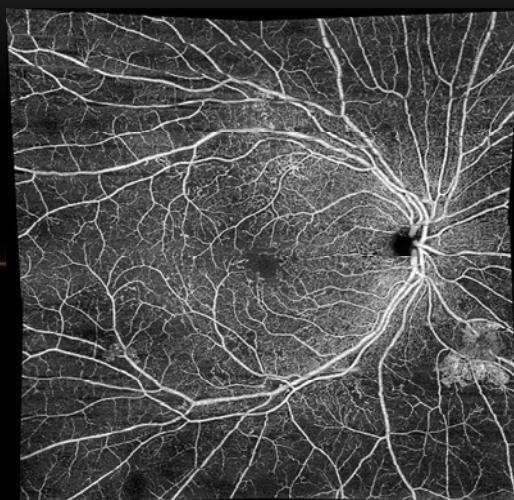
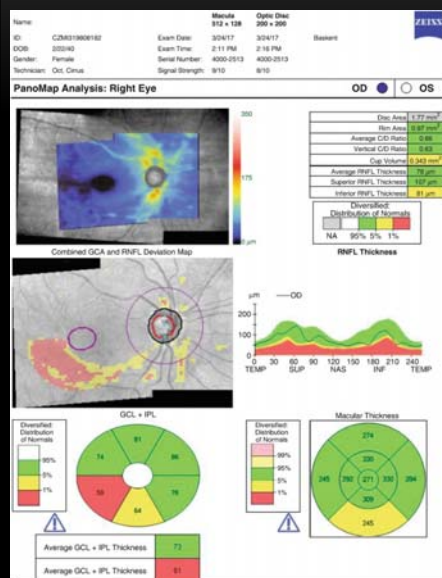


## OCT ANGIOGRAPHY



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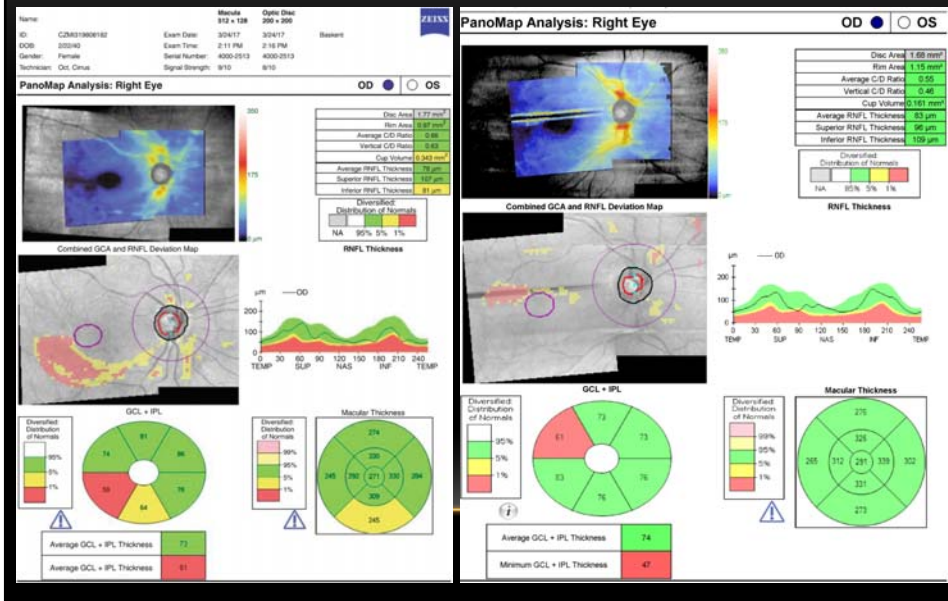
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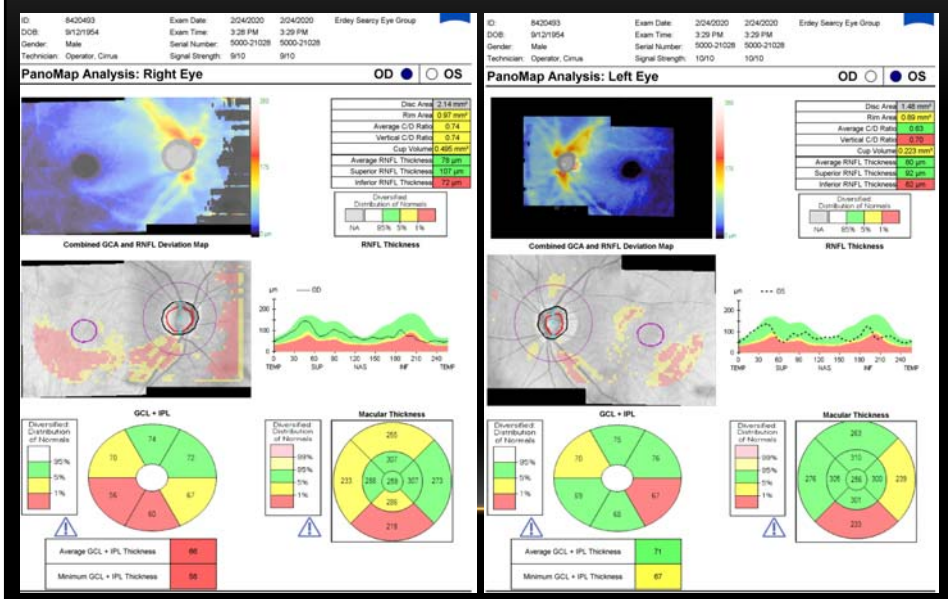
## PanoMap Wide Field Analysis

- **OPTIC NERVE** and **MACULA** on 1 page per eye
- Two 6x6 cube scans at each location
- **MACULA** = highest RGC density
- **50% total RGCs** are within 16 degrees of umbo (which represents **7.3% total retina**)
- Early glaucoma: VFI underestimates neural loss
- Visual Field Index  $\Delta 0.3\%$  = 100,000 RGCs

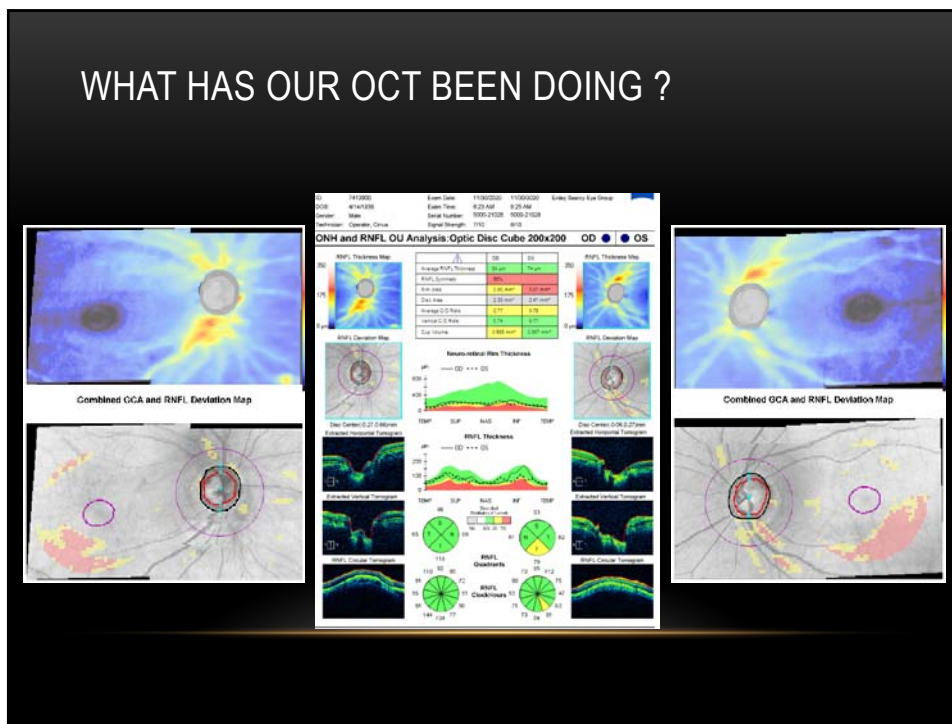
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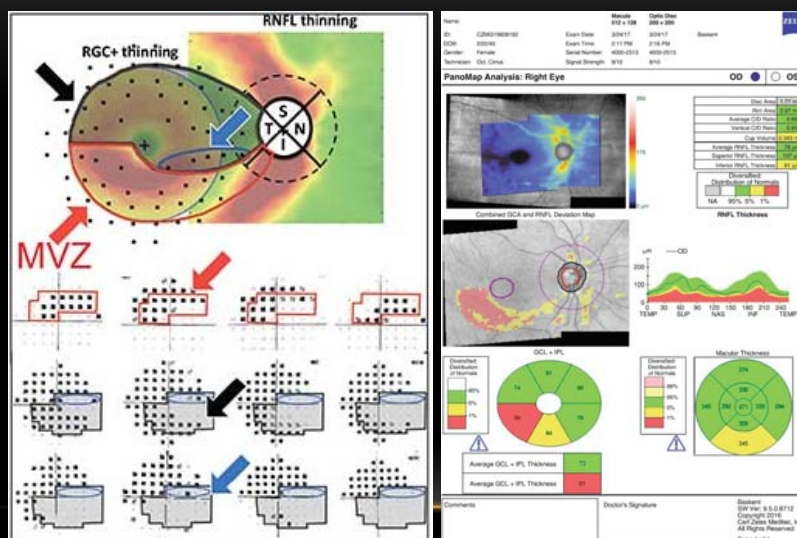


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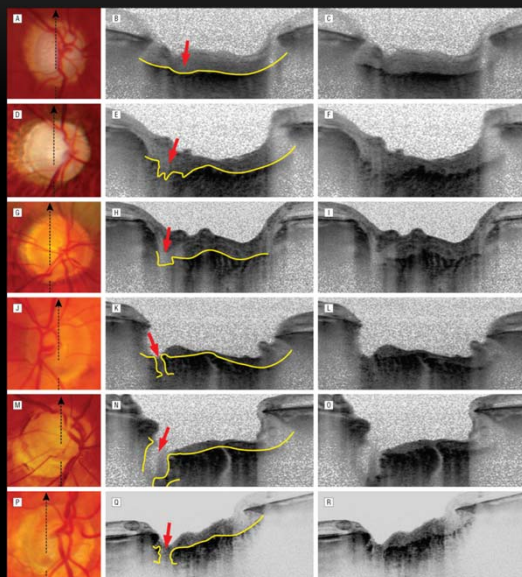
1<sup>st</sup> sensitive  
27° wide  
Inferotemporal

Maculopapular  
bundle resistant  
(acuity remains)

