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# Q

## *Choroidal Nevus vs Melanoma*



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# A

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*Color?*

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## *Choroidal Nevus vs Melanoma*



Choroidal nevus: Typical color



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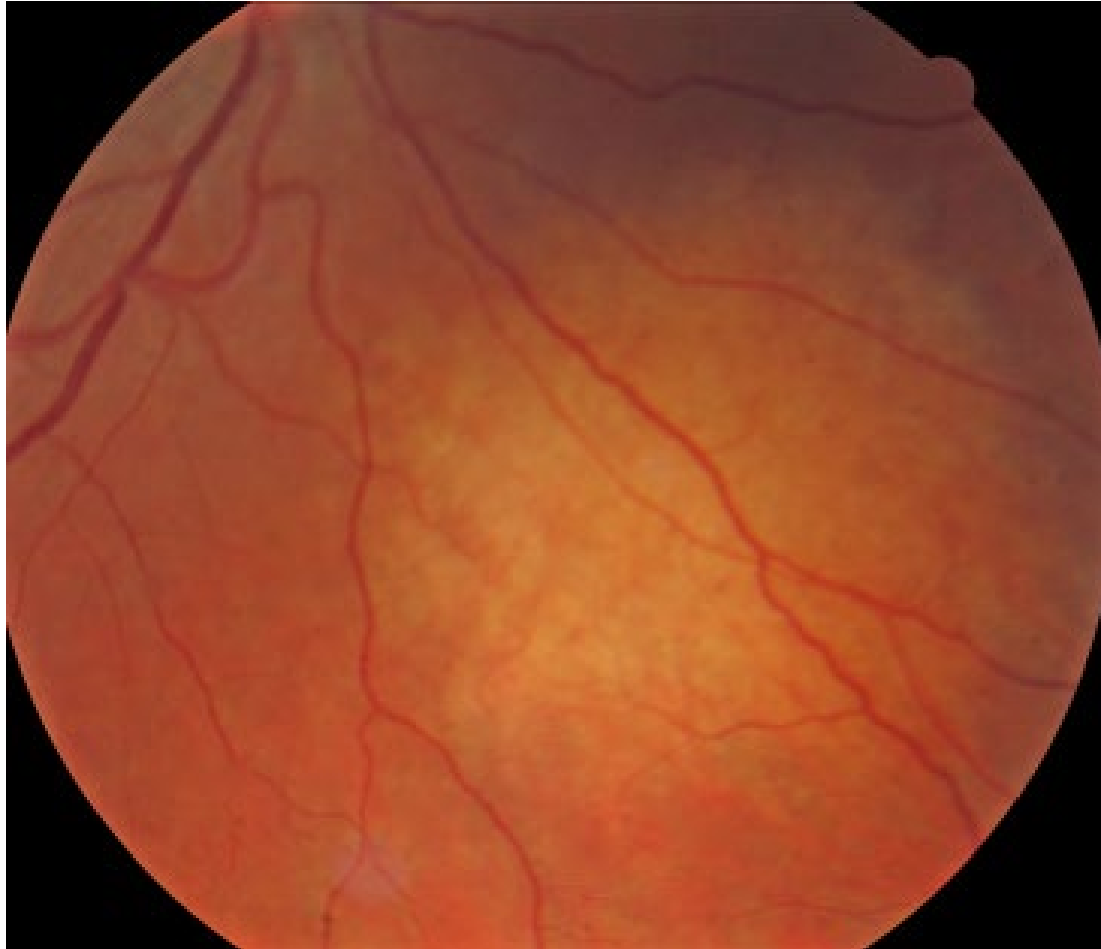
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Choroidal nevus: Amelanotic



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*Margins?*

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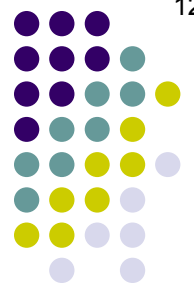
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Choroidal nevus: **Indistinct margins**

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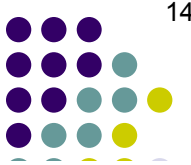
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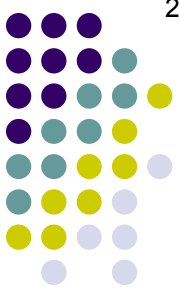
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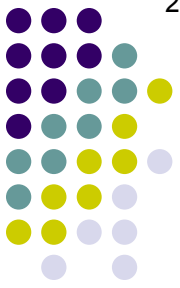


## *Choroidal Nevus vs Melanoma*



Choroidal melanoma with orange pigment and subretinal fluid

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It indicates the lesion is actively growing



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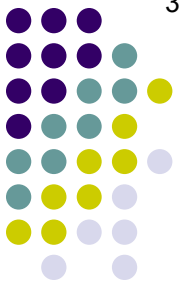
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Choroidal nevus with drusen



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It indicates the lesion is chronic—that it's been around a long time

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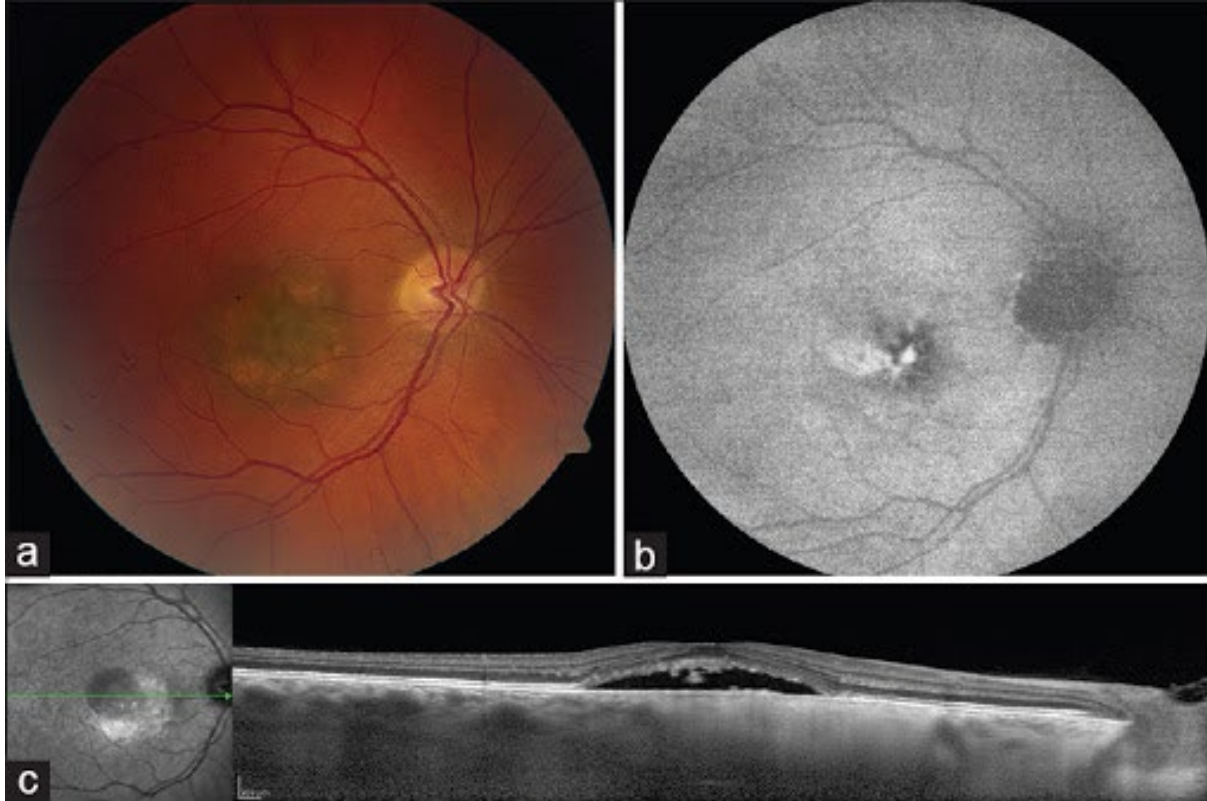
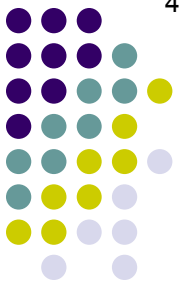


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## Choroidal Nevus vs Melanoma



- (a) The right fundus showed a small pigmented submacular mass with prominent overlying orange pigment and shallow subretinal fluid, consistent with small choroidal melanoma.
- (b) Autofluorescence photography documenting hyperautofluorescence of overlying lipofuscin.
- (c) Spectral domain optical coherence tomography showing subfoveal fluid





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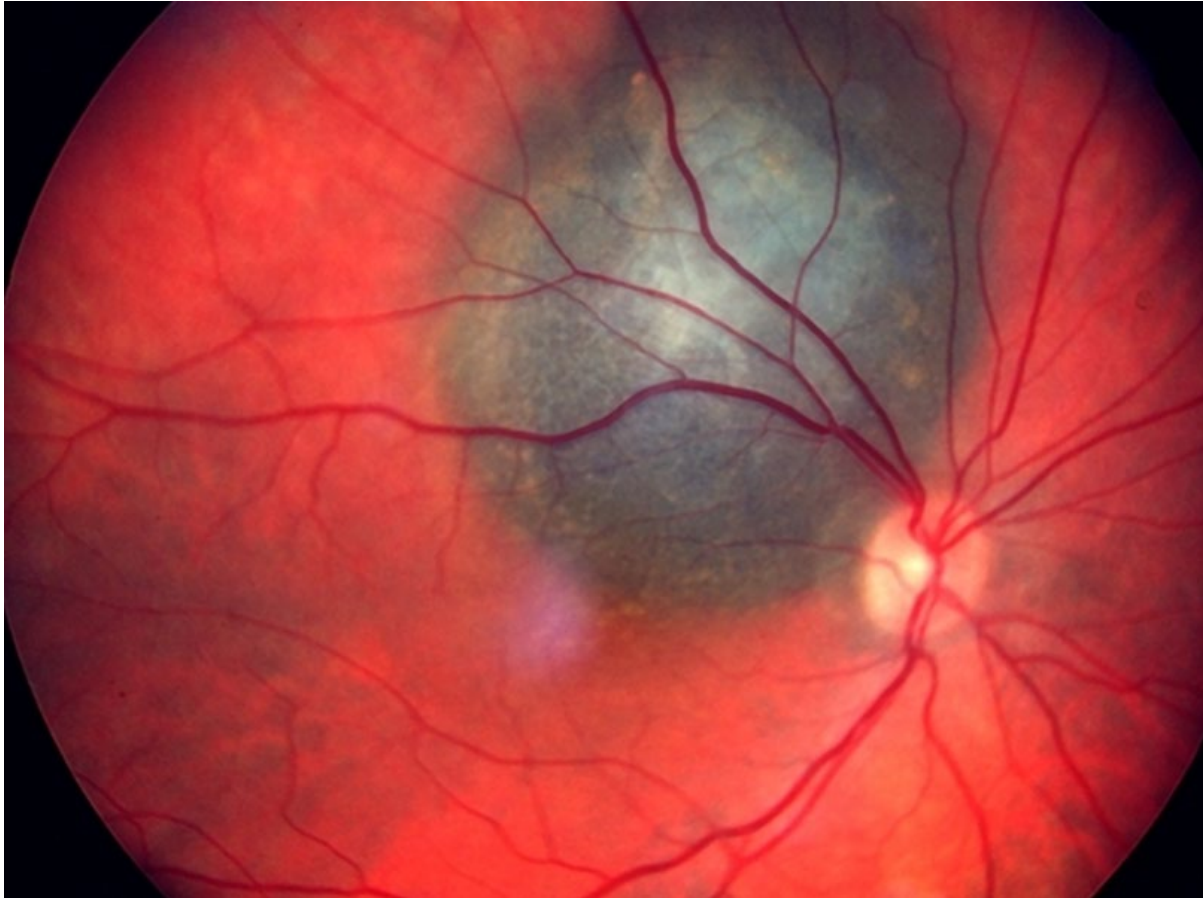


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## *Choroidal Nevus vs Melanoma*



Choroidal melanoma abutting ONH





## Choroidal Nevus vs Melanoma

Q

- (Referring to Drs. [Jerry and Carol Shields](#) of the Wills Eye Hospital in Philadelphia.)
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Symptomatic

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Symptomatic

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## Choroidal Lesions vs Melanoma

**Symptomatic**

- Choroidal melanoma: What symptoms associated with a melanocytic lesion would make you worry the lesion is a melanoma?  
 Thickness > 2mm  
 Metamorphopsia, photopsias, and/or visual field loss
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Symptomatic

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Margin touching ONH

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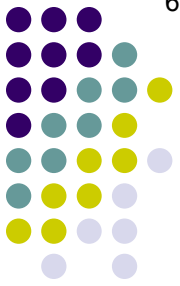




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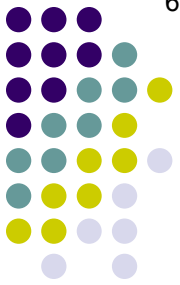
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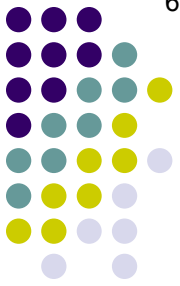
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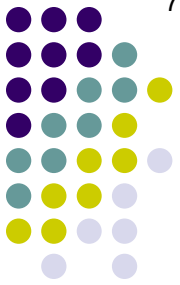
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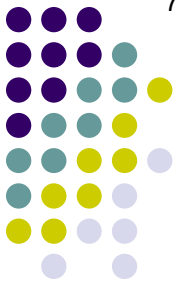
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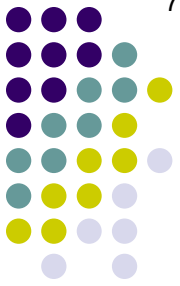


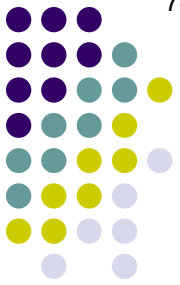


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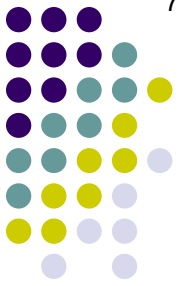


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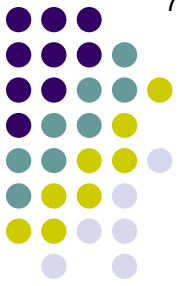
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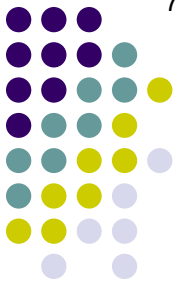
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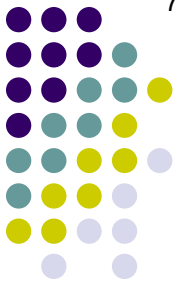


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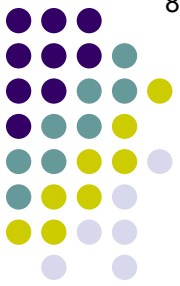
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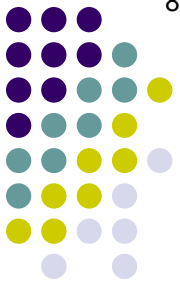
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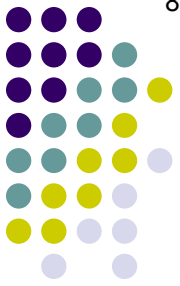
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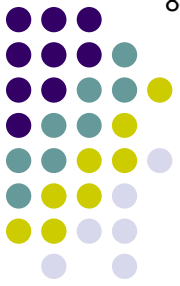
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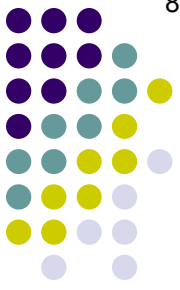


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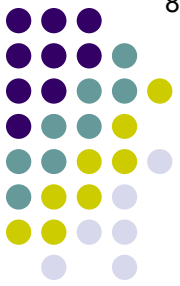
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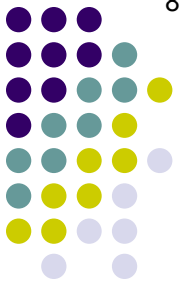
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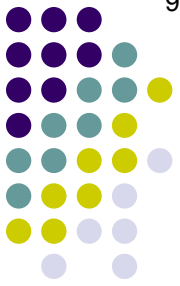
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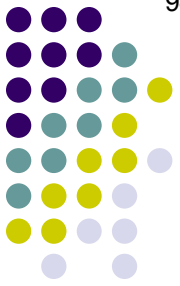
*How does dermal melanocytosis present clinically?*

With eyelid and periocular skin containing patches of diffusely **brown**, **gray**, or **blue** pigmentation

## *Choroidal Nevus vs Melanoma*



Dermal melanocytosis



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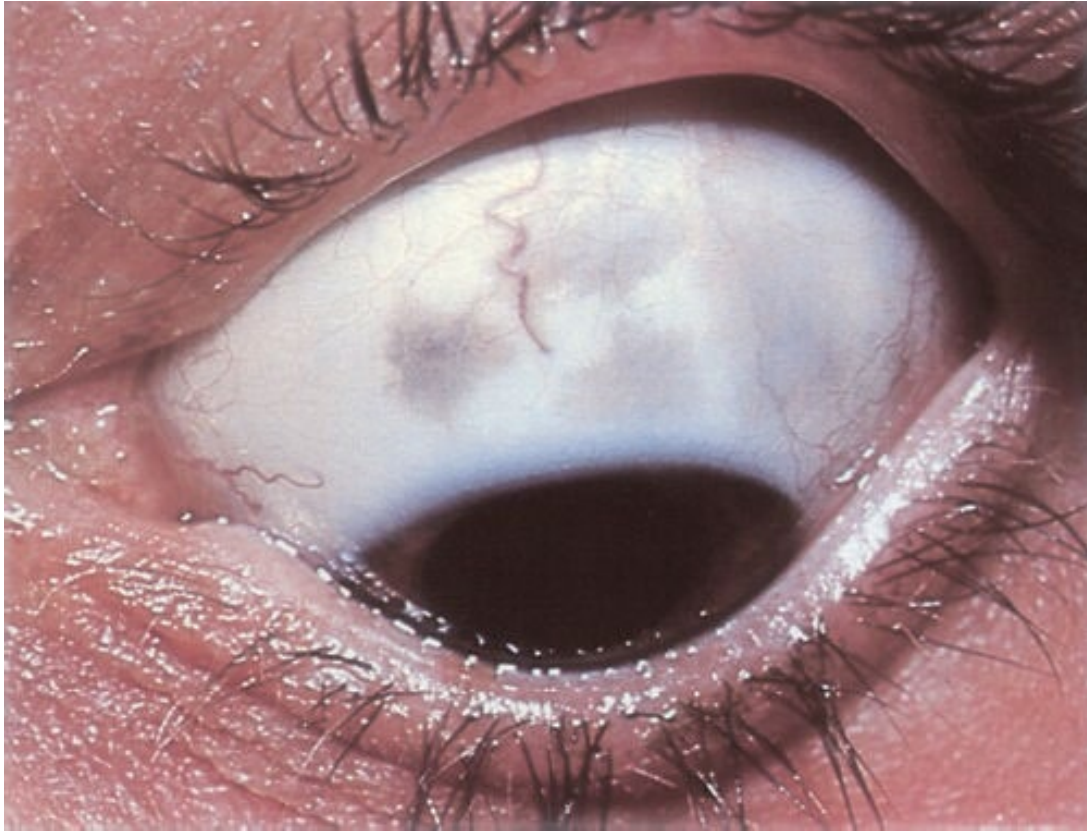
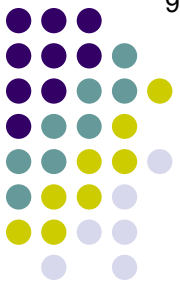
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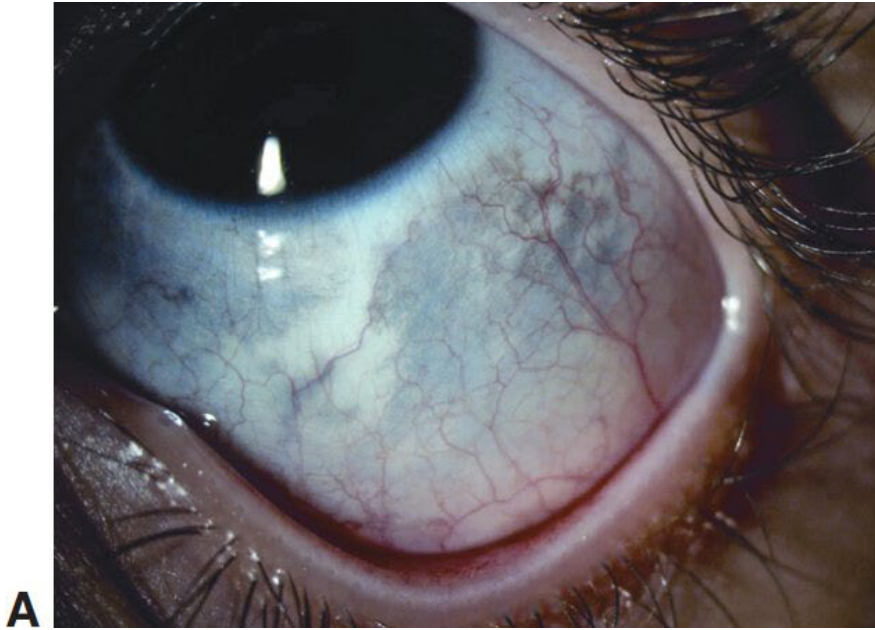
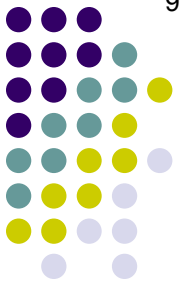
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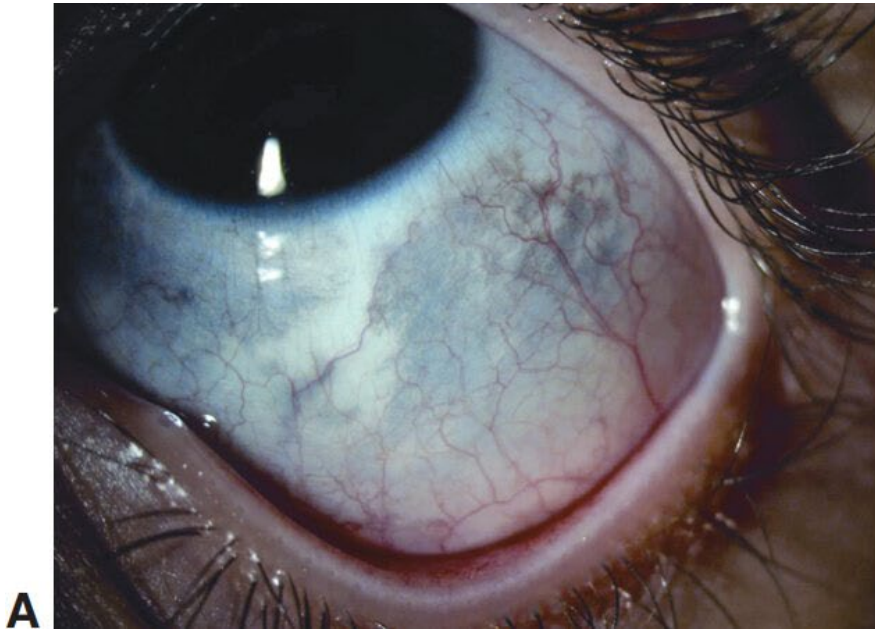
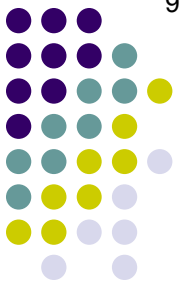
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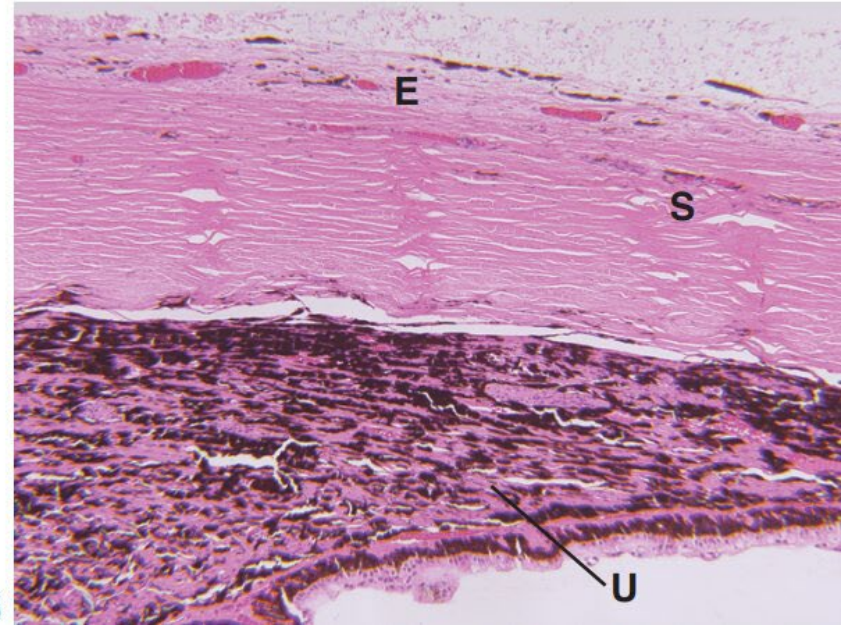
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Ocular melanocytosis

