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## Red Eyes: It's Just Conjunctivitis...Or Is It?

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## Optometry: Primary Eye Care Providers

Who see's your patients?

- \* PCP's
- \* Urgent Care
- \* Pediatrician's
- \* PA's

## Practice Growth Opportunity

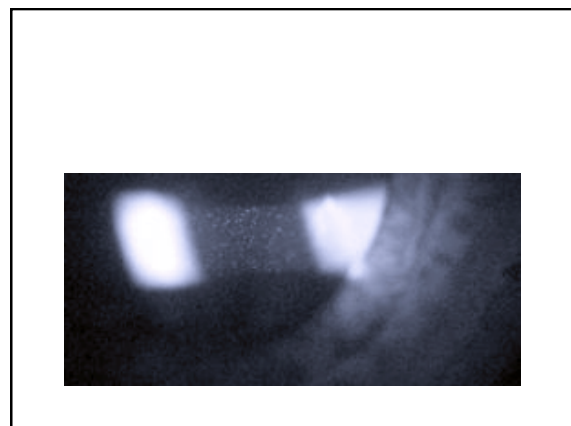
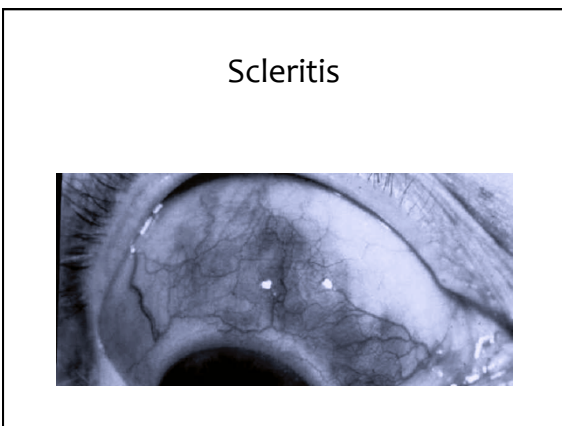
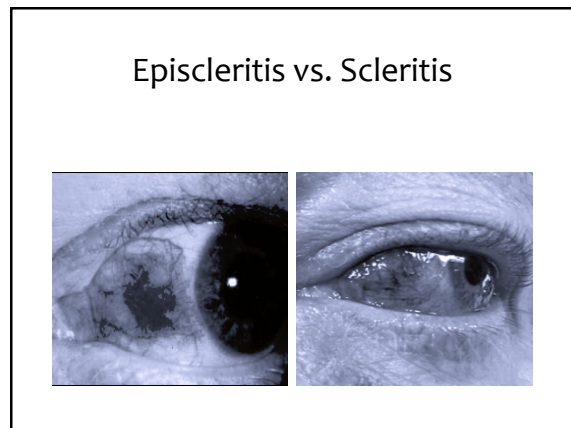
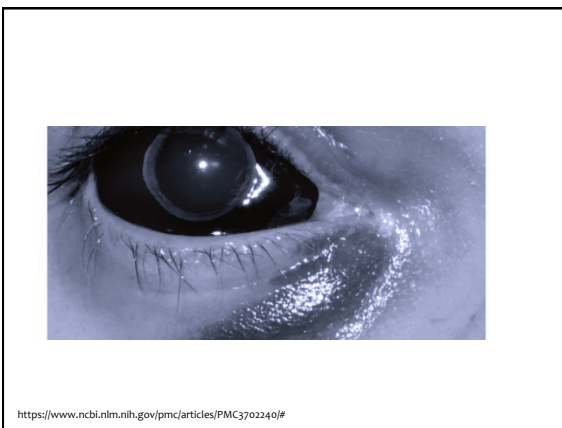
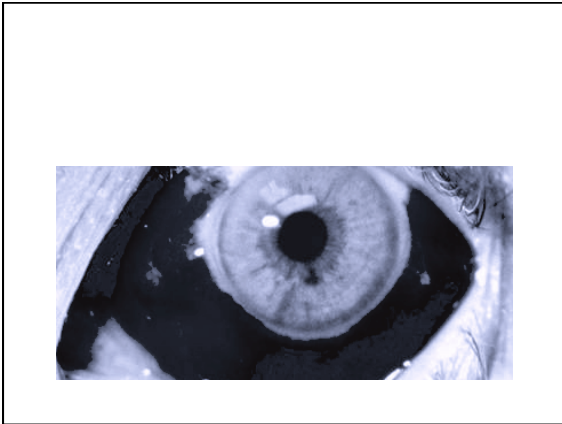
- \* Medical eye services help bring in patients
- \* Leads to increased spectacle sales
- \* Enhances contact lens care
- \* Patient retention = increased revenue
- \* Greater word of mouth (referrals)
- \* Greater overall growth in all areas (optical, medical, CL's)

