#### Preserving Our Vision

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4.2 million Americans are blind or have reduced vision

Only death and cancer are more feared than vision loss

Most causes of vision loss are now treatable if diagnosed and treated early

## Age Related Eye Disease Incidence in US Population

|  | 2013  | 2030   |
|--|-------|--------|
| • Blindness(<20/200)                     | 1.3 M | 2.2 M  |
| • Vis. Impaired (<20/40)                 | 2.9 M | 5 M    |
| • Cataract                               | 24 M  | 39 M   |
| • Glaucoma                               | 2.7 M | 4.3 M  |
| • Diabetic Retinopathy                   | 7.7 M | 11.3 M |
| <ul> <li>Macular Degeneration</li> </ul> | 2.1 M | 3.7 M  |

National Eye Institute 2013

#### Common Eye Diseases

Cataract

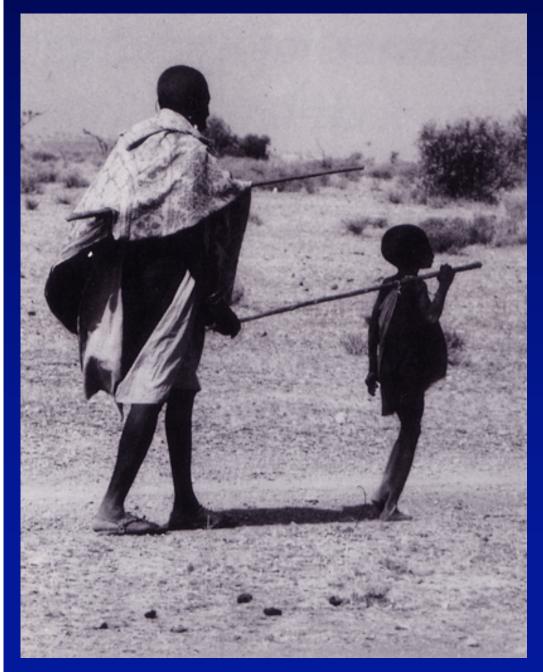
Glaucoma

Diabetic Eye Disease

Macular Degeneration

Posterior Vitreous Detachment (Floaters, Retinal Tears, Detachments)

#### The Face of Cataracts...

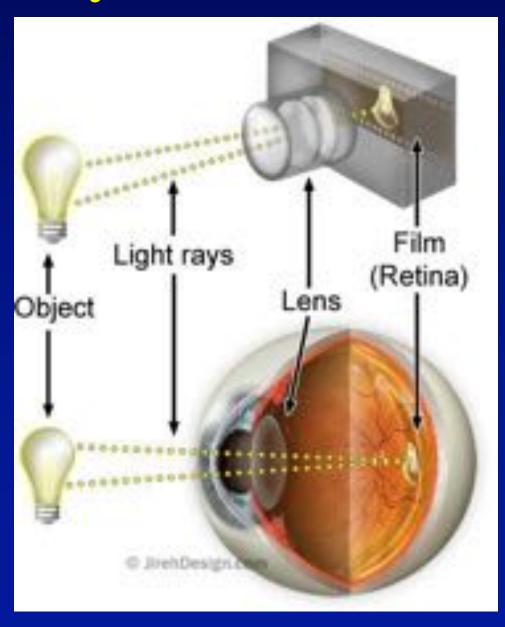




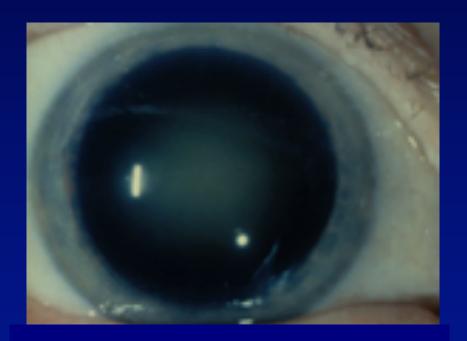


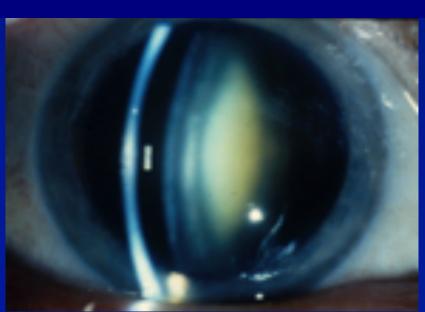
Normal Cataract

#### The Eye Is Like A Camera



#### Cataracts







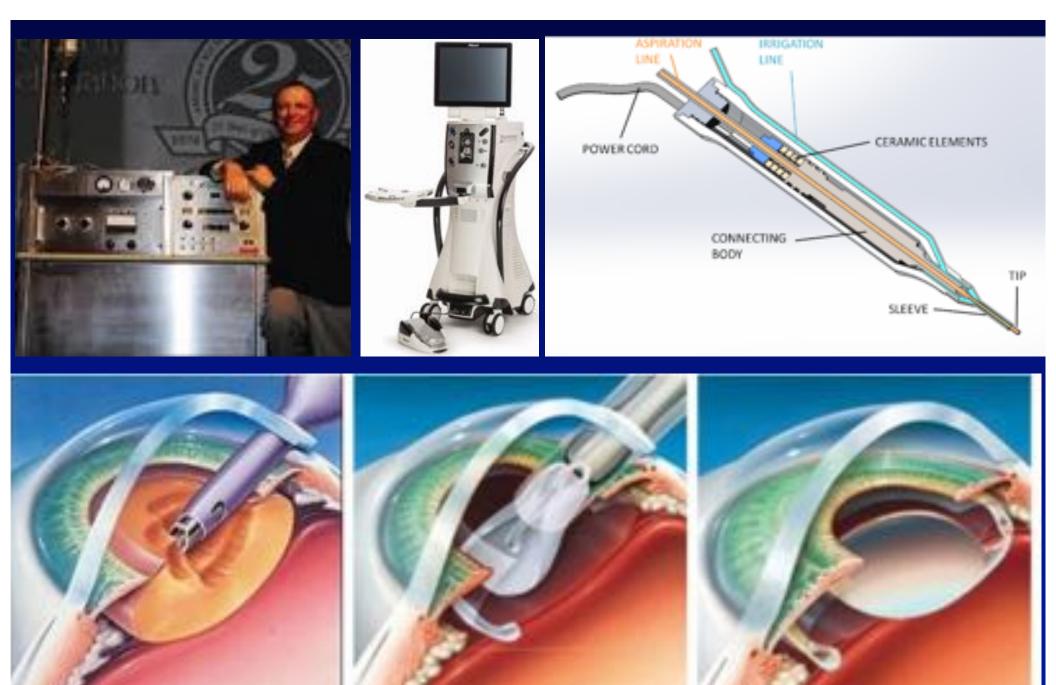


#### Cataract Surgery

- Out-patient surgery
- Intravenous sedation-most patients sleep through surgery
- Painless
- 10-15 minutes
- Resume activity in one day
- Visual improvement in one day
- Complications rare
- Cost usually covered by insurance
- 98% successful
- Vision may be better than prior to cataract