## Choroidal Nevus vs Melanoma



**A**



**B**

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**B**, Histologic examination shows an increased population of intensely pigmented spindle and dendritic melanocytes in the deep episclera (E), sclera (S), and uveal tract (U).

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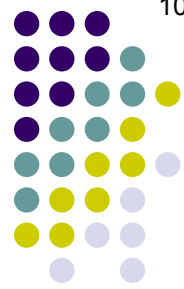
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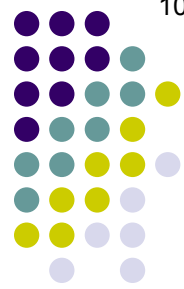
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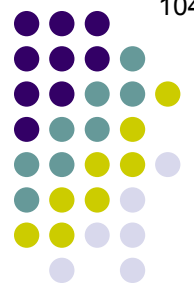
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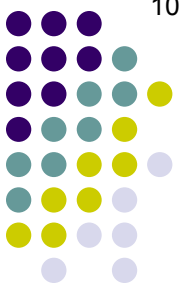
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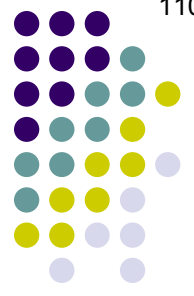
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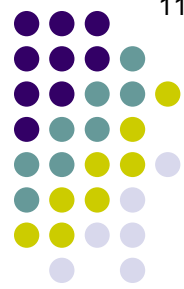
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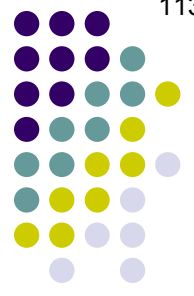
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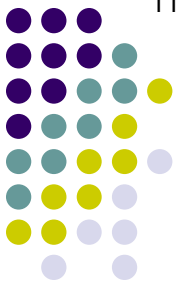
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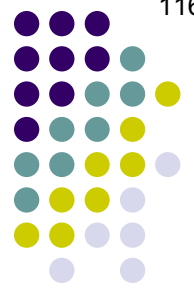
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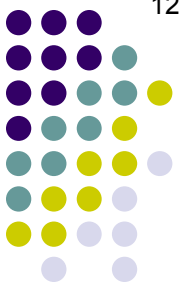
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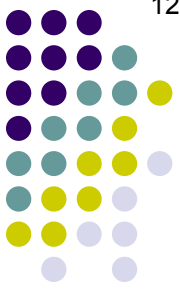


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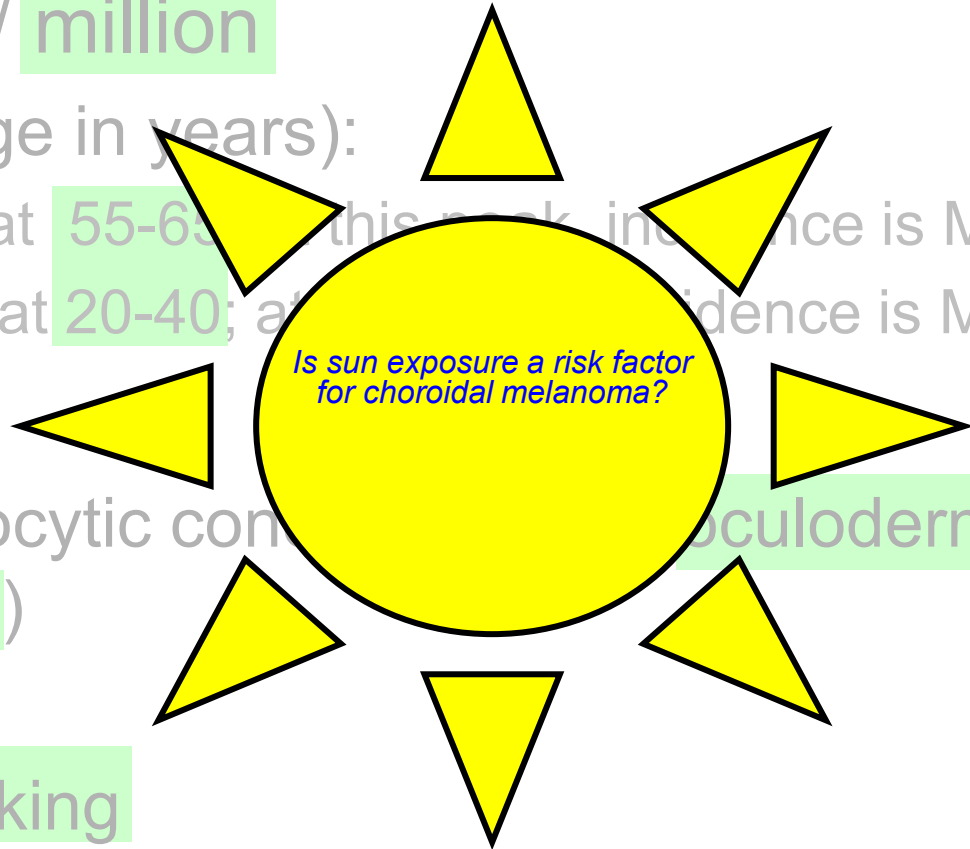


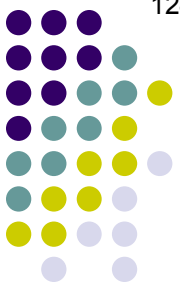
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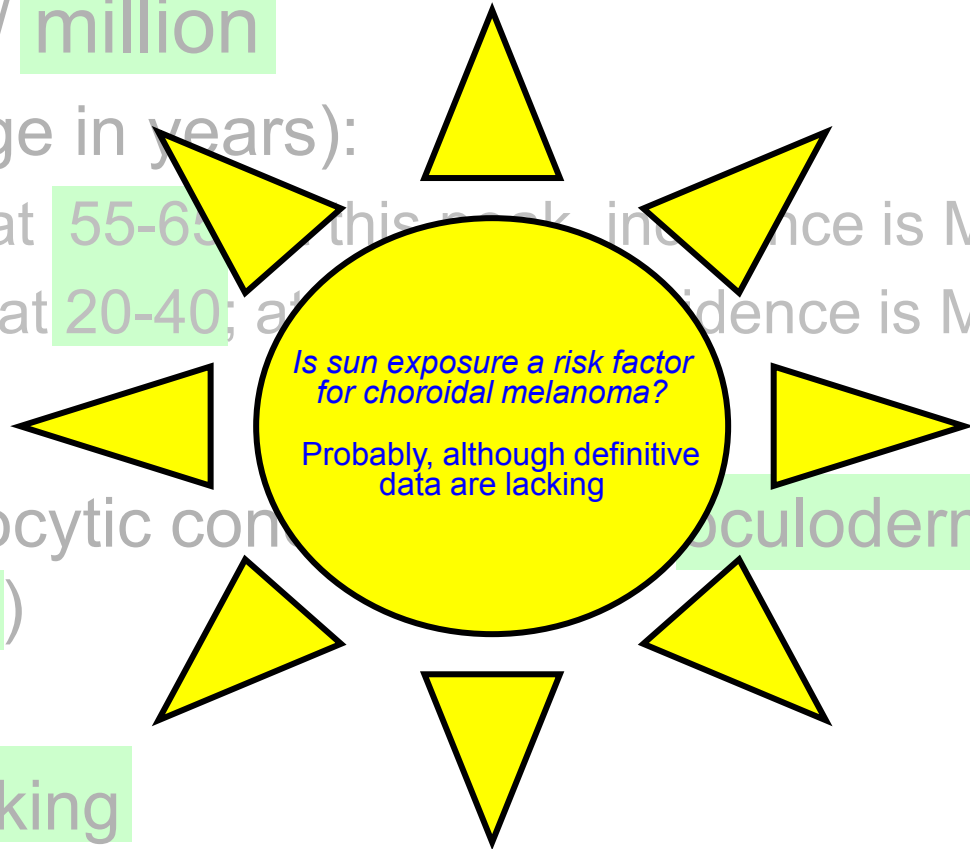


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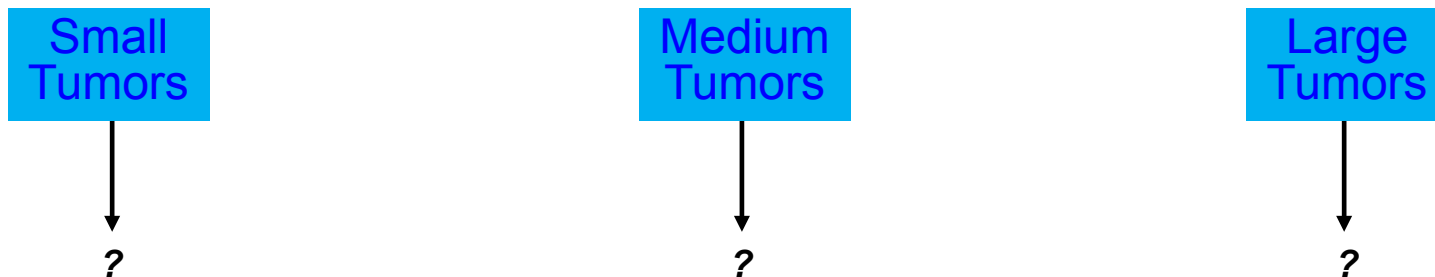


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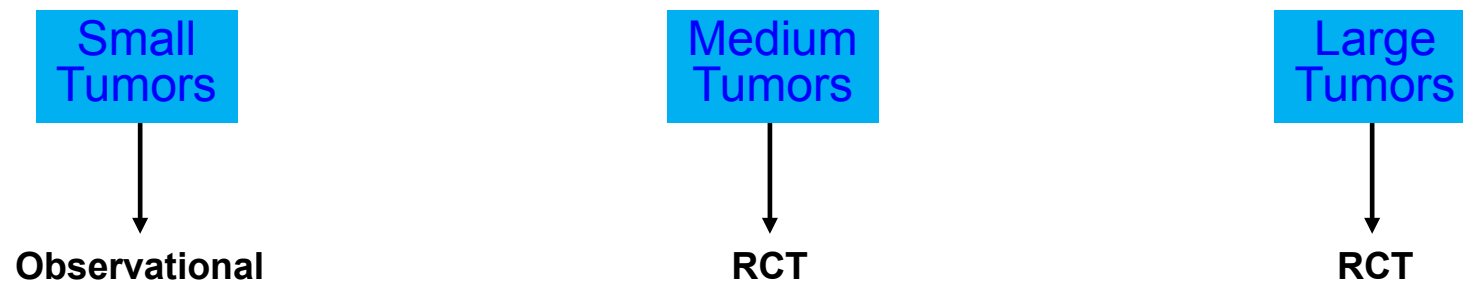


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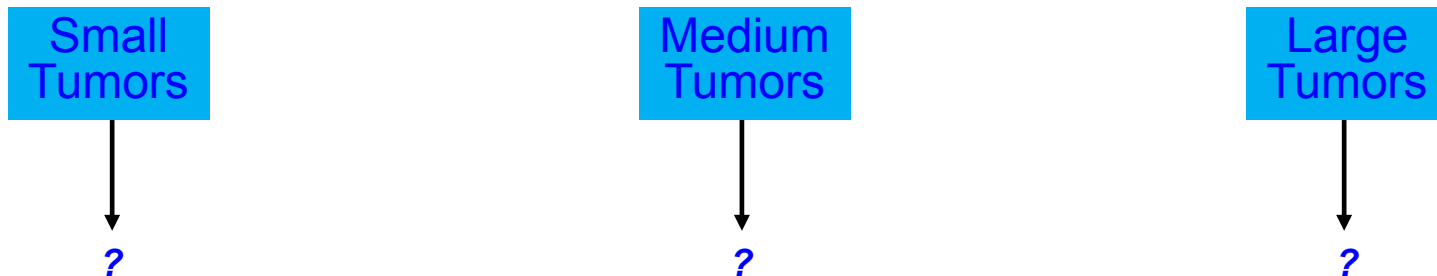


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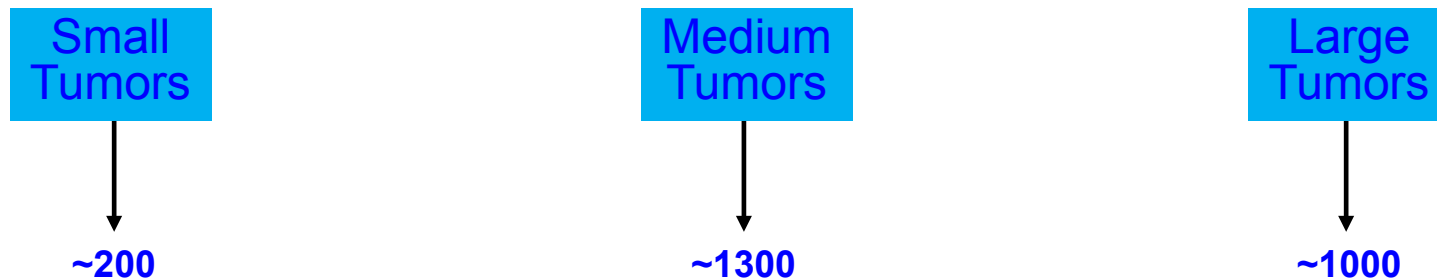


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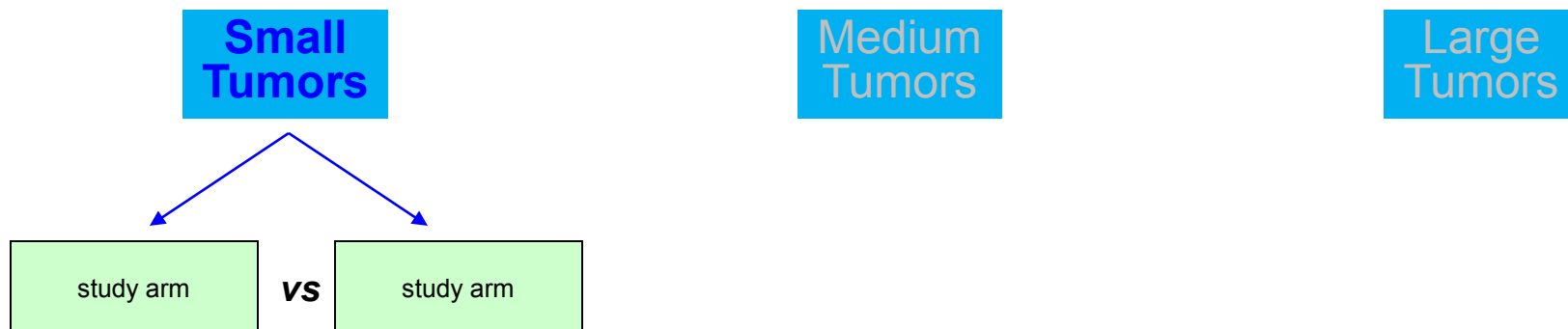


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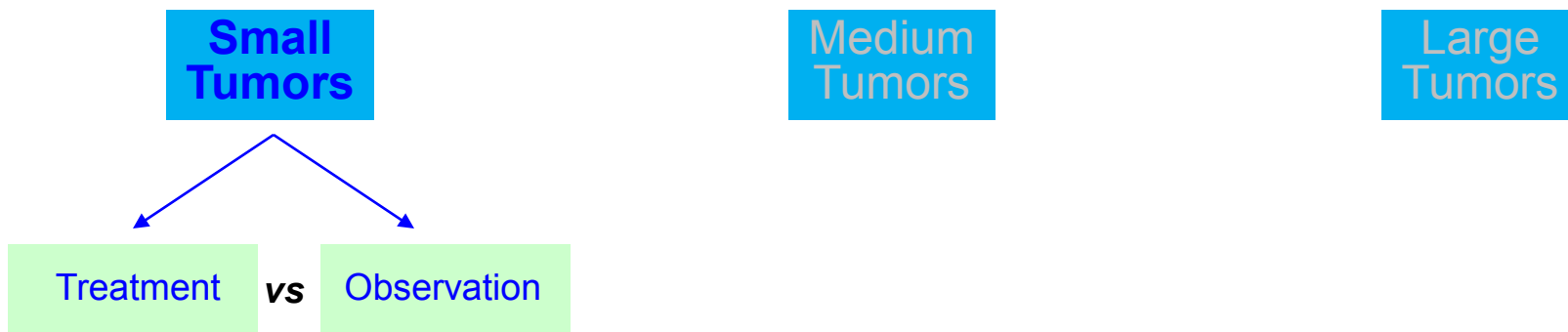


