

# **CONJUNCTIVITIS TYPES**

- Viral
- Bacterial
- Allergic
- Toxic
- Nonspecific
  - Mechanical, CL induced, FB induced, conjunctivochalasis, dry eye



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#### **FOLLICLES VS PAPILLAE**

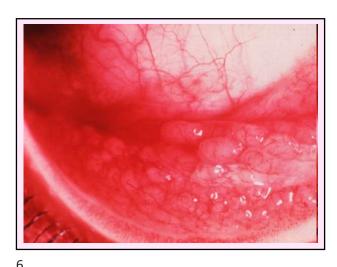
- Neither is pathognomonic for specific
- HAVE TO CHECK THE EYELIDS
- - Small, dome-shaped, without central vessel
  - More pale at surface, more red at base
  - More inferior palpebral conjunctiva
  - Viral, chlamydial, allergic, nonpathologic in asymptomatic children, herpes simplex, toxic, molluscum, microsporidia, milkweed conjunctivitis
  - More likely to have positive PA node



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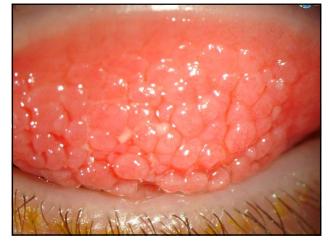
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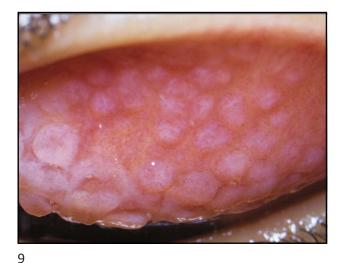
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- Flattened nodules with central vessel
- More red on surface, more pale at base
- Coat the surface of the superior palpebral conjunctiva
- More associated with immune or mechanical response
- VKC (limbal), AKC, GPC (upper lid), floppy eyelid syndrome





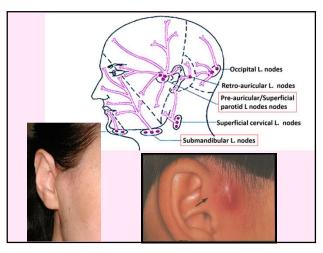


#### WHAT HAS A POSITIVE PA NODE?

- · Adenovirus (EKC)
  - Rare in bacterial conjunctivitis
- · Chlamydial conjunctivitis
- · Gonococcal conjunctivitis
- Preseptal cellulitis
- Primary herpes simplex



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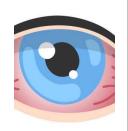
# **CONJUNCTIVITIS TIMELINE** Hyperacute

- Gonoccocal
- Acute
- - Viral (EKC, herpes, enterovirus, coxsackievirus, microsporidia)
  - Bacterial
- Chronic
  - Chlamydial conjunctivitis
  - Allergic conjunctivitis, AKC, VKC
  - Toxic conjunctivitis
    - · Medication induced
    - Chronic eyelid disease Staph exotoxin induced
  - CL overwear induced (acute vs chronic)
  - Mechanical



#### **GONOCOCCAL CONJUNCTIVITIS**

- Hyperacute infection associated with copious purulence
- Positive PA node
- Severe lid edema more common than with other types of bacterial conjunctivitis
- Most common in newborns (within 3-5 days of birth) and sexually active adult patients (fluid/ocular contact)
- Treat adults with one gram of Rocephin (ceftriaxone) intramuscularly (IM) PLUS Doxycycline 100mg bid x 2 weeks
- OR 1 gram azithromycin
- Not treated topically unless cornea becomes
  - Use fourth generation fluoroquinolone



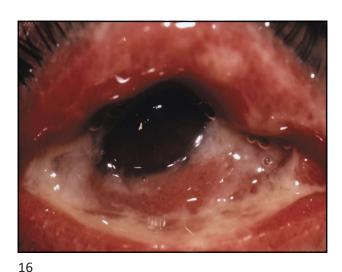
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**VIRAL CONJUNCTIVITIS** 



#### **VIRAL CONJUNCTIVITIS**

- Starts in one eye and moves to the other
- · Second eye is less severely affected
- Hyperemia, watery discharge with mild amount of purulence, MATTING, follicles, positive PA node 50% of time, meaty lower palpebral conjunctiva, petechial bulbar
- Pseudomembranes and/or Subepithelial
- May have diffuse lid edema mimicking preseptal cellutitis or other orbital condition



