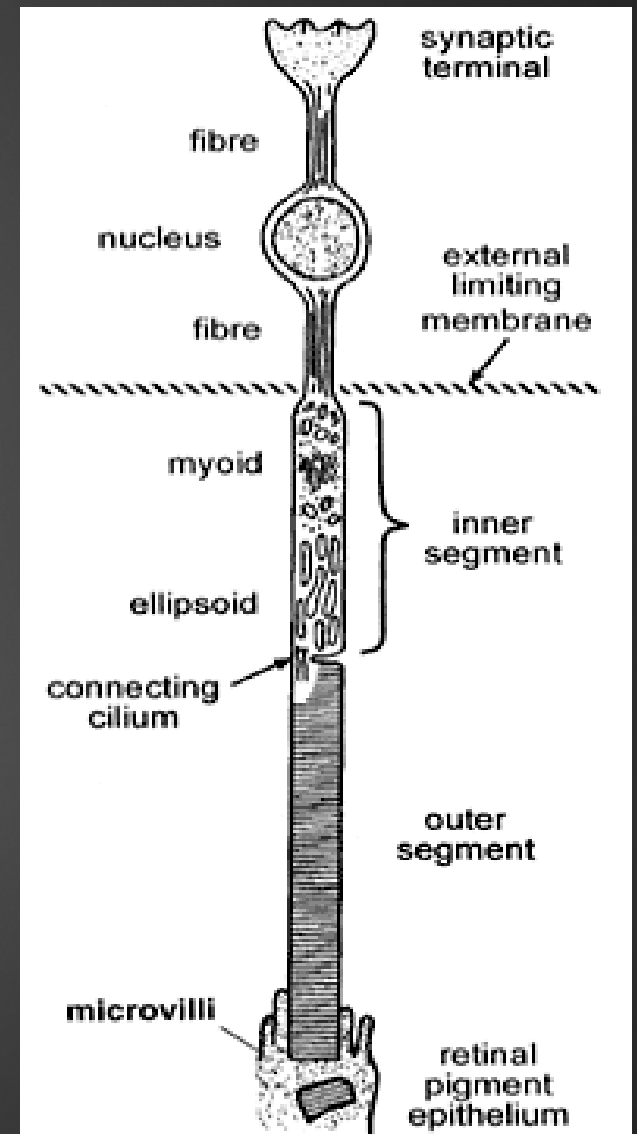
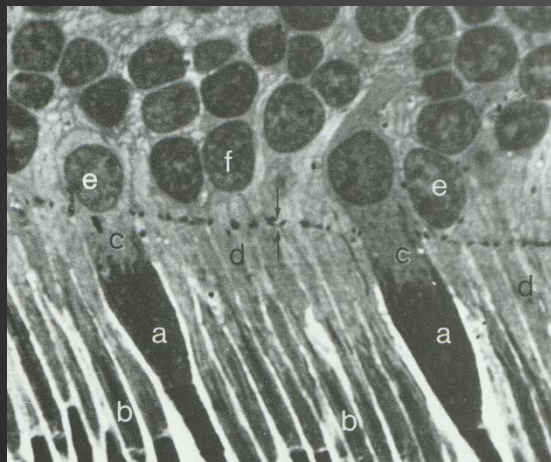
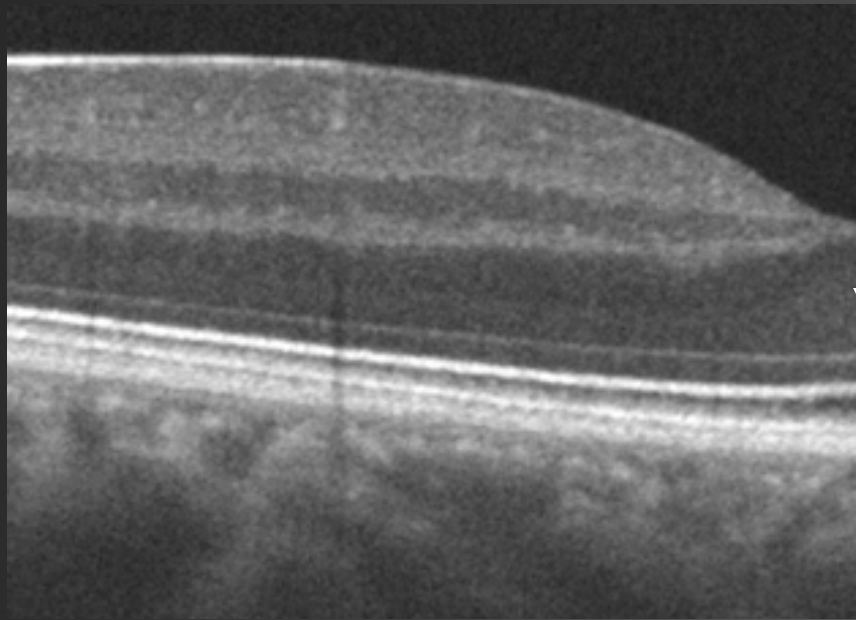
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Outer retinal OCT layers

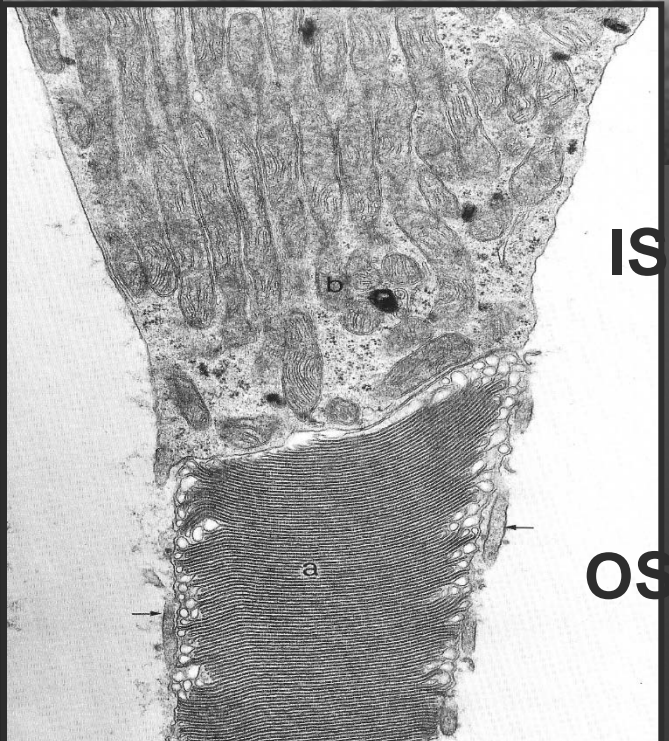
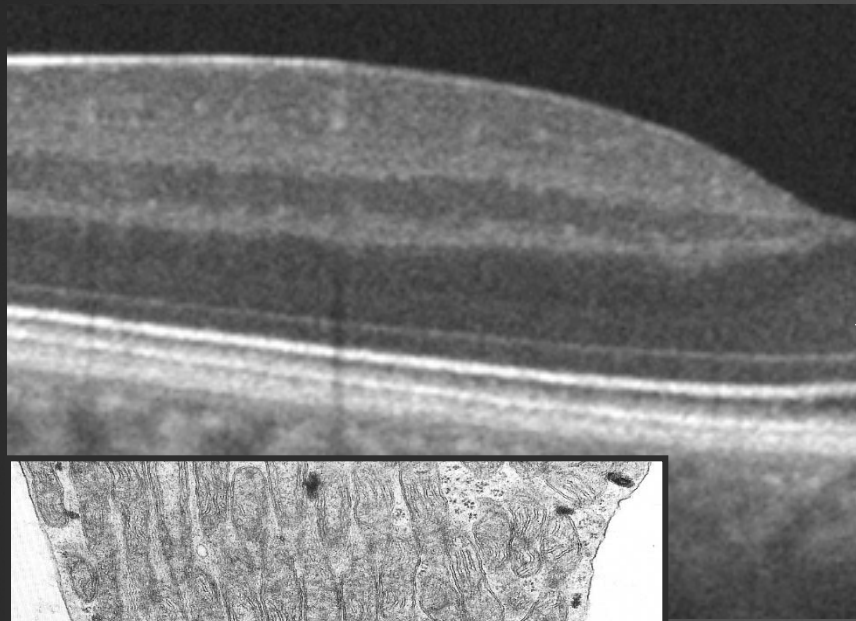
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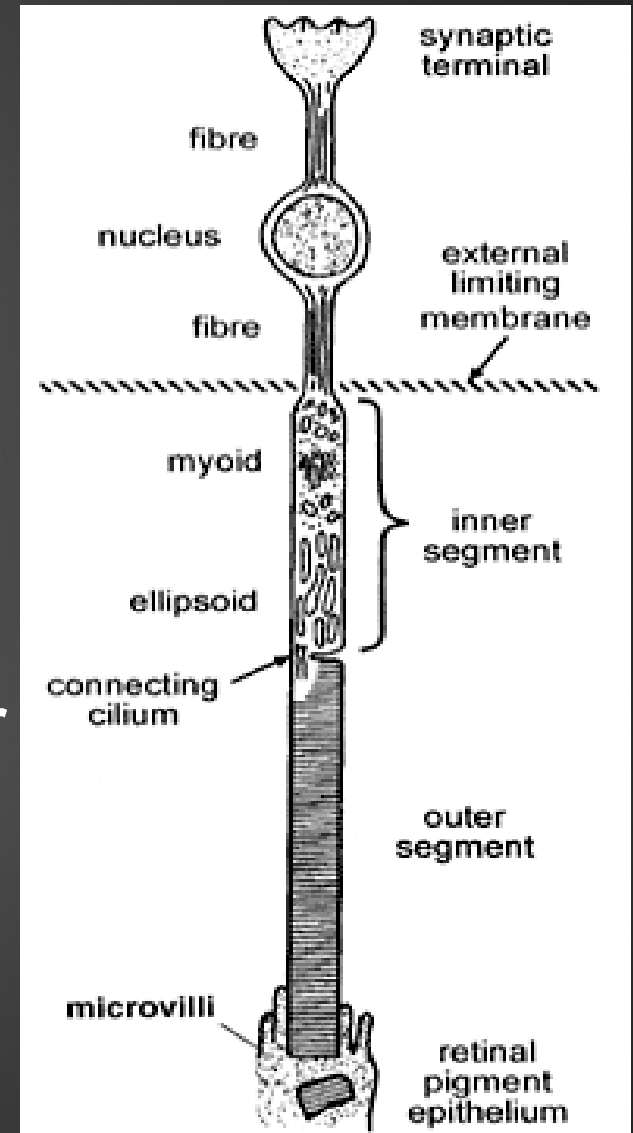
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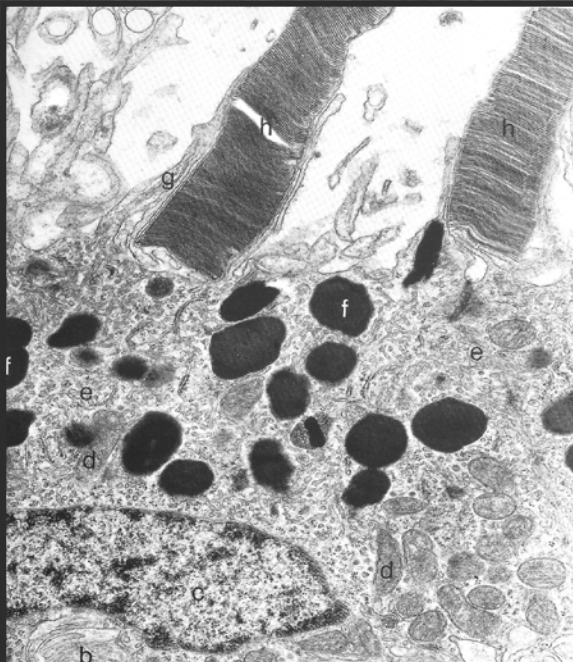
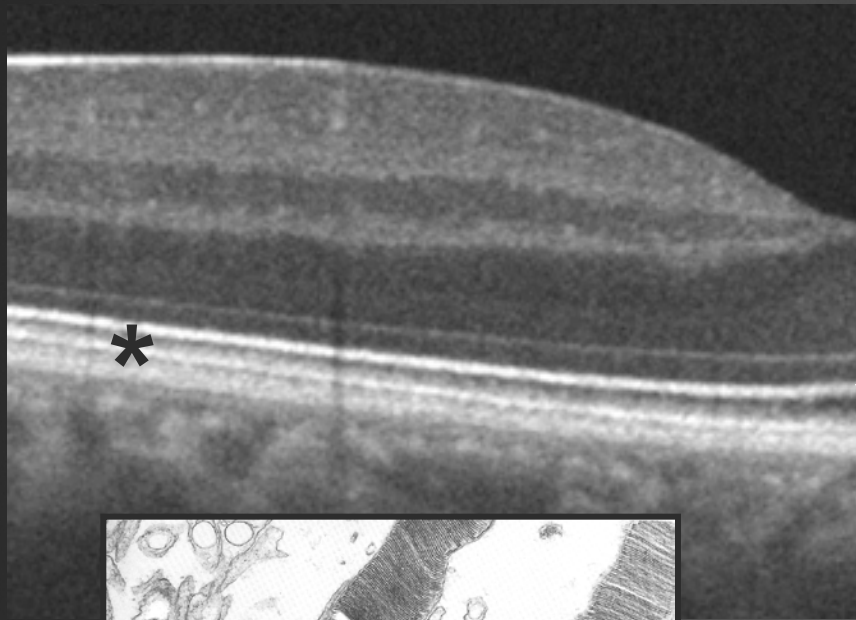
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IS Photoreceptor
IS/OS
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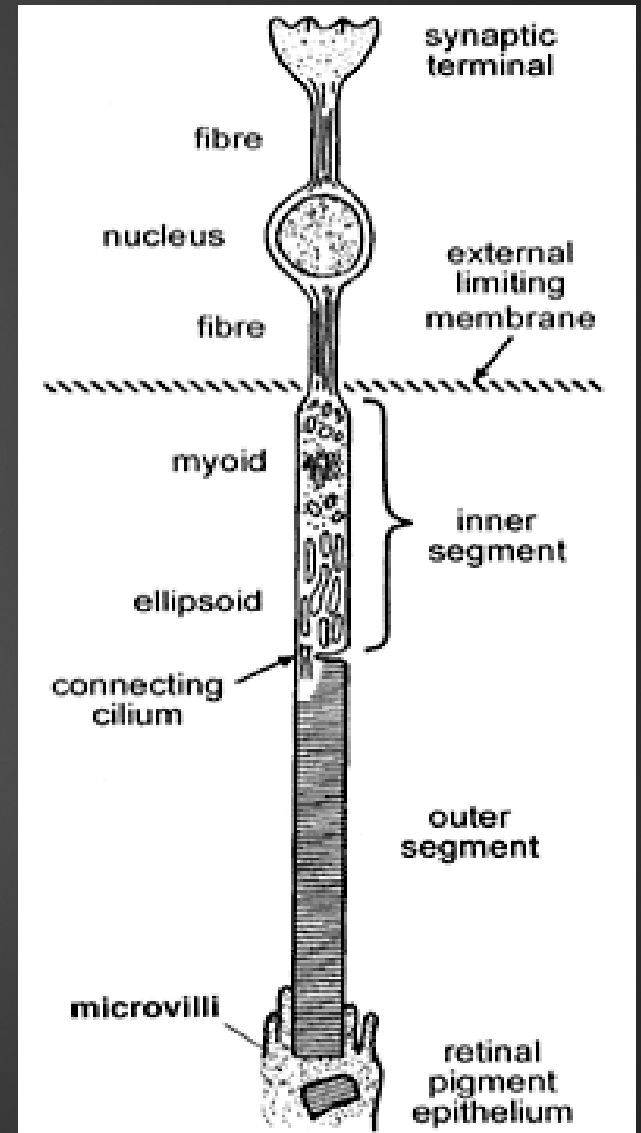