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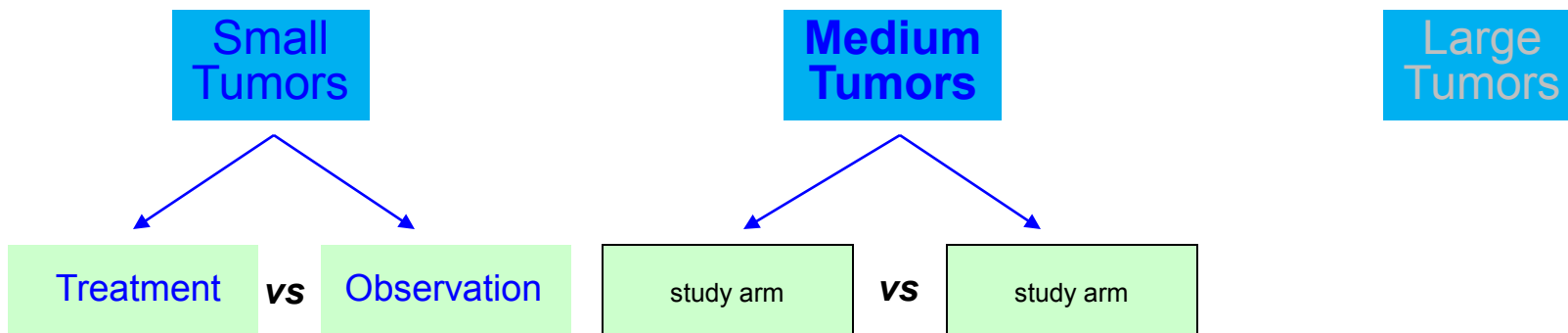


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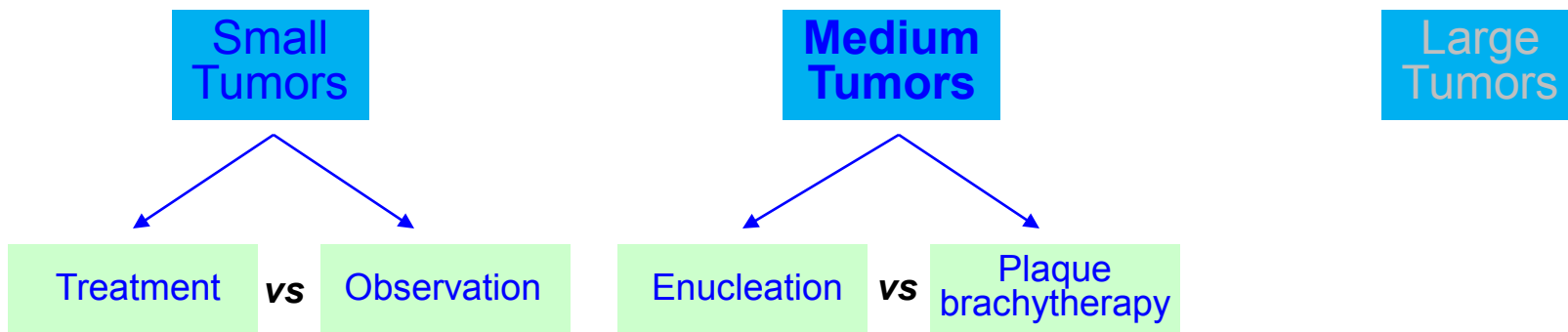


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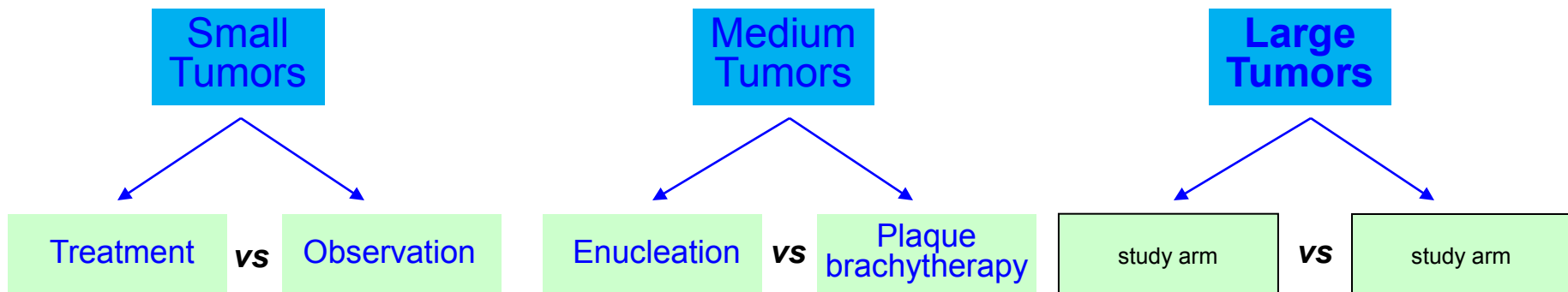


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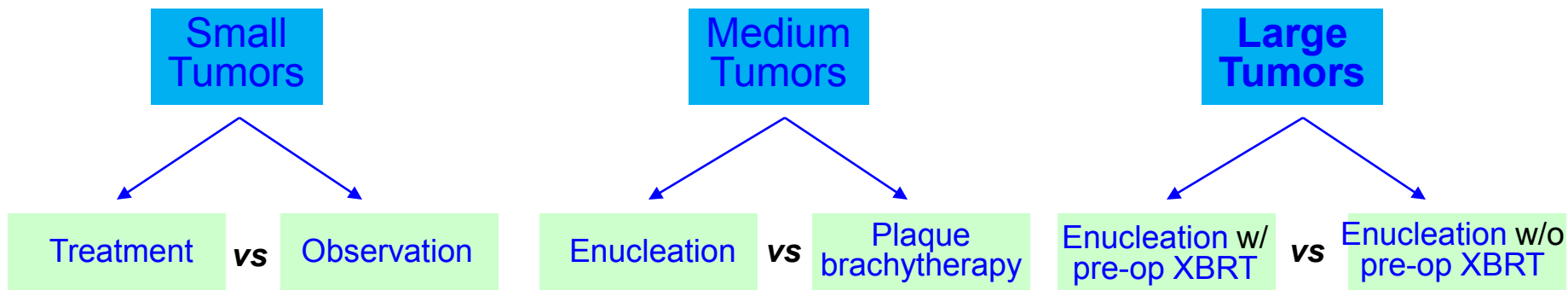


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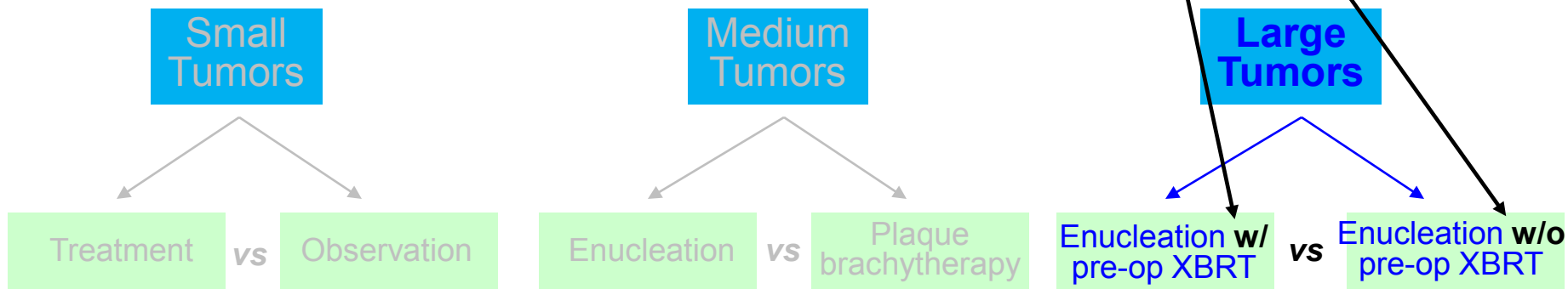
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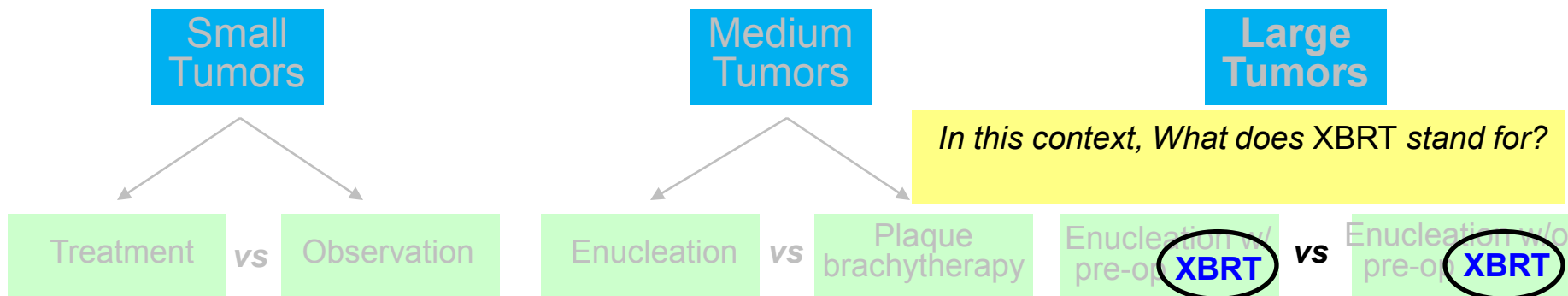


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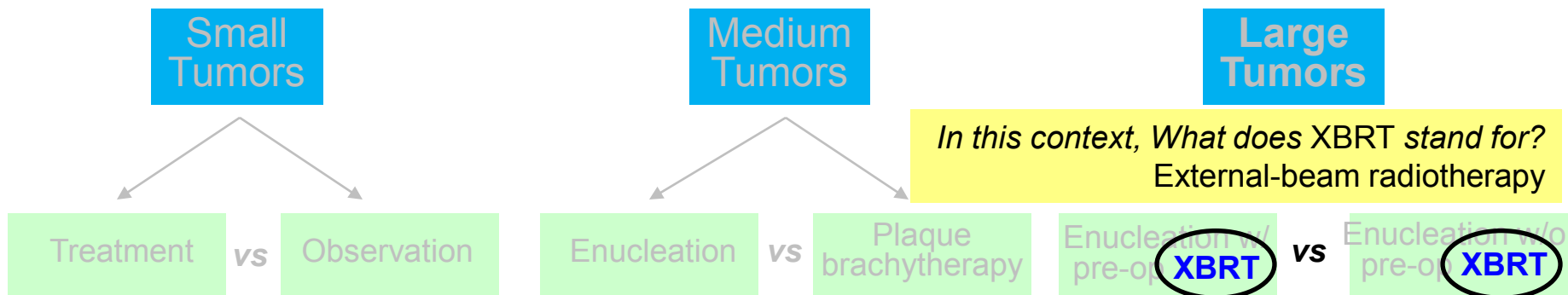


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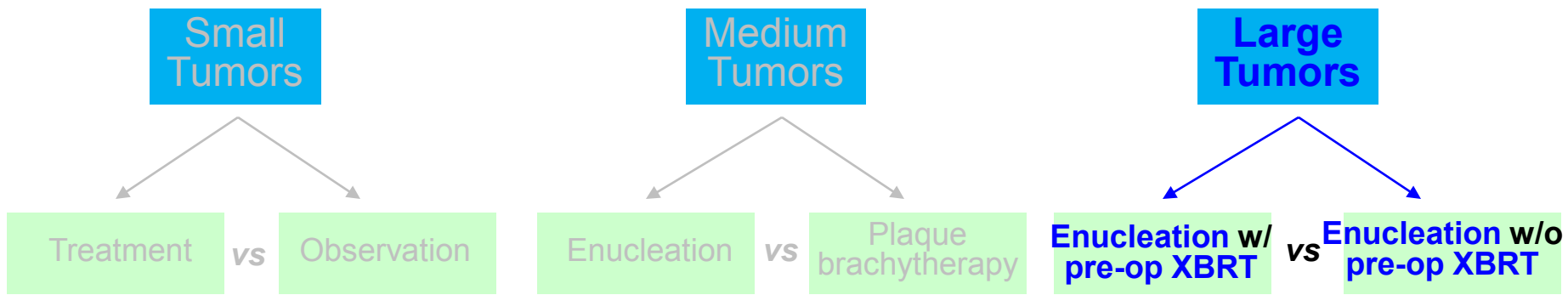
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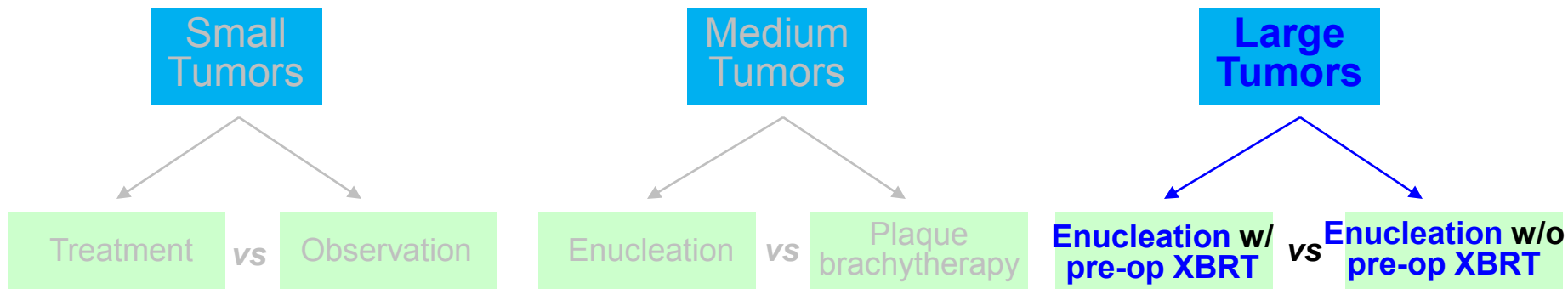
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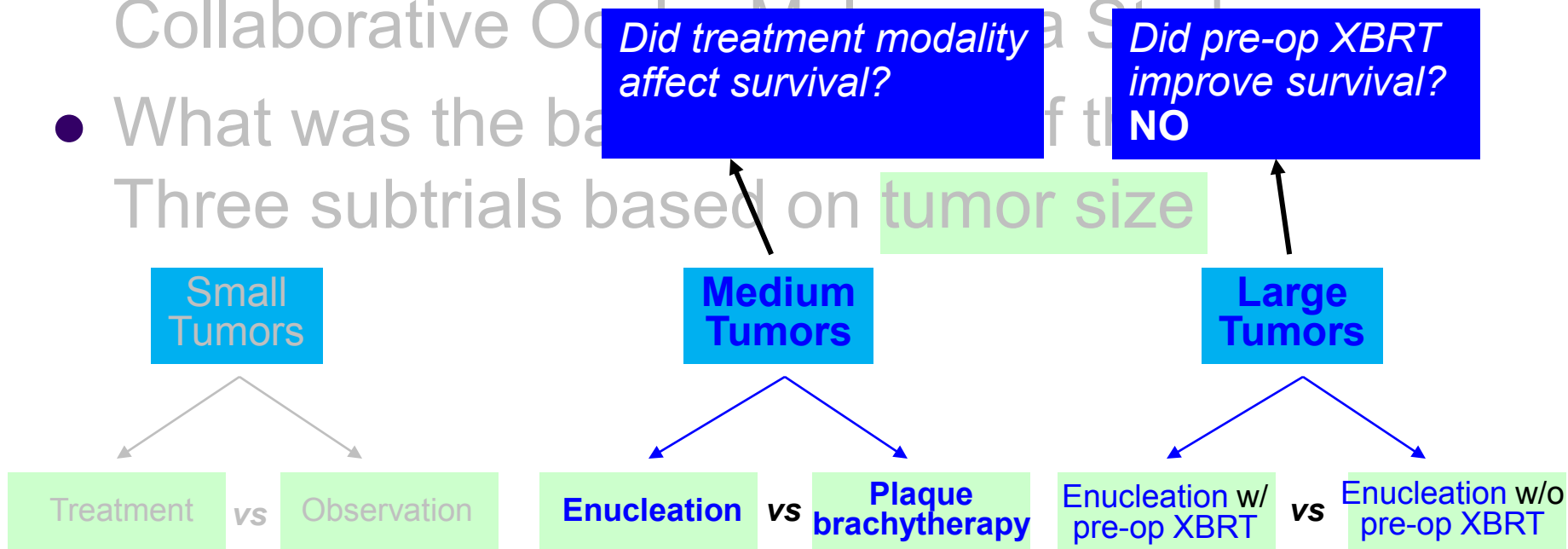
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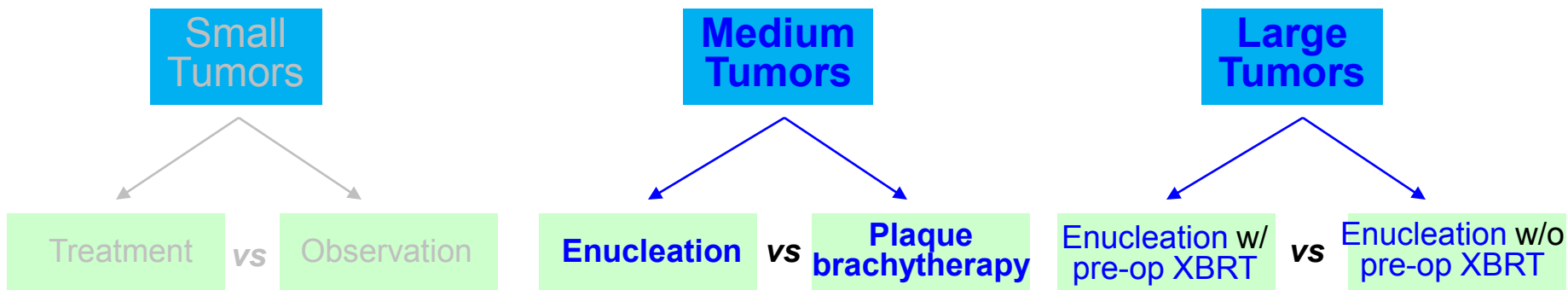
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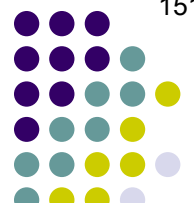
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**Small Tumors**

**Medium Tumors**

**Large Tumors**

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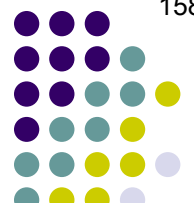
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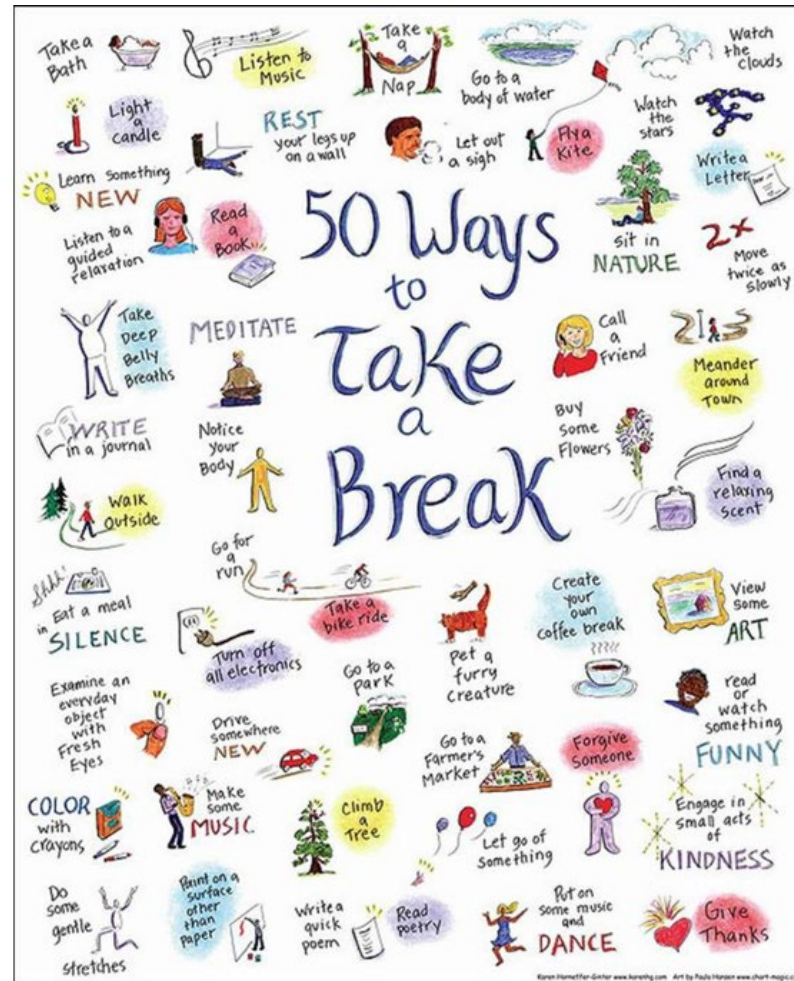
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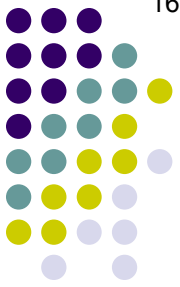
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(This is a good point in the set to take a break)