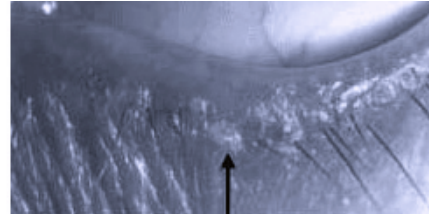
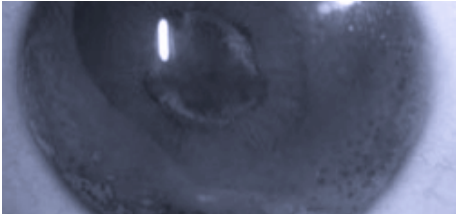
## Cases

We will review common and uncommon causes of "red eyes" commonly seen in practice

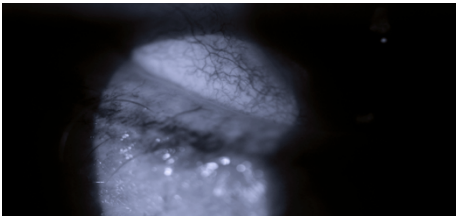
Etiology:

- \* Infectious
- \* Inflammatory
- \* Immune
- \* Idiopathic
- \* Allergic
- \* Environmental
- \* Hypoxic
- \* Other

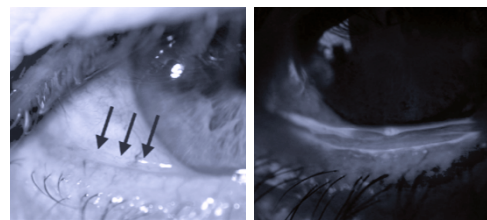




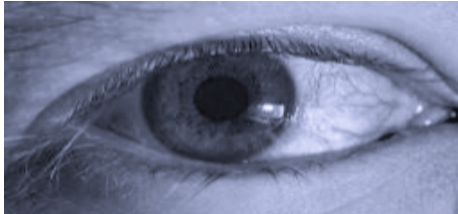
### Ocular Rosacea



### MGD & Ocular Rosacea Treatment Options :IPL



What about Infectious conjunctivitis?

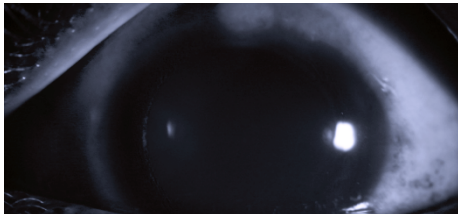


## Conjunctivitis



Allergic? Bacterial? Viral?

- OTC vs Rx?
- Palliative- ATs ,Cool compress, vasoconstrictors
- Topical steroids
- Topical ganciclovir



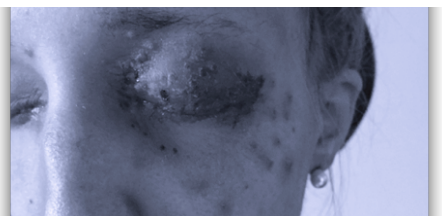
## Challenging Cases

### Case #1: The New Bride

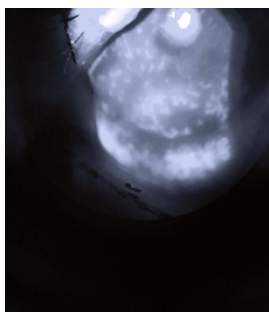
- \* 23 year old Caucasian female
- \* Recently married
- \* Symptoms: severe ocular pain OS>OD, ocular hyperemia OS x 5 days and now OD, lid swelling, rash around lids, scalp, and face
- \* Sore throat, febrile, ear infection, nasal congestion
- \* (+) Hx of varicella-zoster as a child
- \* (+) Hx of ectodermal dysplasia
- \* Taking Bactrim PO and Augmentin PO

- \* Vesicles from forehead to chin
- \* Bilateral
- \* Eyelids swollen shut





- \* Get a good look at the cornea!
- \* This photo was the better eye!



