Pharmacology of the eye

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Barriers to drug delivery

- Compliance
- Poor technique
- Short residence time
- Wash out from tears

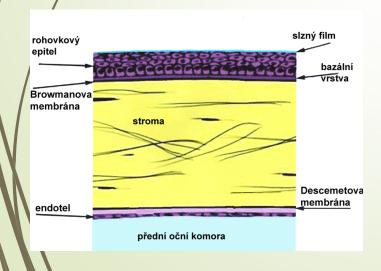
Compliance

- Physical barrier: poor vision, arthritic fingers, severe kyphosis
- Cognitive: decline, poor memory
- Range of aides: memoire, gadget



Local drug effectiveness

- Drug design: pH, solubility, molecular size will affect drug passage crossing cornea- it must be water and lipid soluble
- More viscous may be retained longer
- Toxicity: keratopathy punctata





Ways of administration

- Topically- drops or ointment
- Periocular injection- subconjunctival, subtennons
- Intravitreal injection: antiVGF, antibiotics, corticosteroids,
- Oral and intravenous dosing: antibiotics, corticosteroids, antivirotics, antimetabolits, diuretics

Aplication of drops



Aplication of ointment



Aplication with glass stick



Rinse out



Retrobulbar injection



Bandage with safety shell



Bandage



Bandage



Wet chamber



Drugs

- Ophthalmic Dyes
- Anesthetic agent
- Dilating agents
- Lubricants
- Hyper osmotic agents
- Anti allergy medications
- Anti-infective agents
- Immunosuppressive agents
- Glaucoma agents

Ophthalmic Dyes

- Fluorescein- stain epithelial defect, will not stain devitelized cell, stain soft contact lens, promote growth of Pseudomonas Aeruginosa, angiography
- Lissamine green-dry eye evaluation
- Rose bengal-stain devitelized cells, mucin
- Indocyanine green-angiography
- Trypan blue-stain lens capsula, epiretinal membrane

Comparative staining

	Epithelial defect	Devitelized cells	Mucin
Fluorescein	++	0	+
Rose bengal	0	++	++
Lissamine green	0	++	+

Ulcus corneae





Fluorescein staining

Bengal Rose staining



Lyssamine green stain



Dead cells

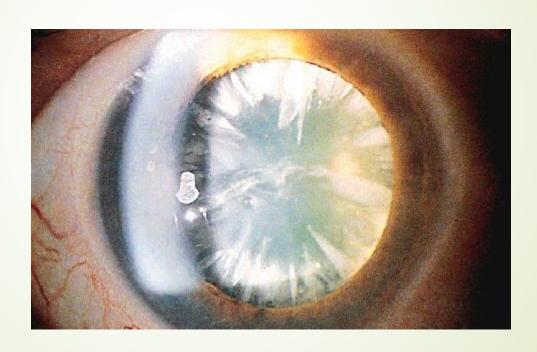
Anesthetics agents

- Tetracain 0,5% corneal or conjunctival foreign body, photoelectric ophthalmia, intraocular surgery
- Topical, intracameral, subconjunctival, subtenons, parabulbar

Dilating drugs (mydriatics)

	Max. mydriasis	Duration
Parasympatholyti ca		
Tropicamide 0,5%	20-40 min.	4-8 hours
Cyclopentolate 0,5%	30-60 min.	12-24 hours
Homatropine 1%	40-60 min.	24 – 72 hours
Scopolamine 0,25%	20-30 min.	3-7 days
Atropine 1%	30-40 min.	7-10 days
Sympathomimetic a		
Phenylephrine 2%	20-30 min.	4-6 hours
Hydroxyampheta	25-35 min.	4-6 hours

Cataract



Indication for cycloplegic refraction

- Strabismus
- Amblyopia
- Anisometropia
- Pseudomyopia
- Hyperopia with esophoria or lag of accomodation
- Unstabile end point on static retinoscopy
- Uncooperrative child

Efficiency of cycloplegics

- 1% atropin 100%
- 1% cyclopentolate 92%
- 1% tropicamide 80%
- ► 5% homatropine 54%

Ocular Side effect

- Allergic Contact dermatitis
- Angle-closure glaucoma
- Elevation of IOP with open angles