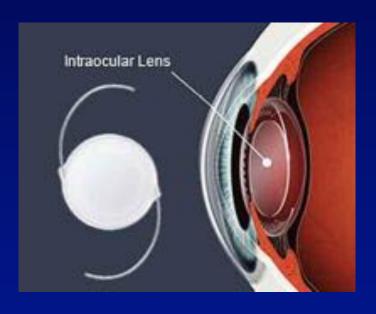


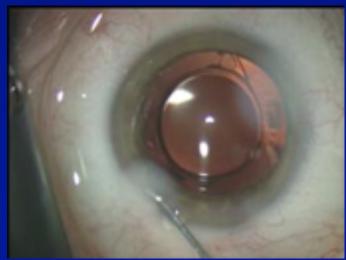


#### Intra-ocular Lenses

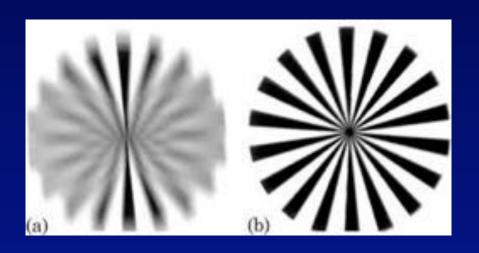




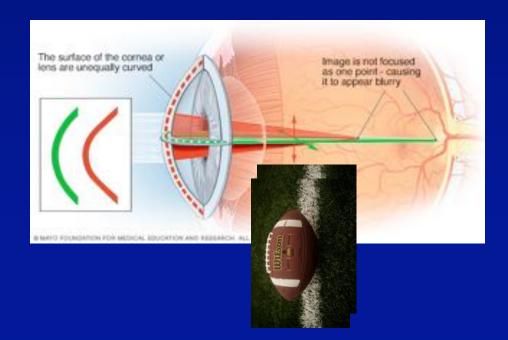




## Astigmatism-Toric IOL



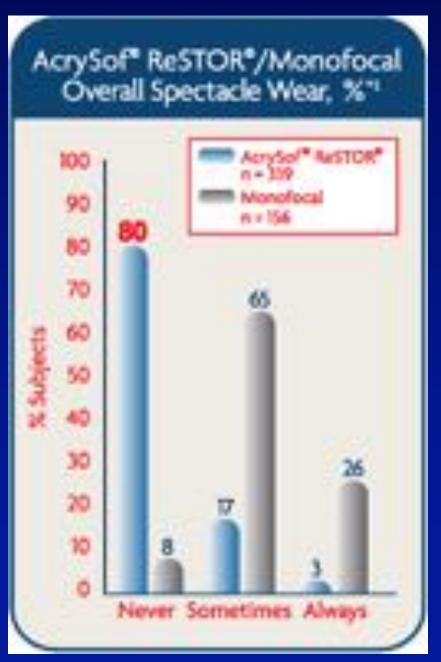




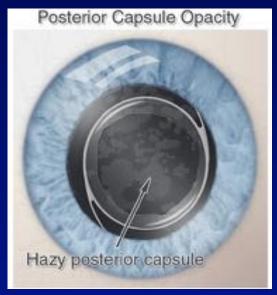


#### Bifocal IOLs-Freedom From Glasses

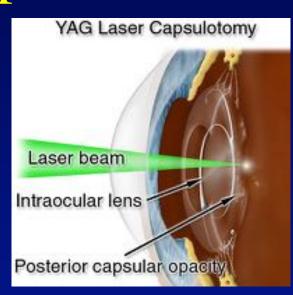




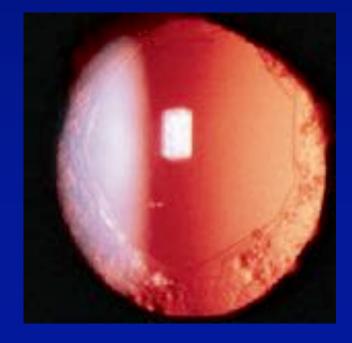
## Posterior Capsule Opacification











## Boris the Siberian Eagle Owl



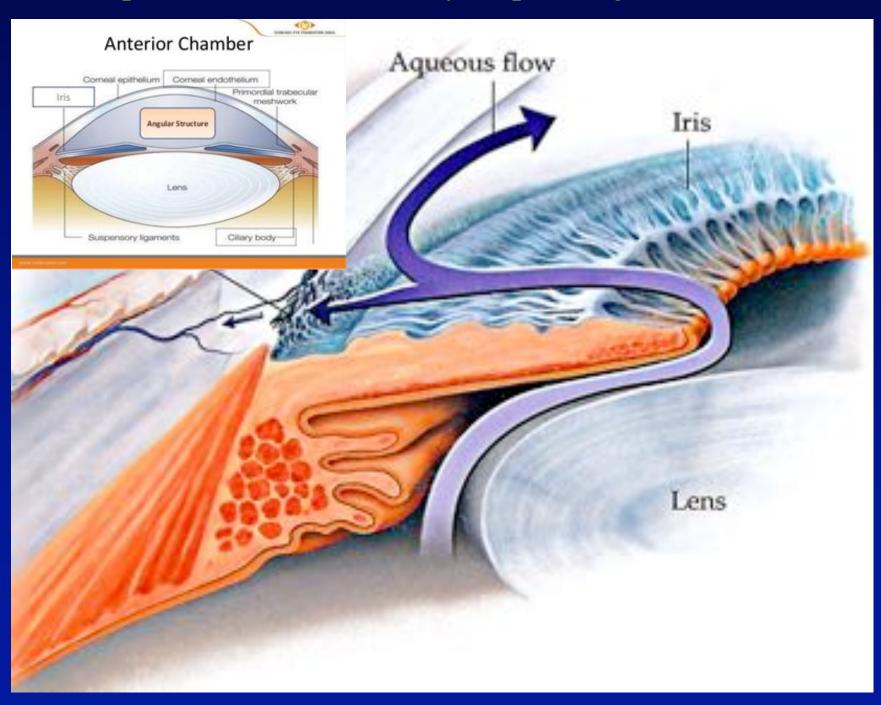
Phacoemulsification for cataracts at 25 yo BBC video