2<sup>nd</sup> sensitive  
Superotemporal



## RNFL DAMAGE TYPICAL FOR GLAUCOMA



### Lamina cribrosa

Inferotemporal region

= lower collagen density

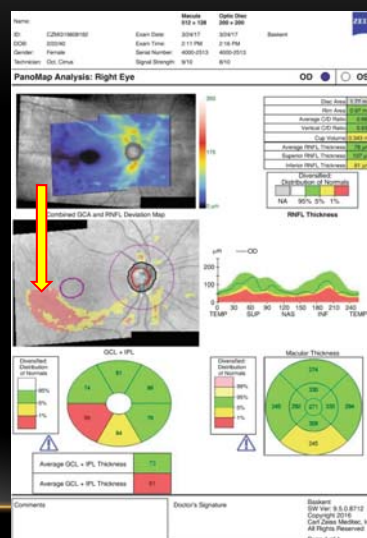
= ↑ pore : inter-pore CT ratio

= **weakest point** (orbital floor fx)



[Brain Res Bull 2010;81(2-3):339-348]

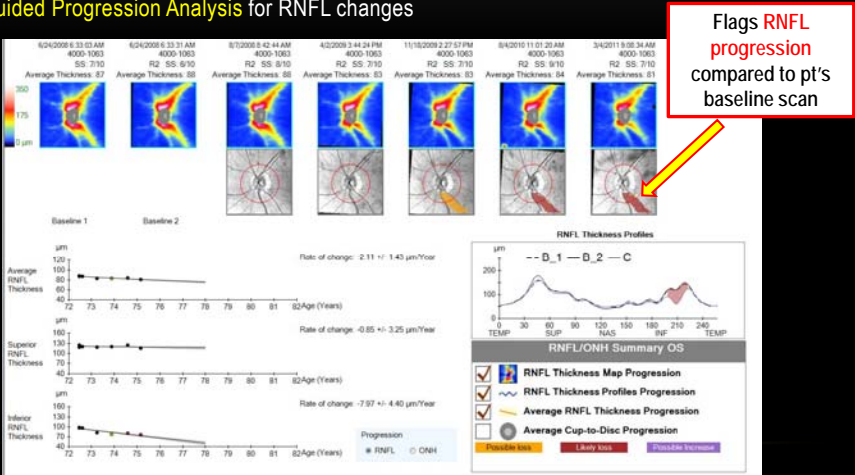
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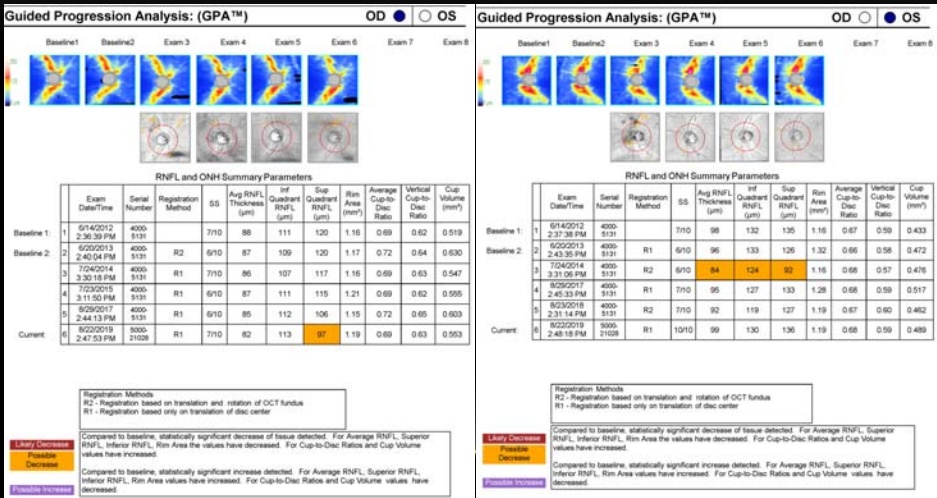
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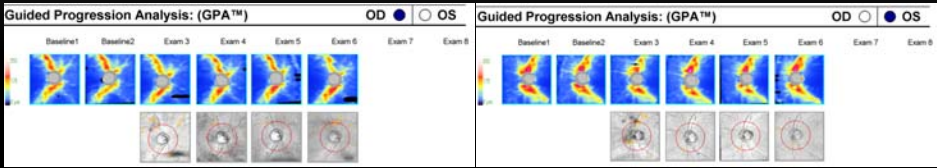
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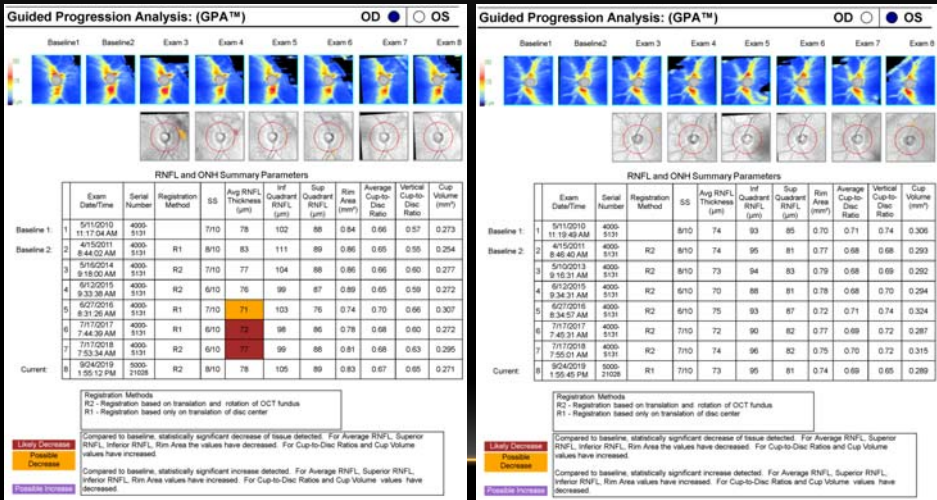
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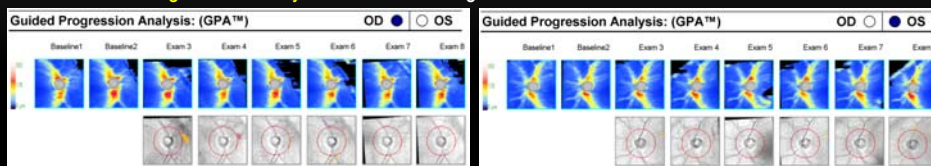
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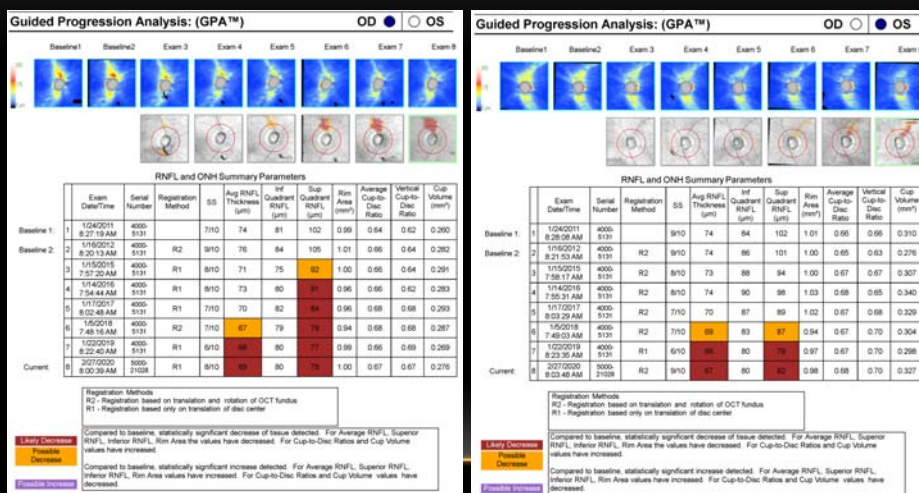
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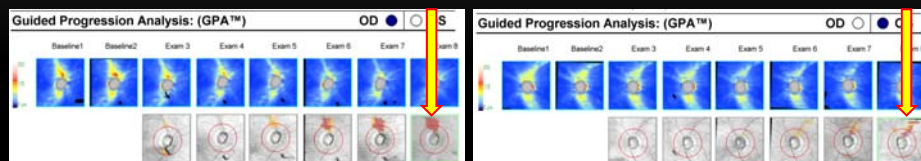
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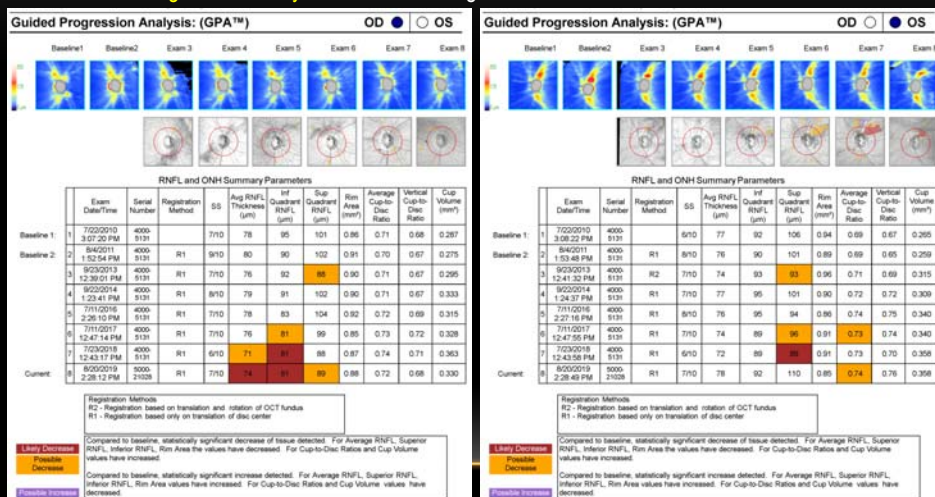
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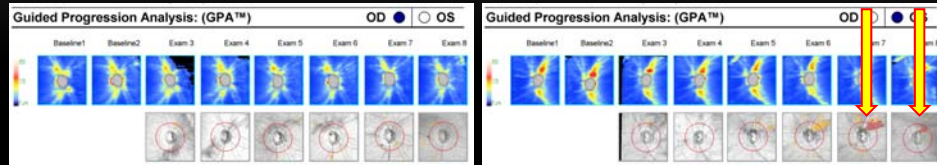
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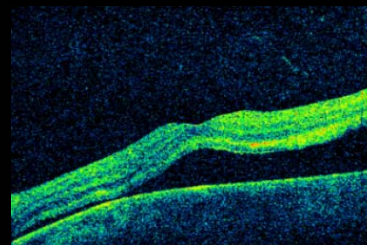
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## WHAT HAS OUR OCT BEEN DOING ?

