# Diabetic Macular Oedema 'To treat or not to treat?'

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#### ONE STOP INTRAVITREAL TREATMENT SERVICE 2013

#### **RAPID ACCESS**

#### **MACULAR DEGENERATION CLINIC**

Wet age-related macular degeneration

are seen and treated within two weeks

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**REVIEW OF OCT SCAN** 

**IVT INJECTION** 

#### **SEE AND TREAT MEDICAL RETINA SERVICE**

#### **GP OR OPTOMETRIST REFERRAL**



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REVIEW OF OCT SCAN



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- UVEITIS CLINIC Monday 1.30 5.00 pm
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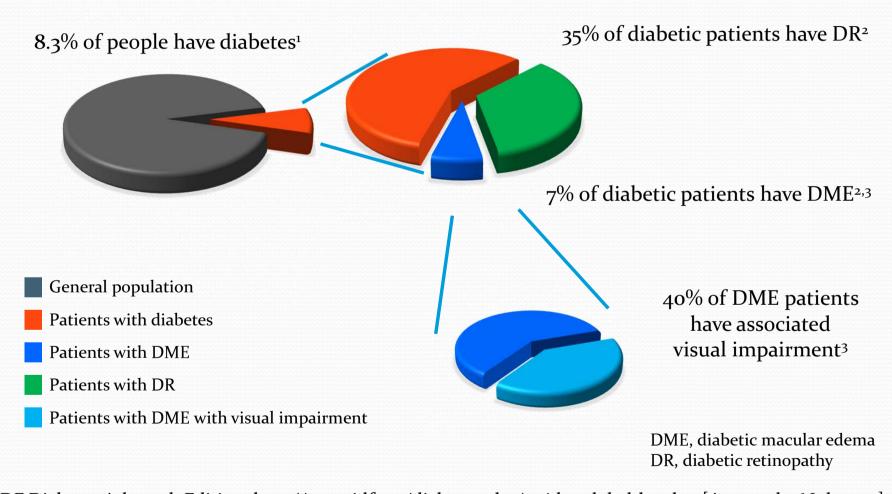
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#### DMO: commonest cause of visual impairment



- 1. IDF Diabetes Atlas. 5th Edition: http://www.idf.org/diabetesatlas/5e/the-global-burden [Accessed 26 July 2013];
- 2. Yau J, et al. Diabetes Care 2012;35:556-64
- 3. Minassian D, et al. Br J Ophthalmol 2012;96:345-9

#### Co-morbidities

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- •HbA1c: 48-58 mmol/l (6.5-7.5%)
  Rosiglitazone and pioglitazone should be avoided if macular oedema
- BP: <130/80 (<125/75 if protein in urine). NB: ACE-inhibitors
- Lipids: Total cholesterol
   <4mmol/l. Consider</li>
   adding Fenofibrates
- Control sleep apnoea



#### <u>Lifestyle</u>

- •Exercise (metabolic memory)
- Avoid obesity
- Avoid smokingSmoking X3-4 retinopathy
- Moderate alcohol consumption only

Metabolic memory/Legacy effect

## Evidence for prevention

- <sup>1</sup>United Kingdom Prospective Diabetes Study (UKPDS)
- <sup>2</sup>Diabetes Control and Complications Trial (DCCT)

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- 1. UKPDS Study Group. Lancet. 1998. Volume 352, No. 9131; p837-853,
- 2. DCCT Study Group. The Effect of Intensive Treatment of Diabetes on the Development and Progression of Long-Term Complications in Insulin-Dependent Diabetes Mellitus NEJM. 1993; 329:977-986

#### Important definitions

# Diabetic Retinopathy Screening (DRSS) M0 Not M1 Microaneurysm or dot haemorrhage ≤1 Disc Diameter from central fovea, VA ≤6/12 M1 Exudate/thickening ≤1 DD from central fovea Circinate or group of exudates within the macula (circle with radius from fovea to disc)

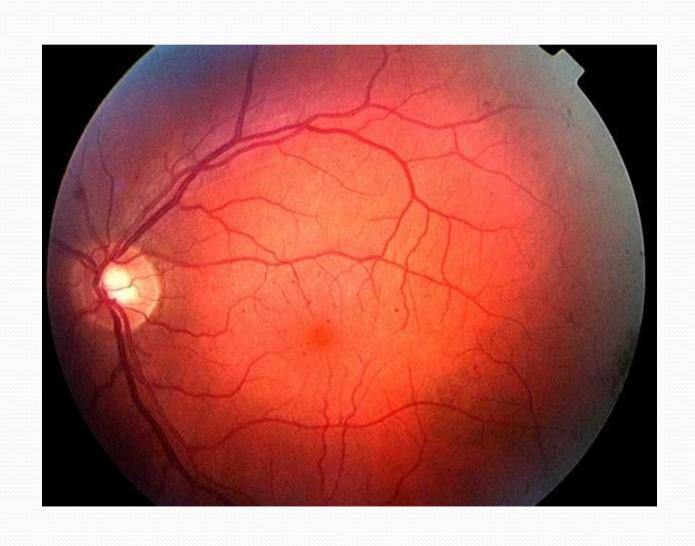
## Clinically Significant Macular Oedema (CSMO)