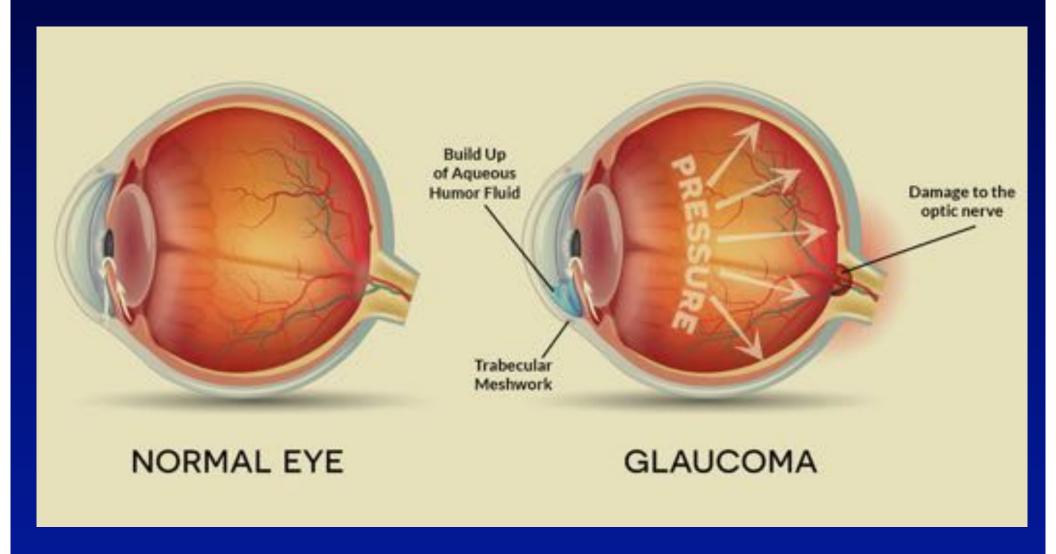


#### Glaucoma

- 3 million Americans (only half are aware)
- 120,000 blind (9-12% of US blindness)
- 2% 40-50 yrs., 8% over 70 yrs.
- Leading cause of blindness in African-Americans (6-8 times more common than Caucasians)
- Risk factors: family history, high eye pressure, age, race, diabetes, nearsightedness
- Normal eye pressure 20-50% (esp. Asians)

#### Aqueous Outflow Pathways-Open Angle Glaucoma

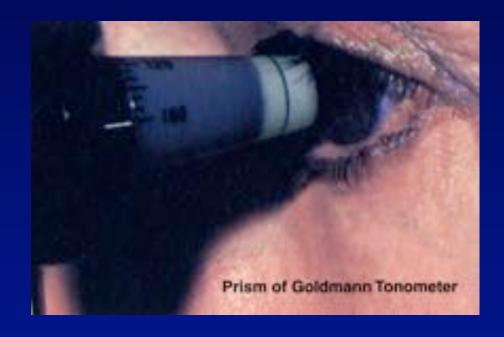


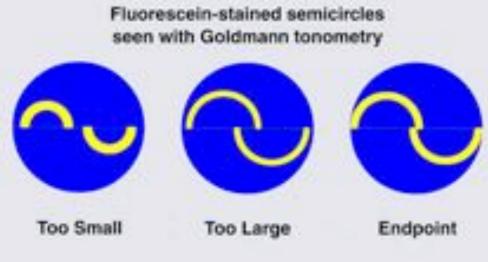


Intraocular pressure is applied to all tissues evenly but damages specific retinal cells and their fibers that become the optic nerve and bring images to the brain

#### Measurement of Eye Pressure







Eye Pressure:
Average adult: 16 mm. Hg.
Population 95% < 21 mm. Hg.

# Glaucoma Damages Ganglion Cells and Nerve Fiber Layer

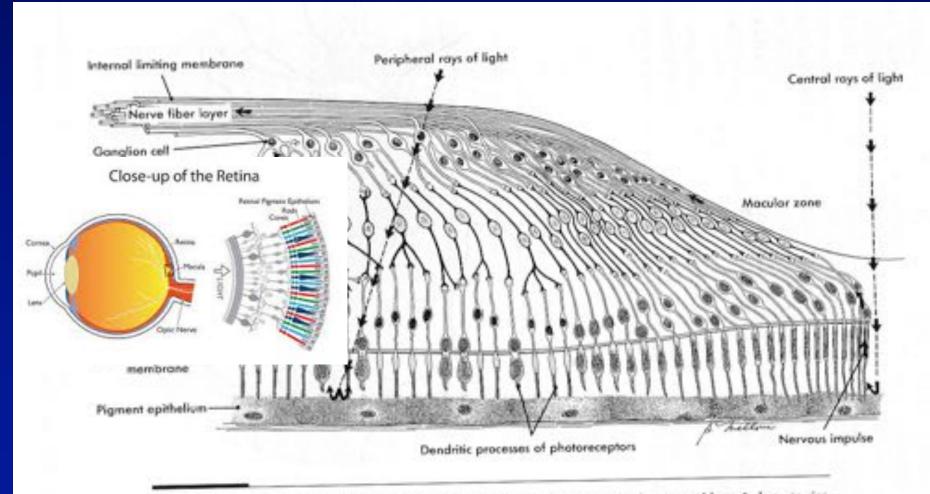
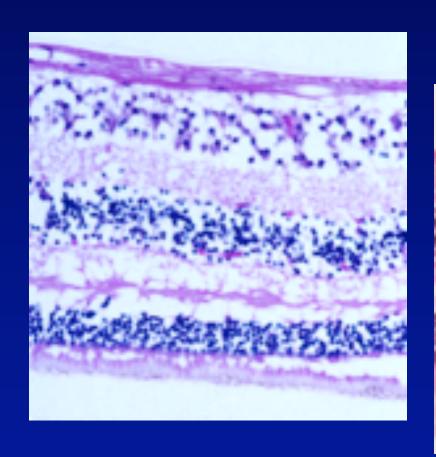


FIGURE 5-2 Microscopic anatomy of retina. (From Melloni BJ: What's new, Abbott Laboratories, Abbott Park, Ill.)

