

Optometric Management Symposium

Diagnosing and Treating Glaucoma - *Pearls for Each Stage*-

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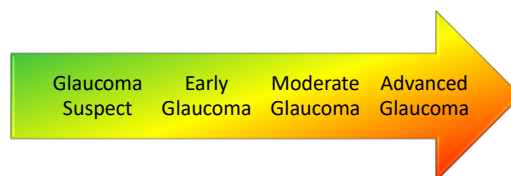
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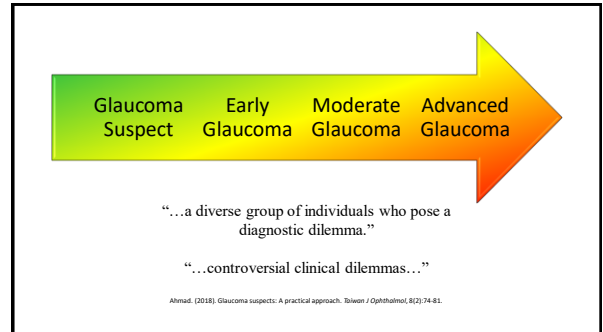
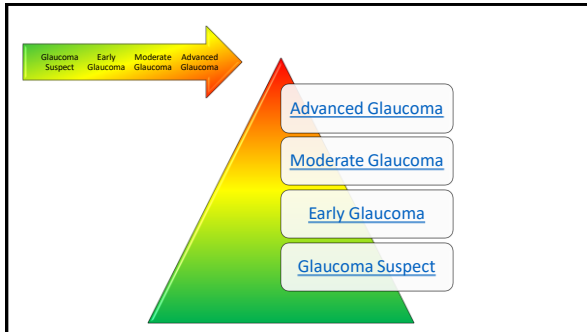
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Case Presentation I Ocular Hypertension

- 65 year-old male returns for *continued* Ocular Hypertension evaluation and testing
 - LASIK OU 2001
 - Review of Systems: unremarkable and noncontributory.
 - No medications
 - Multivitamin
 - Non-smoker
 - Social drinker
 - Healthy, active
 - Negative FOHx
 - Profession: "Doctor"

Case Presentation

UNCORRECTED VISUAL ACUITY

OD: = 20/20-1

OS: = 20/25-2

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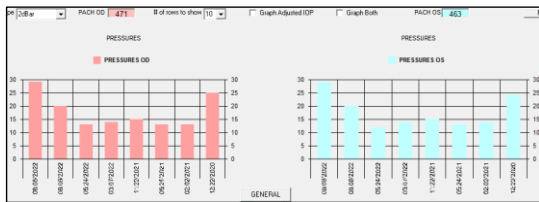
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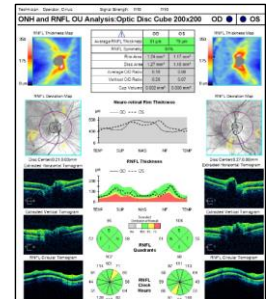
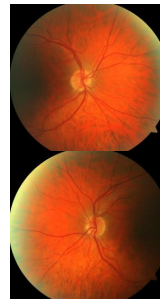
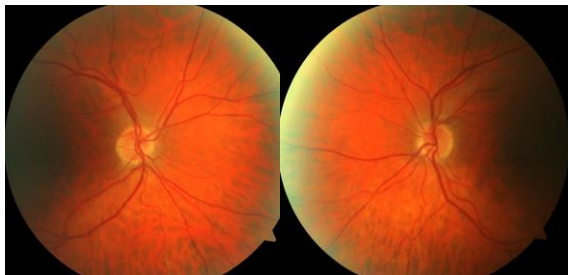
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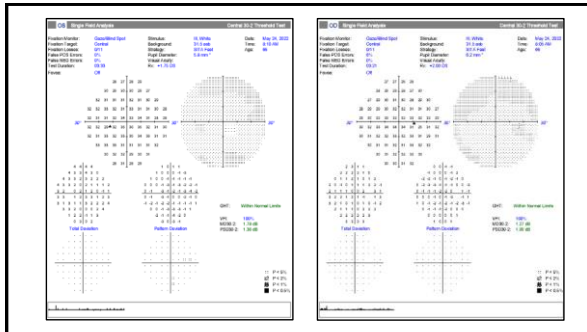


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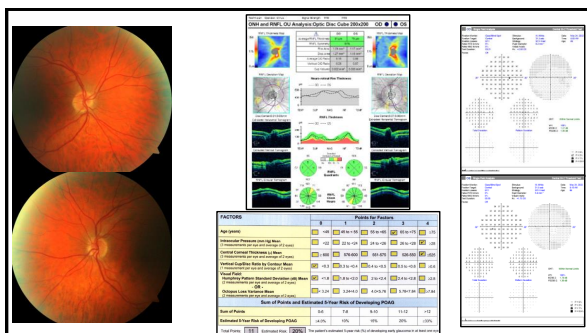
- Lids/Adnexa: 1+ MGD
- Conjunctivae: palpebral/bulbar clear
- Sclera: white
- Cornea: clear/normal; (-)pigment OU; faint LASIK scar OU
- Anterior Chamber: deep and quiet OD,OS; NO cell
- Iris: clear/normal; NO NVI, synechiae
- Lens: trace NS OU; NO PXE OU





FACTORS	Points for Factors				
	0	1	2	3	4
Age (years)	<45	45 to <55	55 to <65	65 to <75	≥75
Intraocular Pressure (mm Hg) Mean (3 measurements per eye and average of 2 eyes)	<22	22 to <24	24 to <26	26 to <28	≥28
Central Corneal Thickness (μ) Mean (3 measurements per eye and average of 2 eyes)	≥600	576-600	551-575	526-550	≤525
Vertical Cup/Disc Ratio by Contour Mean (1 measurement per eye and average of 2 eyes)	≤0.3	0.3 to <0.4	0.4 to <0.5	0.5 to <0.6	≥0.6
Visual Field: Humphrey Pattern Standard Deviation (dB) Mean (2 measurements per eye and average of 2 eyes)	≤1.8	1.8 to <2.0	2 to <2.4	2.4 to <2.8	≥2.8
OR - Octopus Loss Variance Mean (2 measurements per eye and average of 2 eyes)	< 3.24	3.24 to 4.0	4.0 to 5.76	5.76 to 7.84	≥7.84
Sum of Points and Estimated 5-Year Risk of Developing POAG					
Sum of Points	0-6	7-8	9-10	11-12	>12
Estimated 5-Year Risk of Developing POAG	≤4.0%	10%	15%	20%	≥33%
Total Points: 11	Estimated Risk: 20%	The patient's estimated 5-year risk (%) of developing early glaucoma in at least one eye.			

[Risk Calculator | Ocular Hypertension Treatment Study \(OHTS\)](#)
[\(wustl.edu\)](#)



Case Presentation II Ocular Hypertension

- 41 year-old male returns for *continued* Ocular Hypertension/Glaucoma Suspect evaluation and testing
 - No relevant ocular history
 - Review of Systems: unremarkable and noncontributory.
 - No medications
 - Non-smoker
 - Social drinker
 - Healthy, active
 - Negative FORx

Case Presentation

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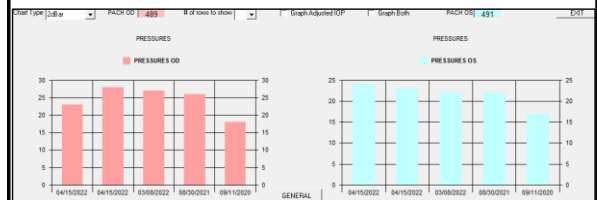
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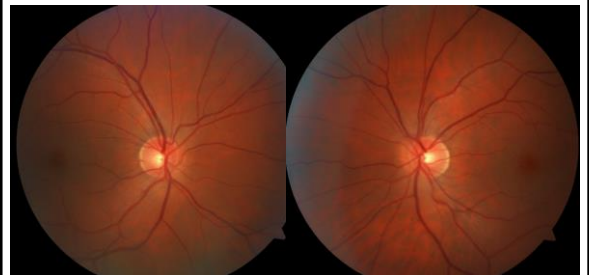
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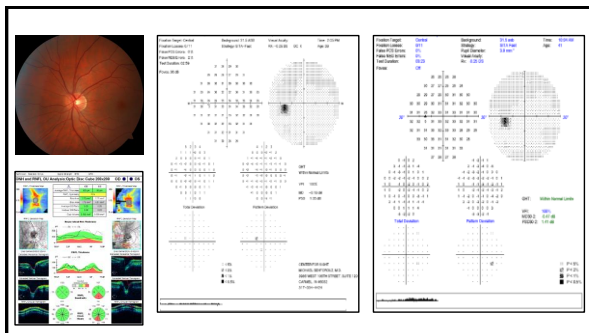
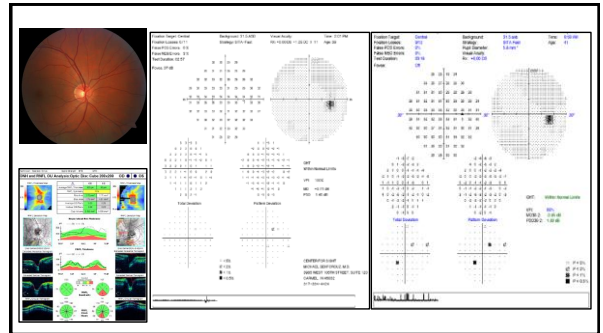
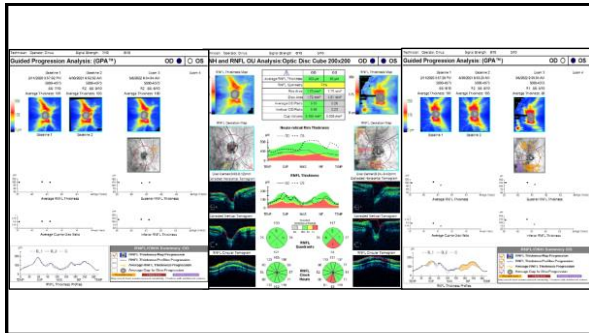


