

Medical and Surgical Eyelid Problems

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Outline


1. Eyelid Anatomy and Changes with age
2. Eyelid Inflammation, Styes
3. Common Lesions – Benign and Malignant
4. Management Options, Biopsy types
5. Eyelid Malpositions
6. Ptosis and Dermatochalasis, Brow Ptosis
7. Ectropion, Entropion
8. Lagophthalmos and 7th CN palsy
9. Tarsorrhaphy indications
10. Blepharospasm
11. DDX Slides

Eyelid Anatomy

- Lid Crease
- Fornices
- Fissures
- Tarsus

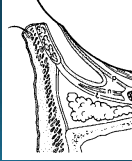


Upper Lid



- 2 lamellae – anterior (skin and orbicularis)
posterior (tarsus and conjunctiva)

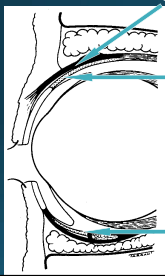
Lower Lid



- Muscles – Retractors and Protractors
- Tendons – Lateral and Medial Canthal

Eyelid Muscles

Retractors:

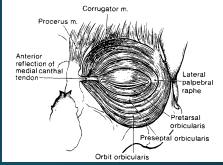


- Levator m.
- Muller's m.
- Inferior Tarsal Muscle


3rd nerve function

Sympathetic Function

Protractors



Cranial Nerve VII function



Things to Note

- Lid Apposition to Globe
- Position of Lid Margins
- MRD = 3-5 mm
- Canthal Insertions
- Brow Positions

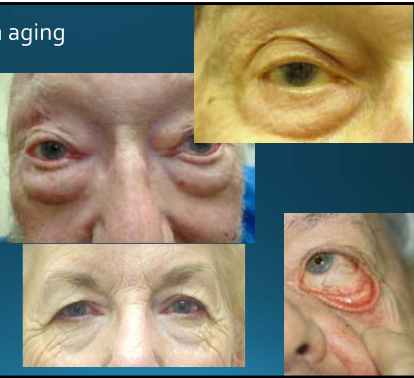
Changes with aging

Dermatochalasis
Lateral Hooding , Festoons

Bulging UL (nasal)
and LL fat pads

LL laxity with ectropion

Ptosis (Brow Elevation)
or Brow Ptosis



Ptosis

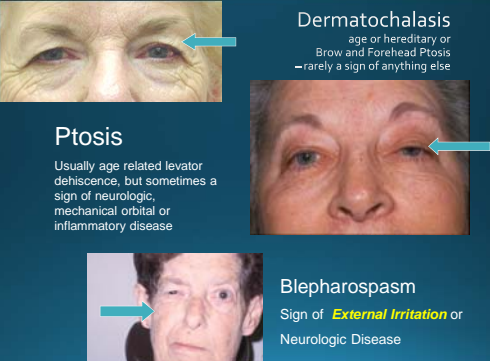
Usually age related levator dehiscence, but sometimes a sign of neurologic, mechanical orbital or inflammatory disease

Dermatochalasis

age or hereditary or Brow and Forehead Ptosis
→rarely a sign of anything else

Blepharospasm

Sign of **External Irritation** or Neurologic Disease




Eyelid Edema with Inflammatory Signs

Fullness. Loss of lid crease, Erythema, ptosis

What should you think of?

Differential Diagnosis (DDx)



Inflammatory Appearance (red, warm, etc.) **Eyelid Edema**


First Consider Underlying Orbital Disease
 Orbital Cellulitis, Pseudotumor, Wegener's
 Graves Ophthalmopathy, Orbital Varix
 Orbital Tumors that can mimic inflammatory process: Lacrimal Gland CA, Lymphoma, Lymphangioma, etc.
 Lacrimal Gland – Dacryoadenitis or tumor
 Sinus Mucocele

Preseptal Cellulitis
 – also think of early -HSV, HZO, or erysipelas (rapid strep),
 Periorbital necrotizing fasciitis (β-hemolytic strep, staph A., pseudomonas)

Dacryocystitis / Dacryocystocele
 Blepharitis
 Contact Dermatitis – e.g. Neomycin, Gentamicin contact sensitivity
 Urticaria / Angioedema
 Conjunctivitis with contiguous lid edema
 Insect Bite
 Lid Tumors: Hordeolum / Chalazion, CA, **Cutaneous Lymphoma**
 Melkersson-Rosenthal Syndrome – (Granulomatous Inflammation)


Without Inflammatory Appearance, consider above but also...
 Allergic Eyelid Edema
 Hormonal Shifts
 Systemic Disorder – Cardiac, Renal, Hepatic, Thyroid with edema
 Graves Ophthalmopathy – can just have lid edema w/o inflammatory appearance
 Lymphedema after trauma, surgery to lids or orbit (e.g. lymphatics in lateral canthus)
 Traumatic Leak of CSF into upper eyelid (JAMA Oph 2014;312:1485)
 Blepharochalasis

Not True Edema, but might mimic it:
 Dermatochalasis, Hidden Eyelid or Sub-Conjunctival Mass, Prolapsed Orbital Fat




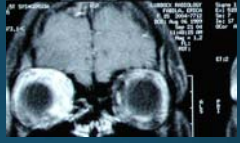
Orbital Signs
 When eyelid edema might be the tip of iceberg

When your concerned about:
 Orbital Cellulitis
 Orbital Pseudotumor
 Orbital Malignancy
 Vascular – e.g. CC fistula



Proptosis
 Chemosis
 Poor Motility
 Poor Vision
 Pupil abnormality
 – e.g. RAPD

Case of Chronic Eyelid Swelling/Erythema


Orbital Pseudotumor

Pre-Septal Cellulitis

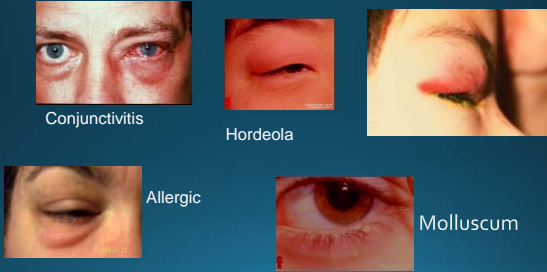


- Good Vision
- Good Motility
- No Chemosis
- PERRL w/o RAPD

Lacrimal Dacryoceles Dacryocystitis



Some more relatively benign conditions



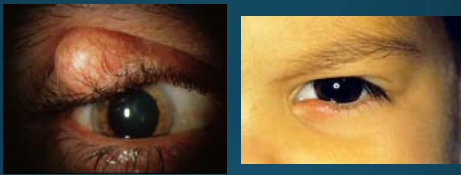
- Conjunctivitis
- Hordeola
- Allergic
- Molluscum

