

Fundus Interpretation Made Real

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Ocular Fundus

- Posterior portion of eye examined with ophthalmoscope
- Composite structure
 - Retina
 - Choroid/tapetum
 - Sclera
 - Optic disc



Fundus Examination

- Direct ophthalmoscopy
- Indirect ophthalmoscopy
 - Monocular indirect scope (PanOptic)
 - Hand-held lens/focal light source
 - Binocular indirect ophthalmoscope

Direct Ophthalmoscope

- 15X magnification
- Upright image
- Least expensive



Direct Ophthalmoscope

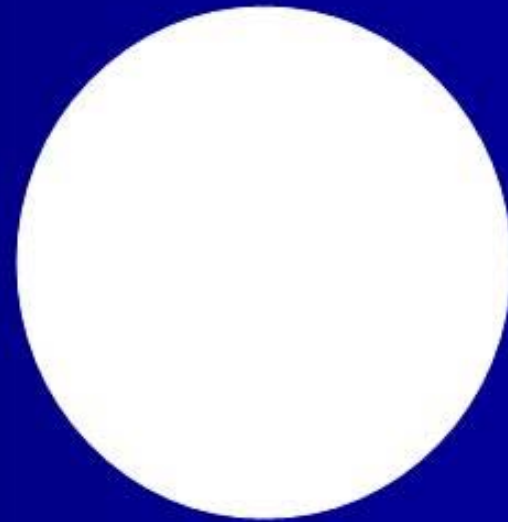
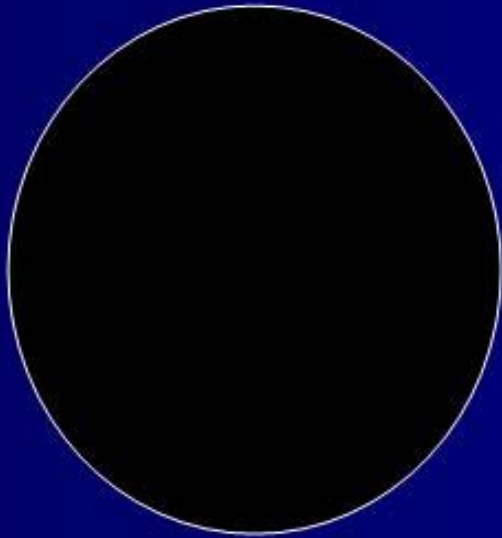
- Limited field of view
- Poor penetration through opaque media
- Time consuming technique
- No stereopsis
- Risk of injury due to proximity to patient



Direct Ophthalmoscope

- Select 0 diopter setting
- View tapetal reflection from 25cm
- Move toward eye, observing clarity of media
- Examine from a distance of 2-3 cm, assessing optic disc, retinal blood vessels, and general variations in fundus color and reflectivity

Direct Ophthalmoscope



Monocular Indirect : Welch-Allyn PanOptic®

- Easiest to use
- Upright image
- 3x magnification, giving larger field of view than direct
- Safer working distance than direct



Monocular Indirect : Welch-Allyn PanOptic®

- More expensive than direct
- Smaller field of view than indirect



Binocular Indirect

- 3-dimensional image (stereopsis)
- Safest working distance
- Penetrates opaque media
- 2x magnification provides largest field of view



Indirect Lens

- Less magnification provides greater field of view
- 30 D magnifies 2x
- 20 D magnifies 4x
- 14 D magnifies 8x



Binocular Indirect

- Most expensive
- Proficiency requires practice!
- Inverted, reversed image



“Poor Man’s” Indirect

- Combines handheld light source with indirect lens



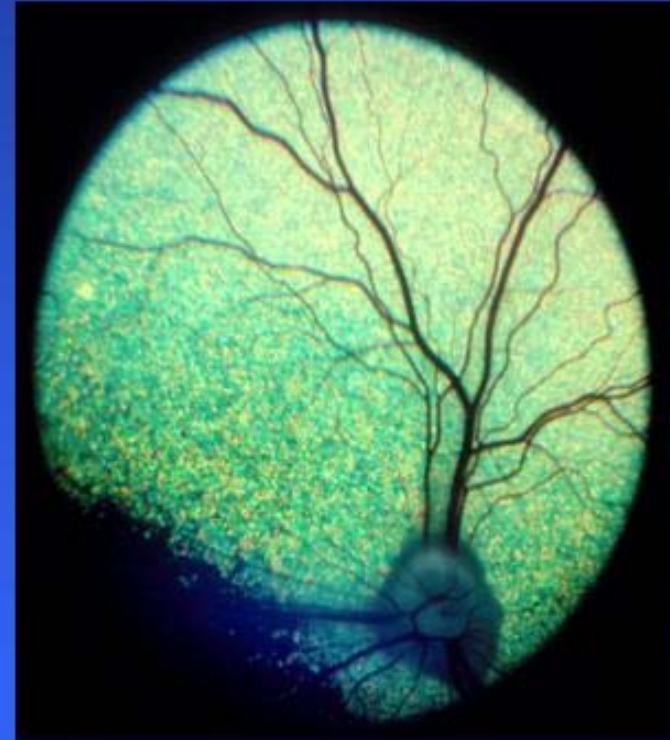
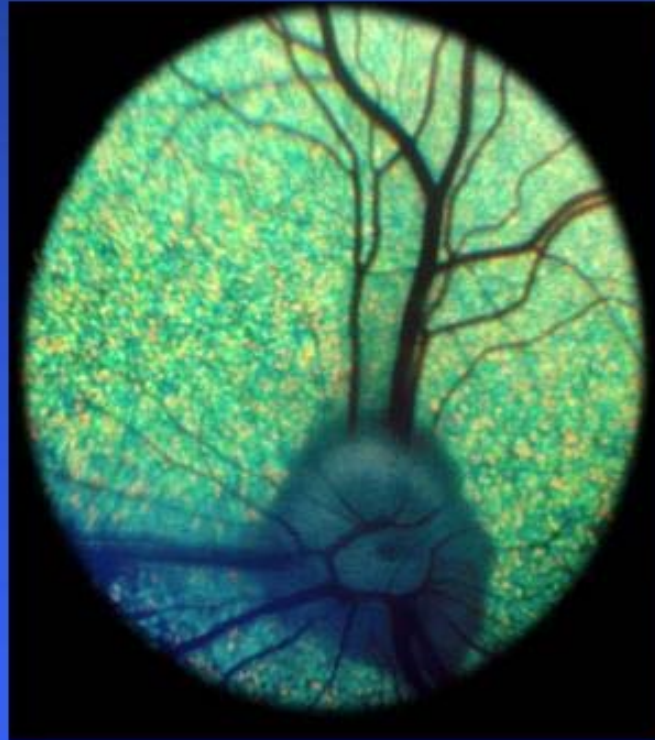
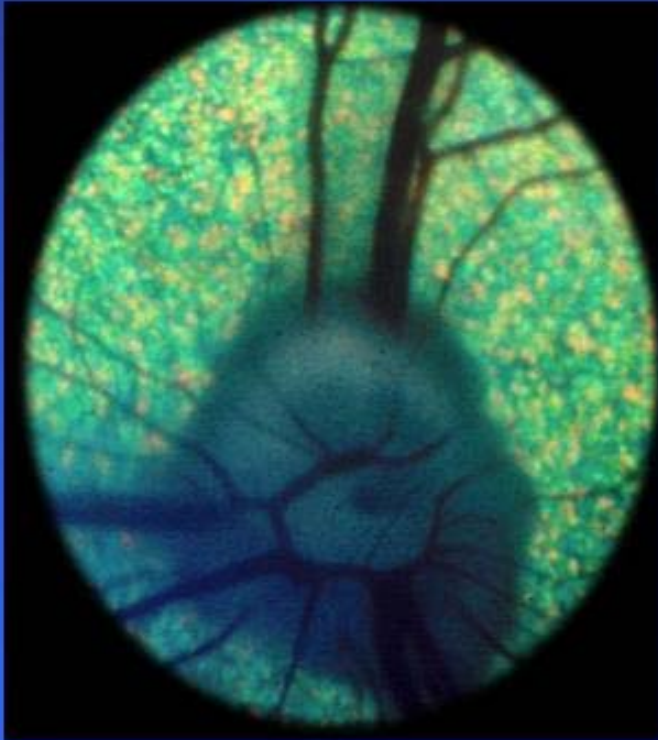
"Poor Man's" Indirect

- Advantages
 - Least expensive
 - Quick screening tool
- Disadvantages
 - Occupies both hands
 - Inverted, reversed image

Indirect Technique

- Examine at eye-level and arm's length
- Direct light to obtain tapetal reflection
- Place lens in path of light, 2-4cm in front of eye, adjusting slightly back and forth to give best virtual image
- Maintain alignment of your eye with light source and lens but change angle of view to examine other fundus areas