Case Presentation

SLIT LAMP EXAM OU

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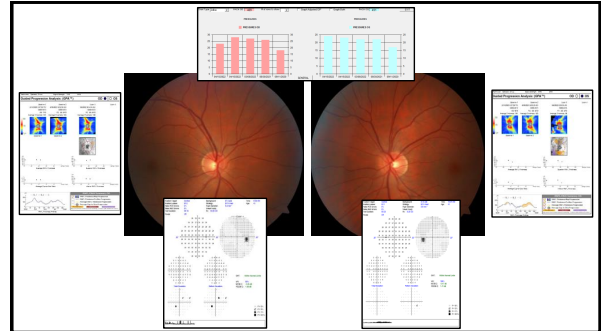
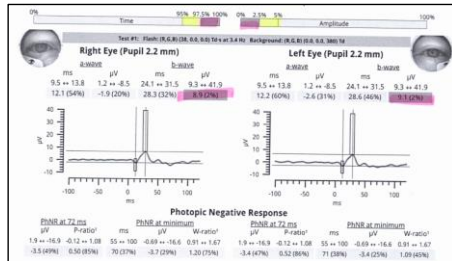




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Intraocular Pressure (mm Hg) Mean (3 measurements per eye and average of 2 eyes)		☐ <22	☐ 22 to <24	☐ 24 to <26	☐ 26 to <28	☐ ≥28
Central Corneal Thickness (μ) Mean (3 measurements per eye and average of 2 eyes)		☐ > 600	☐ 576-600	☐ 551-575	☐ 526-550	☒ ≤525
Vertical Cup/Disc Ratio by Contour Mean (1 measurement per eye and average of 2 eyes)		☐ >0.3	☒ 0.3 to <0.4	☐ 0.4 to <0.5	☐ 0.5 to <0.6	☐ ≥0.6
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Sum of Points		0-6	7-8	9-10	11-12	>12
Estimated 5-Year Risk of Developing POAG		≤4.0%	10%	15%	20%	≥33%
Total Points:	8	Estimated Risk: 10%				

The patient's estimated 5-year risk (%) of developing early glaucoma in at least one eye

[Risk Calculator | Ocular Hypertension Treatment Study \(OHTS\)](#)
[jwu.stu.edu](#)



Case Presentation - Glaucoma Suspect

- 50 year-old male returns for *follow-up* glaucoma suspect evaluation and testing
 - LASIK OU 2004
 - Review of Systems: unremarkable and noncontributory.
 - No medications
 - Non-smoker
 - Social drinker
 - Healthy, active
 - Negative FOHx

Case Presentation

UNCORRECTED VISUAL ACUITY

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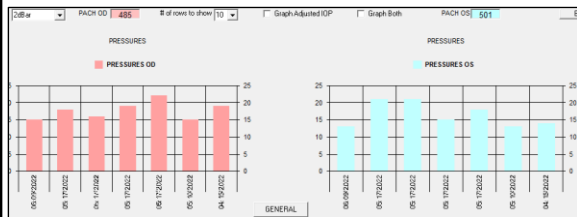
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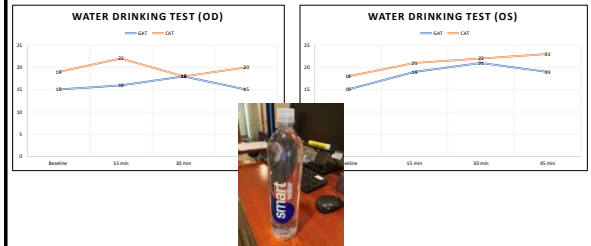
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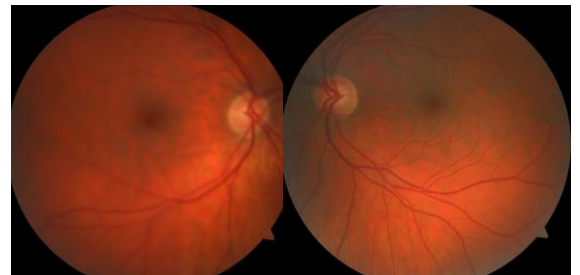
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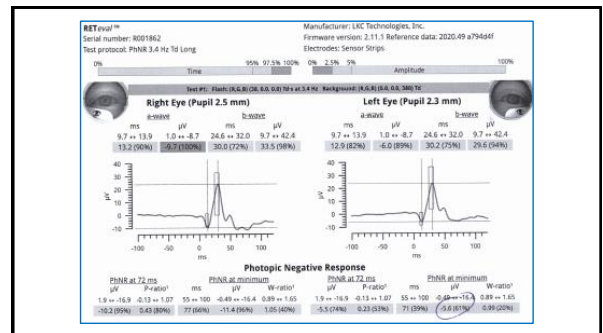
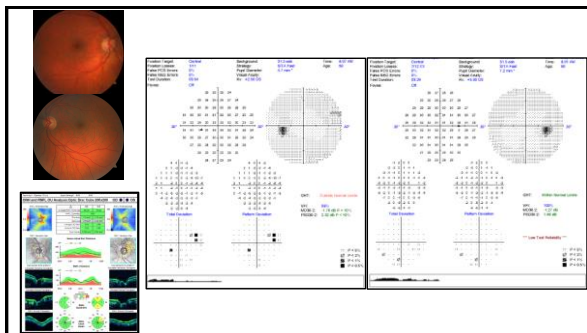
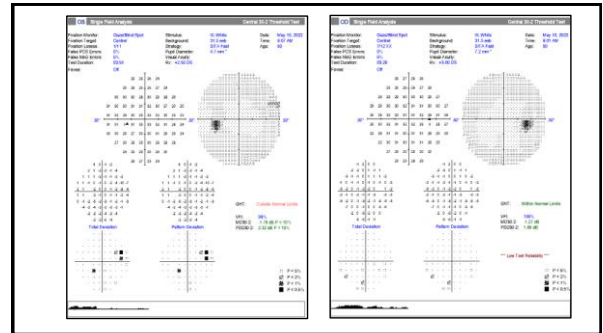
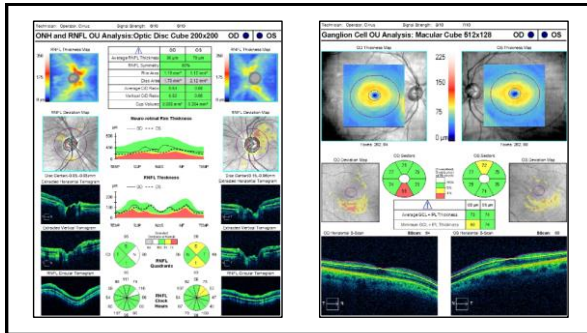


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"Are there any studies regarding my condition?"

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Risk Calculator Ocular Hypertension Treatment Study (OHTS) (wustl.edu)					

"How high does my eye pressure need to be to start treatment?"

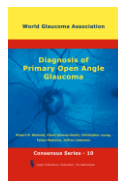
- <http://oil.wilmer.jhu.edu/threshold>
- Threshold to Treat Calculator
- Does not take into account IOP fluctuation or peak IOP
- Based on populations with strict inclusion criteria
- Not for patients with treated glaucoma

Age	50 years (40-90)
Pattern Standard Deviation	2.32 dB (0.50-4.00)
Central Corneal Thickness	485 microns (450-700)
Vertical Cup to Disc	0.55 0 to 0.9
Threshold for 5-year risk of progression	50 Percent
Calculate Threshold to Treat Clear Values	
Estimated threshold to initiate treatment	25 mmHg

Jampel H, Boland M. Calculating the "Threshold to Treat" in Ocular Hypertension. Journal Of Glaucoma. October 2014;23(8):483

Risk Calculators and WGA

"Predictive models (risk calculators) may provide objective assessment of individual risk and their use should be considered in patients suspected of having glaucoma."



"Current validated risk calculators apply only to OHT patients. Moreover, they do not include all known risk factors."

"What would other doctors do?"

