

Medical and Surgical Eyelid Problems

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Behold, children are
a **heritage** from the LORD
Psalm 127:3



Outline

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

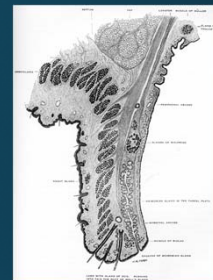
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Eyelid Anatomy

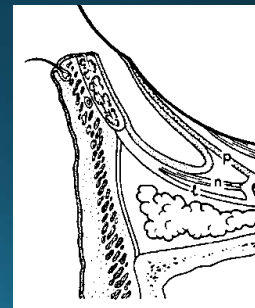
- Lid Crease
- Fornices
- Fissures
- Tarsus
- 2 lamellae – anterior (skin and orbicularis)
posterior (tarsus and conjunctiva)
- Muscles – Retractors and Protractors
- Tendons – Lateral and Medial Canthal



Upper
Lid

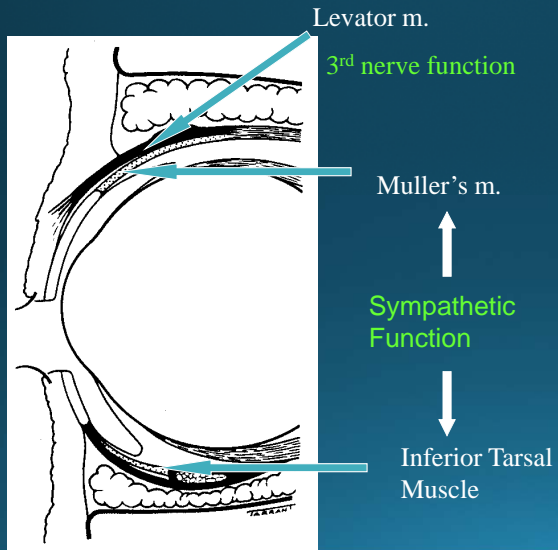


Lower
Lid

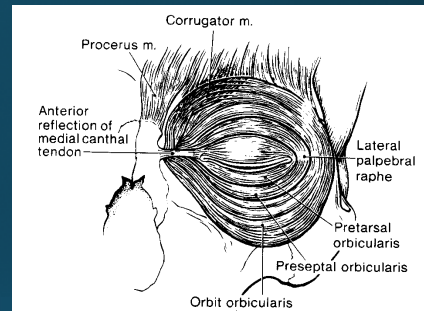


Eyelid Muscles

Retractors:



Protractors



Cranial Nerve VII function

Things to Note

Lid Apposition to Globe

Position of Lid Margins

Upper 1-2 mm below limbus
Lower at lower limbus

MRD = 3-5 mm

Canthal Insertions

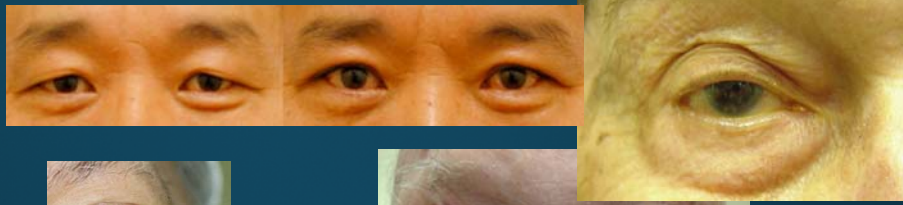
Brow Positions



Changes with aging

Dermatochalasis

Lateral Hooding , Festoons



Bulging UL (nasal)
and LL fat pads



LL laxity with ectropion

Ptosis (Brow Elevation)
or Brow Ptosis



Dermatochalasis

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



Ptosis

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



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.)