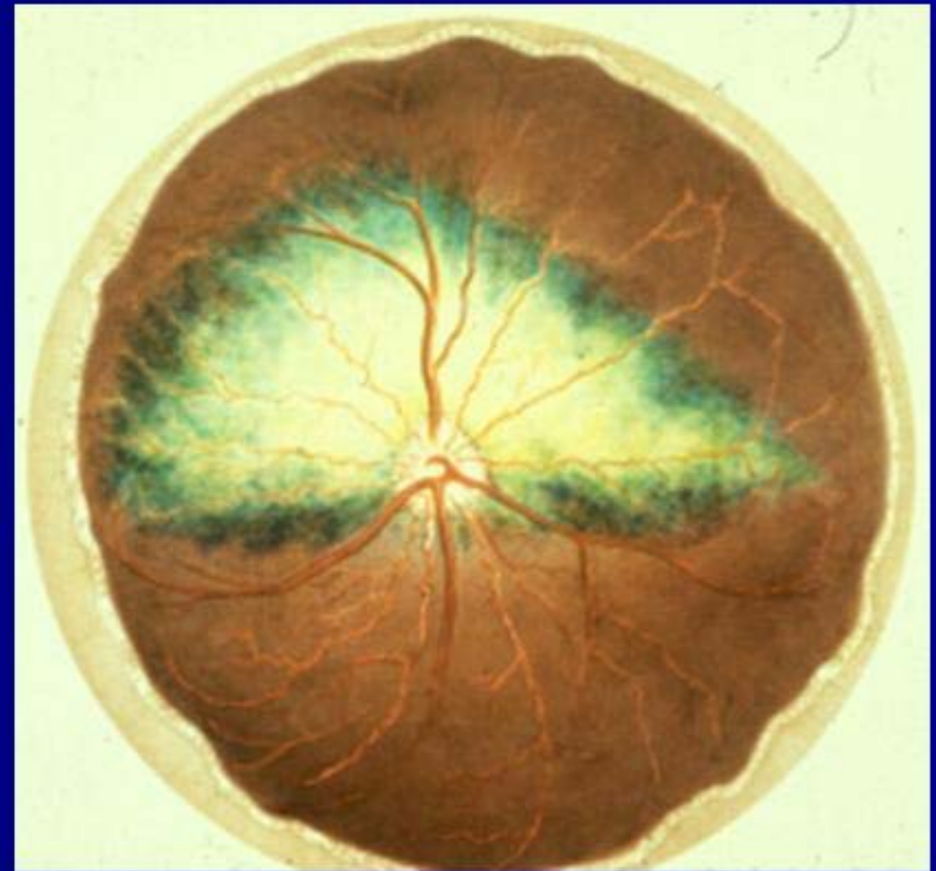
Fields of View



Ocular Fundus

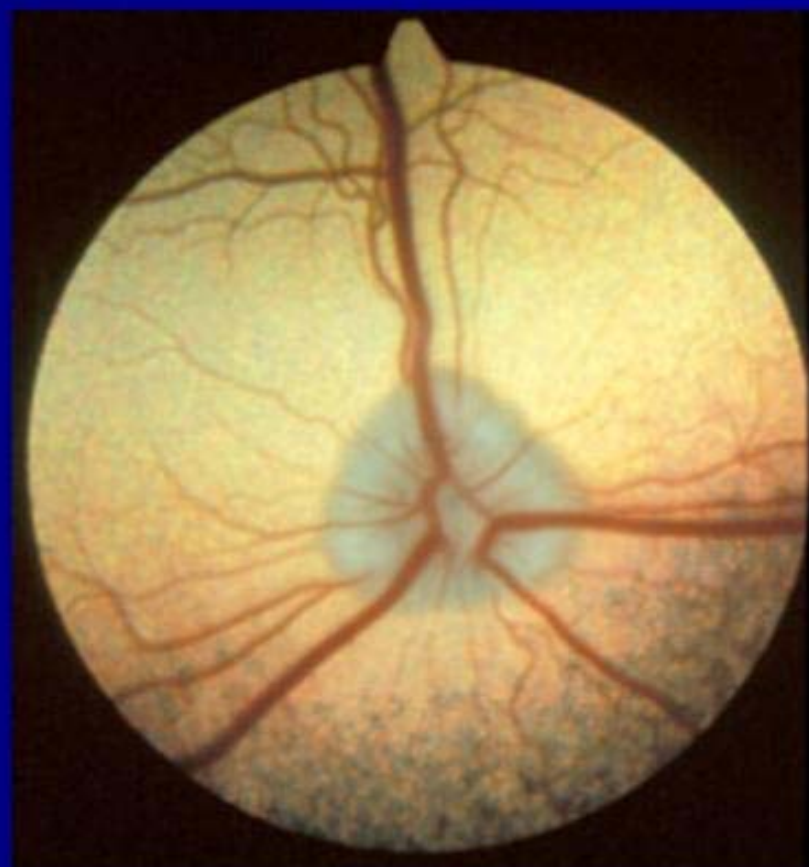
■ General features

- Tapetal region
- Non-tapetal region
- Area centralis
- Optic disc or papilla
- Retinal vessels



Canine Fundus

- Optic disc
 - Shape
 - Location
 - Associated vessels
- Retinal vessels
- Tapetum
- Tapetal junction
- Non-tapetum



Feline Fundus

- Optic disc
 - Shape
 - Location
 - Associated vessels
- Retinal vessels
- Tapetum
- Tapetal junction
- Non-tapetum



Ophthalmoscopic Lesions

- Changes in one or more of the layers that create the composite fundus
- Each layer has a limited repertoire of responses
- Successful interpretation = recognizing the effect of these limited changes on the composite picture

Fundus Model

- Sclera
- Choroid
 - Vessels
 - Pigment
 - Tapetum
- Retina
 - RPE
 - Neurosensory retina
 - Vessels
- Optic disc



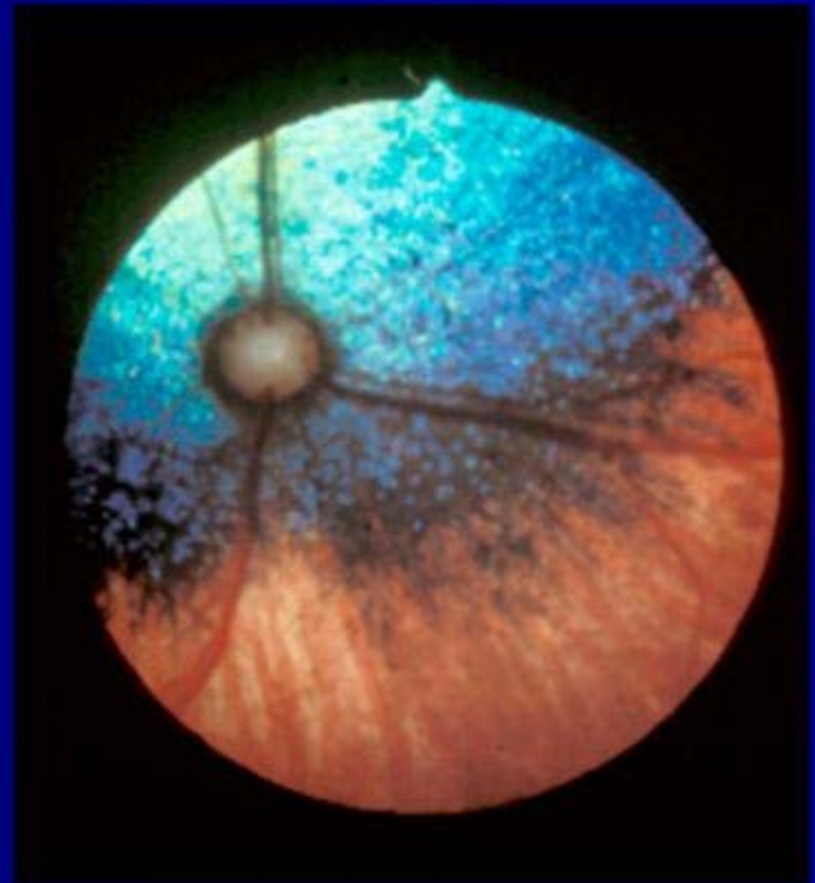


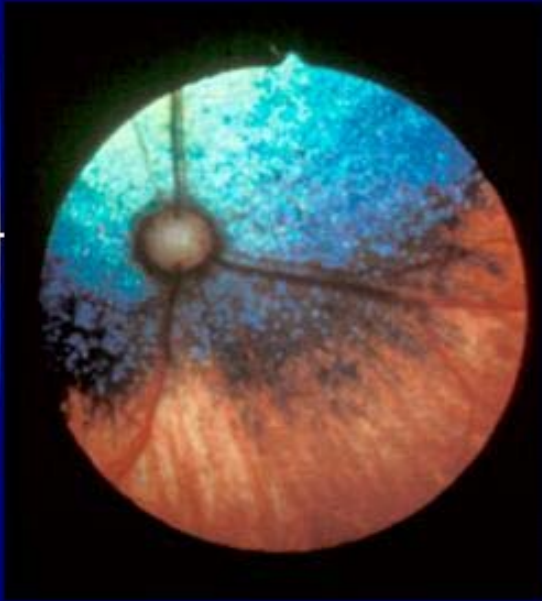




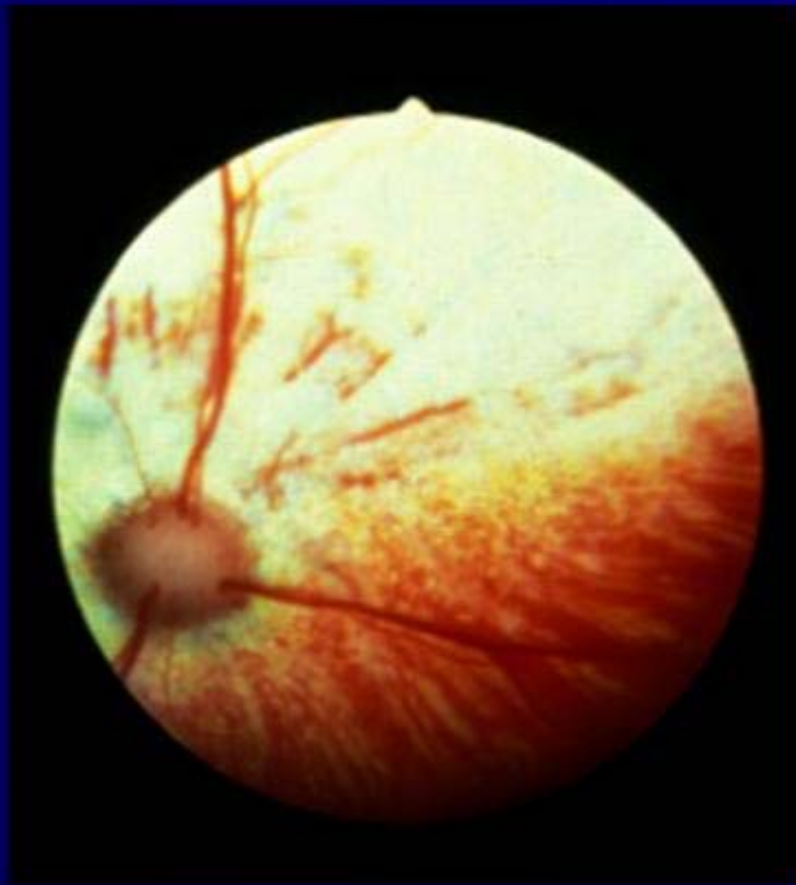
Patient #1

- 5 yr old F/S DSH
- Retinal “hemorrhage” diagnosed at yearly exam
- No vision change
- No health concerns