Appropriate to initiate treatment for glaucoma if	IOP ≤19 mm Hg	IOP=20-23 mm Hg	IOP=24-26 mm Hg	IOP=27-29 mm Hg	IOP ≥30-34 mm Hg
I) Age <55					
A) Cup/Disc 0.5 to <0.7					
I) CCT <520 μm	Age=50, IOP=19, C/D=0.6, CCT=500 predicted 5-year risk=22.4%	Age=50, IOP=22, C/D=0.6, CCT=500 predicted 5-year risk=28.3%	Age=50, IOP=25, C/D=0.6, CCT=500 predicted 5-year risk=35.3%	Age=50, IOP=28, C/D=0.6, CCT=500 predicted 5-year risk=43.5%	Age=50, IOP=30, C/D=0.6, CCT=500 predicted 5-year risk=49.5%
a) Small Disc Size					
With no family history					
With family history					
b) Medium Disc Size					
With no family history					
With family history					
c) Large Disc size					
With no family history					
With family history					

Original article: For Which Glaucoma Suspects Is It Appropriate to Initiate Treatment? J. Glaucomatol. January 1, 2005;14(1):715-716-482

Questions/Comments

Case Presentation

- 54 year-old female returns for *early* glaucoma evaluation and testing.
- No pertinent ocular history
- Review of Systems: HTN, Arthritis
 - Medications
 - Multivitamin, Lisinopril
 - Non-smoker
 - Social drinker
 - Healthy, active
- FOHx: Father, Paternal Grandfather
- Profession: Chief Privacy Officer

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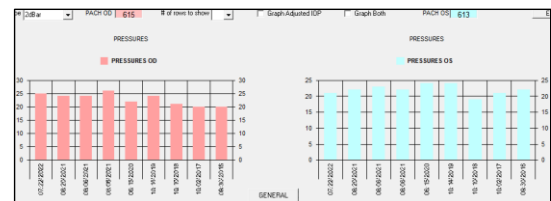
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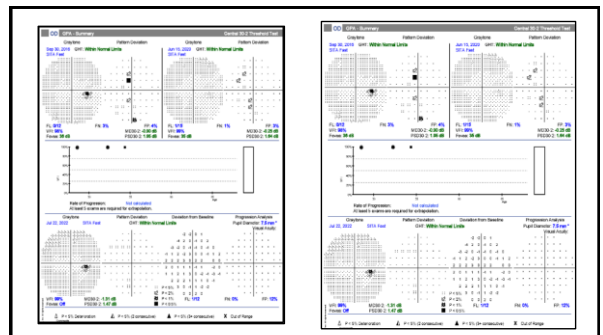
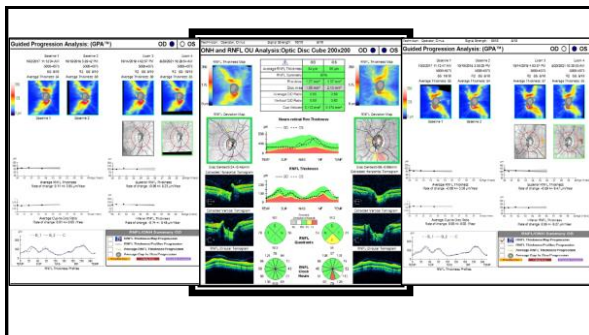
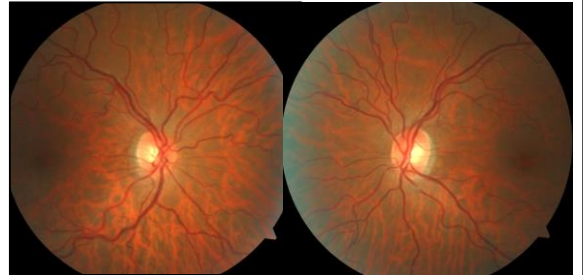
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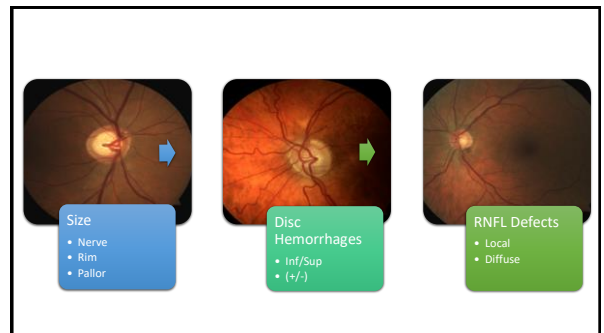
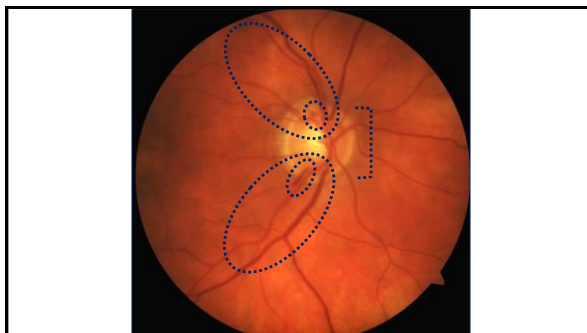
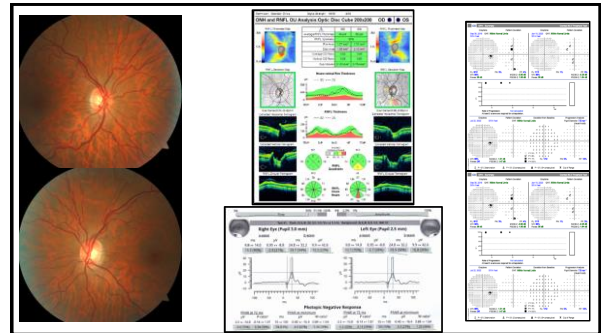
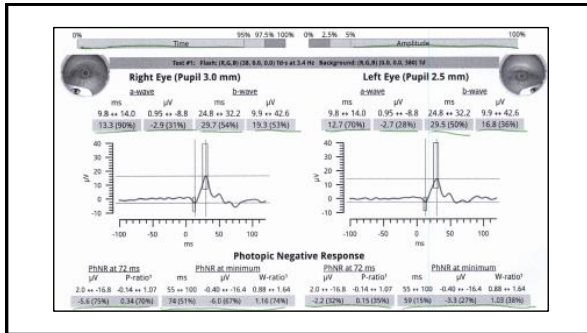


Case Presentation

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- Sclera: white
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- Lens: trace NS OU; NO PXE OU





Neuroretinal Rim Size

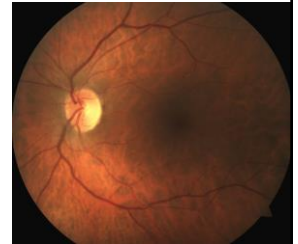
- Due to oval shape of the optic disc and the horizontal oval shape of the optic cup, usually follows ISNT rule
 - Inferior>Superior>Nasal>Temporal
- Understanding characteristic shape is helpful to diagnose early glaucoma suspect in OHTN eyes prior to VF defects



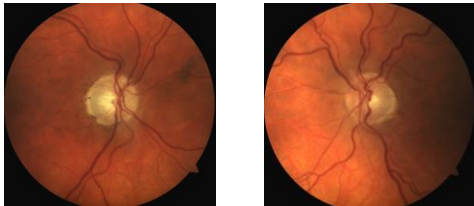
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Neuroretinal Rim Pallor

- A sign of optic nerve damage
- More noticeable in eyes with *nonglaucomatous* optic neuropathy
- Nonglaucomatous optic nerve damage is usually not associated with neuroretinal rim loss, just pallor
 - Pallor extends beyond the cupping