"Styes"

Hordeolum, Chalazia and Pyogenic Granuloma

- Often in association with Blepharitis and Obstruction of Sebaceous glands
- **Hordeolum** – Acute / infectious (e.g. staph.) → cellulitis
- **Chalazion** – Chronic / → Lipogranulomatous inflammation
- **Pyogenic Granuloma** → granulation tissue response

Chalazia and Hordeola



Sign of underlying meibomian gland/ sebaceous gland dysfunction / Blepharitis

Hordeolum



Acute Inflammation of glands:

Meibomian – *Internal*

Hair Follicles, Zeis or Moll Glands – *External*




Hordeolum



"Point"

Drain through Meibomian orifice


Eyelid Abscess
Some confusion with Hordeolum



Incision and Drainage if not resolve on medical therapy

Chalazia

External Internal



Chalazia



Right at lid margin



Sometimes mainly internal



Pyogenic Granuloma (Lobular Capillary Hemangioma)

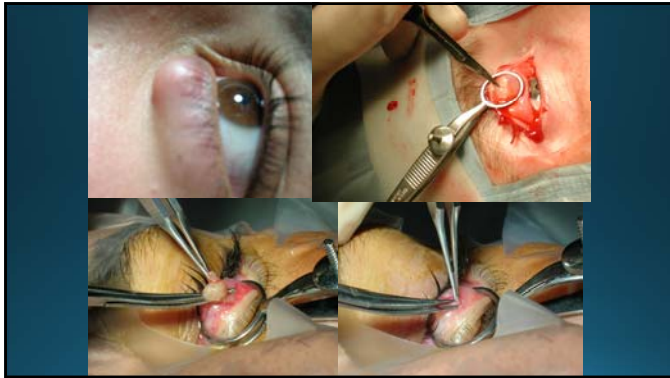


Reactive Hemangioma, with granulation tissue, proliferating capillaries
Response to trauma, irritation, surgery, suture, underlying Chalazion

RX: Topical Steroid ung, Excision, now even Timolol reportedly of help
JAMA Oph 2017; 135:383-5

Management

- Hot Compresses
- Lid Scrubs
- Topical Drops or Ointment:
Emycin or maybe steroid (Tobradex)
- Oral Antibiotics? Doxycycline 100mg qweek for up to 26 weeks – might be useful for "chalazion attacks".
- Intralesional Injection of Triamcinolone (OPH 2009; 112:913)
Consider before excision in some cases
- Excision – (not I and D)



Eyelid Mass / Lesions

- Cystic Like / Fluid Filled**
 - Hydrocystoma / Sudoiferous Cysts – clear fluid
 - Sebaceous Cyst, Epithelial Inclusion Cyst – both usually have white/yellow appearance
 - Blister, Bulla, Vesicle (e.g. HSV), Pustule
- Pedunculated**
 - Papilloma, Skin Tag, Cutaneous Horn
- Darker / Pigmented**
 - Nevus
 - Melanoma – often irregular pigmentation and borders
 - Seborrheic Keratosis (SK) – sessile, stuck on appearance
 - Xanthelasma – yellowish – often medial canthal skin
 - Kapoli's Sarcoma
 - Some Cysts will have dark appearance clinically:
 - e.g. apocrine cyst, some Inclusions cysts
- Nodular - Commonly at Lid Margin**
 - Intradermal Nevus
 - BCCA
 - Hair Follicle Tumor

Recall signs of Malignancies

- 1) lash loss
- 2) ulceration, bleeding
- 3) telangiectasis
- 4) irregular pigmentation
- 5) distortion or destruction of eyelid anatomy

Vascular

- Hemangioma
- Cherry Angioma – Bright red
- Vasile
- Other: Kapoli's Sarcoma, Pyogenic Granuloma

Crater / Ulcerated

- Carcinomas (BCCA, SCCA, etc)
- Keratoacanthoma
- Molluscum Contagiosum

Don't Forget Chalazion, Hordeolum and their Mimics (e.g. Sebaceous Cell CA)

Lid Tumors
(Lecture on Lid Lesions and resection)



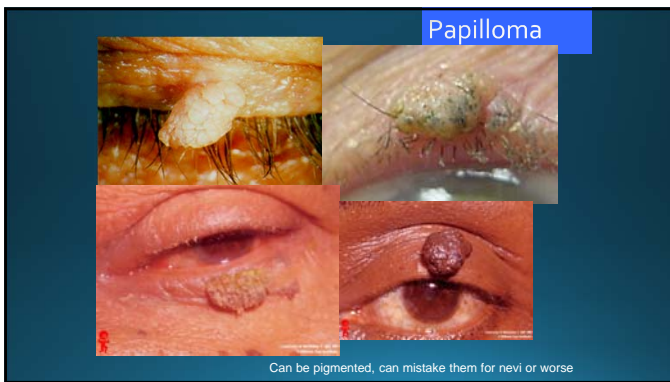

Need to think about possible orbital involvement

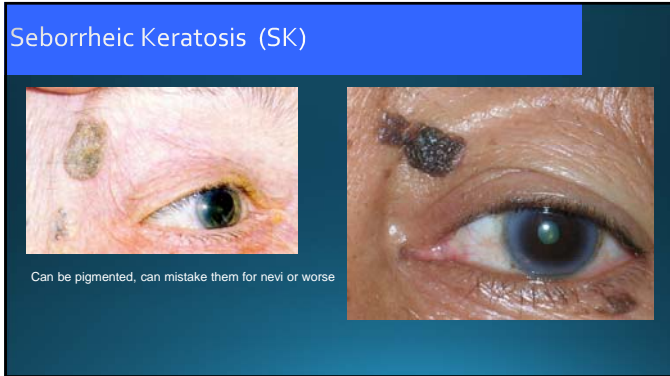



Common Benign Eyelid Lesions

- Chalazion and related lesions
- Epithelial Inclusion Cyst
- Nevus
- Papilloma
- Seborrheic Keratosis
- Apocrine Hidrocystoma
- Hemangioma
- Xanthelasma
- Cutaneous Horn

** Usually:
Do not destroy normal architecture of eyelid
Do not bleed, no lash loss





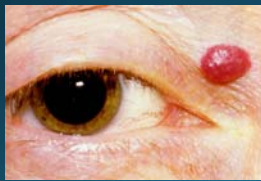
Cutaneous Horn



Xanthelasma



What is it?