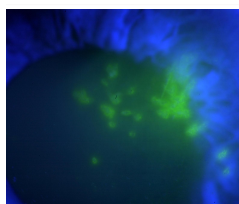
## Testing

- \* Corneal cultures
  - Sensitivity/Specificity? Cost? Efficient?
- \* Corneal sensitivity- cotton wisp test
- \* Future point-of-care diagnostics?

Differential diagnosis?

## Differential diagnosis:

- \* Pseudodendrites - HZV
- \* HSV - dendrites with terminal end bulbs
- \* Healing epi defect
- \* Recurrent erosions
- \* Acanthamoeba
- \* Neurotrophic cornea
- \* CL wearer



## HSV Treatment

- \* Valacyclovir 500 MG TID PO
- \* Topical ganciclovir 5x/d OU
- \* D/C Bactrim, continue Augmentin
- \* Polytrim QID OU- prophylaxis
- \* Cyclogyl TID OU
- \* Tylenol #3 PO
- \* PCP- immune status?

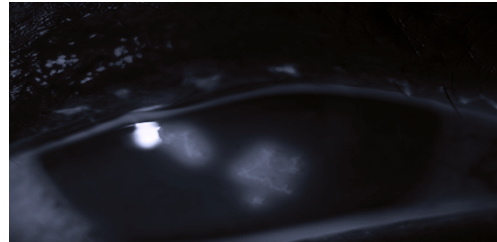
Testing Done:

- \* Slit lamp photos
- \* Corneal cultures/scraping

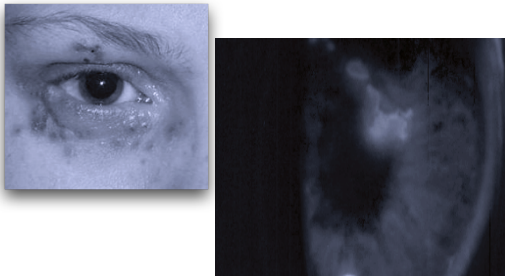
## Ganciclovir

- \* Only works on cells infected with HSV
- \* Pro drug that gets phosphorylated to ganciclovir triphosphate by thymidine kinase inhibiting DNA polymerase
- \* Non toxic
- \* Less side effects

## Chronic Disease (2 years later)

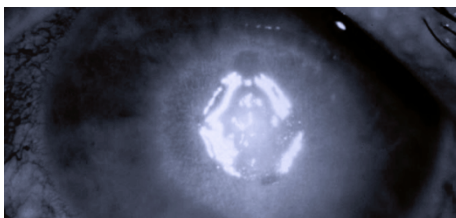
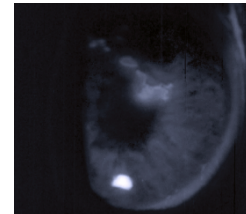


## HSV Keratitis: Typical Presentation?



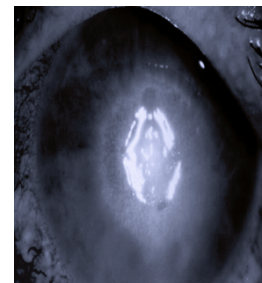
## HSV

- \* Swollen epithelial borders
- \* Branched linear dendritic ulcers contain active virus
- \* Atypical appearance:
  - geographic ulcer
  - large dendritic ulcers
  - stromal keratitis
  - disciform endothelialitis



## H S Endothelialitis

- \* KPs, Cells & Flare
- \* Stromal / Epi. edema
- \* No neovasc. or infiltr.
- \* Disciform, Linear, Diffuse
- \* ? CMV
- \* Tx: Top. Steroids, Top. Antivirals, and Oral Antivirals (1-2 gm/d)\*



Koizumi N, et. al. Cytomegalovirus as an etiologic factor in corneal endothelialitis. Ophthalmology 2008; 115(2):292-297.