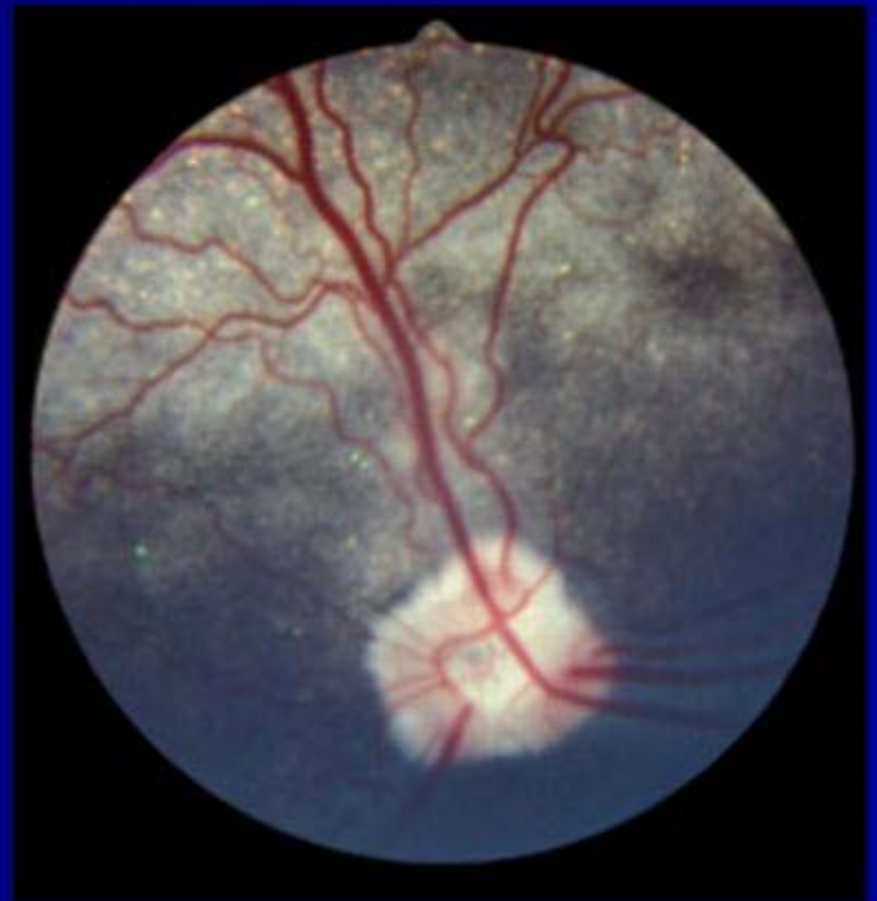


↓ Nontapetal Pigmentation



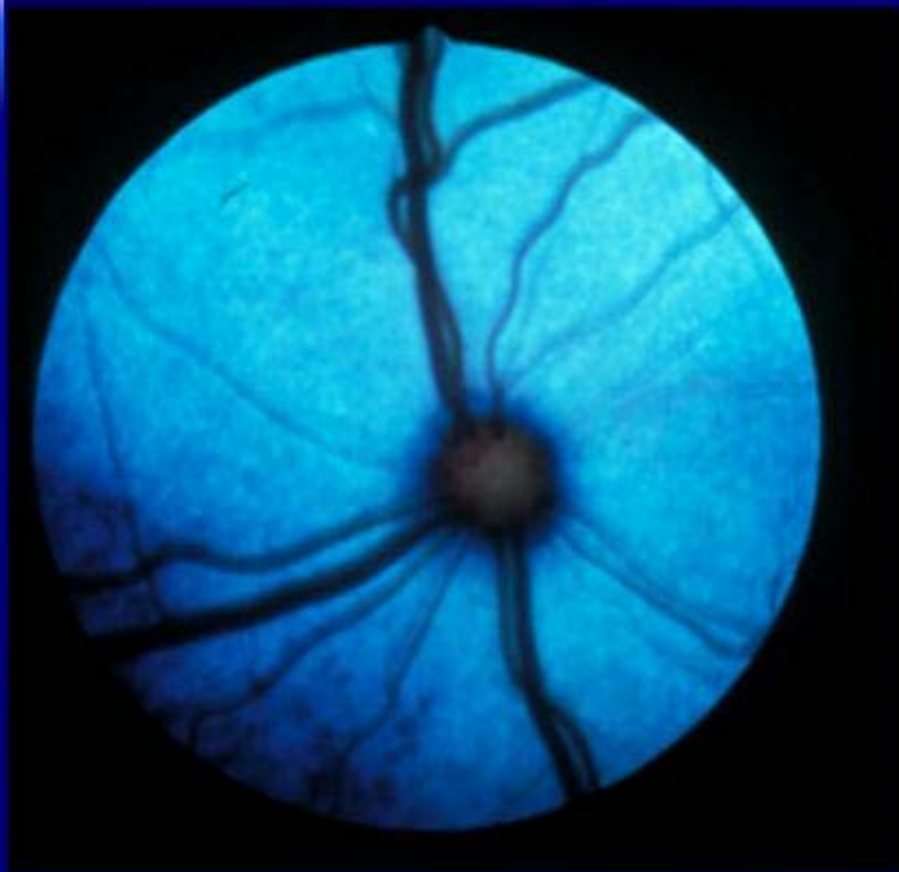
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- 2 yr old M/N Beagle
- Coincidental finding at yearly health maintenance exam
- No history of ocular disease or vision change

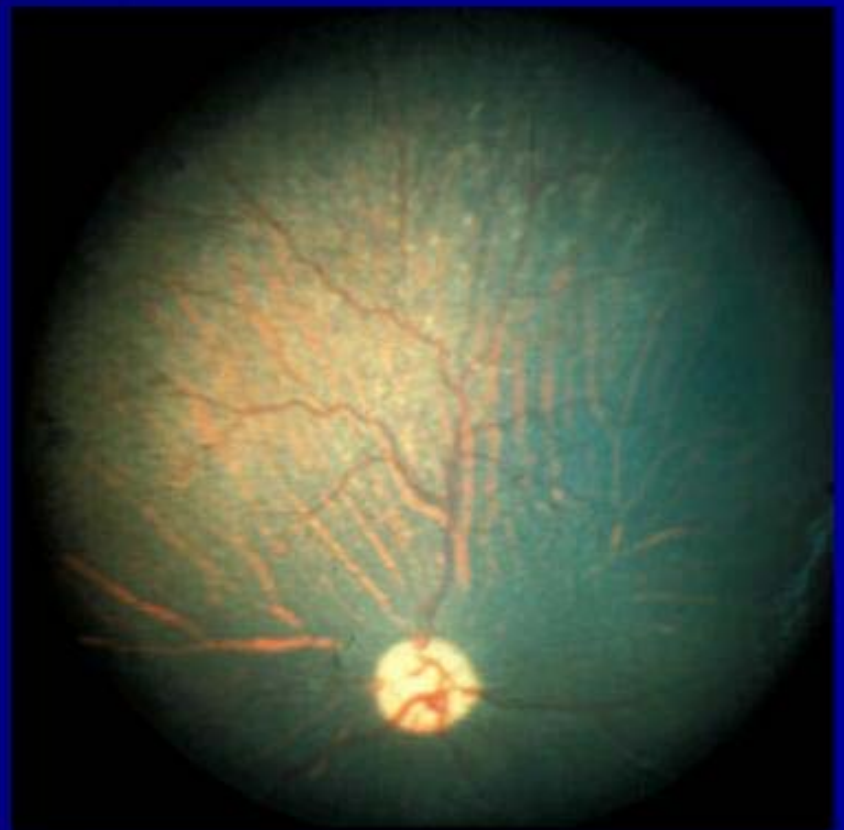
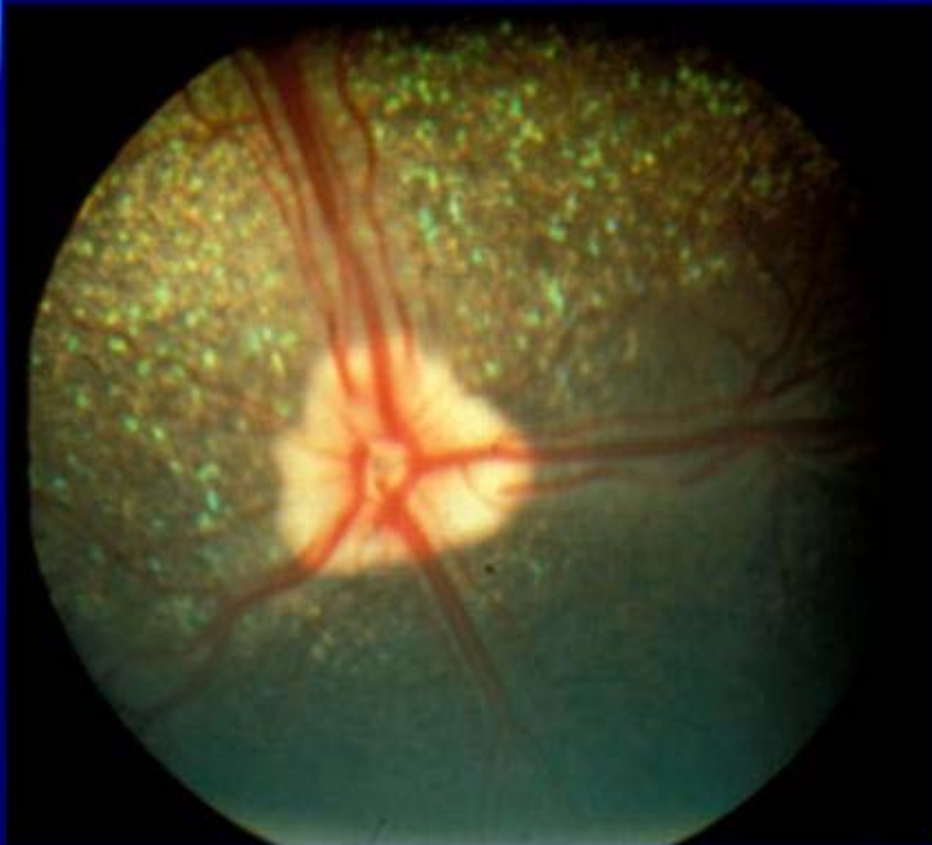




↓ Tapetal Development

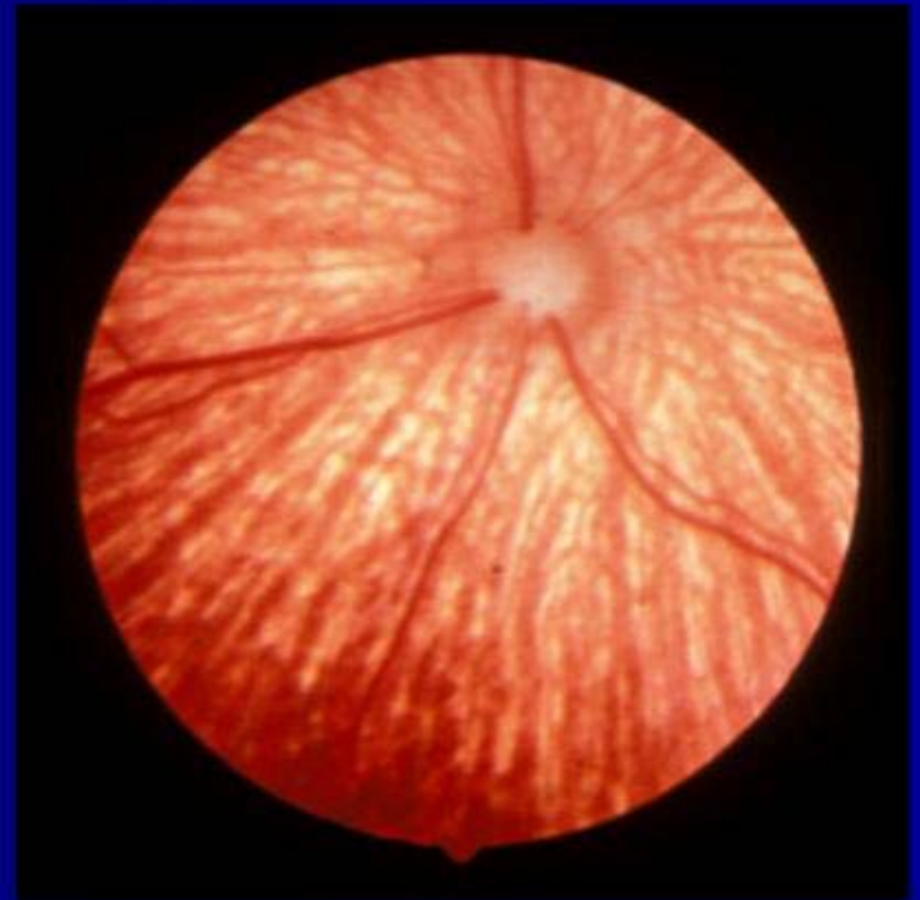


↓ Tapetal Development



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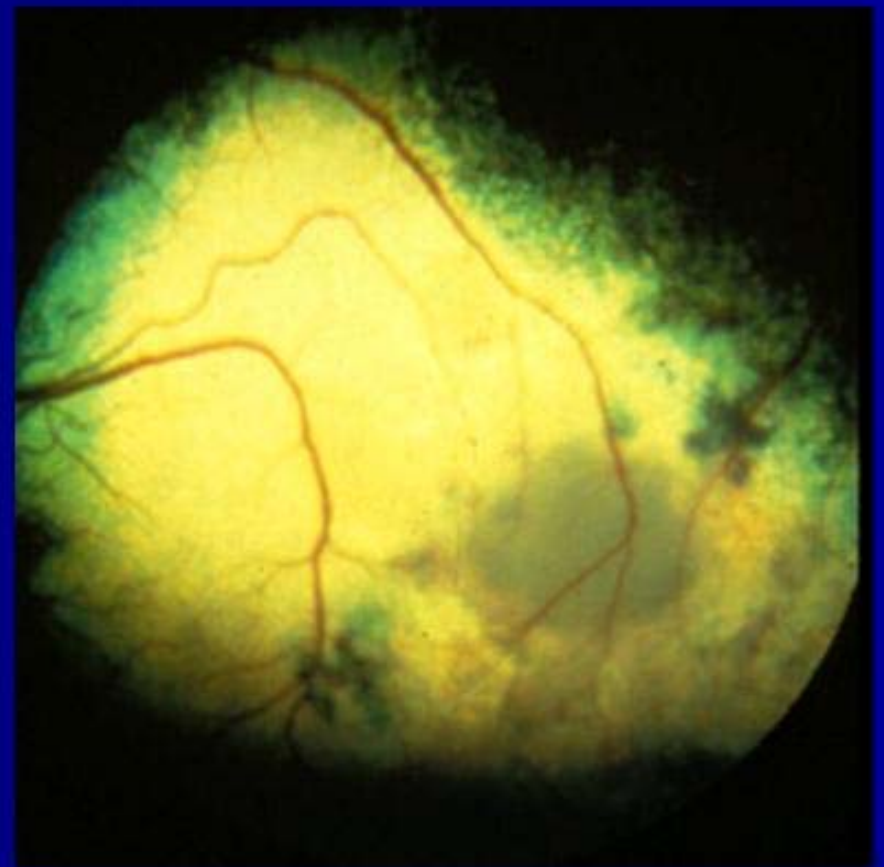
- 3 yr old F/S DSH
- Recent history of tearing OS
- No change in vision