Any thickening within 500 um of central fovea

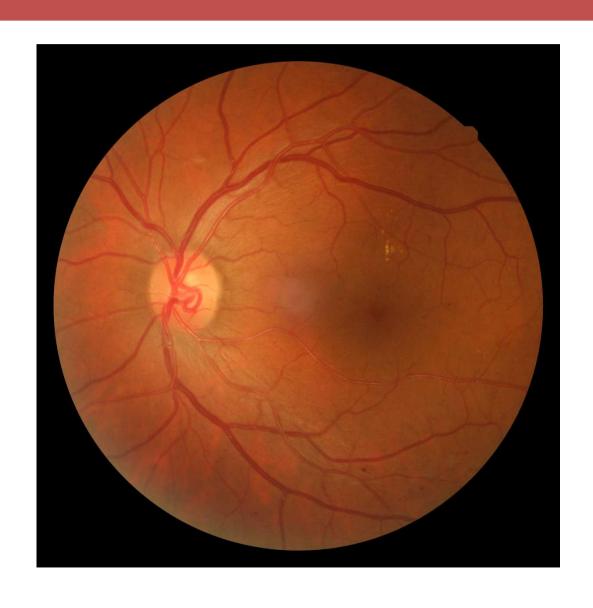
Exudate within 500um of central fovea, with adjacent thickening

Thickening of 1 disc area, ≤1 DD from central fovea

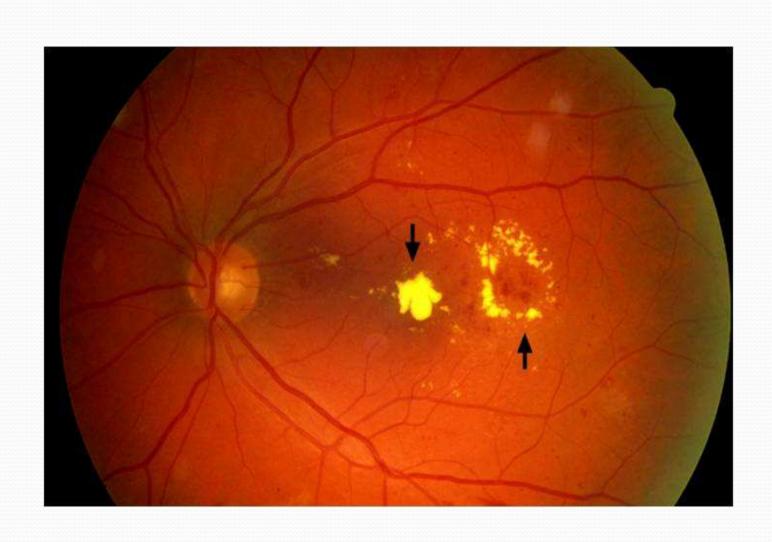
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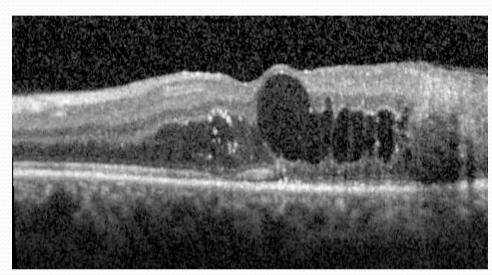


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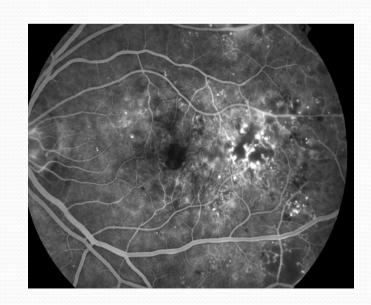


## **DMO**









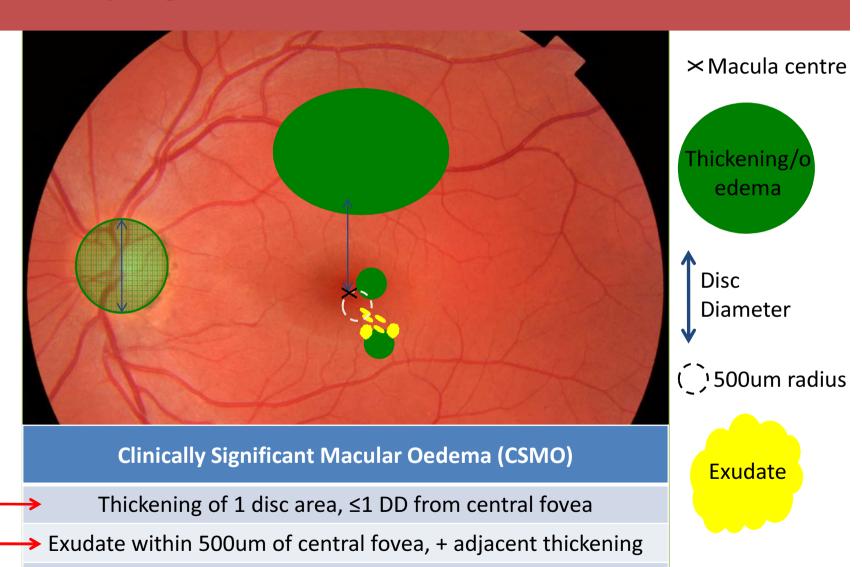
#### Diabetic Macular Oedema

- Laser
- Intravitreal Triamcinolone
- Anti-VEGF (Ranibizumab/Lucentis)
- Fluocinolone implant (Iluvien)
- Dexamethasone implant (Ozurdex)

- 1. The Diabetic Retinopathy Clinical Research Network. *Ophthalmology* 2010; 117:1064–77; The Diabetic Retinopathy Clinical Research Network
- 2. MEAD Study Group: Boyer DS et al. Ophthalmology 2014, 121, 1904-1914
- 3. FAME Study Group: Campchiaro PA et al. Ophthalmology 2012, 119:2125–21321