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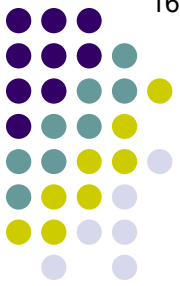
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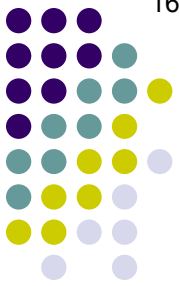
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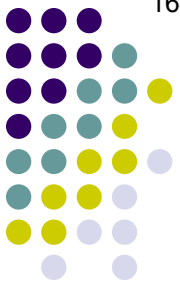


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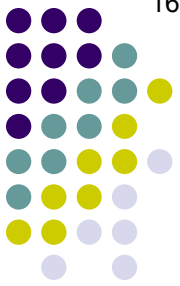


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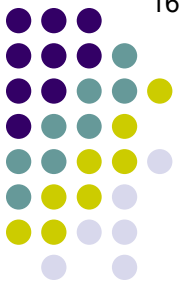


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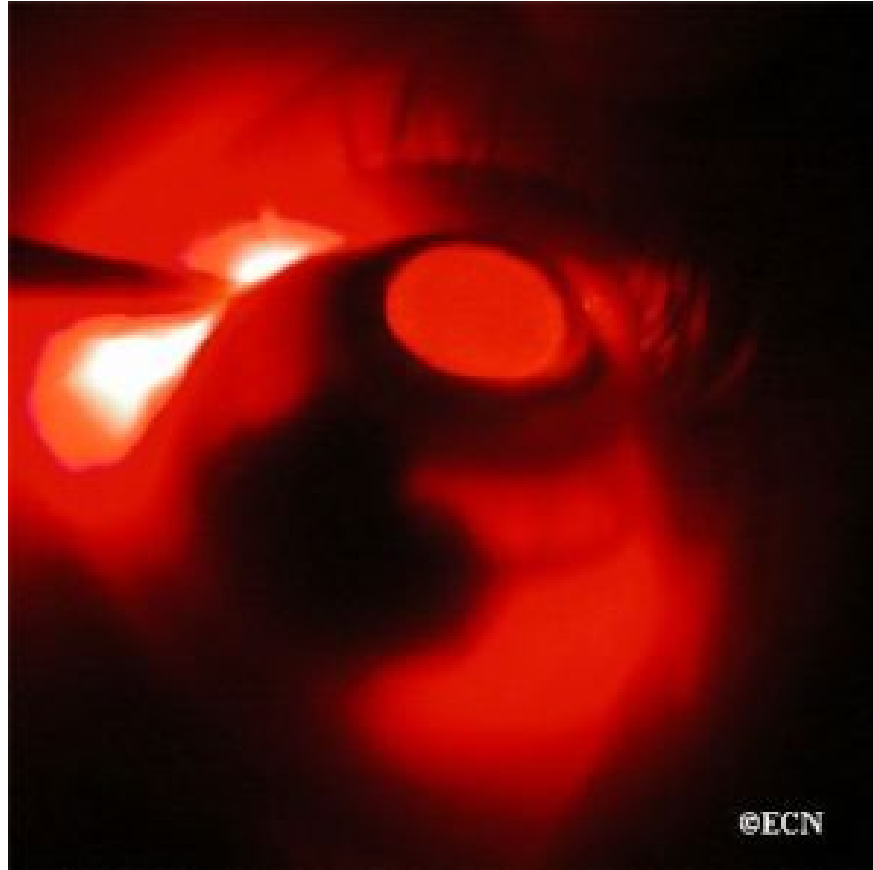
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Choroidal melanoma: Transillumination



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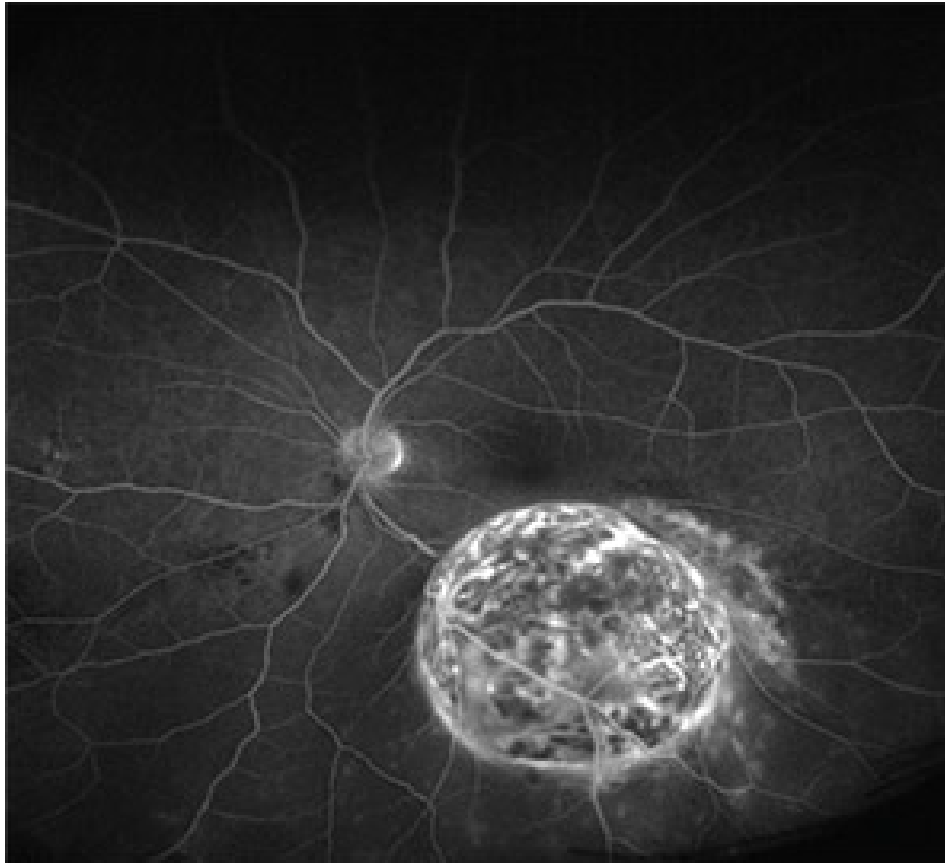
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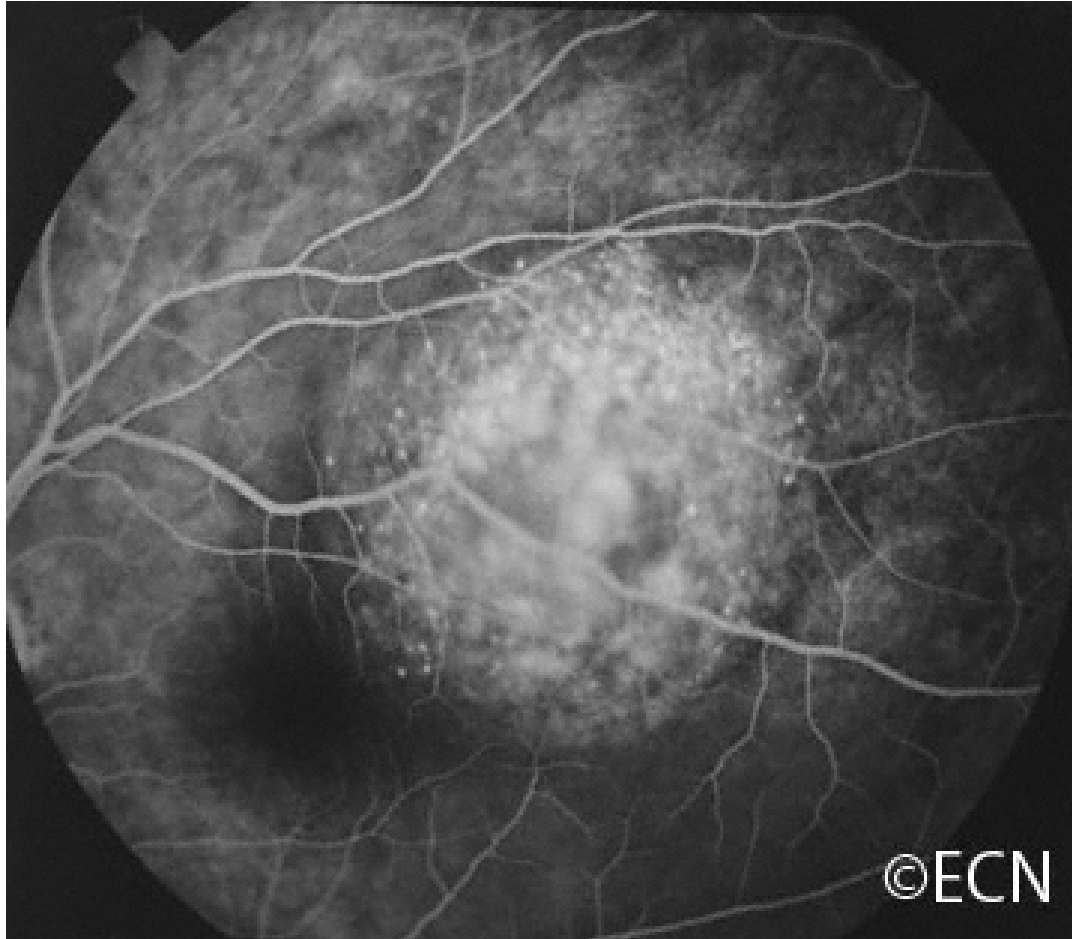
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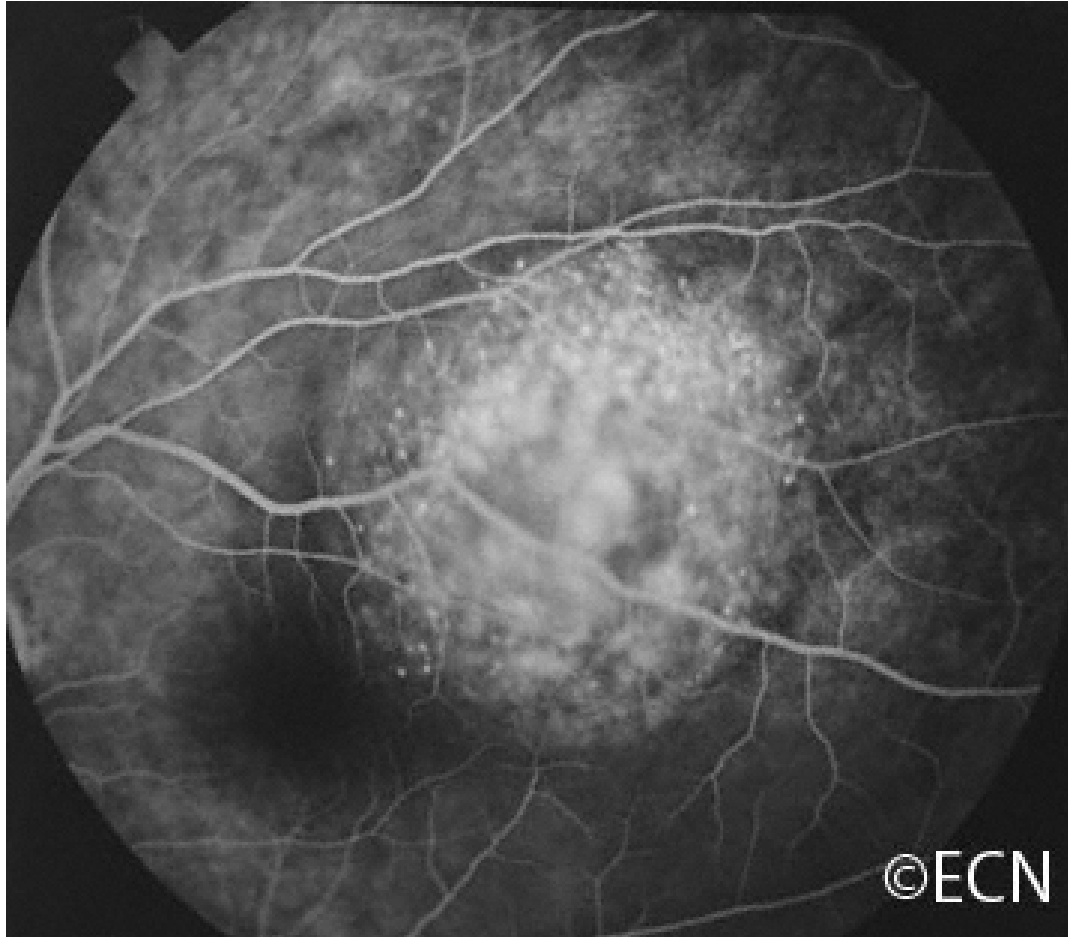
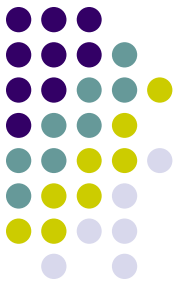
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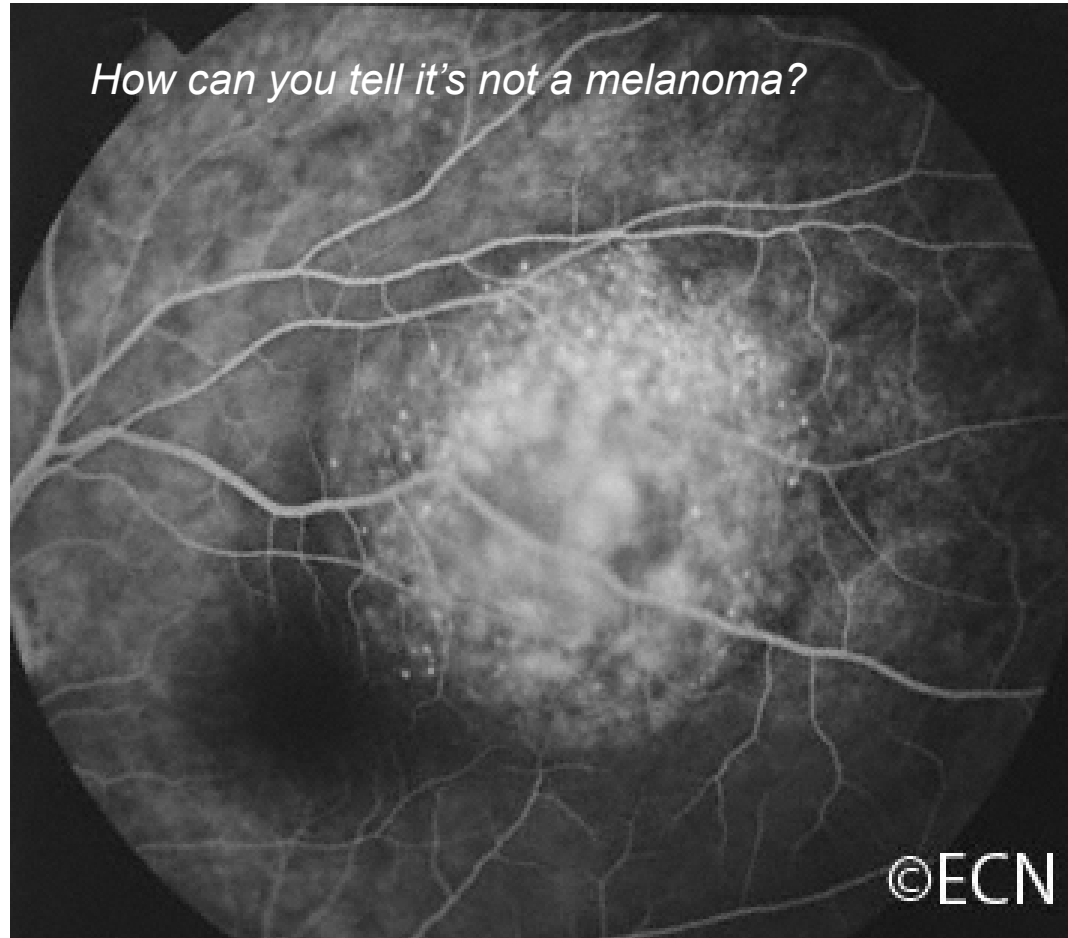
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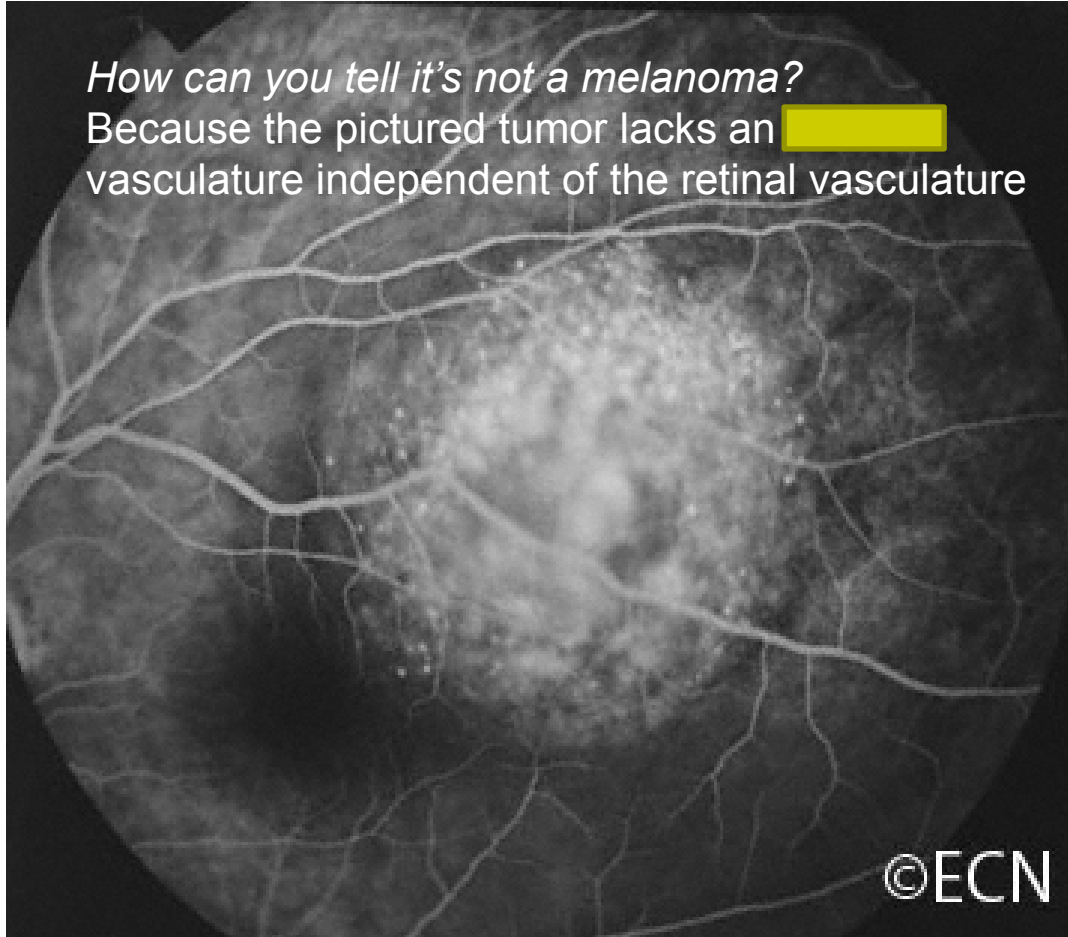
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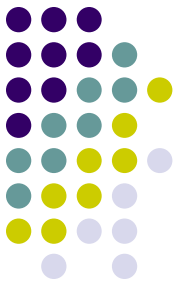
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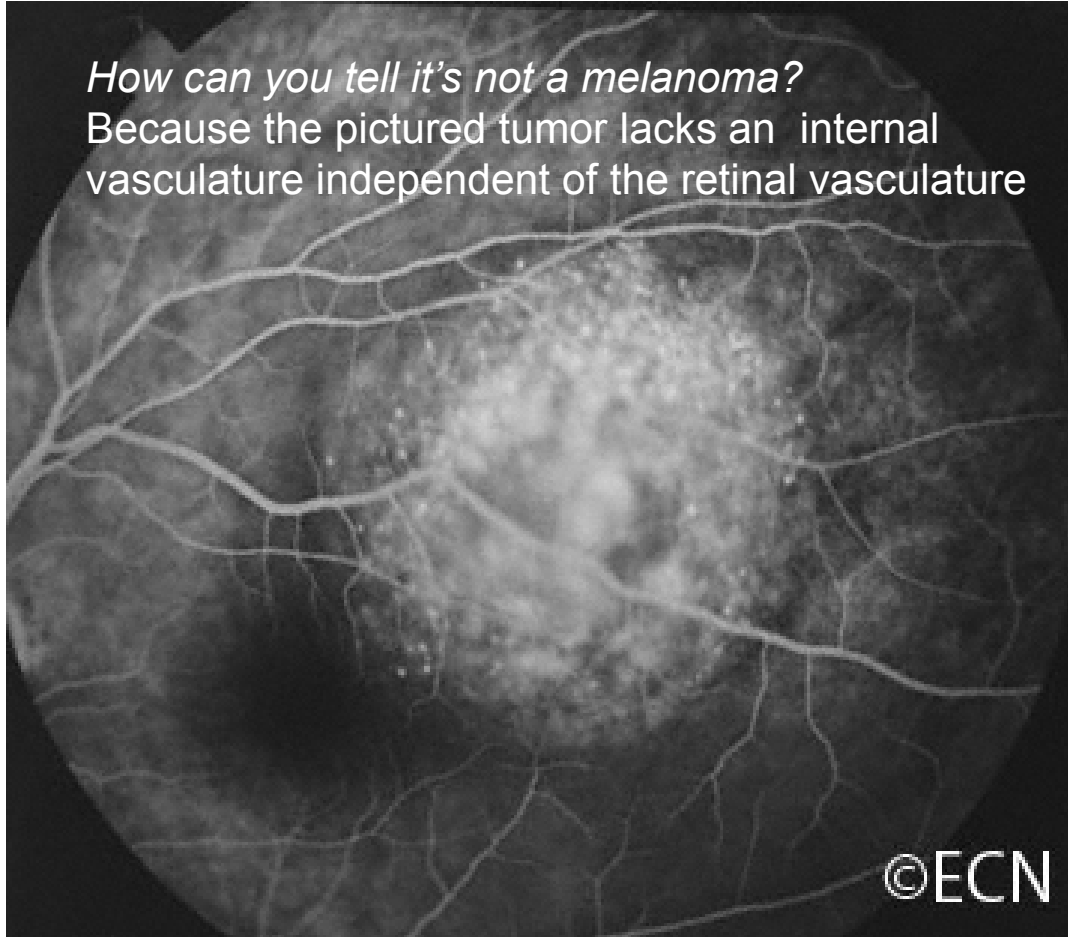
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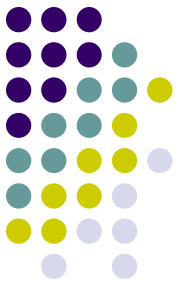
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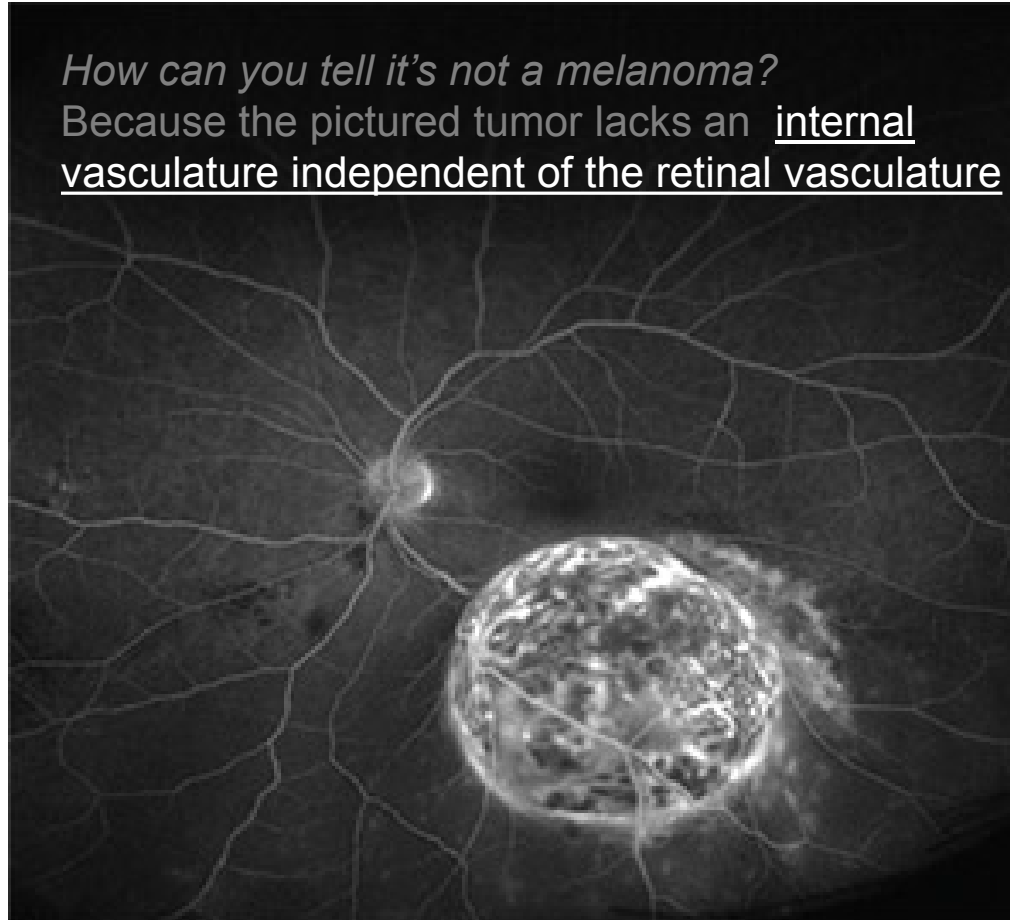
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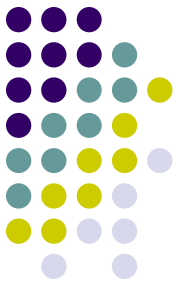