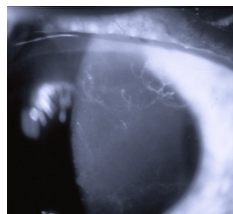
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72 y/o AAF- 1 wk hx "shingles" c/o dec. Va OS. Valtrex 1 gram TID PO

Va: 20/30 OD, 20/100 OS

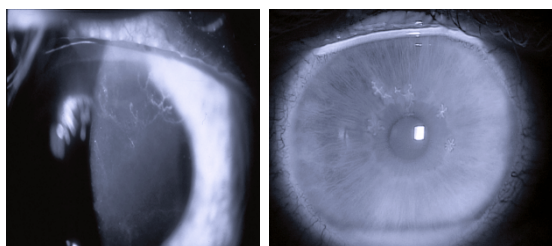


## HZO



- Valacyclovir 1 Gram TID PO
- Tobramycin/dexamethasone oph ung bid
- Consider topical Ab peri orbital
- Difluprednate BID or Prednisolone Acetate QID
- ganciclovir 5/Day

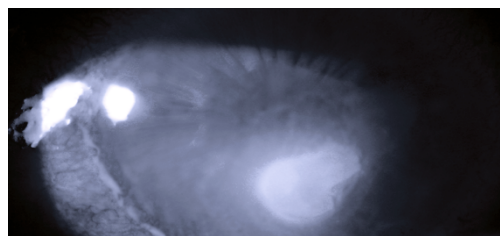
## "Pseudo-dendrites" v. "Dendrites"



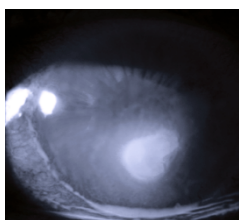
Pseudodendrites: Tree branches w/o terminal end bulbs.

Dendrites: Tree branches with terminal end bulbs.

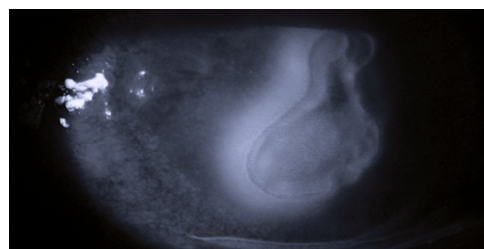
## Case #3



## Infectious Keratitis



- \* Diagnosis: HSV stromal keratitis
- \* Tx with ganciclovir 5/day, Valacyclovir 500 mg TID PO, Pred Forte TID
- \* CTL wearer

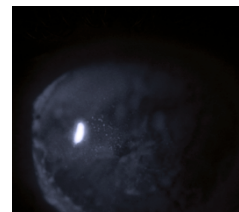


## Infectious Keratitis

- \* Steroid induced bacterial keratitis
- \* \*\*\*\*\*CTL wearer\*\*\*\*\*
- \* Presented to us with bacterial ulcer
- \* Tx: Besifloxacin Q 1, Polytrim QID, Polysporin ung QHS
- \* After cultures came back, switched to fortified Vancomycin with Besifloxacin

## Infectious Keratitis

- \* Cryopreserved amniotic membrane left in place until completely dissolved
- \* Completely healed epithelium
- \* Continued use of vanco & Besifloxacin with CPAM