Virus initiates inflammatory response

May have history of exposure to friends/family with "pink eye"

More inflammation with viral than bacterial

May have history of recent upper respiratory

If greater than 7 years old, think viral/allergic

- NOT BACTERIAL

infection



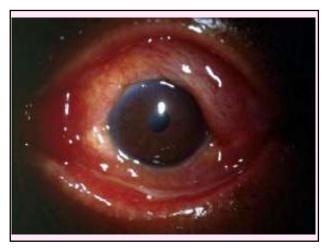
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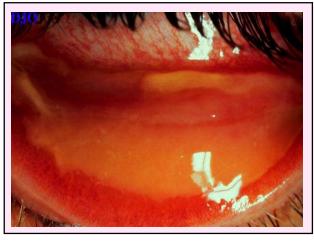


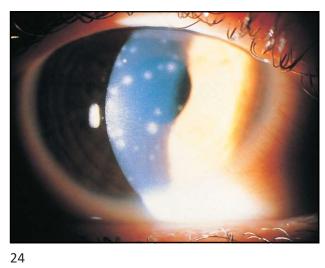
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### **MANAGEMENT**

- Cold compresses, cold artificial tears
- Handwashing, contagious spread precautions
- OTC antihistamine/decongestant drops
- Topical steroids—PRED!
- Remove pseudomembranes/topical steroids
- Corneal subepithelial infiltrates/topical steroids
- Betadine wash in office? Yes or no?
- Gancyclovir? Yes or no?



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### **HEMORRHAGIC EKC**

- Enterovirus or coxsackievirus
- Rapid onset often with more pain and photophobia than adenovirus
- Contagious until normal conjunctival color returns
- Pseudomembranes much LESS likely than with adenovirus



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### MICROSPORIDIA KERATITIS

- Protozoan parasites
  - Whitish-raised lesionsIrregular shaped

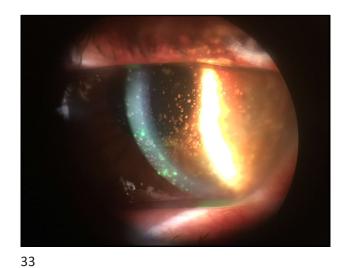
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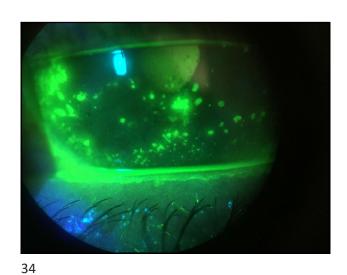
    Not punctate like Thygeson's

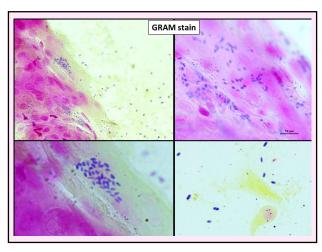
    Used to be rare, only seen in immunocompromised patients
- Also causes a follicular conjunctivitis similar to EKC
- Treat with moxifloxacin q2h for weeks to months
- NO STEROIDS!!



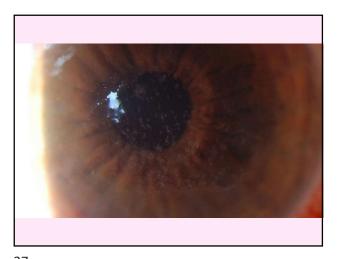
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# Herpes Simplex Conjunctivitis

- Type I herpes virus

  Initial infection

  Nay not even be aware of infection

  Recurrent infections

  Virus lies dormant and is triggered by various factors

  Occurs in one eye only, same eye each recurrence

  Conjunctivitis often with periocular skin vessicles

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   Can observe with AT and cold compresses
   Can use antiviral if severe
   Valtrex 500mg tid
   Watch for corneal involvement
   Always consider in unilateral conjunctivitis



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# **Herpes Zoster Conjunctivitis**

- Associated with same-sided facial and periocular lesions that respect midline More common in elderly & immunocompromised patients
- Patients need high dose oral antivirals ASAP (valtrex 1 gram tid)
- Conjunctivitis
   Most common ocular condition caused by zoster
- Hyperemia, watery discharge, petechial hemorrhages
   May be associated with keratitis and/or uveitis
- Treat conjunctivitis conservatively unless corneal or intraocular involvement
   Cold compresses, artificial tears