## Glaucomatous Retinal Atrophy





#### Optic Nerve Damage in Glaucoma



 a. Healthy optic nerve with small "cup"

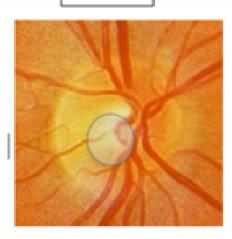


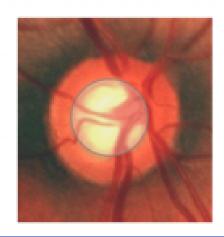
 Healthy optic nerve with larger "cup"



 Glaucomatous optic nerve with damage

Normal



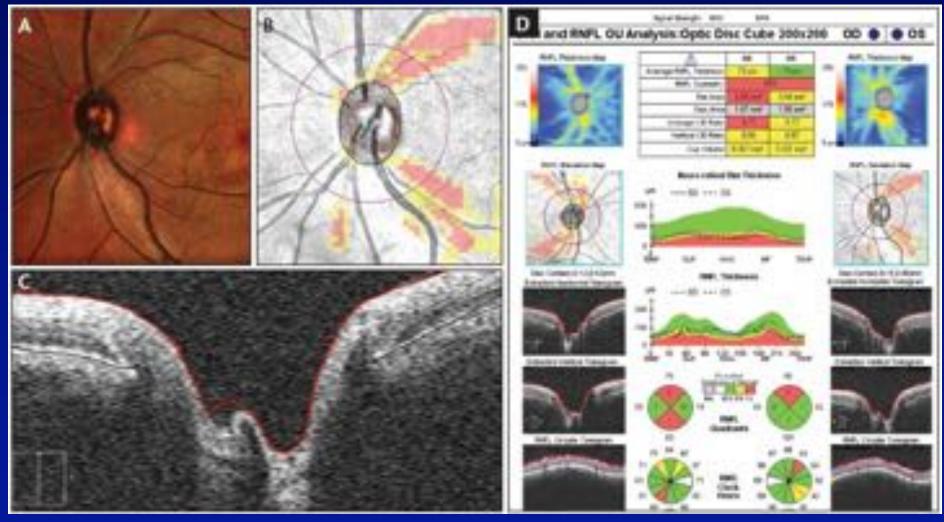


Abnormal



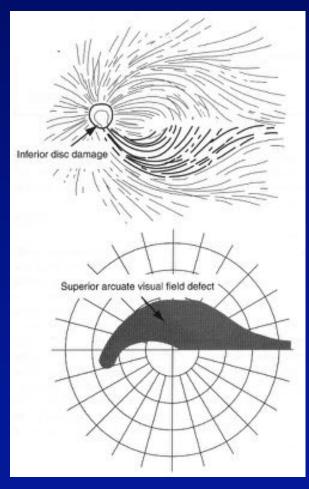
#### Optic Nerve Imaging-OCT

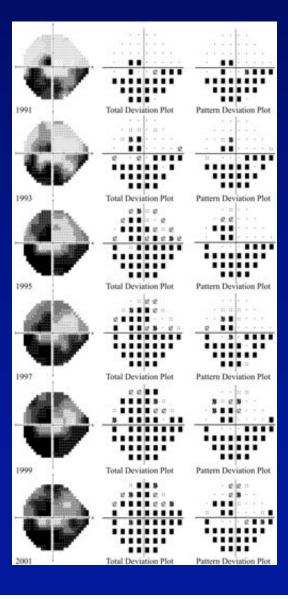




#### Visual Field ("side vision") Testing











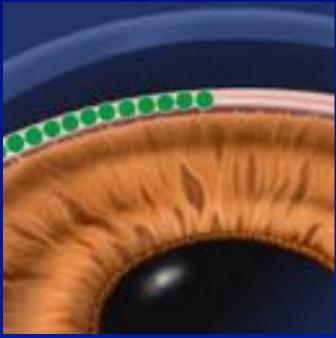
#### How Is Glaucoma Treated?

- Medications
  - Prostaglandin analogs
  - Beta blockers
  - Alpha agonists
  - Carbonic anhydrase inhibitors
  - Sympathomimetics
  - Cholinergic agents
  - Rho kinase inhibitors
- Laser therapy
- Surgery



