The Aborted Macular Hole An Optical Coherence Tomography Study





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Idiopathic Macular Holes

1988

- *Johnson & Gass
 Ophthalmology
- ** Gass
 Arch Ophthalmology



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Primary Macular Holes

2013 *International Vitreomacular **Traction Study** Group



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Impending Macular Hole *VMT Study Group Primary Macular Hole in Fellow Eye



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Aborted Macular Hole

1988- Gass defined as Stage 1 MH that spontaneously resolves without progression to a full thickness hole



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1. Describe OCT findings of aborted macular holes

2. Gain insight into pathogenesis of macular holes

Methods

- IRB approved retrospective study
- Criteria for diagnosis
 - 1. OCT confirmed aborted stage 1 MH (VMT)
 - 2. Evidence of an aborted macular hole based on history, fundus exam, OCT, and fellow eye findings

Methods

OCT images were analyzed for

1. Foveal Contour Abnormalities

2. Presence/Absence of Opercula

3. Pre or intra-retinal Abnormalities



- 18 eyes (15 patients)
 7 OD, 5 OS, 3 OU
- 80% women (12/15)
- Criteria 1 and 2- 9 each (50%)
- Fellow eyes
 - 5 (46%) MH/repaired MH
 - 1 each (9%) lamellar hole, VMA, VMT
 - 3 (27%) normal

Results

Thinning of the umbo (50%)
Pre-foveal operculum (50%)
Ellipsoid zone defect (17%)

4 Morphological Groups

Group 1: Normal foveal contour w/o operculum (22%)



2 months later

Group 2: Normal foveal contour with operculum (28%)



Fellow eye MH

Group 3: Thinning of the umbo w/o operculum (28%)



6 months later

Group 4: Thinning of the umbo

with operculum (22%)



Ellipsoid zone defect

2 months later



- OCT of Aborted Macular Holes range from:
 - Normal OCT
 - Marked inner/outer retinal layer defects with or without opercula

OCT: Aborted Macular Holes

UNIFORM FINDING



OCT: Aborted Macular Holes



PIVOTAL EVENT Break in both the ILM and ELM

OCT: Aborted Macular Holes THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