Systemic side effect of atropine

 Tachycardia, dry mouth mydriasis, confusion, decreased GI motility, ataxia, hallucination, convulsion, coma

New treatment modality of myopia

0,01% atropin drops

Ophthalmic lubricants

- Hydroxyethylcellulose
- Polyvinyl alcohol 1,4 3%
- Dextran 70%
- Hydroxypropylmethylcellulose 0,5 1%
- Carboxymethylcellulose

Ophthalmic lubricants

- Povidone
- Glycerine 1%
- Polysorbate 1%
- Polyethylen glycol 0,4%
- Propylene glycol 0,3%

Preservative in Ophthalmic lubricants

- Thiomersal
- EDTA
- Chlorobutanol
- Benzalkonium chloride
- Chlorobutanol
- Methylparaben
- Purite
- Polyquaternium-1
- None

Dry eye questionnaire

- Have you ever had drops for dry eye?
- 2. Do you ever experience of the following eye symptomes?
 - a. Soreness, scratchiness, dryness, grittiness, burning
- 3. How often do you have these symptomes?
- 4. Do you regard your eye as being sensitive to smoke, smog, air condition?

- 5. do you take antihistaminic, diuretics, sleeping tablets, tranquilizers, stomach medicine, high pressure medicines?
- 6. Do you have arthritis?
- 7. Are your joint fingers swollen in the morning?
- 8. Do you have dryness of the nose, mouth or dry cough?

- 9. Do you have thyroid abnormality?
- 10. Do you ever awaken with eye irritation or excessive dried mucus in the corners of you eye?

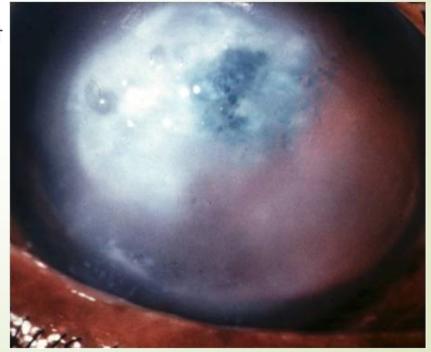
Medicaments that can affect tear quality

- Antibiotics (tetracycline)
- Antihypertensive
- Botulotoxin
- Dermatologicals (isotretinoin)
- Psychomimetics (diazepam, thioridazine)
- Topical betablockers
- Antihistamines
- Diuretics
- Long term antiperspirants

Topical hyperosmotic agents

- 2-5% NaCl solution
- 40% glucose solution
- 5% NaCl ointment
- 40% glucose ointment

Bulous keratopathy



Anti-allergy medication

- Topical
 - Decongestants
 - Antihistamines
- Systemic antihistamines
 - Sedative effects
 - Antihistamine activity
 - Anticholinergic activi

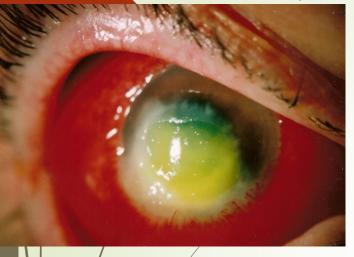
Allergic conjuctivitis



Anti-infective agents

- Antibiotics
- Virostatics
- Antimycotics

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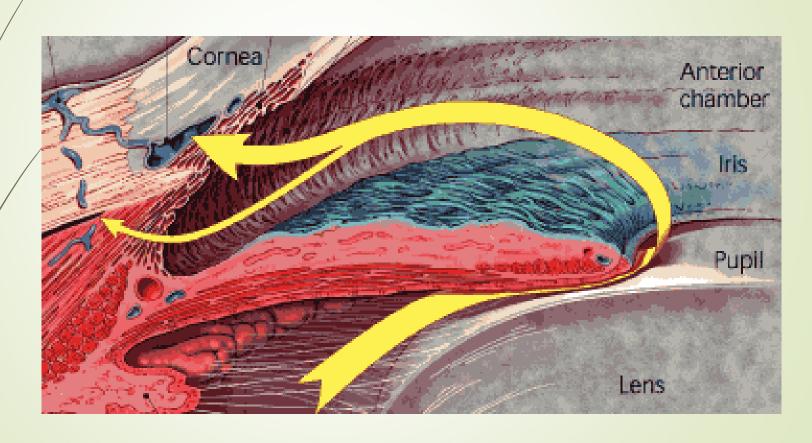