Adult with small hemangioma



Capillary Hemangioma

Cysts



Sebaceous Cyst or Epidermal inclusion cyst


Hidrocystoma



Some can have bluish / blackish color
(Apocrine hidrocystoma)

Nevi

can be pigmented or non-pigmented




- Congenital or Acquired
- Acquired often between 5-10 years old
- Can be biopsied if changes noted

Eyelid Malignancies

Signs of possible malignancy (External)

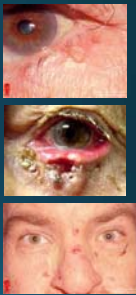
- Loss of lashes - *Madarosis*
- Ulceration
- Bleeding
- Telangiectatic Vessels
- Chronic Inflammatory signs
- Distortion on Anatomy
- Pigmentary Changes




Basal Cell Carcinoma

- Most common eyelid malignancy
- Lower Lid margin > Upper lid
- Nodular, Pearly
- Invasive, Infiltrating
Morpheaform
- Gorlin's Syndrome
- Basal cell - nevus syndrome

Local Invasion
No Metastatic Potential



Squamous Cell Carcinoma




More biologically aggressive

Can arise from areas of solar damage or actinic keratosis

Potential for metastasis

Sebaceous Cell Carcinoma


Skin Sebaceous Glands or Meibomian glands



Highly Malignant and potentially lethal

Can Masquerade as


- Blepharitis, chronic inflammation
- Blepharoconjunctivitis
- Chalazia*
- Diffuse Eyelid thickening



Conjunctival Pagetoid Spread

Suspected Malignancy Management Options

- Simple excision with permanent (e.g. borders seem clear → ellipse, or wedge)*
- Incisional Biopsy – to make further plans
- Frozen Section Controlled Excision (e.g. uncertain of clinical extent of invasion of tumor)
- Mohs micrographic



Pigmented lid lesions Differential Diagnosis

Nevus

Papilloma

Yikes! (MM)

SK

???

Malignant Melanoma

Melanoma - Summary

- *Recruit the help of a dermatologist**
- Realize and inform your patients that more than one procedure may be necessary.
- Incisional biopsy OK
- Don't be hesitant to "refer"***

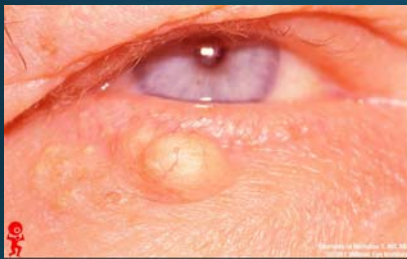
*Regarding periodic whole body exams (since other cutaneous melanomas more likely) , Woods Light, recommendations

*** remember a good doctor knows his limitations

What do you suspect? What would you do?



Epithelial Inclusion Cyst

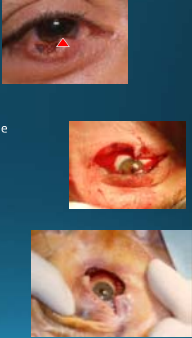


Approaches to Excision of Suspected Malignancies

- Incisional Biopsy First??
- Excisional Biopsy – e.g. Ellipse
- Wedge Resection
- Permanent Section
- Frozen Section
- MOHS

Incisional Biopsy

- Removal of small section of tumor*
- Pathologic confirmation, prior to committing the patient to a bigger procedure:
 - Full thickness lid** – large amounts of tarsus
e.g. wedge
 - Excision of other vital structures**
e.g. punctum, canaliculus, sac
Canthal tendons (LCT or MCT)

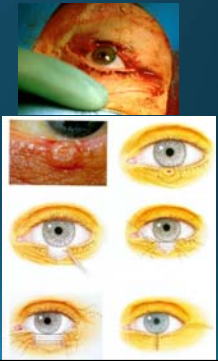


Wedge Resection

Excisional Biopsy

- Suspicious for Malignancy*
- Concern for invasion**
- Lid Laxity present

Sometimes can do primarily
e.g. clear BCCA with definite borders near margin



Eyelid Malpositions

Too High or Too Low? – Lid Retraction or Ptosis
In or Out? – Entropion or Ectropion

Upper lid position

The upper eyelid margin is normally situated 1.5 mm to 2 mm below the superior limbus

and 3 mm to 5 mm above the center of the cornea.

The lower eyelid margin is normally situated at the inferior limbus



Eyelid Retraction

1. Graves /Thyroid Eye Disease

2. Orbital Disease

Need referral for further evaluation

3. Cicatricial / Scarring
Trauma, Post-Surgical

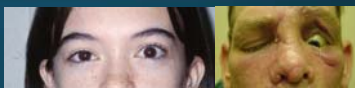
Surgical Correction only after etiology is known and underlying problems have been addressed

4. Neurological Problem

5. Pseudo-retraction —contralateral Ptosis



Lower Lids can be retracted too



Thyroid Eye Disease Signs

Unilateral or Bilateral Eyelid Retraction

Unilateral or Bilateral Proptosis

Lid Lag on Downgaze

EOM duction restrictions - IR>MR>>SR, LR

Strabismus – Esotropia or Hypotropia

Lagophthalmos

Corneal Exposure

Chemosis, Injection



Drooping Upper Eyelids

Dermatochalasis of Upper Lids



Ptosis of Upper Lids
Blepharoptosis



Ptosis of the Brow
Brow Ptosis



Dermatochalasis

Without or With
Upper Eyelid Ptosis



Dermatochalasis with lateral hooding
and MRD 4 mm OD and 4 mm OS



Lateral
Hooding



Dermatochalasis plus Ptosis

Eye Brows

- Elevators – Frontalis Muscle
- ☀ Depressors – Corrugator and Procerus Muscles



Brow normally located above superior orbital rim
Brow Ptosis – measure distance from mid-brow to superior orbital rim in mm.