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, **Glaucoma Drops**

Urticaria / Angioedema

Conjunctivitis with contiguous lid edema

Insect Bite

Lid Tumors: Hordeolum / Chalazion, CA, **Cutaneous Lymphoma**

Melkersson-Rosenthal Syndrome – (Granulomatous inflammation)

Eyelid Edema



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

Case of Chronic Eyelid Swelling/Erythema



Orbital Pseudotumor

Orbital Signs

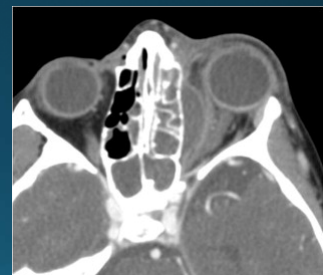
When eyelid edema might be the tip of iceberg



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



Pre-Septal Cellulitis



Good Vision
Good Motility
No Chemosis
PERRL w/o RAPD



Lacrimal Dacryoceale



Dacryocystitis



Some more relatively benign conditions



Conjunctivitis



Hordeola



Contact
Dermatitis



Allergic



Molluscum

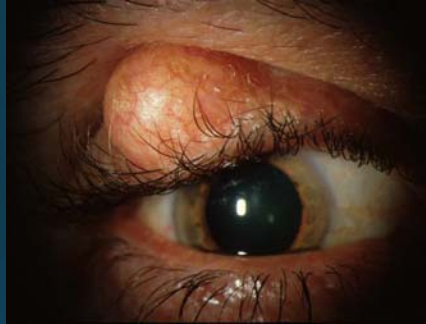
"Styes"

Hordeolum, Chalazia and Pyogenic Granuloma



- Often in association with Blepharitis and Obstruction of Sebaceous glands
- **Hordeolum** – Acute / infectious (e.g. staph.) → local cellulitis
- **Chalazion** – Chronic / → Lipo-granulomatous 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

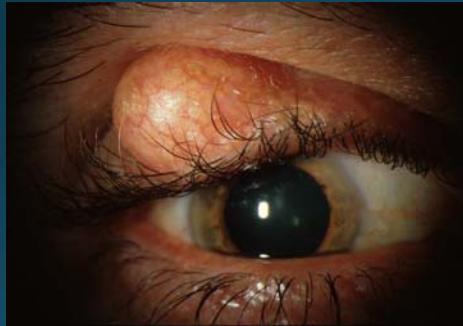
Some confusion with Hordeolum



*Incision and
Drainage* indicated
if it does not resolve
on medical therapy

Chalazia

External



Internal



Chalazia



Right at lid margin



Sometimes mainly internal



Pyogenic Granuloma (Lobular Capillary Hemangioma)

