
Ocular Emergencies

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What Classifies an Emergency?

- Ocular complaints
- Vision complaints
- Systemic complaints

Optometrists & Emergencies

- How many people visit urgent care/ER for ocular problems?
- Optometrists are best suited to handle eye emergencies
 - Urban/suburban setting
 - Rural setting
 - Going to urgent care vs optometrist
 - Integrated health care model

Office Protocols of emergencies

- Triage training
 - Same day/asap appointments
 - Within 24 hours
 - At earliest convenience
 - At a future date
- Document, Document, Document
- Importance

Taking call as an optometrist

- Required by state? Required by insurance panels?
- Value to the patient

Let's get to some cases!

Case #1

- 56 year old male
- CC: "right eye hurts", began 1-2 week ago
- -thinks he scratched eye after removing contact lenses

(+) pain 2/10 severity

(+) photophobia

(+) blurry vision

(+) watering

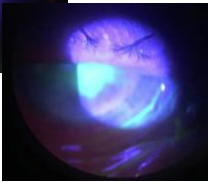
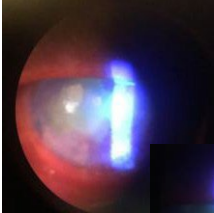
History

- **Medical history**: Anxiety, Depression, HTN, neuropathy (feet)
- **Medications**: lisinopril, Effexor, Xanax
- **Allergies**: NKDA
- **Ocular history**: unremarkable
LEE 5 years ago, Monthly MF contact lenses
- **Social history**: 1-2 drinks/week, non-smoker

Entrance Testing

- **BCVA**: HM @ 4ft OD NIPH; 20/30 OS
- **Pupils**: PERRLA, (-)APD
- **Confrontational VF**: grossly full OU
- **EOMs**: Full & Smooth OU, (-)nystagmus
- **IOP**: (iCare) 17 mmHG OD, 16 mmHG OS

	OD	OS
S Lids & Lashes	Normal	Normal
Conjunctiva/Sclera	3+ injection	Trace Injection
Cornea	Contact Lens Diffuse edema Central epi defect Neovascularization (0.5mm I & N)	Contact Lens
A/C	Hazy View	Deep & Quiet
Iris	Brown, Grossly normal	Brown, WNL
Lens	Trace NS	Trace NS



Posterior Pole Findings

	OD (Hazy View)	OS
Vitreous	Quiet-no cells	Quiet-no cells
Optic nerve	Pink, healthy rim 0.3/0.3 C/D ratio	Pink, healthy rim 0.3/0.3 C/D ratio
Macula	Flat & clear	Flat & clear
Retina	No breaks/tears	No breaks/tears

Diagnosis

What's your diagnosis?

Corneal abrasion?

Neurotrophic Keratitis?

Corneal ulcer secondary to CL overwear?

Sterile vs Infectious Infiltrate

Sterile	Infectious
Smaller lesion (<1mm)	Larger lesion (>1mm)
Peripheral location	Central location
Minimal epithelial damage	Significant epithelial defect
No mucous discharge	Mucopurulent discharge
Less pain or photophobia	Pain & photophobia
No or minimal A/C reaction	Anterior chamber reaction
No lid involvement	Lid edema, hypopyon

Infectious Infiltrates

- Viral=adenovirus, EKC, HSV, HZO
- Bacterial=Staphylococcus, Streptococcus, Pseudomonas
 - Contact lenses: *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*
 - *Staphylococcus aureus*
- Fungal
- Protozoan=*Acanthamoeba*

Contact Lens patient=treat as infectious until proven otherwise

Non-infectious infiltrates

- Marginal corneal infiltrates
- Contact lens-induced acute red eye (CLARE)
- Contact lens-induced peripheral ulcer (CLPU)
- Infiltrative keratitis

Culturing

- **When to Culture:**

- Large, central ulcer
- unresponsive to treatment
- post-surgical, monocular, or immunocompromised
- 3-2-1 Guideline: 3mm size, 2+ ulcers, 1mm visual axis

-**Best to perform culture before initiating treatment**

-**Quick culture**: sterile swab placed in prepared (thioglycolate) broth and sent to lab to be placed on nutrient plates