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#### CASE 1 – Mr ED

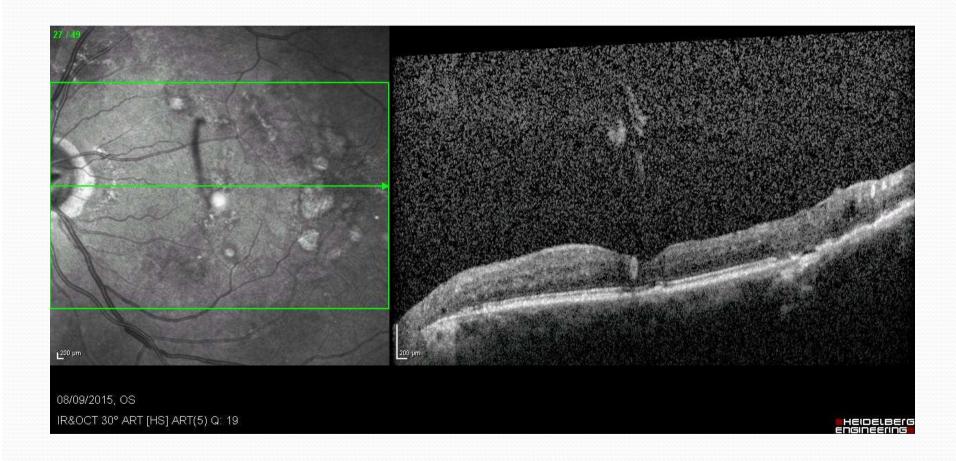
• 1998: 75 year old Caucasian gentleman

History of diabetes; attended for retinopathy review

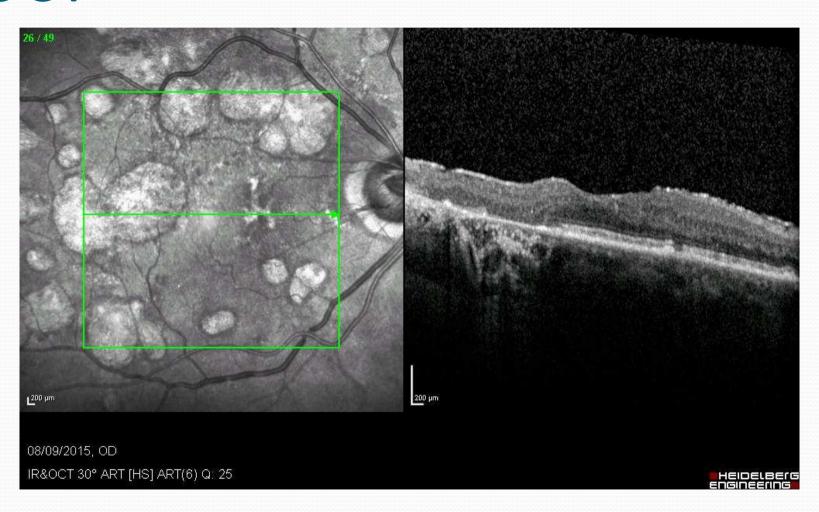
• VA RE 6/9 VA LE 6/24

• Examination: Bilateral pseudophakia

## OCT



## OCT



## **Options**

Laser treatment in the past

Macular laser – power, spot size, duration, no.

152 x 0.1s x 0.22w x 200 microns

152 x 0.02s x 0.1w x 50-100 microns

OCT findings

Extensive loss of photoreceptors

No macular oedema

Recurrence of oedema?

## Pharmacological therapy: intravitreal steroid treatment

Corticosteroids have wide-ranging effects

- Affect vascular permeability and angiogenesis¹
- Stabilise the blood-retinal barrier by \u2255 cytokines and permeating proteins, including VEGF<sup>2</sup>

Potential complications of corticosteroid therapy

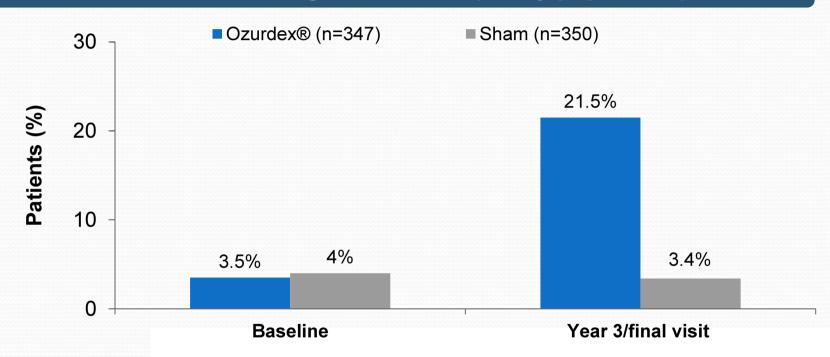
- ↑ IOP seen in ~40% of eyes within 3 months²
- Increased cataract formation which may become visually significant in ~50% of eyes<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1.</sup> Mavrikakis and Lam. Can J Ophthalmol 2009;44:147–53;

<sup>2.</sup> Furlani et al. Expert Opin Emerg Drugs 2007;12:591-603

# USE OF IOP LOWERING MEDICATIONS

#### Use of IOP-lowering medications (safety population)<sup>1,2</sup>



<sup>1.</sup> Boyer DS et al. Ophthalmology 2014, 121, 1904-1914

#### Feb 2013 TA274 - Ranibizumab

Lucentis, Novartis. £742.17 per vial 0.5mg/0.05 ml

Ranibizumab is recommended as an option for treating visual impairment due to diabetic macular oedema **only if:** 