## Corneal Nerve Regeneration after Self-Retained Cryopreserved Amniotic Membrane in Dry Eye Disease

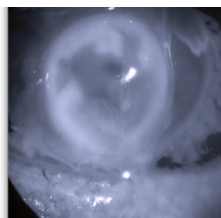
- \* Purpose: To evaluate the efficacy of self-retained cryopreserved amniotic membrane (CAM) in promoting corneal nerve regeneration and improving corneal sensitivity in dry eye disease (DED)
- \* Methods: In this prospective randomized clinical trial, subjects with DED were randomized to receive CAM (study group) or conventional maximum treatment (control). Changes in signs and symptoms, corneal sensitivity, topography, and in vivo confocal microscopy (IVCM) were evaluated at baseline, 1 month, and 3 months
- \* Results: Twenty subjects (age  $66.9 \pm 8.9$ ) were enrolled and 17 completed all follow-up visits. Signs and symptoms were significantly improved in the study group yet remained constant in the control. IVCM showed a significant increase in corneal nerve density in the study group ( $12,241 \pm 5083 \mu\text{m}/\text{mm}^2$  at baseline,  $16,364 \pm 3734 \mu\text{m}/\text{mm}^2$  at 1 month, and  $18,827 \pm 5453 \mu\text{m}/\text{mm}^2$  at 3 months,  $p = 0.015$ ) but was unchanged in the control. This improvement was accompanied with a significant increase in corneal sensitivity ( $3.25 \pm 0.6$  cm at baseline,  $5.2 \pm 0.5$  cm at 1 month, and  $5.6 \pm 0.4$  cm at 3 months,  $p < 0.001$ ) and corneal topography only in the study group.
- \* Conclusions: Self-retained CAM is a promising therapy for corneal nerve regeneration and accelerated recovery of the ocular surface health in patients with DED.

Thomas John,<sup>1,2</sup> Sean Tighe,<sup>3,4</sup> Hosam Sheha,<sup>3,4,5</sup> Fedram Hamrah,<sup>6,7</sup> Zelma M. Salerni,<sup>6,7</sup> Anny M. S. Cheng,<sup>3,4</sup> Ming X. Wang,<sup>8</sup> and Nathan D. Ruckl<sup>8</sup>

## Case #4

- \* 44 year old contact lens wearer presented from an outside clinic with blurred vision, red and painful OS
- \* Documented Assessment 3/29: corneal abrasion without evidence of infection
- \* Documented Plan 3/29:
- \* Prednisolone Acetate 1% QID only (no antibiotic)
- \* Return in 10 days

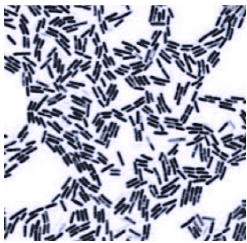
- \* 1 week later, presents to emergency department for a second opinion - "my eye seems worse..."
- \* ER doctor spoke with our corneal specialist
- \* ER doc: "It looks pretty bad"
- \* Steroids discontinued and besifloxacin q 1 hr initiated
- \* Follow up ASAP in clinic



- \* BCVA: LP
- \* Extensive mucopurulent discharge
- \* 8.5 mm 'soupy' corneal ulcer extending nearly to inferior limbus
- \* Iris hemorrhage
- \* Flat anterior chamber
- \* Seidel (+)

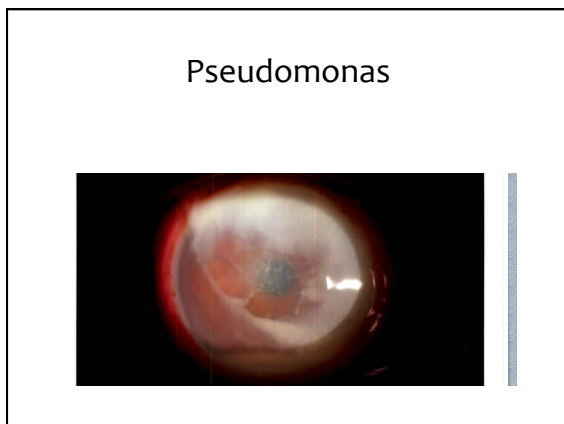
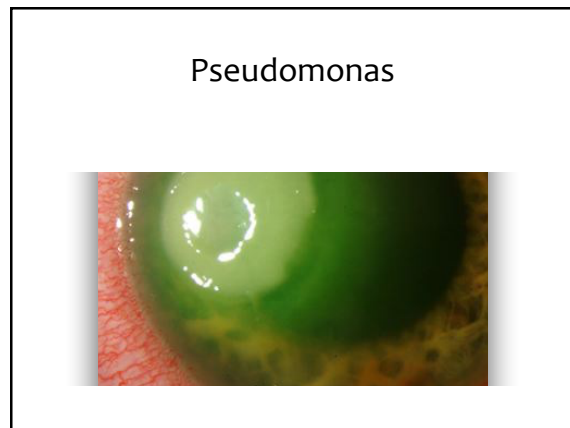
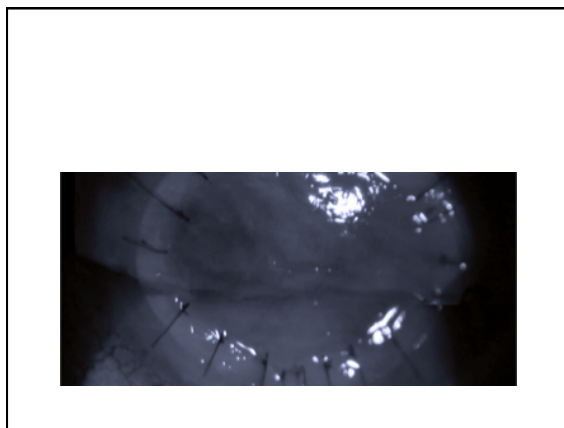