Brow Ptosis
DDX:
Involutional (Age)
Seventh CNP
Facial Surgery or Trauma



NOTE – how brow ptosis contributes to hooding from dermatochalasis

Real Ptosis

- "Congenital"
- **Acquired**
 - Levator Dehiscence
 - Neurological*
 - Mechanical
 - Orbital Disease
 - Myogenic
 - Inflammatory



Definitions

- **Ptosis:** More properly called Blepharoptosis. A lowering of the upper eyelid so as to cause a narrowing of the palpebral fissure height and a reduction of MRD (often MRD < or = 2 mm)
- **Dermatochalasis:** Redundancy of eyelid skin (upper or lower). This redundancy is linked to the position of the eyebrow. This is also sometimes associated with orbital fat prolapse.
- **Brow Ptosis** – A lowering of the eyebrow position – which can affect both the hooding of dermatochalasis and the eyelid position as well
- **Blepharoplasty:** Excision of redundant eyelid skin and/or orbital fat.
- **Blepharoplasty ≠ Ptosis Repair**

"Ptosis Evaluation"

- Do they have real eyelid ptosis?
- If **Yes** – then need consider **DDx** for Ptosis
- Further exam to check for Dermatochalasis and Brow Position as these are important factors in the future surgical plan
- We need to consider whether the patient needs:
 - true ptosis surgery
 - blepharoplasty
 - brow lifting

Ptosis

Levator (Dehiscence)
 - Aging, Trauma, Post-op (e.g. CE), Post-Inflammation, CTL wear

Congenital, Hereditary
 - **Levator Mal-development**, Blepharophimosis Syndrome (BPES)

Neurological
 - 3rd Nerve Palsy, Horner Syndrome

Orbital Disease
 - Cellulitis, Pseudotumor, Graves or Tumor

Myogenic
 - **Myasthenia Gravis**,
 - CPEO
 - Muscular Dystrophies
 e.g. Oculopharyngeal MD, Myotonic MD

Mechanical
 - Eyelid Tumor (e.g. NF), Chalazion
 - Excessive Dermatochalasis and/or Brow Ptosis

Inflammatory
 - Erythema Oculi, Uveitis, Conjunctivitis, Keratitis (e.g. SLK)

Pseudo-Ptosis
 - Enophthalmos (see list)
 - Ptosis or small globe or Anophthalmos
 - Blepharospasm, Dermatochalasis or Brow Ptosis. Mistaken for ptosis
 - Hypertropia, Hypotropia

Congenital Ptosis with diminished lid crease **head tilt**

Images from emedicine

Acquired Ptosis

- Aponeurotic
 - Levator Dehiscence
Due to age, trauma, CE, injection
- Neurogenic
 - Horner's, Third Nerve
- Myogenic
 - Myasthenia, CPEO
- Mechanical
 - Tumor, Chalazion,
• Brow Ptosis
- Inflammatory
 - Uveitis, Keratitis, Conjunctivitis, Cellulitis, Dacryoadenitis

Levator Aponeurosis Dehiscence

- Usually age related
- Trauma, previous ocular surgery (e.g. Cataract, Phaco) or injections (e.g. sub-Tenon's steroid)
- Often worse on downgaze
"have to lift eyelid up to read"
- Good Levator function
- Eyelid crease maybe high, or less evident



Aponeurotic

- Age, Senile, Involitional
Levator dehiscence or disinsertion
- Traumatic
- Chronic Inflammation
Herpes Zoster, Orbital Pseudotumor, Uveitis
- Chronic Lid Edema
Graves Ophthalmopathy, Allergic, Blepharochalasis
- Post operative
Ophthalmic Surgery, cataract extraction, Sub-Tenon's injection



Aponeurosis
Stretching
Dehiscence

Neurological

- Third Nerve Palsy/Paresis
- Horner's Syndrome
- Migraine
- Cerebrovascular Accident
- (rare)
- Brainstem
- Unilateral or Bilateral Hemispheric or Frontal Lobe Lesions (Apraxia of Lid Opening)




Horner's



III rd CNP

Myogenic

- Myasthenia Gravis, Ocular Myasthenia
- Mitochondrial Myopathies
- CPEO; Kearns-Sayre syndrome
- Muscular Dystrophies:
 - Oculopharyngeal MD*
 - Myotonic Dystrophy**




MG

Ptosis

can be a sign of orbital disease




MRI of Brain?



NOTE:
Eyebrows are elevated

Mechanical

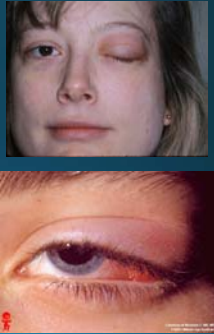
- Eyelid Tumor
- Orbital Tumor
- Scarring interfering with upper lid mobility
- Brow Ptosis
 - Seventh CNP
 - Trauma, Surgery, Age



Inflammatory

- Conjunctivitis
- Cellulitis
- Keratitis
- Uveitis
- Orbital Inflammatory process

Will resolve or get aponeurotic ptosis



Evaluation of Patients with Upper Lid Drooping

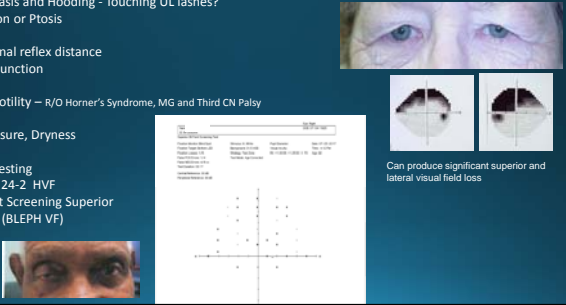
Dermatochalasis and Hooding - Touching UL lashes?
Brow Elevation or Ptosis

MRD – marginal reflex distance
LF - Levator Function

Pupils and Motility – R/O Horner's Syndrome, MG and Third CN Palsy

Corneal Exposure, Dryness

Visual Field Testing
30-2 or 24-2 HVF
36 Point Screening Superior
Test (BLEPH VF)



Can produce significant superior and lateral visual field loss

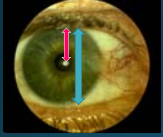
Consider Neurologic and Neuromuscular problems

Check Pupils and Motility!