55 y male, K OS scratched by daughter 3 wks prior, still seem blurred OS (20/150)

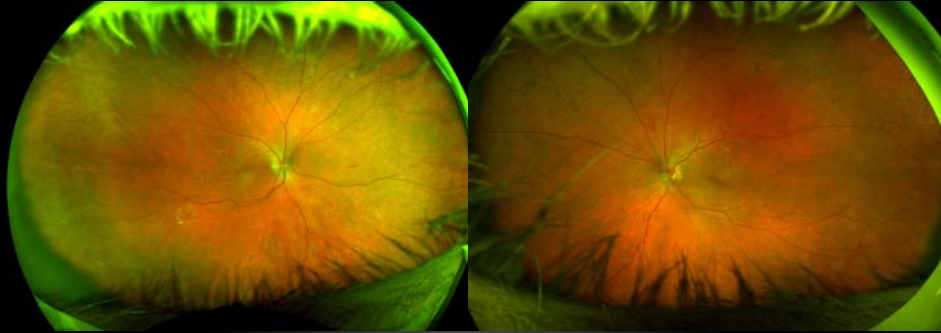


## WHAT HAS OUR OCT BEEN DOING ?

52 y M with type 1 DM

20/20 UCDVA each eye, J1+ BCNVA each eye

Moderate NPDR both eyes

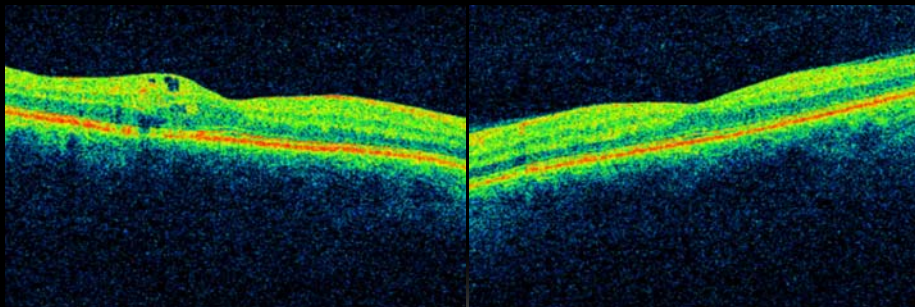


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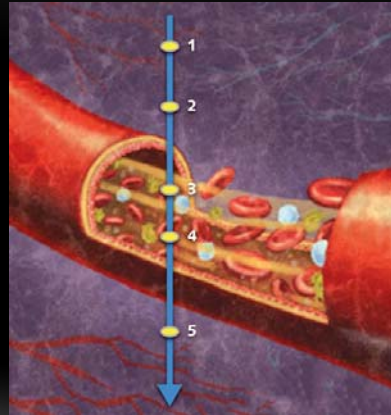
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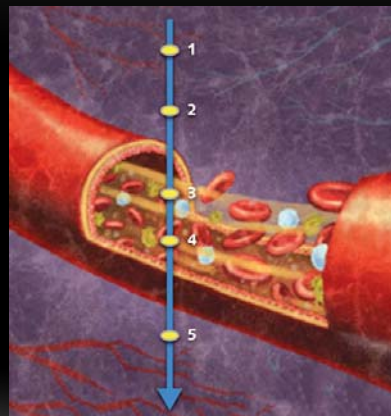
## WHAT IS OCT ANGIOGRAPHY ?

- Introduced commercially in 2015
- Newer generation OCT machines  
Non-invasive visualization of microvascular blood flow
- Infrared laser acquires sequential (250+) OCTs, and any change between these scans = movement
- Blood flow = Variation between OCT signals
  - Structural tissue NOT MOVING (1, 2, 5)
  - Blood MOVING (3, 4)



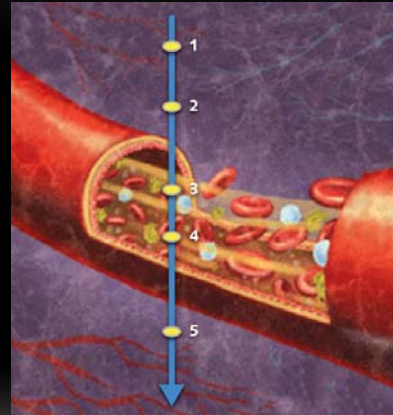
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- 3-4 seconds per eye
- **NO CONTRAST DYE** (unlike FA and ICG)

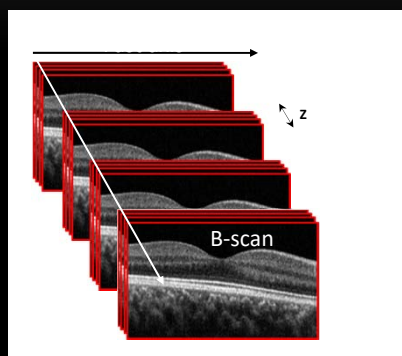


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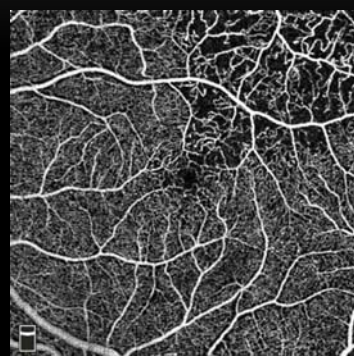
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- |               |                           |
|---------------|---------------------------|
| • OCT         | anatomical structure      |
| • <b>OCTA</b> | <b>vascular structure</b> |



## WHAT IS OCT ANGIOGRAPHY ?



Motion of particles within sequential OCT B-scans performed repeatedly at the same retinal location

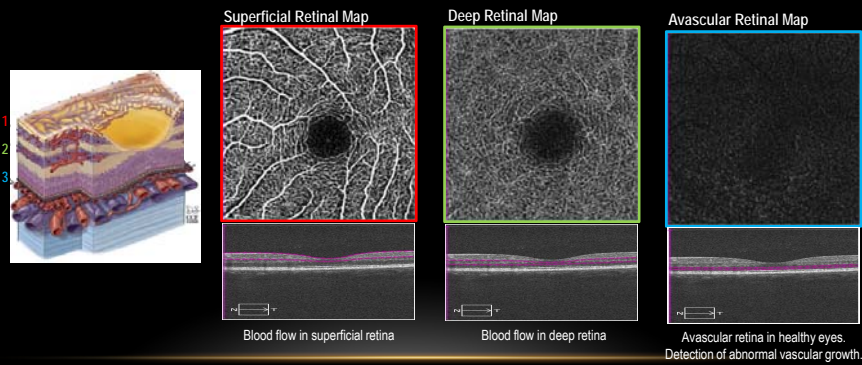


Software scans through the Z axis, reconstructing perfused retinal and choroidal microvasculature



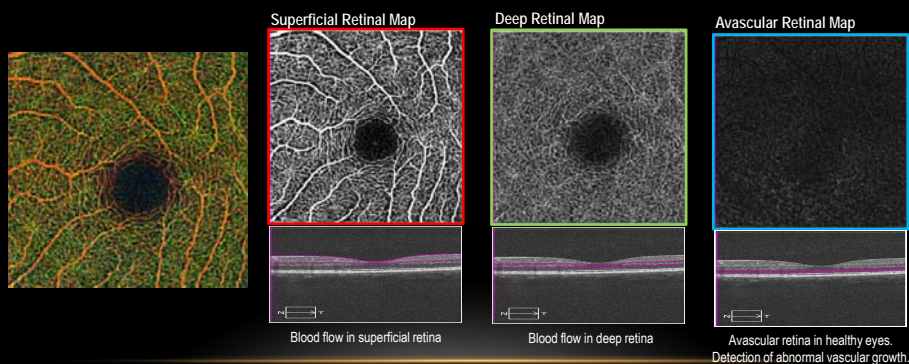
## MAPS

OCTA is the **collection of B-scans** across a specific depth of retina  
 In OCTA, the slabs are positioned along **interesting plexi** of the retina

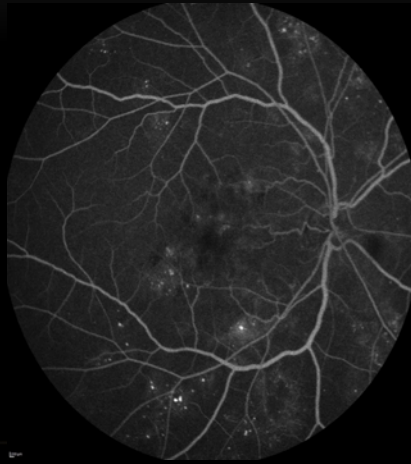


## MAPS - COLOR DEPTH MAP

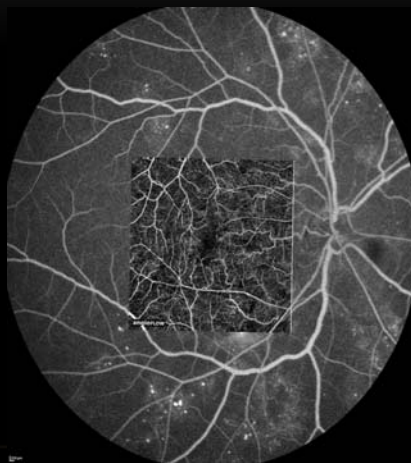
Inherent challenge = **display 3D data in a 2D format**  
**Color Depth Map** combines superficial, deep and avascular retina maps



## HIGH RESOLUTION



## HIGH RESOLUTION



Visualize small changes  
in microvasculature

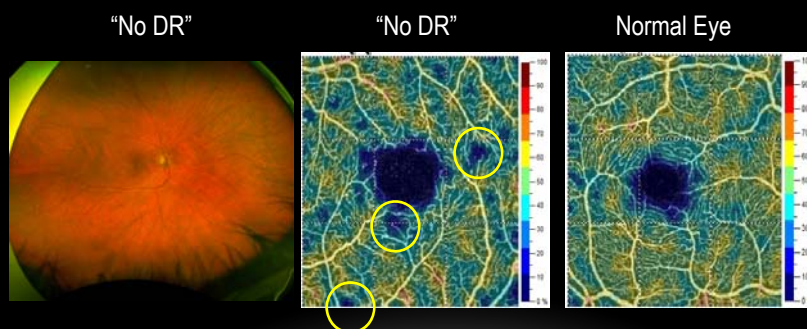
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## DIABETIC RETINOPATHY EARLY VASCULAR CHANGES

