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08:00am – 08:30am	Registration and Continental Breakfast
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08:40am - 09:40am	OCT in Glaucoma by Dr. Grace Richter
09:40am - 10:40am	Biomechanical Glaucoma Damage By Dr. Sahar Bedrood
10:40am - 10:55am	Break
10:55am - 11:55am	Suprachoroidal Space by Dr. Alena Reznik

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#### Summary:

There are many theories about the causes of glaucoma and the reason for the optic nerve damage in glaucomatous optic neuropathy. One of the causes of glaucoma includes the biomechanical theory of damage, in which the sclera and lamina cribrosa sustains a certain level of stress from intraocular pressure which then leads to retinal ganglion cell apoptosis and glaucoma. Studies are being done on how pressure along the lamina cribrosa affects its position and relationship to glaucomatous disease. Additionally, many analyses have been done in regards to how the structural changes along the optic nerve can affect its function. This talk will serve to review all of these concepts and discuss the structure-function relationship in glaucoma.

#### **Outline:**

Presentation 1: "Biomechanical Glaucoma Damage and the Structure-Function Relationship"

Presentation 2: "Interesting and Challenging Glaucoma Cases"

# Optic Nerve Damage in Glaucoma & The Structure-Function Perspective

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#### Disclosures

none

#### Glaucoma

- Second cause of blindness worldwide
- IOP is a risk factor related to the presence and degree of optic nerve damage
- Tolerance of IOP varies greatly
- There are multiple theories of the causes of glaucoma, this lecture will discuss the structure and behavior of the connective tissue and the role it plays in the progression of glaucomatous optic neuropathy

## Theories of Optic Nerve Damage

- Blood Flow theory
- Neurodegenerative theory
- Immune mediated damage
- Connective tissue/mechanical theory

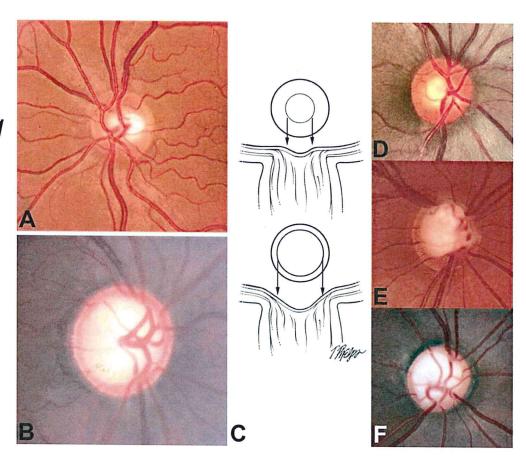
### Glaucoma damage

 Glaucomatous optic nerve damage results in deepening and widening of the optic nerve head canal

Loss of RGC's

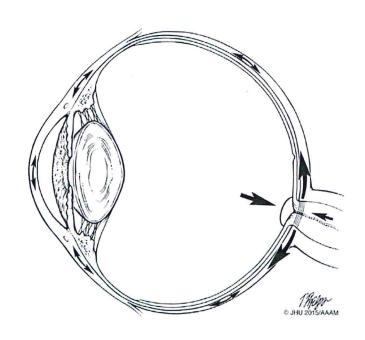
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Remodeling of connective tissue within ONH and surrounding peripapillary sclera



### IOP, RGC's and the Optic nerve head

- Intraocular pressure induces circumferential stress in the sclera AND peripapillary (translaminar stress) region
- Increased stress pushes the connective tissue posteriorly and causes excavation or "cupping"
- Properties of the sclera related to age, disease or connective tissue disorders can play a role in its pliability



#### RGC death

RGC axon compression

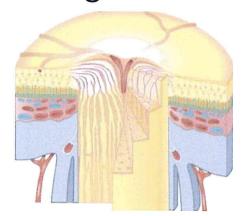
Withdrawal of neurotrophic support and neurotrophic factors