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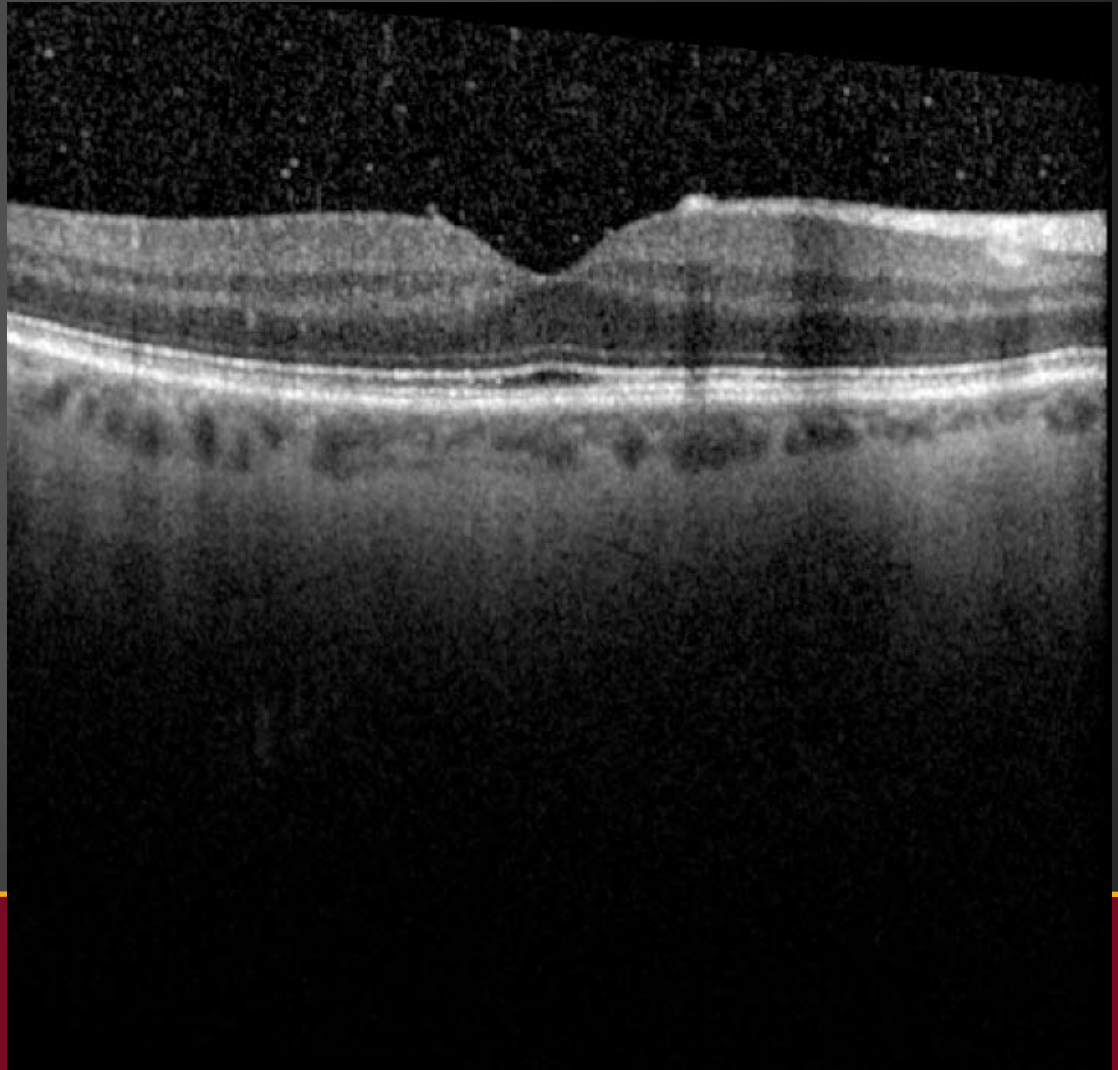


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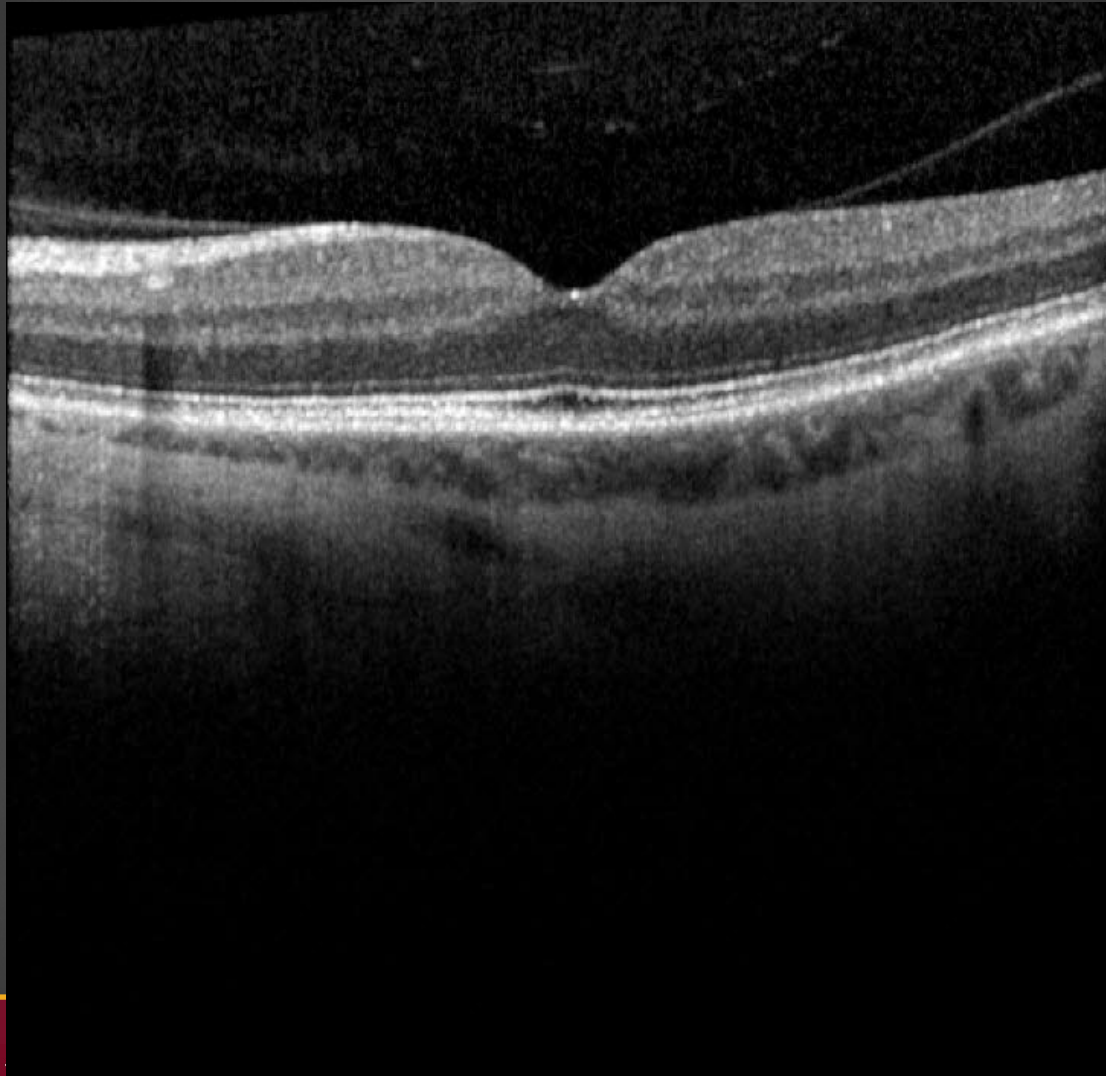
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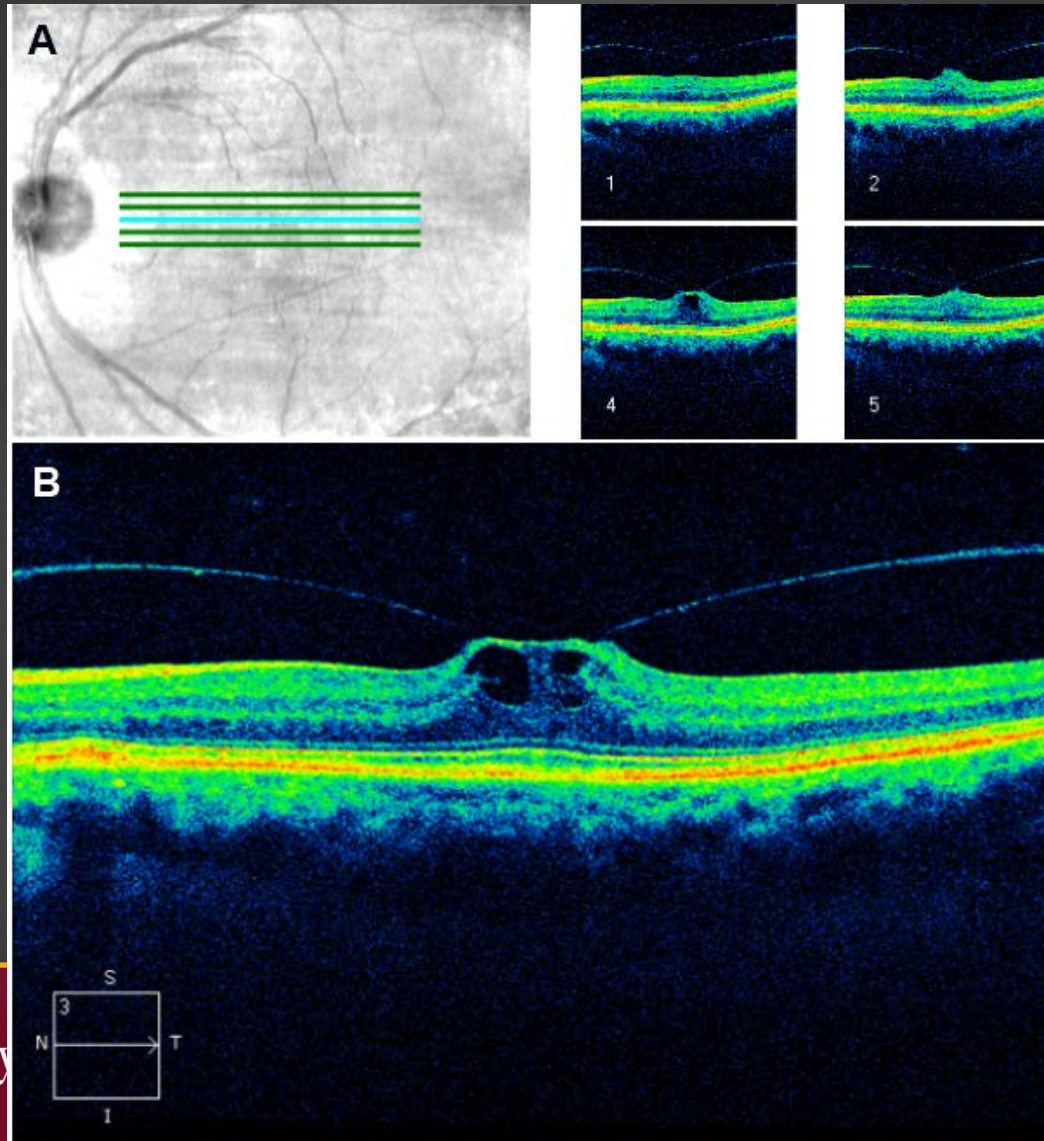
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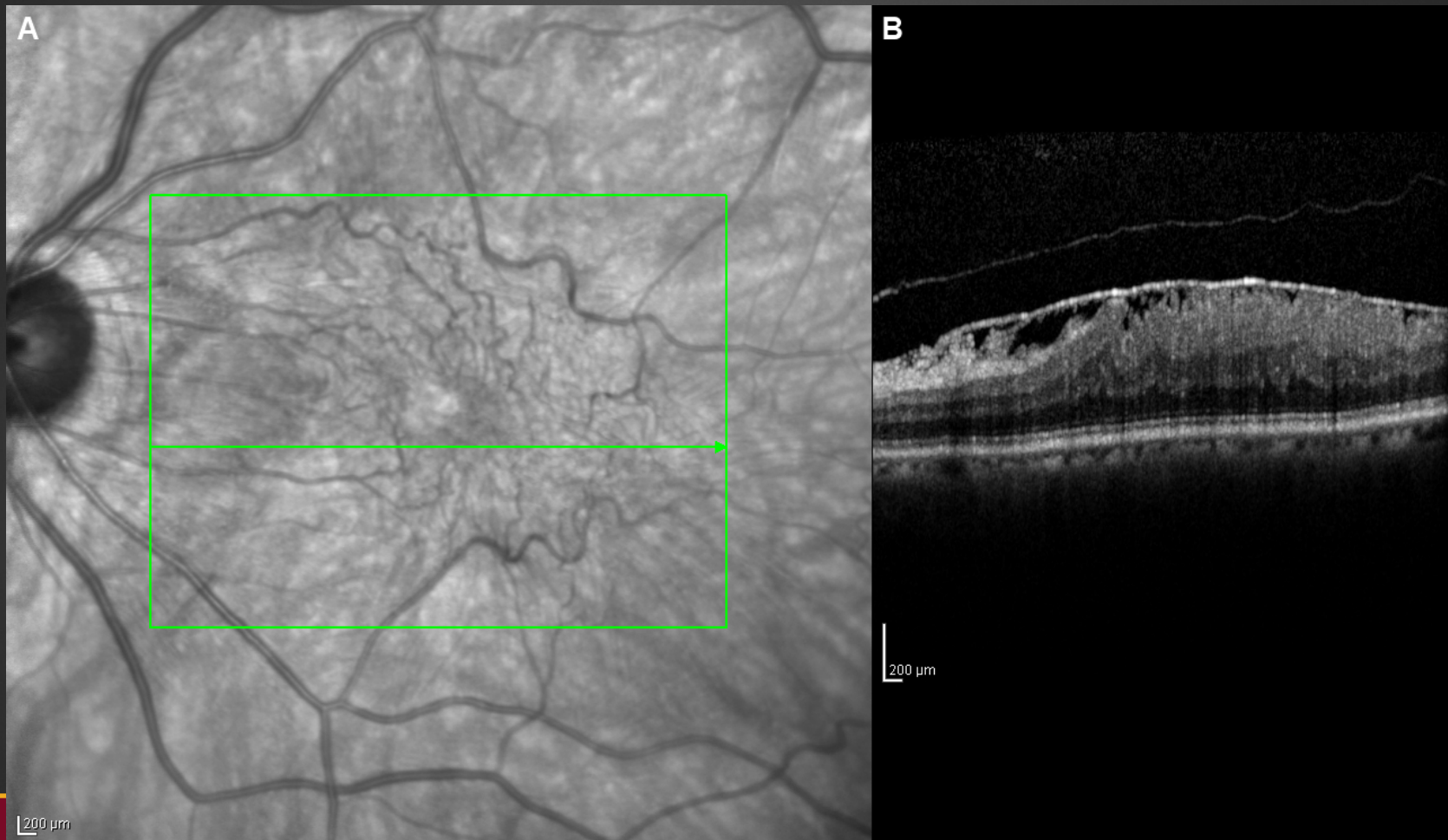