Condition	Pupils	Eyelids (ptosis)	Motility Deficit
Myasthenia Gravis	-	+/-	+/-
3 rd Cranial Nerve Palsy	+/-	+	+
Horner's Syndrome	+	+	-

Evaluation

MRD is the distance from the upper lid margin to the corneal light reflex.



Vertical Fissure Height

Visually significant Ptosis usually with MRD of 2mm or less – depending on pupil size



Measuring Levator Function

Upgaze

Downgaze



LF = total excursion of upper lid from maximal elevation to maximal depression.

(Best to hold brow while making measurement to eliminate its contribution)

Levator Function

	Good	Fair	Poor
Range	> 10 mm	6 – 10 mm	<= 5 mm
More Typical of:	Levator Dehiscence	Neurologic and Myogenic	Levator Maldevelopment

Taking eyebrows, dermatochalasis, MRD, LF and Corneal status in account


Surgical Options for Drooping Eyelids

1. Blepharoplasty
2. Brow Lifting
3. Levator Advancement
4. Levator Resection
5. Sling Procedures
6. Posterior Resection Procedures

← One or more of these procedures

Entropion

Ectropion



Usually signs of lid laxity and age related changes-
But need to think about *Cicatricial processes* –
and sometimes even *orbital disease* – e.g. Orbital tumor or Graves Ophthalmopathy

Entropion

Ectropion


- Senile – laxity, enophthalmos, disinsertion/laxity of LL retractors, orbicular override/ spasm
- Senile – Laxity, laxity of lateral canthal tendon
- Cicatricial – posterior lamella, shortened fornix
- Cicatricial – anterior lamellar scarring
- Orbital Disease – Graves Ophthalmopathy
- Orbital Tumors

Ectropion of Lower Eyelid

- Involutional – lid laxity*
- Cicatricial
- *Combination of two above*
- Paralytic – 7th nerve
- Mechanical
- Congenital



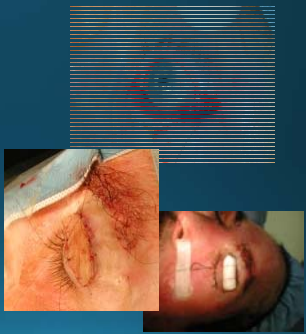
Medial Ectropion (Eversion of Punctum)



Ectropion repair

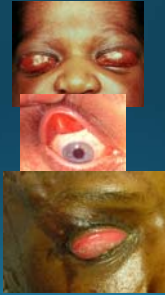
Depending on Mechanisms

- Lid Tightening
- Skin Grafting
- Plication of Lid Retractors



Upper Lid Ectropion?

- Congenital Ectropion
- Floppy Eyelid Syndrome
- Skin Retraction
(result of chemical burn)



Floppy Eyelid Syndrome

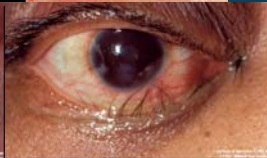
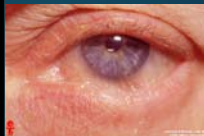
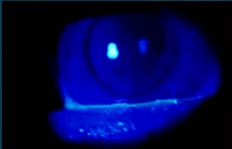


Floppy Eyelid Syndrome with h/o eyelid manipulation and corneal exposure problems



Procedure: UL Lid tightening :

Entropion and Trichiasis



Management of Trichiasis

- *Need to first find the cause*
(e.g. entropion, shortened fornix, distichiasis, lash misdirection)
- Epilation
- Lash Destruction
Electrolysis, Cryo-probe, Follicle Excision and Goutery
- Wedge Resection
- Repair of Entropion

Lower Lid Entropion

- Involuntional
- Cicatricial
- Congenital



Epiblepharon



Ocular Cicatricial Pemphigoid (OCP)

Involuntional / Spastic Entropion

Horizontal Lid Laxity
Lower Lid Retractor Dehiscence Laxity
Orbicularis Override and Spasm



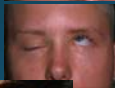
Upper Lid Entropion and Trichiasis

- Mechanical – excessive Dermatochalasis
- Cicatricial –
 - Trauma, Burns
 - HZO
 - Chronic Blepharo-conjunctivitis
 - e.g. Acne Rosacea
 - Trachoma
 - Stevens-Johnson Syndrome, SLE
 - (Most cases due to secondary scarring and contracture of posterior lamella)



Lagophthalmos

- Eyelid Retraction
- Seventh Nerve Palsy
- Graves Disease



Post- op UL and LL Blepharoplasty

Lagophthalmos

(poor, incomplete eyelid closure)

- Paralytic
 - Seventh Nerve Palsy
- Mechanical
 - Graves Ophthalmopathy
- Cicatricial
 - Trauma
 - Burns
 - Surgery
 - Blepharoplasty
 - Tumor resection



Seventh Nerve Palsy



- Lagophthalmos
- Exposure Keratopathy
- Tear Pump Dysfunction
- Brow Ptosis
- Lower Lid Ectropion

Lid Lag on Downgaze ≠ Lagophthalmos



- Graves Ophthalmopathy
- Congenital Ptosis
- Scarring – post-op
- NOT USUALLY NEUROLOGIC –
Exceptions:
PSPN, Parkinson's,
Aberrant IIIrd Nerve regeneration

Treatment Options for Cicatricial Lagophthalmos with Exposure Keratopathy

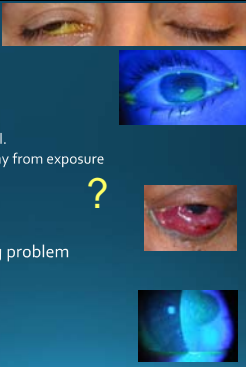
- Lubrication
- Goggles
- Punctal Occlusion
- Tarsorrhaphy

- LATER
- Lid Tightening
- Skin Grafting and Reconstruction

Exposure and Epithelial Surface Problems

- What do you do when you have:
 1. A corneal epithelial defect that won't heal.
 2. A cornea with chronic PEK / Epitheliopathy from exposure or problems with the tear film
 3. Chronic Chemosis

1st – attempt to address the underlying problem



Exposure Related


- Eyelid Malpositions: Entropion/Trichiasis, Ectropion, Lid retraction, FES
- Lagophthalmos
- Cicatricial
- Neuro-paralytic (7th CNP, worsen when also 5th CNP)
- Orbital Disease (TED, Tumors, etc.) – Proptosis, Lagophthalmos, Chronic Chemosis

Tear Film Related

- Loss of Conjunctival Function from Inflammation, Tumor, Trauma, etc.
- goblet cells, lacrimal glands – Trauma, Inflammatory diseases (SJS, etc.)
- Loss of Meibomian function – blepharitis, inflammatory, etc.