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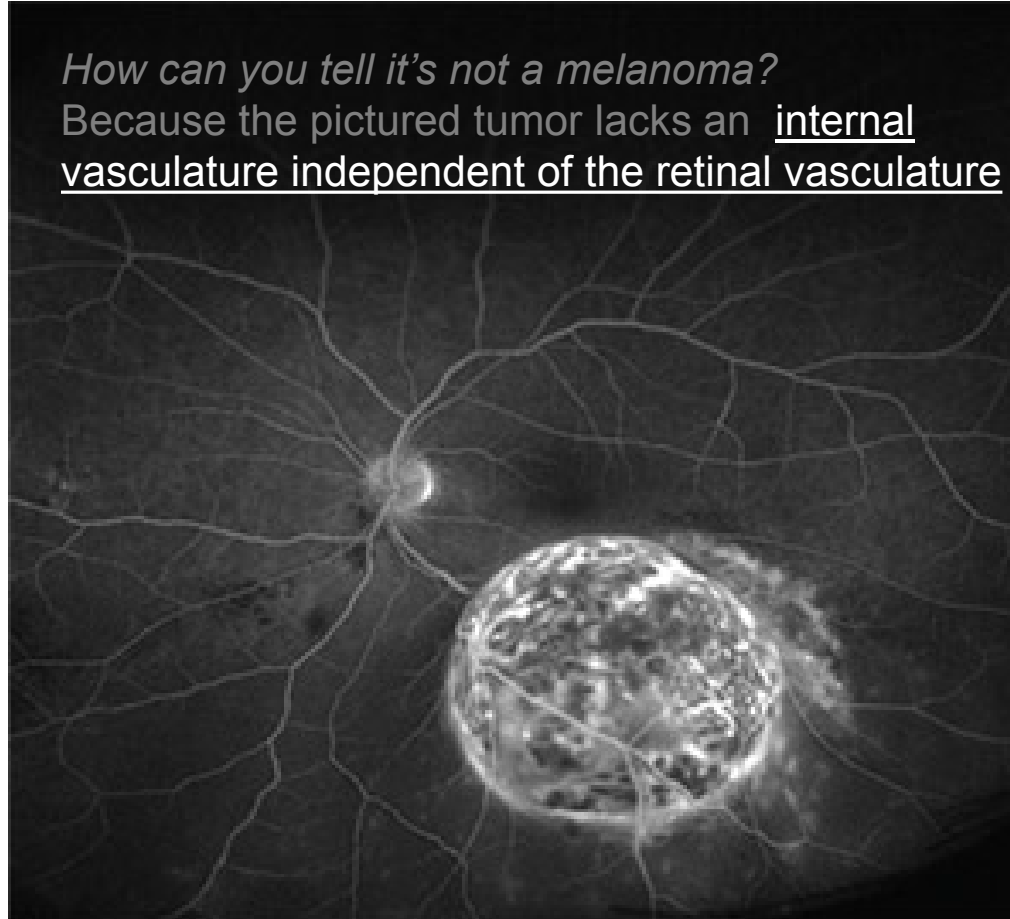


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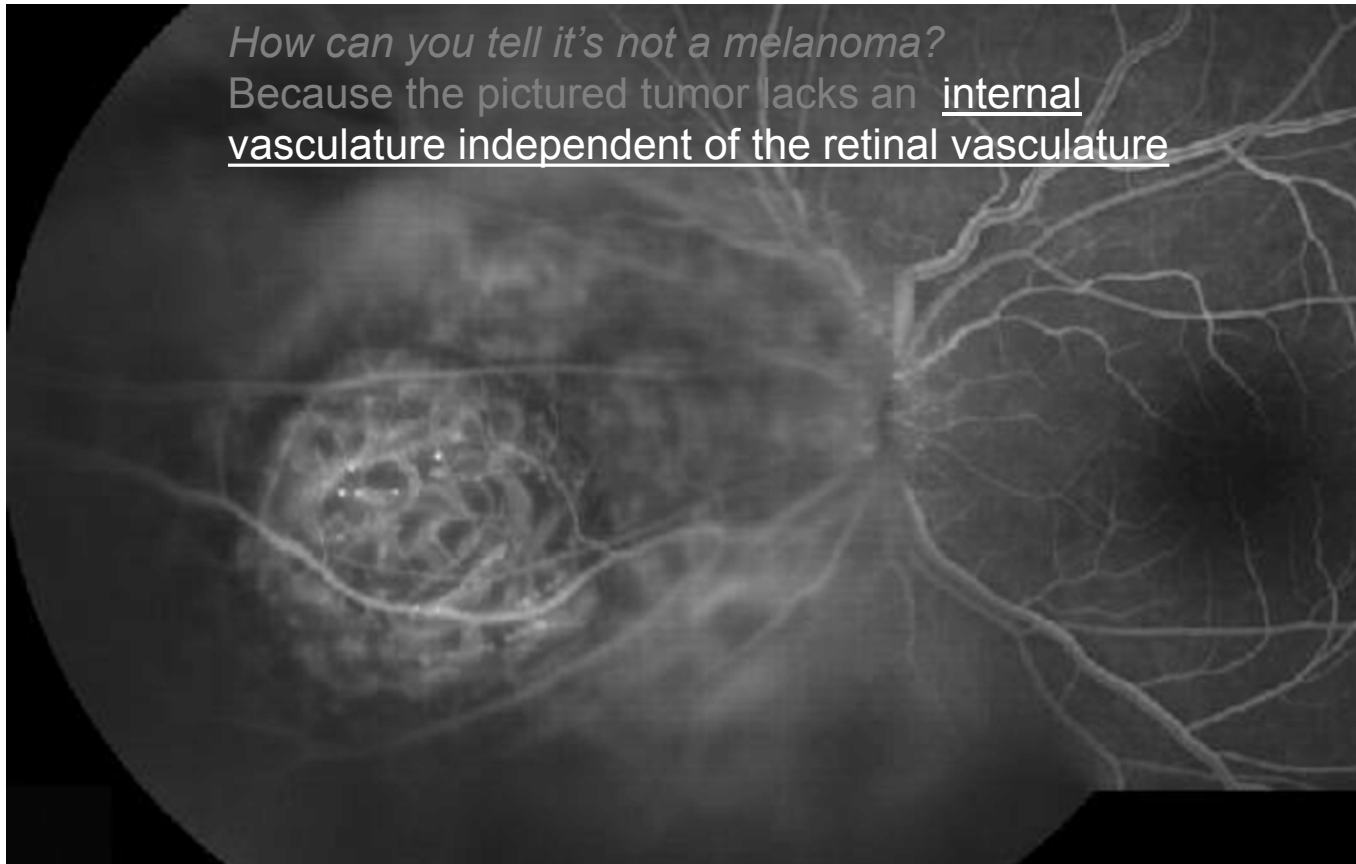


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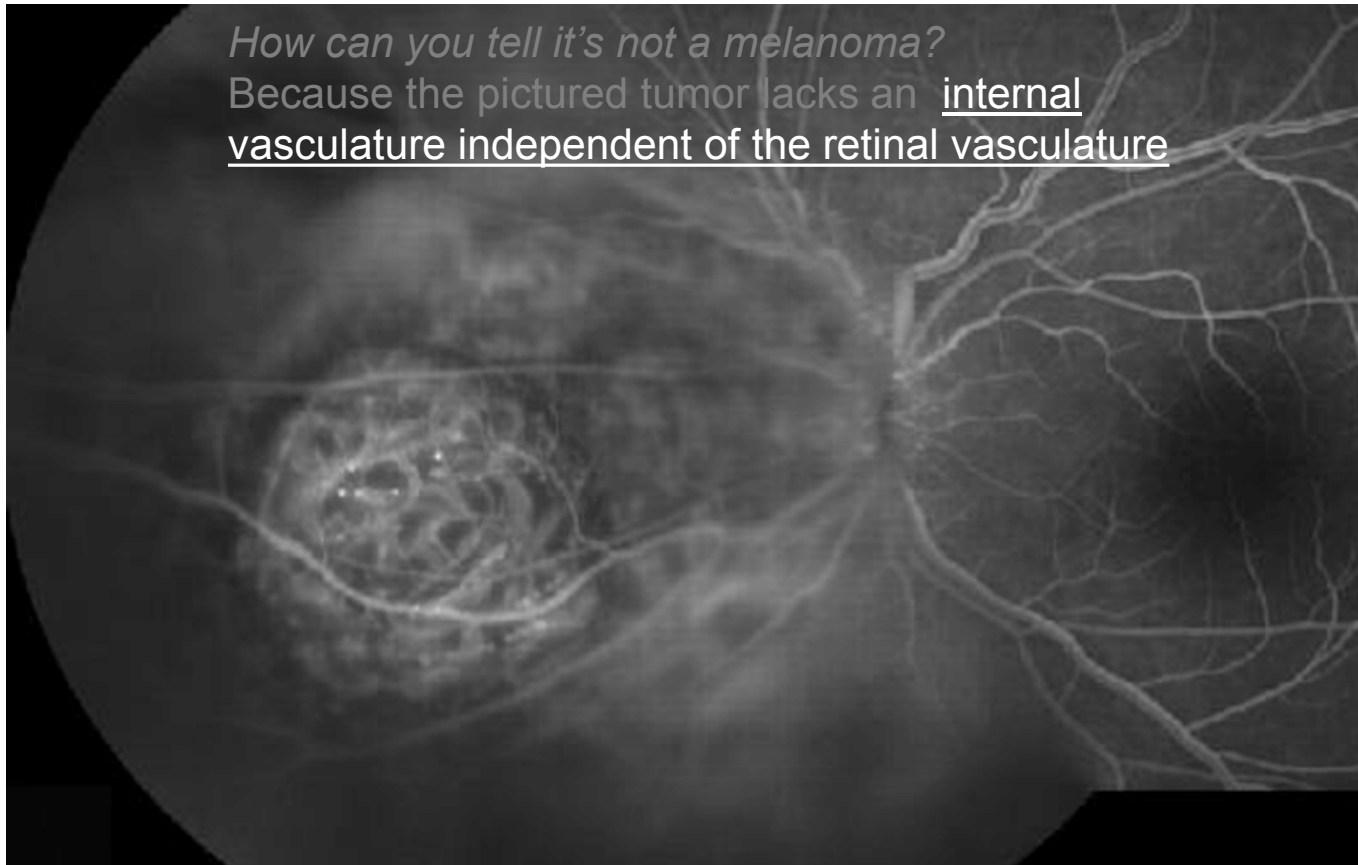


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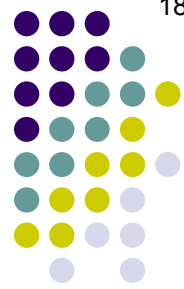


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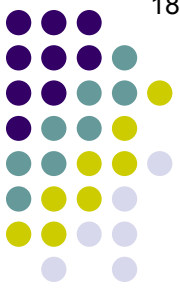
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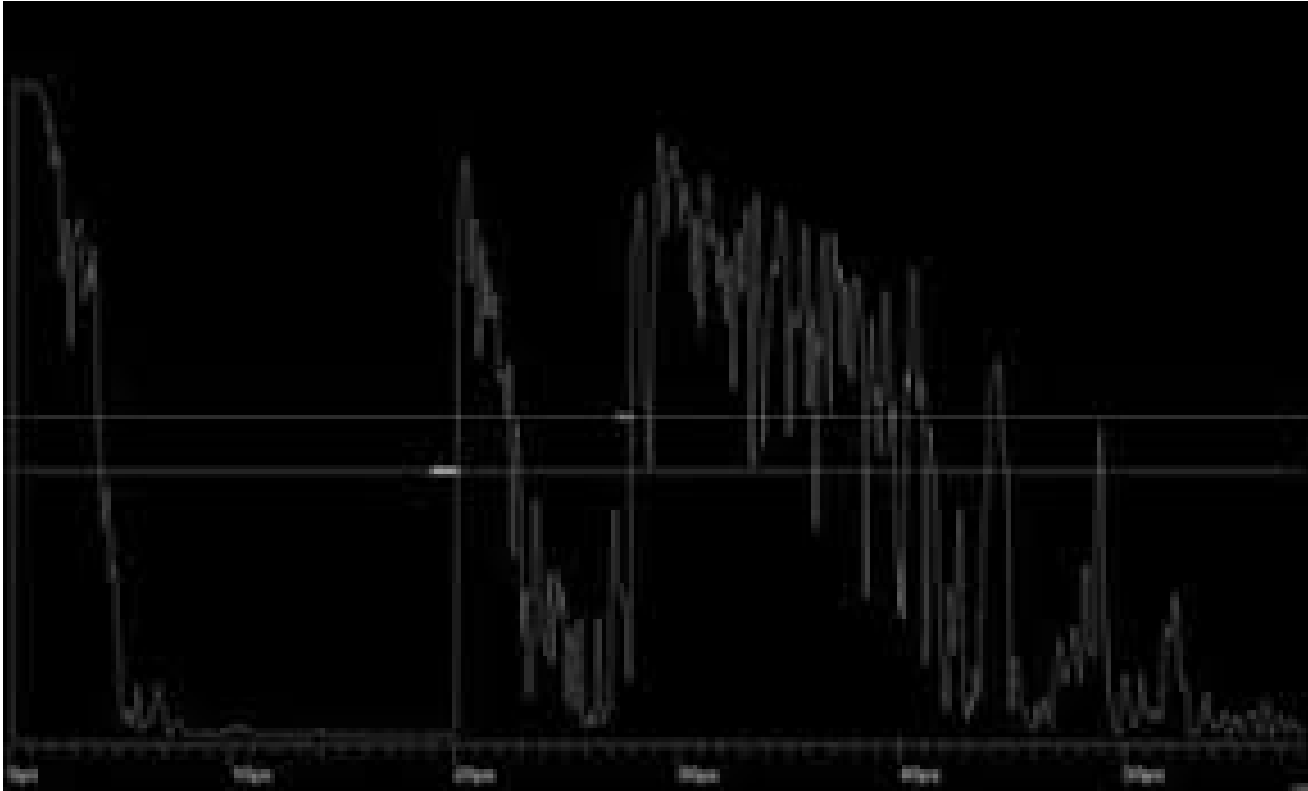
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## *Choroidal Nevus vs Melanoma*



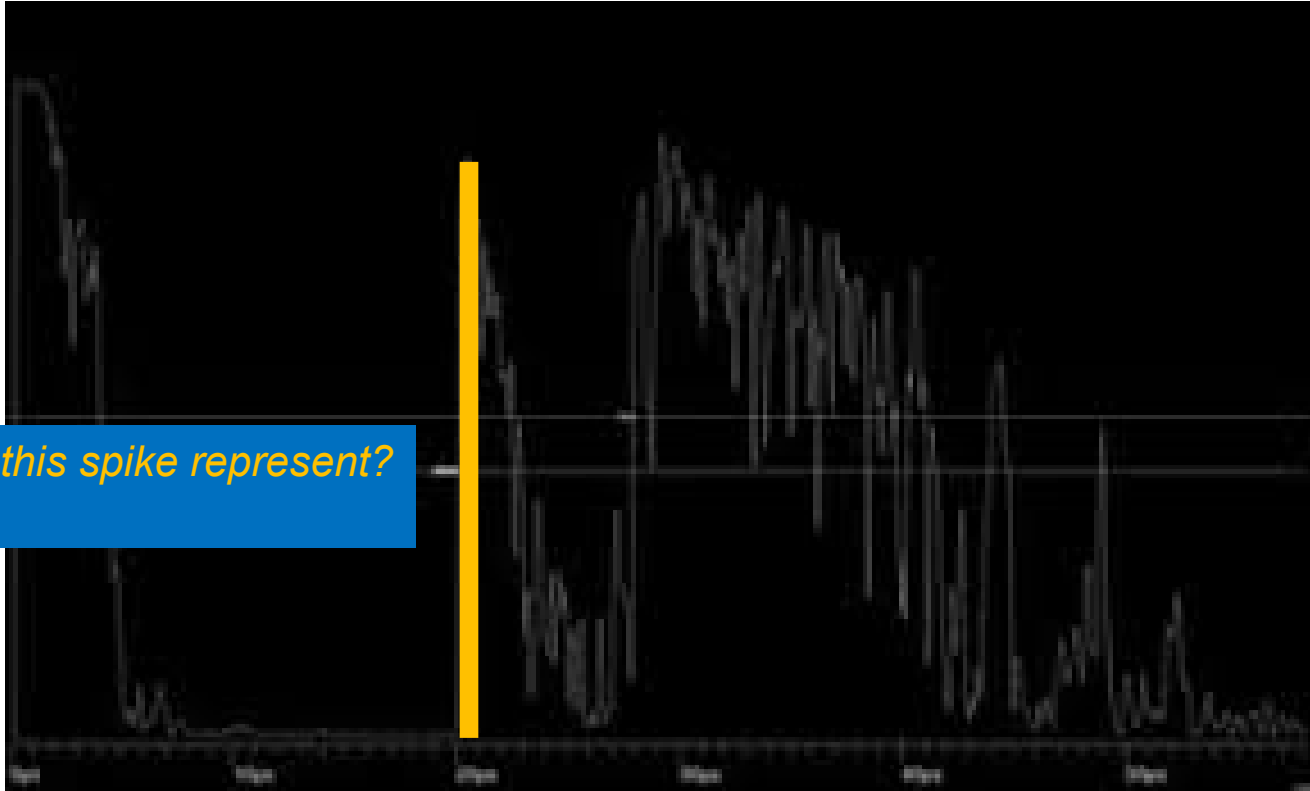
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## Choroidal Nevus vs Melanoma



