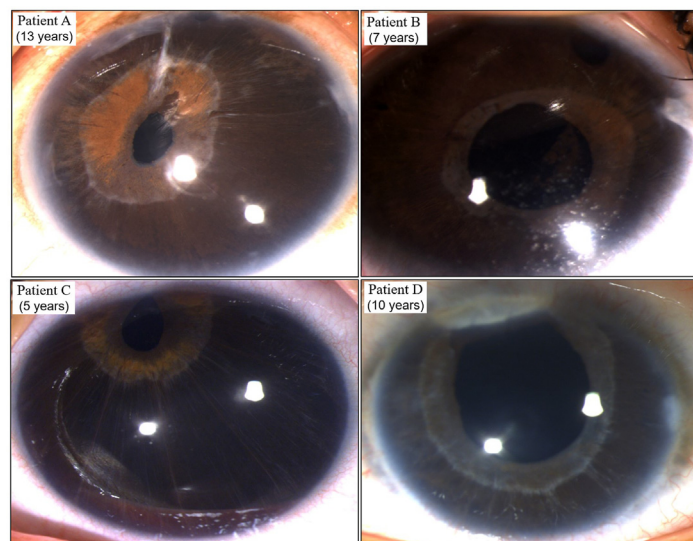


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Pictures & Perspectives



An Iris Heterochromia Typical of Rubella

We report a unique iris morphology associated with congenital rubella syndrome (CRS) in 4 unrelated children (A–D). A concentric heterochromia with a ring of lighter pigmentation around the pupillary margin surrounded by darker pigmentation, along with stromal hypoplasia of the iris in both eyes, was noted. All children were born with bilateral congenital cataract, hazy cornea, and were positive for Rubella immunoglobulin (Ig)M. All children had deafness, and patient B had congenital heart disease. Such a characteristic iris heterochromia, if observed, could point toward a diagnosis of CRS (Magnified version of Figure A–D is available online at www.aaojournal.org).

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