Neuroretinal Rim Pallor



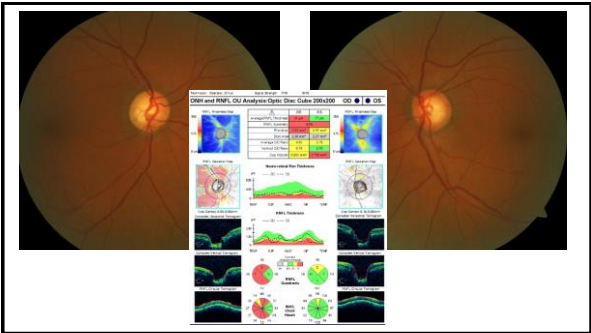
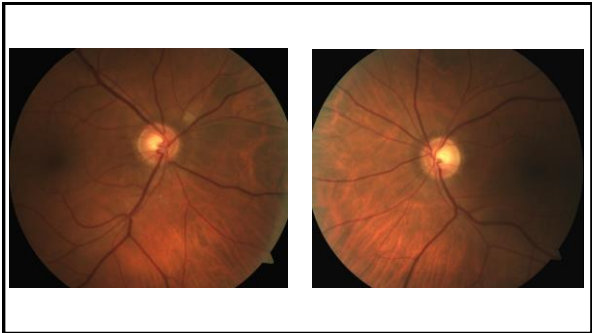
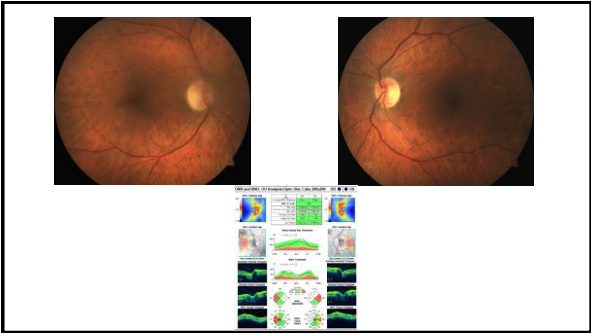
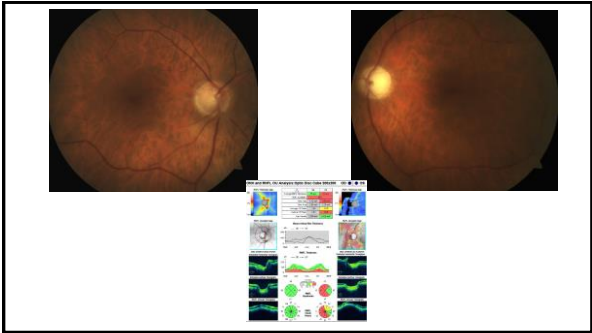
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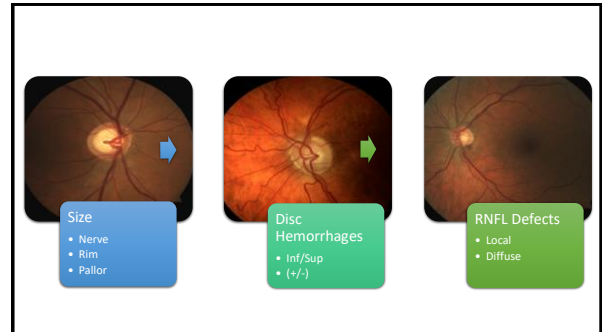
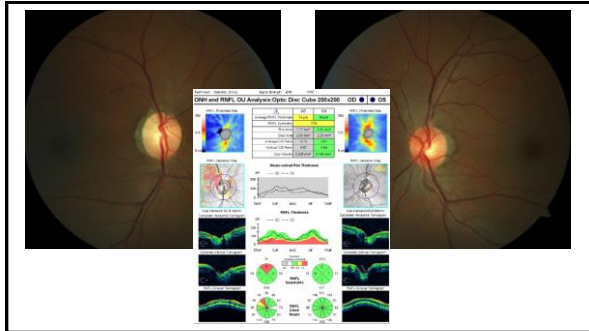
Neuroretinal Rim Pallor



- Younger than 50 years of age
- BCVA worse than 20/40
 - Out of proportion to media clarity
- Visual field defects that respect the vertical meridian
- Neuroretinal rim pallor
- Neurological symptoms and/or non-migraine headaches

1. Greenfield D, Siakowski R, Glaser J, Schatz N, Parrish R. The cupped disc. Who needs neuroimaging? *Ophthalmology*. October 1998;105(10):1866-1874.





Glaucomatous Disc Hemorrhages

"...its presence should be an unfavorable prognostic event."¹



1. Drance S, Fairweather M, Butler G, Katter M. The importance of disc hemorrhage in the prognosis of chronic open angle glaucoma. *Archives of Ophthalmology* (Chicago, Ill.). 1982; February 100(2):255-260.

Patients with OCHTN *with* a disc hemorrhage "more frequently developed" glaucomatous visual field defects than those patients with OCHTN *without* a disc hemorrhage.

Patients with COAG and *with* a disc hemorrhage have a "substantially greater incidence" of visual field progression compared to patients with COAG *without* a disc hemorrhage.



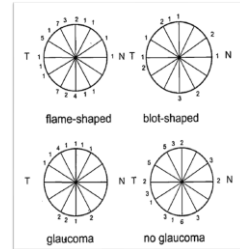
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- Usually located more in the I.T. and S.T. areas of the optic disc.
- 66.7% I.T.
- 29 % S.T.
- *Same* areas associated with early glaucomatous damage.



Kim Y, Park K. Laminar cribrosa defects in eyes with glaucomatous disc haemorrhage. Acta Ophthalmologica. September 2015;94(5):e658-e673.

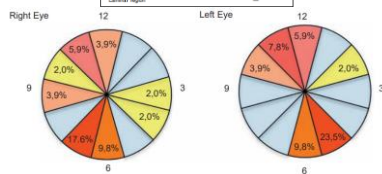
- Flame-shaped:71%
 - More common on temporal side of ONH
 - In this study, greatest proportion superior-temporal quadrant
- Blot-shaped:29%
 - Even distribution
- Glaucoma:
 - Superior and inferior regions
- No Glaucoma:
 - Random distribution



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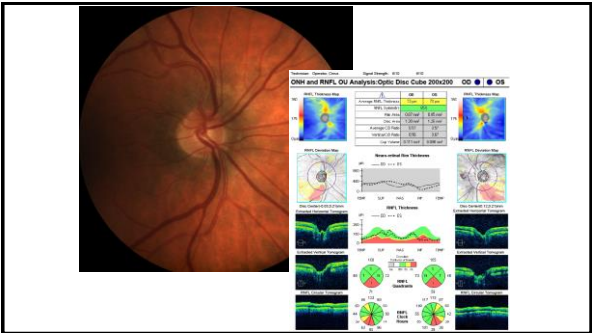
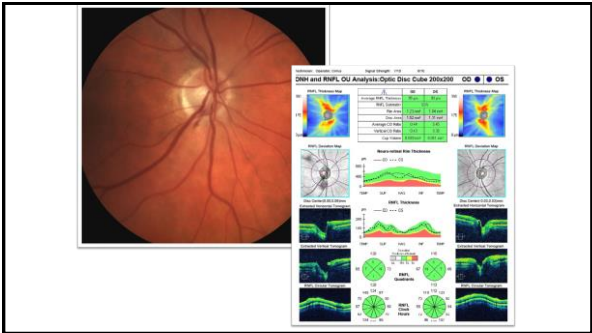
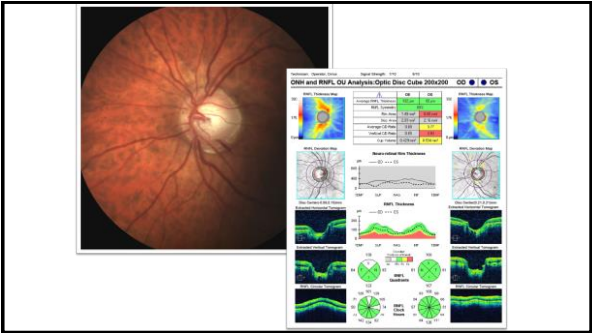
Table 4—Morphologic characteristics of optic disc hemorrhages in relation to the studies

Characteristic	Our Hemorrhages (n = 20)
Location	
Inferior	60% (12)
Superior	40% (8)
Nasal	—
Temporal	—
Shape	
Spiral or flame	75.0% (15)
Dot or blot	17.5% (3.5)
Circular	8.0% (1.6)
Depth	
Superficial to or within the nerve fiber layer	75.0% (15)
Posterior region	35% (7)
Anterior region	—



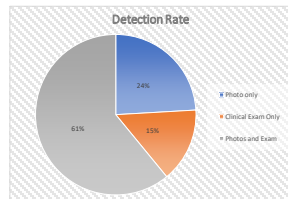
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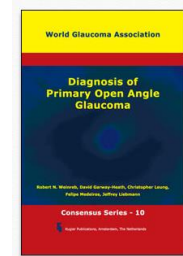
• How to *Improve* Detection Rate?

- Examine carefully all sectors of optic nerve with *special* attention to inferior temporal and superior temporal sectors.
- Document as 'pertinent negative'.
- Photo documentation, then review, then re-examine looking for why/how the disc hemorrhage was missed.
- Few extra seconds.



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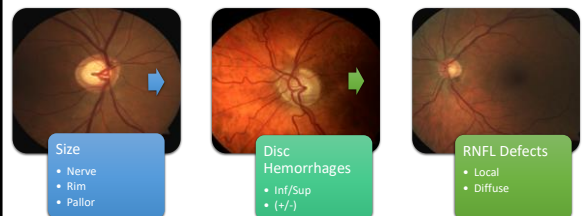
"Disc hemorrhage is associated with *increased risk* of developing glaucoma and it is a *marker* for glaucomatous progression. *Consideration* of treatment escalation or closer follow-up should be given for patients presenting with optic disc hemorrhages."



"But given what we already know, not *looking* for a disc hemorrhage *at every* glaucoma follow-up visit [and *every* exam] would be akin to not measuring IOP. The more we look, certainly the more we shall find."



Hosley P. Optic disc hemorrhage: the more we look the more we find. *Clinical & Experimental Ophthalmology*. August 2011;39(5):482-486.