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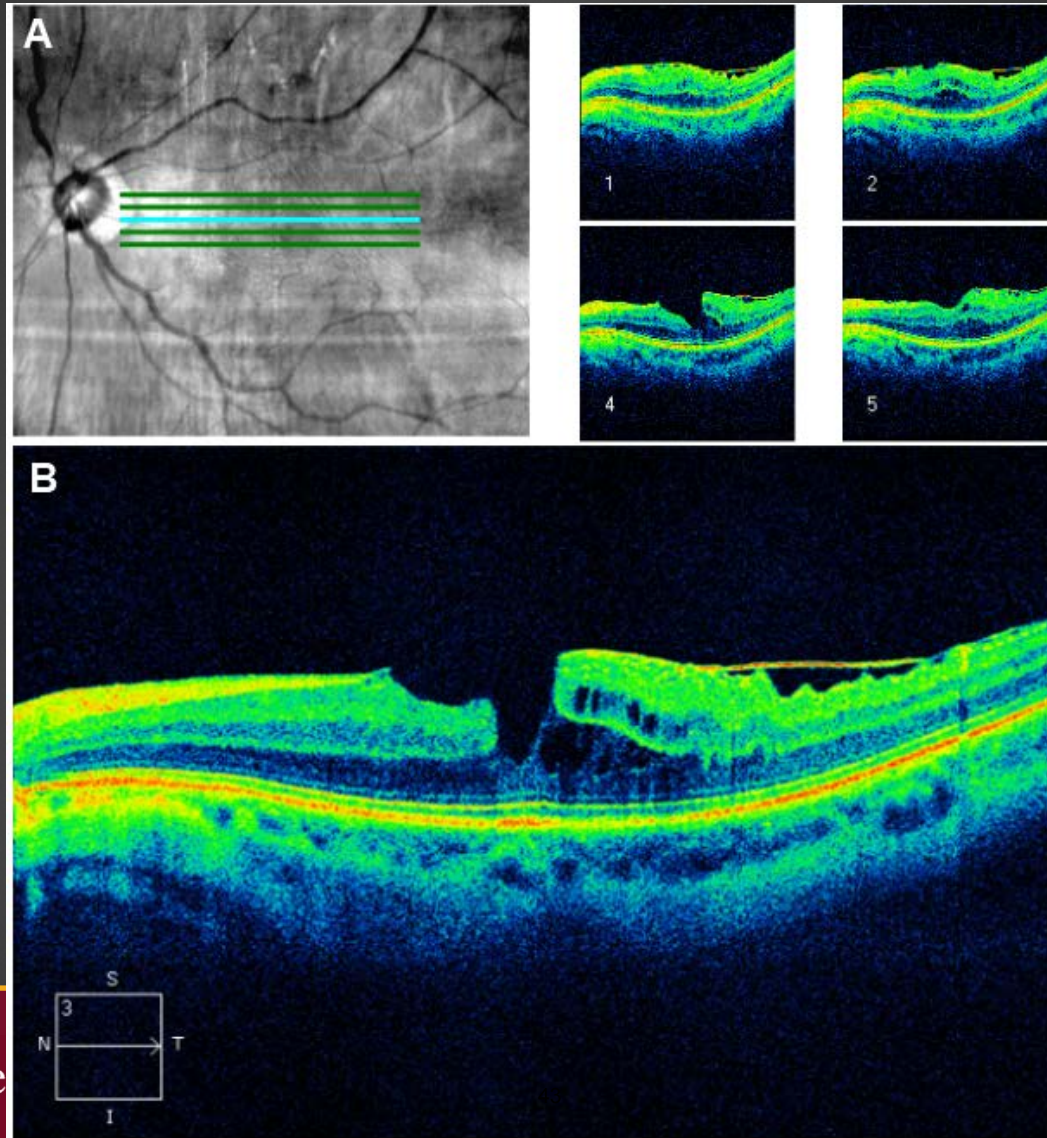
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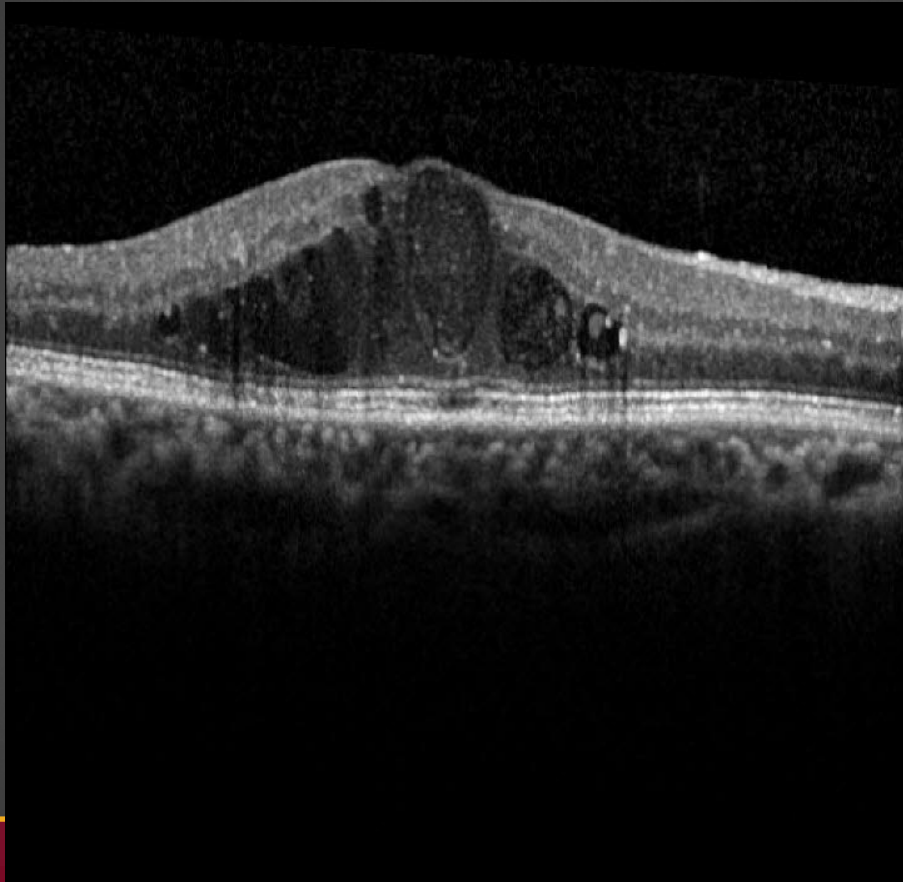
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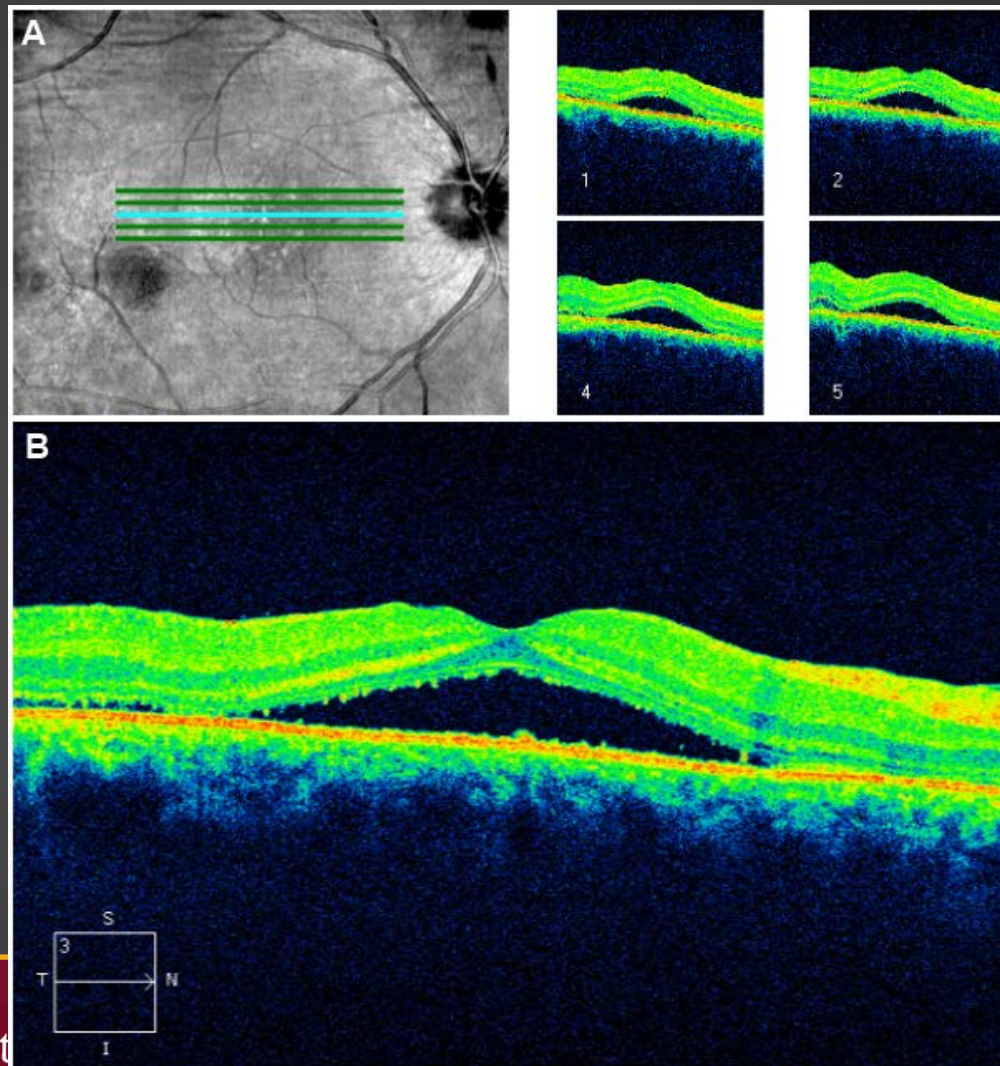
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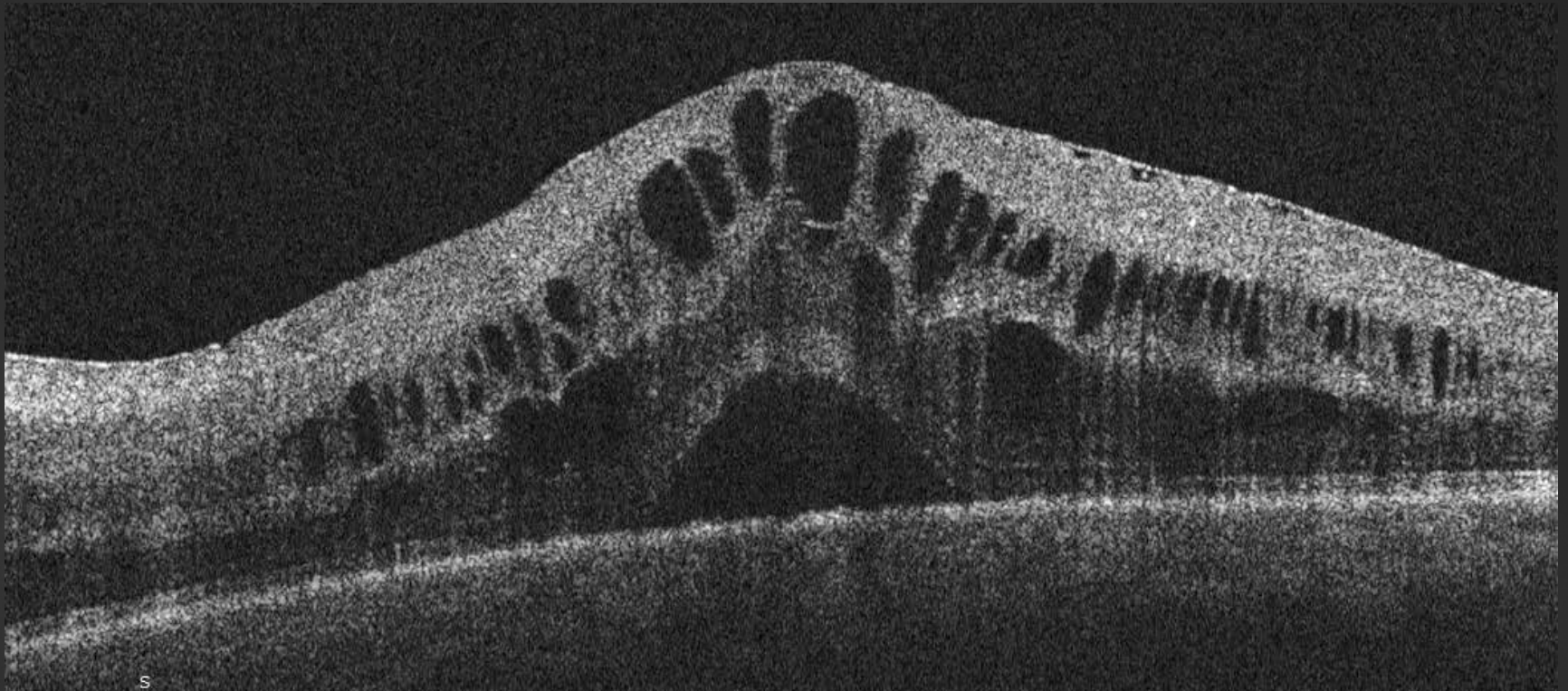
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SubRetinal Fluid