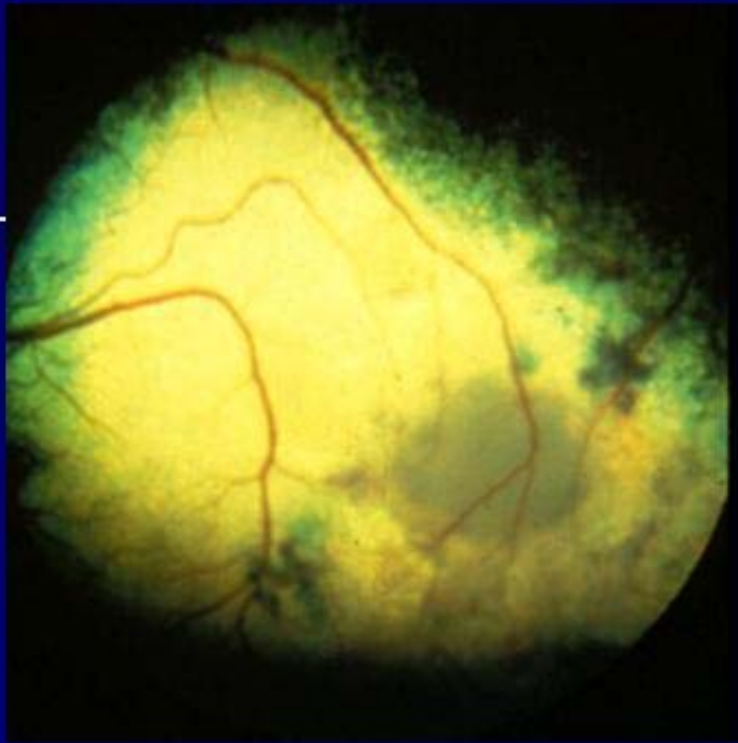


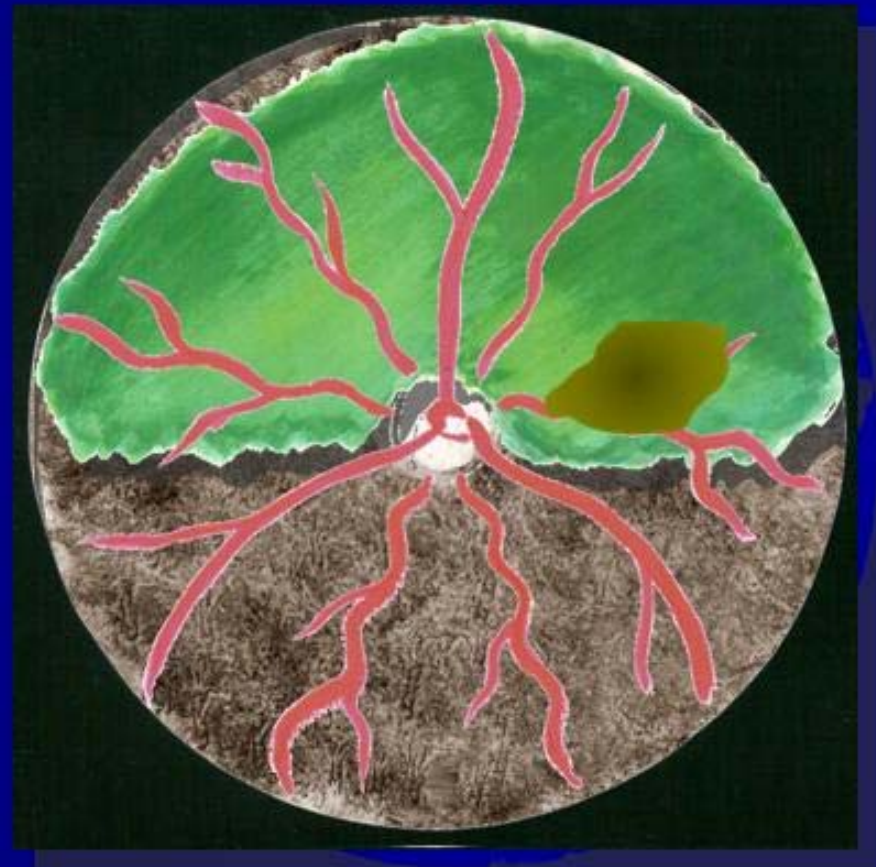
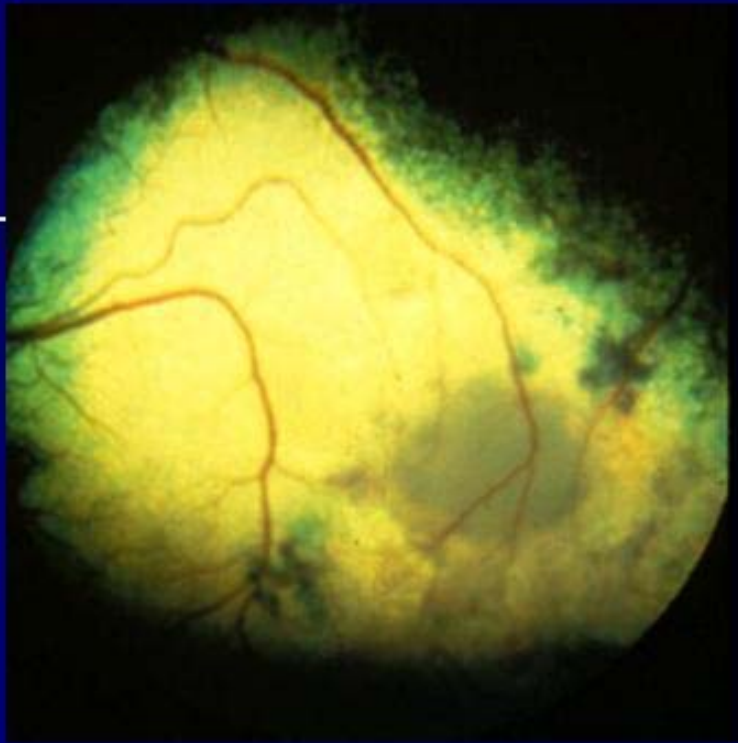


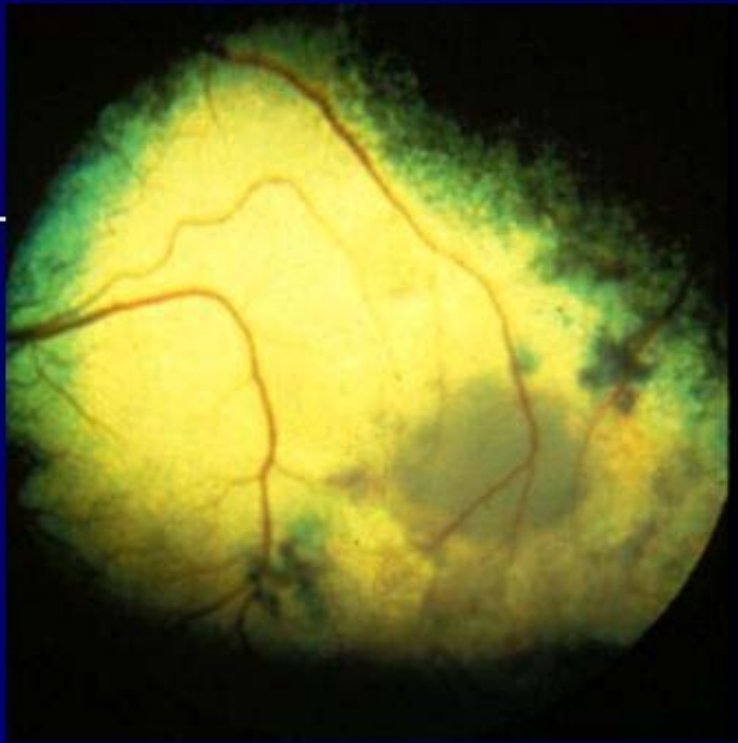
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- 1 yr old intact male Walker Hound
- Poor hunting performance
- Weight loss, fever, lymphadenopathy