*What does this spike represent?*

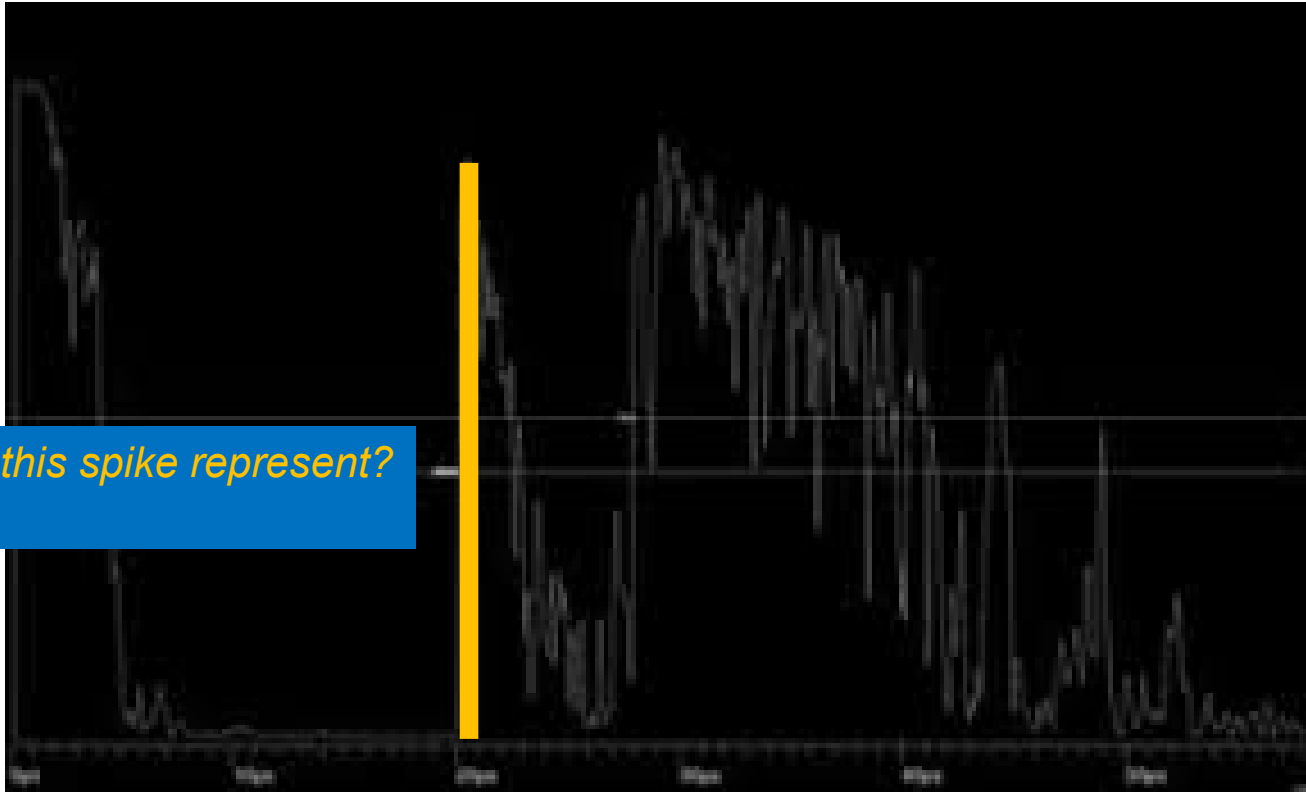


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## Choroidal Nevus vs Melanoma



*What does this spike represent?*  
The retina



This is an a-scan of a choroidal melanoma.

## Choroidal Nevus vs Melanoma

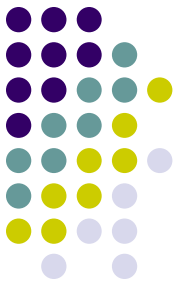


*What does this spike represent?*  
The retina

*What does this ultrasonographically hollow portion represent?*

This is an a-scan of a choroidal melanoma.

## Choroidal Nevus vs Melanoma



*What does this spike represent?*  
The retina

*What does this ultrasonographically hollow portion represent?*  
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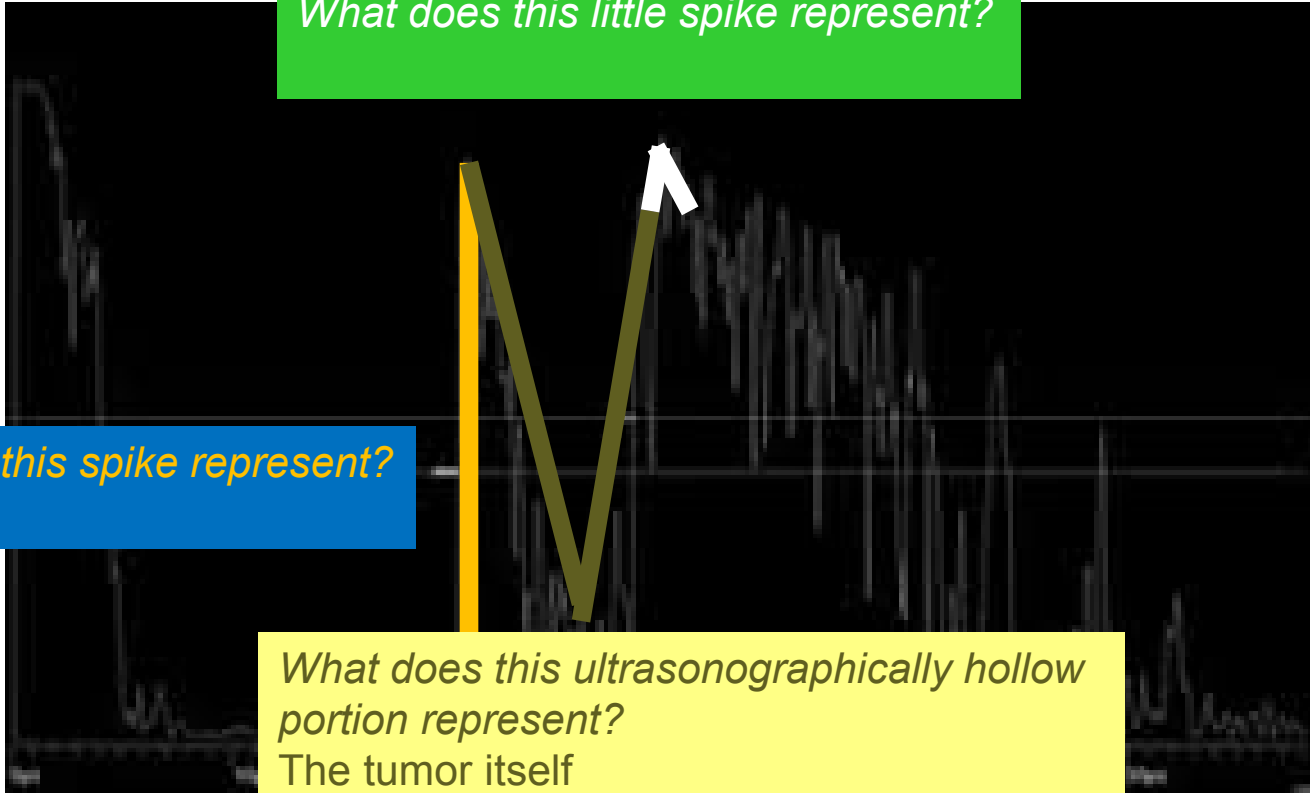
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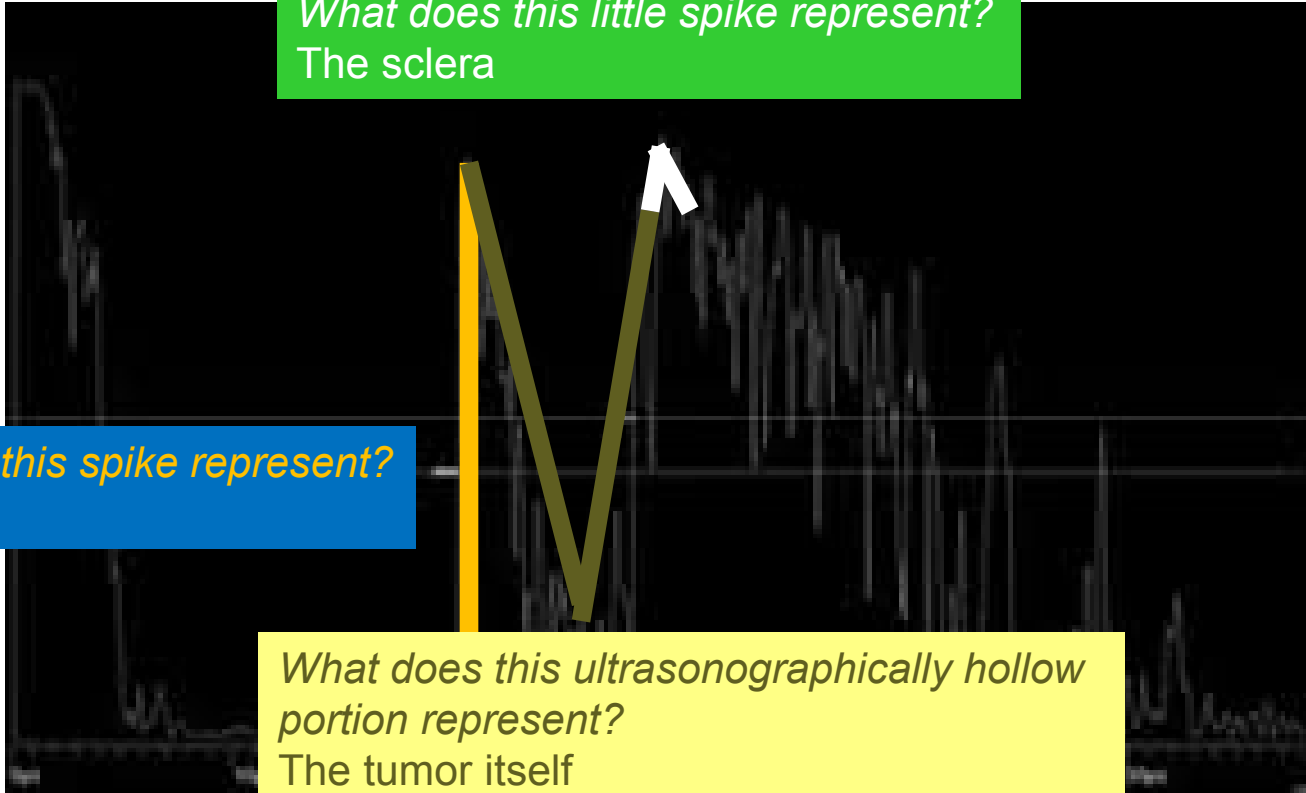
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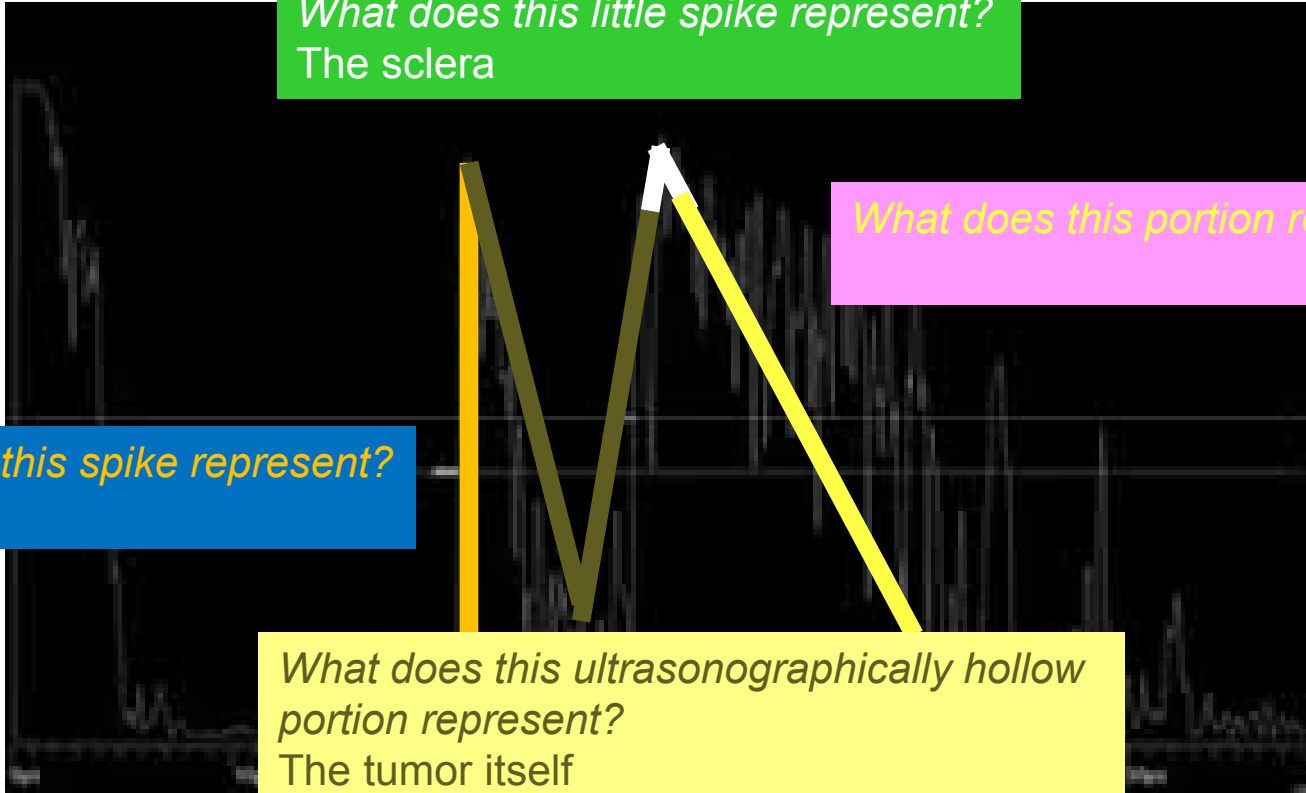


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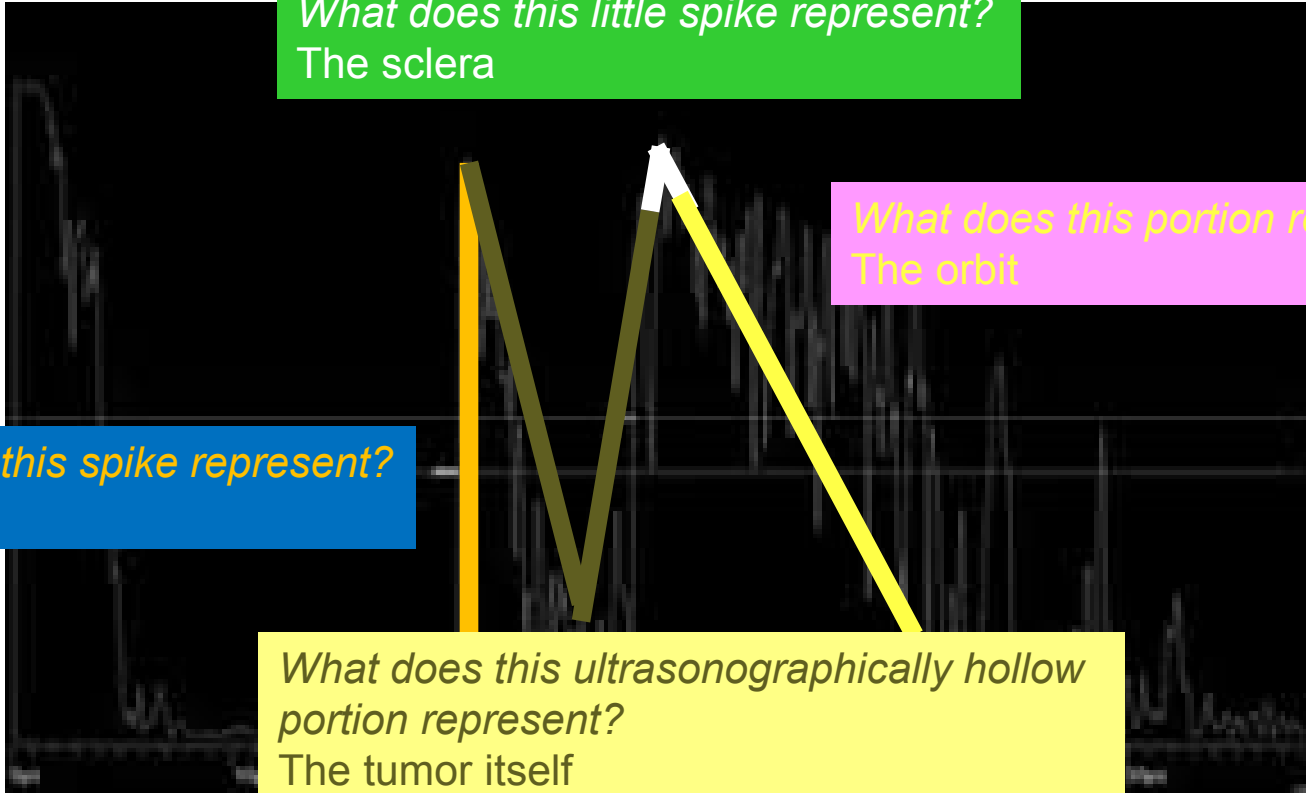