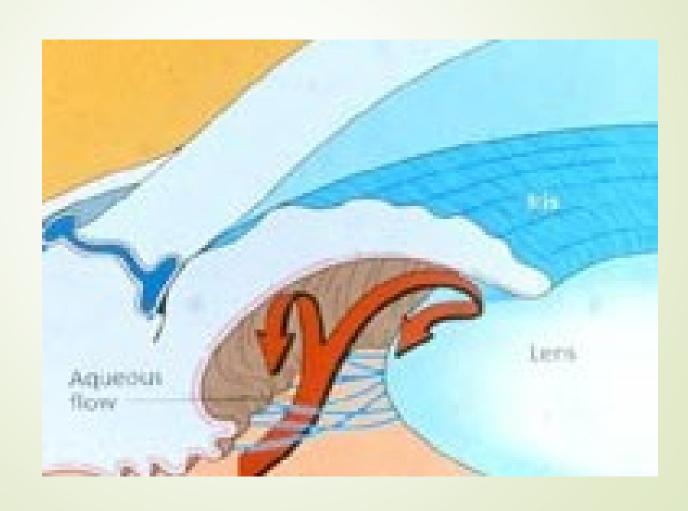
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Glaucoma therapy



Narrow angle



Glaucoma

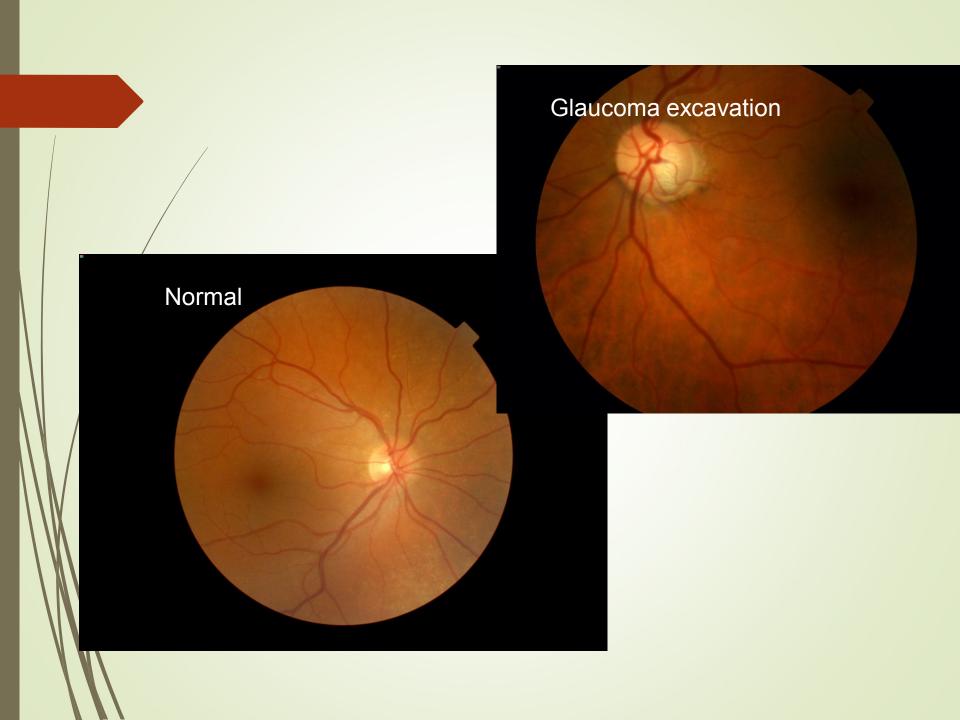
- Congenital
- Juvenil
- Open angle
- Close angle

Acute Glaucoma



Therapy

- Drops
- Laser
- Surgery (glaucoma implants)



Drops

- Lowering intraocular pressure / miotics, alfa sympatomimetics, prostaglandins
- Lowering intraocular pressure: betablockers, inhibitors carboanhydrasis
- Osmotic agents
- Drops which raise outflow of intraocular humour, pilocarapine



Lowering intraocular pressure: betablockers, inhibitors carboanhydrasis