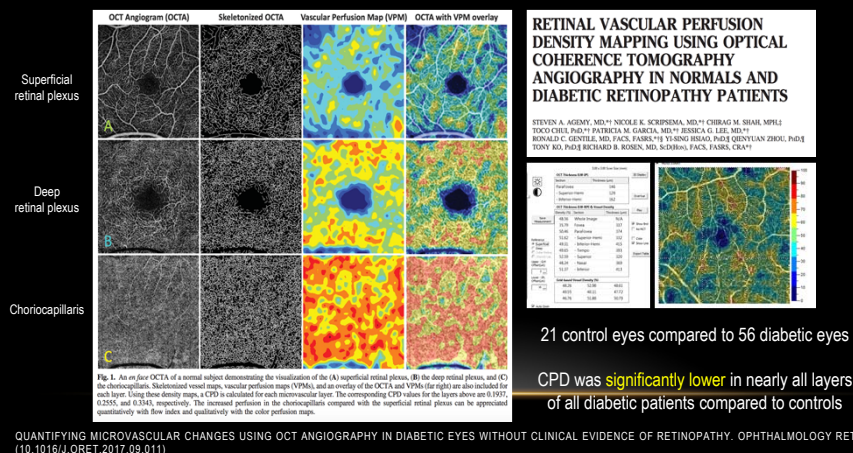
- Subclinical macular ischemia by OCTA identifiable **BEFORE CLINICAL RETINOPATHY**



QUANTIFYING MICROVASCULAR CHANGES USING OCT ANGIOGRAPHY IN DIABETIC EYES WITHOUT CLINICAL EVIDENCE OF RETINOPATHY. OPHTHALMOLOGY RETINA. (10.1016/J.ORET.2017.09.011)

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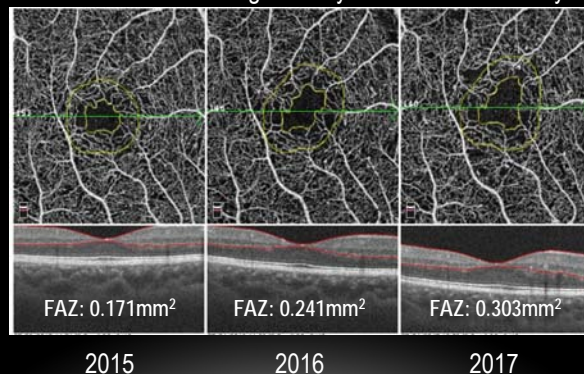
- **CAPILLARY PERFUSION DENSITY** in diabetics with and without visible retinopathy



## DIABETIC RETINOPATHY EARLY VASCULAR CHANGES

- Assess disease progression

FAZ Area Increases Significantly with Disease Severity



QUANTIFYING MICROVASCULAR ABNORMALITIES WITH INCREASING SEVERITY OF DIABETIC RETINOPATHY USING OPTICAL COHERENCE TOMOGRAPHY ANGIOGRAPHY. INVESTIGATIVE OPHTHALMOLOGY & VISUAL SCIENCE. 2017;58(6):BIO307-BIO315. DOI:10.1167/IOVS.17-21787.

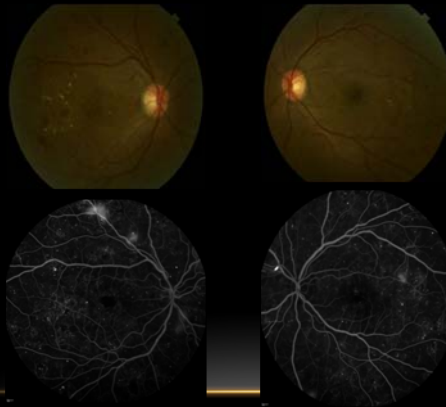


## DIABETIC RETINOPATHY MACULAR ISCHEMIA

- Case 1: 38 y DM2

VA 20/200

VA 20/40



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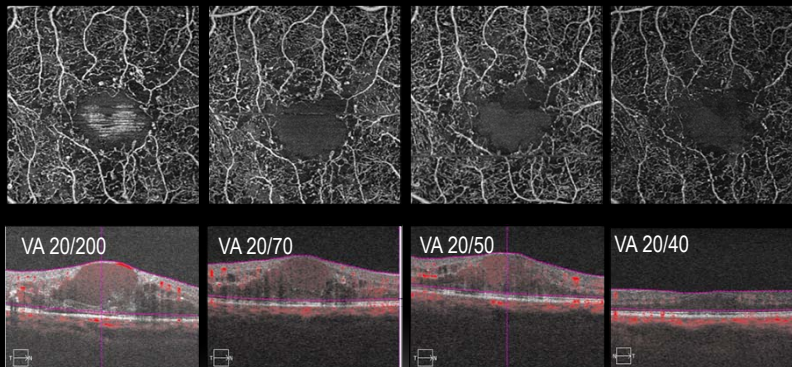
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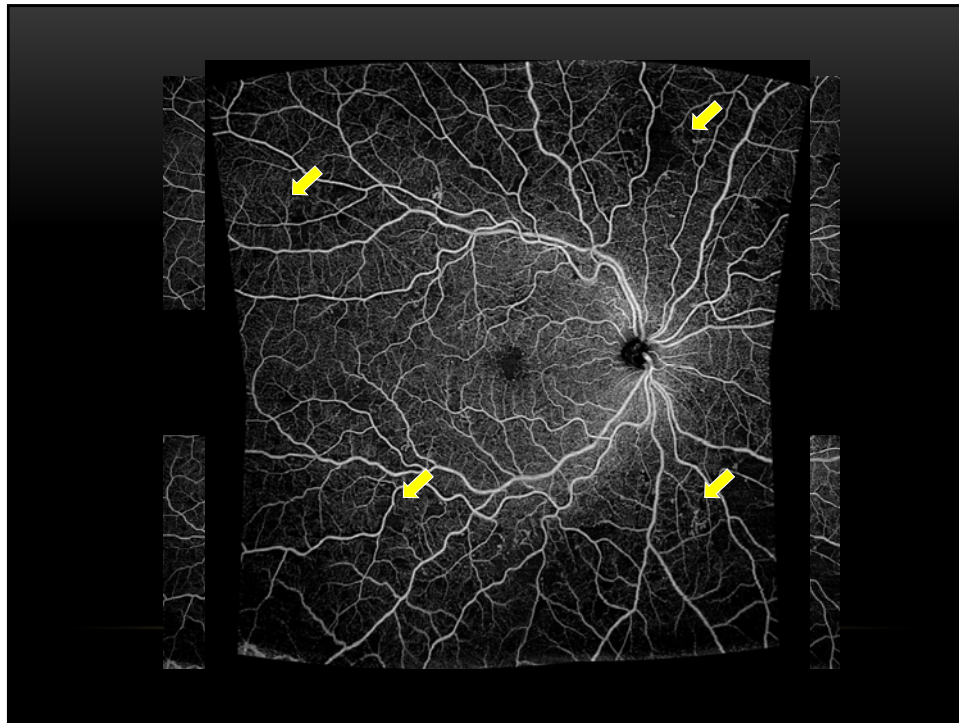
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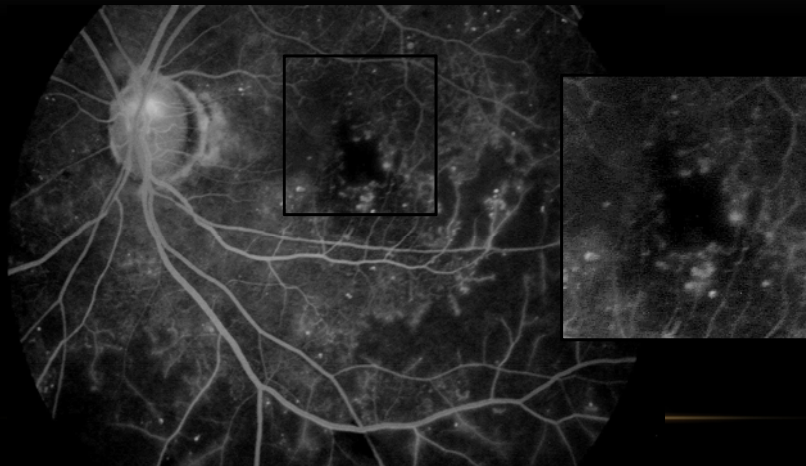
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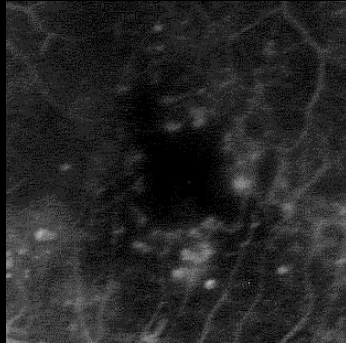
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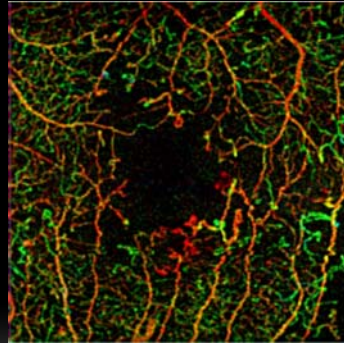
## DIABETIC RETINOPATHY MACULAR ISCHEMIA

- Case 2: 57 y DM2 Fluorescein Angiography

Comparison between Fluorescein Angiography and OCTA



Fluorescein Angiogram  
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OCTA  
Color Depth Retina

## PROLIFERATIVE DIABETIC RETINOPATHY

- Case 3: 37 y DM1

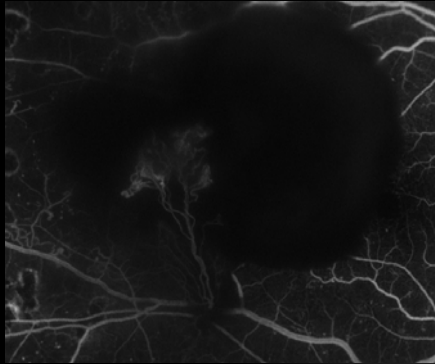
FA early phase



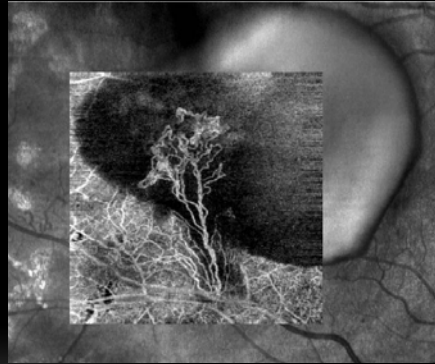
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Comparison between Fluorescein Angiography and OCTA