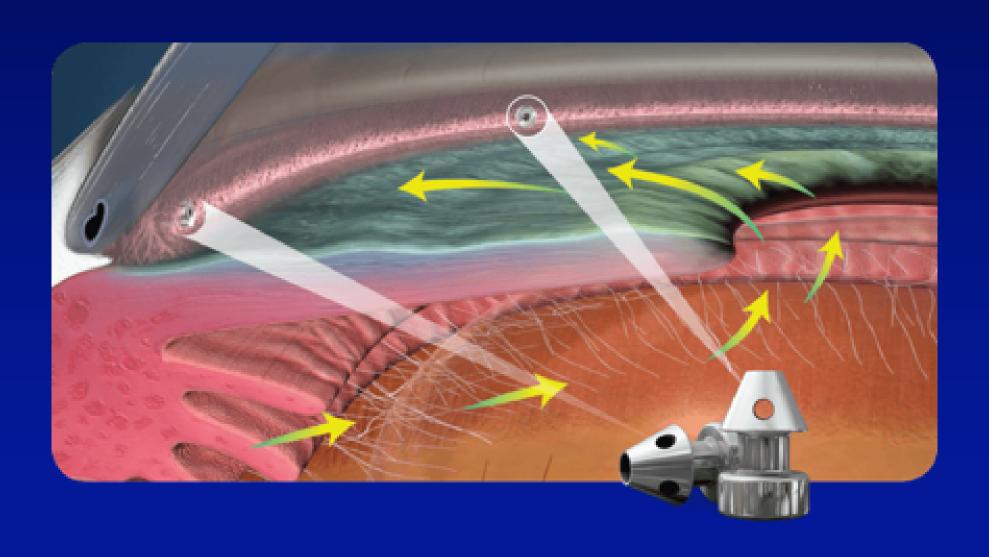
#### Laser Trabeculoplasty



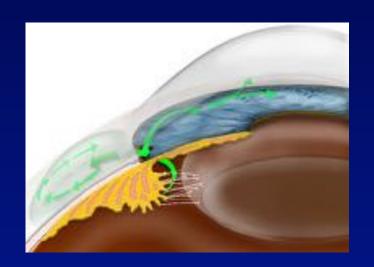




## Glaucoma "Stents"

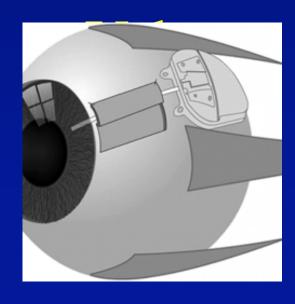


#### Trabeculectomy



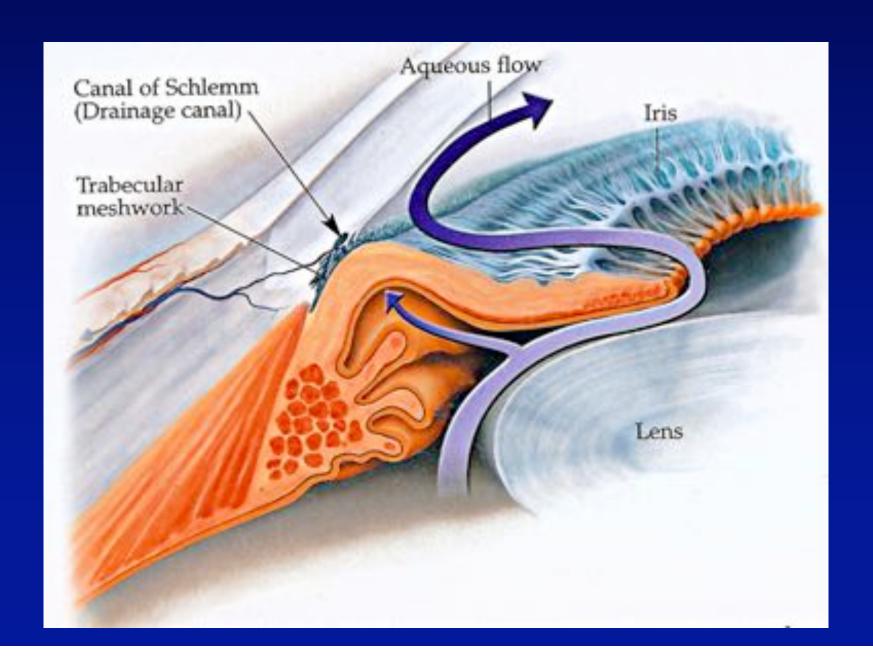


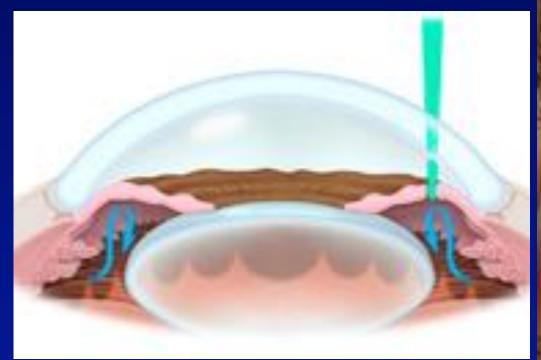
Glaucoma Drainage Valves





#### Narrow Angle Glaucoma

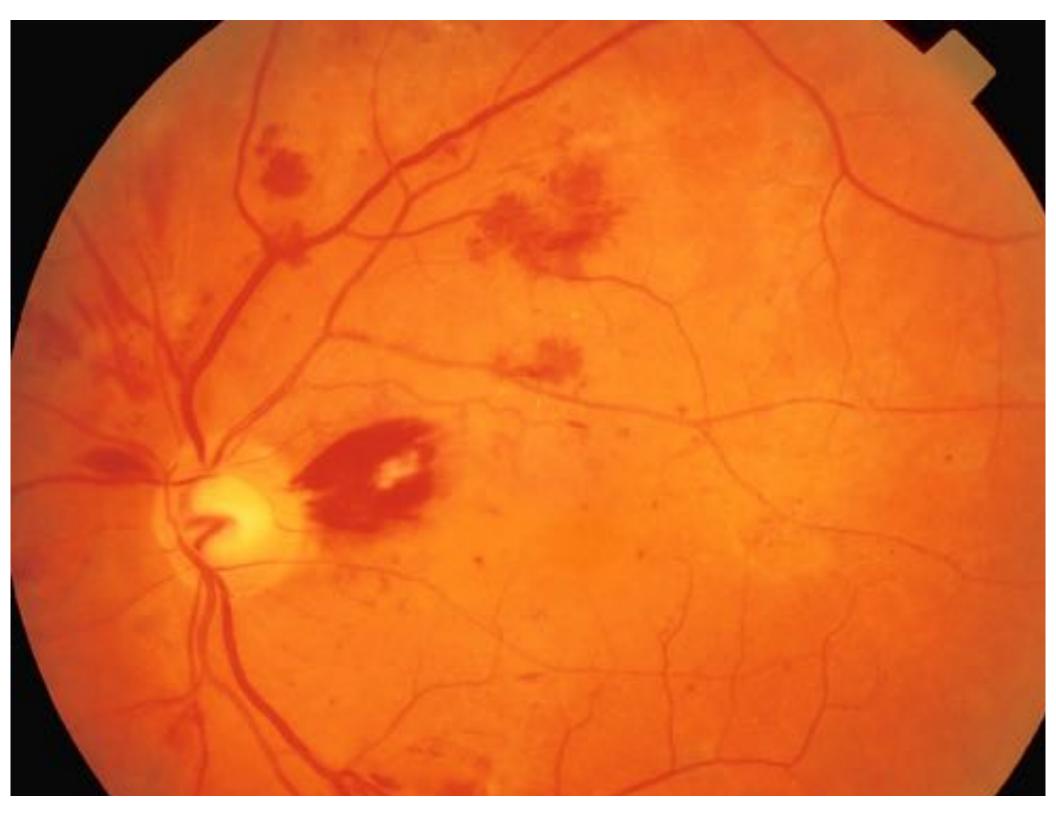


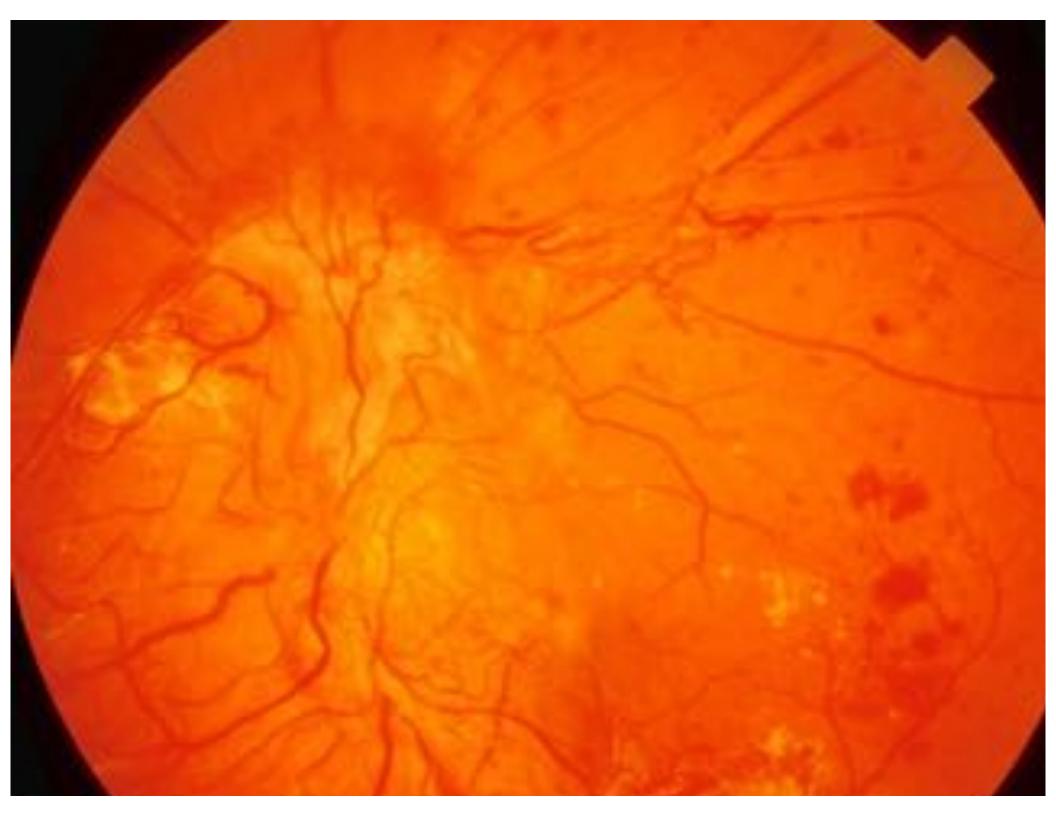




#### Diabetes and Retinopathy

- Type one (insulin dependent)-30,000 new cases/yr.