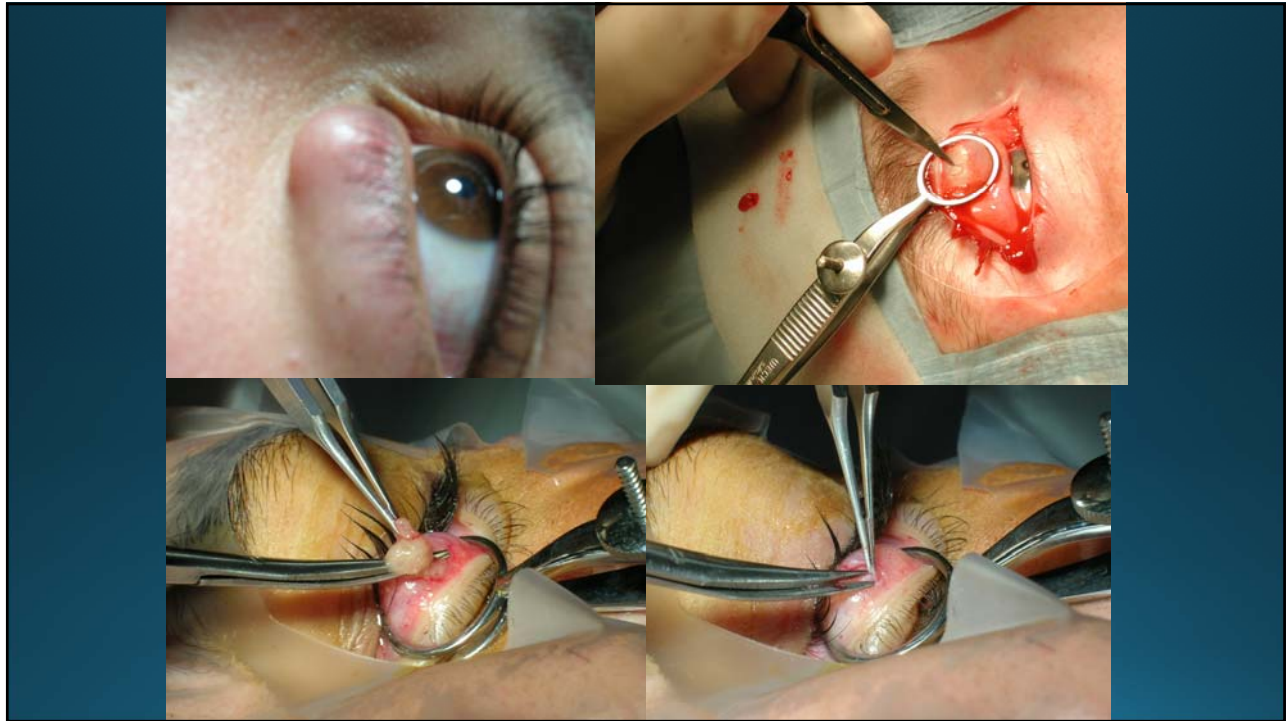


Reactive Hemangioma, with granulation tissue, proliferating capillaries
Response to trauma, irritation, surgery, suture, underlying Chalazion

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:
Erycin 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 2005; 112:913)
Consider before excision in some cases
- Excision – (*not usually I/D - Incision and Drainage*)



- **Cystic Like / Fluid Filled**

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) telangiectasias
- 4) irregular pigmentation
- 5) distortion or destruction of eyelid anatomy

Eyelid Mass / Lesions



Vascular

Hemangioma

Cherry Angioma – Bright red

Varix

Other: Kaposi's Sarcoma, Pyogenic Granuloma

Crater / Ulcerated

Carcinomas (BCCA, SCCA, etc)

Keratoacanthoma

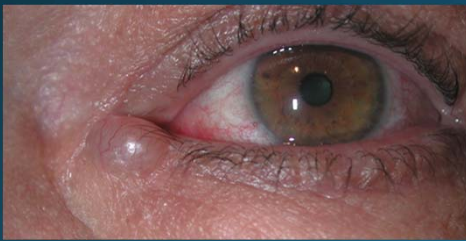
Moluscum Contagiosum

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

Lid Tumors



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
- Xanthalesma
- Cutaneous Horn

**** Usually:**

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

Papilloma

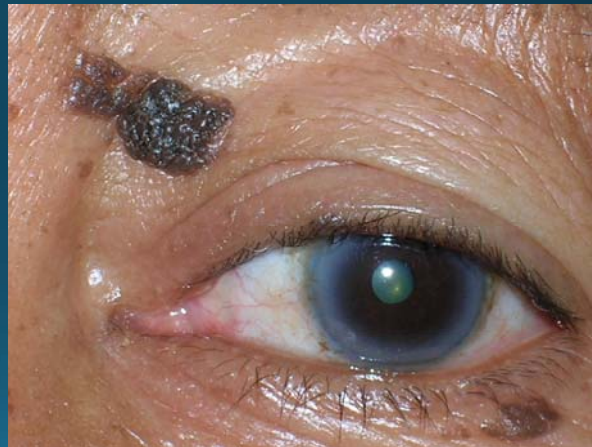


Can be pigmented, can mistake them for nevi or worse

Seborrheic Keratosis (SK)



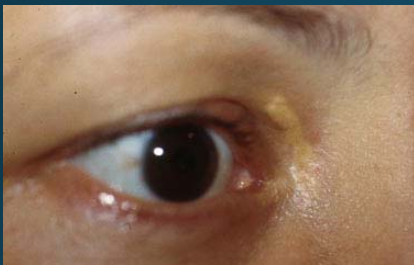
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Cutaneous Horn



Xanthelasma



What is it?