Anterograde and retrograde axonal transport disrupted in RGC



#### RGC apoptosis

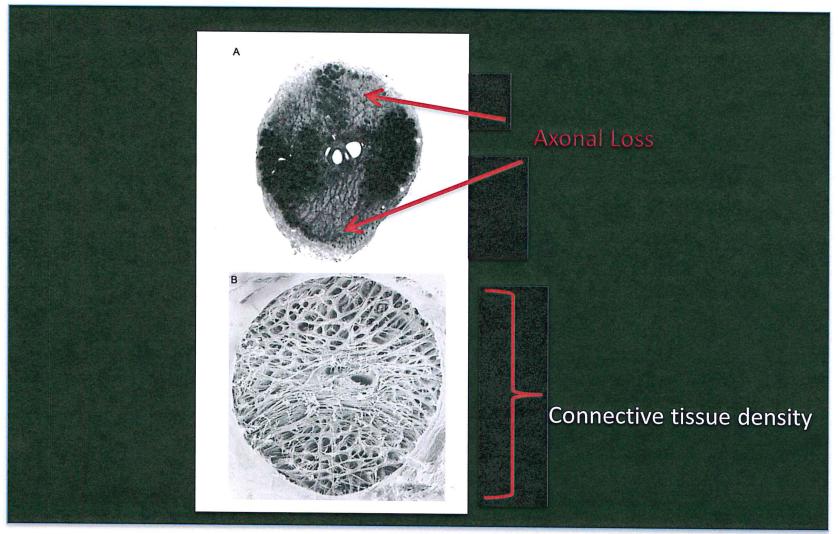
- Studies have found that brain-derived neurotrophic factor (BDNF) and ciliary-derived neurotrophic factor are BLOCKED from reaching the RGC soma at the optic nerve head in acute and chronic IOP elevation
- Viral vector-derived overexpression of BNDF or CNTF is neuroprotective in rat glaucoma



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#### Pathological changes to the optic nerve head



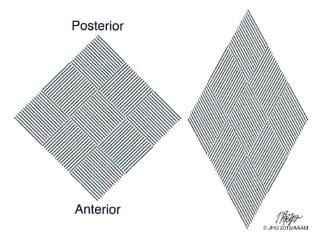
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## Pathological changes to optic nerve head

- Deformation of the connective tissue is greatest along the areas of the optic nerve damage
- Deformative changes in
  - Myopia
  - Connective tissue disorder
  - Stiff sclera due to aging, crosslinking and genetic predisposition
- Susceptibility of OAG patients to glaucoma is from weakness in the baseline sclera or ONH state
- Fluctuations in the IOP further produce more stress and cause RGC

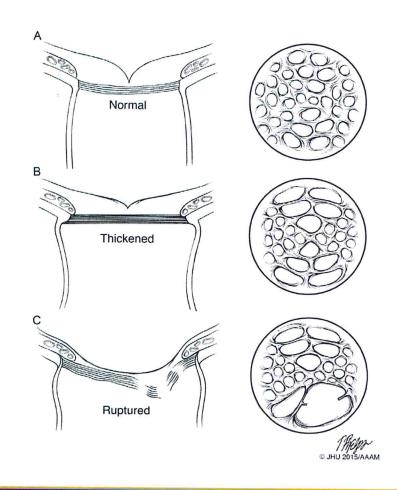
### Changes to the Sclera in glaucoma

- The sclera consist of multiple layers of lamellae that consist of fibroblast that are arranged oblique or perpendicular to each other
- In experimental glaucoma eyes, the fibrils are arranged in a more antero-posterior orientation allowing for elongation of the sclera. This thinning does not happen in older human eyes with glaucoma due to crosslinking of the sclera
- Proteomic studies show up-regulation of proteins involved in scleral remodeling



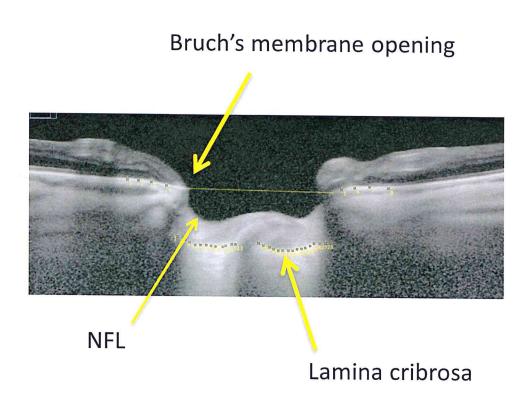
### Remodeling of optic nerve head

- Glaucoma lamina showed remodeling of laminar beams with increased production of collagens 1, 3, 4
- These changes did not occur with optic atrophy from transection
- Rat model of glaucoma shows up-regulation of skeletal proteins



### Changes to the lamina cribrosa

- Pressure changes can change the anteroposterior position of the lamina cribrosa
- The direction and degree of these changes can reflect the severity of disease
- Can these parameters be diagnostic of disease progression?