IRF & SRF



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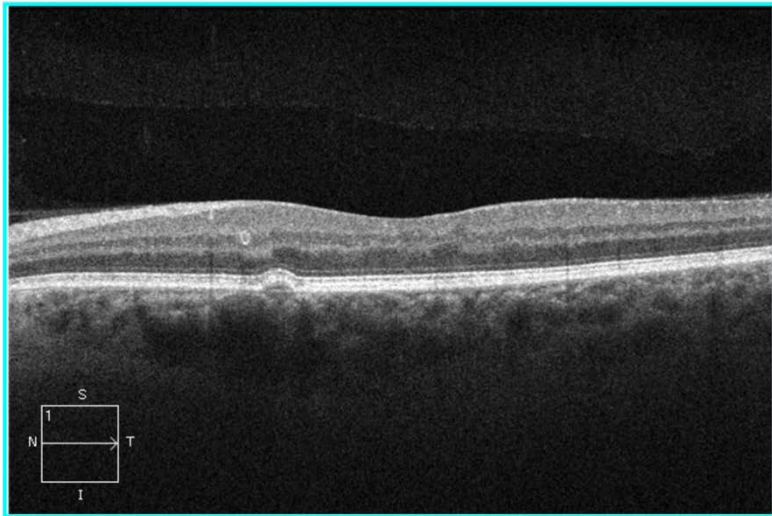
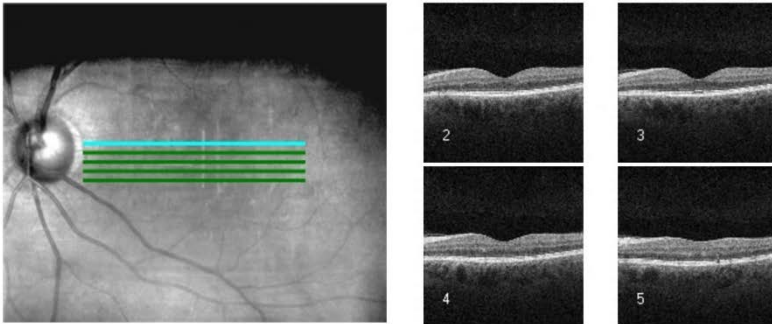
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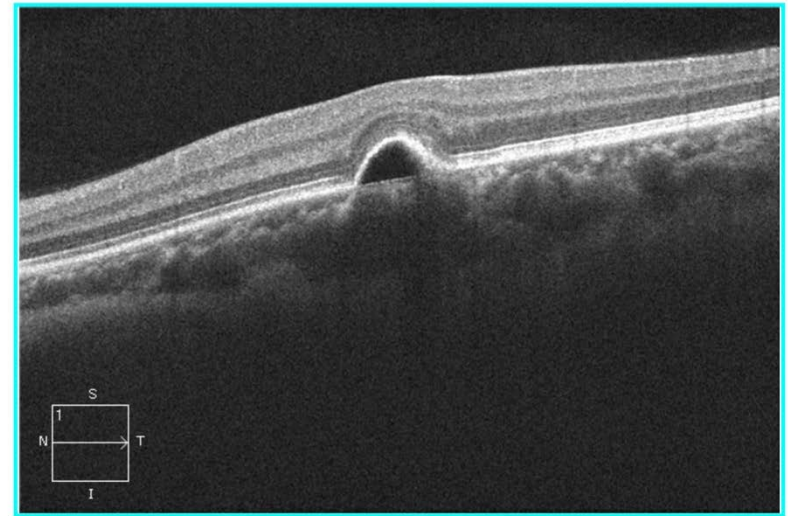
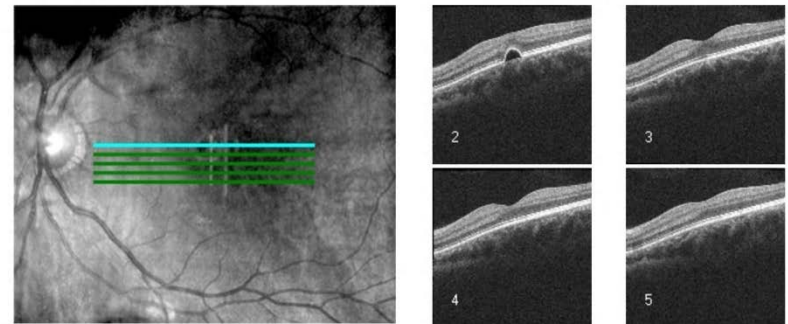
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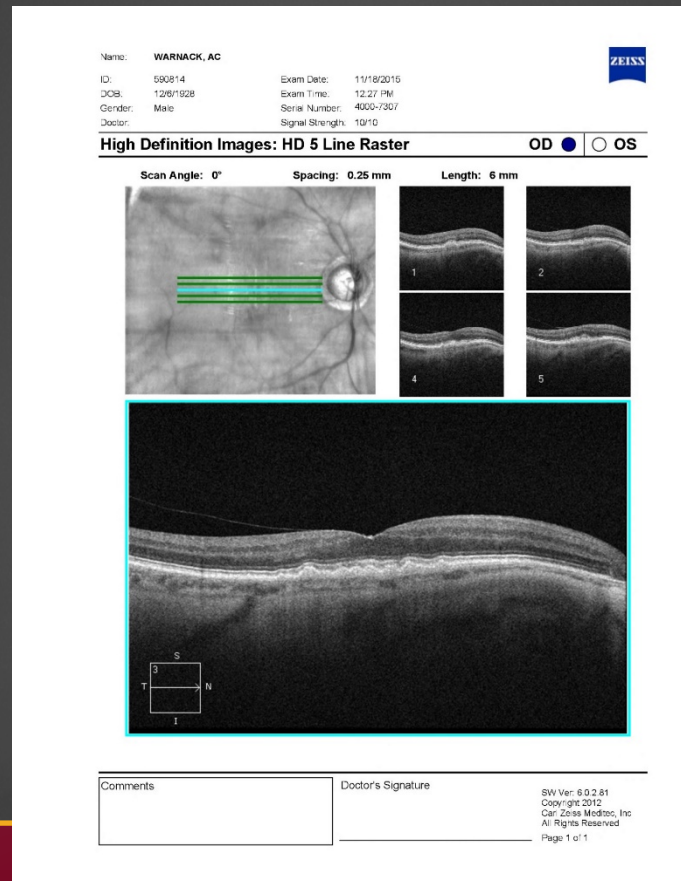
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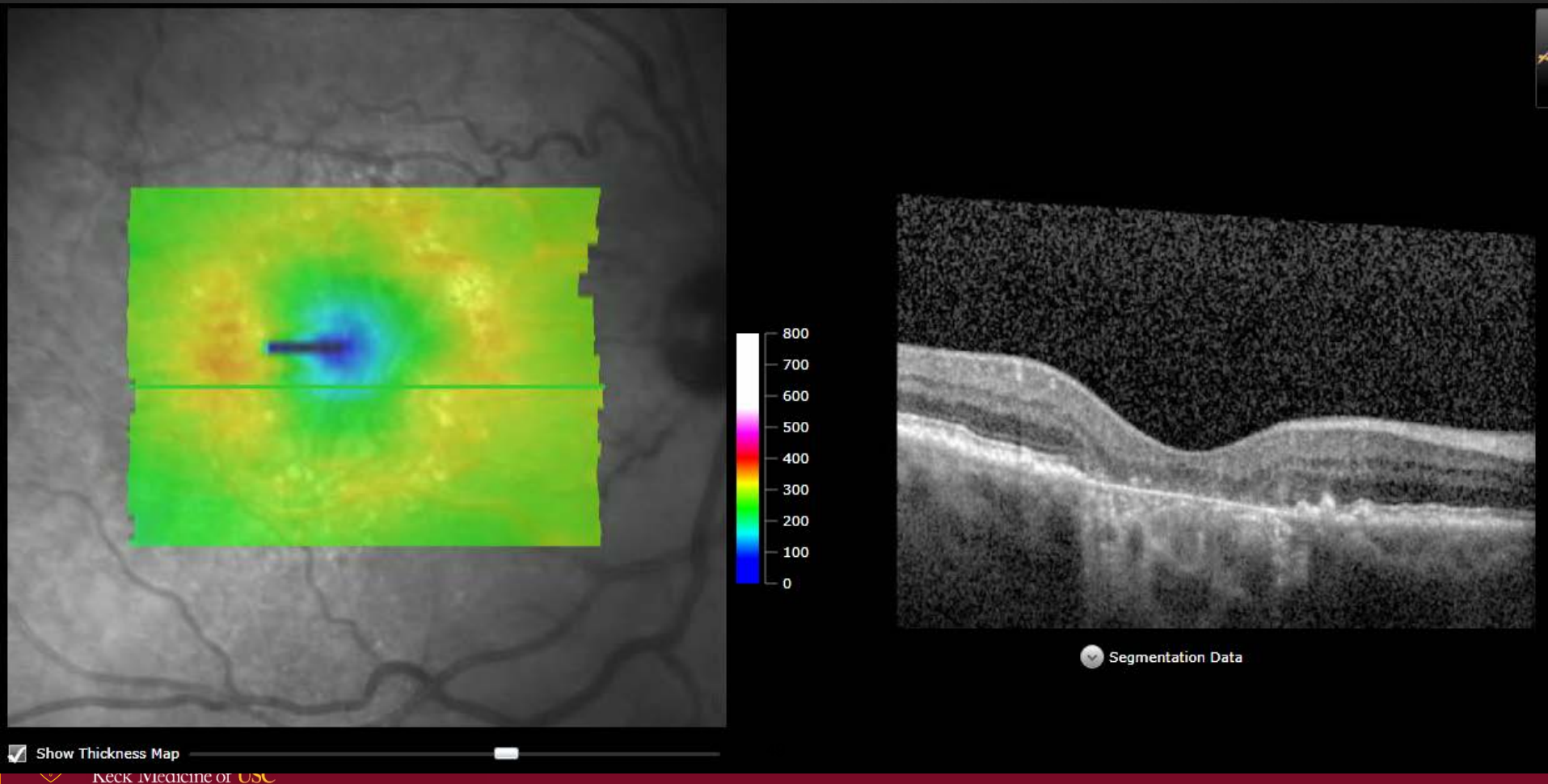
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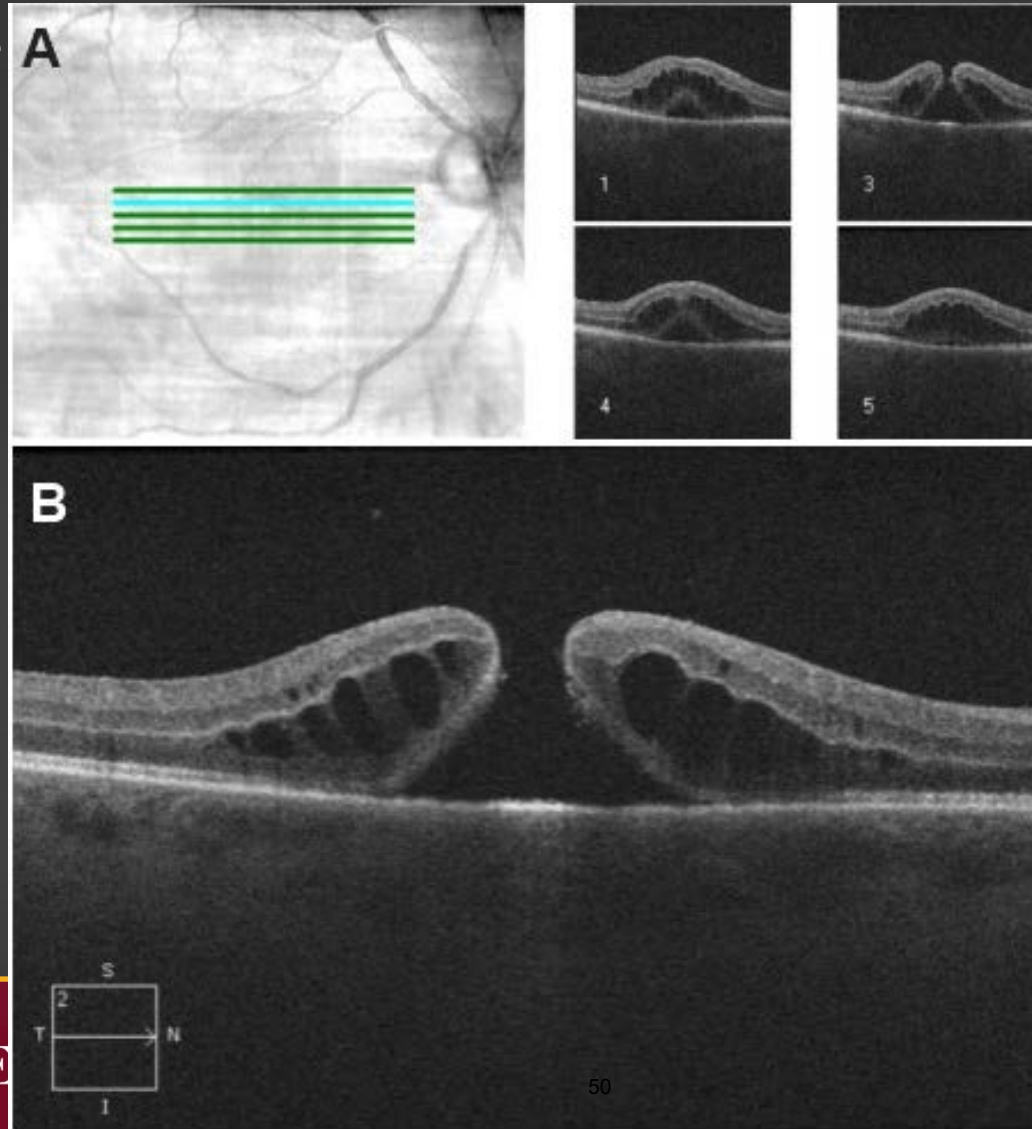
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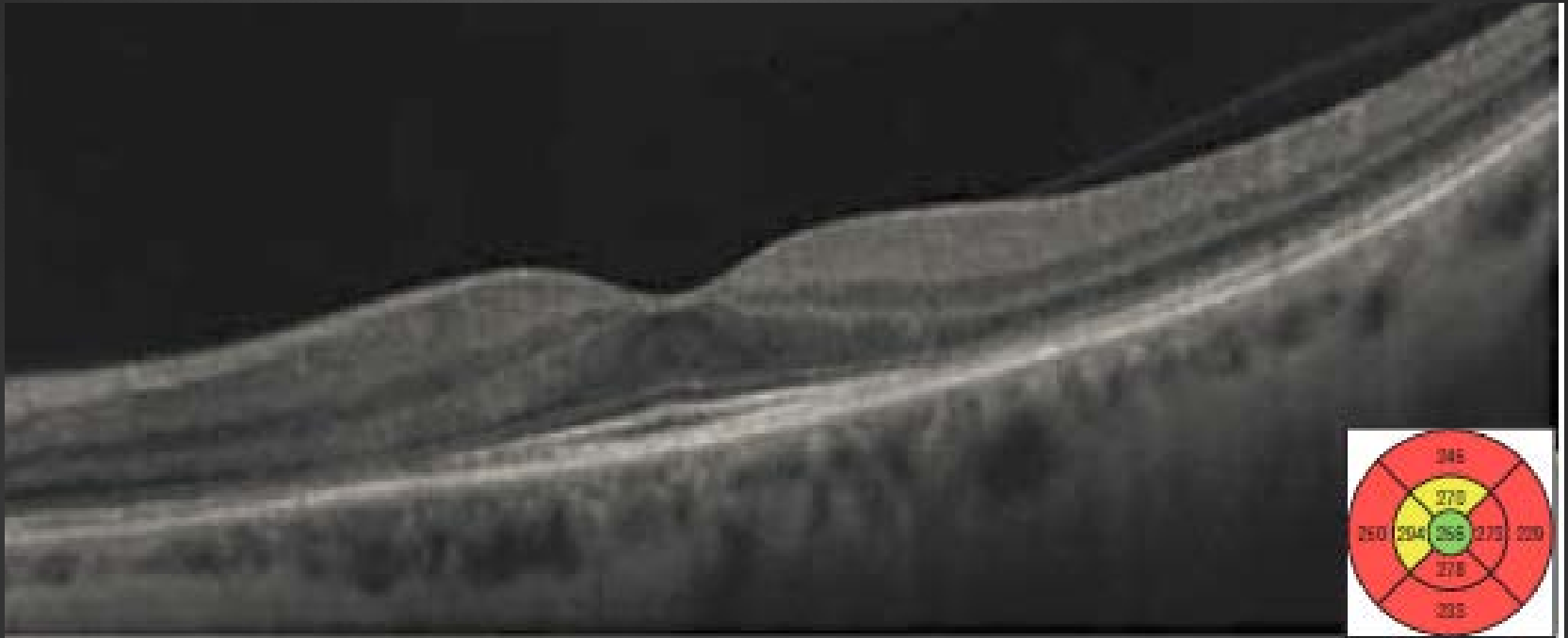
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Full Thickness Macular Hole