Fluorescein Angiogram  
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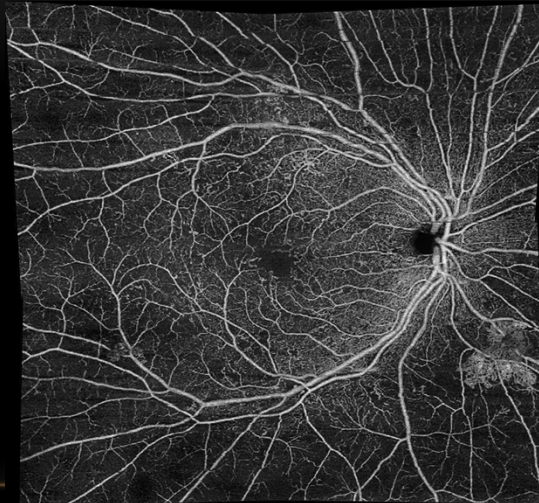
Map overlay on OCT Fundus LSO Full Retina

## PROLIFERATIVE DIABETIC RETINOPATHY

- Case 4: 37 y male DM2

Montage 8x8 scan  
captures vascular  
abnormalities within  
the complete  
14x14mm area

PDR with areas of  
ischemia and NVE

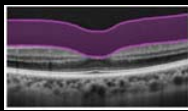




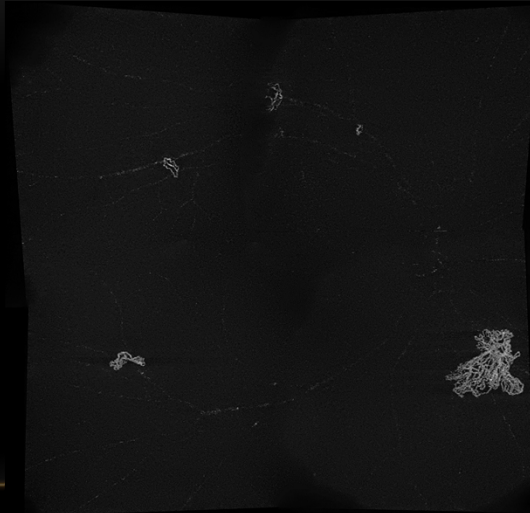
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- Case 4: 37 y male DM2

VRI slab isolates multiple areas of preretinal NVE



Normally avascular

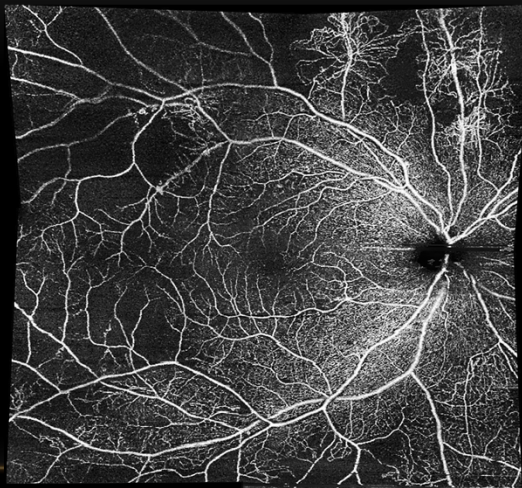


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## PROLIFERATIVE DIABETIC RETINOPATHY

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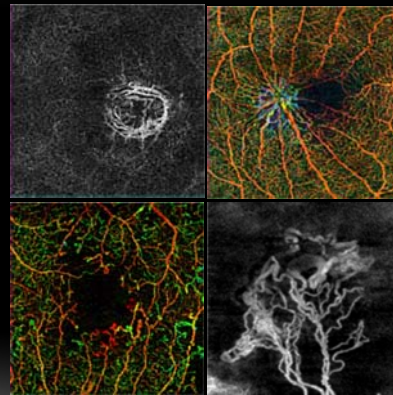
PDR with large areas of ischemia and NVE



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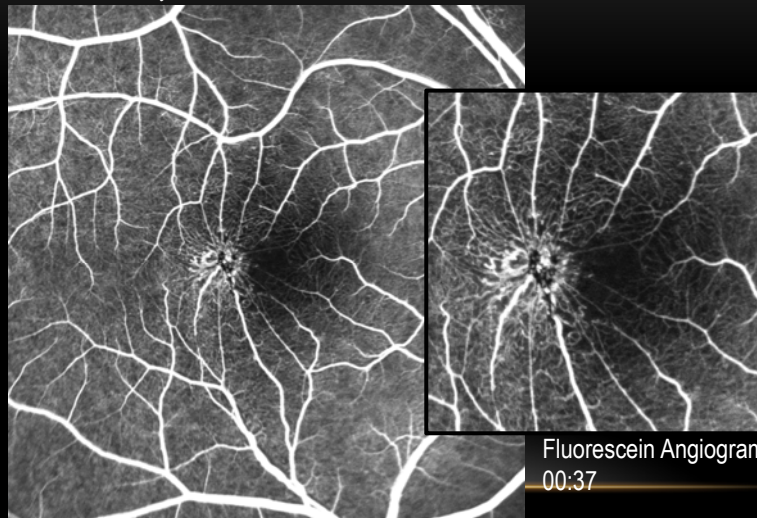
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- Case 6: 56 y female

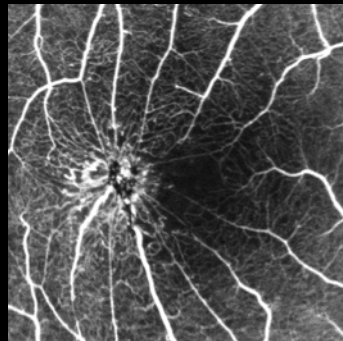


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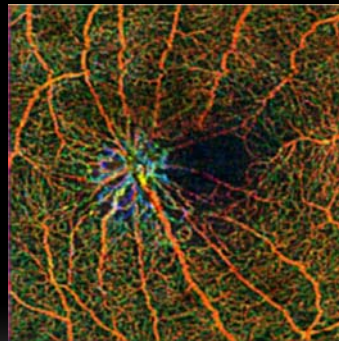
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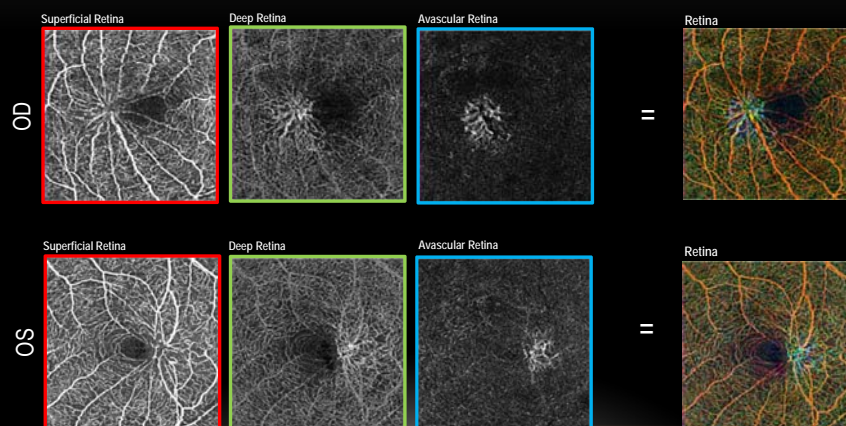
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OCTA  
Color Depth Retina

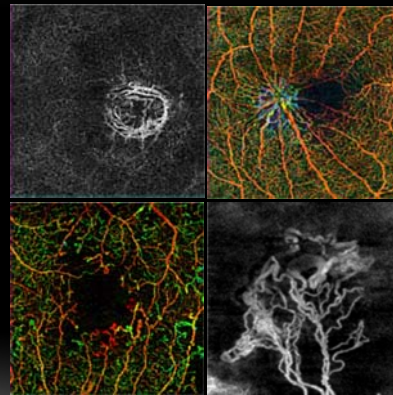
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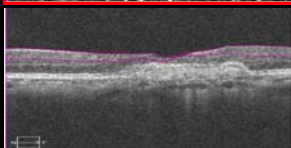
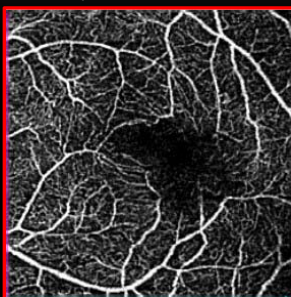
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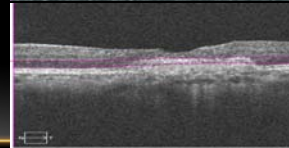
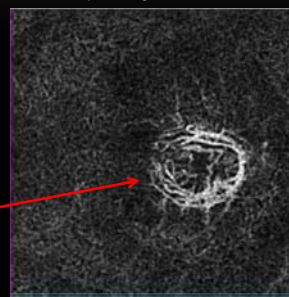
## WET MACULAR DEGENERATION

- Case 7: 64 y male

OCTA Superficial Retina



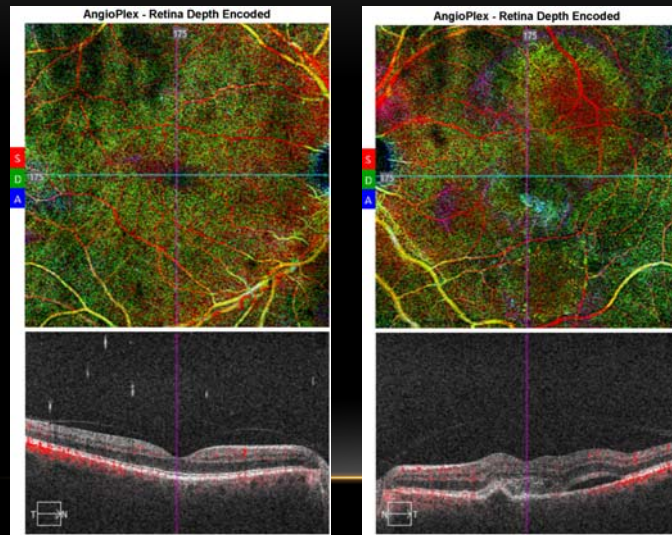
OCTA Map through CNV Lesion





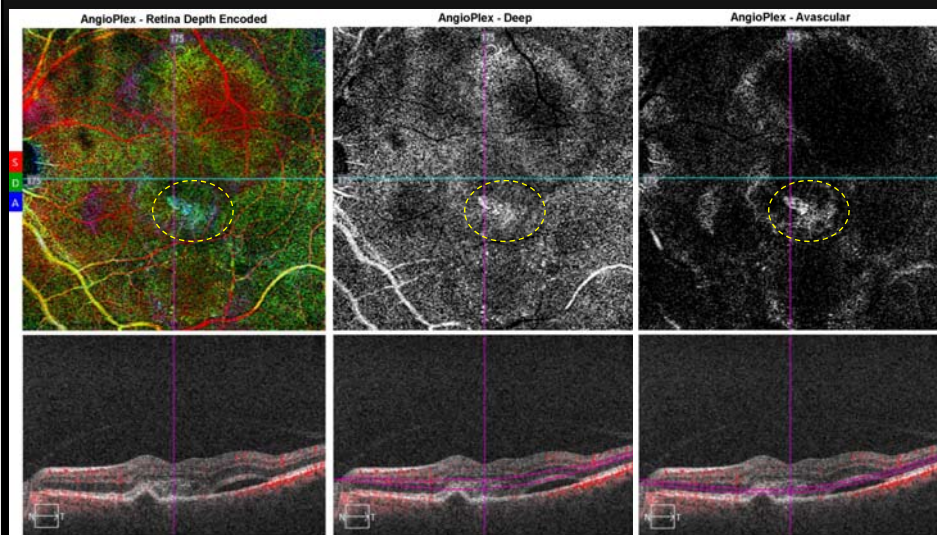
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- Case 8: 83 yo M, last exam 7/05/2013, seen 9/19/2019 for 3 weeks of distortion OS