Gaze Behavior among Experts and Trainees during Optic Disc Examination: Does How We Look Affect What We See?
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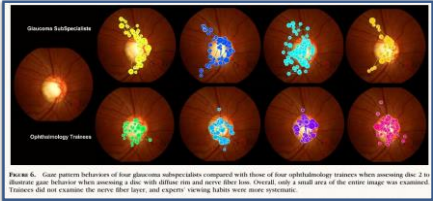
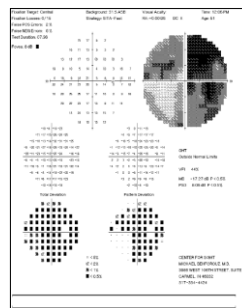
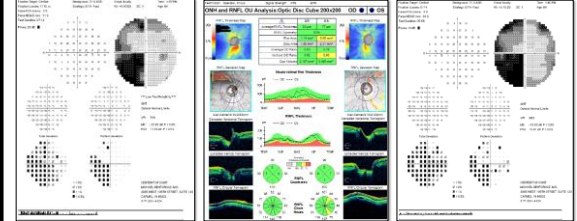


FIGURE 6. Gaze pattern behavior of four glaucoma subspecialists compared with those of four ophthalmology trainees when assessing disc 2 to illustrate gaze behavior when assessing a disc with diffuse rim and nerve fiber loss. Overall, only a small area of the entire image was examined. Trainees did not examine the nerve fiber layer, and experts' viewing habits were more extensive.

Disc 6 of 8

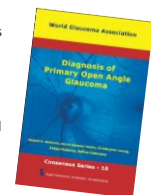


- Localized RNFL Loss
 - NOT present in normal eyes
- Examine RNFL *carefully every time*
 - Important application for OCHTN or glaucoma suspect patients who may have "normal" visual field testing
 - Helpful for patients who may have pseudo normal but glaucomatous mini-cups
 - Less helpful for advanced disease (use perimetry)



WGA Consensus Statements

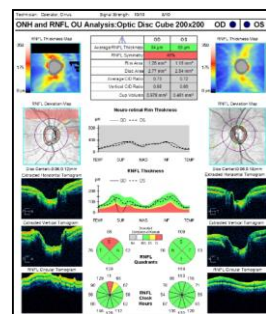
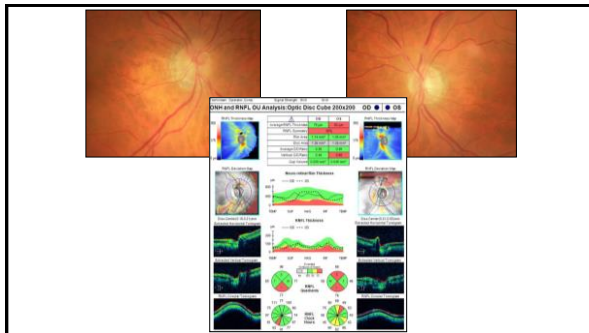
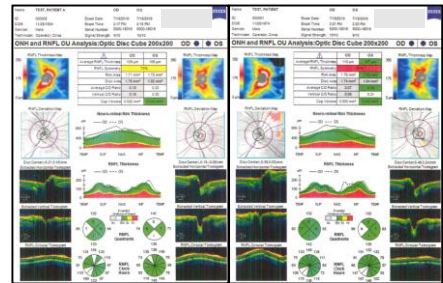
- ♦ "Clinical evaluation and documentation of the optic nerve head is essential for the diagnosis and the monitoring of glaucoma."
- ♦ "The diagnosis of glaucoma does not always require the detection of visual field defects with perimetry."
- ♦ "Photography is effective to document glaucomatous optic disc appearance and nerve fiber layer damage."
- ♦ "OCT may be the best currently available digital imaging instrument for detecting and tracking optic nerve structural damage in glaucoma."
 - ♦ *Pitfalls* of OCT such as artifacts and false segmentation should be considered when using OCT."

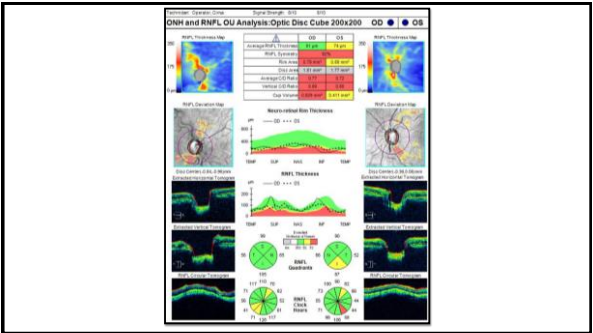
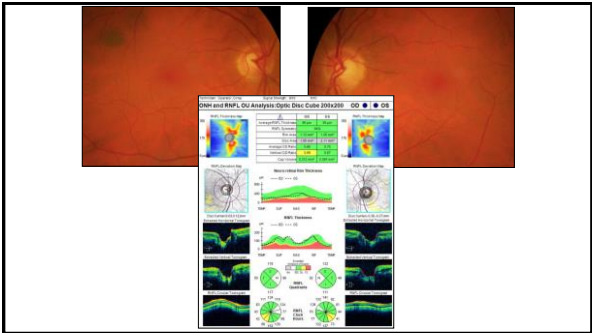
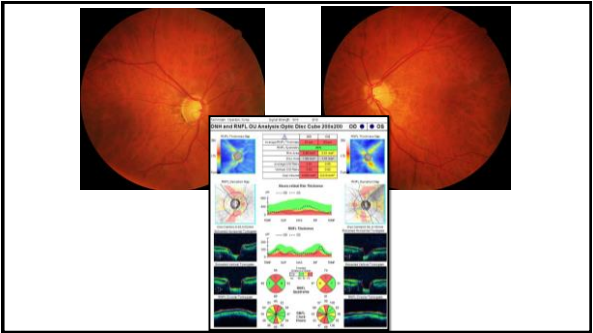
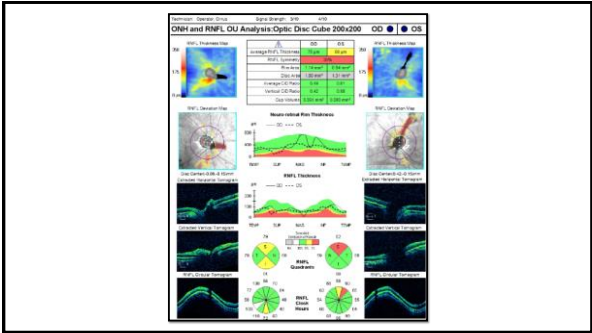


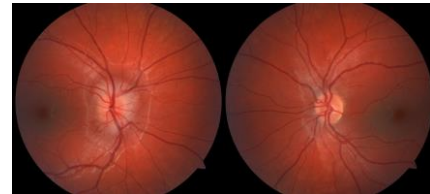
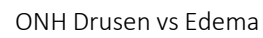
OCT Overview

- False positive rate of 26.2% in 149 eyes of 77 healthy adults¹.
- Image-related artifacts in 15.2%–36.1% of scans².
- “...misinterpretation of artifacts on OCT can lead to *errors in clinical judgment*, where both false reassurance and false concern can be created. Using a *systematic approach* to OCT analysis allows one to identify and interpret these artifacts³”

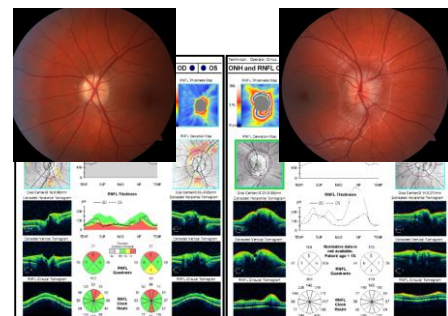
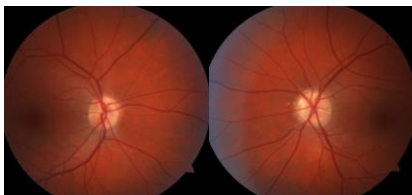
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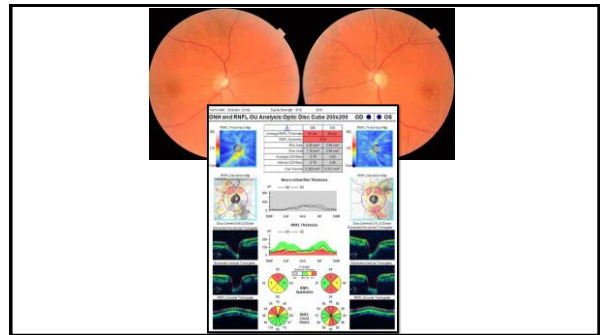
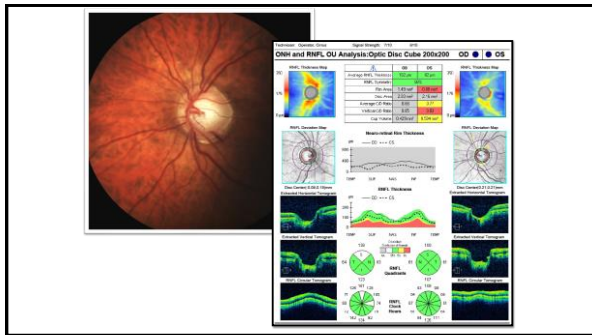
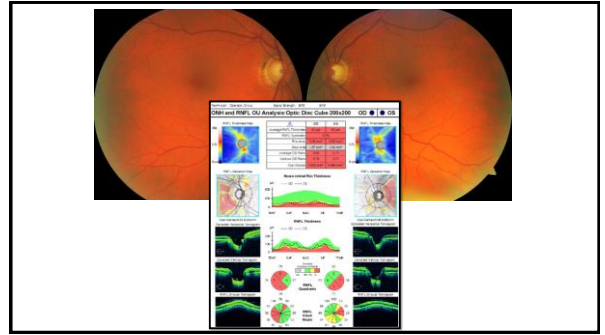
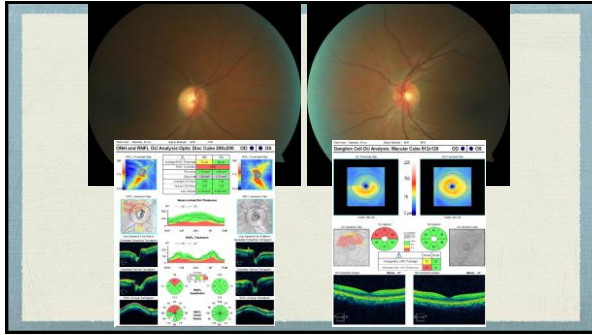