- central retinal thickness of ≥ 400 μ
   and
- the manufacturer provides ranibizumab with the discount agreed in the patient access scheme

#### Nov 2013 TA301 - Flucinolone

Flucinolone, Alimera. £5500 o.2 µg/day/3 years

chronic diabetic macular oedema that is insufficiently responsive to available therapies **only** 

if the implant is to be used in an eye with an intraocular (pseudophakic) lens **and** the manufacturer provides fluocinolone acetonide intravitreal implant with the discount agreed in the patient access scheme

## July 2015 TA346 - Aflibercept

Eylea, Bayer Pharma £816.00 per vial 2mg

The final draft guidance **recommends** aflibercept solution for injection as a treatment option in people **only if**:

- central retinal thickness of ≥ 400 μ
   and
- the company provides aflibercept with the discount agreed in the patient access scheme.

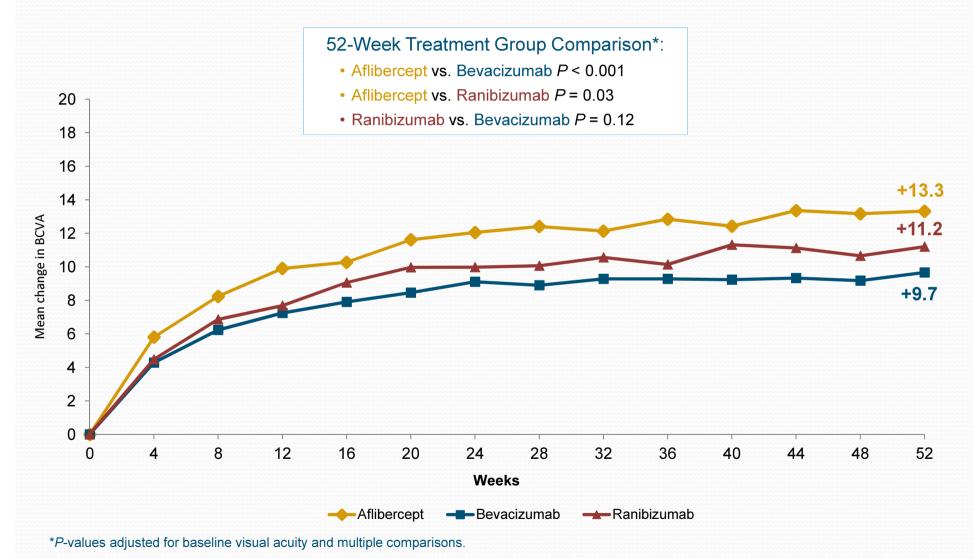
#### July 2015 TA349 - Dexamethasone intravitreal implant

#### Ozurdex, Allergan £870.00 per vial 700 micrograms

The final draft guidance dexamethasone intravitreal implant is **recommended** as a treatment option in people **only if**:

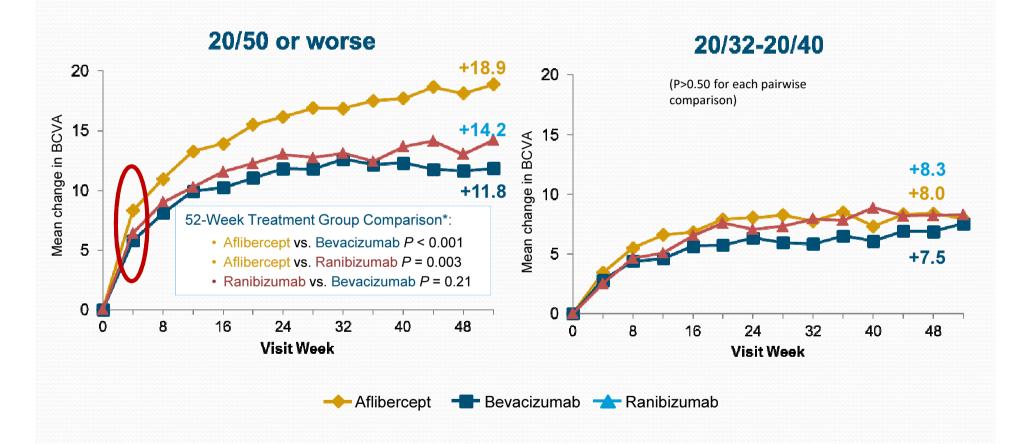
- the implant is to be used in an eye with an intraocular (pseudophakic) lens
   and
- their diabetic macular oedema does not respond to noncorticosteroid treatment or such treatment is unsuitable.

#### Mean Change in Visual Acuity Letter Score Over Time



Aflibercept, Bevacizumab, or Ranibizumab for Diabetic Macular Edema; The Diabetic Retinopathy Clinical Research Network February 18, 2015 DOI: 10.1056/NEJMoa1414264.

#### Subgroup Analysis Baseline Best-Corrected Visual Acuity



<sup>\*</sup>P-values adjusted for baseline visual acuity and multiple comparisons.