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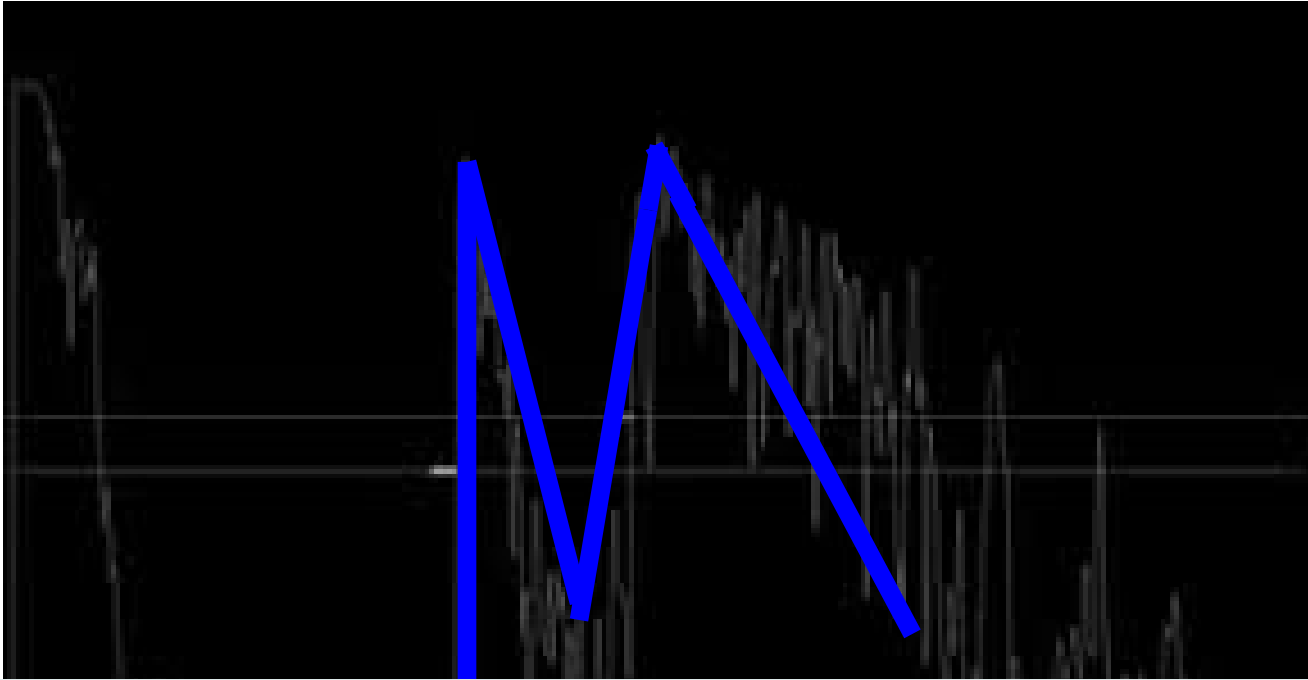
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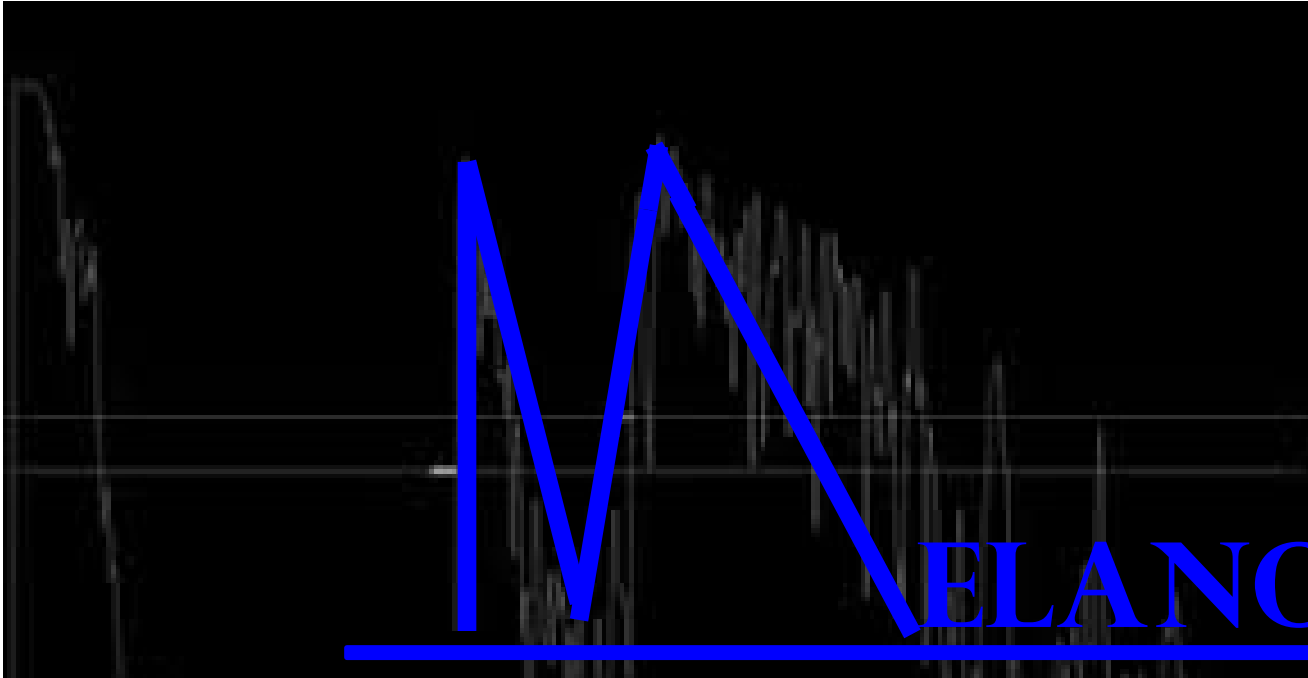
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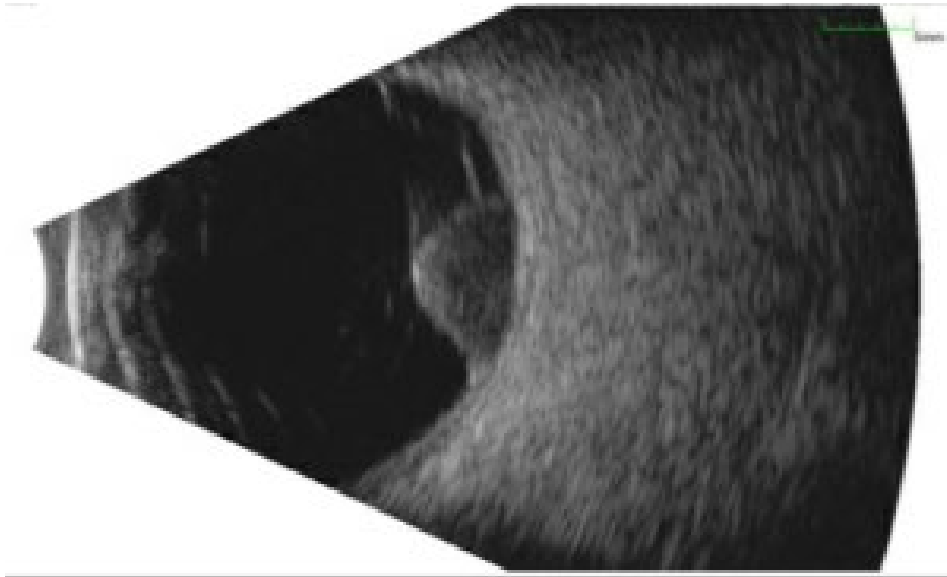
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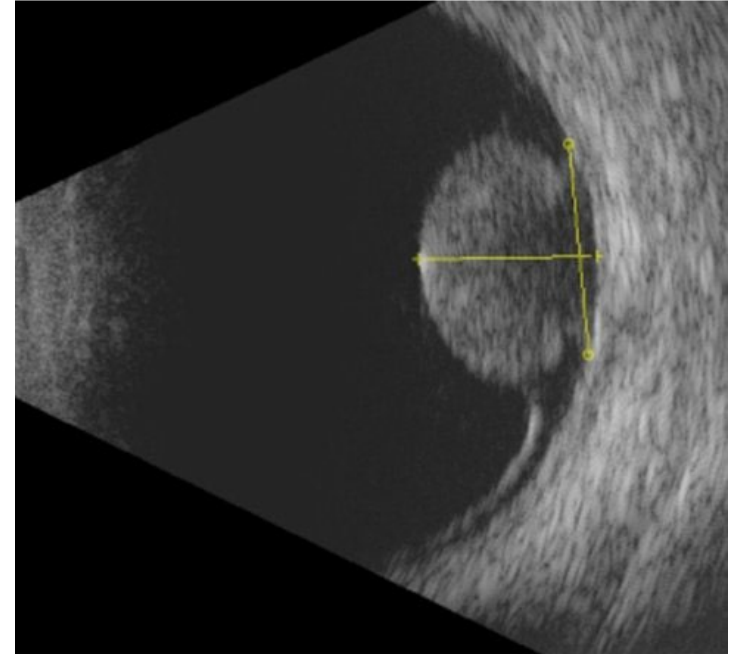
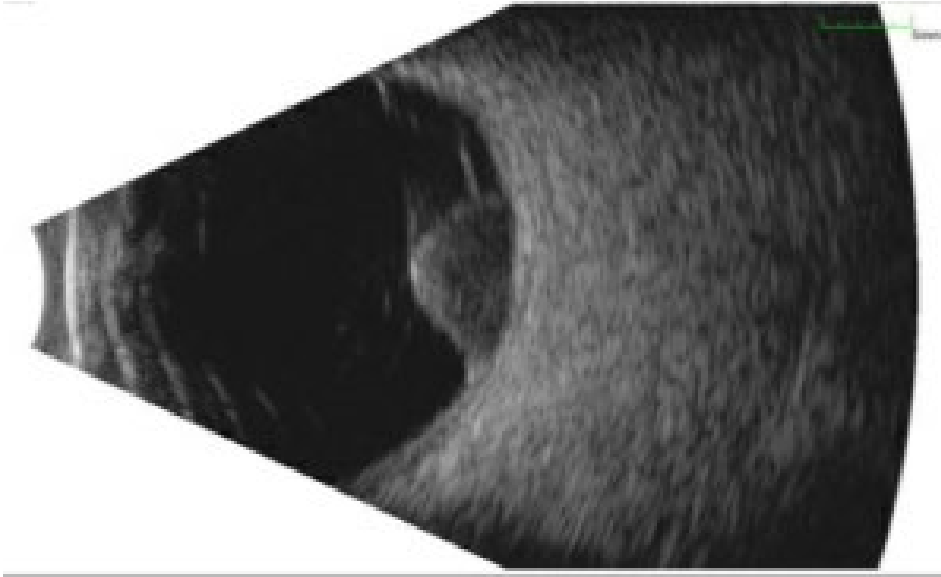
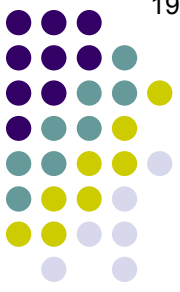
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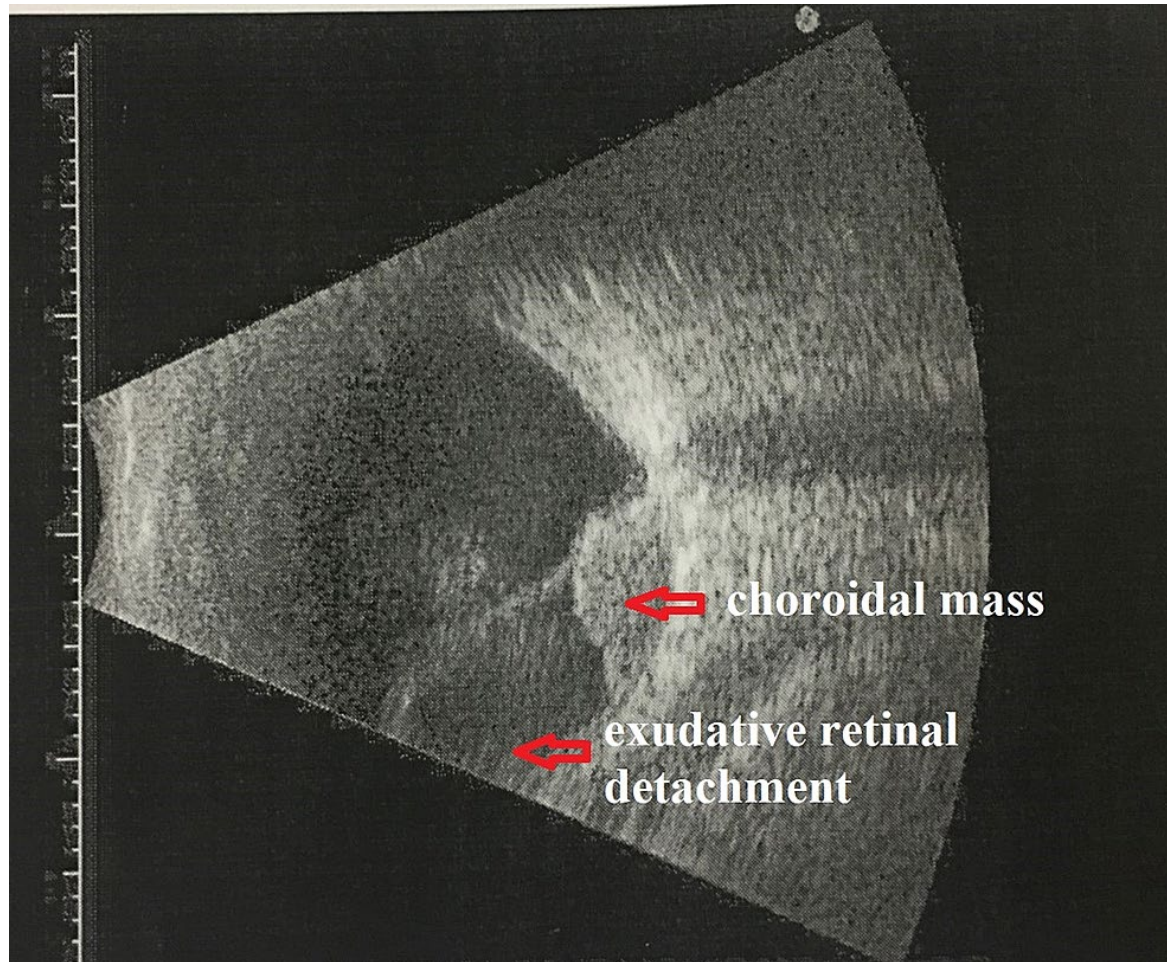
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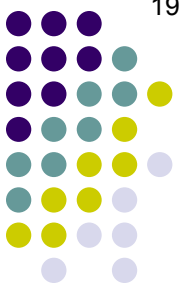


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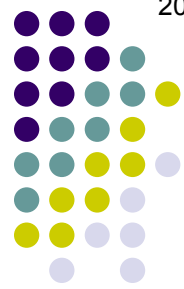
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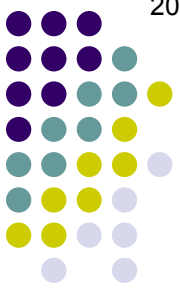


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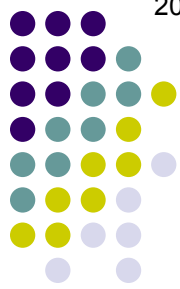


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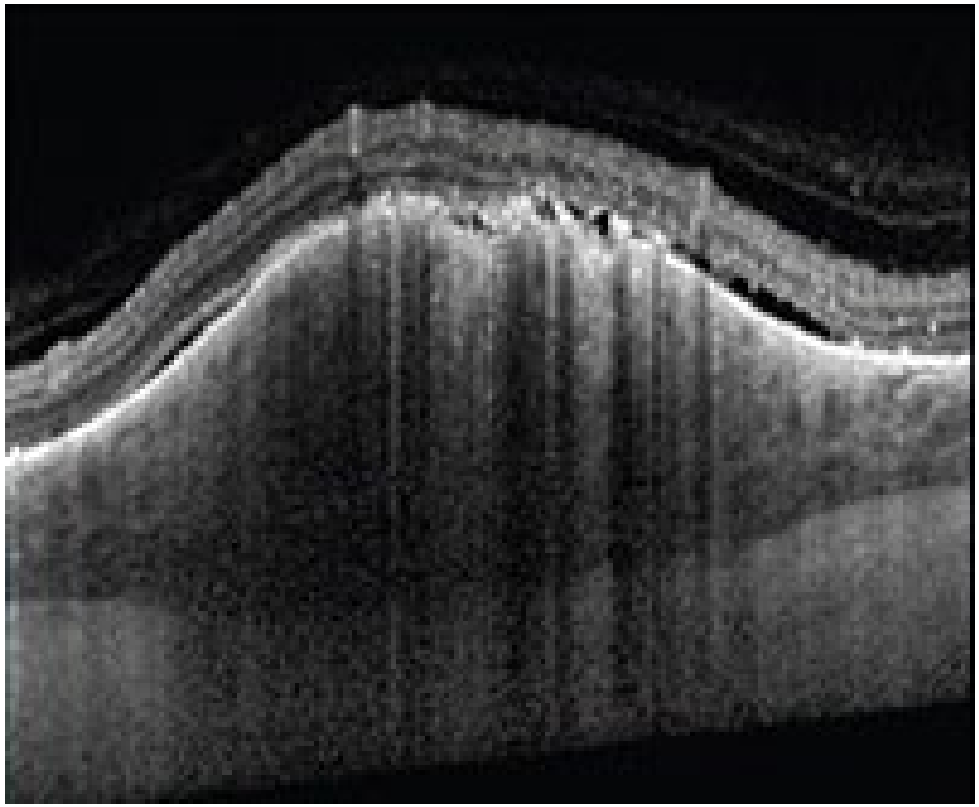
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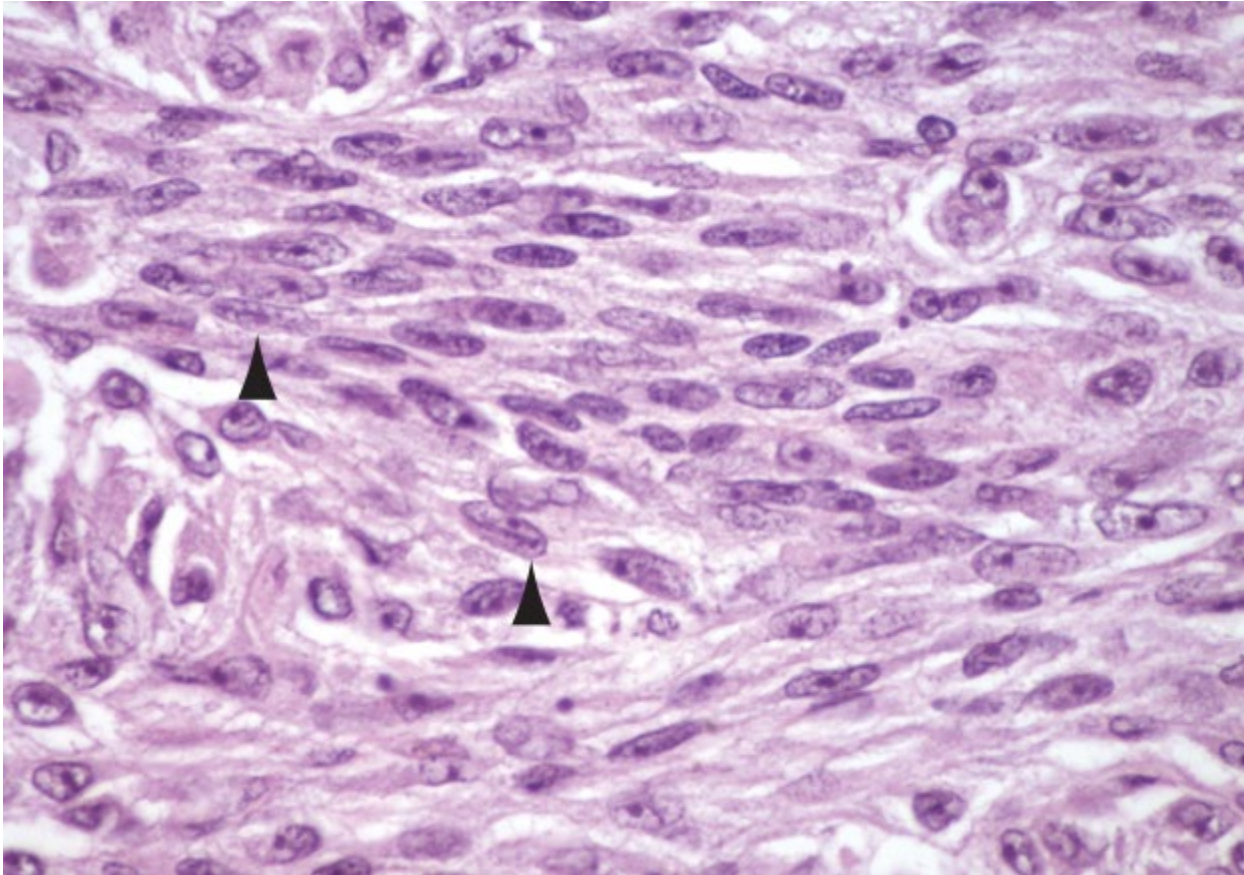


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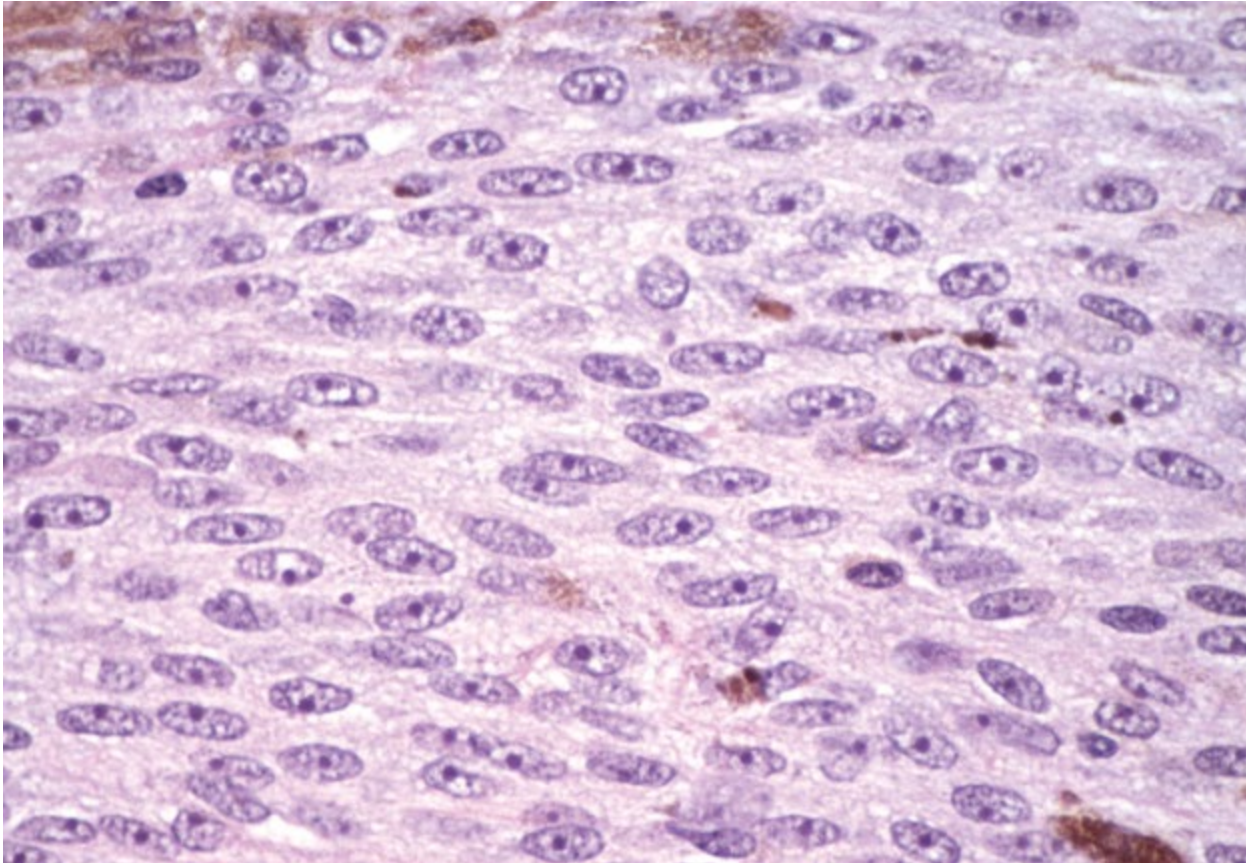