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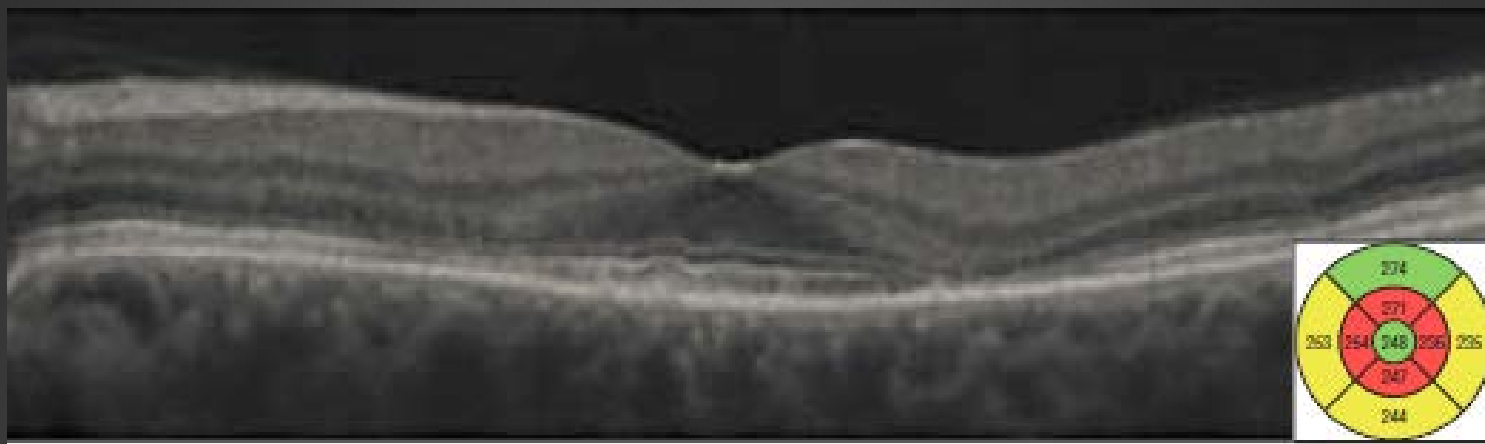
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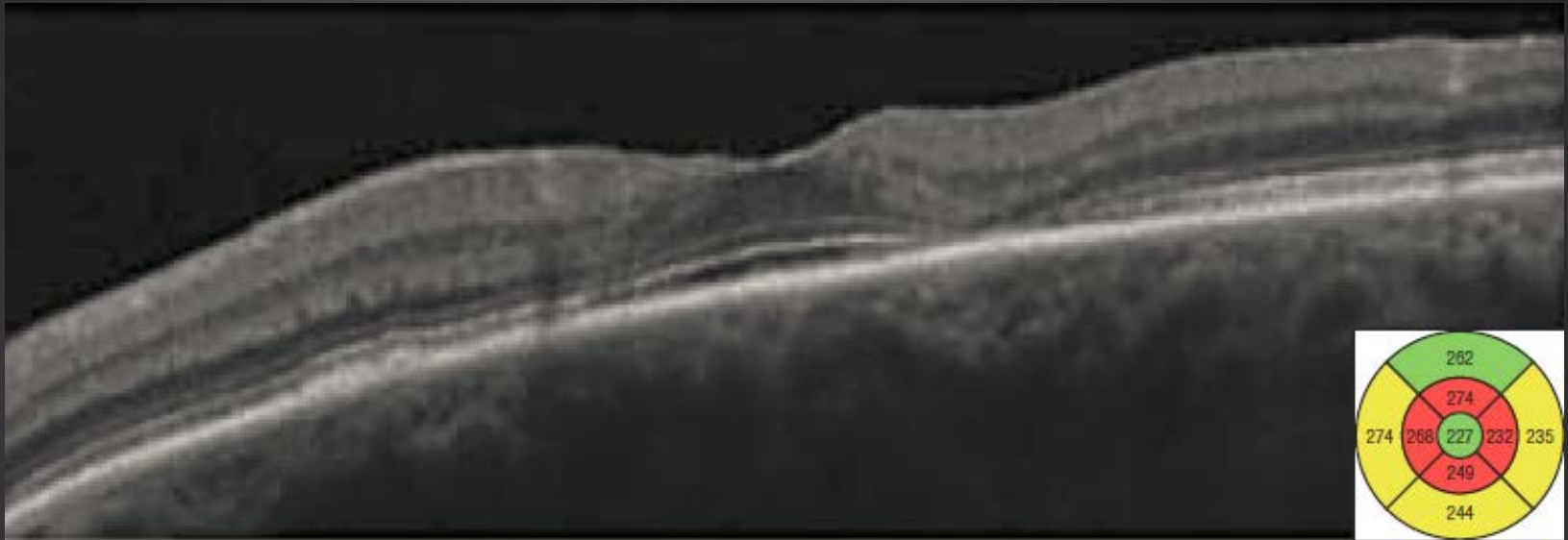
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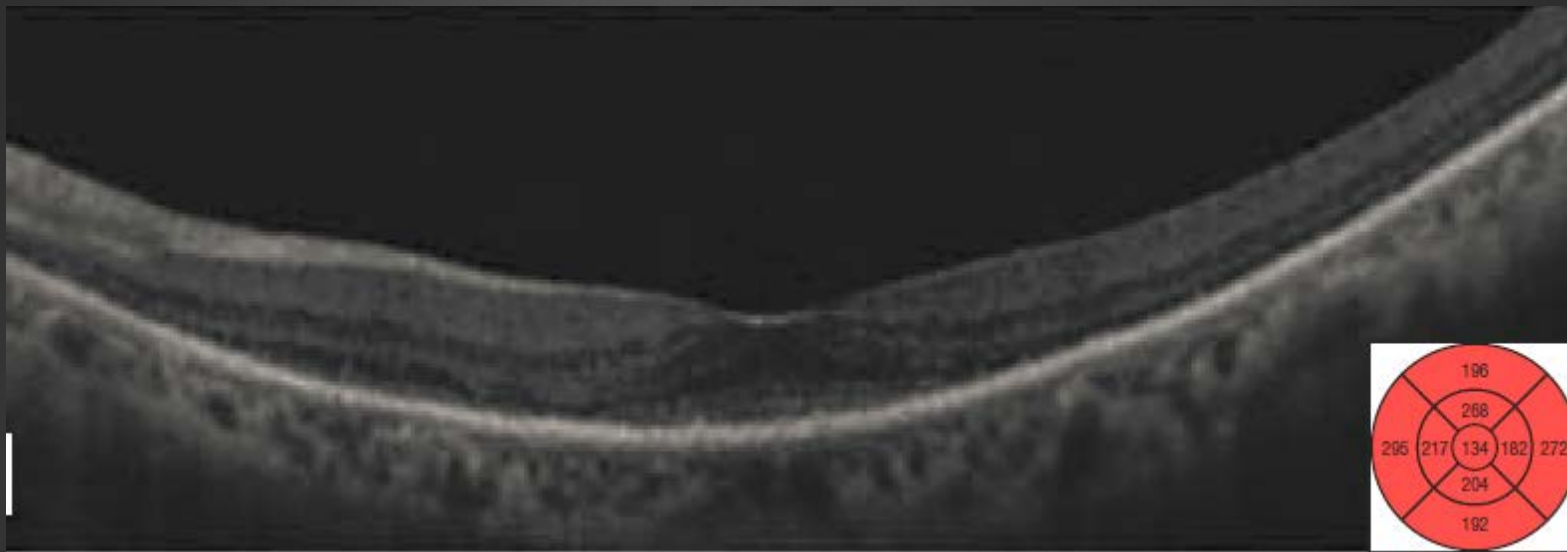
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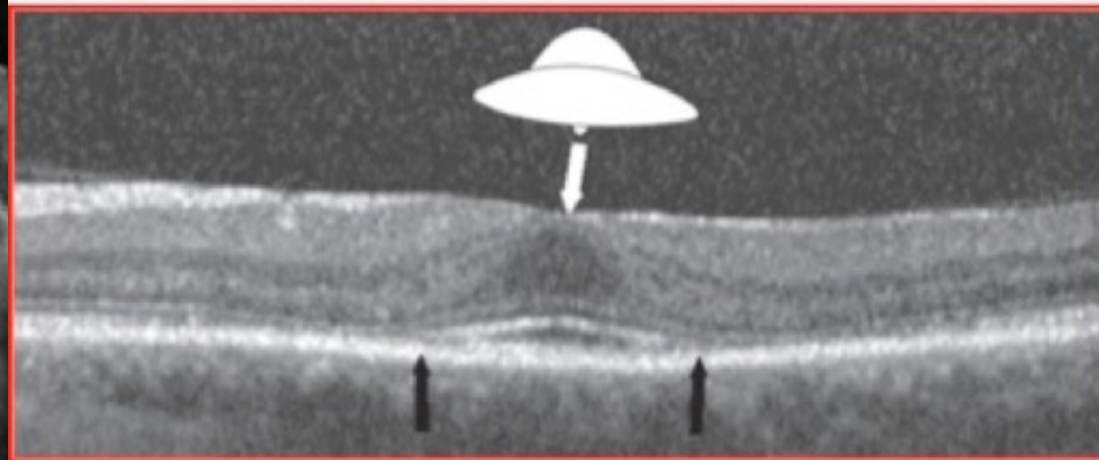
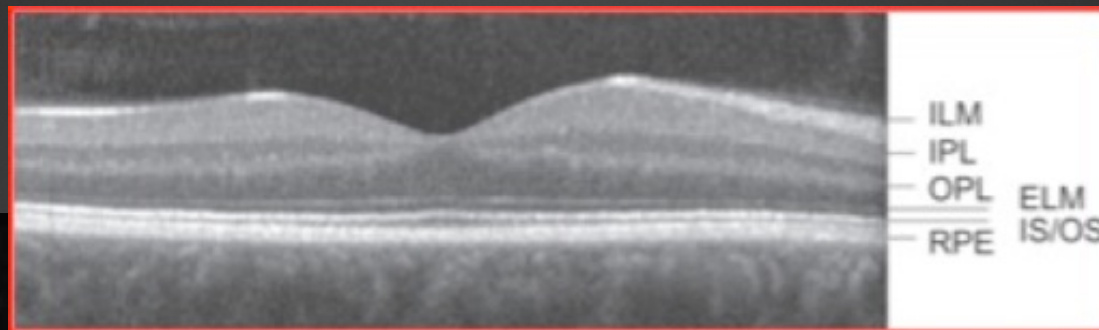


Mystery case 5



Mystery case 6





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Screening and Suggested Guidelines for Treatment

- ▶ American Academy of Ophthalmology Guidelines suggest that daily doses be limited to 400 mg HCQ or 250 mg CQ
- ▶ Lower doses (in the range of 6.5 mg/kg HCQ or 3.0 mg/kg CQ, calculated on the basis of ideal body weight) should be used for individuals who are of short stature

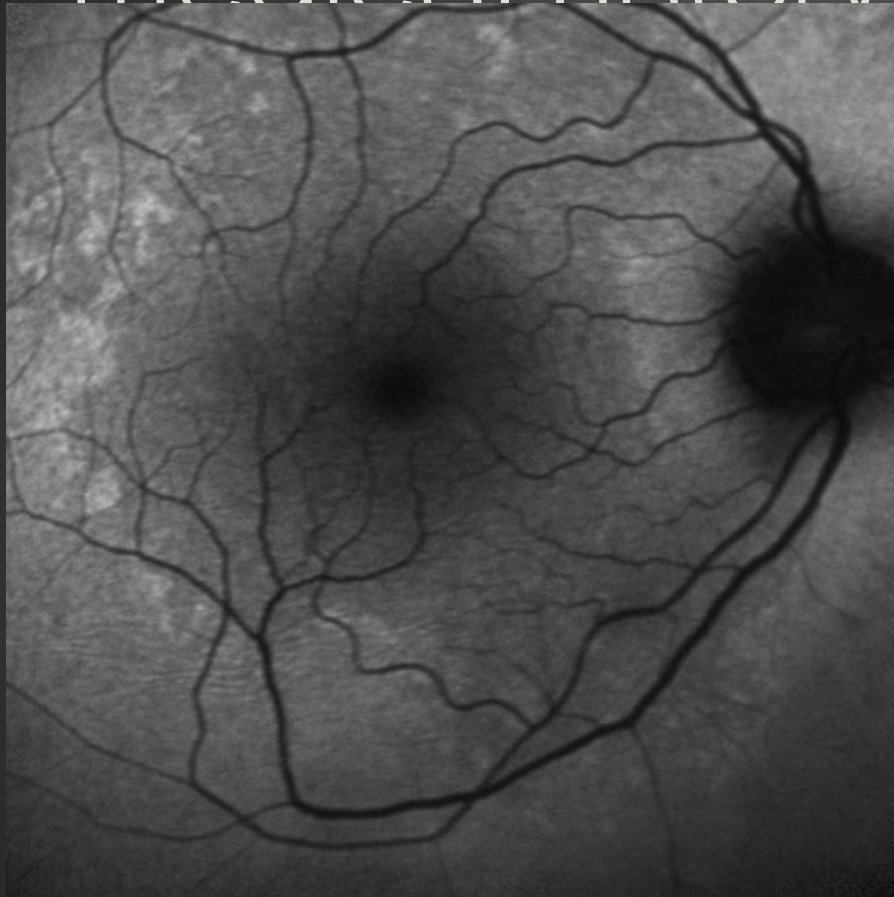


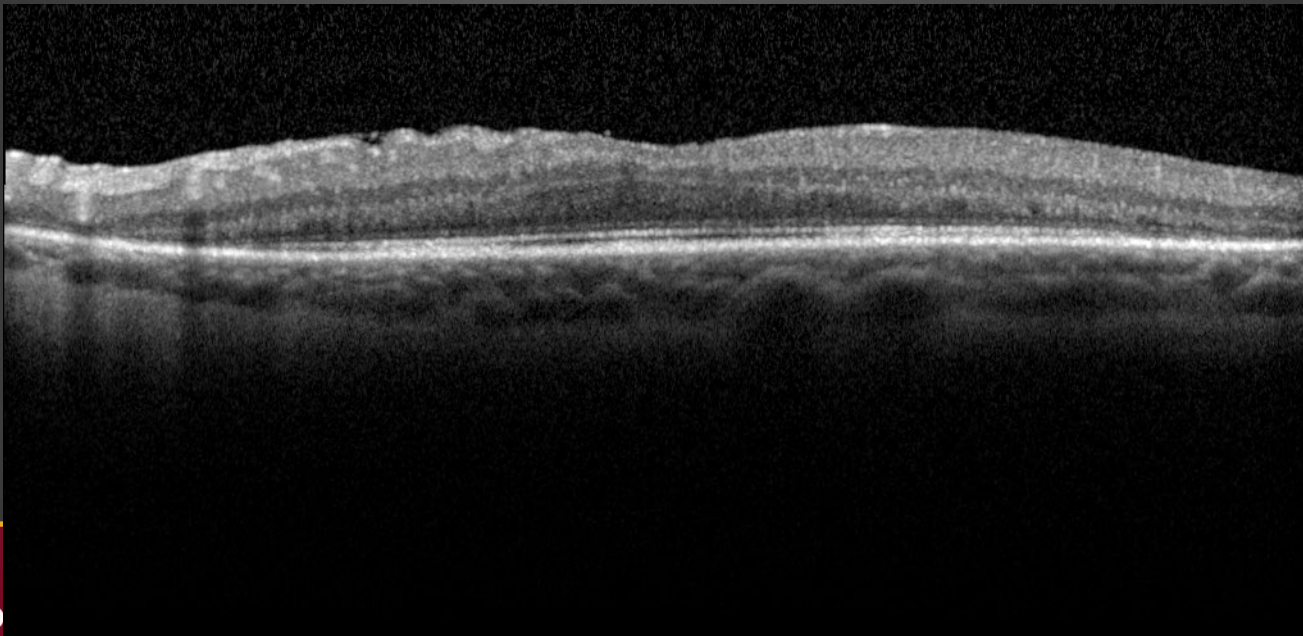
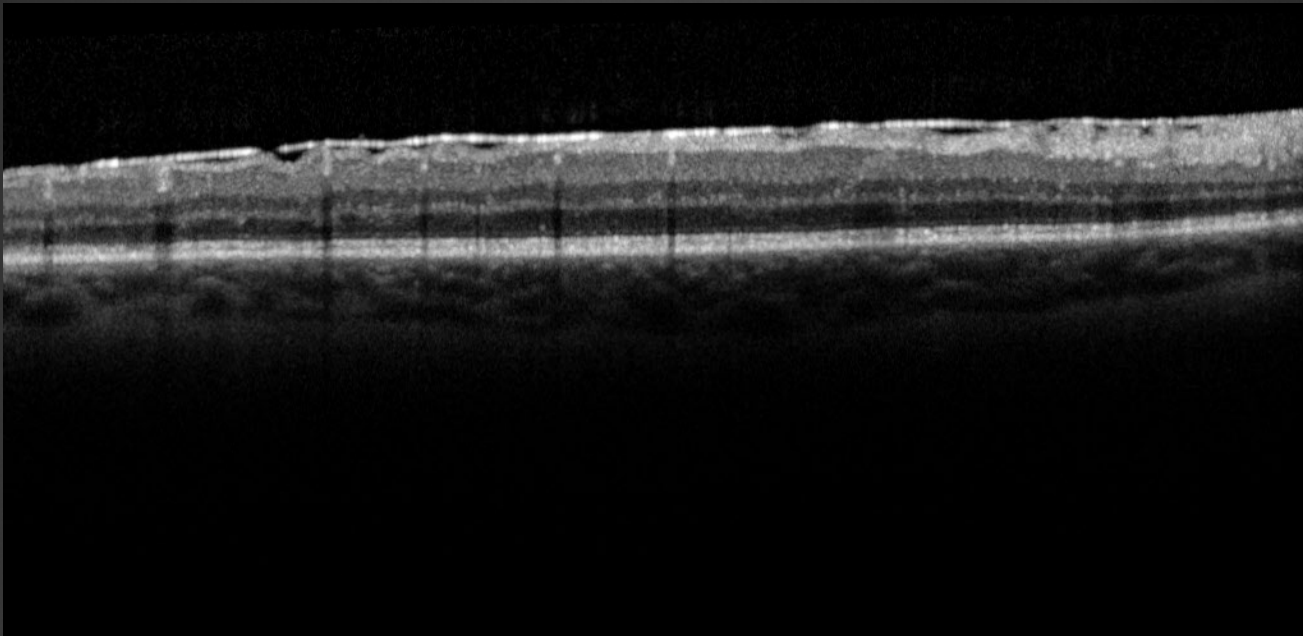
Screening and Suggested Guidelines for Treatment

- ▶ A baseline examination to serve as a reference point and to rule out maculopathy, which might be contraindication to use
- ▶ Annual screening should begin after 5 years (or sooner if there are unusual risk factors)
- ▶ Along with 10-2 automated fields get one of following at screening exams
 - ▶ FAF
 - ▶ mfERG
 - ▶ OCT
- ▶ When fields are performed independently, even the most subtle 10-2 field changes should be taken seriously and are an indication for evaluation by objective testing
- ▶ mfERG testing may be used in place of visual fields
- ▶ Amsler grid testing is no longer recommended