- Type two (adult onset)-800,000 new cases/yr.
- 7.2 million Americans diagnosed, 5.7 million undiagnosed
- Increased risk: FH, obesity, diet, Hispanic, African-American
- 2-4 x heart disease, stroke, death rate
- Diabetes is leading cause of new cases of blindness in adults





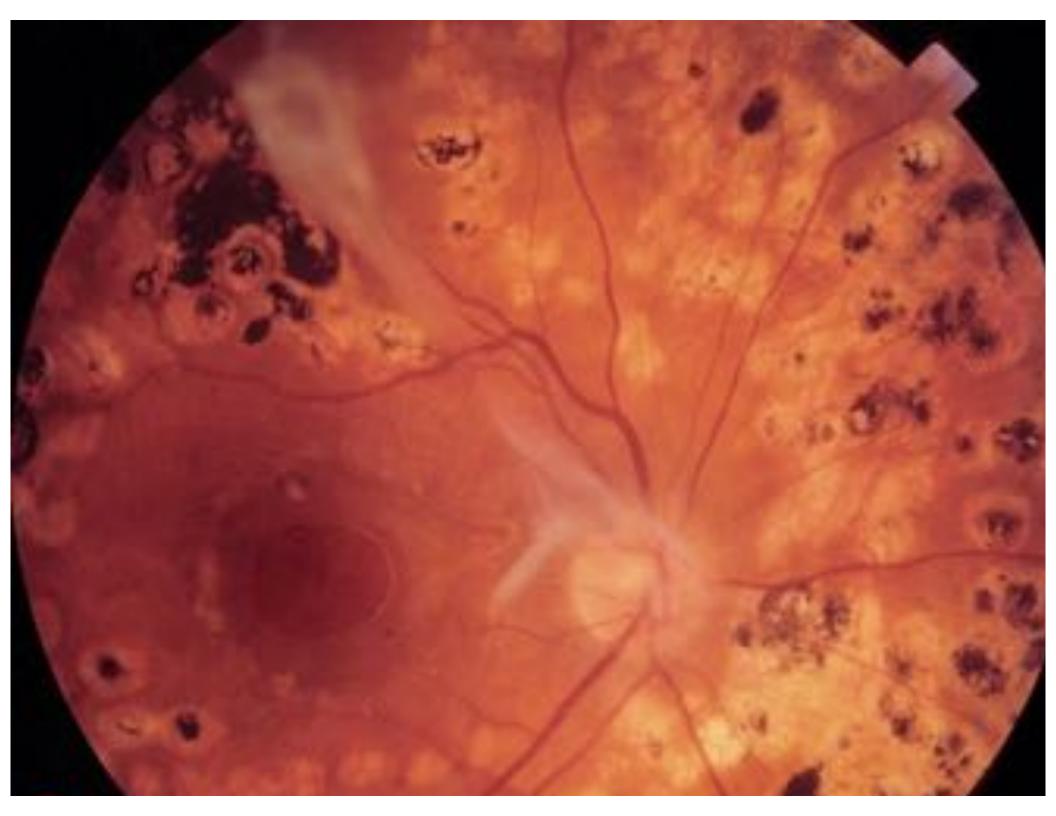
#### Diabetic Retinopathy Treatment

- Control diabetes, blood pressure
- Laser
- Intraocular medications
  - Steroids
  - Anti-Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor (VEGF)