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# Molluscum Conjunctivitis

- More often unilateral than bilateral; depends on location of lesions
- Causes a follicular conjunctivitis
- Look for typical pearly-white, dome-shaped, raised papule with an umbilicated center
- Found on the eyelids and/or eyelid margins
- More common in children

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Lesion(s) must be removed for cure of chronic conjunctivitis





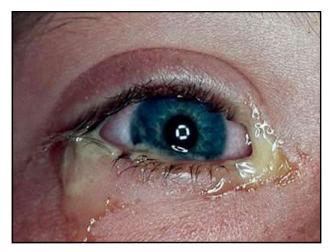
#### **BACTERIAL CONJUNCTIVITIS**

- More likely with patients younger than 7 years old
- Purulent, yellow to green, thick discharge (not watery), matting in am Non-pathologic follicles may be present given age of most patients
- - More likely to stay unilateral than viral conjunctivitis Self-limiting even without treatment
- Fluoroquinolone antibiotic x 5 days
- Polytrim x 5 days
- Recurrent unilateral think nasolacrimal duct blockage



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#### **BACTERIAL CONJUNCTIVITIS MYTHS**

- Matting is bacterial—not necessarily
  - Can be bacterial or viral or allergic
- Starts in one eye and moves to other is bacterial—not necessarily
  - More likely viral
- Mucous/mucopurulent material is bacterialnot necessarily
  - Watery, mucopurulent material in viral and allergic
- Most conjunctivitis is bacterial---ABSOLUTELY



#### CHLAMYDIAL CONJUNCTIVITIS

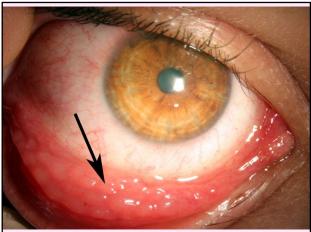
- More unilateral than bilateral
- Seen more often in developing countries with severe sequelae leading to blindness
  - Often in newborns in endemic areas
- Positive PA node
- More likely to see limbal, bulbar follicles
- Increased suspicion with a chronic, follicular conjunctivitis (lasting 3 weeks or more)
- Especially in sexually active patients Treat with one gram azithromycin
- Consider repeat azithromycin in 2 weeks
- Prescribe #4 500mg azithromycin tabs
  - Take 2 now and 2 in one week



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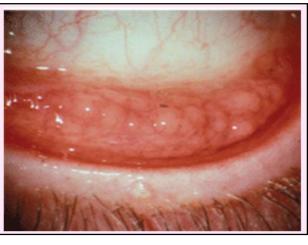
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#### **ALLERGIC CONJUNCTIVITIS**

- Itching especially at inner canthus, epiphora, clear/watery discharge , hyperemia, conjunctival and eyelid edema, follicles with seasonal association
- Associated systemic allergies
  - Itchy throat and ear canals, runny nose, sneezing, rash, asthma, hay fever
- Seasonal or other allergen triggers
  - Pet dander, dust mites, mold, etc.
- Patients often self misdiagnose their dry eye as allergic conjunctivitis



# **CLASSIFICATION OF ALLERGIC CONJUNCTIVITIS**

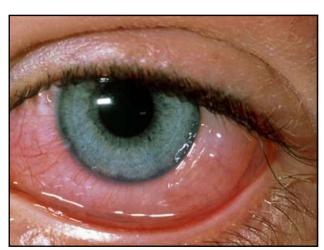
- Seasonal allergic conjunctivitis
- Perennial allergic conjunctivitis
- Giant papillary conjunctivitis
- Contact lens associated, UPPER lid papillae
- Vernal keratoconjunctivitis
- More likely to have limbal papillae, young men/boys, shield ulcers, associated with keratoconus, UPPER lid papillae

  Atopic keratoconjunctivitis

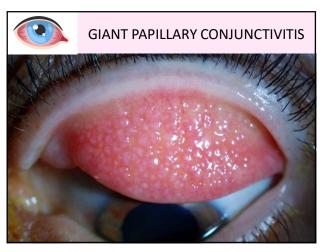
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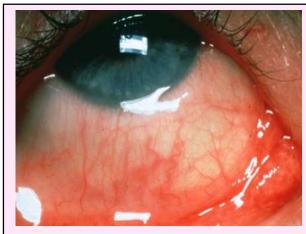
Teenagers and young adults, atopy, papillary reaction UPPER and LOWER lids, thickened lids