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- Gram stain : Gm - rods  
oxidase +
- Cx confirms:  
Pseudomonas  
Aeruginosa
- Perforated corneal  
ulcer- immediate PKP



## Treatment

- \* Besifloxacin q 1 hr
- \* Polytrim QID
- \* Ciloxin ointment QHS
- \* Oral ciprofloxacin
- \* Pred Forte QID
- \* Prolensa q Day
- \* Cyclopentolate TID



## Pseudomonas

- \* Rapid, extensive inflammation
- \* Eventual surgical intervention
- \* Common inhabitant of soil, water and vegetation
- \* Signs: Grayish-white infiltrate w/ an overlying epithelial defect, very inflamed eye, significant conjunctival and anterior chamber reaction
- \* Pseudomonas keratitis is the most common CTL related infection
- \* Symptoms: acute onset of significant pain, photophobia, decreased Va
- \* Tx: Broad spectrum fluoro Q 30, fortified Gram-negative antibiotics (e.g., tobramycin/ gentamycin)

## Infectious Keratitis

- \* Decreased vision
- \* Pain
- \* Photophobia
- \* Redness

### Risk Factors:

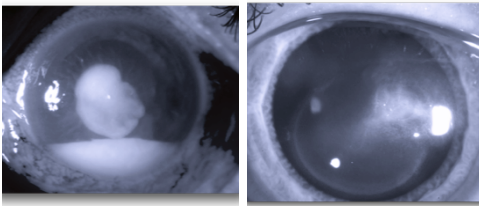
- \* Extrinsic Factors
- \* Contact lens wear
  - \* Overnight wear?
  - \* Hygiene?
- \* Trauma - source
- \* Corneal Surgery
- \* Sick contacts?

- \* Fresh water?
- \* Travel history?
- \* Recent illness?
- \* Past herpetic disease?
- \* Pool
- \* Hot tub

## Bacterial Keratitis

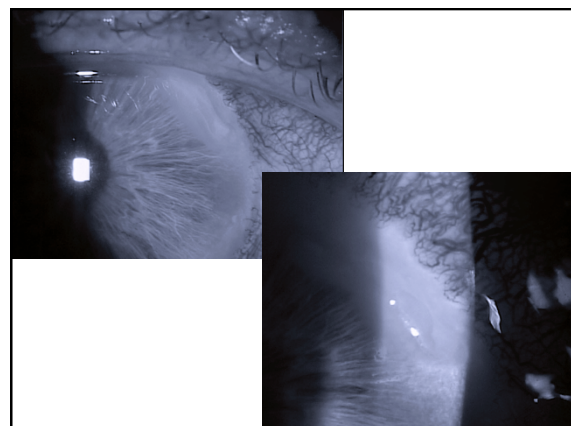
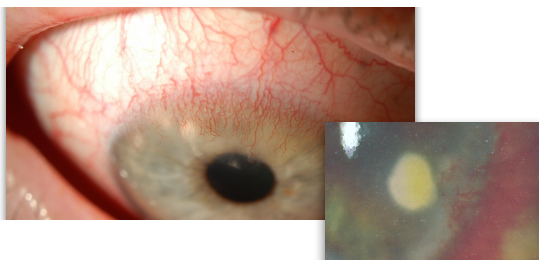
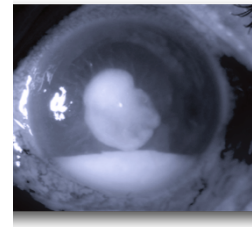
- \* Most common cause of infectious keratitis
- \* Red, painful eye
- \* Typically single area of ulceration
- \* May have lid swelling, mucopurulent discharge
- \* Most have rapid (24 to 48 hours) onset