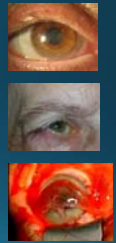
Other

- Keratitis: Herpetic, active and non-responsive Bacterial/ Fungal ulcers to Rx, systemic inflammatory, vernal, neurotrophic
- Recurrent Erosion Syndrome – corneal dystrophies, trauma, diabetes, LSCD
- Topical Medications
- PBK
- Poor / Inadequate blinking for patient with severe head trauma / ICU



Options –Medical and Surgical

1. Lubrication – artificial tears , ointments
2. Lacrimal drainage occlusion - punctal plugs
3. Bandage Contact Lens, Scleral CTLs
4. Repair of any Eyelid Malpositions
5. Repair of Fornices - grafting
6. Tarsorrhaphy
7. Gunderson Flap
8. Limbal Epithelial Cell Transplantation??

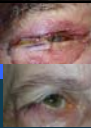


Indications

To protect the cornea in the case of:

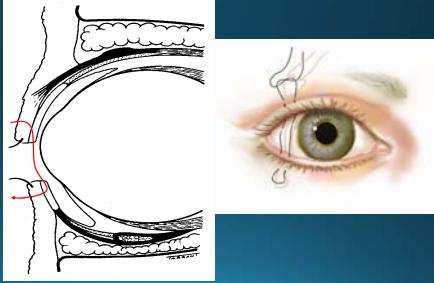
- inadequate eyelid closure, for example due to facial nerve palsy or cicatricial (scarring) damage to the eyelids caused by a chemical or burns injury
- an anesthetic (neuropathic) cornea that is at risk of damage and infection
- marked protrusion of the eye (proptosis) causing a risk of corneal exposure
- poor or infrequent blinking, e.g. patients in intensive care or with severe brain injuries.
- To promote healing of the cornea in patients with:
 - an infected corneal ulcer, which is taking a long time to heal
 - non-healing epithelial abrasions.
- Other indications include:
 - To prevent conjunctival swelling (Chemosis) and exposure after ocular surgery
 - To retain a conformer or other device, for example in children with Anophthalmos or adults after evisceration or enucleation.

Tarsorrhaphy
Temporary
Permanent


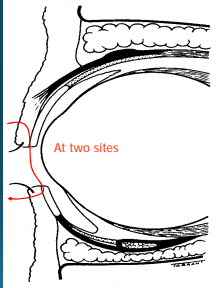


Temporary Tarsorrhaphy

- One interrupted stitch- no bolster – very temporary
- Horizontal – spreads out the force
- mattress-like – with bolsters – 1-2 weeks



“Horizontal Mattress” with Bolsters

At two sites

Suture – 5-0 Silk

Permanent Tarsorrhaphy

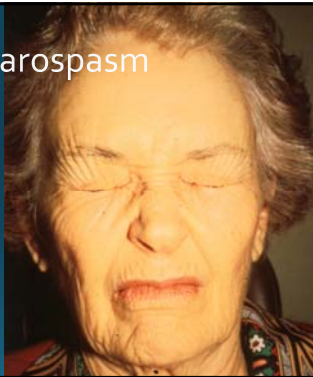


Goal –
adhesion between upper and
lower tarsal plates, not just skin.

Reversible



Blepharospasm



Blepharospasm – primary or secondary?

- Medications: antihistamines, dopamine stimulators, nasal decongestants
- 5th cranial nerve irritation- Ocular or meningeal
Ocular – Blepharitis, Dry eye, keratitis, uveitis, scleritis, etc.*
- Benign orbicularis myokymia
- Facial Myokymia – Pontine disease, MS**
- Other CNS- Parkinsons, PSP, Tardive Dyskinesia, Tourette's
- Other – Myotonic dystrophy, Excessive Blinking***
- Hemifacial Spasm (7th)
- Benign Essential Blepharospasm (BEB)



Treatment of Blepharospasm

- TREAT UNDERLYING CONDITION!!!*
- Systemic Medications of Little Value
Clonazepam
- Alleviating Maneuvers** (JAMA Oph 2016;134:1247-1254)
- Botulinum injections
- Surgery
Blepharoplasty
Orbicularis myectomy
Neuro-surgical decompression of VII

Botulinum Toxin

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Seven Serotypes A-G
Only two Serotypes
currently Used A and B

- Type A XEOMIN® - *incobotulinum* toxin A
- Type A BOTOX® - *onabotulinum*toxin A
- Type A DYSPORT® - *abobotulinum*toxin A
- Type B MYOBLOC® - *rimabotulinum*toxin B



Differential Diagnosis Lists Eyelid Signs

- Blepharospasm
- Ptosis
- Eyelash Problems
- Entropion and Trichiasis
- Ectropion
- Eyelid Retraction
- Lagophthalmos
- Seventh Nerve Palsy

Inflammatory Appearance (red, warm, etc.) Eyelid Edema


First Consider Underlying Orbital Disease
 Orbital Cellulitis, Pseudotumor, Wegener's
 Graves Ophthalmopathy, Orbital Varix
Orbital Tumors that can mimic inflammatory process: Lacrimal Gland CA, Lymphoma, Lymphangioma, etc.
 Lacrimal Gland – Dacryoadenitis or tumor
 Sinus Mucocele

Preseptal Cellulitis
 – also think of early HSV, HZO, or erysipelas (rapid strep),
 Periosteal necrotizing fasciitis (β-hemolytic strep, staph A, pseudomonas)