Treatment

- **Antibiotic**

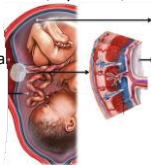
- Fluoroquinolones: Gram - & +
- Aminoglycosides: Gram -
- Polymixin-B: Gram -
- Other: erythromycin (G+, some G -), bacitracin (G+), azithromycin (G + & -)

- **Steroid**

- **Amniotic Membranes**

Amniotic Membranes

- derived from placentas
- amniotic membrane (AM)=inner layer of the fetus membranes
- AM contains: structural proteins, specialized proteins, cytokines, growth factors
- MOA poorly understood
- faster healing, less pain, less scarring, less inflammation
- ocular history
 - 1940 & 1992
 - 700+ peer-reviewed publications on ocular use



Amniotic membrane properties

- Anti-inflammatory
- Anti-fibrotic
- Anti-angiogenic
- Anti-microbial
- Promotes epithelization
- Pro-healing
- Provides matrix for cell migration/proliferation

Amniotic Membrane Types

Cryopreserved

- Harvest: slow freezing at -80 C using DMEM/glycerol preservation media (slow-rate freezing without ice formation)
- FDA approved for wound healing, anti-inflammatory, protective barrier
- Held in place with plastic ring
- Store in freezer

Dehydrated

- Preserved using vacuum with low temperature heat to retain devitalized cellular components
- FDA approved for wound healing
- Stored at room temperature-must be rehydrated to use
- Uses soft contact lens to hold in place



Lyophilized Amniotic Membranes

-XcellerEYES is a lyophilized amniotic membrane

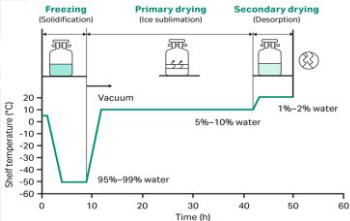
- 350-micron thickness
- White in color and opaque

-Ties in the advantages of a dehydrated membrane (cost, storage, tolerability, etc)ays of application

-Can be applied directly to a bandage contact lens

Lyophilization

- Low temperature
- Minimizes impact on proteins



Corneal Sensitivity

Reduced or Absent



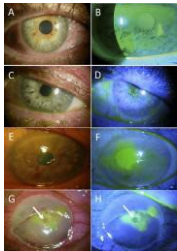
Neurotrophic Keratitis (NK)

- “Stain without Pain” → significant discrepancy between clinical findings & symptoms
- Degenerative corneal condition due to reduced neural innervation
- Risk Factors: infection, injury, or inflammation → trauma, tumors, inflammatory lesions, herpetic infections, chronic corneal exposure, surgical, damage to trigeminal nerve
- Disease progression often unnoticed by the patient

Neurotrophic Keratitis Stages

- Stages I – III

- Stage 1=general epithelial alterations (A & B)
- Stage 2=persistent epithelial defects (C & D)
- Stage 3=corneal ulceration (E & F)
- Perforation (G & H)



NK Treatment Options

- Amniotic Membranes
- Topical Insulin (1UL/ml)
- Cenergemin-bkbj (0.02%)- Oxervate
- Matrix Therapy Agent
- Surgical Management

OXERVATE® PATIENT ENROLLMENT FORM



INSTRUCTIONS:

- Complete all pages of this form for each new prescription. Please print.
- Please fax completed form to Dompé CONNECT to Care at 1-855-263-1775, phone 1-877-422-4412.
- Please provide copies of front and back of all insurance cards.

PATIENT INFORMATION

Name (Last, First, Middle Initial): Date of Birth:

Address: City: State: ZIP:

Preferred Phone: Alternative Phone: Best Time to Call: Day Evening

Patient Email: Preferred Language:

SSN (last 4 digits): Gender: Male Female

Caregiver Contact Name: Caregiver Contact Phone Number:

Okay to leave message with alternate caregiver/contact? Yes No

TREATMENT INFORMATION/PRESCRIPTION (physician to fill out)

Treated Eye (select one): Left Right Both eyes

Stage- Left Eye (select one): Mild (Stage 1) Moderate (Stage 2) Severe (Stage 3)

Stage- Right Eye (select one): Mild (Stage 1) Moderate (Stage 2) Severe (Stage 3)

Check all ICD-10 codes that apply to the treated eye(s):

