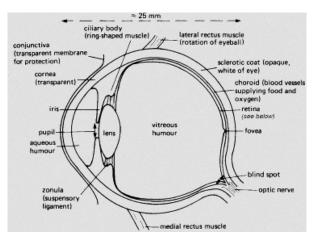
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Eye description

Eye is the organs of vision; it allows the conversion of light into impulses in neurons

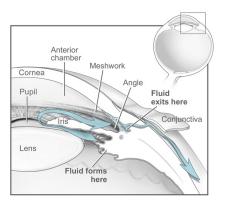


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Aqueous humor : produced by the ciliary epithelium. \rightarrow drains into the Schlemm's canal.

Pressure produced: the intra-ocular pression (IOP).

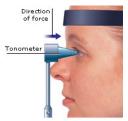


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High IOP \Rightarrow major risk for *glaucoma*.

 Second leading cause of blindness worldwide (1 in 40 adults over 40 years old)¹

Elevated IOP: major risk for glaucoma, but:

- a patient with an elevated IOP may never contract glaucoma.
- a patient could have a glaucoma even though his IOP is low

25 % of IOP-treated patient progress to blindness

^{1.} Relative roles of risk factors in the evaluation of a glaucoma suspect : clinical perspective and mthematical modelling, Geffen, Guidoboni, Harris et al

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Glaucomateous optic nervehead demonstrating increased cup to disc ratio

The glaucoma damage the optical nerve head, where the optical nerve and blood vessels enter the retina.

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However, the IOP remains the only parameter we can act on, either by surgery or with medications.

Treatment

The medications have two effects:

Decrease the secretion of aqueous humor	Increase the elimination of aq
beta-adrenergic receptor antagonists	Prostaglandin analo
Alpha2-adrenergic agonists	Miotic agents
alpha agonists	
Carbonic anhydrase inhibitors	

It is also possible to combine several treatments in order to decrease even more the IOP. Besides, drugs could work better on patients depending on their age, gender, ethnic group or other diseases like diabetes, hypertension...

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Model of intraocular fluids dynamics

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}U}{\mathrm{d}t} = F_h - F_e$$

U: Total aqueous humor

 F_h : Fluid inflow in posterior chamber

 F_e : net inflow via trabecular path

$$F_h = L_p [(p_a - p) - \sigma_p \Delta \pi_p - \sigma_s \Delta \pi_s]$$

 L_p : permeability of the equivalent membrane

 p_a : pressure in the ciliary body capillaries

 $p: \mathsf{IOP}$

 σ_p : reflection coefficient (proteins)

 σ_s : reflection coefficient (low molecular components) $\Delta \pi_p$: osmotic pressure diff. accross membrane (proteins)

 $\Delta\pi_s$: osmotic pressure diff. across membrane (low molecular component)

$$\Delta \pi_s = \rho (C_1 - C_2)$$

ho: universal gas constant imes absolute temperature

 C_1 : total molar concentration of low-molecular components (blood)

 C_2 : total molar concentration of low-molecular components (intra-ocular fluid near ciliary body surface)

$$\alpha \frac{dp}{dt} = F_h - \frac{p - p_e}{R}$$

$$V^* \frac{dC_2}{dt} = Q_s - Q_e = \xi_s(C_1 - C_2) + F_h(1 - \sigma_s)\bar{C} + J - F_hC_2$$

 V^\star : volume of intraocular fluid between the folds of the ciliary body

 ξ_s : average permeability of membrane for low-molecular species

$$\overline{C} = \frac{C_1 + C_2}{2}$$

J: Influx due to active transport p_e : pressure in the episcleral veins

R: output hydraulic resistance

 α : volume compliance of the eye shell (varies significantly)

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Assumptions

Data

Recovering some values

Summary

-3 equations