## Connective tissue and cellular based therapy

- How does the pliability of the sclera contribute to the death of RGC's?
  - Too pliable leads to loss of structure and support of cells?
    - Crosslinking would make the sclera more stiff
  - Too stiff leads to strain on RGC's?
    - Digestion of collagen and matrix glycosaminoglycans
- Can cellular changes to astrocytes and fibroblasts change remodeling?

#### Structure-Function relationship

- Structural changes = neuroretinal rim loss, RNFL changes
- Functional changes = visual field changes
- "Structure before function"
- Often information from one domain us used to support the diagnostic findings seen in the other domain
- Each domain can vary in severity and its relationship to the severity of POAG

#### Mapping the Visual Field to the Optic Disc

Decrease in neuroretinal rim

Reduction in axon number histologically

What is the correspondence of these structural deficits to the visual field?

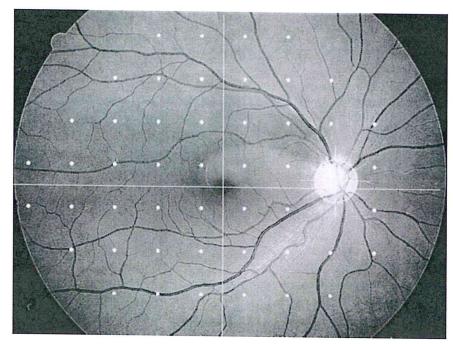


Figure 2. Example of a retinal nerve fiber layer photograph with the Humphrey 24-2 visual field test pattern and optic nerve head reference circle superimposed.

Garway-Heath D et al 2000 Mapping the Visual Field to the Optic Disc in Normal Tension Glaucoma Eyes *Ophthalmology 2000;107: 1809–1815* 

## Models of Structure-Function Relationship

- Hood-Kardon model
- Harwerth et al model
- Drasdo et al model
- The Hockey Stick model

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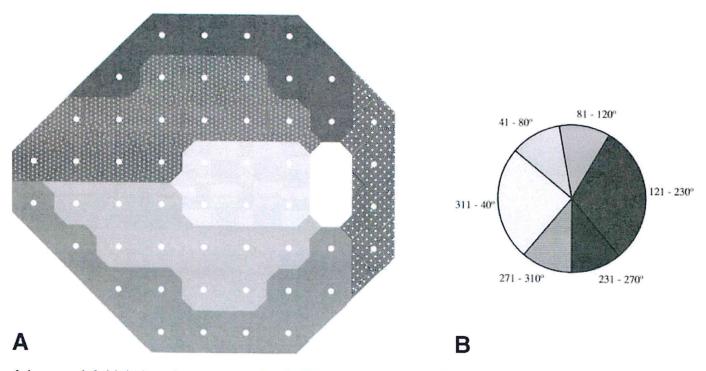
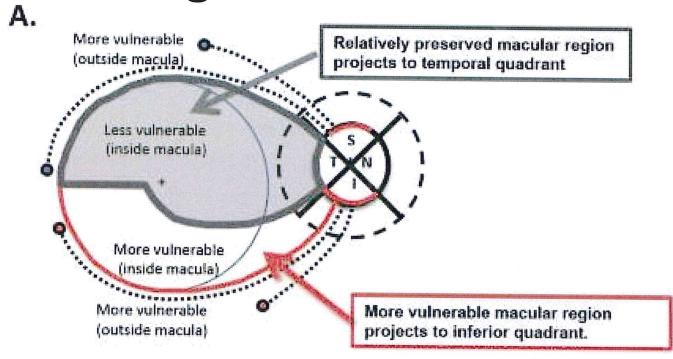


Figure 7. A division of the visual field (A) and optic nerve head (B) into sectors according to the results of this study.