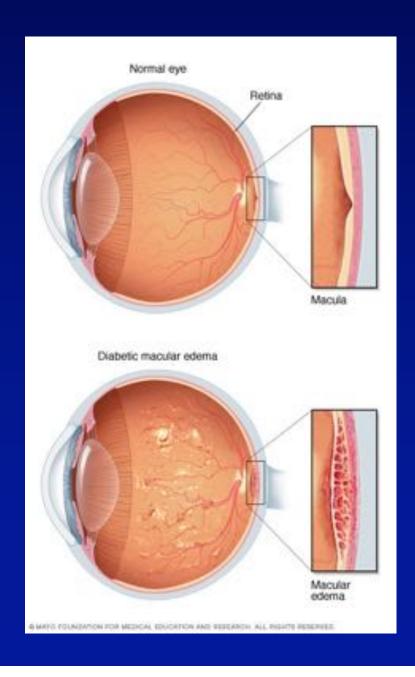
# Laser Photocoagulation





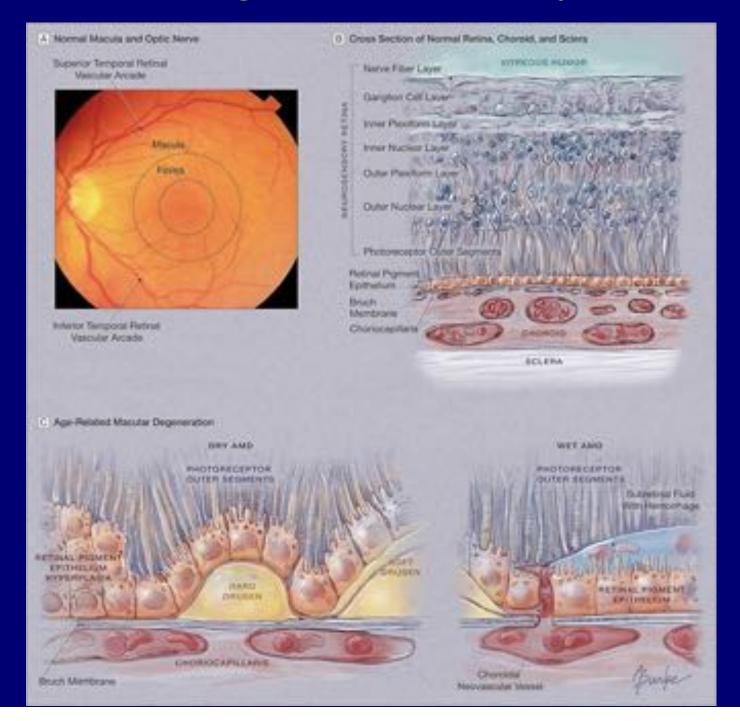


#### Diabetic Macular Edema





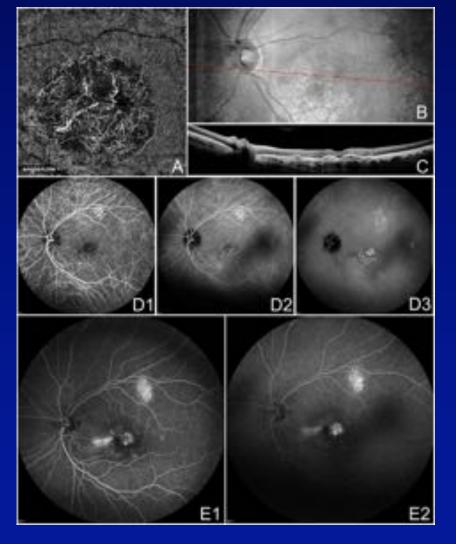
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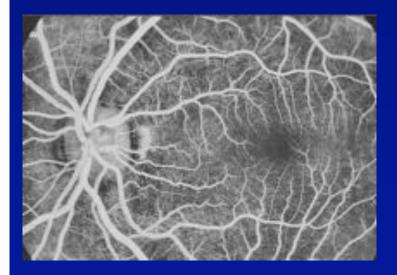


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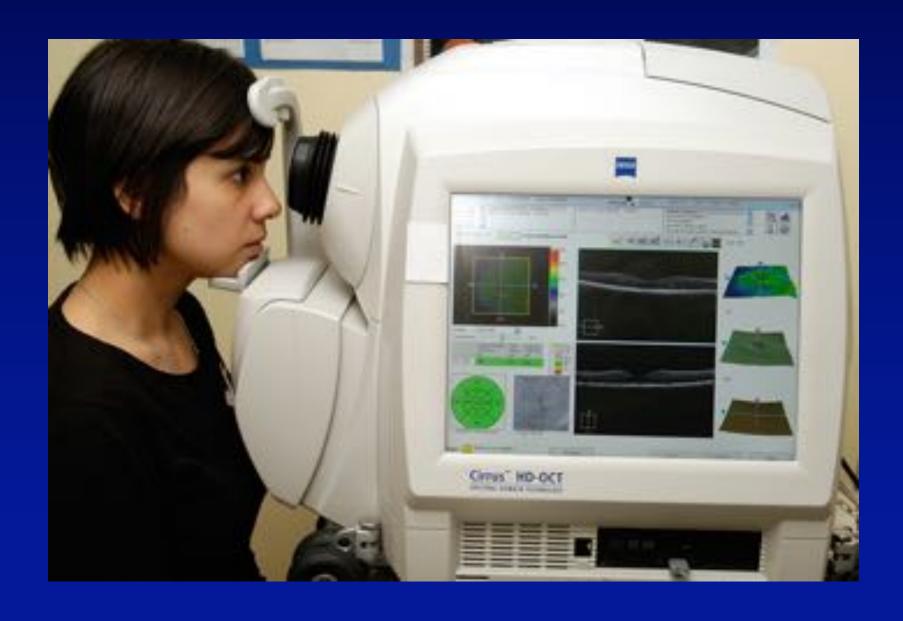