ICD-10 Codes Check all that apply	Central corneal ulcer	Unspecified corneal ulcer	Neurotrophic Keratoconjunctivitis	Anesthesia and hypoesthesia of cornea	Other
Right eye	<input type="checkbox"/> H16.011	<input type="checkbox"/> H16.001	<input type="checkbox"/> H16.231	<input type="checkbox"/> H18.811	<input type="checkbox"/>
Left eye	<input type="checkbox"/> H16.012	<input type="checkbox"/> H16.002	<input type="checkbox"/> H16.232	<input type="checkbox"/> H18.812	<input type="checkbox"/>

Oxervate (cenegermin-bkbj)

- FDA approved in 2018
- cenegermin-bkbj is structurally identical to human Nerve Growth Factor protein made in ocular tissue
- It is a recombinant nerve growth factor (protein) → this protein activates receptors that allow for differentiation & maintenance of neurons that support the innervation of the cornea
- Dosing: 6Xday (2hr Intervals) for 8 weeks
- Apply 1st if using ung/gel after
- Wait 15minutes CL insertion
- Can do another round if needed



Case: 56 yo male Corneal Ulcer

- **Treatment**

- 0.3% ciprofloxacin q30min
- 1% cycloplegic in office
- Prokera Slim Amniotic Membrane
- RTC 1 day

Follow-up

- **1-Day:** Prokera Slim 80% dissolved
 - replaced with new Prokera
 - Continue topical antibiotic q30min
 - RTC 1 day

- **4-day:** 2nd Prokera dissolved
 - resolved infiltrate
 - 2+ SPK cornea
 - Taper topical antibiotic to qid
 - Start 1% pred acetate q2hr
 - copious PF ATs
 - RTC 2 days

Follow-up

- **6-Day:**

- 1+ SPK

- D/C topical antibiotic

- Decrease 1% pred acetate qid & increase PF ATs

- RTC 3 day

- **10-day:**

- trace SPK

- BCVA 20/25-

- IOP stable

- small central epithelial scar

Case Study 2

- 25 yo AA Male
- **CC:** “blurry vision with black spots”
- **HPI:**
 - Sudden, painless decrease in vision OS
 - Onset: 4 days, upon awakening
 - (+) flashes of light and floaters X 4 days OS

History

- **Medical history:** (+) epilepsy, (-)STDs, (-)inflammatory conditions
- **Medications:**
 - Visine BID OU
 - 100 mg phenytoin sodium TID PO
- **Ocular history:** Blind OD (eye trauma from >10yrs ago)
- **Social history:** (-)smoking, EtOH, drug use

Entrance Testing

- **BCVA**: NLP OD; 20/200 NIPH OS
- **Pupils**: fixed, miotic OD; round, minimal reactivity OS
- **Confrontational VF**: I & T constriction OS
- **EOMs**: Full & Smooth OU

Slit Lamp Findings

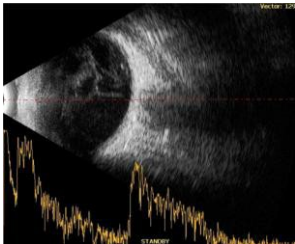
Cornea	WNL	Edema 3+ guttata inferior KPs
A/C	Quiet irido-corneal touch	4+ cells/3+ flare (-)hypopyon
Iris	Atrophy	I, IT, ST synechiae
Lens	Displaced w/PS	4+ pigment AC
Vitreous	No view	(+)cells-hazy view of post pole

Clinical Exam

- **IOP**: 7 OD/10 OS (mmHG)
- **Gonioscopy**: PAS OS
- **DFE**:
 - OD: no view (dense cataract)
 - OS: photo



B-Scan: OD



Differential diagnosis

- Sympathetic ophthalmia
- Sarcoidosis
- Syphilis
- Tuberculosis
- HIV/AIDS

Case Management

- 1% PA Q1hr & 1% Atropine BID OS
- Lab Work-up
- Uveitis specialist referral

Diagnostic Testing

- **Labs:**

- FTA-ABS (inconclusive)
- (+)RPR, TP-PA
- (-) HIV, HSVI IgG, HSV II IgG, HSV IgM, Lyme, EBV, WNV, Quantiferon
- Unremarkable CSF & CXR