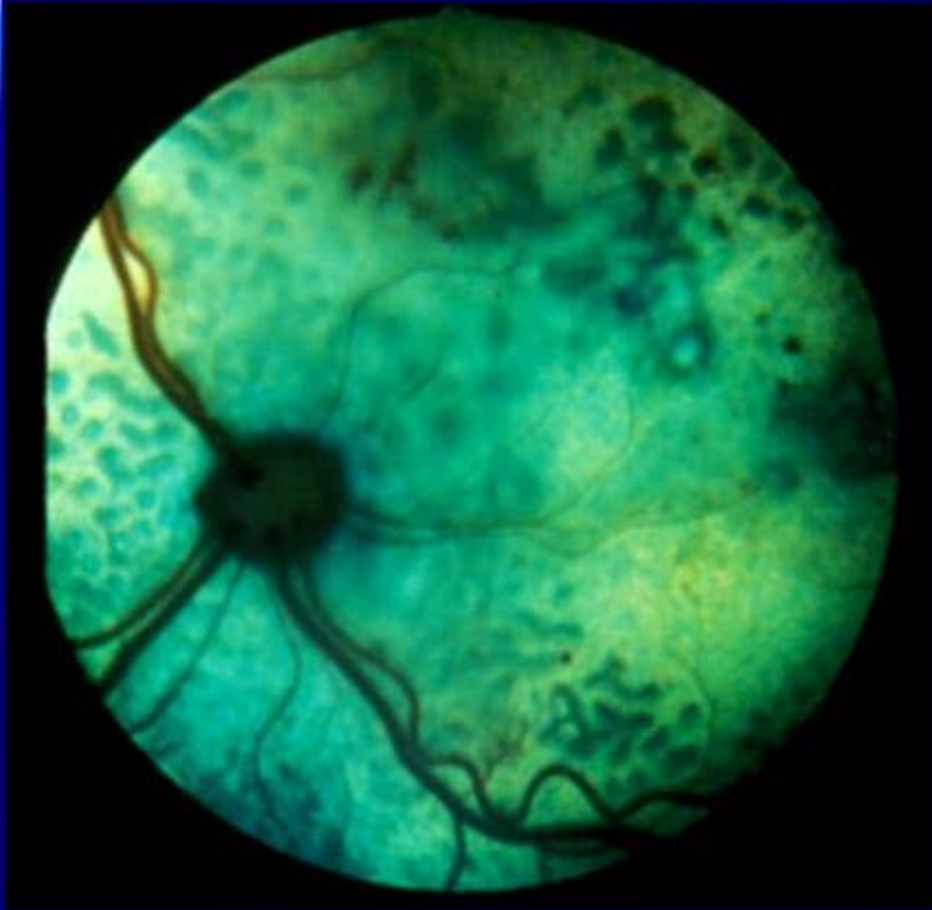






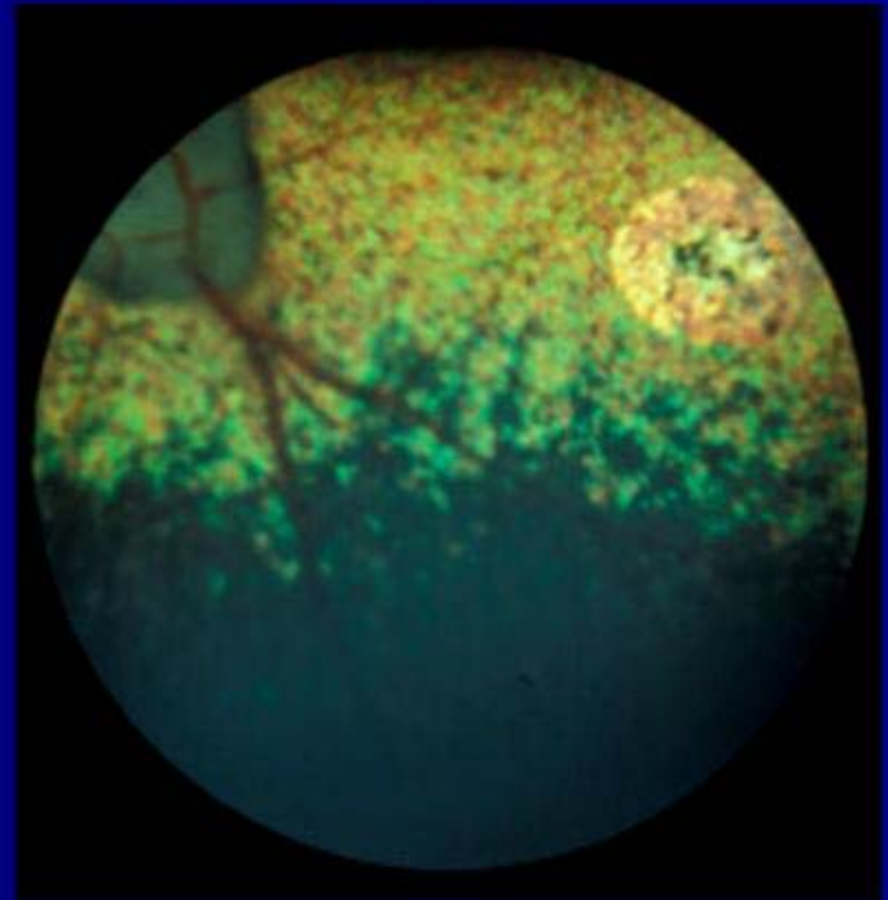


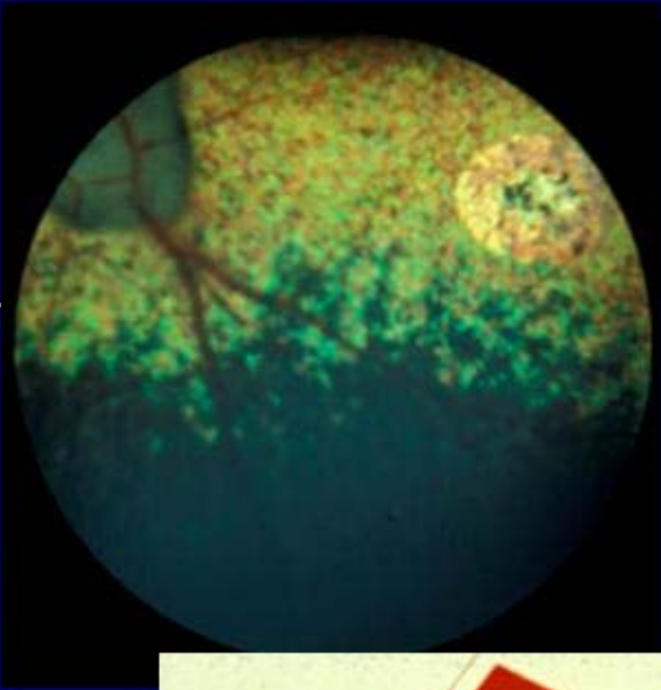
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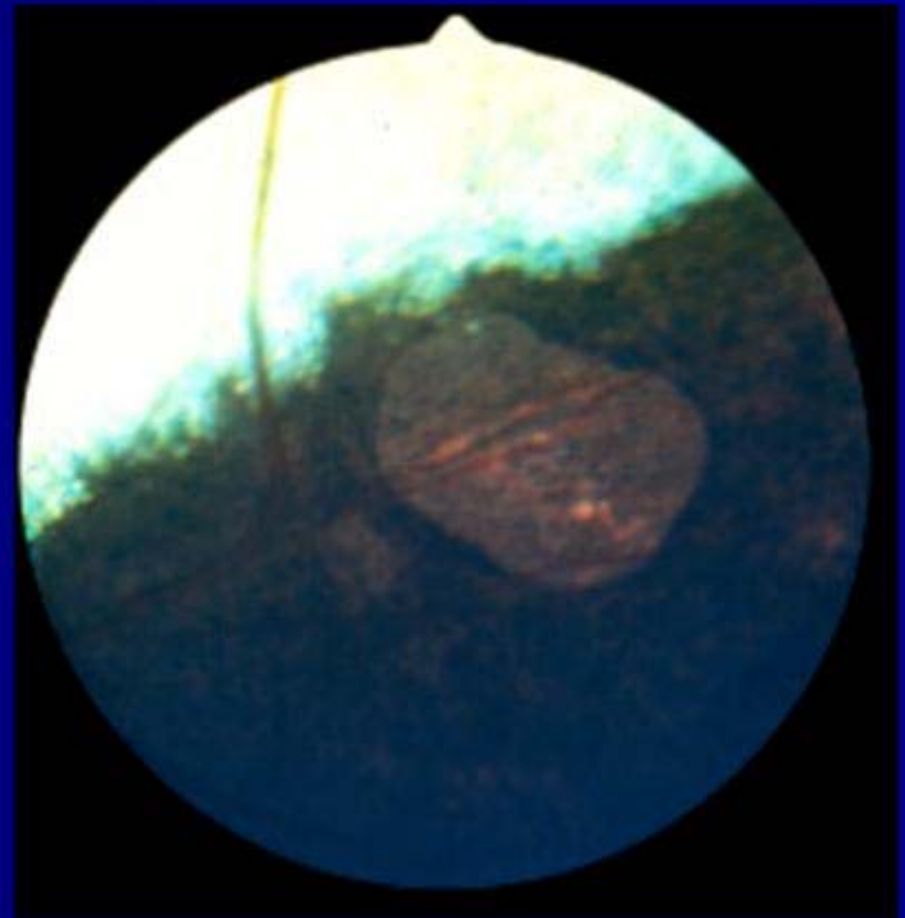
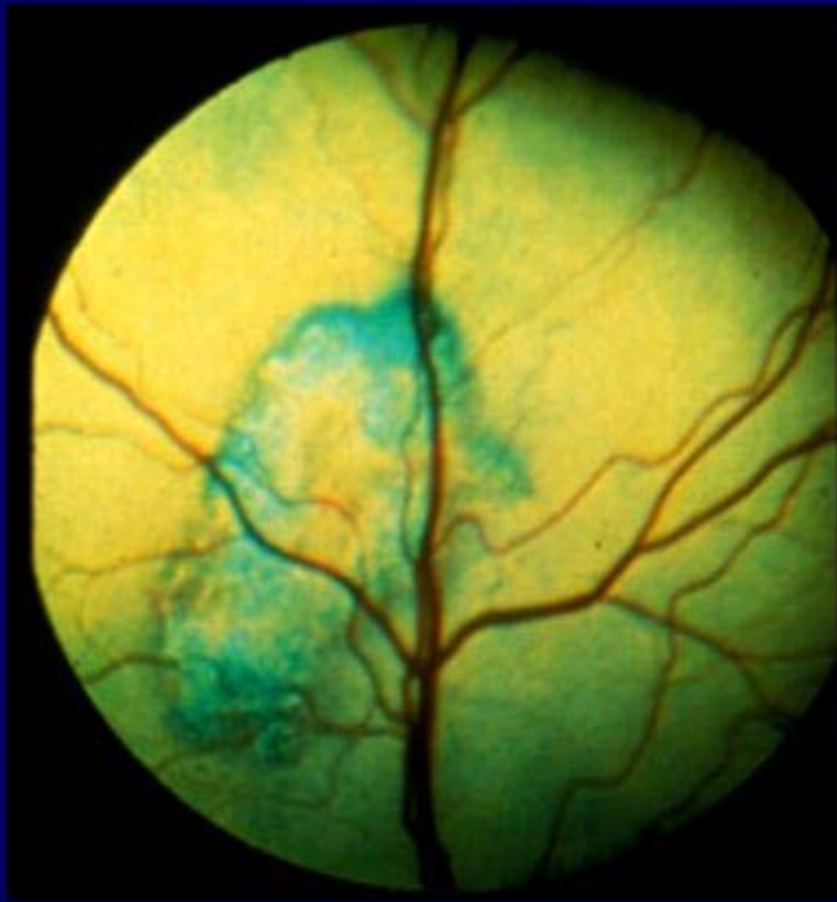
Patient #5

- 4 yr old M/N Golden retriever, routine health maintenance
- Eyes examined each year, with no prior abnormalities
- Medical history unremarkable