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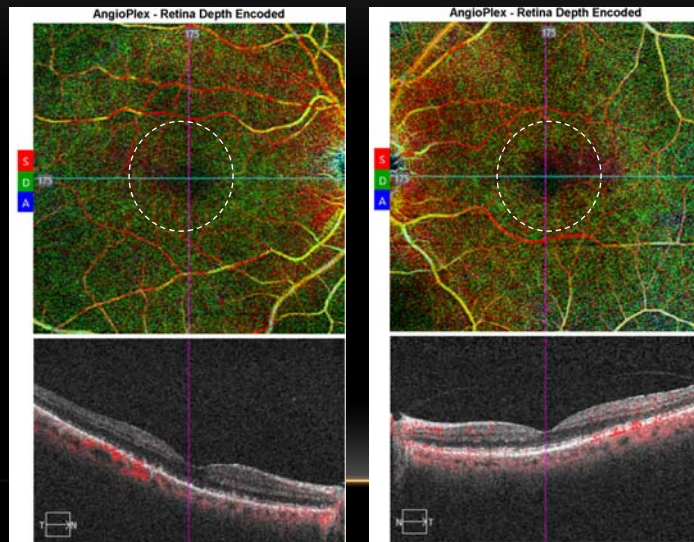
## WET MACULAR DEGENERATION

- Case 9: 80 yo F, worse vision both eyes over past 3 years

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01/08/2018		20/100	-1	20/40		J5	+2		20/40	+2
11/28/2016		20/60	+1	20/30	-1	J2	+2		20/25	
11/23/2015		20/40				J1			20/40	

## WET MACULAR DEGENERATION

- Case 9: 80 yo F, worse vision both eyes over past 3 years, but still dry OU



## NEOVASCULAR “DRY” MACULAR DEGENERATION

- Case 10: 58 y Asian male followed for dry ARMD

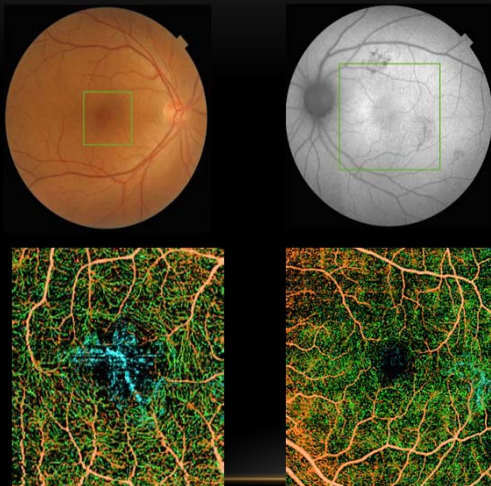
OD 20/50

OS 20/70+2



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OD *Depth-encoded OCTA* OS

# NEOVASCULAR “DRY” MACULAR DEGENERATION

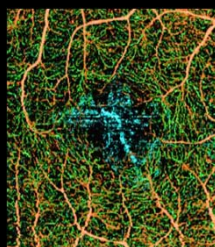


11 consecutive patients  
August 2014 to September 2015

Asymptomatic iARMD one eye  
History wet ARMD fellow eye

All imaged FA, ICG and OCTA  
All eyes: No OCT macular leakage

10/11: No leakage by FA  
(one questionable FA leakage)



## Optical Coherence Tomography Angiography of Asymptomatic Neovascularization in Intermediate Age-Related Macular Degeneration

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**Purpose:** To determine whether angiography with swept-source (SS) optical coherence tomography (OCT) identifies subclinical type 1 neovascularization in asymptomatic eyes with intermediate age-related macular degeneration (AMD).

**Design:** Prospective, observational, consecutive case series.

**Participants:** Patients with asymptomatic AMD in one eye and neovascular age-related macular degeneration (AMD) in their fellow eye.

**Methods:** The patients underwent SS OCT angiography (OCTA), fluorescein angiography (FA), and indocyanine green angiography (ICGA), and the images from these 3 angiographic techniques were compared.

**Main Outcome Measures:** Identification of subclinical type 1 neovascularization with SS OCTA in asymptomatic eyes with AMD.

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**Conclusions:** Swept-source OCTA identified type 1 neovascularization corresponding to ICGA plaques in asymptomatic eyes with AMD. The ability of OCTA to provide noninvasive, fast, detailed, depth-resolved identification of nonexudative neovascular lesions in eyes with AMD suggests the need for a new classification system that distinguishes between neovascular and nonneovascular AMD. *Ophthalmology* 2016;125:11–11 © 2016 by the American Academy of Ophthalmology.

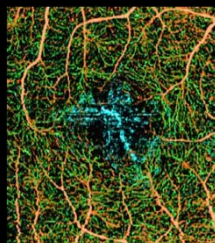
# NEOVASCULAR “DRY” MACULAR DEGENERATION



11 consecutive patients  
August 2014 to September 2015

Asymptomatic iARMD one eye  
History wet ARMD fellow eye

Subclinical net by OCT-A  
= 27.3% (3/11)



## Optical Coherence Tomography Angiography of Asymptomatic Neovascularization in Intermediate Age-Related Macular Degeneration

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**Purpose:** To determine whether angiography with swept-source (SS) optical coherence tomography (OCT) identifies subclinical type 1 neovascularization in asymptomatic eyes with intermediate age-related macular degeneration (AMD).

**Design:** Prospective, observational, consecutive case series.

**Participants:** Patients with asymptomatic AMD in one eye and neovascular age-related macular degeneration (AMD) in their fellow eye.

**Methods:** The patients underwent SS OCT angiography (OCTA), fluorescein angiography (FA), and indocyanine green angiography (ICGA), and the images from these 3 angiographic techniques were compared.

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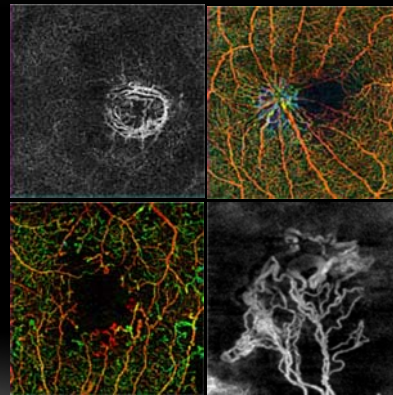
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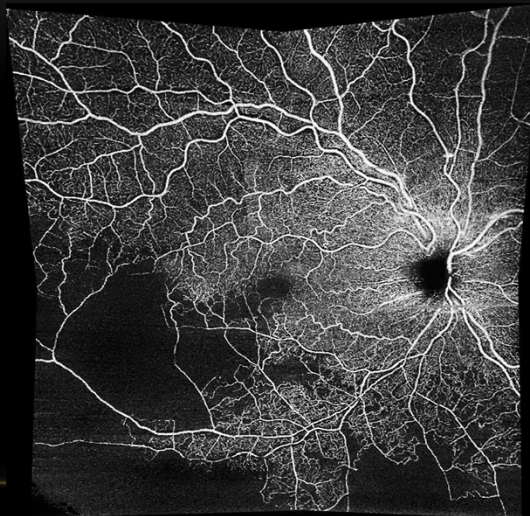
- DR
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- ARMD
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## BRANCH RETINAL VEIN OCCLUSION

- Case 11: 53 y female

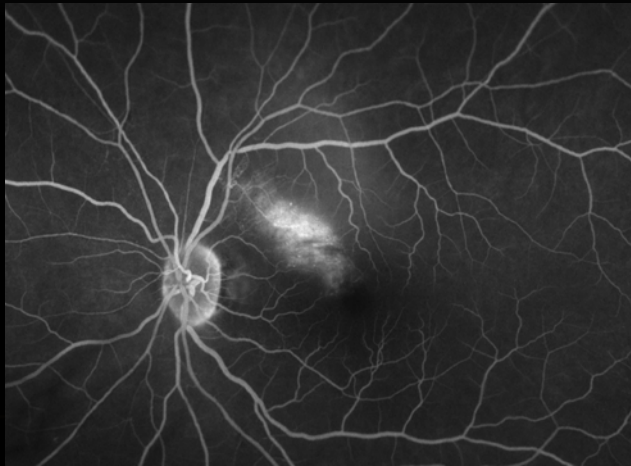
BRVO showing  
large areas of  
ischemia with  
collateral vessels



## BRANCH RETINAL VEIN OCCLUSION

- Case 12: 44 y female

FA late phase

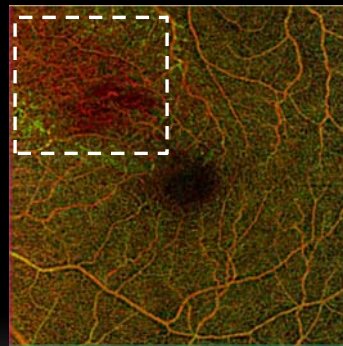


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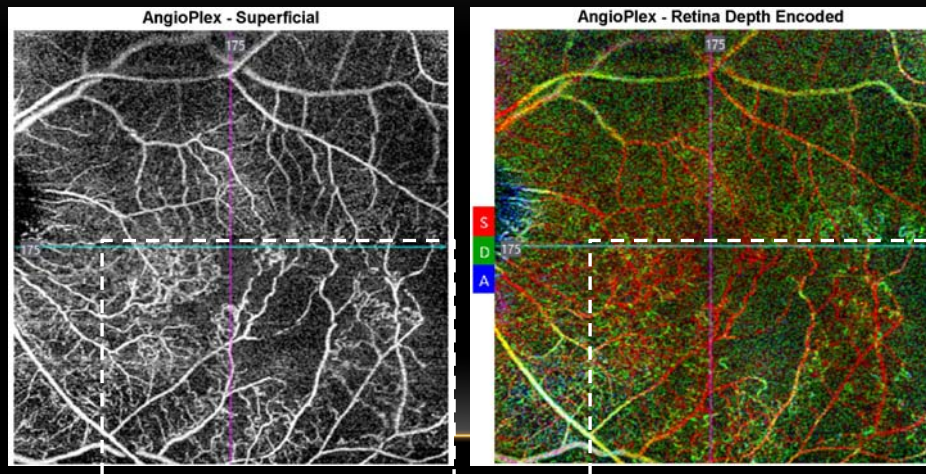
Fluorescein Angiogram  
10 mins