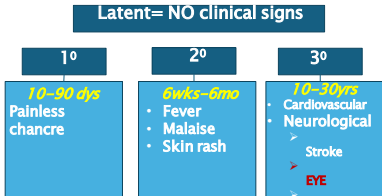
Diagnosis

Syphilitic Panuveitis

Treatment

- Hospitalized
- 60mg prednisone PO QD
- 24 million units/day IV aqueous PCN X 10 days

Acquired Syphilis Stages:



Neurosyphilis Tx (CDC Guidelines)

Ocular disease = Neurosyphilis

1. Aqueous PCN G 18-24 million units/day IV x 10-14 days
 - Alt: Procaine PCN 2.4 million units/day IM x 10-14 days
PLUS PO Probenecid 500 mg QID x 10-14 days
2. CSF examination & HIV testing
3. Repeat LP Q6mo X 2 yrs

Post-Ab Treatment

- VA 20/100, PH 20/50 OS
- Essential Resolution of Uveitis & Vitritis
- F/U on going

Case 3

- 67 year old, Caucasian male
- **HPI:** “can’t see out of right eye”, started 2 days ago
- (-) pain
 - (+) headache-right side of head
 - (+) blurry vision-right eye only
 - (+) fatigue, pain around back of neck X 2 wks, scalp tenderness
 - (-) jaw pain/claudeication

History

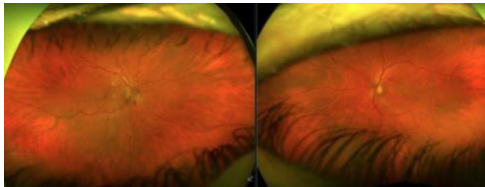
- **Medical history**: unknown, LME 10+ yrs ago
- **Medications**: none
- **Allergies**: NKDA
- **Ocular history**: unremarkable
LEE 2yr ago, cataracts
- **Social history**: (-)EtOH, non-smoker

Entrance Testing

- **BCVA**: HM @ 4 ft OD, 20/30 OS
- **Pupils**: PERRLA, (+)APD OD
- **Confrontational VF**: restricted OD, grossly full OS
- **EOMs**: Full & Smooth OU, (-)nystagmus
- **IOP**: (NCT) 10 mmHG OU

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Conjunctiva/Sclera	Trace injection	Trace Injection
Cornea	Clear	Clear
A/C	Deep & Quiet	Deep & Quiet
Iris	Brown, WNL	Brown, WNL
Lens	2+ NS	2+ NS

Posterior Pole Findings



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Diagnosis

- **Differential Diagnoses:**

- Headache/migraine
- NAION, AAION, Optic Neuritis, papilledema or pseudotumor cerebri

What's your Diagnosis?

- **Diagnosis:** Arteritic ischemic optic neuropathy (AION)- Giant Cell arteritis (GCA)
- **3 Criteria for (American College of Rheumatology) Classification of GCA:**
 - Age of onset >50yrs or older
 - Onset of new headache
 - Temporal artery abnormality (tender or reduced pulsation)
 - Elevated ESR (>50mm/hr Westergren)
 - Abnormal artery biopsy showing necrotizing vasculitis with predominant monocular cell infiltration or granulomatous inflammation

Treatment

- **ER** → CBC, ESR, CRP, FBS, FTA-ABS, ANA
 - ESR >100mm/hr
 - CRP 33mg/L
 - Normal neuroimaging
 - Order Temporal Artery Biopsy
- **Rheumatology consult**
- **Vascular Surgeon** → Temporal Artery Biopsy confirmed GCA
- **Neuroimaging** → rule out intracranial process
- **Steroids** → IV - 1g methylprednisolone sodium succinate X 3 days then 80mg oral prednisone

1 week follow-up

- Resolution of headaches, pain, fatigue
- No change in optic nerve edema
- Vision decreased to LP
- Rheumatology for GCA management

2 week follow-up

- Resolved optic nerve edema, improved perfusion
- VA: NLP OD - no improvement to-date, 20/30 OS

Giant Cell Arteritis

- Most common vasculitis adults >50 years
- Incidence 18 per 100,000; Women 4X more likely
- Highest prevalence in Caucasians (Scandinavian or Northern European decent)
- Granulomatous inflammatory vasculopathy affecting medium & large sized arteries
- External carotid branches, ophthalmic, vertebral, distal subclavian & thoracic aorta
- >50 yo, females > males
- **Goal: recognize & treat GCA before AION occurs**