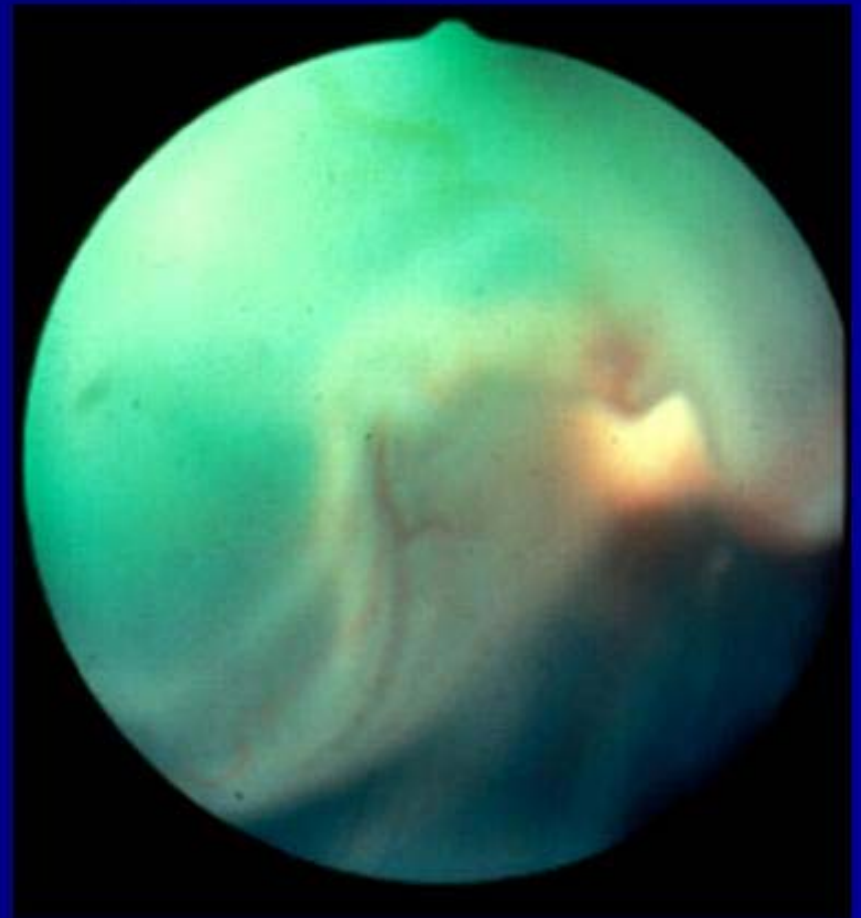


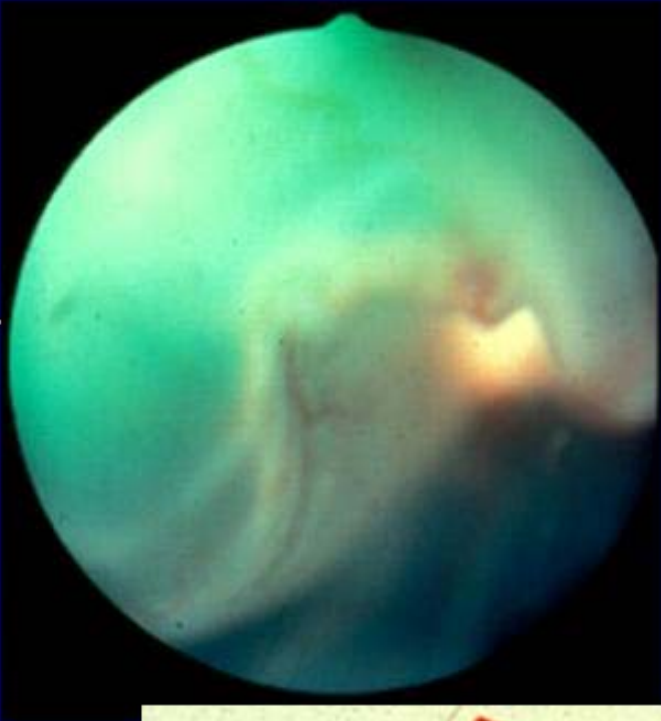
Inactive Chorioretinitis



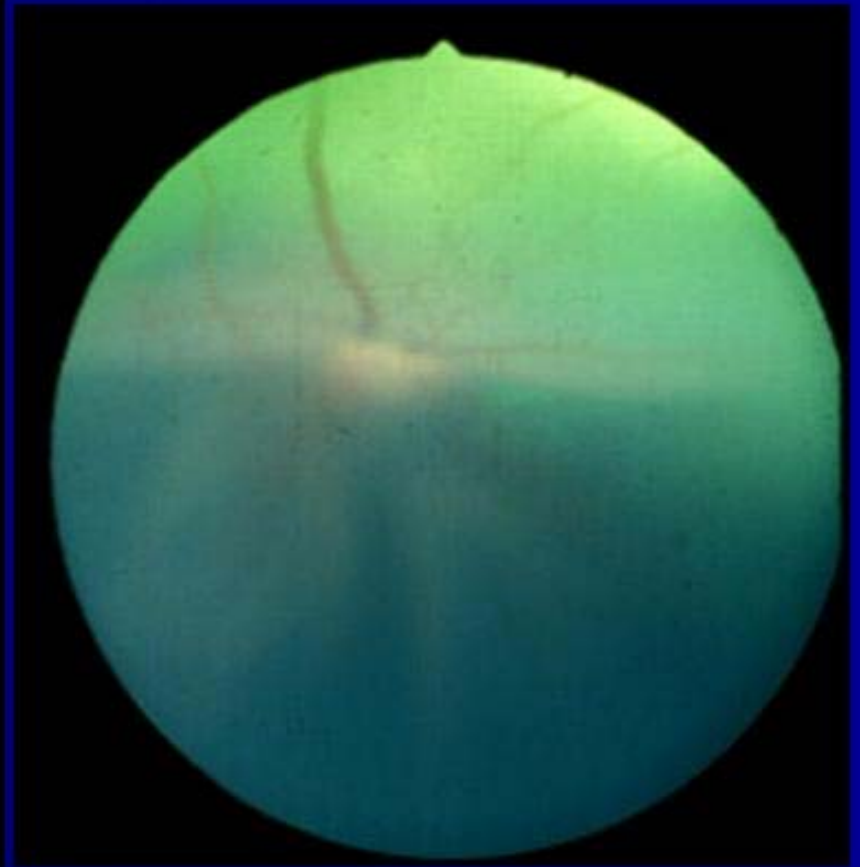
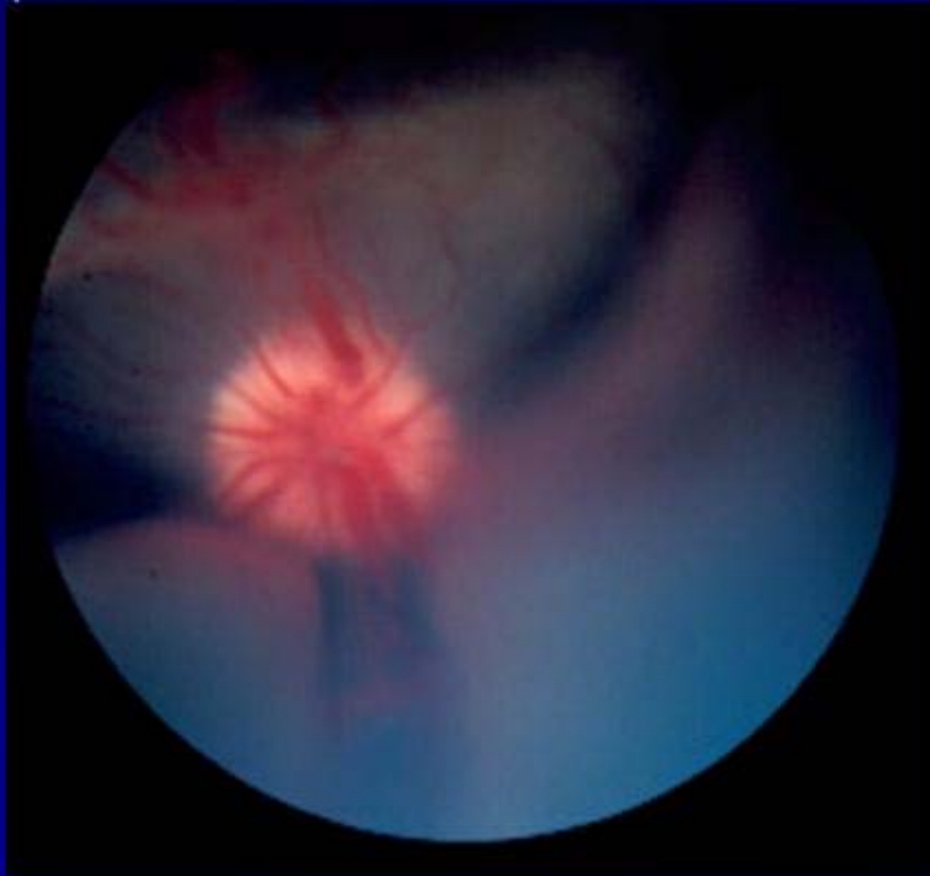
Patient #6

- 3 yr old M/N Shih tzu
- No previous eye problems
- Poor PLR noted in one eye at annual exam
- Fundus detail poor



