The pseudoglaucomas

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Abstract

Purpose: To study the differences between different pseudoglaucomas and advanced glaucomatous optic nerve head damage. Materials and methods: Confocal tomography was performed in patients with advanced glaucoma (phase 4, perimetric period), Megalopapilla, optic nerve head atrophy produced by Anterior Ischemic Optic Neuropathy, with Meningioma of the optic nerve sheaths and with non functional adenoma. Examinations were performed with the Heidelberg Retina Tomography (longwave; 680 nm) using the new standard reference plane. Each eye was also examined with fundus biomicroscopy. O. N. H. parameters were measured and compared between the different cases. Results: While the 4 different diseases are characterized by a great cupping and apparently important neuroretinal rim reduction, the analysis with confocal tomography detected significant differences and particular features for each of these diseases. Conclusion: Confocal tomography is very useful in order to distinguish between true glaucomas and pseudoglaucomas.

ADVANCED GLAUCOMA (PERIMETRIC PERIOD) Increased cup volume and area. Reduced rim volume and area. Normal disc area.



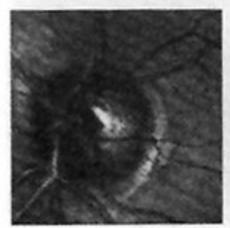




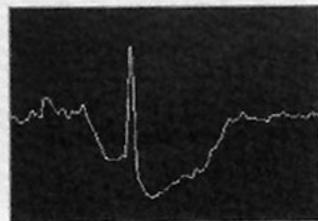
Disk Area:	1.788 nm²
Cup Area:	1.228 nm²
Cup/Disk Area Ratio:	8.687
Rin Area:	0.568 mm ²
Height Variation Contour:	8.136 nn
Cup Volume:	8.838 cmm
Rin Volume:	0.861 cmm
Mean Cup Depth:	8.636 nn
Maximum Cup Depth:	1.094 res
Cup Shape Measure:	0.059
Mean RNFL Thickness:	8.186 nn
RNFL Cross Section Area:	8.584 mm ²

MENINGIOMA OF THE OPTIC NERVE SHEATHS

Aparently increased cup, with ectasic of the venous vessels, protrading towards the vitreous body.







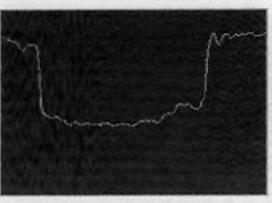
Disk Area:	1.876 nm²
Cup Area:	8.342 mm²
Cup/Disk Area Ratio:	8.182
Rim Area:	1.534 nm²
Height Variation Contour:	8.201 nm
Cup Volume:	8.822 cnm
Rin Volume:	8.379 cmm
Mean Cup Depth:	8.198 nn
Maximum Cup Depth:	0.453 mm
Cup Shape Measure:	-8.185

NON FUNCTIONAL ADENOMA

Increased disc area, abnormal cup volume and area. AT shows non functional adenoma.







1 Disk Area:	3.829 nn ²
Cup Area:	1.525 nm²
Cup/Bisk Area Ratio:	0.504
Rin Area:	1.504 nm ²
Height Variation Contour:	8.275 nm
Cup Volune:	0.840 cmm
Rim Volume:	0.278 cmm
Mean Cup Bepth:	8.514 nm
Maximum Cup Depth:	0.892 nm
Cup Shape Measure:	0.051
Mean RNFL Thickness:	0.172 nm
RNFL Cross Section Area:	1.864 nm ²

MEGALOPAPILLA

Increased disc area, abnormally high cup volume and area, with normal rim volume and normal visual field.







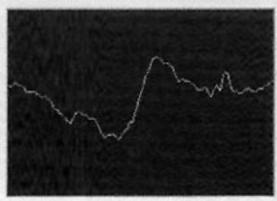
Disk Arca:	2.644 nm ²
Cup Area:	8.830 nm²
Cup/Disk Area Ratio:	0.314
Rim Area:	1.815 mm ²
Height Variation Contour:	8.344 mm
Cup Volume:	0.258 cmm
Rin Volune:	8.441 cmm
Mean Cup Depth:	0.289 nm
Maximum Cup Depth:	8.887 mm
Cup Shape Measure:	-0.216
Mean RNFL Thickness:	8.256 nn
RNFL Cross Section Area:	1.479 nm²

O.N.H. ATROPHY PRODUCED BY A.I.O.N.

Hemi cupped disc with hemi disc edema. Visual field doesn't match with glaucomatous damage.







Dick Area;	1.605 nm ²
Cup Area:	8.288 nm²
Cup/Disk Area Ratio:	8.175
Rim Area:	1.324 nm²
Height Variation Contour:	8.485 nm
Cup Volune;	8.814 cnm
Rim Volume:	0.391 cmm
Mean Cup Bepth:	8.148 nn
Maximum Cup Depth:	0.392 nn
Cup Shape Measure:	-0.167
Mean RNFL Thickness:	8.245 nn
RNFL Cross Section Area:	1.107 nm ²