

- Glaucoma Progression Detection with OCT

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- Glaucoma Progression with OCT
- Scan Quality
- Floor Effect
- Age related Loss
- Intervisit Reproducibility
- Event Based Progression
- Trend Based Progression
- Guided Progression Analysis
- Glaucoma Progression on OCT

**SCAN QUALITY**

- signal strength less than 6
- movement or blinking artifacts
- Scan alignment
- Glaucoma Progression on OCT

**SCAN QUALITY**

- Opacities (floaters) within the 1.73-mm radius around the optic nerve head
- Segmentation errors
- Scan centration
- The Right Test for the Right Patient
- Floor Effect
- Early to moderate glaucoma: best use of OCT for progression
- Advanced glaucoma: Floor Effect makes it less useful
  - RNFL rarely below 50  $\mu\text{m}$  due to residual nonneural tissue
  - RNFL thickness therefore levels off
  - Visual fields more likely to detect progression
- Adjusting for Age Related Loss
- RNFL thinning as a result of aging
- Cross sectional: -0.33 microns per year
- Longitudinal: -0.52 microns per year
  - Leung CK, Yu M, Weinreb RN, *et al. Ophthalmology* 2012;**119**:731–7.

**AIGS Cross Sectional and Longitudinal Study:**

192 eyes (92 participants) over 5 years

- Cross Sectional: GCC -0.17 microns per year      Overall RNFL -0.21 microns per year

- Longitudinal: GCC thickness: -0.25 microns per year
- Longitudinal: Overall NFL thickness: -0.14 microns per year
  - Zhang X, Francis BA, Dastiridou A, Chopra V, Tan O, Varma R, Greenfield DS, Schuman JS, Huang D. *Translational Vision Science and Technology*. April 2016.
  - Repeatability and Reproducibility of SD-OCT
- Intravisit Reproducibility
- Intervisit Reproducibility = 3.89  $\mu\text{m}$ : suggesting a reproducible decrease of > 4  $\mu\text{m}$  statistically significant change
- A more cautious cutoff would be a 10  $\mu\text{m}$  change, twice the maximum standard deviation.
- Mwanza JC, Chang RT, Budenz DL, et al. Reproducibility of peripapillary retinal nerve fiber layer thickness and optic nerve head parameters measured with cirrus HD-OCT in glaucomatous eyes. *Invest Ophthalmol Vis Sci* 2010;51:5724-5730.
- Progressive RNFL Thinning
- Progressive RNFL thinning = progressive disease
- Global: Decreased Overall RNFL thickness
- Focal: Decrease in Quadrant or Section
- The top three RNFL progression patterns are:
  - Widening of an existing RNFL defect
  - Deepening without widening of an existing RNFL defect
  - Development of a new RNFL defect.
- Event Based Analysis
- Similar to VF progression methods
- Event-based analysis: progression when a follow up measurement exceeds a pre-established threshold for change from baseline.
- For example, a repeatable 10 micron decrease in superior RNFL thickness
- Susceptible to outliers, may identify false progression
- Trend Based Analysis
- Similar to VF progression methods
- Trend-based analysis: monitoring the change over time using regression analysis to provide a rate of progression and corresponding significance level.
- For example, slope of change of inferior RNFL thickness exceeds the expected normal range
- Requires large number of tests
- Guided Progression Analysis (GPA)
- Compares the RNFL thickness of individual clusters of A-scans between baseline and follow up RNFL thickness maps to an estimated test-retest variability.
- 2 baseline scans
- Local pixels exceeding such test-retest variability
  - YELLOW at the first event

- RED if the same changes are seen on three consecutive images
- Overall trend plot, two baseline scans with three follow up scans
- Linear regression line in  $\mu\text{m}/\text{yr}$ , representing rate of change, is drawn with an estimated confidence interval carried forward.

- **Predicting Conversion & Progression in the Advanced Imaging for Glaucoma Study**

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- Advanced Imaging for Glaucoma Study Group
- Goal
- **Predict glaucomatous visual field conversion among glaucoma suspects and pre-perimetric glaucoma eyes.**
- **Predict glaucoma progression among perimetric glaucoma eyes.**
- Participants for Conversion Prediction Analysis
- **Fourier-Domain Optical Coherence Tomography**
- Visual Field Conversion Defined
- Baseline Variables Predicting Conversion ( $p < 0.05$ )
- Ganglion Cell Complex-Focal Loss Volume:
  - Best Single Predictor of Conversion
- Glaucoma Composite Conversion Index (GCCCI)
- GCCCI Predicts Actual Conversion Rate
- Participants for Progression Prediction Analysis
- Event and Trend Based Glaucoma Progression
- Baseline Factors for Progression
- Ganglion Cell Complex-Focal Loss Volume is the Best Single Predictor of Progression
- Baseline GCC-FLV Classification Predicts Visual Field Progression Rate
- Glaucoma Composite Progression Index (GCPI)
- GCPI Predicts Actual Progression Rate
- Conclusions
- OCT can detect structural damage years before VF defects
- OCT structural damage is a strong predictor of VF conversion and progression
- Ganglion Cell Complex-Focal Loss Volume (GCC-FLV) is the most accurate predictor
- OCT predictive parameters are synergistic with VF, age, and central corneal thickness
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- How to read an OCT scan
- RNFL Thickness Map
- RNFL Thickness Deviation
- Overall, Quadrant and Clock Hour Analysis of RNFL Thickness
- TSNIT Plot and Overlay Graph of RNFL
- Best Predictor of Glaucoma
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- Ganglion Cell Complex
- Ganglion Cell Complex
- Optic Nerve Head Analysis
- Detecting Progression
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- Obstacles to Obtaining a Good Scan
- Signal Strength
- Poor Signal Strength OD
- Centration errors
- Decentered Scan OS
- Scan Signal Pattern
- Scan Signal Pattern
- Peripapillary Atrophy