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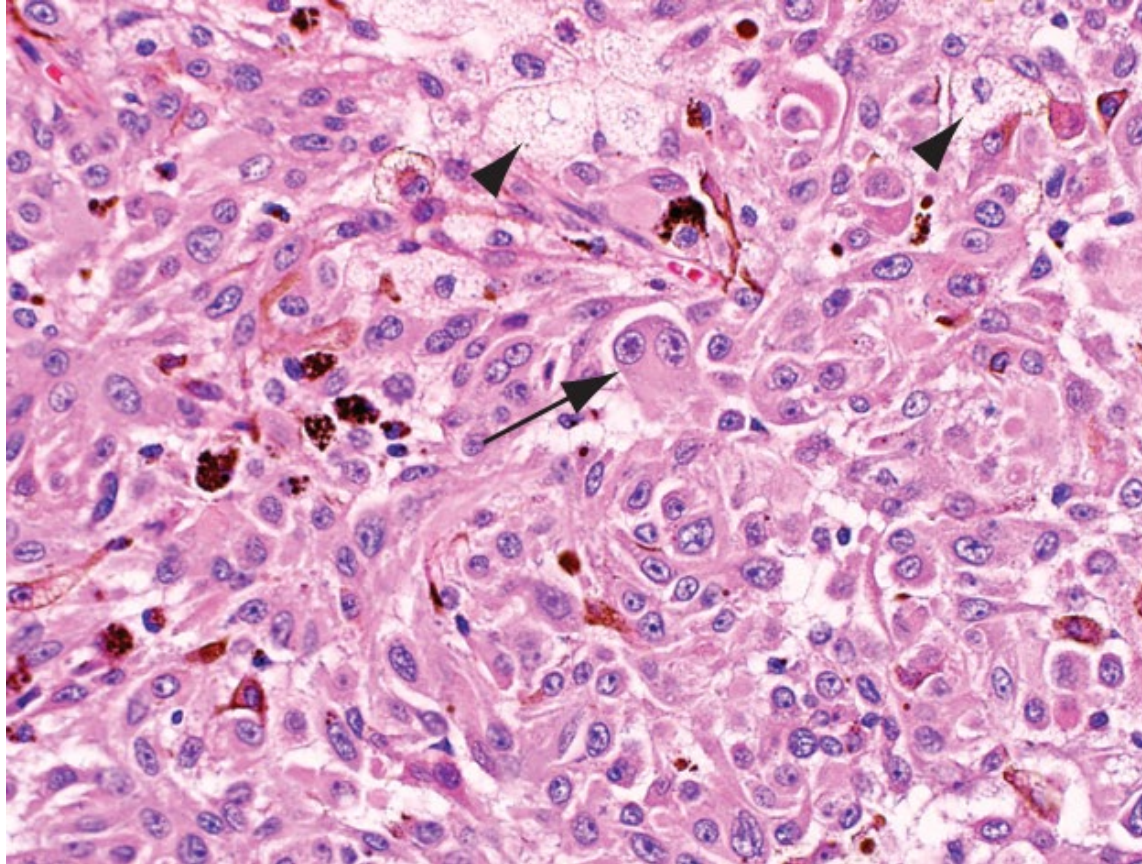
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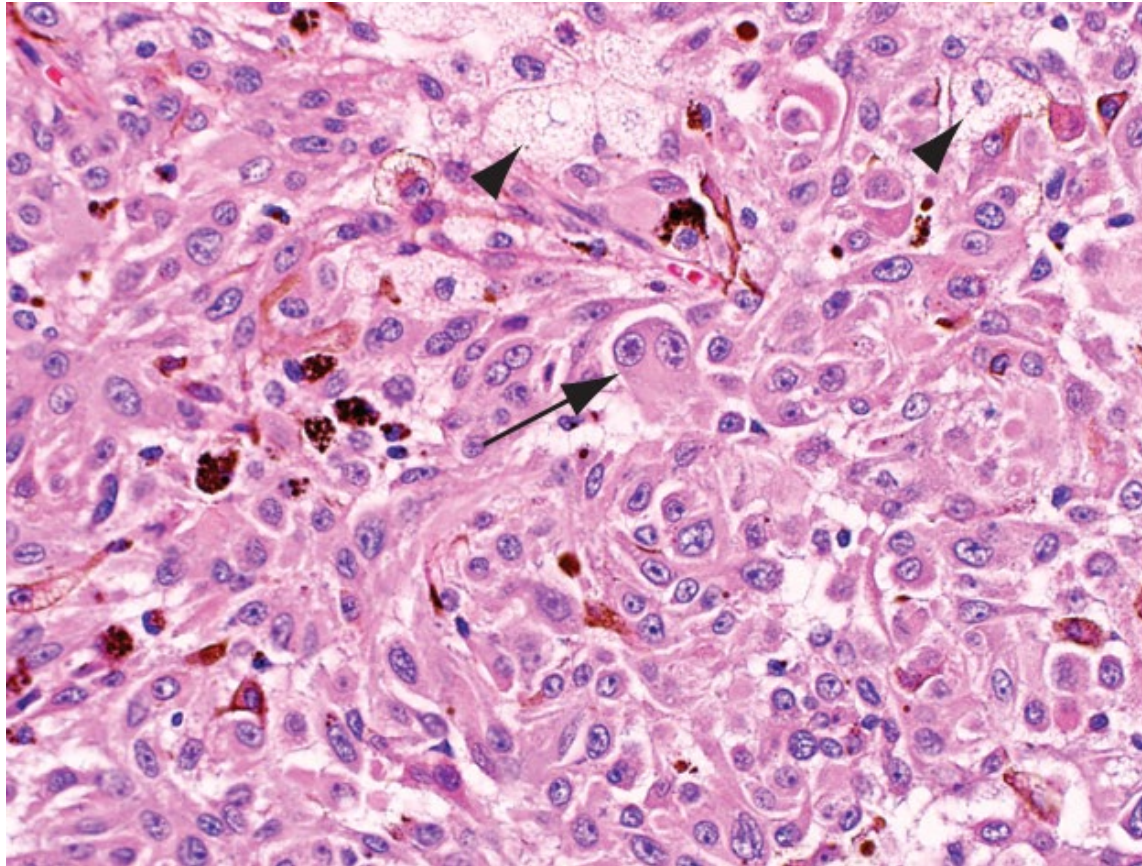
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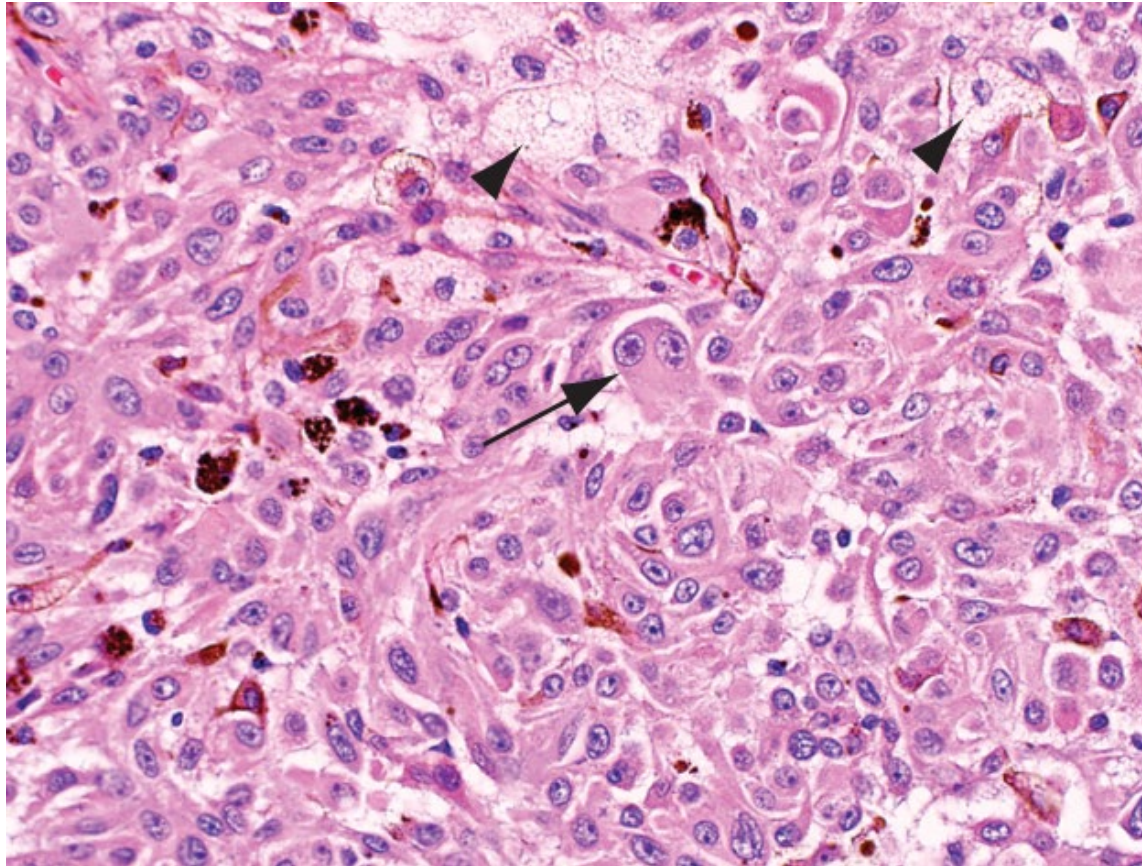
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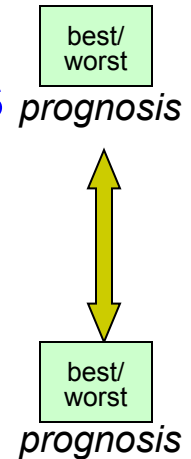
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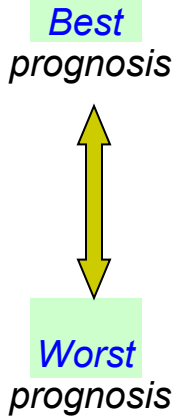
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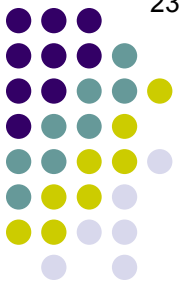
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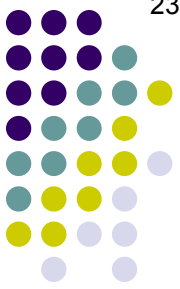
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(It also has its own set of review slides.)*

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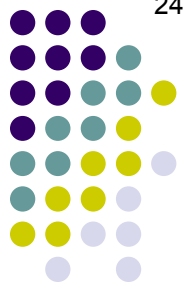
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issue of concern with any malignancy

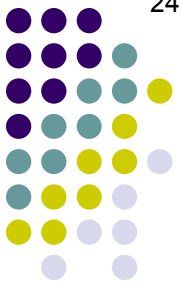


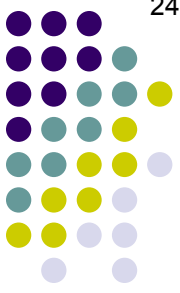
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## Choroidal Nevus vs Melanoma

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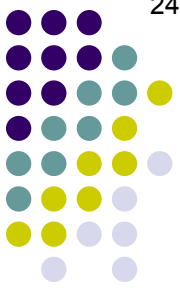
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●	key lab study
●	CT/MRI: <span style="background-color: #e0ffe0;">routine?</span>



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### ● Pre-treatment evaluation:

- Complete PE
- **CXR** (chest X-ray)
- **LFTs** (liver function tests)
- CT/MRI: **Perform as indicated (*not* as routine)**

## Choroidal Nevus vs Melanoma



### Re choroidal/Ciliary Body melanoma...

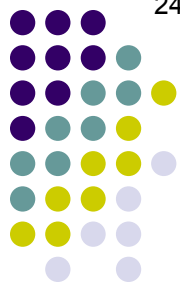
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*Note: Some experts disagree, arguing that imaging of the liver should be performed at the time of diagnosis as a matter of routine.*



## Choroidal Nevus vs Melanoma

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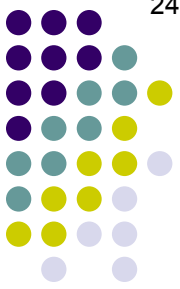
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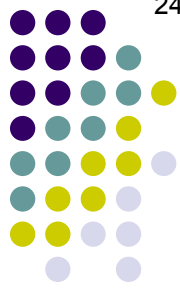
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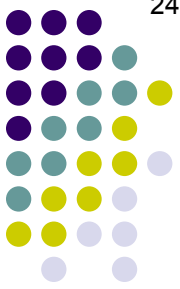
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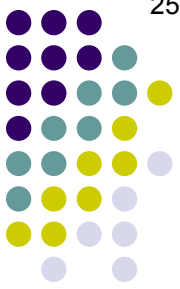
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- **Management**

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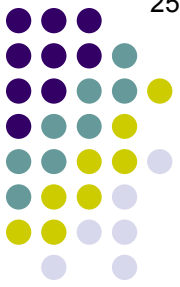
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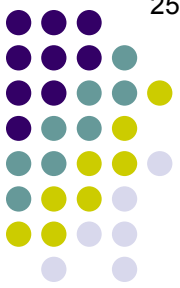
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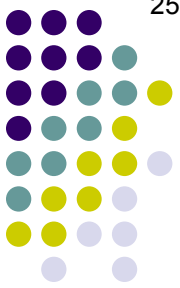


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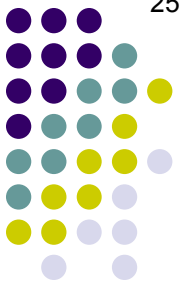
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  - **Charged-particle**





## *Choroidal Nevus vs Melanoma*

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## Choroidal Nevus vs Melanoma

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## Choroidal Nevus vs Melanoma

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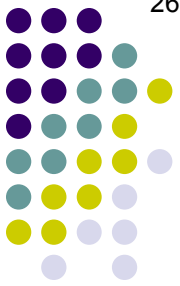


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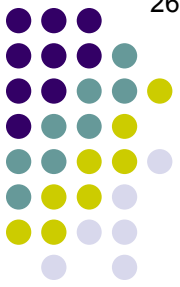
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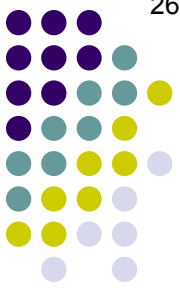


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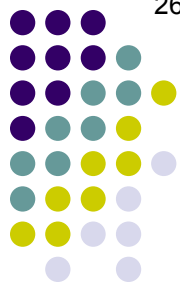


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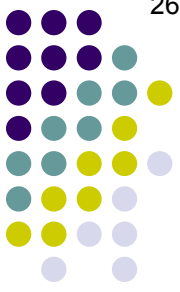


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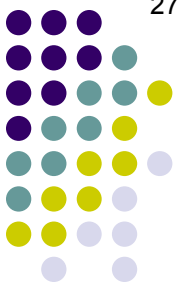
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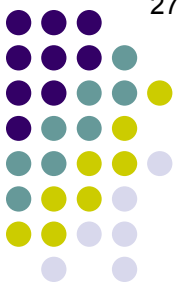


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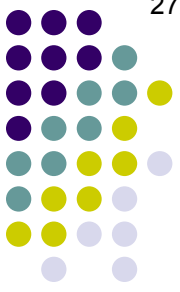


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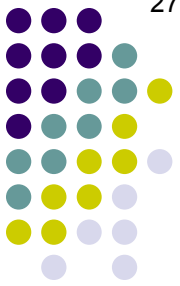
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    - Tumor control rate? **Good**
    - Adverse effects are **anterior**
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      - **NVG**

**Q**

*Re choroidal/Ciliary Body melanoma...*

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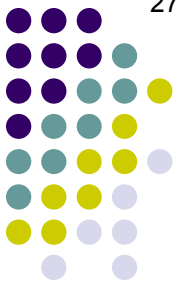
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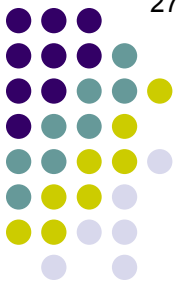
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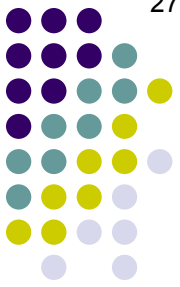
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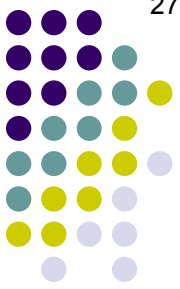


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# Q/A

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## A

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*Do uveal melanomas tend to be anterior to the globe equator, or posterior?  
A whopping 85% are posterior to the equator*



Q

*Re choroidal/Ciliary Body melanoma...*

- **Poor prognostic factors:**
  - Location: **Anterior**
    - So-called **ring melanoma** particularly poor
  - Documented **change**



## A

*Re choroidal/Ciliary Body melanoma...*

- **Poor prognostic factors:**
  - Location: **Anterior**
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  - Documented **growth**



Q

*Re choroidal/Ciliary Body melanoma...*

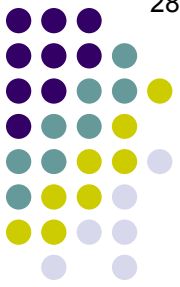
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  - **size**



## A

*Re choroidal/Ciliary Body melanoma...*

- **Poor prognostic factors:**
  - Location: **Anterior**
    - So-called **ring melanoma** particularly poor
  - Documented **growth**
  - **Larger** size





## Choroidal Nevus vs Melanoma

Q

*Re choroidal/Ciliary Body melanoma...*

- **Poor prognostic factors:**
  - Location: **Anterior**
    - So-called **ring melanoma** particularly poor
  - Documented **growth**
  - **Larger** size
  - **Extension** extension



# A

*Re choroidal/Ciliary Body melanoma...*

- **Poor prognostic factors:**
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  - Documented **growth**
  - **Larger** size
  - **Extraocular** extension



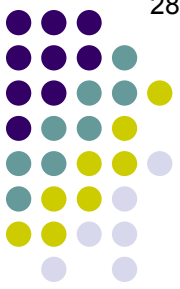
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  - Local **here we go again...**





# A

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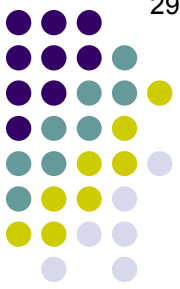


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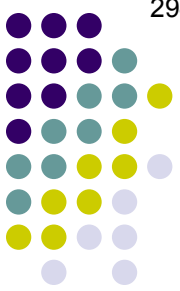
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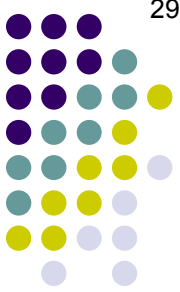
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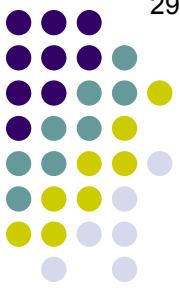


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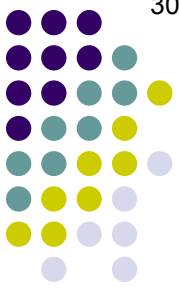


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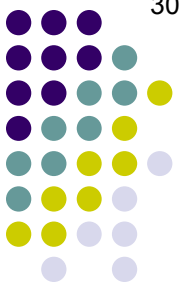
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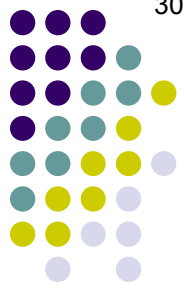


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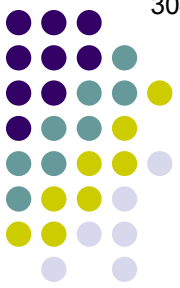


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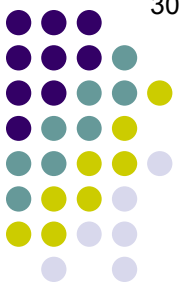
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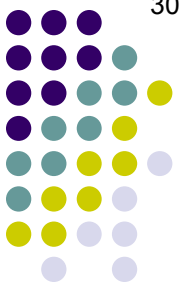


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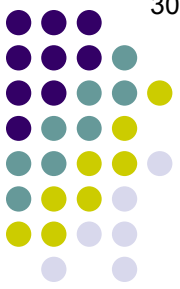
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