Capillary
Hemangioma



Adult with small
hemangioma

Cysts

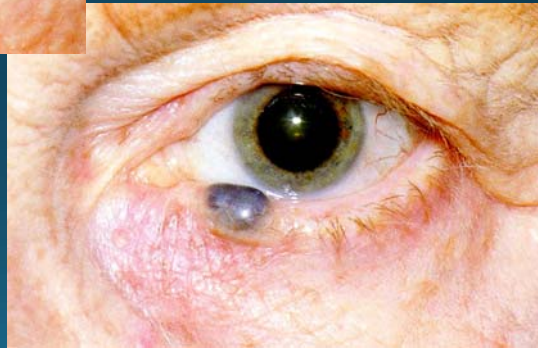
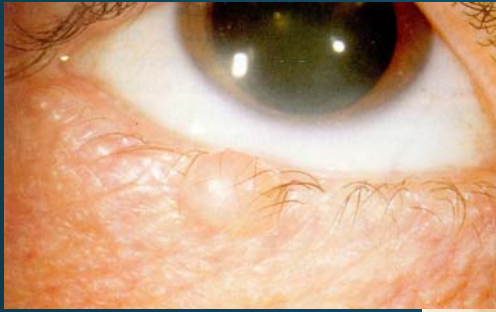


Sebaceous Cyst or



Epidermal inclusion cyst

Hidrocystoma



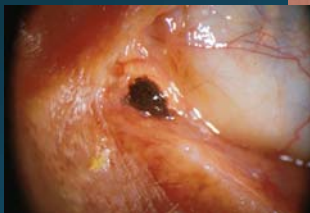
Some can have bluish / blackish color

(**Apocrine** hidrocystoma)



Nevi

can be pigmented or non-pigmented

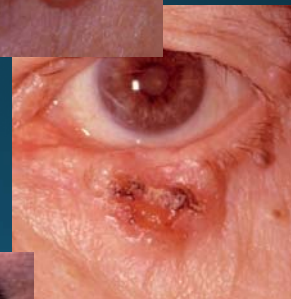


- Congenital or Acquired
- *Acquired often between 5-10 years old*
- *Can be biopsied if changes noted*

Eyelid Malignancies

Signs of possible malignancy (*External*)

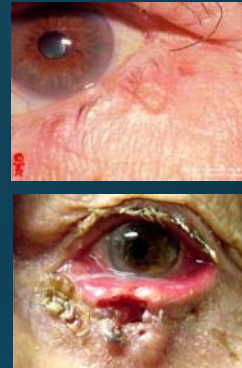
- Loss of lashes - *Madarosis*
- Ulceration
- Bleeding
- Telangiectatic Vessels
- Chronic Inflammatory signs
- Distortion on Anatomy
- Pigmentary Changes



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

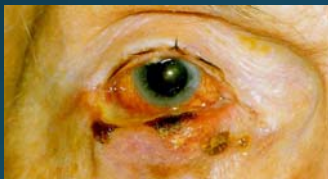


Squamous Cell Carcinoma



More biologically aggressive

Can arise from areas of solar damage or actinic keratosis



Potential for metastasis

Check Lymph nodes



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 - Dermatology



Pigmented lid lesions Differential Diagnosis



Nevus



Papilloma



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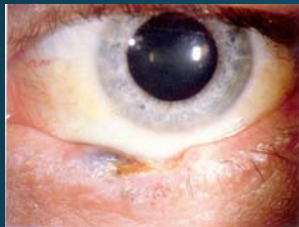


Yikes! (MM)



SK

Malignant Melanoma



Melanoma - Summary

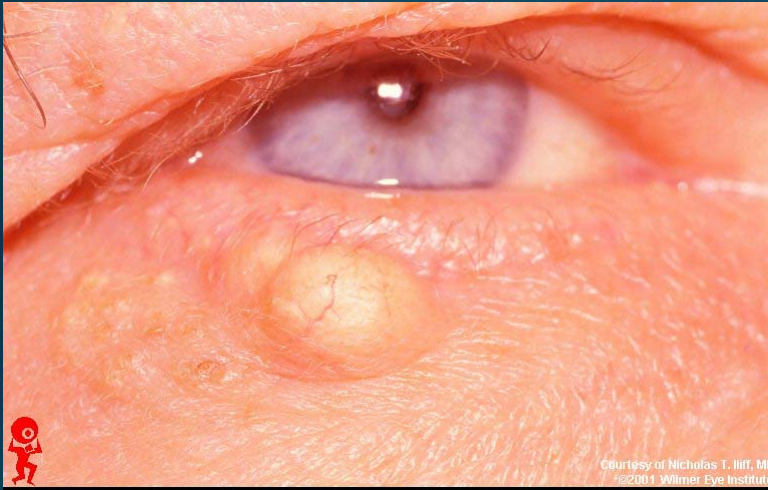
- *Recruit the help of a dermatologist**
- Realize and inform your patients that more than one procedure may be necessary.
- Incisional biopsy OK
- Don't be hesitant to "refer" **

*** remember a good doctor knows his limitations*

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

What do you suspect? What would you do?