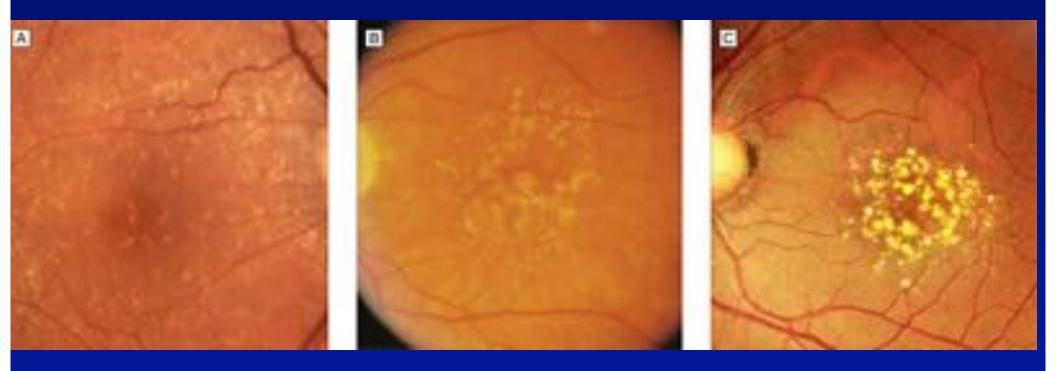


#### Optical Coherence Topography (OCT)



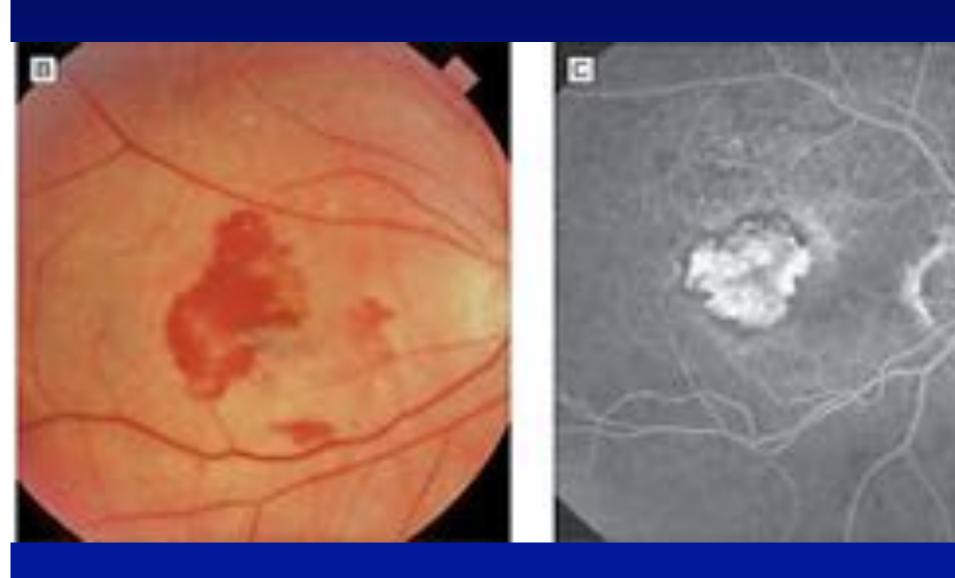


#### "Dry" (non-exudative) Macular Degeneration

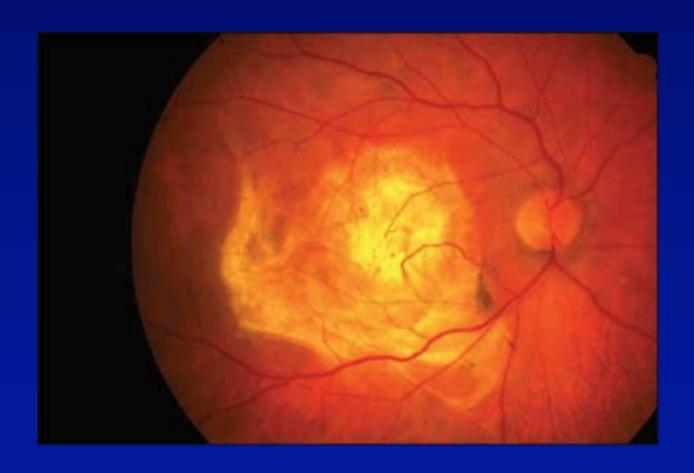


"Drusen" (German-"drops")

#### "Wet" (exudative) Macular Degeneration

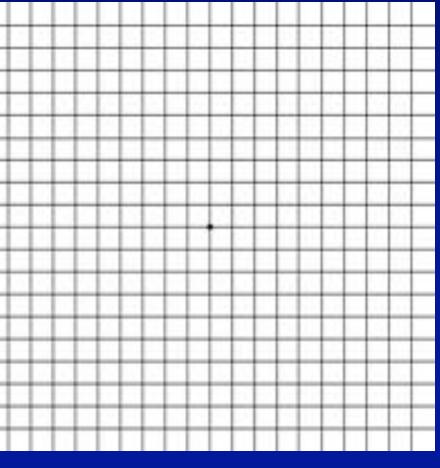


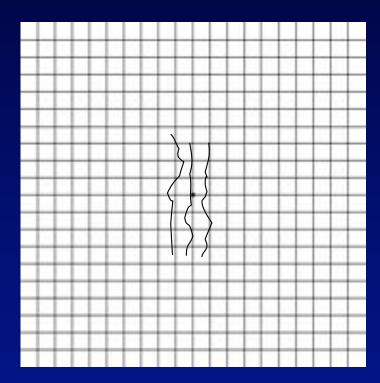
#### End Stage-Macular Scar



#### Amsler Grid















#### Dietary Treatment of ARMD

- High dose antioxidant supplements reduce risk 25% (Age Related Eye Disease Study-AREDS2, 2008)
  - Vitamin C (500 mg); 833% RDA
  - Vitamin E (400 IU) 1333% RDA
  - Zinc (80 mg zinc oxide); 533% RDA
  - Copper (2 mg cupric oxide-prevents zinc toxicity)
  - Lutein 10 mg.
  - Zeaxanthin 2 mg.
- Green leafy vegetables high in luteins (spinach, kale, greens)



#### Anti Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor Injections (Anti VEG-F)







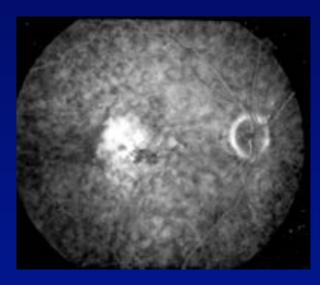
#### Avastin for Wet ARMD

80 yr. old woman

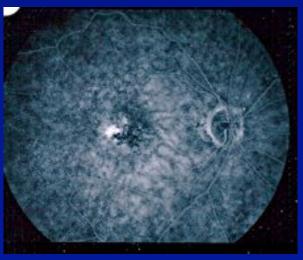
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Avastin therapy

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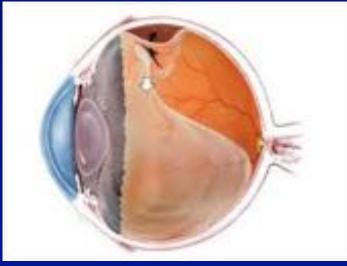


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### Floaters and Light Flashes



Posterior
Vitreal
Detachment



Retinal Tear Retinal Detachment



# How Often Should I Have My Eyes Examined?

| Age        | Caucasian      | African-American |
|------------|----------------|------------------|
| 20-39 yrs. | Every 3-5 yrs. | Every 2-4 yrs.   |
| 40-64 yrs. | Every 2-4 yrs. | Every 2-4 yrs.   |
| >65 yrs.   | Every 1-2 yrs. | Every 1-2 yrs.   |

Exceptions: Family history eye disease, diabetes

#### What is an Eye Examination?

- History: complaints, previous eye/medical conditions, medications, allergies, family history, use of tobacco/drugs
- Examination: vision, refraction, pupils, alignment, lids, biomicroscope, pressures, dilation (retina, optic nerve, macula, vessels)
- Consultation: findings, recommendations

## Who's Who in Eye Care?

- Ophthalmologist (Eye MD)
   Medical doctor trained to diagnose, treat and surgically correct all eye disease

   (8-10 yrs > college)
- Optometrist (OD)
   Non-medical professional trained to examine eyes,
   prescribe glasses and contact lenses, diagnose and
   treat only limited conditions (4 yrs > college)
- Optician
   Technician trained to fit glasses

# How Can You Keep Your Eyes Healthy?

- Don't smoke
- Have regular eye examinations
- Control blood pressure, diabetes
- Seek help if you notice a problem
  - Blurred vision, loss of vision
  - Pain, redness, discharge
  - New floaters, light flashes