Dacryocystitis / Dacryocystocele
 Blepharitis
 Contact Dermatitis – e.g. Neomycin, Gentamicin contact sensitivity
 Urticaria / Angioedema
 Conjunctivitis with contiguous lid edema
 Insect Bite
 Lid Tumors: Hordeolum / Chalazion, CA, Cutaneous Lymphoma
 Møllerson-Rosenthal Syndrome – (Granulomatous Inflammation)

Without Inflammatory Appearance, consider above but also...
 Allergic Eyelid Edema
 Hormonal Shifts
 Systemic Disorder – Cardiac, Renal, Hepatic, Thyroid with edema
 Graves Ophthalmopathy – can just have lid edema w/o inflammatory appearance
 Lymphedema after trauma, surgery to lids or orbit (e.g. lymphatics in lateral canthus)
 Traumatic Leak of CSF into upper eyelid (JAMA Oph 2014;312:1485)
 Blepharochalasis

Not True Edema, but might mimic it:
 Dermatochalasis, Hidden Eyelid or Sub-Conjunctival Mass, Prolapsed Orbital Fat



• Cystic Like / Fluid Filled Eyelid Mass / Lesions

Hydrocystoma /Sudoriferous Cysts – clear fluid
 Sebaceous Cyst, Epithelial Inclusion Cyst – both usually have white/yellow appearance
 Blister, Bulla, Vesicle (e.g. HSV), Pustule

• **Pedunculated**
 Papilloma, Skin Tag, Cutaneous Horn

• **Darker / Pigmented**
 Nevus
 Melanoma – often irregular pigmentation and borders
 Seborrheic Keratosis (SK) – sessile, stuck on appearance
 Xanthelasma – yellowish – often medial canthal skin
 Kaposi's Sarcoma
 Some Cysts will have dark appearance clinically:
 e.g. apocrine cyst, some inclusions cysts


• **Nodular – Commonly at Lid Margin**
 Intradermal Nevus
 BCCA
 Hair Follicle Tumor

Recall signs of Malignancies
 1) lash loss
 2) ulceration, bleeding
 3) telangiectasis
 4) irregular pigmentation
 5) distortion or destruction of eyelid anatomy

Vascular
 Hemangioma
 Cherry Angioma – Bright red
 Varix
 Other: Kaposi's Sarcoma, Pyogenic Granuloma

Crater / Ulcerated
 Carcinomas (BCCA, SCCA, etc)
 Keratoacanthoma
 Molluscum Contagiosum

Don't Forget Chalazion, Hordeolum and their Mimics (e.g. Sebaceous Cell CA)




Primary-Benign Essential Blepharospasm (BEB) Blepharospasm

Associations: Apraxia of eyelid opening, Meige's Syndrome and other cranial/cervical dystonias
 Extrapyramidal disorders (Parkinson, Huntington, and basal ganglia infarction)

Secondary Blepharospasm
 Medications: anticholinergics, dopaminergics, nasal decongestants
 External Disease, Foreign Body, Keratitis
 Consider any cause of **Photophobia (see list)**
 5th CN irritation – Ocular (Uveitis, etc.) or Meningeal (meningitis, parasellar tumor), Trigeminal Neuralgia
 Paraneoplastic Syndrome – e.g. Anti-Hu / small Cell CA

Myotonic Dystrophy
Aberrant Facial Nerve Regeneration – after peripheral facial nerve palsy
Hemi-Facial Spasm – Low, but possible risk if CPA tumor or aneurysm
Orbicularis Myokymia – Usually only an upper or lower lid, as opposed to true Blepharospasm
Facial Myokymia – pontine glioma, MS, Neurodegenerative diseases: e.g. ALS, Huntington's Chorea
Tardive Dyskinesia – Multiple Meds can cause—not just neuroleptics (INO 1998; 18:153)
Eyelid Nystagmus
Tourette's Syndrome
Excessive Blinking**

Any Question? Remember: There Are a Problem of Opening Eyelids
 - Apraxia of Eyelid Opening
 - Associated with BEB, PSP/P, Parkinson's, Huntington's,
 - CNS Lesion - Frontal and Parietal Lobe, Basal Ganglia, Thalamus
 - Dry Eye / Blepharitis / RES - Lids stuck to each other or cornea
 - Ptosis



Levator (Dehiscence)
- Aging, Trauma, Post-op (e.g. CE), Post-Inflammation, CTL wear

Ptosis

Congenital, Hereditary

- **Levator Mal-development**, Marcus Gunn Jaw Winking, Blepharophimosis (BPES)
- Congenital Cranial Dysinnervation Syndromes (e.g. Congenital Fibrosis)

Neurological

- 3rd Nerve Palsy, Horner Syndrome
- Hemispheric Stroke (unilateral or bilateral – associated with hemiparesis)*
- Migraine – Isolated Ptosis? “sees with Memicrania Continua” – can have associated isolated ptosis
- Immune Mediated Polyneuropathies – e.g. Guillain – Barre Syndrome

Orbital Disease

- Inflammatory: Cellulitis, Pseudotumor, Graves
- Tumor: Lymphoma, etc.

Myogenic

- **Myasthenia Gravis**
- Lambert-Eaton Myasthenic Syndrome
- CPEO
- Muscular Dystrophies
e.g. Oculopharyngeal MD, Myotonic MD

Mechanical

- Eyelid Tumor (e.g. NF), Chalazion
- Excessive Dermatochalasis and/or Brow Ptosis
- Floppy Eyelid Syndrome (Laxity, Lash Ptosis)

Inflammatory

- Eyelid, Orbit, Uveitis, Conjunctivitis, Keratitis (e.g. SLK)

Other

- Prostaglandin (Topical) Associated Orbitopathy**
- Observed associations with isolated ptosis: elevated BP

Pseudo-Ptosis

- Entropion/ectropion (see list)
- Ptiriasis or small globe or Anophthalmos
- Blepharospasm, Dermatochalasis or Brow Ptosis Mistaken for ptosis
- Hypermetropia, Hypotropia



Madarosis (Loss of Lashes)

- R/O Carcinoma – e.g. BCCA, Sebaceous Cell CA
- Chronic infection – e.g. Herpetic, Staph, Fungal, Mites, Blepharitis
- Endocrine – e.g. Hyper and hypo parathyroid and thyroid, hypopituitism
- Dermatoses – e.g. Dermatitis (atopic, contact), ichthyosis, lichen planus,... (many)
- Trauma – radiation, chemical, Thermal, tattooing, surgery, cryo
- Congenital disorders - multiple
- Drugs and Toxins - e.g. Arsenic, Chemotherapy, Botulinum, ...
- Systemic Conditions – e.g. Parry-Romberg, VKH, Lupus, Sarcoidosis, ...