Symptoms

- Headache/scalp tenderness
- Temple artery tenderness
- Neck pain
- Weight loss
- Jaw claudication
- Weakness
- Fatigue
- Tongue/scalp necrosis
- Unexplained fever

AAION (arteritic anterior ischemic optic neuropathy)

- Most common cause of severe vision loss from GCA
 - Infarction of short posterior ciliary arteries that supply optic nerve
 - 1 in 5 GCA patients will develop monocular vision loss related to AAION
 - 1/3 patients amaurosis fugax present as sign of impending AION
 - Vision loss severe & responds poorly to treatment
 - If untreated, 50% lose vision in fellow eye within days to weeks of onset
 - **TRUE OCULAR EMERGENCY**
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- **Acute phase → ON appear swollen & pale, flame hemes**
 - **Later → no edema, optic atrophy sets in**

Arteritic AION	Non-arteritic AION
"older" patient population	"younger" patient population
Female > male	No relation
HA, scalp tenderness, jaw claudication	Occasional orbital pain
Better VA	Worse VA
FFA: choroidal & disc filling delay	Disc filling delay
Poor prognosis for recovery; fellow eye 95% cases	3 line VA improvement in 43% cases; fellow eye <30% cases
Urgent corticosteroid treatment	Doubtful role of corticosteroids

ESR

- Measures height of RBC's settling out of plasma per hour
- Male Norm: $\text{age}/2$
- Female Norm: $\text{age} + 10 / 2$

GCA Ocular Manifestations

- Cranial nerve involvement (CN VI) → diplopia
- Cotton wool spots
- Central Retinal artery occlusion (CRAO)
- Visual Field defect (altitudinal, arcuate, cecocentral scotoma)
- Choroidal infarction
- Nystagmus/internuclear ophthalmoplegia
- Rare=anterior segment neovascularization/ocular ischemic syndrome

GCA

- **Actemra (tocilizumab)** =2017 FDA expanded & approved use of subcutaneous Actemra (tocilizumab) to treat adults with GCA
 - subcutaneous
 - First FDA approved therapy specific to this type of vasculitis
- **Polymyalgia Rheumatica (PMR)**
 - Systemic autoimmune disease
 - Shoulder & hip girdle pain
 - 50% GCA patients also have PMR
 - Controversy: GCA & PMR separate or different manifestations of same disease

GCA Clinical Pearls

- **Thorough case history**
- **Prompt treatment=start tx before lab results are back**
 - If aggressive steroid tx initiated within first 24hrs of onset of visual symptoms, 50% chance of vision improvement
 - Temporal biopsy should be done within 1 week of starting steroid tx
 - Beware of normal labs
 - 15-30% patients with (+) temporal artery biopsies have normal ESR
 - Biopsy temporal artery 5-9% false negative rate due to skip lesions

Case #4

- 43 year old male, mechanic
- **HPI:** “battery acid exploded into right eye”, immediately felt pain
- -no improvement after irrigation with tap water
- (+) pain 9/10 severity
 - (+) photophobia
 - (+) blurry vision
 - (+) watering

History

- **Medical history**: hypothyroidism
- **Medications**: levothyroxine
- **Allergies**: Penicillin (hives)
- **Ocular history**: unremarkable
LEE 4mo ago, glasses full time, daily disposal CLs prn
- **Social history**: 5 drinks/week, "social smoker"

Entrance Testing

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	OD	OS
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Cornea	See photo	Clear
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Lens	Clear	Clear



Posterior Pole Findings

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Retina	No breaks/tears	No breaks/tears

What do you do next?

pH of Tears

- At arrival: 6
- After irrigation of normal saline (15min)
- **What is the normal range for tears?**



Diagnosis

Differential Diagnosis:

- Corneal abrasion (mechanical trauma, foreign body, etc)
- Corneal Infections (viral, bacterial, fungal)

What is your Diagnosis?