## Bacterial Keratitis



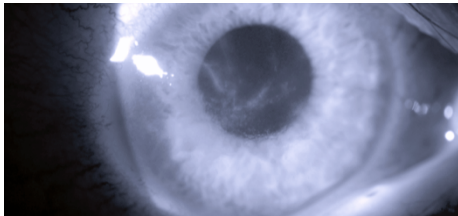
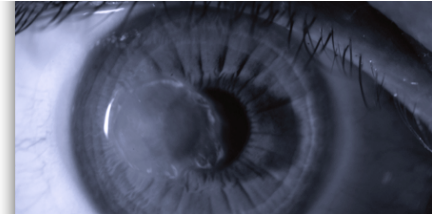
### Staph Aureus

- Resistance a serious concern - think MRSA with nursing home / hospital / healthcare exposure, immunosuppression, or non-responsive to treatment.
- Tx: Besifloxacin Q 30
- Consider polytrim or vancomycin.

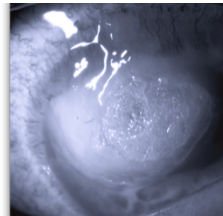


## Staph Marginal Keratitis

- \* Immune mediated process from staph found on lids
- \* May have ulceration over sterile infiltrates
- \* May have secondary infection of the ulceration
- \* Treatment: antibiotic ointment with gram positive coverage + steroid to lid margins + lid hygiene w/ **hypochlorous acid**
- \* Tobramycin + **dexamethasone**
- \* Consider MRSA risk factors



## Acanthamoeba



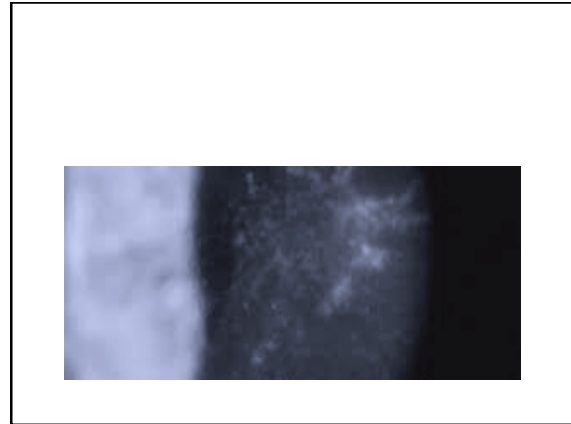
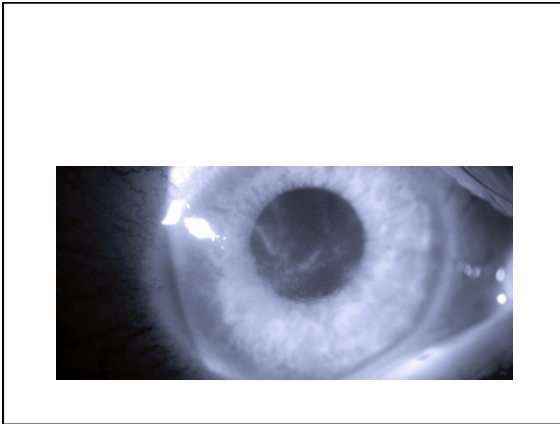
- \* Free-living protozoa
  - Active: trophozoites
  - Dormant: double-walled cysts — very resistant
- \* Risk factors: contact lens wear (80%), ocular exposure to unchlorinated/unsalinated water especially w/ contact wear, trauma
- \* Extreme pain, exquisite photophobia, decreased vision, injection
- \* Easily mistaken for bacterial or viral (first sign often dendritic), but won't respond

## Acanthamoeba

- \* Patient presents early with irregular, disrupted epithelium
- \* Punctate erosions
- \* Pseudodendrite formation
- \* Small infiltrates
- \* Often mistaken for herpes simplex
- \* Delayed diagnosis is typical, avg. 6 weeks

## Acanthamoeba: Early Stages

- \* Pain is disproportionate to clinical presentation
  - \* Radial peri-neuritis
  - \* Sub-epithelial infiltrates along radial corneal nerves