- Poor Scan Alignment
- Segmentation Error
- Segmentation Error
- Segmentation Error
- Temporal Shift
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- Temporal Shift
- Conclusion
- Imaging provides complementary indicators of glaucomatous optic nerve damage
- Make sure scan is of sufficient quality
- Useful in earlier detection of GOND in glaucoma suspects
- Useful in following glaucoma suspects and mild to moderate glaucoma
- Information must always be taken in context with clinical exam and vision / VF testing
- References
- Anterior Segment Imaging with Spectral Domain Optical Coherence Tomography
- *choices for "viewing" the anterior segment*

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AS-OCT

- *Anterior Segment OCT*
  - Excellent resolution of anterior segment
  - Technically easy to use and quick
  - Requires no contact or immersion
  - Provides light and dark measurements
- Anterior Segment OCT can distinguish between *Open Angles vs Narrow/Closed Angles*
- For teaching
  - Patients
  - Residents
  - Fellows
  - For guiding treatment
  - Peripheral iridotomy
  - Peripheral iridoplasty

- Cataract surgery
- For screening high-risk individuals
- *Open Angle vs Closed Angle* on Time-domain AS-OCT
- Angle Parameters are based on location of scleral spur using Time-domain OCT (TD-OCT)
- Anterior chamber angle parameters such as
  - Angle-Opening-Distance (AOD-500)
  - Trabecular-Iris-Surface-Area (TISA)

are calculated based on proper identification/location of scleral spur (SS)

- Higher Resolution with SD-OCT leads to better visualization of outflow structures
- Zeiss Visante TD-OCT (1310 *nm*)
- TD-OCT has limitations in identifying angle structures
- Reports have shown that TD-OCT can only locate SS in approximately 3/4 of cases
- Implementation of higher-speed, higher-definition spectral domain OCT (SD-OCT)
- Zeiss Cirrus SD-OCT (840 *nm*)

Advantages of SD-OCT

- Higher scanning speeds
  - 50-60 times faster than with TD-OCT
  - Greater axial resolution
  - 3-5 $\mu$ m (vs 8 $\mu$ m)
- 208 OAG eyes prospectively imaged using 2 devices
- Zeiss Cirrus SD-OCT (840 *nm*)
- Zeiss Visante TD-OCT (1310 *nm*)
- SD-OCT allows identification of angle structures in a larger percentage of eyes compared with TD-OCT
- Identification of Angle Structures
- SL was identified in 94% of images with calculation of a new angle metric, SL-Angle Opening Distance (SL-AOD)
- SD-OCT Metrics: Novel "TM-scoop"

Zeiss Cirrus SD-OCT (840 *nm*)

- Anatomy: Anterior Chamber Angle Structures
- Schwalbe's Line Angle Opening Distance (SL-AOD)

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- SL-TISA (vs SS-TISA)  
more representative of the true TM filtration zone
- AS-OCT Parameters  
Acute primary angle closure associated with narrower angles,  
smallest anterior chamber dimensions,  
increased Lens Vault (LV) (1200mm vs 850mm),  
decreased Trabecular-Iris-Surface-Area (TISA750),  
increased Iris Thickness (IT750)
- Case study ASOCT tube
- 79 yo F with POAG
- Prior BVI 350 tube shunt
- Corneal edema developing superiorly
- Tube position?
  - Slit lamp showed no tube touch centrally
  - Possible peripheral contact
- Case study ASOCT tube 2
- 29 yo M with Congenital Glaucoma
- BVI tube shunt ST 15 years ago
- Second BVI tube SN 3 months ago
- Second tube touching cornea, underwent surgical repositioning
- First tube position?
- Opacification over tube entry site peripherally?
- Congenital Glaucoma tube shunt
- AS-OCT Clinical Case: Canaloplasty POD#1
- AS-OCT for IOL power calculations post-LASIK/PRK  
Evaluation of anterior vs posterior corneal curvatures  
Best Method: OCT > Haigis-L > Shammas-PL
- AS-OCT for Posterior Polar Cataracts:  
Pre-surgical Planning + Evaluation of Posterior Capsule Integrity
- Anterior Segment OCT Research
- Wide scope of research
  - Screening at risk populations
  - Diagnostic ability
  - Management strategy planning
  - Treatment outcome monitoring
- Research potential
  - Need standardized definitions & protocols

- Normative database?
- Clinical correlation
  - vs ? gold standard
- Structure-Function assessments