53y M without prior medical history

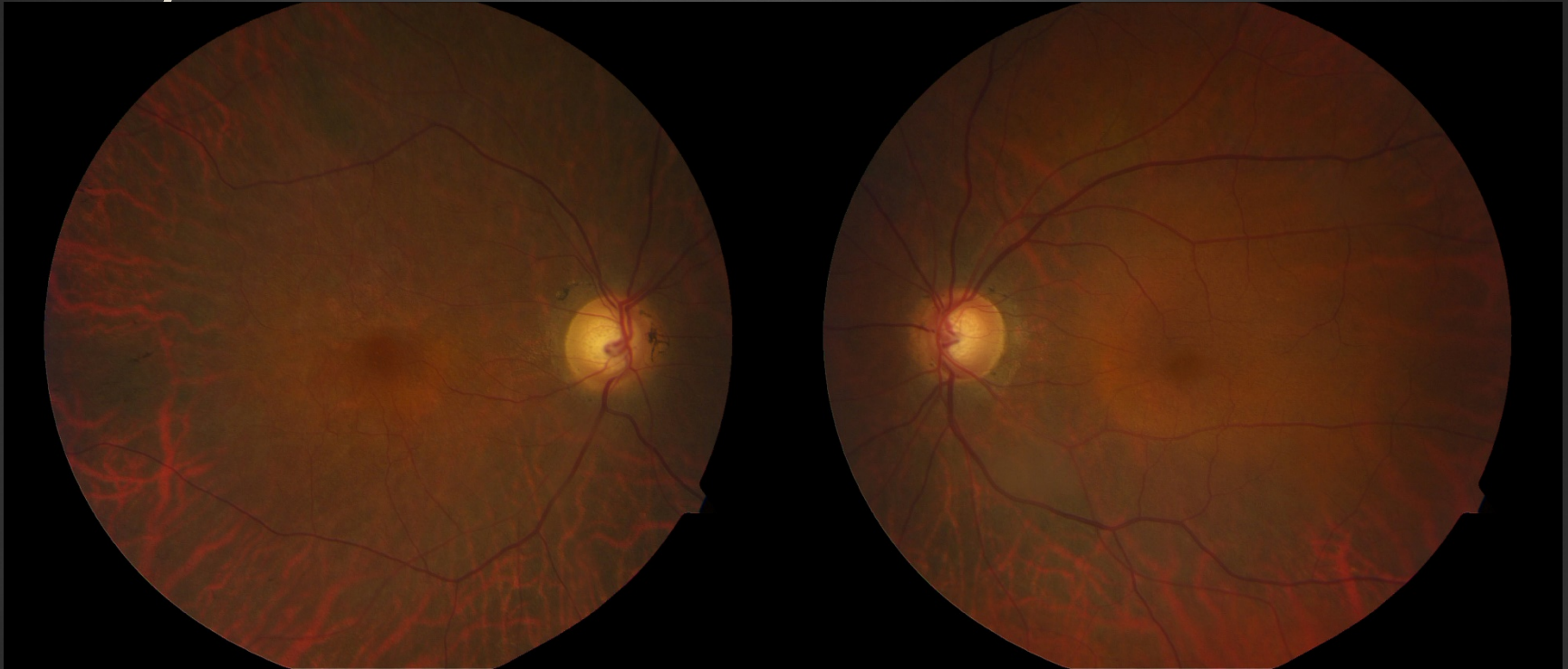


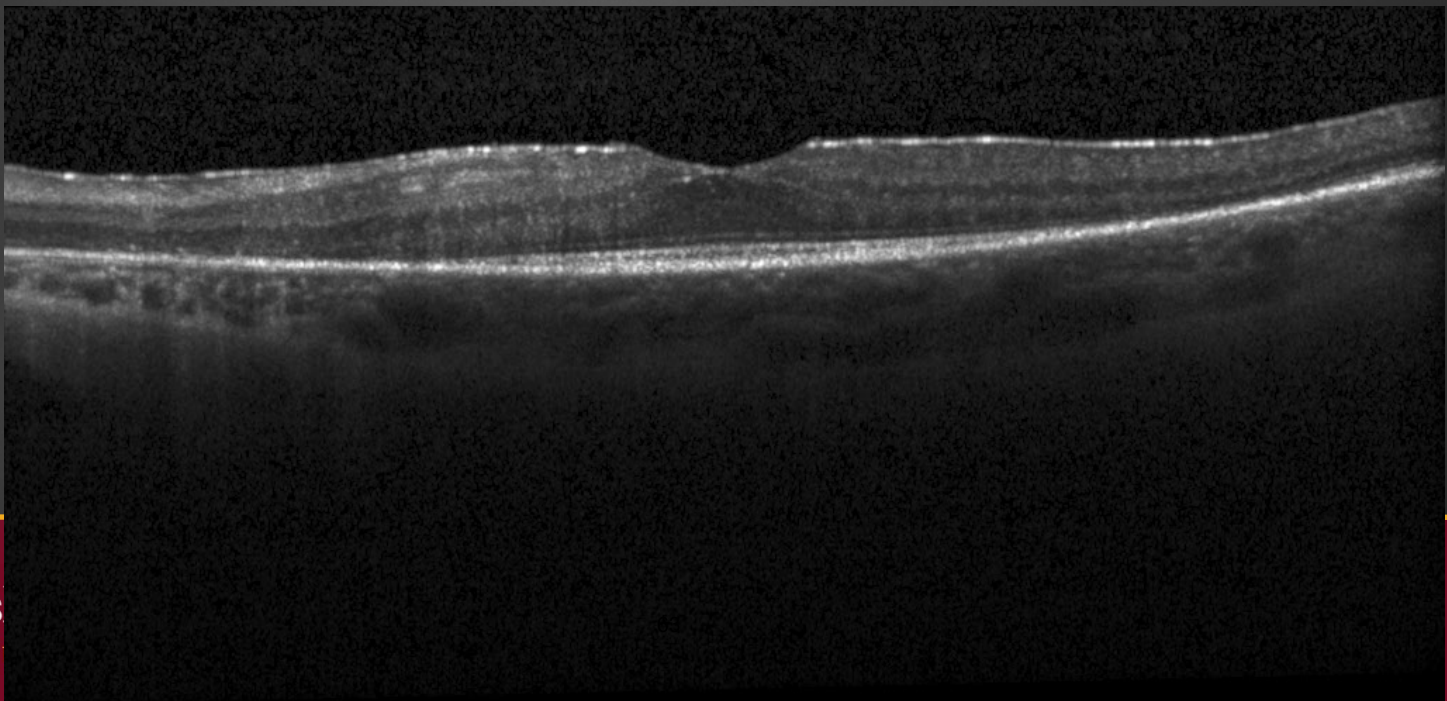
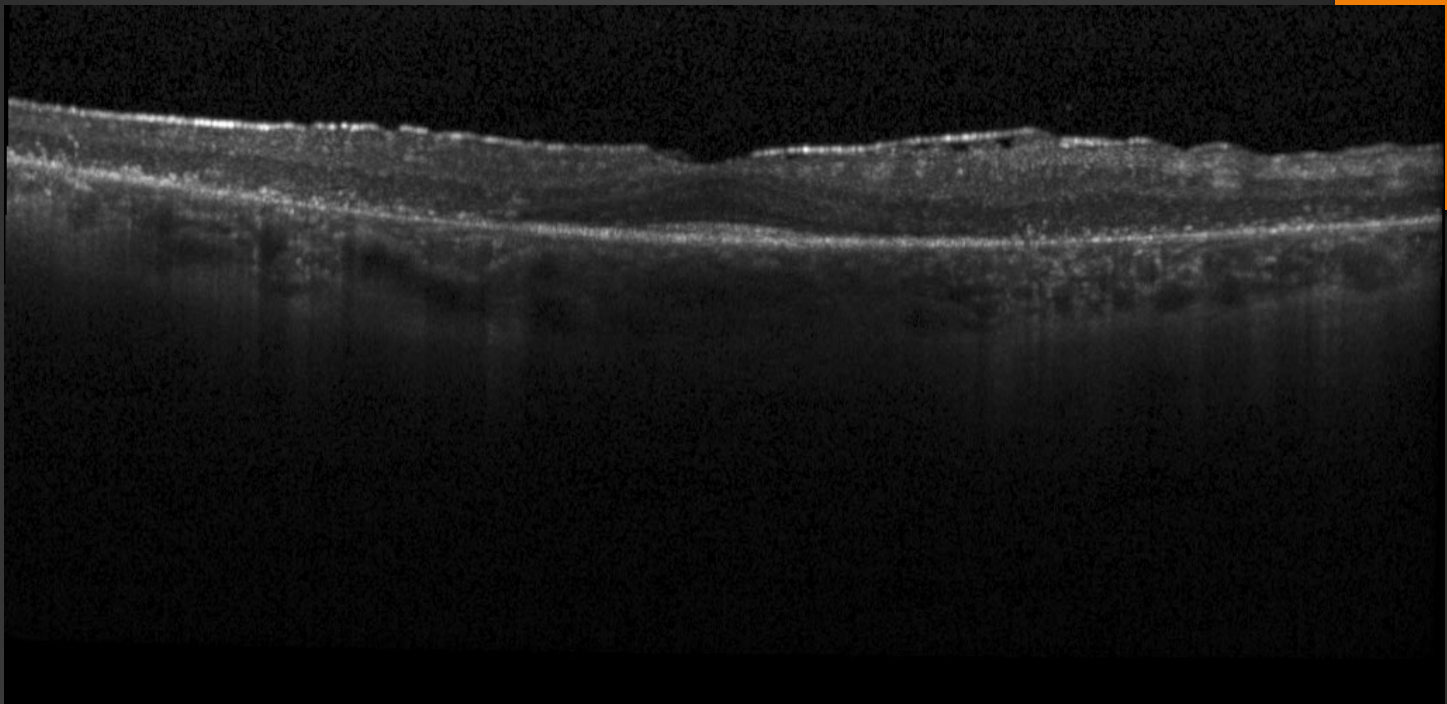


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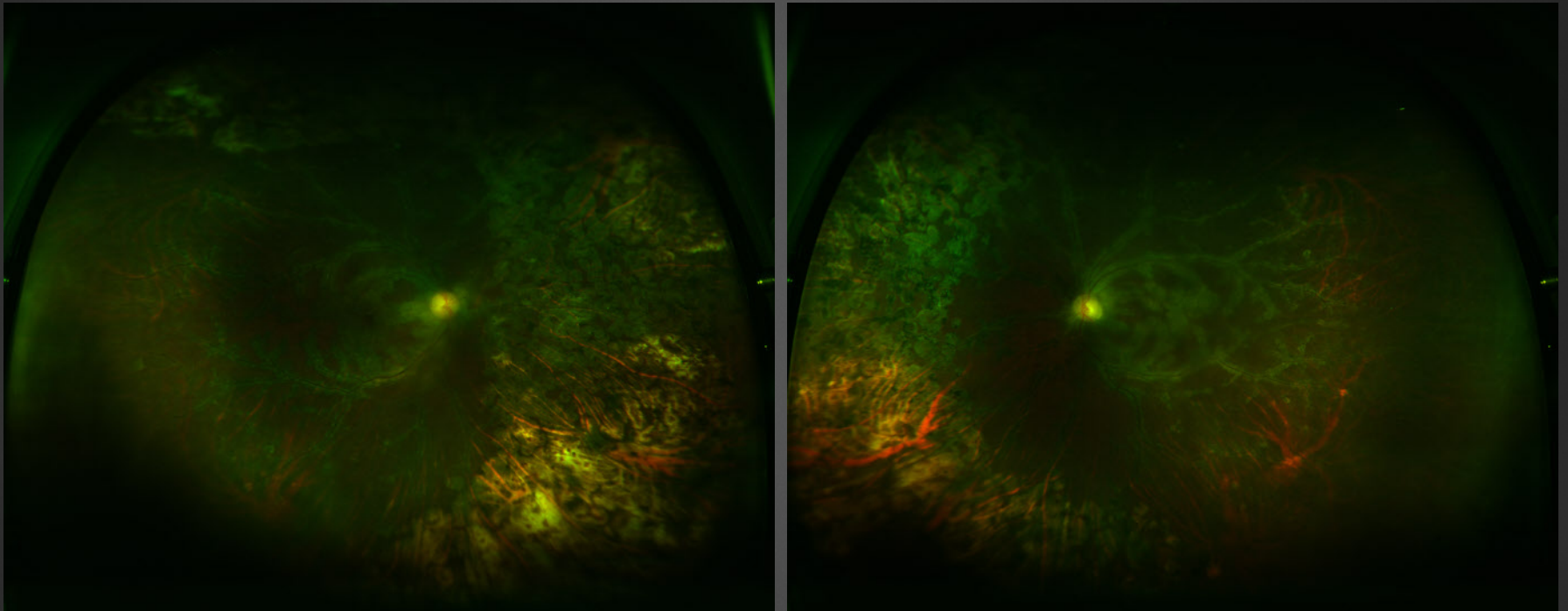
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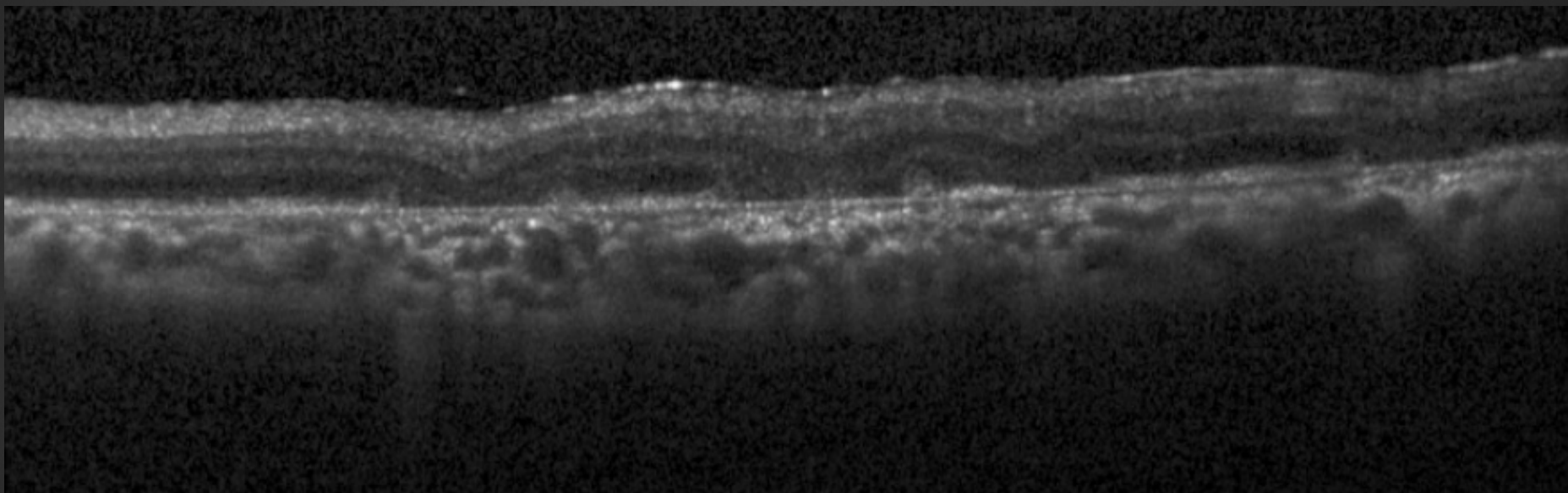
63 y/o M with history of thyroid nodule





60 y/o H M referred for vasculitis





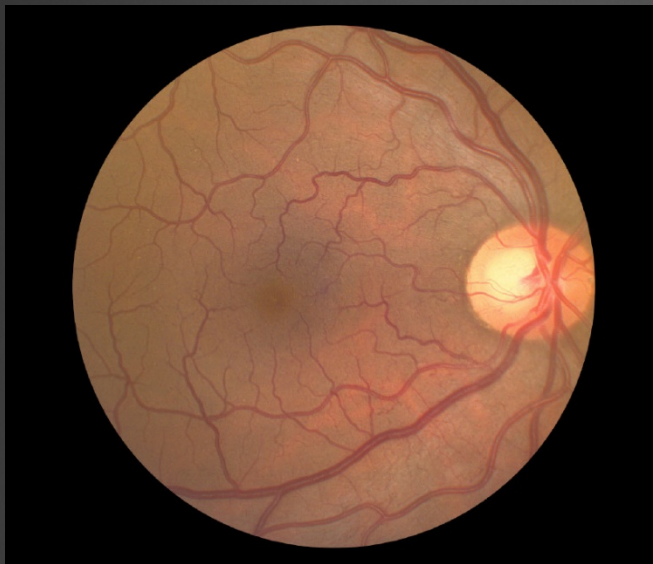
Autoimmune retinopathy vs cancer/melanoma associated retinopathy

- ▶ Antiretinal antibody testing
- ▶ Full neoplastic work up
- ▶ Immunomodulatory therapy
- ▶ Low vision services