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#### 10- and 15-Letter Gainers at Year 1

	Aflibercept N = 208	Bevacizumab N = 206	Ranibizumab N = 206	<i>P</i> -values for Aflibercept vs. Ranibizumab
Overall (letter score)				
≥10-letter improvement	63%	52%	59%	0.25
≥15-letter improvement	42%	29%	32%	0.068
BCVA 20/50 or worse				
≥10-letter improvement	77%	60%	69%	0.20
≥15-letter improvement	67%	41%	50%	0.008
BCVA 20/32-20/40				
≥10-letter improvement	50%	45%	50%	0.95
≥15-letter improvement	18%	16%	15%	0.73

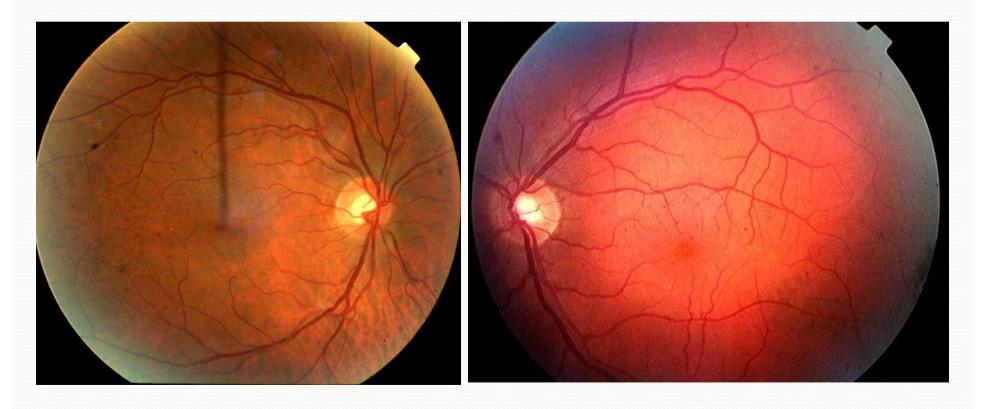
<sup>&</sup>quot;(...) improvement in the visual-acuity letter score of at least 15 (3 Snellen lines) was observed in 63% more aflibercept-treated eyes than bevacizumab-treated eyes (67% vs. 41%) and in 34% more aflibercept-treated eyes than ranibizumab-treated eyes (67% vs. 50%)."

#### CASE 2 Mrs MT

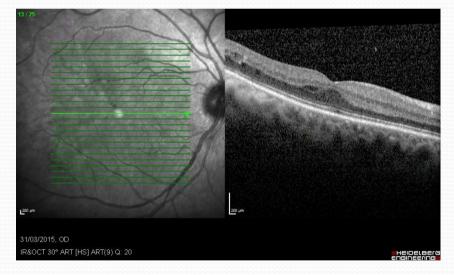
- 58 year old Asian lady, single mother
- Type 2 Diabetes for 15 years
- PMH -Hypertension, raised Cholesterol
- DH Vidagliptin, Ramipril, Metformin, Gliclazide
- Referred by DESP
- R<sub>1</sub> M<sub>1</sub>
- VA RE 6/5 VA LE 6/18

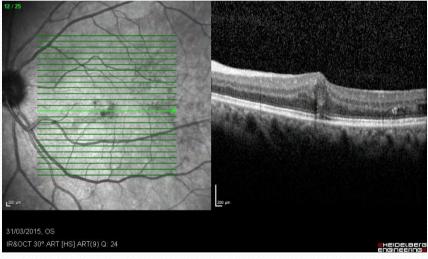
## M1 Maculopathy

VA 6/5 VA 6/18 M1



## OCT March 2015

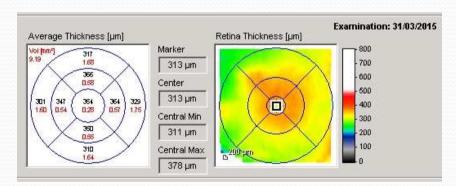


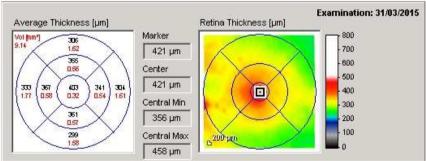


#### **CENTRAL MACULAR THICKNESS**

354 microns

403 microns



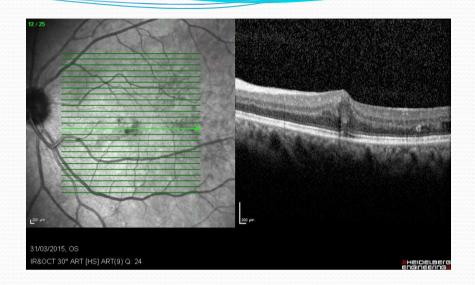


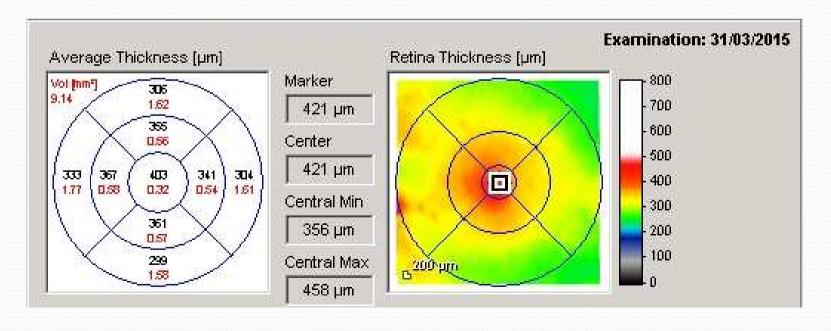
## **Options RE?**

- Control diabetes
- Control BP
- Control hypercholesterolaemia

## **Options LE?**

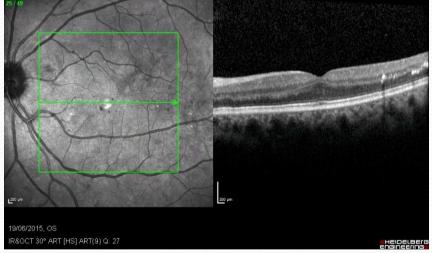
- Control diabetes
- Hypertension
- Cholesterol
- Anti VEGF?