OCTA  
Color Depth Retina

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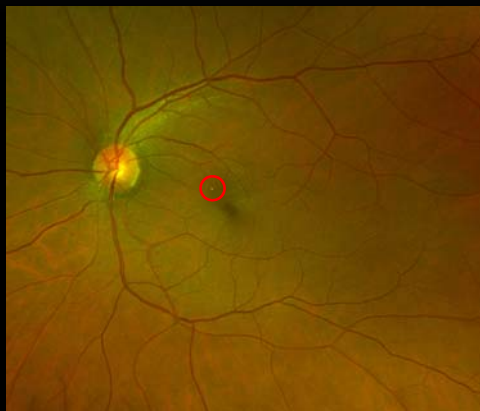
- Case 13: 68 y male, BRVO OS x 1 year (s/p anti-VEGF x 6) = 20/60 J5 OS



## BRANCH RETINAL ARTERY OCCLUSION

- Case 14: 60 y M, 6 week "blind spot" vision OS

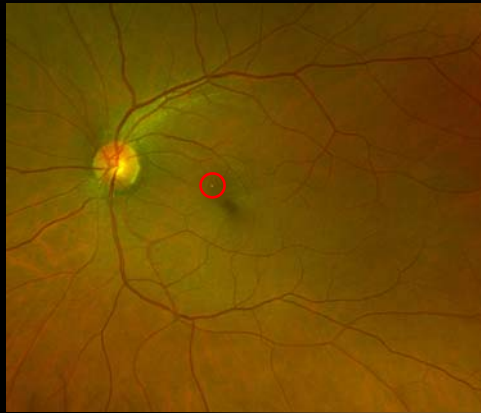
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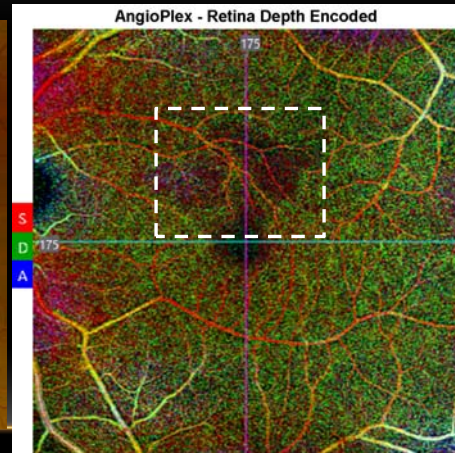
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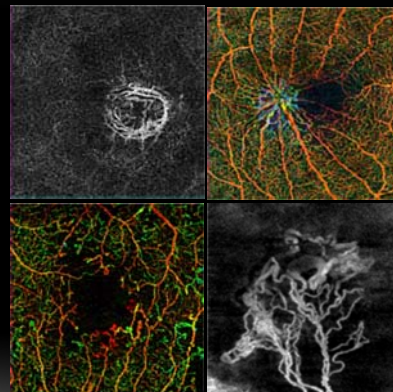


branch macular artery occlusion



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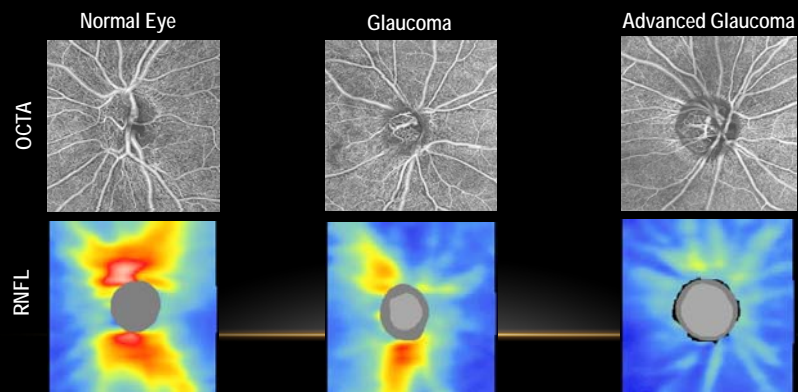
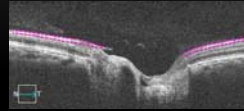




## OCTA VISUALIZATION OF ONH PERFUSION

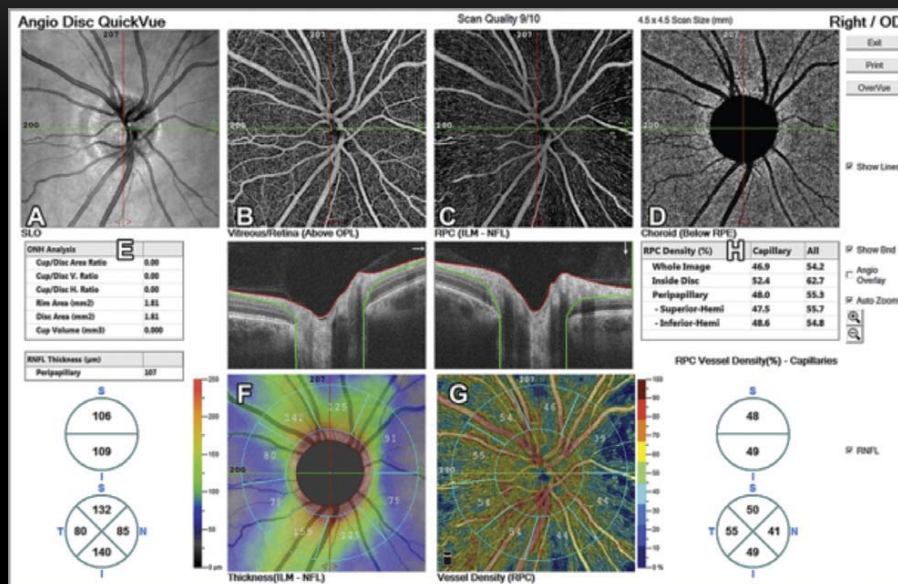
OCT-A of optic nerve (4.5 x 4.5 mm)

Radial Peripapillary Capillary Network supplies parapapillary RNFL

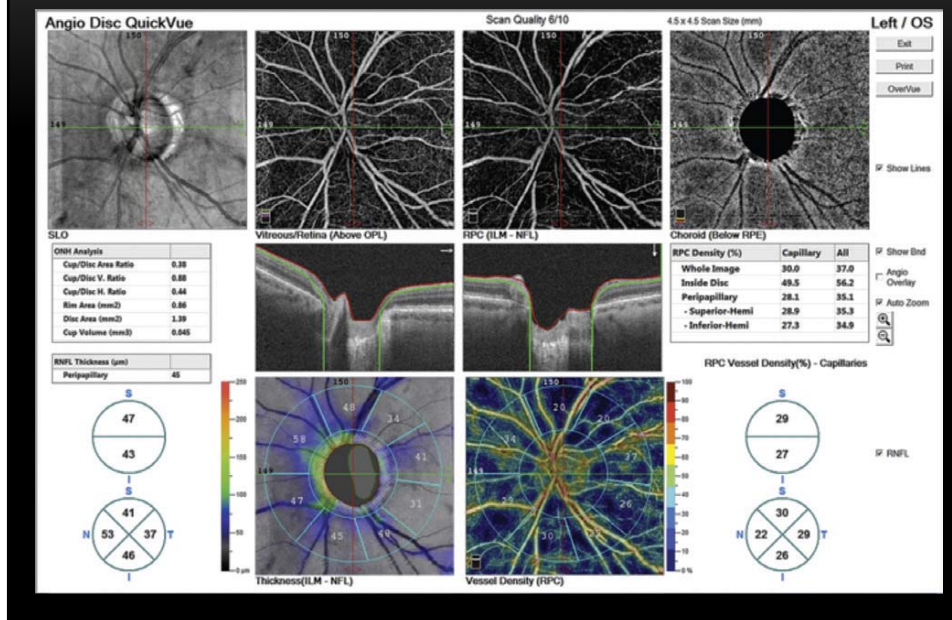


## OCTA VISUALIZATION OF ONH PERFUSION DIFFUSE GLAUCOMA LOSS





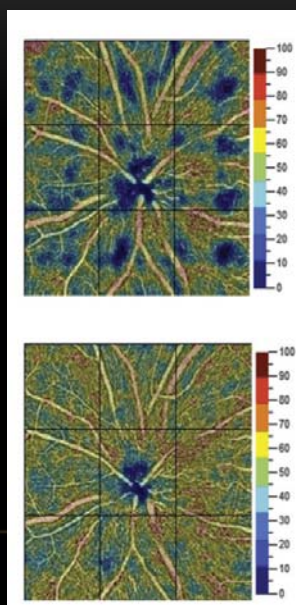
## ADVANCED GLAUCOMA LEFT EYE



## IOP REDUCTION AND OPTIC NERVE PERFUSION

UNTREATED  
HIGH IOP

SAME EYE  
1 MONTH LATER  
IOP 50% LOWER



DO WE REALLY NOT  
UNDERSTAND GLAUCOMA?



IS POAG PRIMARILY  
... OR SIGNIFICANTLY ...  
A VASCULAR DISEASE ?