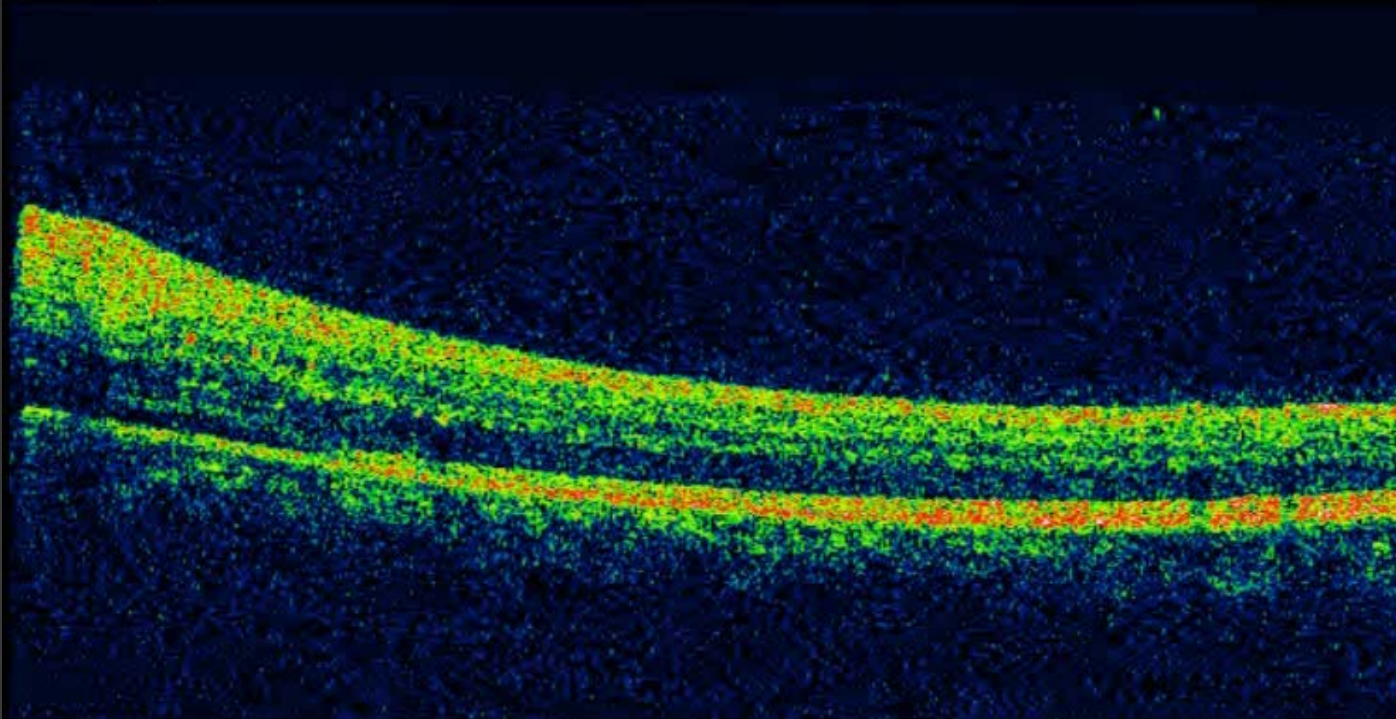
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blurry vision x 14 days

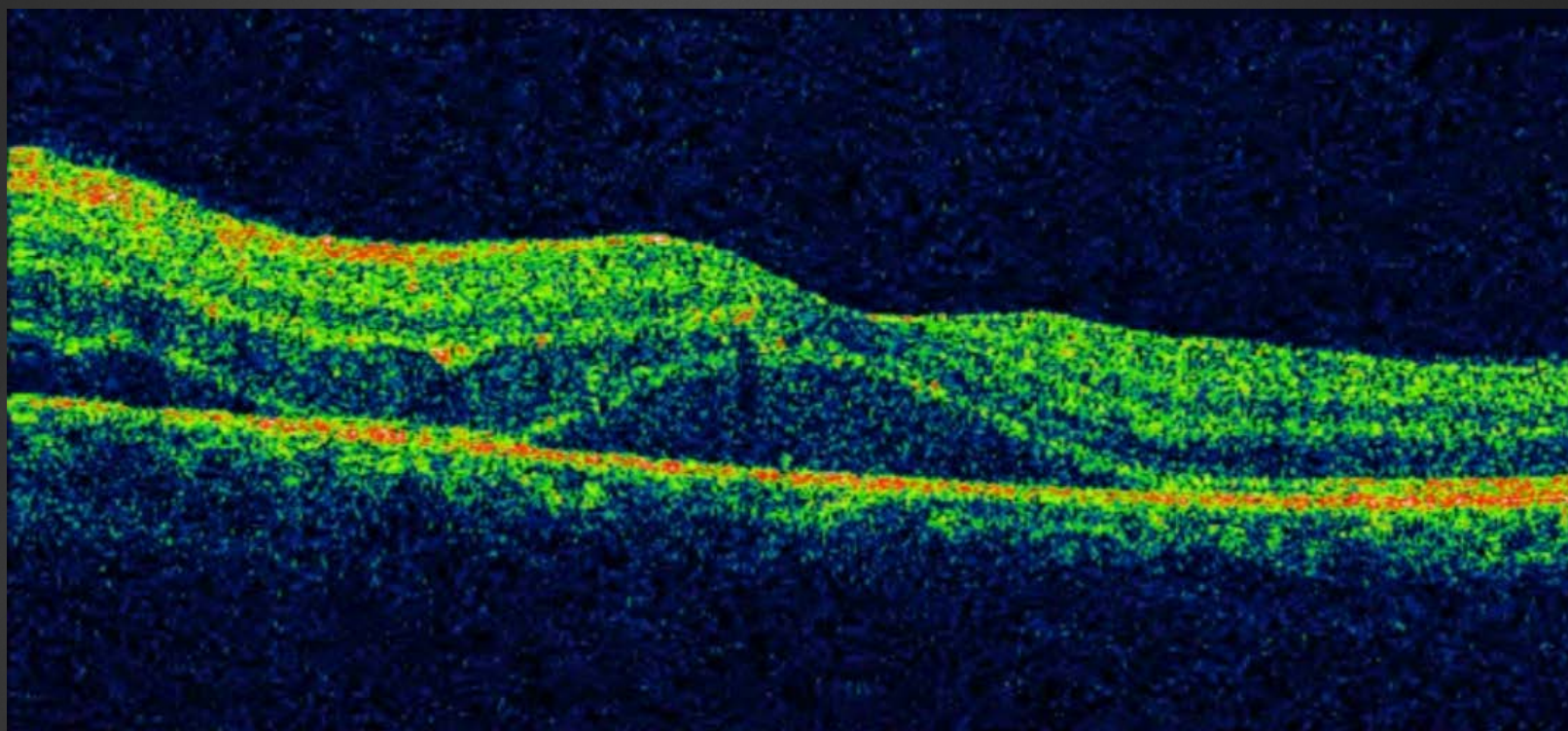
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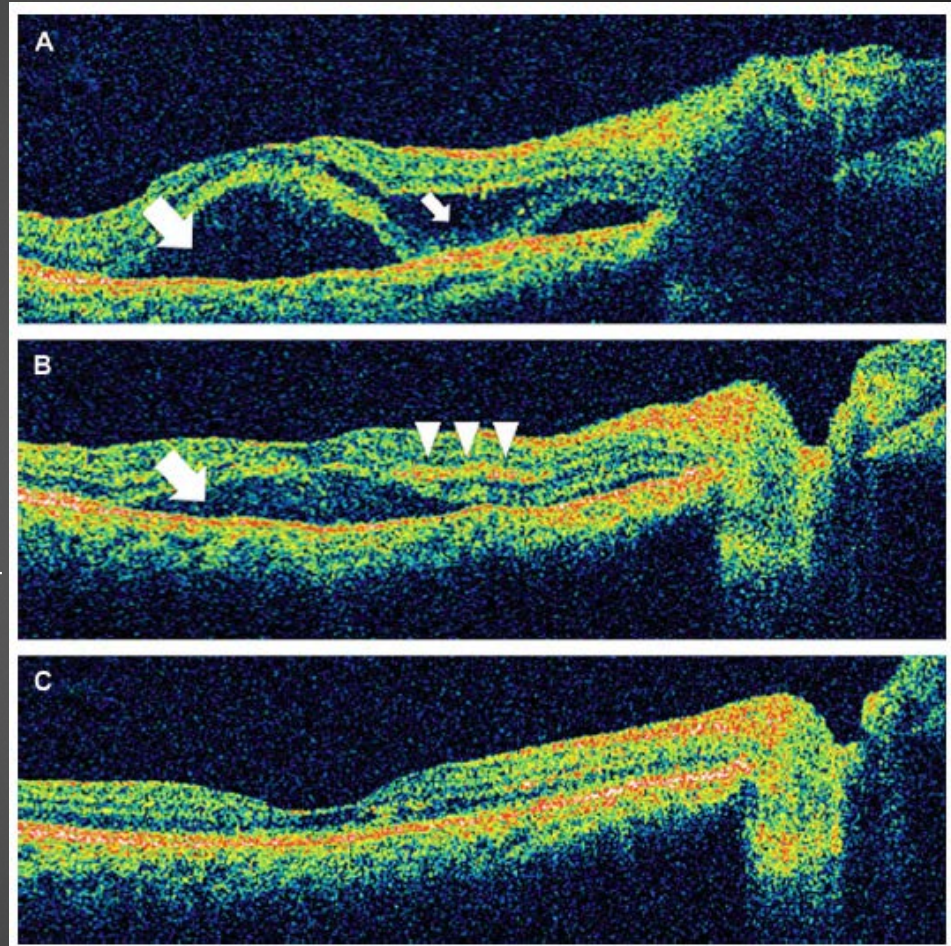
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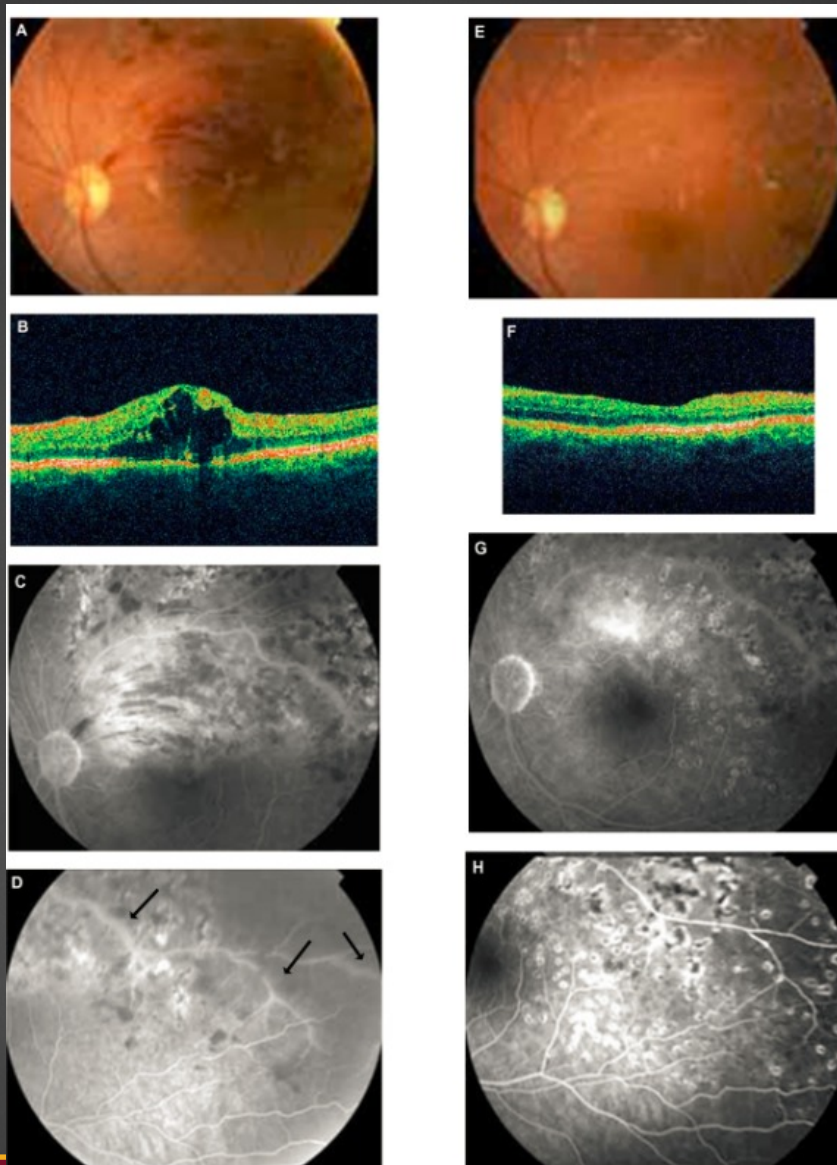
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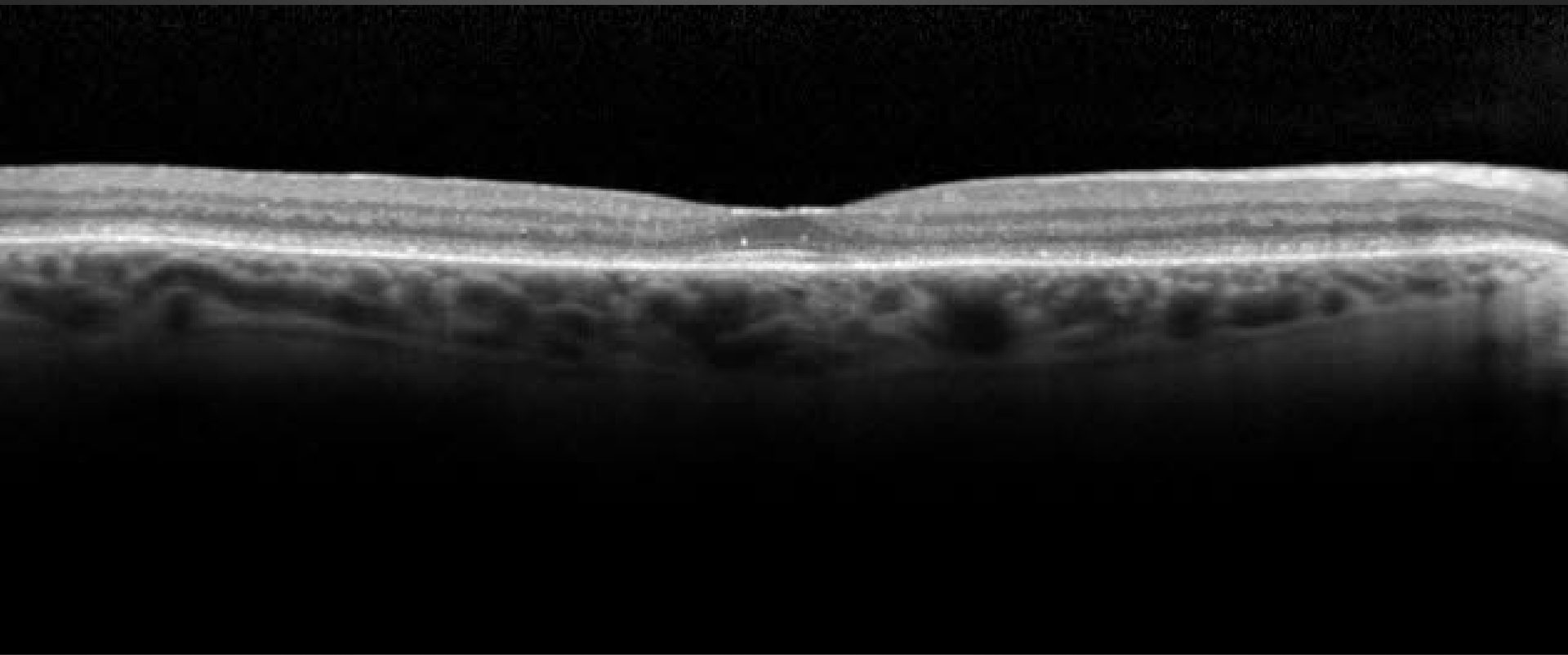
- ▶ CBC, BMP, CXR: WNL
- ▶ HIV, RPR, ACE, ANA, PPD: negative
- ▶ IgM negative: VZV, EBV, HSV 1 & 2, Toxoplasmosis
- ▶ Bartonella henselae IgG + IgM Positive
- ▶ Treated with Cipro with good resolution