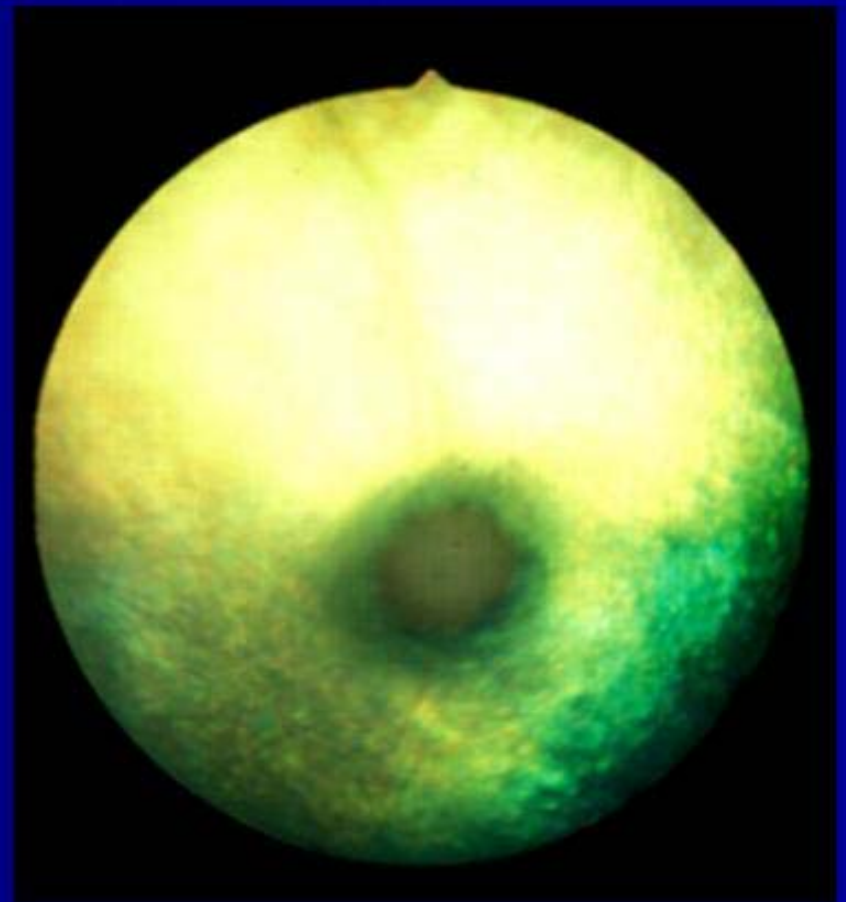


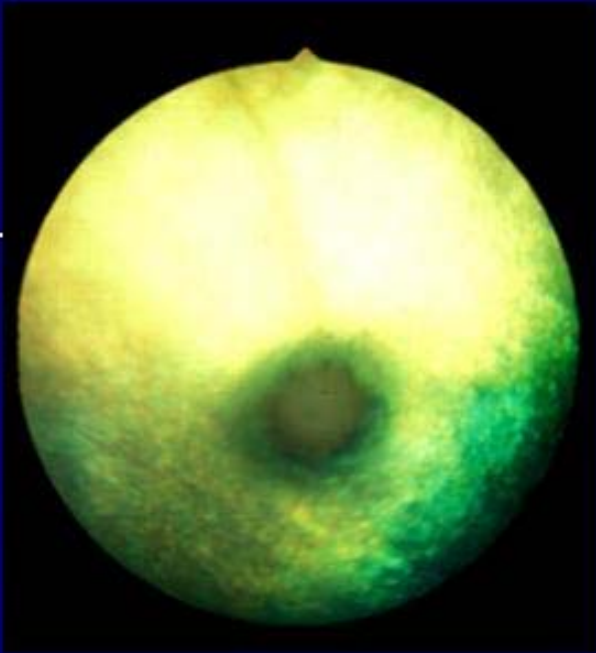
Retinal Detachment



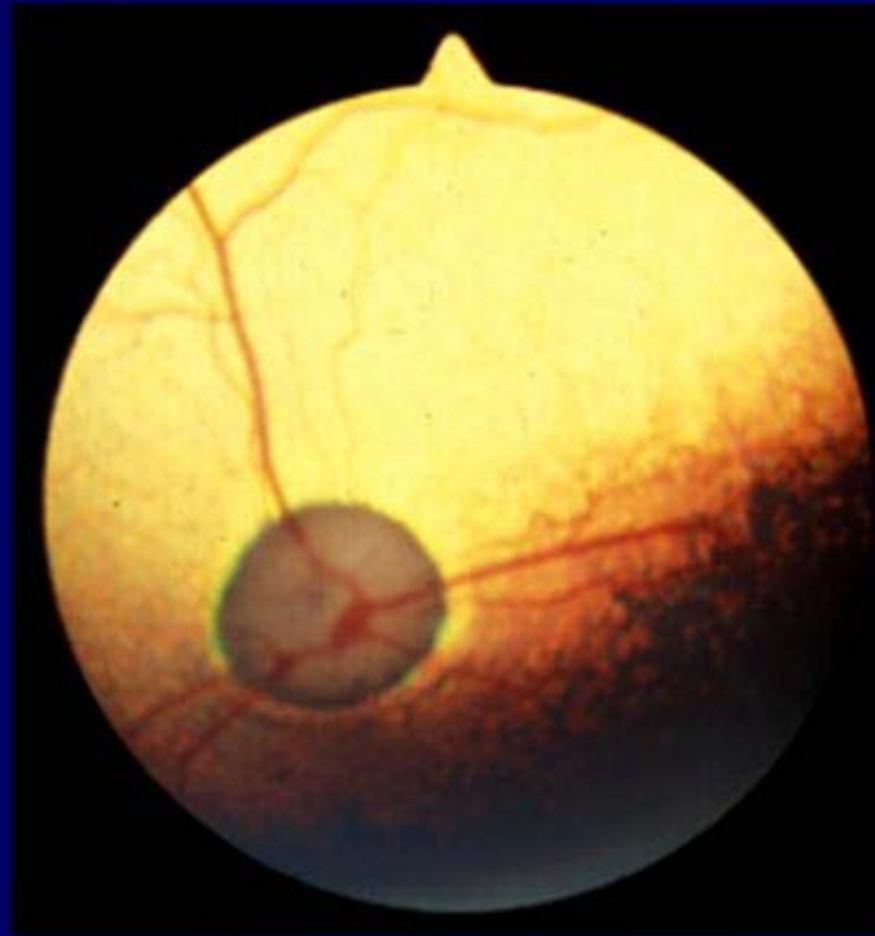
Patient #7

- 2 yr old F/S Abyssinian
- Gradual vision loss
- Dilated pupils
- No pain/discharge





Retinal Atrophy



Patient #8

- 2 yr old M Golden retriever
- Routine pre-breeding exam



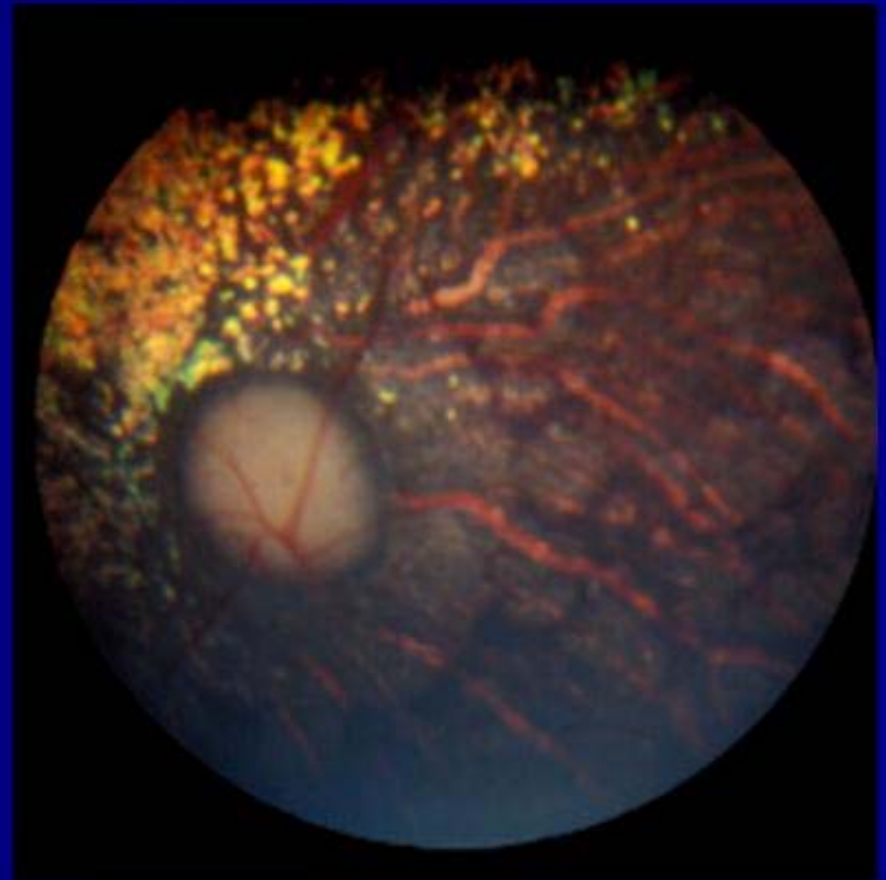
Sensory Retina

- Thinner
- Thicker
 - Edema and cells
 - Folds
- Separation from RPE
- Vascular changes



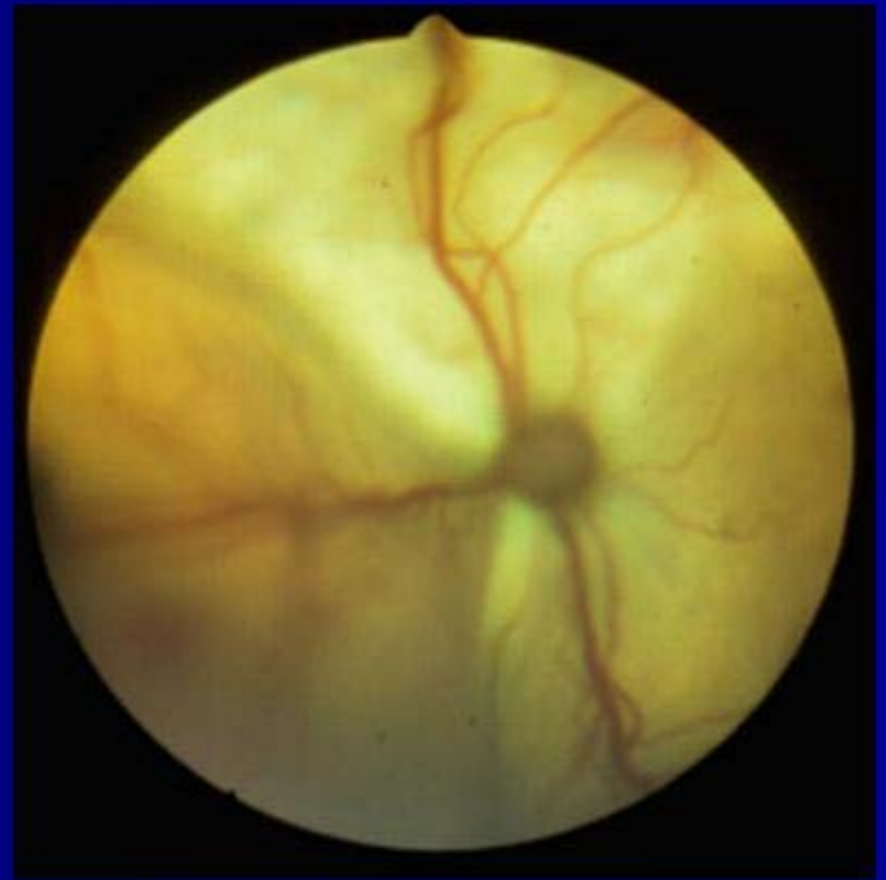
Retinal Pigmented Epithelium (RPE)

- Increased pigmentation
- Decreased pigmentation



Tapetum

- “Reflects” changes in surrounding layers
 - Increased reflectivity
 - Decreased reflectivity



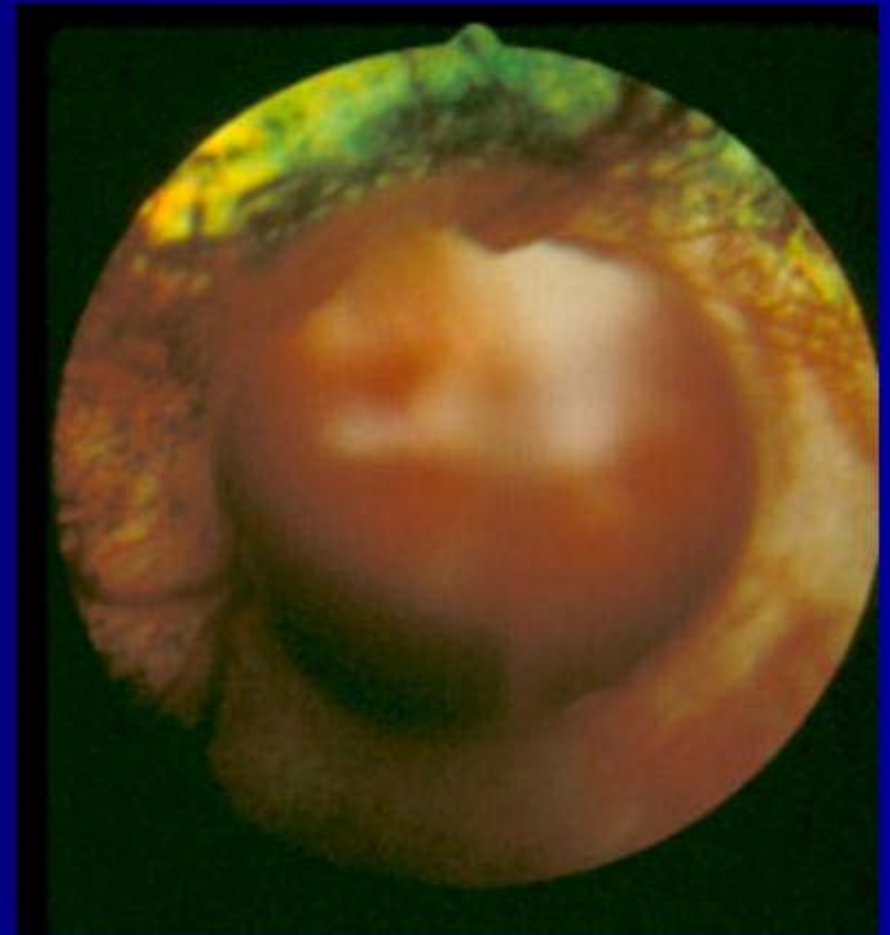
Choroid

- Thinning
- Thickening



Sclera

- Visibility depends on overlying pigment and tapetum
- Abnormalities rare
- Pathology
 - Congenital thinning
 - Inflammatory thickening