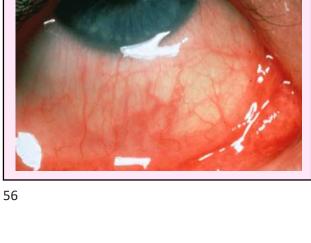




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**GPC TREATMENTS** 

· Switch to dailies

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- Decrease wearing time
- NSAID qd to bid
- Short term pulse steroids
- Look at lids, do they need treatment
- RGPs/sclerals better for patient



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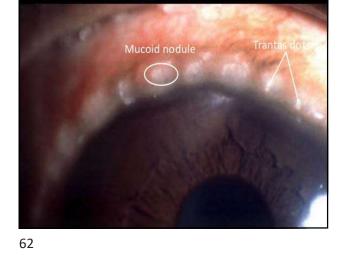
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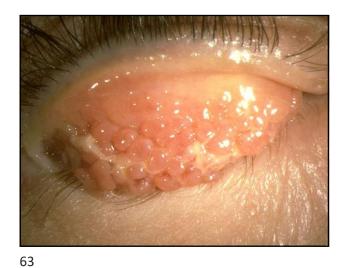
- VKC
  - Younger males, onset usually before 10 years of age
  - Tranta's Dots
  - Upper tarsus more affected
  - Shield ulcer possible
- - Later onset in late adolescence or early adulthood
  - Inferior tarsus more affectedAssociated eczema/dermatitis

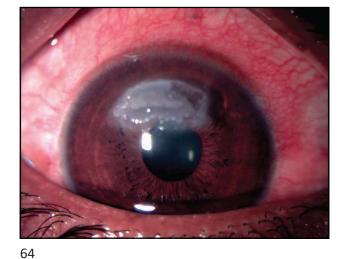
  - More associated lid disease
  - More common in families



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#### **RANGE OF TREATMENTS**

- Avoid all allergens/cold compresses/cold artificial tears
- Oral and topical antihistamines/mast cell stabilizers
- Topical immunomodulators
- Topical corticosteroids
- Oral steroids in severe cases
- Referral to allergist/dermatologist for possible systemic treatments
- Debridement and amniotic membranes for moderate to severe shield ulcers

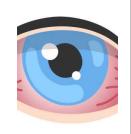


#### **TOXIC CONJUNCTIVITIS**

- Long-term, frequent use of ophthalmic med
- Hyperemia, corneal staining/edema/infiltrates
- Burning, photophobia, blurred vision, grittiness
- Visine (other ocular decongestants)
- Gentamicin/Tobramycin/Neomycin
- Trifluridine

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- Preservatives (BAK)
- Prostaglandins
- Toxic follicular conjunctivitis
  - Atropine, trifluridine, brimonidine, apraclonidine



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#### STERILE INFILTRATES

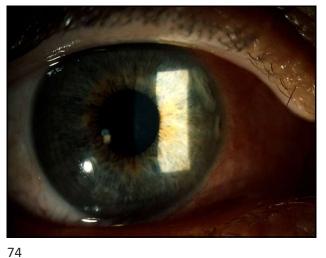
- White blood cell accumulation
- · Individual or in groups
- More often at the limbus
  - Especially lower limbus if staph exotoxin sensitivity
- · Small, gray-white, round or even pinpoint
- Not soupy or fluffy
- Asymptomatic to mild pain, good vision, no discharge, no AC reaction
- May have mild staining over infiltrates
  - Staining less than size of infiltrate

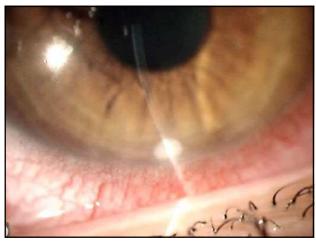


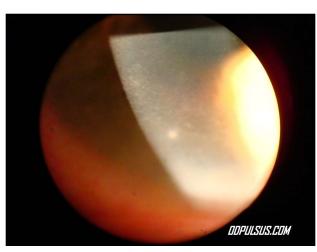
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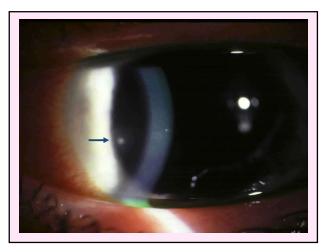