Hypertrichosis (Excess Lashes = Trichomegaly)

- multiple congenital / genetic causes
- frequent manipulation
- Paraneoplastic syndrome
- malnutrition, anorexia, pregnancy, thyroid problems, lupus, uveitis
- Drugs: prostaglandin analogs (e.g. bimatoprost)

* Comprehensive Listing - Survey of Ophthalmology 2006; 51:550

Eyelashes*

Lower Lid Entropion and Trichiasis

Involuntional (Senile) – can have spastic (orbicularis) component

Acute Spastic Entropion – after trauma or surgery

Cicatricial (see below)

Congenital / Developmental – e.g. Epiblepharon

Distichiasis – abnormal lashes growing from posterior lid margin (meibomian orifices)
could be hereditary or from inflammatory process (see below)

Upper Lid Entropion and Trichiasis

Mechanical – excessive Dermatochalasis

Cicatricial (see below)

Distichiasis

Cicatricial CAUSES (Most cases due to secondary scarring and contraction of posterior lamella)

- Previous Trauma or Surgery at or near eyelid margin
- Chemical Burn
- HZO
- Chronic Blepharo-conjunctivitis – e.g. Acne Rosacea
- Trachoma
- Stevens-Johnson Syndrome, Ocular Cicatricial Pemphigoid


***Sometimes Orbital Disease can present with eyelid malpositions**

Eyelid Malpositions Entropion and Trichiasis



Lower Lid Ectropion

- Senile—with horizontal laxity, check for Medial or Lateral Canthal Tendon laxity
- Cicatricial (below)
- Combination of both above
- Paralytic—7th nerve palsy, MG
- Mechanical—Tumor or Big Fesotoons
- Congenital—Ichthyosis; Euryblepharon—excess horizontal skin



Upper Lid Ectropion

- Cicatricial Processes (below)
- Congenital—e.g. Ichthyosis
- Floppy Eyelid Syndrome—Horizontal Laxity—no true ectropion

Cicatricial Changes (of anterior lamella)

- Trauma to Eyelids and Face
- Burns—Thermal and Chemical
- Sun Damage, Carcinoma
- Previous Eyelid and Adnexal Surgery
- Chronic Inflammation: Rosacea, Atopic Dermatitis, HZO, Infection

Eyelid Malpositions • Ectropion

**Sometimes Orbital Disease can present with eyelid malpositions*

Graves Ophthalmopathy: #1 – unilateral or bilateral

Other Causes of Hyperthyroidism

Other Orbital Inflammatory or Neoplastic Conditions

- Orbital Pseudotumor, FB, Granomatous Inflammation, Neoplasm

Cicatricial Process

- Skin or Posterior Lamellar (Trauma, Burns, Systemic or Local Inflammatory Disorders)

Trauma / Post-Operative

- Entrapped Inferior Rectus
- Vertical Rectus Muscle Recession Surgery
- SP Eyelid or Conjunctival Surgery

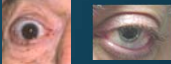
Neurologic

- e.g. dorsal midbrain syndrome (Collier's sign), aberrant regeneration of the 3rd CN
- Metabolic: Thyroid, uremia, uremia, Cushing's syndrome, hypokalemia
- Pharmacologic—sympathomimetics, corticosteroids
- Congenital— persistent or periodic unilateral retraction reported
- Physiologic / Normal Variant— about 2% of population has MRD-5, 3mm

Pseudo-retraction


- Contralateral Ptosis (Herring's Law)
- Proptosis
- Lower Lid Laxity
- Large Myopic Eyes, prominent glaucoma filtering bleb

Eyelid Retraction



**Sometimes Orbital Disease can present with eyelid malpositions*

Lagophthalmos
Inability to Close Eyelids



Neurological

- Seventh Nerve Palsy

Cicatricial (Scarring)

- Trauma
- Burns
- Surgery
- Blepharoplasty, Ptosis Surgery
- Tumor resection


Orbital Condition

- Proptosis: Graves Ophthalmopathy, etc. (see list)
- Orbital Inflammatory or Neoplastic Processes

Myogenic—MG, Muscular Dystrophies, CPEO

- Botulinum Injections

See *Exposure Keratitis*



Don't Confuse with
Lid Lag on Downgaze

- Congenital Ptosis
- Graves Ophthalmopathy
- Aberrant Regeneration after 3rd CNP
- Neurologic and Muscular Disease
 - Supranuclear Palsy
 - Myotonic Dystrophy
- MG?
- Post-op Upper Eyelid Procedures
- Possible Sign of Other Orbital Disease

Seventh Nerve Palsy
Hemifacial Paralysis with Lagophthalmos


- Motor Strip Lesion (Upper Motor Neuron) → Contralateral Lower Face Paralysis
- Peripheral Nerve Palsy – Ipsilateral Upper and Lower Face Paralysis
 - CPA Tumor – e.g. Acoustic Neuroma
 - Other tumors – Parotid, Skull based, temporal bone, external auditory canal
 - Trauma – facial, skull base (temporal bone), birth
 - Lyme Disease – *B. Burgdorferi*
 - HIV infection
 - Central – CVA (e.g. superior cerebellar a. infarct= deafness, Horner's, 7th CNP)
 - Parkinson's

Ramsay-Hunt Syndrome (Herpes Zoster Oticus)
Mastoiditis / Otitis – 6th and 7th CNP possible
External Auditory Canal and Middle Ear – surgery, tumor
Other - Neuro-Sarcoidosis, Leprosy, Pregnancy (3rd Trimester), MS
Vasculitis, DM, Uremia

and **Bell's Palsy** (Idiopathic 7th CNP)

A 7th Nerve Palsy is not necessarily a Bell's Palsy!

Most Common 7th Nerve Palsy, but better to put Bell's Palsy down at bottom the list – to make you think of other things first



Does He who formed the eye, not see?
Psalm 94:9