## Vulnerability of the ganglion cells in glaucoma



#### Summary

- The mechanical properties of the lamina cribrosa and sclera play a pivotal role in glaucoma progression
- Variability of an individuals scleral properties can contribute to their tolerance of intraocular pressure
- Studies are currently being done on the movement and importance of the lamina cribrosa in glaucoma
- The structure-function model describes the relationship between RNFL changes and visual changes

#### Thank You

## "Vision is the art of seeing what is invisible to others."

Jonathan Swift

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## Other Models of Structure-Function Relationship

- Hood-Kardon model
  - Predicts RNFL thickness from dB visual field measurements
  - Linear relationship between RNFL thickness and visual field sensitivity
- Harwerth et al model
  - Comparison of perimetric data and histological data found a liner relationship between visual field sensitivity and ganglion cell number
- Drasdo et al model
  - Used a map of normal ganglion cell density within the central visual field to develop a model of ganglion cell density to perimetric sensitivity
- The Hockey Stick model
  - the relationship between sensitivity and ganglion cell receptive field density (measured from grating acuity) was linear with a slope of 1 at greater eccentricities and with a slope of 0.16 in the macula

## Interesting Cases

Sahar Bedrood, MD, PhD

#### Case 1:

- 11 yo Female with no PMH seen by optometrist for refraction and sent urgently for high IOP
- PMH: none, no systemic symptoms
- Family history: grandparents with glaucoma
- Va 20/40 ou
- T(iCare): 43/30
- Pachymetry: 575/560
- Gonioscopy: CB CB CB CB CB CB

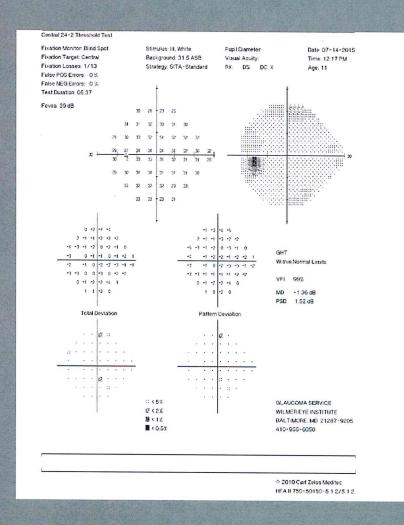
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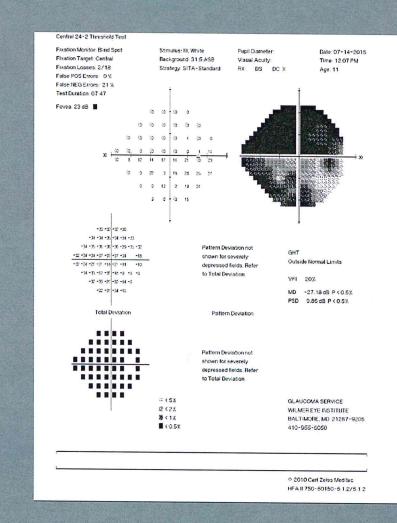
- SLE
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  - S/C White ou
  - K clear ou
  - AC Deep and Quiet ou
  - I- round and reactive ou
  - Lens- clear ou
  - AV wnl ou

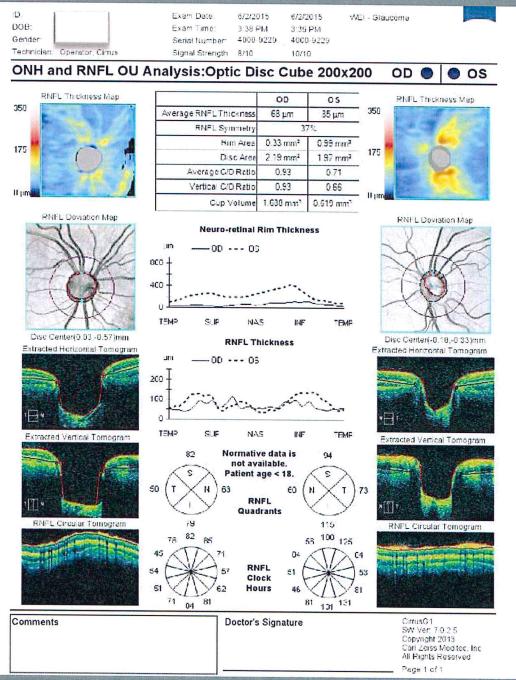
#### DFE

- c/d right eye: 0.95, deeply excavated
- c/d left eye: 0.75
- Macula normal
- Vessels + venous pulsations right eye
- Periphery wnl

#### Humphrey Visual Fields







### Diagnosis & Course of treatment

- Juvenile Open angle glaucoma
  - 6/02/15: Started on latanoprost, dorzolamide-timolol and brimonidine in the right eye and continued to have IOP of 23
    - 8/3/15 Baerveldt glaucoma implant with rip cord suture
    - 9/8/15 The tube was noted to have moved and be abutted against the limbus and nonpatent with an IOP 48
    - Latina suture removed, IOP still high
    - 9/28/15: revision with tube extender
    - 11/15/15: IOP in the right eye 23, left eye 17 with normal fields in the left eye