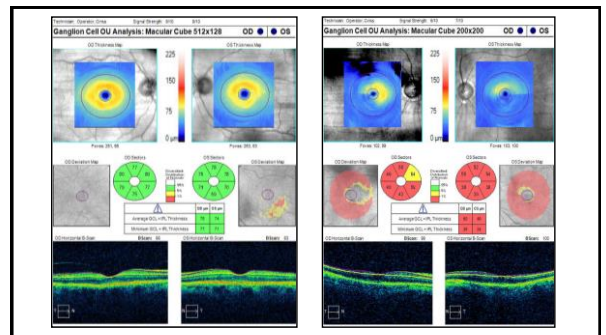
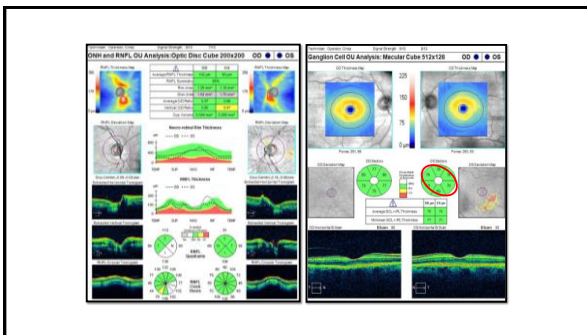
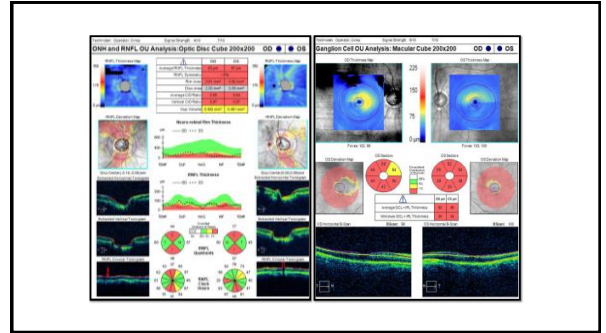
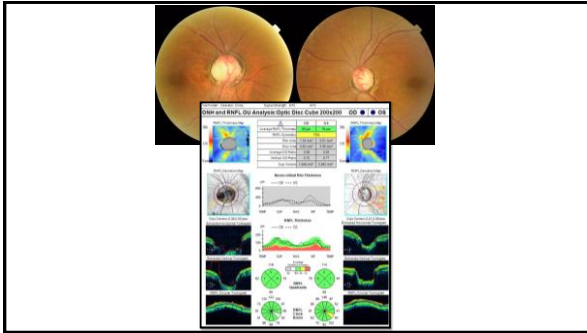


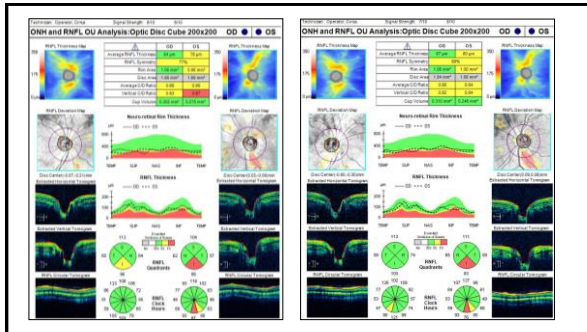


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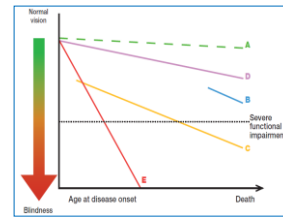








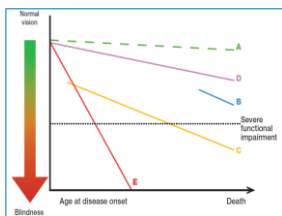
Determine the Risks



- "A good baseline of reliable visual fields is essential to be able to monitor for progression."
- "In clinical scenarios, where the lifetime risk of visual disability is high...three baseline visual fields may be necessary."
- "The frequency of follow-up visual fields should be based on the risk of clinically significant progression (based on extent of damage and life expectancy)."

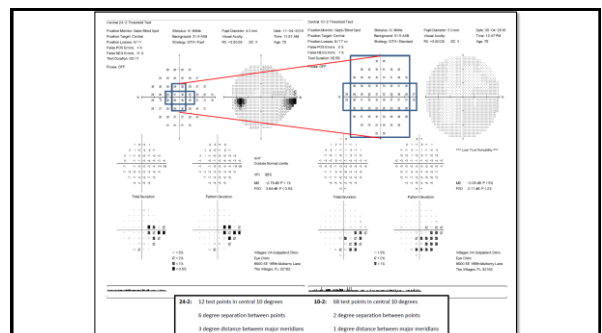
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Determine the Risks



- "Perform sufficient [visual field testing] to detect change."
- "Decisions on progression should not be made by comparing only the most recent field with the one before."
- "Suspected progression should be confirmed by repeating the field."

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- Eleven eyes with *normal* 24-2 visual fields outside the central 10 degrees showed arcuate defects within the central 10 degrees with 10-2 testing¹.
- Nine percent of *normal* 30-2 threshold visual fields in glaucoma suspect or early glaucoma patients were actually classified as abnormal with 10-2 testing. Additionally, 30-2 testing underestimated the level of glaucomatous damage in 13 % of the hemifields².
- Macular damage, with correlating functional damage on 10-2 testing, appears to occur almost as frequently as peripheral defects in patients with early glaucoma. Approximately 16% of these patients may have undetected functional central defects when using 24-2 testing alone³.
- Paracentral scotomas that may be missed on 24-2 perimetry may be detected by 10-2 perimetry. Furthermore, previously missed defects detected *only* by 10-2 perimetry were deep and involved only a small area of the visual field at or near fixation⁴.

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Table 1. One Hundred Sixty-Eight Eyes of 152 Ocular Hypertensive Participants with Primary Open-Angle Glaucoma (POAG) End Points

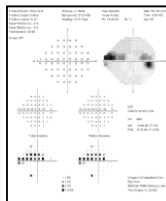
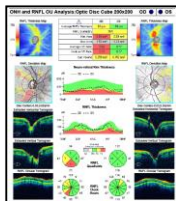
POAG Study End Point	No. of Eyes	% of Eyes
Optic disc, no visual field	87	52
Visual field, no optic disc	40	24
Both visual field and optic disc at same time	12	7
Visual field initially, then optic disc	17	10
Optic disc initially, then visual field	12	7
Total	168	100

“Both the visual field and the optic disc must be monitored *with equal diligence*, because either may show the first evidence of glaucomatous damage.”

Kettner JJ, Johnson CA, Anderson DR, et al. The association between glaucomatous visual fields and optic nerve head features in the Ocular Hypertension Treatment Study. Ophthalmology. 2006;113:1603-1612.

Preferential Loss

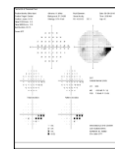
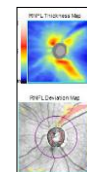
- Structural and Functional Correlation -



Visual Field Progression

- WHERE do we see it? -

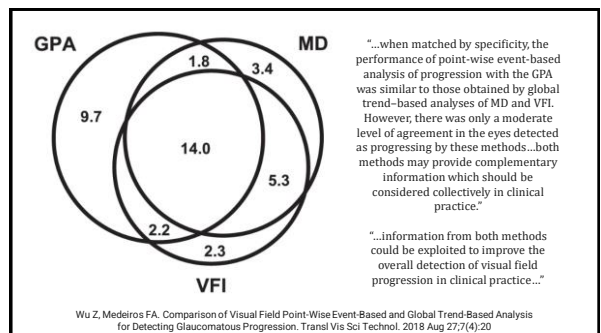
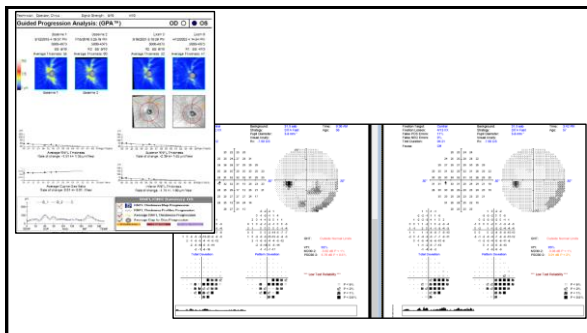
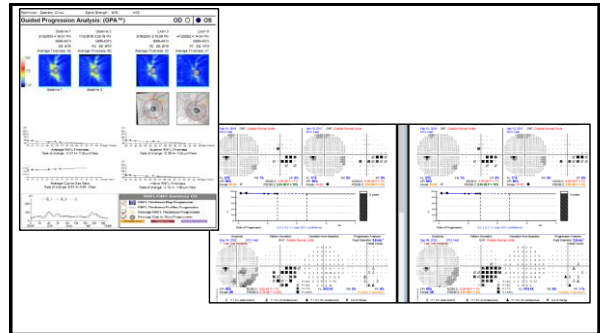
- Regional preferential rim loss depending on stage of disease:
 - Early: Look carefully in I.T. and S.T. disc regions
 - Moderate: Temporal horizontal disc region
 - Advanced: Inferior nasal, then superior nasal rim loss
- The sequence of disc sector rim loss correlates with the progression of the VF defects:
 - Early VF loss: Nasal upper or lower quadrant
 - Moderate VF loss: Connecting arcuate
 - Advanced: Island of sensitivity in the inferior-temporal VF