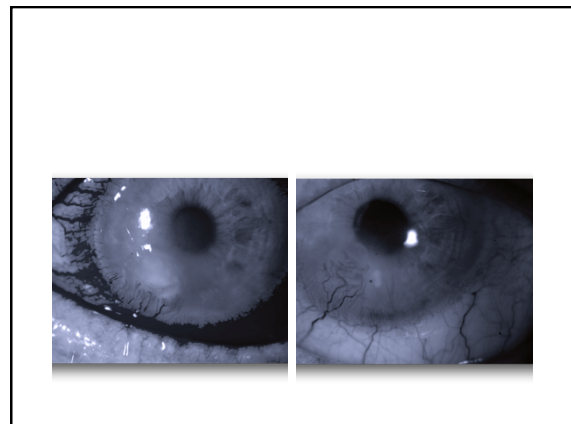
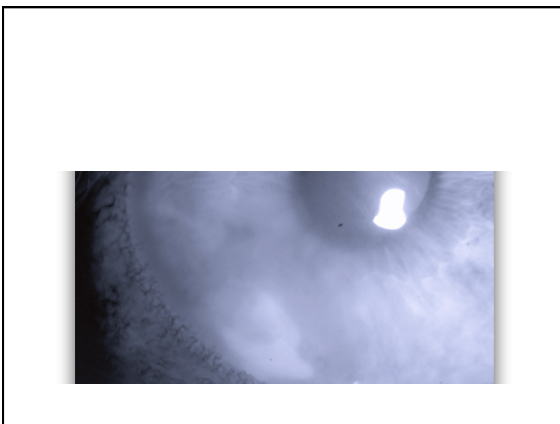
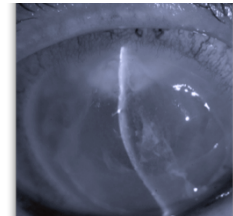


### Acanthamoeba: Late Stages

- \* Ring infiltrate
  - \* Seen in only 6% of early cases
  - \* Seen in only 16% of late cases
- \* Hypopyon
- \* Progressive corneal thinning
- \* Risk of perforation

### Acanthamoeba

- \* Late finding: dense or ring infiltrate
- \* Treatment
  - \* Biguanide: PHMB 0.02% every hour
  - \* Diamide: Brolene 0.1% (not commonly available)
  - \* Neomycin has some benefit (not monotherapy)
  - \* Consider adjunctive oral ketoconazole
- \* May require PKP



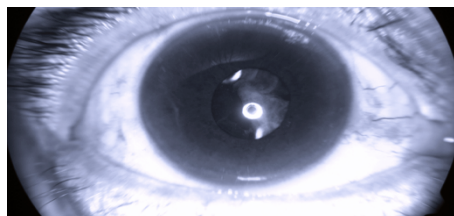
## Fungal Keratitis

- \* May have feathery borders or satellite lesions...  
...or may resemble bacterial
- \* Consider with organic-trauma risk factors, intact epithelium over ulcer, or minimal discharge compared to lesion
- \* Time course, gram stain, and culture are key to differentiate
- \* Deep or scleral involvement is serious!
- \* Treatment: natamycin (*Fusarium*) or voriconazole (*Candida*)
- \* Long duration of treatment

## Keratitis General Recommendations

- \* Broad spectrum initial coverage: Moxifloxacin, Besifloxacin, or Gatifloxacin q 1-2 hrs while awake
- \* Broad spectrum initial/advanced coverage: Fortified vancomycin (25 mg/mL) + fortified tobramycin (14 mg/mL), potentially plus a fluoroquinolone
- \* Culture when appropriate, agents customized to the organism and it's sensitivities
- \* Fungal will require antifungal agent; typically slow-growing so initial antibacterial treatment in an unclear case is reasonable
- \* Acanthamoeba requires specialized agents and early differentiation makes a big difference in outcomes

Rare..Unless It's In Your Chair



## Other causes:

- \* Retinal Detachments- Why?
- \* Dry Eye
- \* C-Pap use
- \* Lagophthalmos/Microlagophthalmos
- \* Pinguecula/pterygium
- \* Systemic

- \* Thank You!
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