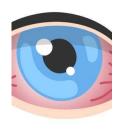


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#### STAPH EXOTOXIN SENSITIVITY

- Non-infectious hypersensitivity to staph cell wall components
- Chronic hyperemia, mild photophobia and irritation, no AC reaction
- May or may not see blepharitis on eyelids
- Inferior corneal infiltrates predominate Although can see nasal and temporal
- Corneal neovascularization/pannus
- Sterile ulcerations
- Bacitracin/erythromycin ung to lids/lashes qhs with lid hygiene/scrubs
  Topical corticosteroid pulse treatment



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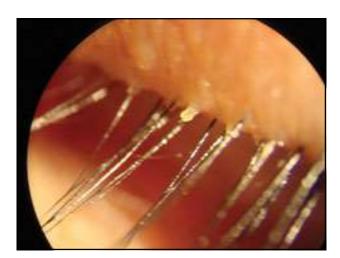
#### **CONTACT LENS OVERWEAR**

- Soft contact lens wear
  - Extended wear, overwear, noncompliance, sensitivity to material or solution
- Hypoxia with corneal edema
- Limbal sterile infiltrates at any location
- Corneal neovascularization 360
- Epithelial dysplasia
  - Thin pachs
  - Irregular topography
  - Change in Rx









**Demodex** 

- Two types of ocular parasitic mites
  - Demodex folliculorum (anterior bleph)
  - Demodex brevis (posterior bleph)
- High incidence with age and anterior bleph
  - Seen in 84% of patients 60 years of age - Seen in 100% of patients 70 years of age
- Inflammation due to mite bacillus production
- May be association with acne and ocular
- Cylindrical sleeves on the lashes
- Epilation and microscopic analysis



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#### **Clinical Presentation**

- Anterior blepharitis with inflammation
  - Eyelid itching, chronic redness, burning, foreign body sensation, crusting of eyelashes
- Refractory to other treatments
- Increased symptoms in the morning
- Associated ocular and acne rosacea
- Mites visible under microscope



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#### **Demodex Treatment**

- Tea tree oil products
  - Commercially and OTC available
  - Compounded 50% tea tree oil scrubs
    - To eyebrows and eyelids once
    - Apply to lid margin with Q-tip
    - Anesthetic first!
  - Tea tree oil shampoo (10%) to hair, eyebrows, and eyelid margins nightly for one month
  - Scrubs, foams, sprays
- Lid hygiene

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## **FDA APPROVED DEMODEX TREATMENT**

- Lotilaner 0.25% ophthalmic solution
- Xdemvy (x-dem-vee)
- Bid treatment for six weeks
- Saturn-1 and Saturn-2 trials
- Met primary and secondary endpoints
- Safe and effective
- Well tolerated
- Specialty pharmacies are the best way to go

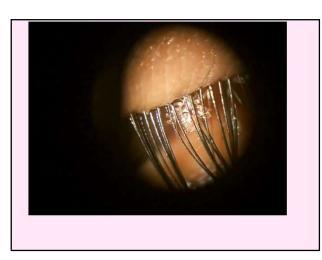


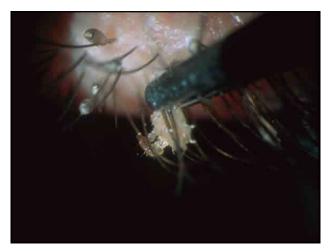
Pthiriasis/Pediculosis Infestation

- Pthirus pubis (pubic lice) more common periocular infestation
- Less mobile and prefers eyelashes compared with pediculus species (body or head)
  - More coarse hair
  - Close lash base proximity
- Signs/symptoms
  - Bilateral ocular itching and inflammation
  - Visible organisms, skin bites, brown feces deposits

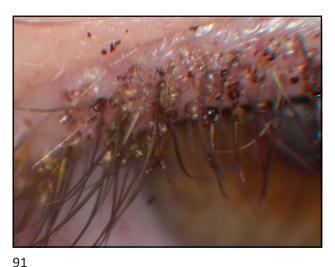


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#### PTHIRIASIS TREATMENT

- Resistant to mechanical and chemical removal
- Recommend removal of organisms and nits (eggs) with forceps
- Trim eyelashes and eyebrows, shave beard if present
- Use Rid, Kwell, Nix or similar pediculocitic OTC shampoo to hair
- Apply Lacrilube nightly to lashes and eyebrows
- Wash all bedding, clothes, etc. that might have existing organisms
- Educate patient on cause and spread of disease
- See general practitioner for work-up including other STDs  $\,$