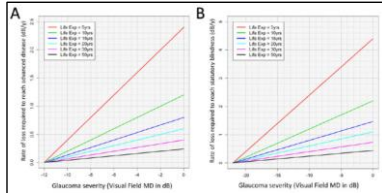


Visual Field Progression - HOW can we detect it? -

- LOOK for:
 - Deepening of current defects (PSD)
 - Enlargement of current defects (MD)
 - NEW defects
- “Visual field progression may be analyzed by either ‘event-’ or ‘trend-’ based methods”
 - “In general, event-based methods are used early in the follow-up, when few VFs are available for serial analysis.
 - “In general, rate-based analyses are used later in the follow-up, when a greater number of VFs is available over a sufficient period of time to measure the rate of progression.”

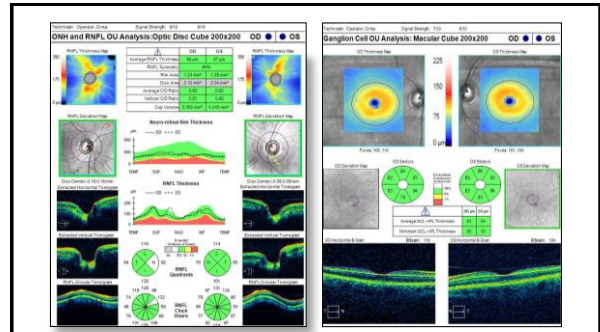
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"These examples clearly show that it is not only important to determine whether a glaucoma patient is progressing, but it is also critical to estimate the rate of progression to determine how aggressively to treat the patient. To do this, regular monitoring of patients is essential in glaucoma management."

Saunders LJ, Medeiros FA, Weinreb RN, Zangwill LM. What rates of glaucoma progression are clinically significant? Expert Rev Ophthalmol. 2016;11(3):227-234.



Questions/Comments



Case Presentation I Moderate Glaucoma

- 69 year-old male returns for *continued* glaucoma evaluation and testing.
- Patient reports "vision is stable without glasses."
 - Cataract Surgery OU with iStent OU 2021
- Review of Systems: unremarkable and noncontributory.
 - No medications
 - Adderall 20 mg XR
 - Multivitamin
 - Non-smoker
 - Social drinker
 - Profession: "Laborer"
- FOHx: glaucoma, mother

Case Presentation

UNCORRECTED VISUAL ACUITY

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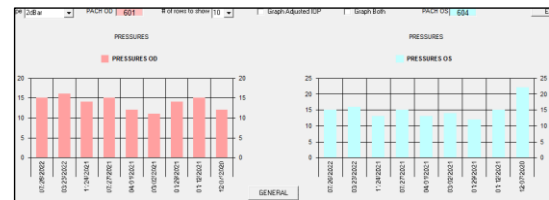
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CONFRONTATION VISUAL FIELDS

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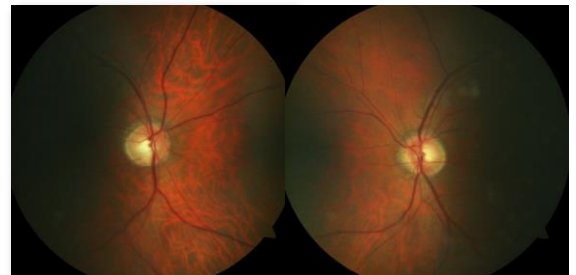
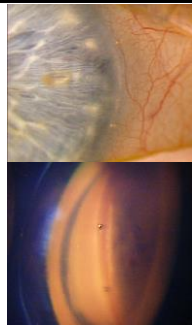
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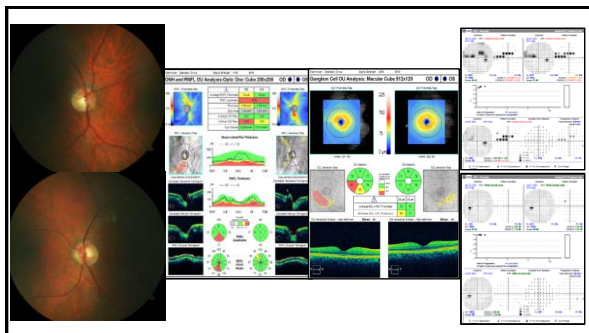
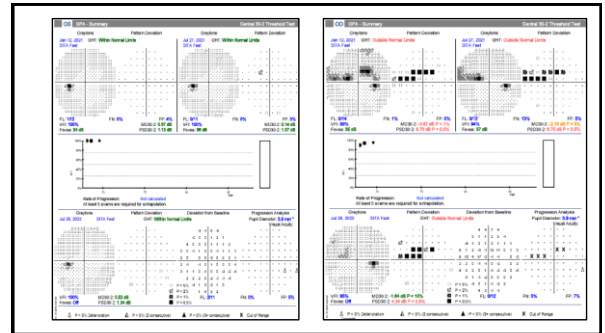
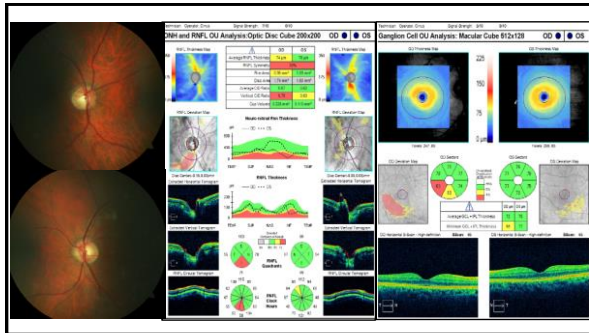
Case Presentation



SLIT LAMP EXAM OU

- Lids/Adnexa: clear
- Conjunctivae: palpebral/bulbar clear
- Sclera: white
- Cornea: clear/normal; 1+ pigment OU;
- Anterior Chamber: deep and quiet OD, OS; NO cell
- Iris: clear/normal; NO NVI, synechiae
- Lens: PCIOL OU, tr PCO OU; NO PXE OU





Case Presentation II Moderate Glaucoma

- 78 year-old male returns for *continued* glaucoma evaluation and testing.
- Patient reports "near blur for last 6 months, gradually worsening."
 - No pertinent ocular history
- Review of Systems: unremarkable and noncontributory.
 - No medications
 - Multivitamin, Aspirin, Ginkgo Biloba, Glucosamine
 - Non-smoker
 - Social drinker
 - BMI = 30
- Negative FOHx