## OCT June 2015





## CASE 3 Mrs SF

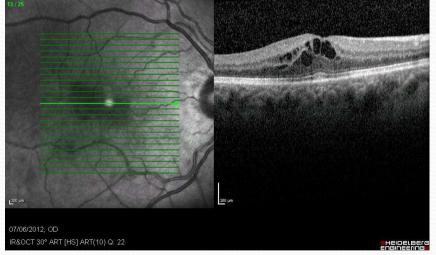
• 68 year old Caucasian lady

2012: Referred by DESP

• VA RE 6/9 LE 6/9

• DR RE R1M1 LE R1M1

## OCT JUNE 2012

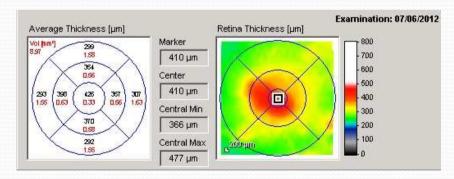


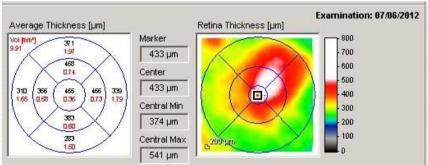


## OCT JUNE 2012

426 microns

465 microns





# **OPTIONS?**

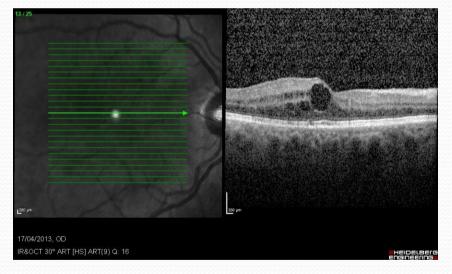
### **OPTIONS**

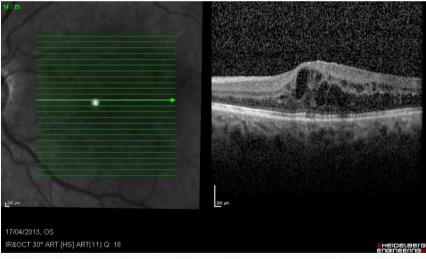
- Improve diabetic control
- Focal macular laser both eyes June 2012

# OCT April 2013 FFA ?ischaemic

**470 microns Listed for Right Lucentis** 

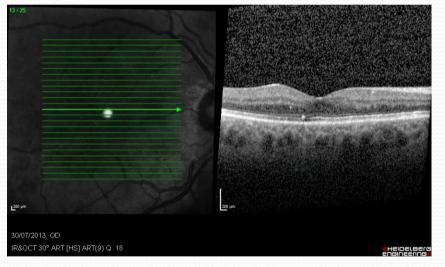
561 microns

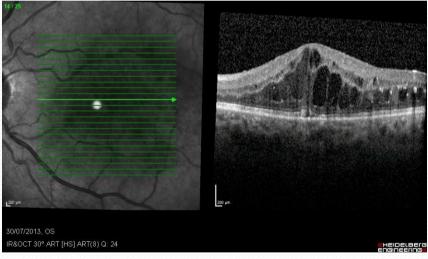




# OCT July 2013

#### 561 microns Listed for Left Lucentis





### Outcome June 2015

Lucentis

13 injections

12 injections

• June 2015

VA RE 6/7.5

VA LE 6/7.5

OCT

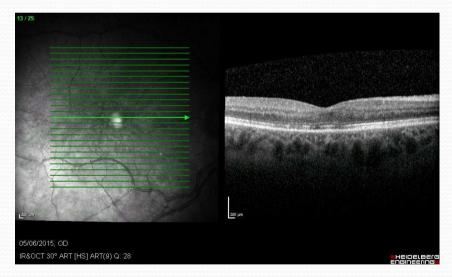
258 microns

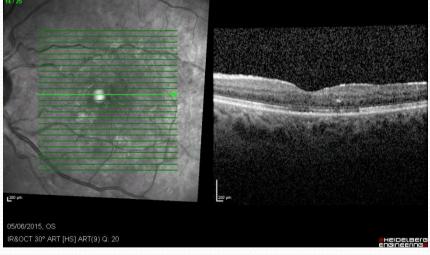
258 microns

### OCT June 2015

Lucentis VA OCT 13 injections RE 6/7.5 258 microns

12 injectionsVA LE 6/7.5258 microns





### Case 4 Mr RD

- 69 year old Caucasian male
- Referred by DESP
- Driver

• DR: RE ungradeable LE R1 M1

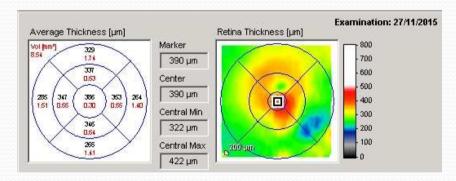
• VA RE 6/36 UA VA LE 6/18 UA (6/12ph)