Epithelial Inclusion Cyst

What would you do?

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:

e.g.

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. Other 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 – not common

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



"Droopy Eyes" - 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 \neq Ptosis Repair**

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

Blepharoptosis

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



“Ptosis Evaluation”

- Do they have real eyelid ptosis (Blepharoptosis)?
- 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 (Levator or Muller’s muscle)
 - blepharoplasty
 - brow lifting

Levator (Dehiscence)

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

**Ptosis**Congenital, Hereditary

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

Neurological

- 3rd Nerve Palsy, Horner Syndrome

Orbital Disease

- Cellulitis, Pseudotumor, Graves or Tumor

Mechanical

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

Inflammatory

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

Pseudo-Ptosis

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

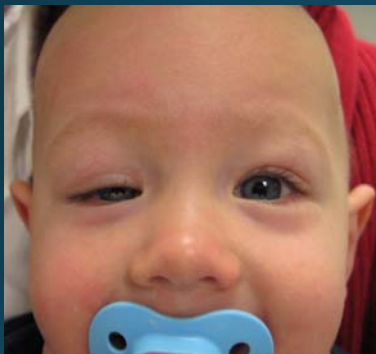
Myogenic

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



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 (> 10 mm)
- Eyelid crease maybe high, or less evident



Aponeurotic

- Age, Senile, Involutional
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



3rd CNP

Myogenic

- Myasthenia Gravis, Ocular Myasthenia
- Mitochondrial Myopathies
- CPEO¹; Kearns-Sayre syndrome
- Muscular Dystrophies:
Oculopharyngeal MD*
Myotonic Dystrophy**



¹ – Chronic Progressive External Ophthalmoplegia

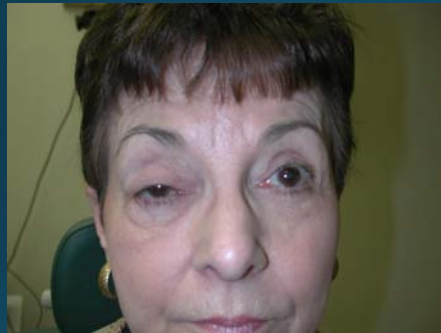
Consider Neurologic and Neuromuscular problems

**With Ptosis –
also Check Pupils and Motility!**

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

Ptosis

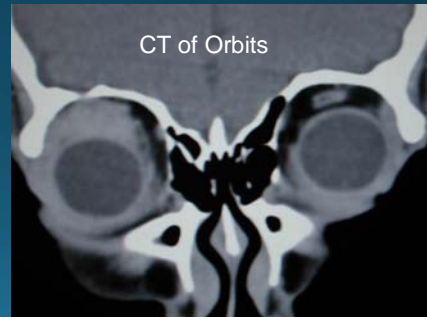
can be a sign of orbital disease



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

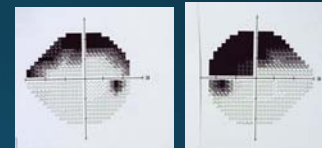
MRD – marginal reflex distance
LF - Levator Function