Optic Disc

- Changes in size
 - Too small
 - Too large
- Changes in color
 - Hyperemic
 - Pale

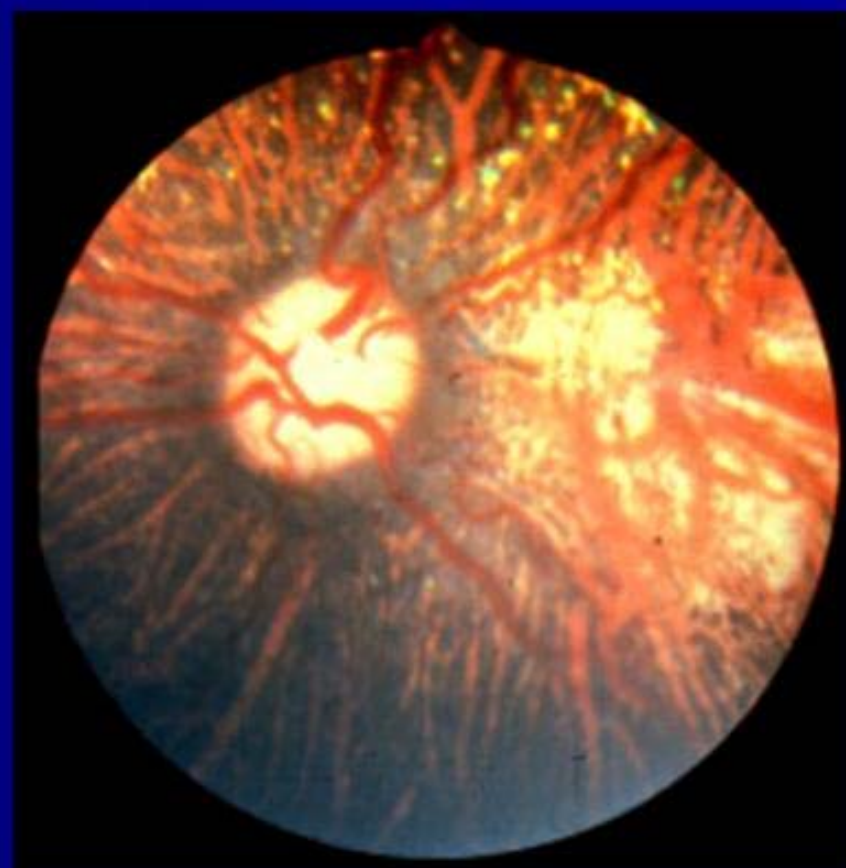


Collie Eye Anomaly

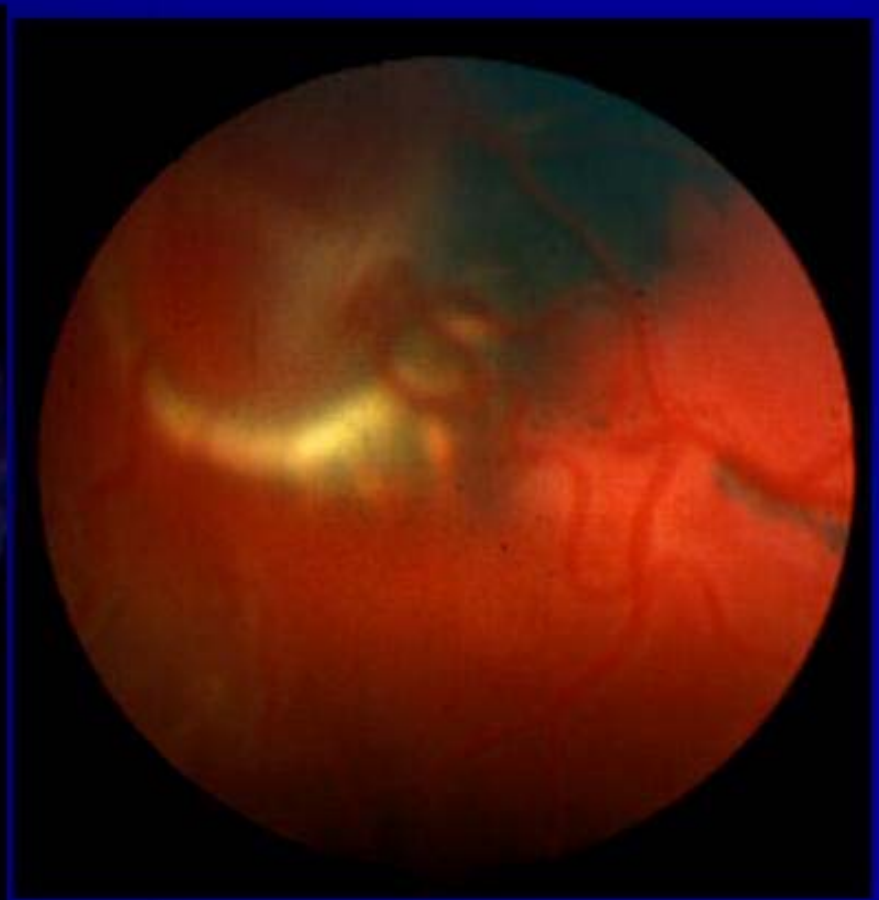
- 80-85% of breed in U.S. is affected
- Also affects Shelties, Border collies, Australian shepherds infrequently
- Congenital, non-progressive disease
- Recessive trait
- Blinding in most severe form

Collie Eye Anomaly

- Vessel tortuosity
- Choroidal hypoplasia
- Disc coloboma
- Scleral ectasia
- Retinal detachment



Collie Eye Anomaly



Retinal Dysplasia

- Affects Labrador retrievers, Springer spaniels, others
- Congenital, non-progressive disease
- Recessive trait in most; incomplete dominant trait theorized in Labrador
- Blinding in most severe form

Retinal Dysplasia

- Multifocal folds



Retinal Dysplasia



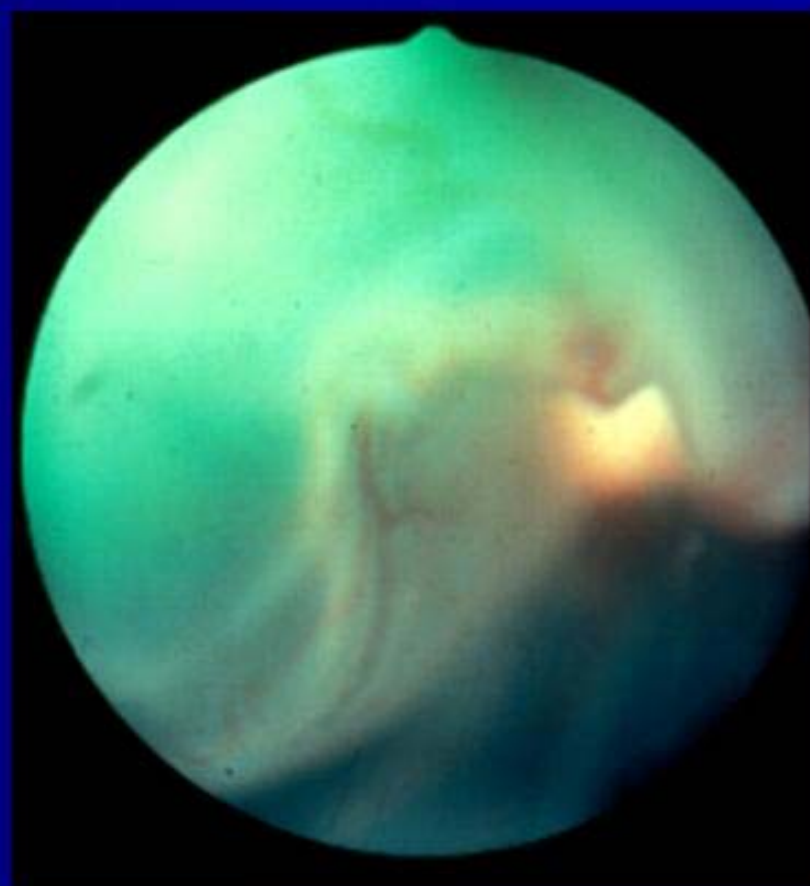
Retinal Dysplasia

- Geographic dysplasia: large, irregular area of disorganized retina



Retinal Dysplasia

- Congenital retinal "non-attachment"
- Blind puppy if bilaterally affected



Skeletal Dysplasia

- Skeletal deformities in Labradors

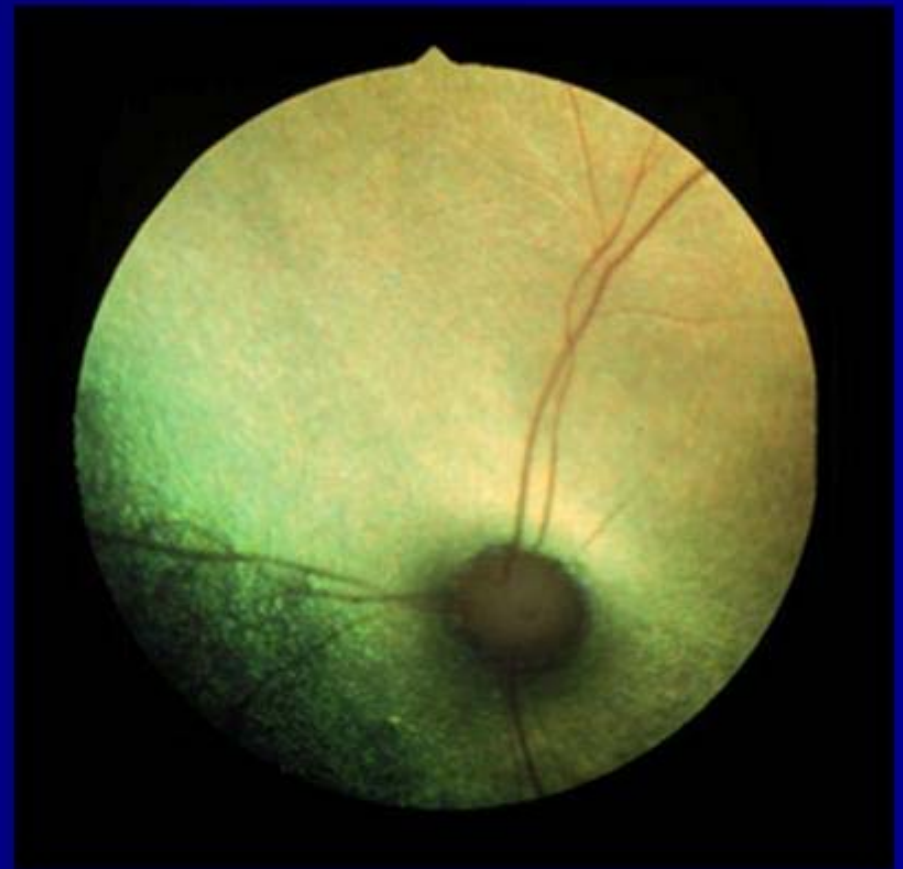


Progressive Retinal Atrophy

- Generalized retinal degeneration
- Ultimately blinding
- Affects many breeds of dog, few cats
- Varying mechanisms determine age of onset
- Recessive trait in almost all cases

Progressive Retinal Atrophy

- Night blindness, progressing to total loss of vision
- Retinal thinning, with tapetal hyper-reflectivity
- Retinal vessel attenuation



Progressive Retinal Atrophy