### Learning points for this case

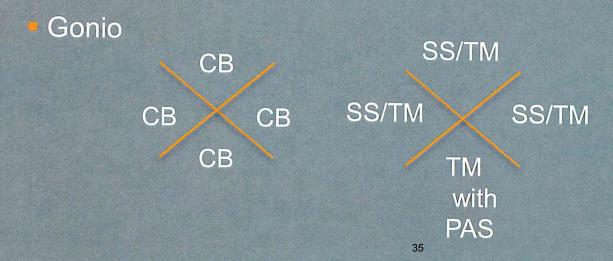
- Juvenile sclera are different
- Rip cord sutures can provide another safeguard against hypotony
- Tube extenders
- When revising a tube:
  - insert in same spot or take out?
  - Insert and suture into a different entry site?

#### Case 2

- 70 yo Male presented with high IOP after cataract surgery in the left eye and wanted a second opinion regarding surgery
- Family history: none
- Ocular history: Primary open angle glaucoma s/p complicated cataract surgery with nucleus drop, vitrectomy
- POD#1 developed retinal detachment, underwent repair with buckle
- IOP remained high (IOP spikes to 40) during first 3 postoperative months and underwent trabeculectomy in the left eye
- 1.5 years later he is having high IOP in 30's and wants a second opinion
- Currently on: PF BID OS only, dorzolamide-timolol BID OU, brimonidine BID OU, methazolamide 50 mg BID

#### Exam

- Va 20/25, 20/40
- IOP: 17, 37
- CCT 520/510



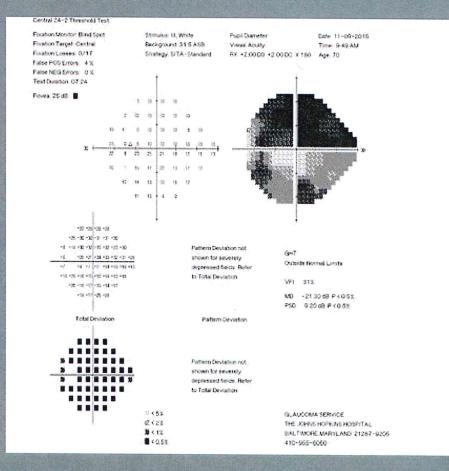
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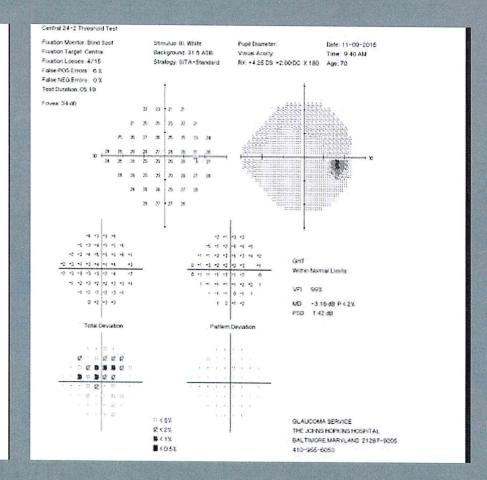
- SLE
  - LLL blepharitis ou
  - S/C White OD, vascular scarred bleb superiorly OS, scleral buckle posteriorly placed
  - K clear ou with suture temporally
  - AC Deep and Quiet ou
  - I- round and reactive ou
  - Lens- 1+ NSC OD, PCIOL OS in sulcus with open capsule
  - AV wnl ou

#### DFE

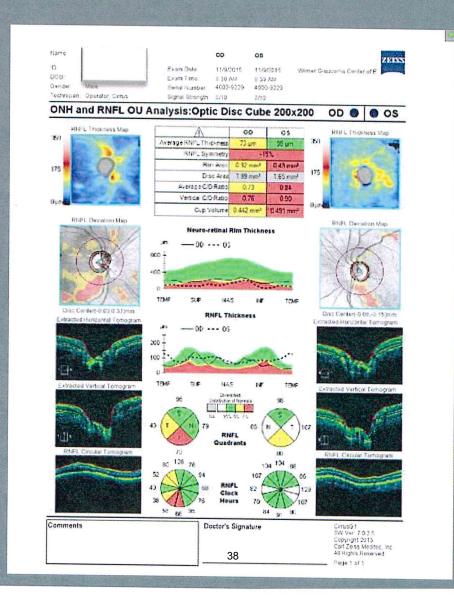
- c/d right eye: 0.6
- c/d left eye: 0.9
- Macula normal
- Vessels normal
- Periphery good buckle height, laser scars in periphery