Case Presentation

BEST CORRECTED VISUAL ACUITY

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OS: = 20/30-2

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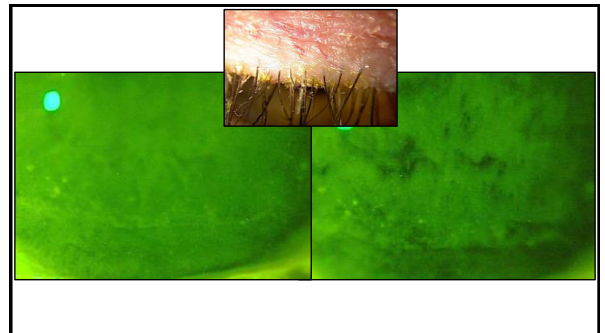
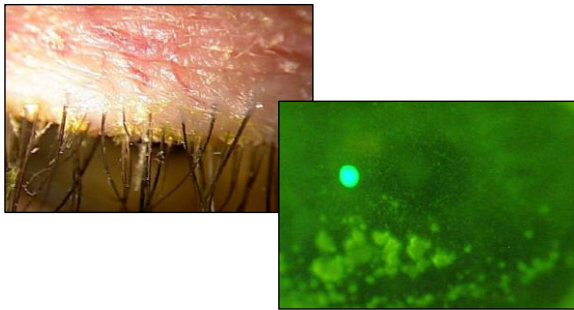
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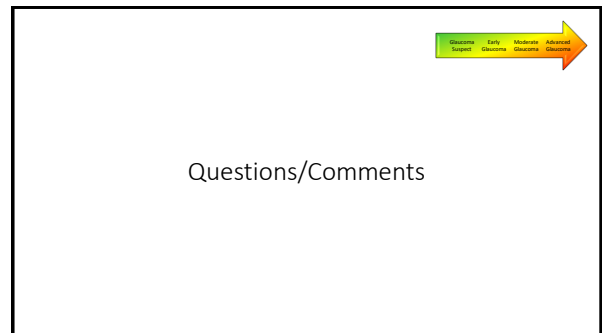
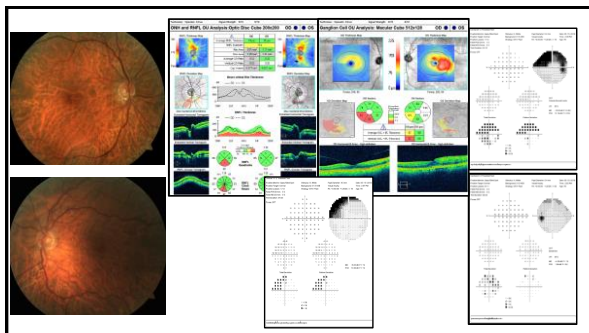
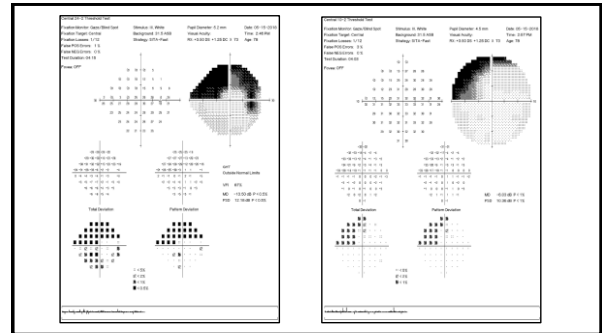
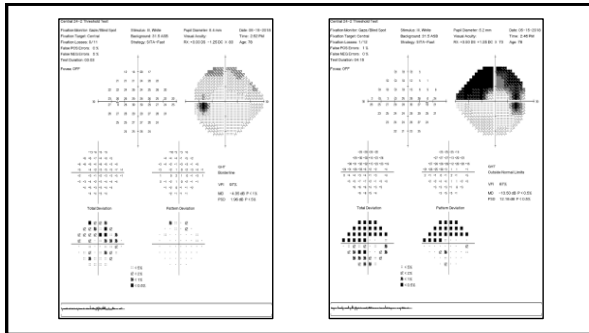
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Case Presentation

SLIT LAMP EXAM OU

- Lids/Adnexa: see next slide...
- Conjunctivae: 1+ injection
- Sclera: white
- Cornea: see next slide....(-)pigment OU
- Anterior Chamber: deep and quiet OD,OS; NO cell
- Iris: clear/normal; NO NVI, synechiae
- Lens: 1+ NS OU; NO PXE OU





Case Presentation I Advanced Glaucoma

- 71 year-old female returns for glaucoma evaluation
- Patient reports "...right eye vision went bad 3+ years ago" and used to take drops prior to the pandemic but no treatment or evaluation since early 2020.
 - No Ocular History
 - Review of Systems: Diabetes, Hypertension, High Cholesterol
- Medications
 - atorvastatin 80 mg tablet
 - glipizide 2.5 mg tablet extended release 24hr
 - hydrochlorothiazide 12.5 mg capsule
 - irbesartan 300 mg tablet
 - metformin 500 mg tablet extended release 24 hr - Non-smoker
- Social drinker
- Profession: Retired teacher
- FOHx: none

Case Presentation

BEST CORRECTED VISUAL ACUITY

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OU: round, reactive; (-) RAPD OD, OS; sluggish

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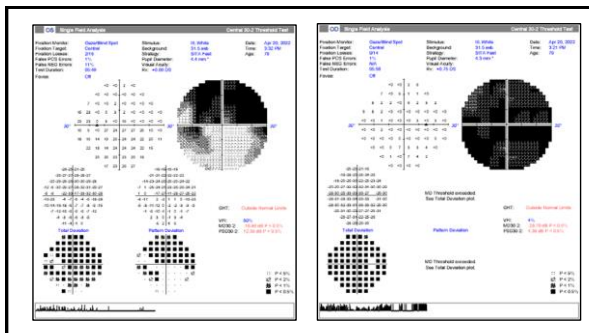
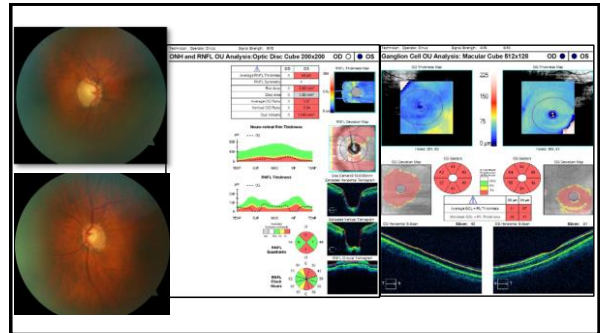
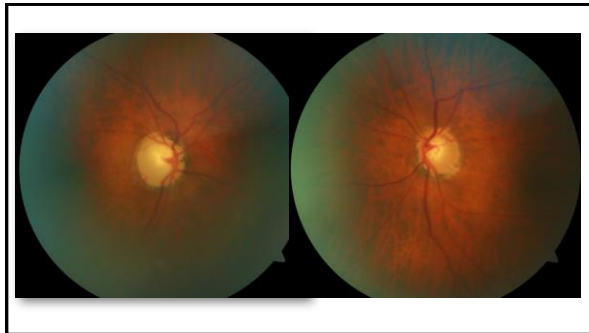
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Case Presentation

SLIT LAMP EXAM OU

- Lids/Adnexa: clear
- Conjunctivae: clear
- Sclera: white
- Cornea: clear (-)pigment OU
- Anterior Chamber: deep and quiet OD,OS; NO cell
- Iris: clear/normal; NO NVI, synechiae
- Lens: 2+ NS, Cortical OU; NO PXE OU





Case Presentation II Advanced Glaucoma

- 38 year-old African American male reports to clinic for glaucoma evaluation.
- Patient reports that he "...wants to establish care [and that he] last used drops over 6 months and stopped because they made his vision blurry."
- Ocular History: Glaucoma
- Family History: Glaucoma, father
- Profession: Financial advisor
- Review of Systems: Diabetes, Hypertension
- Medications
 - amlodipine 10 mg tablet - 1 pill DAILY by mouth
 - escitalopram oxalate 10 mg tablet - 1 pill DAILY by mouth
 - metformin 500 mg tablet - 1 pill BID by mouth

Case Presentation

BEST CORRECTED VISUAL ACUITY

OD: = HM

OS: = 20/30-2

PUPILS

OU: round, reactive; (-) rAPD OD, OS; sluggish

CONFRONTATION VISUAL FIELDS

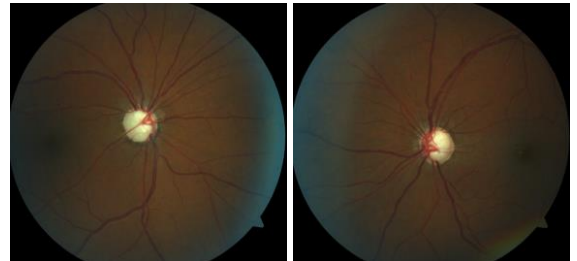
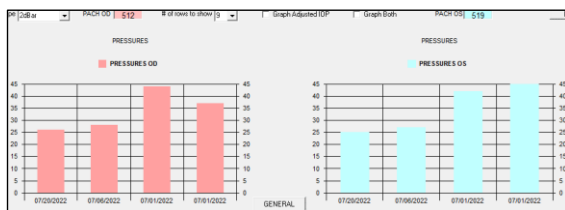
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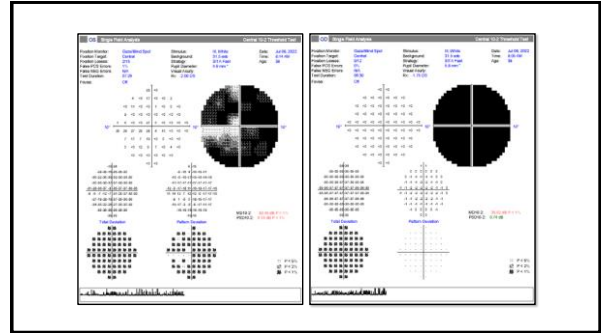
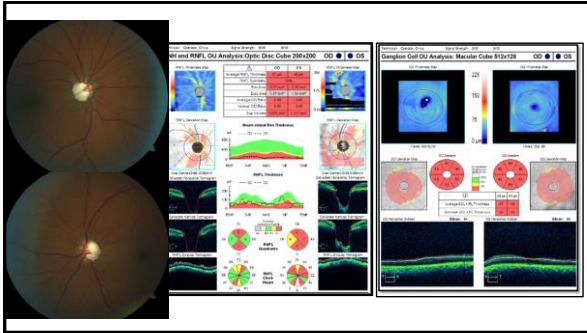
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Case Presentation

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Summary - Conclusion