Diagnosis:

Corneal chemical Burn OD

Types of Chemical Burns

- **Neutral (Pepper Spray)**
- **Acidic**
 - Bind with tissue proteins causing coagulation → stops further penetration
 - Usually less harmful
 - Exception: hydrofluoric acid
- **Alkali**
 - Lipophilic → penetrate ocular tissues more quickly & deeper
 - Penetrates corneal stroma via saponification of fatty acids in cellular membranes
 - Damaged Stromal Tissue → proteolytic enzymes released → liquefactive necrosis

Acidic Agents (pH <4)	Alkali Agents (pH >10)
Sulfuric Acid (Car batteries)	Ammonia (cleaning agents, fertilizers, refrigerants)
Acetic Acid (Vinegar)	Lye (drain & oven cleaners, air bags)
Hydrochloric Acid (swimming pool cleaner)	MgOH (Firework sparklers, flares)
Nail polish	Lime (plaster, mortar, cement, white wash)
	Mixed cement
	Ammonia

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Nail polish

Lime (plaster, mortar, cement, white wash)

Mixed cement

Ammonia

pH Levels of Common Household Cleaners

from  the spruce

Cleaner	pH level
Chlorine Bleach	11 ~ 13
Tub & Tile Cleaner	11 ~ 13
Borax	10
Mild Dish Soap	7 ~ 8
Vinegar	3
Toilet Bowl Cleaner	1 ~ 3



Irrigation

- damage can happen within 5 minutes
- begin immediately after splash occurs
- irrigate over CLs
- eye wash station, shower, outdoor hose
- pH levels often normalize within 30min of continuous irrigation (at least 32oz)
- triaging

Treatment & Management

- Stabilize ocular surface pH
- Slit Lamp Examination
 - Lids, cornea, limbus, conjunctiva, adnexa
- IOP

Treatment Goals

- **prevent infection** → broad-spectrum antibiotic
- **promote re-epithelialization** → debridement
- **control inflammation** → steroid
- **minimize sequelae** → cycloplegic, anti-glaucoma therapy

Roper-Hall Classification

Grade	Prognosis	Cornea	Conjunctiva/Limbus
I	Good	Corneal epithelial damage	No limbal ischemia
II	Good	Corneal haze, iris details visible	<1/3 limbal ischemia
III	Guarded	Total epithelial loss, stromal haze, iris details obscured	1/3 to 1/2 limbal ischemia
IV	Poor	Cornea opaque, iris and pupil obscured	>1/2 limbal ischemia

Grade I Treatment

- Steroid (1% prednisolone acetate qid)
- Topical antibiotic ung (erythromycin qhs to qid)
- Preservative-free artificial tears
- Cycloplegic for pain

Grade	Prognosis	Cornea	Conjunctiva/Limbus
I	Good	Corneal epithelial damage	No limbal ischemia

Grade II & III Treatment

- Topical antibiotic (fluoroquinolone) qid
- Topical steroid q1hr while awake (may need to taper)
- Long-acting cycloplegic (1% atropine)
- Oral pain medication prn
- Oral doxycycline to reduce corneal melting through MMP inhibition
- Oral vitamin C (1,000-2,000 mg) qid
- Sodium ascorbate drops (10%) while awake
- Preservative-free artificial tears prn
- Debridement of necrotic tissue
- Amniotic membrane

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Grade IV Treatment

- Stem cell transplantation
- Penetrating keratoplasty
- Keratoprosthesis
- Tenoplasty to re-establish limbal vascularity

IV	Poor	Cornea opaque, iris and pupil obscured	>1/2 limbal ischemia
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Long Term Complications

- poor vision
- corneal scarring
- xerophthalmia
- dry eyes
- symblepharon
- glaucoma
- uveitis
- cataract
- adnexal abnormalities (lagophthalmos, entropion, ectropion and trichiasis)

Case 1: 43 yo male

- **Treatment**

- 0.3% ciprofloxacin qid
- Erythromycin ung qhs
- 1% pred acetate q2hr
- 1% cycloplegic tid

- **Follow-up**

- RTC 1 day
- Complete resolution 6 days
- BCVA after resolution: 20/20

Staff Triaging

- -Preliminary irrigation take place on site immediately
- -irrigate eye for 20-30min before coming to office
- -irrigate over contact lenses
- -bring container of chemical or MSDS card
- -Time is critical
- -Document, document, document

Corneal Burn Clinical Pearls

- Stabilize pH (acidic vs alkaline)
- Thorough case history & examination
- Watch IOP
- Prevent infection
- Control Inflammation
- Minimize sequelae

Thank you!



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