### HVF





# OCT



# Questions to consider

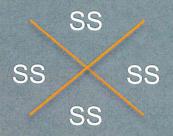
- What are the surgical options?
  - second trabeculectomy
  - needling the bleb
  - implant a Ahmed or Baerveldt tube
- Can one place a tube in an eye with a scleral buckle?

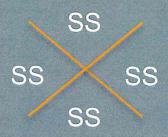
# Case 3

- 42 yo M with Grave's disease referred to glaucoma to evaluate visual field defects
  - POHx: Graves disease s/p upper and lower eyelid retraction repair, was told by airforce that he may have early visual field loss in early 2000's
  - Currently has proptosis and is considering orbital decompression surgery
  - Recent and first episode of mild iritis and photosensitivity
  - Family history: maternal grandmother used glaucoma drops, no vision loss

#### Exam

- Va 20/20 OU
- IOP: 19/18
- Pachymetry: 561/551
- PERRL and no APD



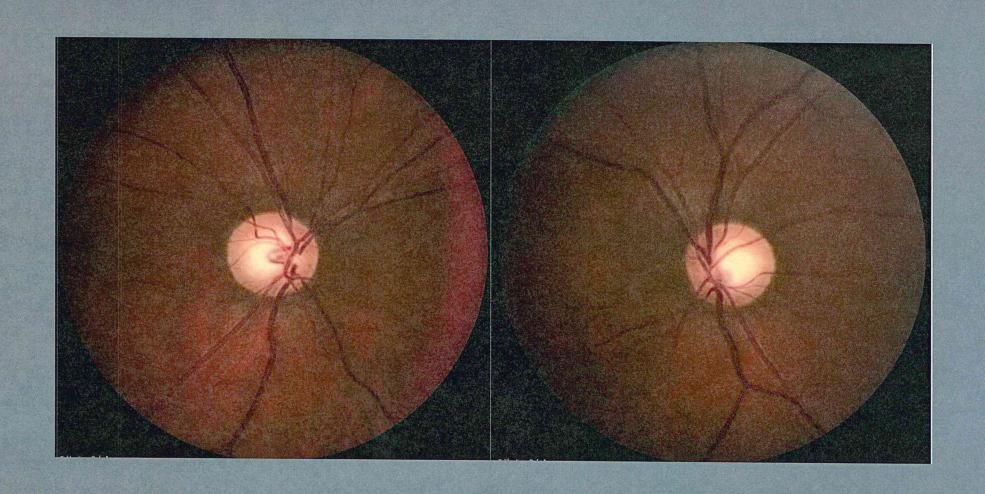


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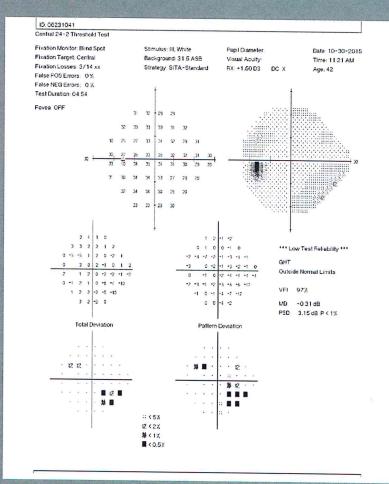
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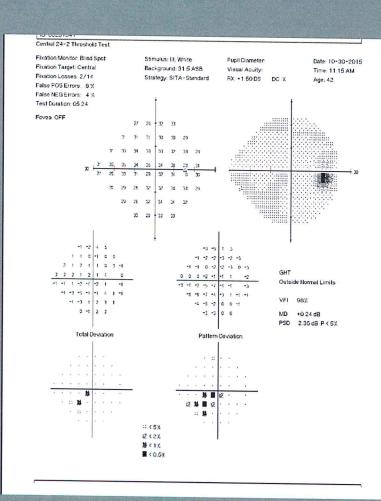
#### DFE