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#### FLOPPY EYELID SYNDROME

- Severe laxity of upper eyelids that evert easily and/or spontaneously
- More common in overweight males who sleep on their face or on the affected side if asymmetric
- Associated with
  - obstructive sleep apnea
  - Keratoconus
- Chronic hyperemia, irritation, burning, FBS, epiphora
- Papillary reaction on eversion of upper eye lid, microabrasions, mucous discharge, lateral eyelash ptosis
- Manage by taping lids/sheild/mask at bedtime, nighttime ointment, don't sleep on face
- Sleep study referral

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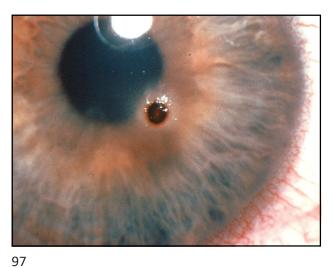
#### **FOREIGN BODY**

- · History of foreign body exposure
- Foreign body found during examination
- Beware of "musta got something in my eye"
- Hammering metal, welding, etc. concern for ocular penetration—look for penetration into eye (iris exam, lens exam, dilation)
- Removal of any foreign body found
- Antibiotic, patch or BCL, cycloplegic, "Comfort drops" an option



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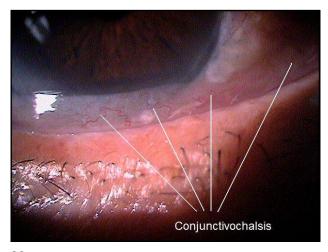


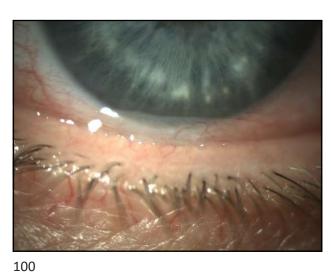
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- Redundant, loose conjunctiva Inferiorly, mostly inferior temporal
- Appears more in downgaze
- Disappears with lower lid retraction
- Mostly due to aging or chronic OSD Can also be cause of chronic OSD
- Can be cause of epiphora if blocks punctum or normal tear movement
- Treatment options
  - Excision with/without fibrin glue or amniotic membrane/autograft
  - Thermal cautery-painful



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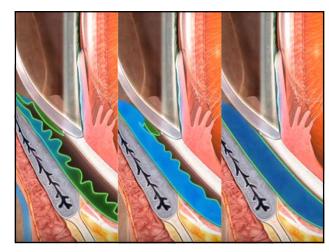




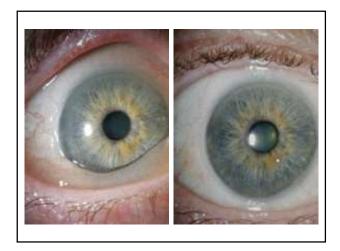
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#### RECURRENT CORNEAL EROSION

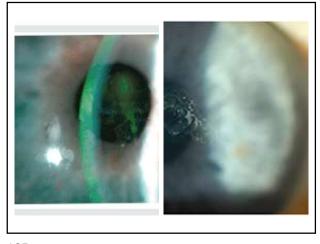
- Recurrent corneal erosions (RCE) more common with history of traumatic abrasion with jagged etiology or EBMD
- Patient often awakes with new abrasion or microabrasions which heal by the time they see you

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- Does not look like typical clean abrasion
   Bandage CL and antibiotic
   Can leave on for 2 weeks if history fits
   Once healed then Muro-128 5% ointment nightly x 6 weeks
   Amniotic membrane with antibiotic is option
- With continued recurrences consider referral for epi-peel (with amniotic membrane placement)



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**SUPERIOR LIMBIC KERATITIS** 