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

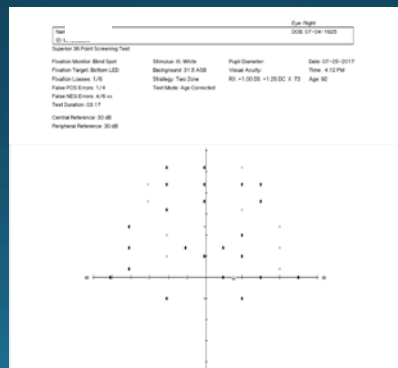
Corneal Exposure, Dryness

Visual Field Testing

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

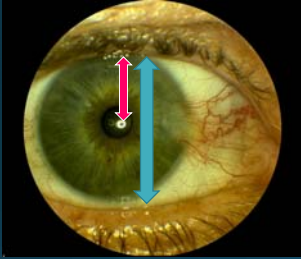


Can produce significant superior and lateral visual field loss



Evaluation

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



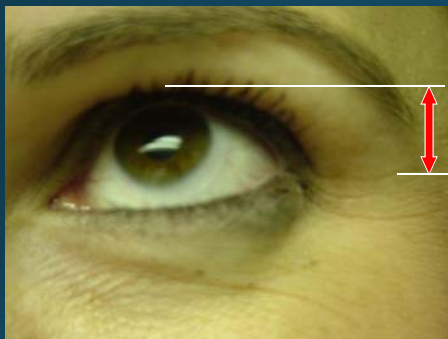
Vertical Fissure Height

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 it's 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

- **Senile** – laxity, enophthalmos, disinsertion/laxity of LL retractors, orbicular override/ spasm
- **Cicatricial** – posterior lamella, shortened fornix
- **Orbital Disease** – Graves Ophthalmopathy

Ectropion

- **Senile** – Laxity, laxity of lateral canthal tendon
- **Cicatricial** – anterior lamellar scarring
- **7th CNP**
- **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)



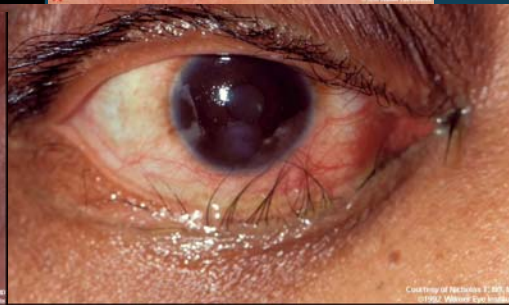
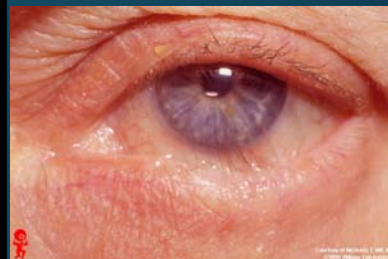
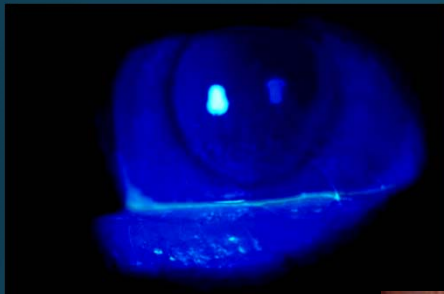
Floppy Eyelid Syndrome



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

Procedure: UL Lid tightening :

Entropion and Trichiasis

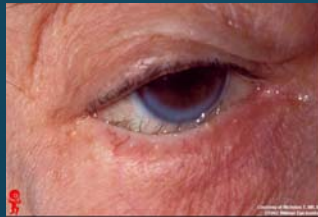


Management of Trichiasis

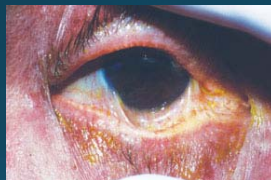
- *Need to first find the cause*
(e.g. entropion, shortened fornix, distichiasis, lash misdirection)
- Epilation
- Lash Destruction
Electrolysis, Cryo-probe, Follicle Excision and Cautery
- Wedge Resection
- Repair of Entropion

Lower Lid Entropion

- Involutional



- Cicatricial



Ocular Cicatricial
Pemphigoid
(OCP)

- Congenital

Epiblepharon



Involutional / 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

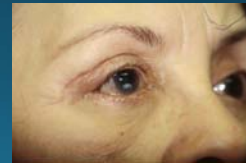
- Eyelid Retraction



- 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



Seventh Nerve Palsy



Causes

Infection: HIV, HZV, Lyme

Tumor – Brainstem, Parotid Gland area, ...

Traumatic

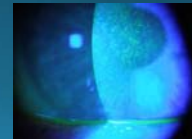
Idiopathic = Bell's Palsy

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

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1st – attempt to address the underlying problem



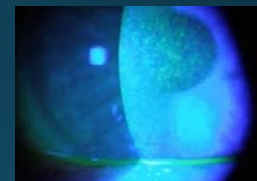
Exposure Related

- 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.