- c/d right eye: 0.7
- c/d left eye: 0.7
- Macula normal
- Vessels normal
- Periphery wnl

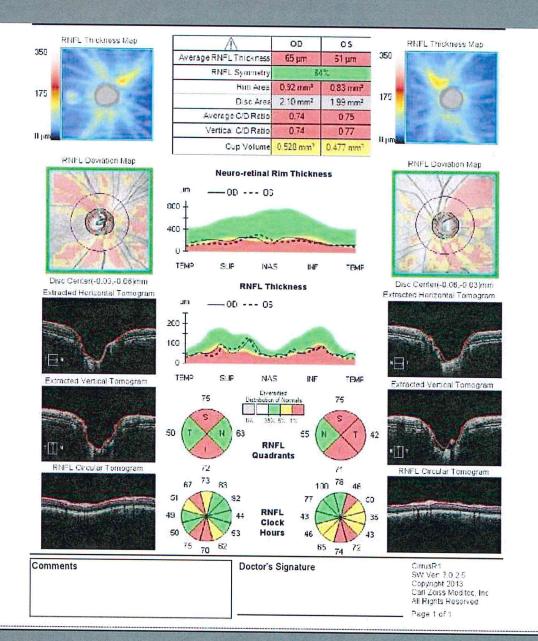


### HVF





# OCT



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### Discussion

- Is this glaucoma?
- Contribution from steroids a cause?
- Would you initiate treatment at his pressure of 18/19?
- How often would you monitor him?

#### Course:

- Strong suspicion for glaucoma given HVF, rnfl loss and family Hx.
- Patient was started on timolol with plan for repeat HVF

# Case 4

- 64 yo F with longstanding OAG with
  - s/p CEIOL OU 2014
  - Endolaser to CB OU
  - Tmax 20
  - Trabeculectomy 8/6/15 with 1/3 lysis of sutures
- Presents after husband accidentally hit her in the eye while sleeping and stated noticing a change in the position of the bleb

#### Exam

- Va 20/50, 20/40
- IOP: 8/12

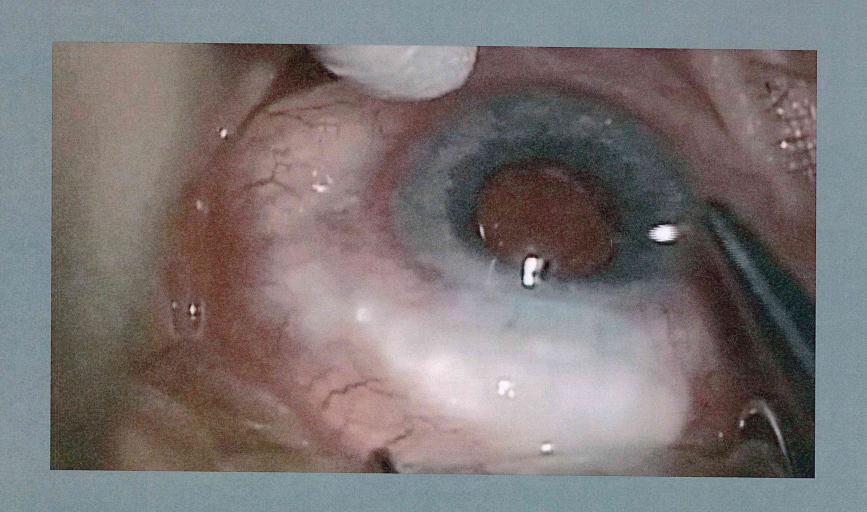
### SLE and DFE

- SLE
  - LLL wnl ou
  - S/C large bleb OD, spreads nasally
  - K clear ou
  - AC Deep and Quiet ou
  - I- iridectomy OD superiorly with transillumination defects OD
  - Lens- sulcus IOL piggyback on IOL in the bag
  - AV wnl ou

#### DFE

- c/d right eye: 0.9, notched inferior rim
- c/d left eye: 0.6
- Macula epiretinal membrance with pseudohole OD + drusen OU
- Vessels wnl
- Periphery wnl







Preop



Immediate Postop

# Learning points

- Nasal blebs are cosmetically unpleasing to patients
- Multiple methods have been used to revise a bleb
- Be cautious around the flap and the medial rectus

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2008	Remarkable Women of USC Award – for significant contributions to USC, commitment to students, women's issues and community involvement

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