## OCT-A: SUMMARY

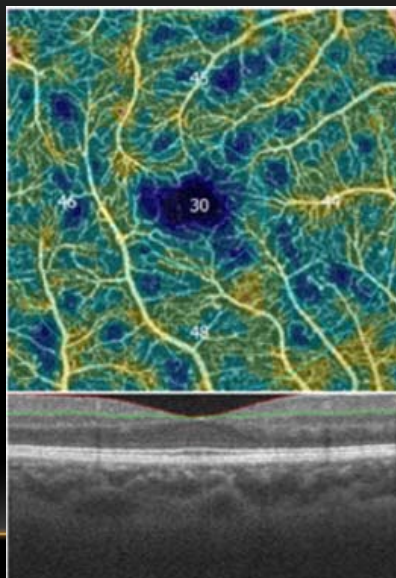
- Fast & non-invasive
- Acquisition time 3-4 seconds per eye
  - No dye ... but also **NO CPT CODE = EVERY ONE IS FREE !!!**



## DIABETIC RETINOPATHY

- “No DR”

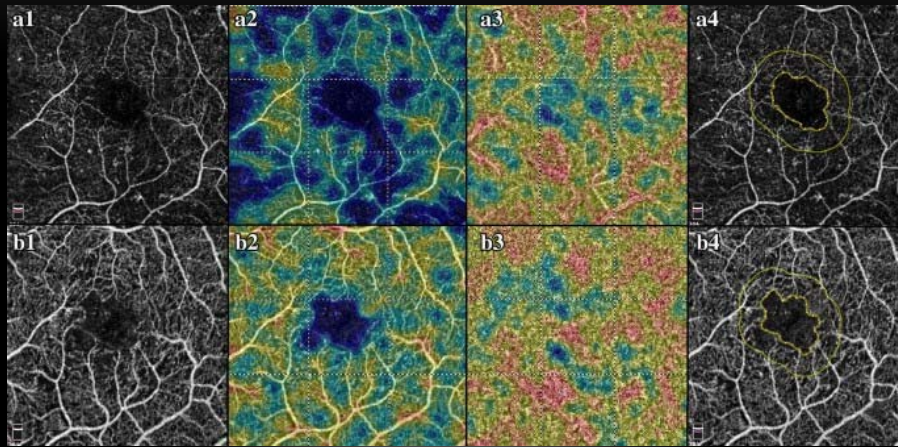
MICROVASCULAR CHANGES  
**WITHOUT** CLINICAL  
DIABETIC RETINOPATHY





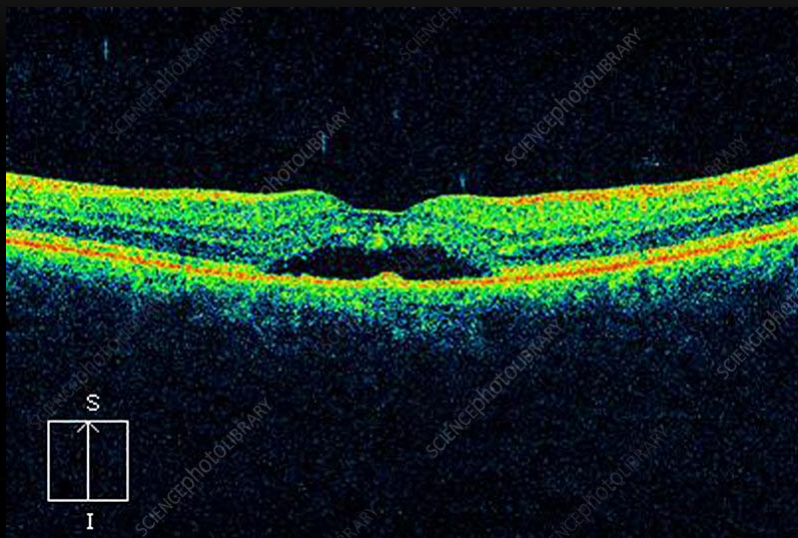
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- “No DR” vs CAPILLARY PERFUSION DENSITY



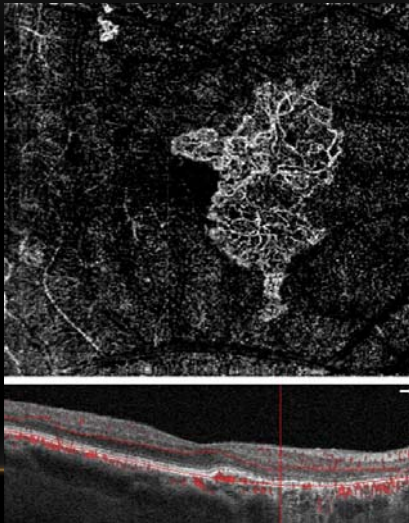
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- Possible net ?



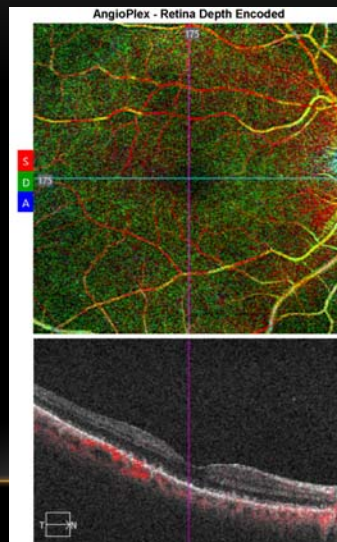
## MACULAR DEGENERATION

- Possible net ? YES



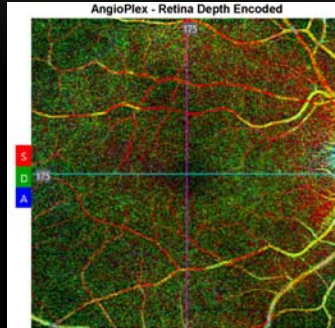
## MACULAR DEGENERATION

- Possible net ? NO



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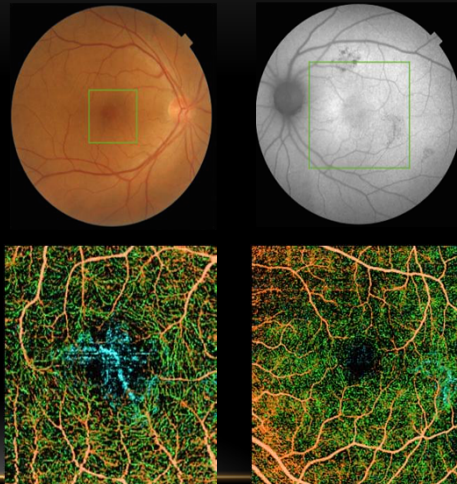
- Distinguishes dry vs wet **BEFORE** you potentially refer

## MACULAR DEGENERATION

- “Dry” ARMD  
(asymptomatic)

Any history of wet ARMD  
= obtain **OCT-A every year**  
if intermediate+ dry ARMD

Despite NORMAL OCT  
= **asymptomatic net in 18.1% by OCT-A**



## MACULAR DEGENERATION

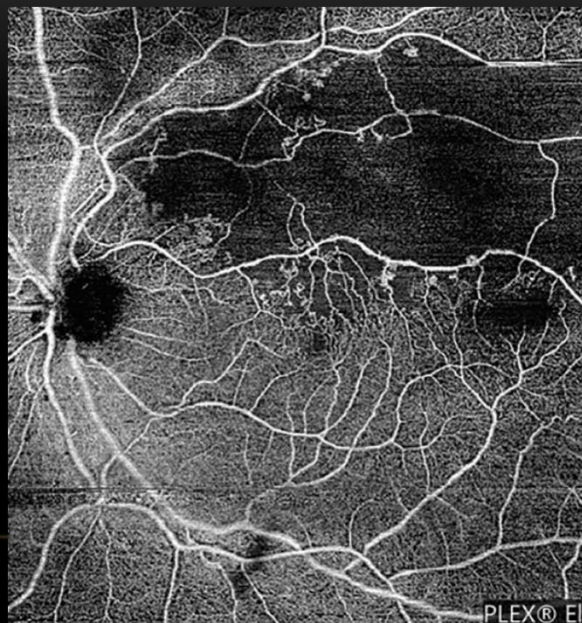
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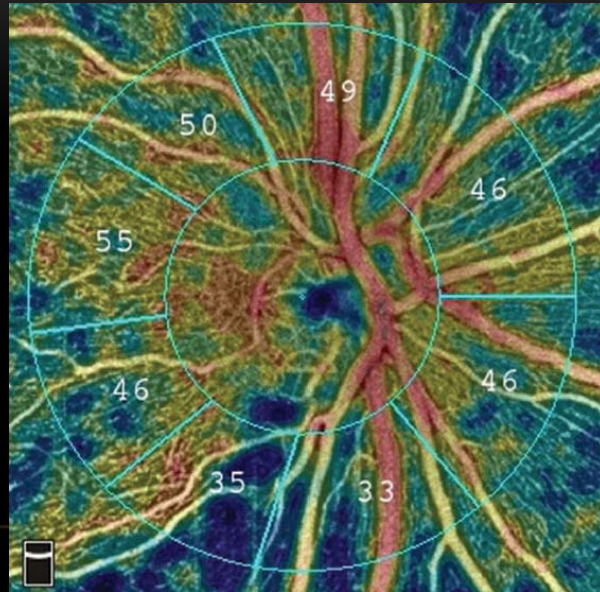
ARMD Classification	Characteristics
No abnormal findings	No aging changes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Absence of drusen</li> <li>• No pigmentary abnormalities</li> </ul>
	Normal aging changes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All small drusen (<math>\leq 63 \mu\text{m}</math>)</li> <li>• No pigmentary abnormalities</li> </ul>
Early ARMD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Medium-sized drusen (<math>&gt;63 \mu\text{m}</math> and <math>\leq 125 \mu\text{m}</math>)</li> <li>• No pigmentary abnormalities</li> </ul>
Intermediate ARMD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Large drusen (<math>&gt;125 \mu\text{m}</math>) and / or RPE abnormalities</li> </ul>
Late ARMD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Neovascular membrane and / or geographic atrophy</li> </ul>

## VASCULAR OCCLUSIONS

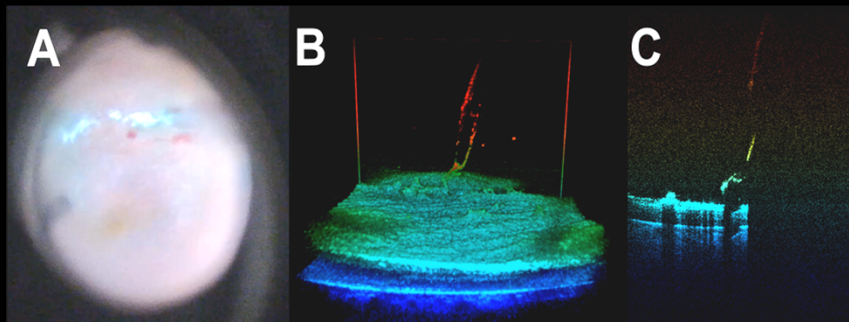




## GLAUCOMA



## INTRAOPERATIVE IMAGING



- ERM peel: Color encoded depth to visualize tissues in 3D
- OCT-A: Emerging technology, glad we have it, excited to see its clinical future

Thank you !!!