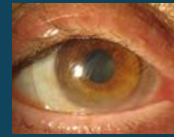


Other

- 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. Tarsorrhaphy
5. Repair of any Eyelid Malpositions
6. Repair of Fornices - grafting
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.

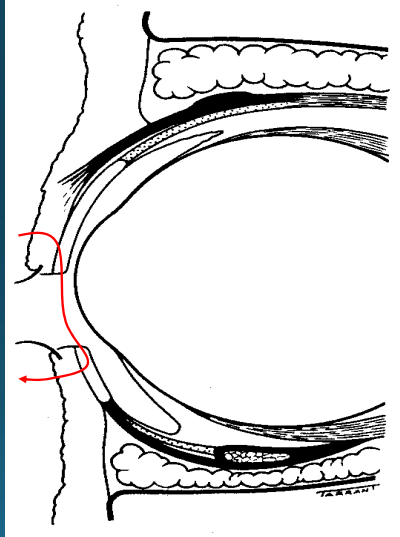
Tarsorrhaphy

Temporary
Permanent



Temporary Tarsorrhaphy

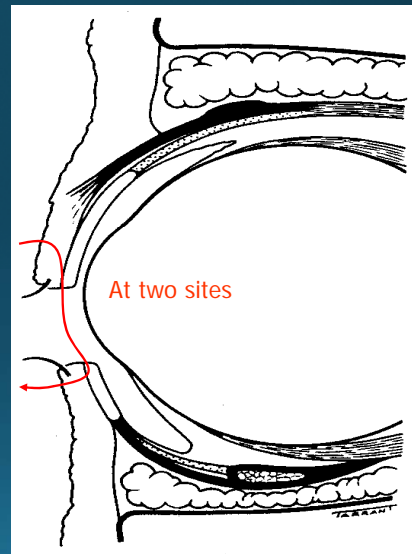
- One interrupted stitch- no bolster – very temporary
- Horizontal – spreads out the force
- mattress-like – with bolsters – 1-2 weeks



"Horizontal Mattress" with Bolsters



Suture – 5-0 Silk

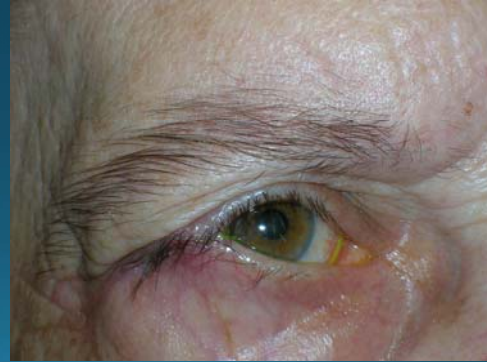


Permanent Tarsorrhaphy



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® - **inco**botulinum toxin A

Type A BOTOX® - **ona**botulinumtoxin A

Type A DYSPORT® - **abo**botulinumtoxin A

Type B MYOBLOC® - **rima**botulinumtoxin 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),

Periorbital necrotizing fasciitis (β-hemolytic strep, staph A., pseudomonas)

Dacryocystitis / Dacryocystocele

Blepharitis

Contact Dermatitis – e.g. Neomycin, Gentamicin, Chronic Glaucoma Drops

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

• **Cystic Like / Fluid Filled**

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

Eyelid Mass / Lesions

Recall signs of Malignancies

- 1) lash loss
- 2) ulceration, bleeding
- 3) telangiectasias
- 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

Moluscum Contagiosum

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

Primary- Benign Essential Blepharospasm (BEB)

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

Blepharospasm



Secondary Blepharospasm

Medications: antihistamines, 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

May Need to Differentiate from Just a Problem of Opening Eyelid(s)

- Apraxia of Eyelid Opening
- Associated with BEB, PSNP, Parkinson's, Huntington's, CNS Lesion - Frontal (and Parietal?) Lobe, Brainstem, Thalamus
- Dry Eye / Blepharitis / RES - Lids stuck to each other or cornea
- Ptosis

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 (JNO 1998; 18:153)

Eyelid Nystagmus

Torrette's Syndrome

Excessive Blinking**

Levator (Dehiscence)

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

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? “seen with Hemicrania 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



Ptosis

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

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



Eyelashes*

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-Rhombert, 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