- Bilateral inflammation of superior bulbar
- conjunctiva

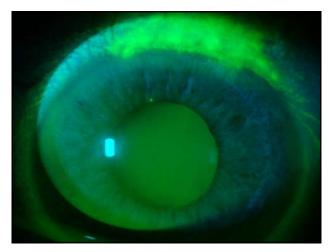
   Although can be asymmetric
  Redness, FBS, photophobia, epiphora, burning, blepharospasm
- Hyperemia, thickening, and staining of superior cornea and bulbar conjunctiva at area of superior limbus May even see filaments superior cornea
  - May have fine papillary reaction of upper lid

  - May have eyelid edema/induced ptosis
    Redundant conjunctival tissue superiorly
- Women>Men, 3:1-most commonly 30-60 years
- Up to 50% cases associated with thyroid disease



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# TREATMENT/MANAGEMENT

- Multifactorial in origin and treatment options
- Bloodwork for thyroid disease
- Increase lubrication/punctal plugs/serum drops
- Bandage CL
- Topical NSAIDs/Corticosteroids/Immunomuodulators
- Surgical options
  - Silver nitrate cautery-very painful and outcomes are variable
     Conjunctival resection-better tolerated and
  - better outcomes
- Will often "burn out" over time
  - Consider immunomodulator (cyclosporine) once controlled



#### **DRY EYE**

- Chronic burning, gritty feeling, hyperemia, fluctuating vision, epiphora, "eyes always
  - Worse at end of day, worse with CL wear, worse in wind, ceiling fan use, direct A/C
- Women, peri/postmenopausal, hx refractive surgery, meibomian gland disease, rosacea, autoimmune disease, computer use, certain meds
- SPK, decreased TBUT, low tear meniscus, oily tear film



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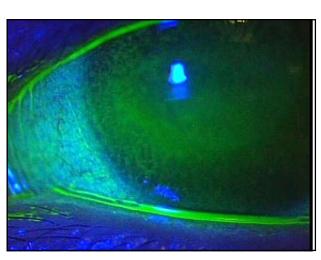
#### RANGE OF TREATMENT

- Environmental changes
- Artificial tears/gels/ointments/Lacrisert
- Meibomian gland treatments/Miebo
- Immunomodulators (Restasis, Cequa)
- Topical steroids Punctal plugs
- Serum tears
- Scleral lenses
- Oral secretagogues Treat underlying systemic disease
- Intense pulsed light therapy
- Tyrvaya



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# **ROSACEA**

- Redness/telangiectasia/papules on the cheeks, nose, and forehead/rhinophyma
- More common in women/more severe in men
- Fair or light skinned patients more common and more severe
- Increased meibomian gland dysfunction and blepharitis
- Induced redness of eyelids/dry eye/chronic hyperemia
- Ocular rosacea can proceed facial rosacea



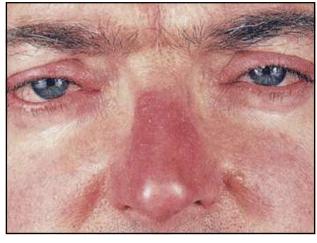
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#### **MANAGEMENT**

- Recognition
  Doxycycline 50 mg qd to bid

  No use in children less than 8 years old/pregnant/nursing

  TAKE WITH FOOD AND/OR DAIRY!!!

- Cannot take with antacids
  Can cause photosensitivity
  Cannot take before lying down
- Must wait 2 hours to avoid esophageal ulceration

  Xdemvy bid x 6 weeks
  Lid hygiene, meibomian gland treatments

- Topical steroid drops/ungs/Miebo Dermatology referral



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#### THYROID EYE DISEASE

- Autoimmune disease
- Chronic hyperemia
- Dry eyes
- · No discharge, no itching
- · Exophthalmos, intermittent diplopia, lid lag, lagophthalmos
- Ocular discomfort/ache especially at
- Lubrication, taping lids at night, pulse steroids



#### **TESTING IN** THYROID EYE DISEASE

- · CT of orbits without contrast
  - Please note EOM size and thickness
  - Please note distance from interzygomatic line to globe apex
- Visual field
- · Thyroid blood testing
  - TSH and free T4
  - Remember that thyroid levels may be normal and still have TED
- Referral for Tepezza evaluation to oculoplastics/endocrinology/neuro-OMD



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#### **TEPEZZA**

- First and only FDA-approved treatment for TED
- 8 infusions total
  - One every three weeks for approx. 5 months
  - Results as soon as 6 weeks
- · Clinically significant reduction in
  - Proptosis (86%)
  - Diplopia (70%)
  - Clinical Activity Score (97%)





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