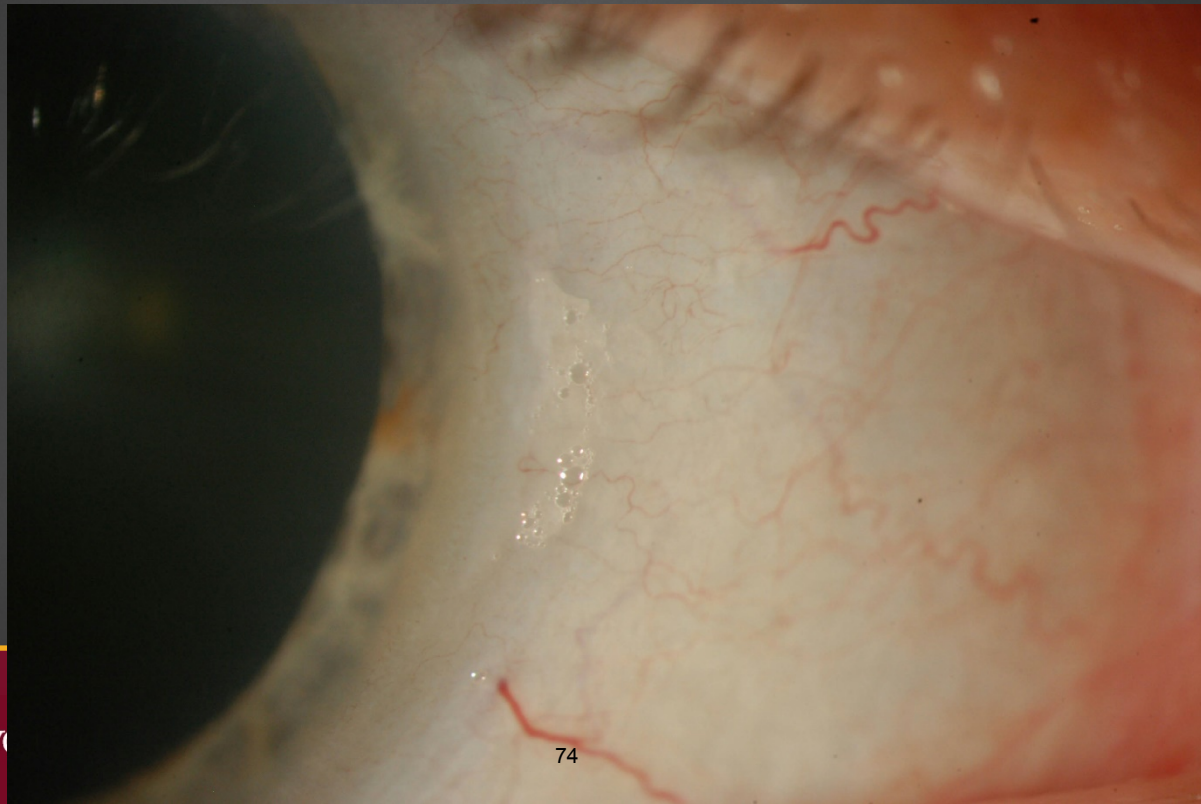


Middle aged female with decreased vision in both eyes





- ▶ Prior surgical history: gastric bypass/intestinal resection



Vitamin A deficiency

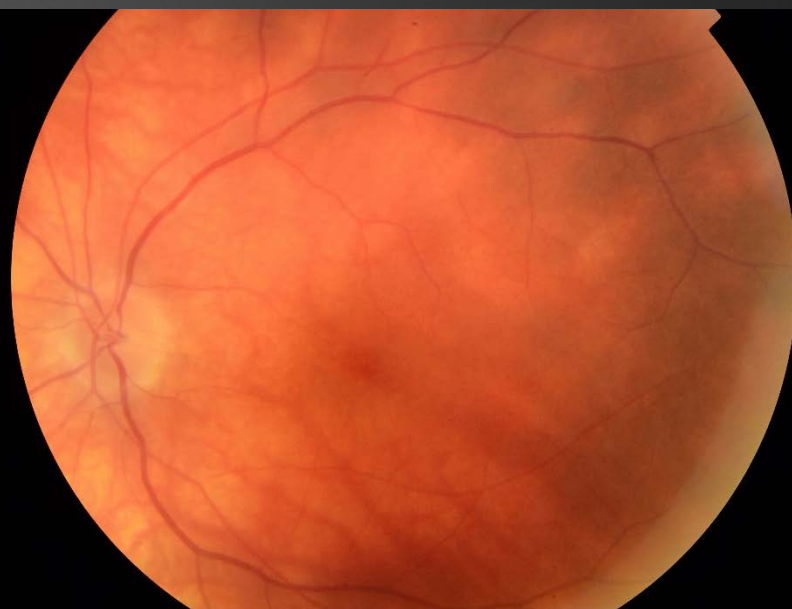
- ▶ Replenish vitamin A

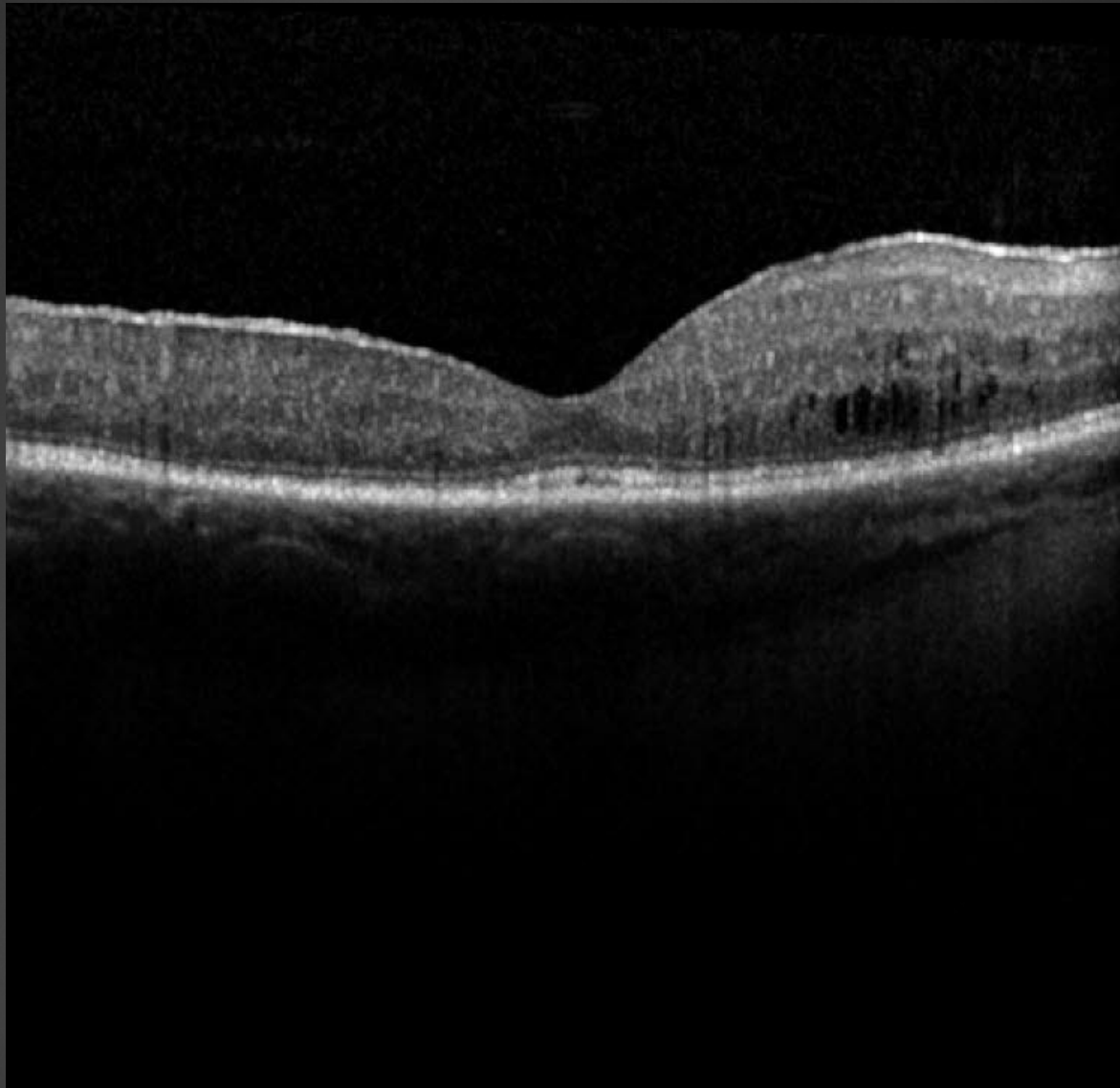


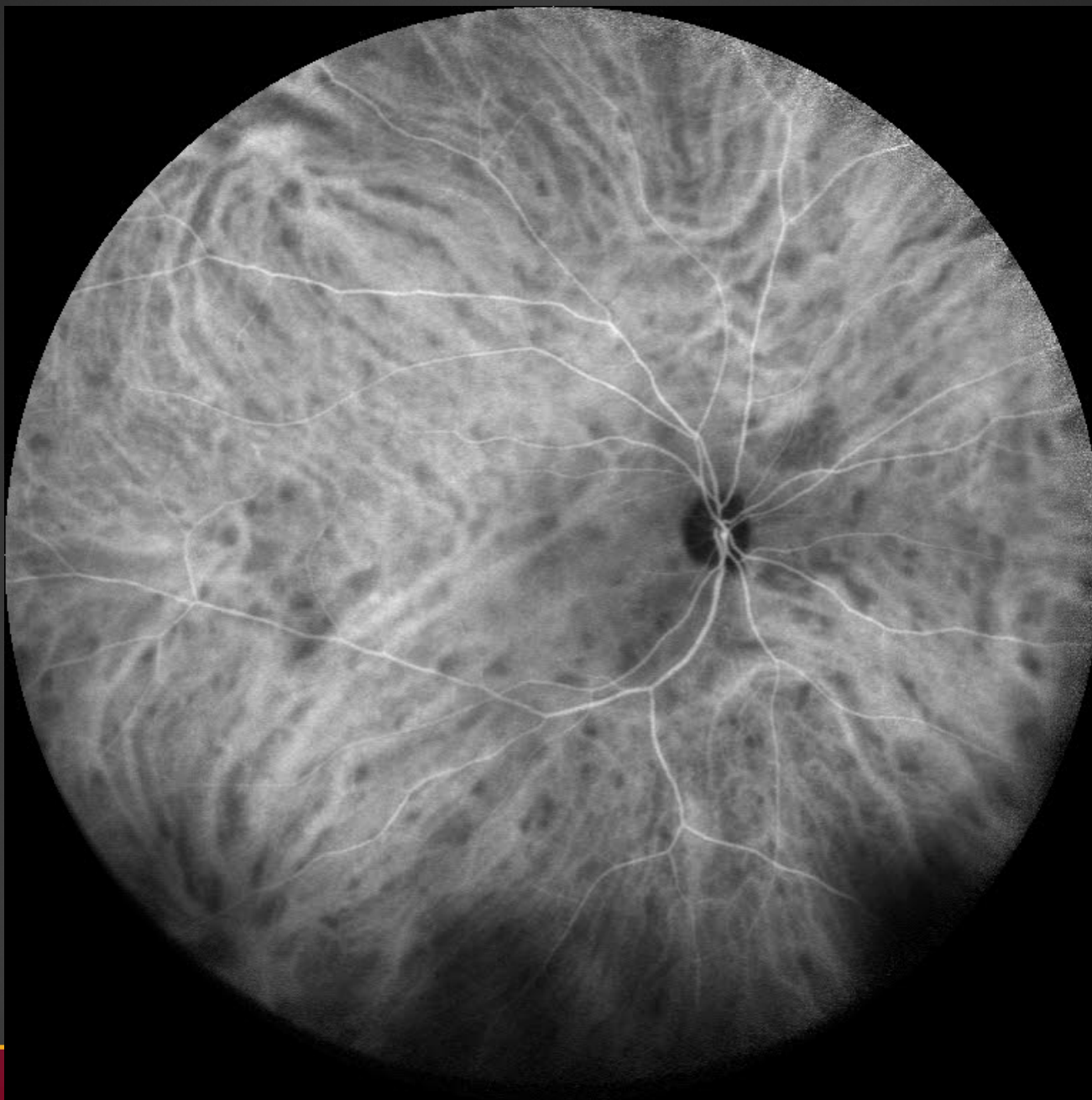
CC/HPI

- ▶ 47 yo WF with decreasing vision in both eyes
 - ▶ ~1 year, more rapidly w/in last 6 mo
 - ▶ Vision appears “darker”
 - ▶ Difficulty with depth perception

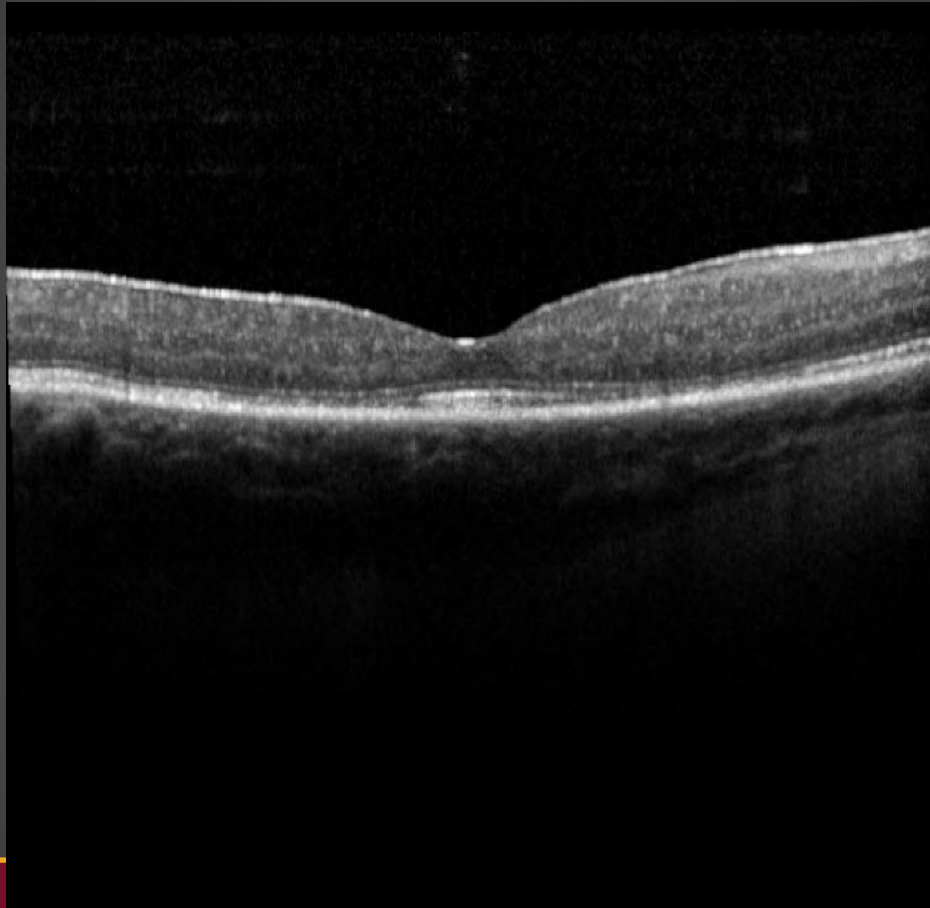








One month after Ozurdex and starting cyclosporine



Treatment for Birdshot Chorioretinopathy

- ▶ Acute episode: Steroids
 - ▶ Oral steroids
 - ▶ Intravitreal dexamethasone implant
- ▶ Chronic disease: Immunomodulatory therapy
 - ▶ Cyclosporine – 1st line therapy
 - ▶ Mycophenylate mofetil
 - ▶ Azathioprine
 - ▶ Methotrexate
 - ▶ Daclizumab



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MAJOR AREAS OF RESEARCH INTEREST:

Research Areas

1. Microelectronics for Ophthalmic Use (Retina, Glaucoma, Uveitis)
2. Imaging in Uveitis

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Dates of Award: 1/27/2015 – 12/8/2015

Agency: XOMA

Title: Safety and Efficacy Study of Gevokizumab to Treat Active Non-infectious Uveitis (EYEGUARD™-A)

Description: The purpose of this study is to evaluate the efficacy of gevokizumab in the treatment of active non-infectious intermediate, posterior, or pan- uveitis.

Role: Principal Investigator

Total Direct Costs: \$14,326

Dates of Award: 1/27/2015 – 12/8/2015

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Title: Safety and Efficacy Study of Gevokizumab to Treat Non-infectious Uveitis Controlled With Systemic Treatment (EYEGUARD™-C)

Description: The purpose of this study is to evaluate the efficacy of gevokizumab in reducing the risk of recurrent uveitic disease in subjects with non-infectious uveitis whose disease is currently controlled with systemic treatment.

Role: Principal Investigator

Total Direct Costs: \$18,224

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