Eyelid Malpositions
Entropion and TrichiasisLower Lid Entropion and Trichiasis

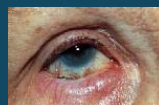
Involucional (Senile) — can have spastic (orbicularis) component

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 contracture 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*

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 Fistoons
- Congenital – Ichthyosis; Euryblepharon – excess horizontal skin

Eyelid Malpositions - Ectropion



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

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

Graves Ophthalmopathy- #1 – unilateral or bilateral

Eyelid Retraction

- Other Causes of Hyperthyroidism
- Other Orbital Inflammatory or Neoplastic Conditions
 - Orbital Pseudotumor, FB, Granulomatous 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*
- S/P Eyelid or Conjunctival Surgery*

Neurologic

- e.g. Dorsal midbrain syndrome (Collier's sign) , aberrant regeneration of the 3rd CN

Metabolic (thyroid, cirrhosis, uremia, Cushing's syndrome, hypokalemia)

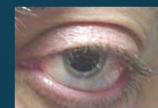
Pharmacologic – sympathomimetics, corticosteroids

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 Eye, prominent glaucoma filtering bleb



***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

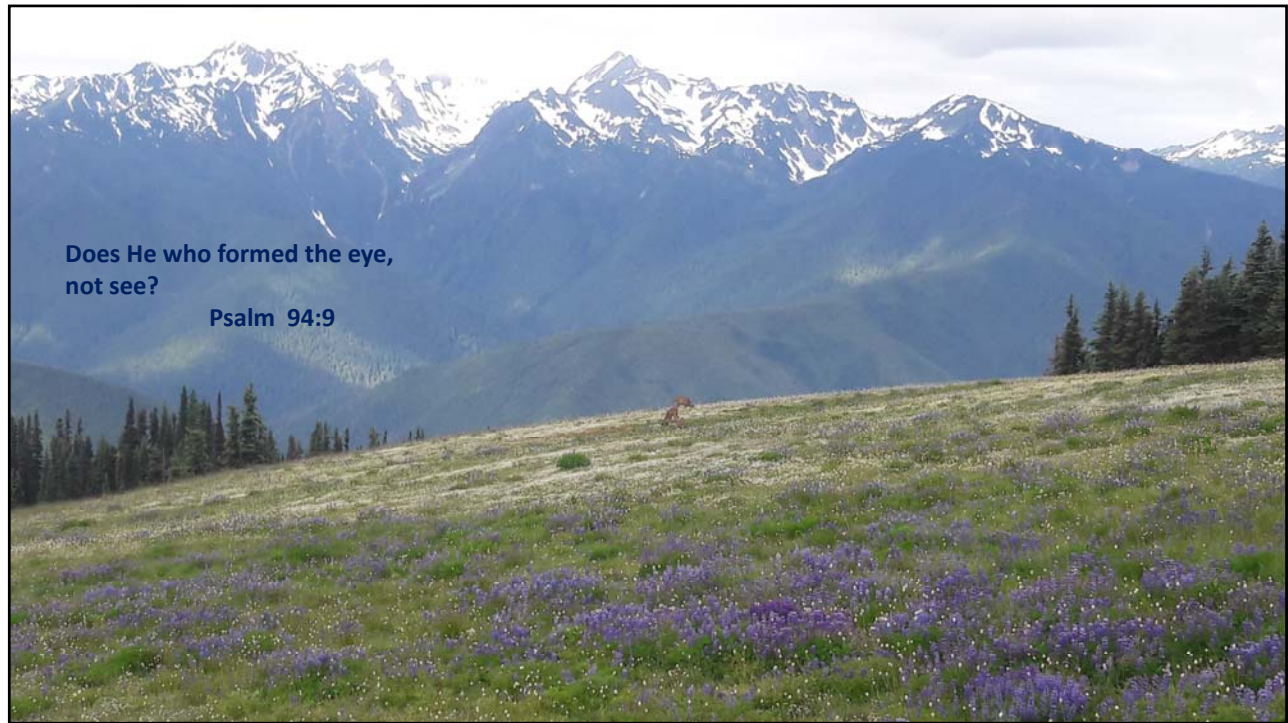
Vasculitis, DM, Uremia



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

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

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