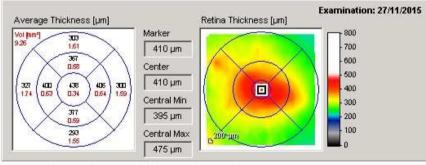
Bilateral cataracts

### OCT November 2015

386 microns

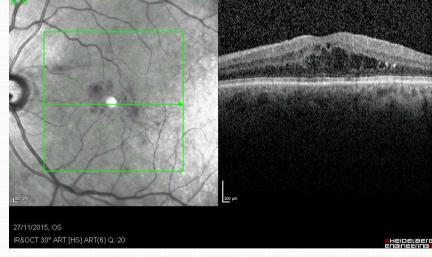
438 microns





### OCT November 2015





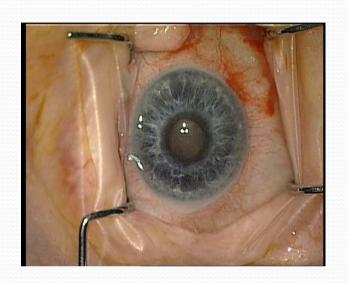
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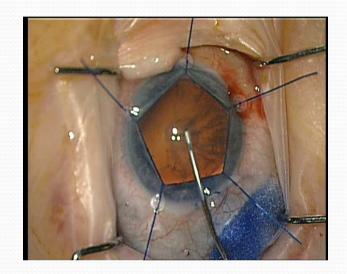
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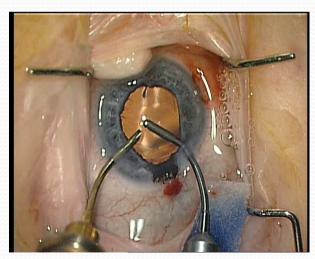
Driver

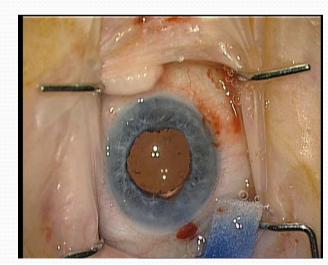
- Advised not to drive! (6/36, 6/18)
- Listed for right Cataract surgery + IOL + IVTA
- Listed for Left Eylea

# Cataract surgery in diabetics









## Pseudophakic DMO

First line
 Topical NSAIDs
 Bromfenac (Yellox)
 Flurbiprofen (Ocufen)
 Ketoralac (Acular)
 Nepafenac (Nevanac)
 Topical steroids
 ?Diamox

Second line

Orbital Floor Depomedrone Triamcinolone (subconj, subtenons, IVT) Ozurdex IVT

#### Case 5 Mr GG

- 68 year old Italian gentleman
- Type 2 diabetes; now on Insulin
- 2005: Focal Macular laser

 09/2005
 09/2005

 02/2007
 02/2006

 07/2007
 12/2007

 03/2008
 03/2008

 04/2011
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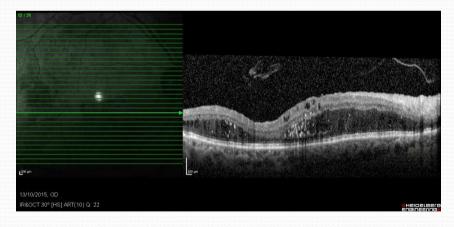
2013 IVT Lucentis

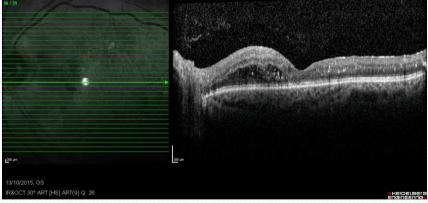
7 injections 5 injections

### October 2015

VA 6/15CMT 304

VA 6/30CMT 237



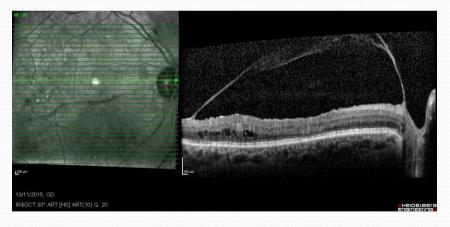


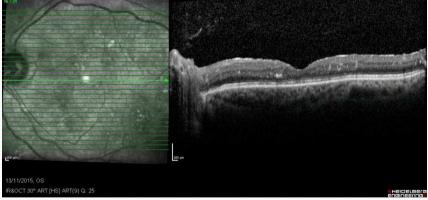
### November 2015

VA 6/12

**CMT 268** 

VA 6/24 CMT 258





• Oct 2015 IOPs 18/18 Triamcinolone – steroid challenge

• 1 week IOPs 11/13

Nov 2015 IOPs 21/15

• Dec 2015 ?

### DMO - Where are we now

- Lucentis and Eylea approved
- Eylea 34% more 15 letter gain
- Combined laser and anti-VEGF has a role

#### Pseudophakic:

- Ozurdex 2<sup>nd</sup> line < 18 months
- Iluvien 2<sup>nd</sup> line > 18 months



Cataract surgery: Aim for optimal control of DMO

### Case 6 Mrs AS

- 72 year old Caucasian lady
- Type 2 diabetes
- 1994: VA RE 6/6; VA LE 6/6
- 1996: Optometrist referral (53 years)

RE: +0.25/-0.50 x 90 6/9 +2.25 Add

LE: +0.75/-0.75 x 90 6/18 +2.25 Add

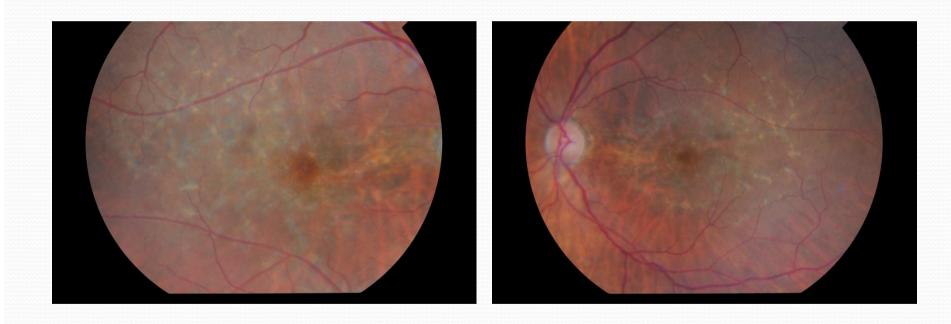
Discharged

• 1999: Left phaco, no DR, discharged

2014: Referred for right cataract, macular exudate

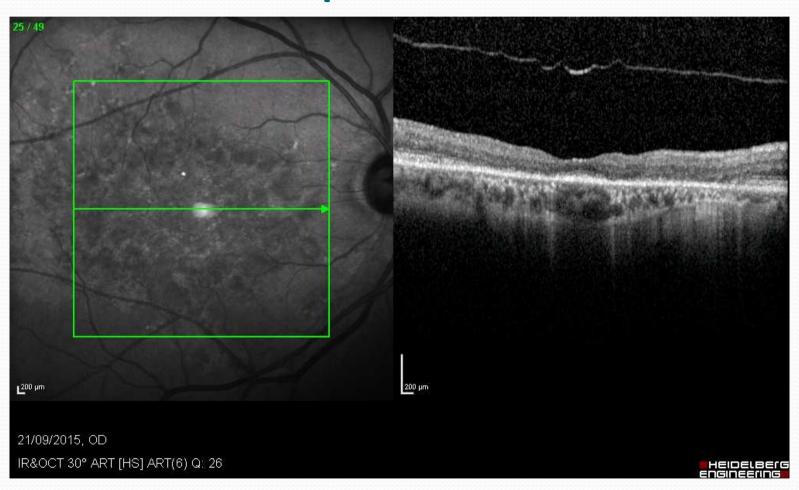
2015: Right phaco (Aug)

# Colour September 2015

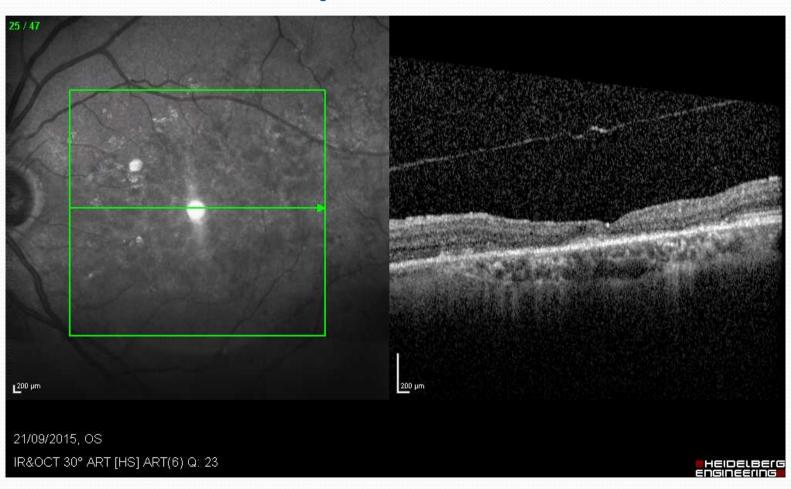


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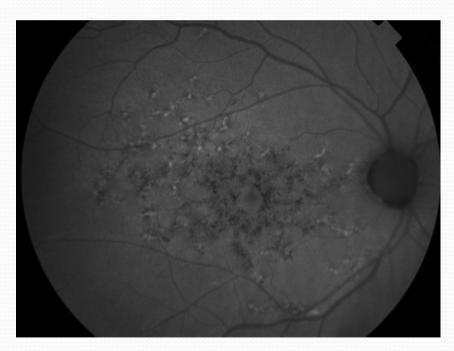
# OCT RE September 2015

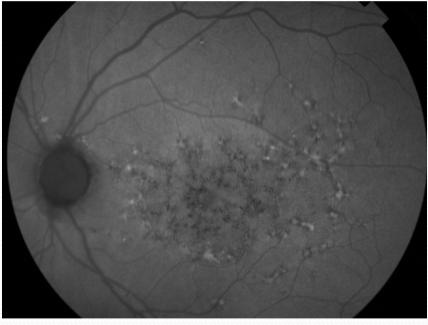


# OCT LE September 2015



# FAF September 2015





- Not Diabetic Retinopathy!
- Undiagnosed Stargardts's Dystrophy/ABCA4
- Referred MEH
- Diagnosis confirmed by EDD (10/11/15)

#### **UVEITIS SERVICE**

UVEITIS CLINIC

Monday 1.30 – 5.00 pm

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#### **ACUTE EYE CLINIC**

• Between 9.00 am - 5 pm

Immediate: 01582 718320

Non-urgent: 01582 718418

Bleep - Acute Eye Clinic Nurse Practitioner

After 5 pm

L&D switchboard Ophthalmologist on call



# Thank you for listening!

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