

In my teaching experience, this is one of the more challenging topics in ophthalmology. (The corneal dystrophies are up there too.) While I won't say this set makes learning the material easy—there's simply too much esoterica for that—I do think it makes it easi**er**. My point here is not to toot my own horn, but rather to give hope and encouragement—*you can master this topic!*

My advice: In prepping for the OKAP, try to run through this slide-set once or twice a month. When you reach the final, frantic few weeks of cramming, don't wade through the whole thing—just do the *tl;dr* at the end (it starts around slide 364).

Finally: This is a big topic, and big topics beget big slide-sets. There's a natural break around slide 236; I placed a *Break time!* slide at that point to mark it.

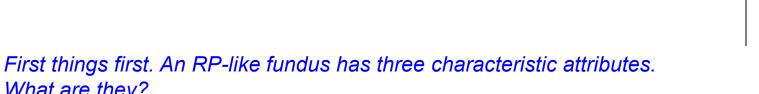
Now, let's get* this bread!



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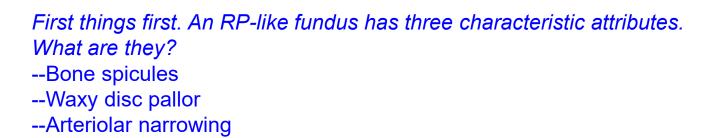


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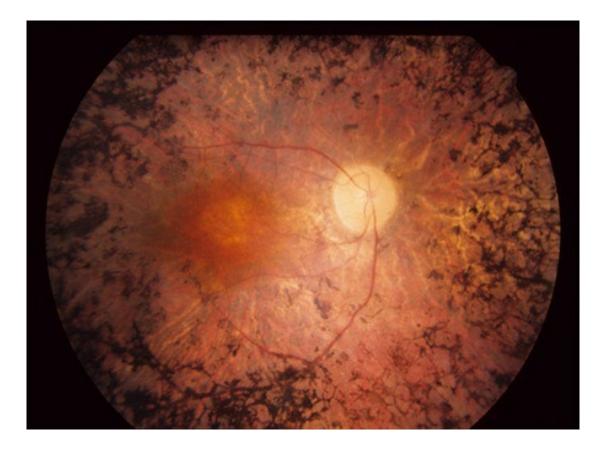


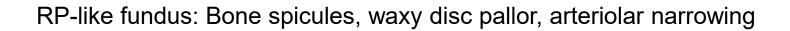
What are they? -- spicules -- adj. disc pallor --Arteriolar













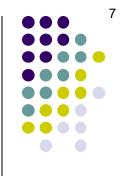
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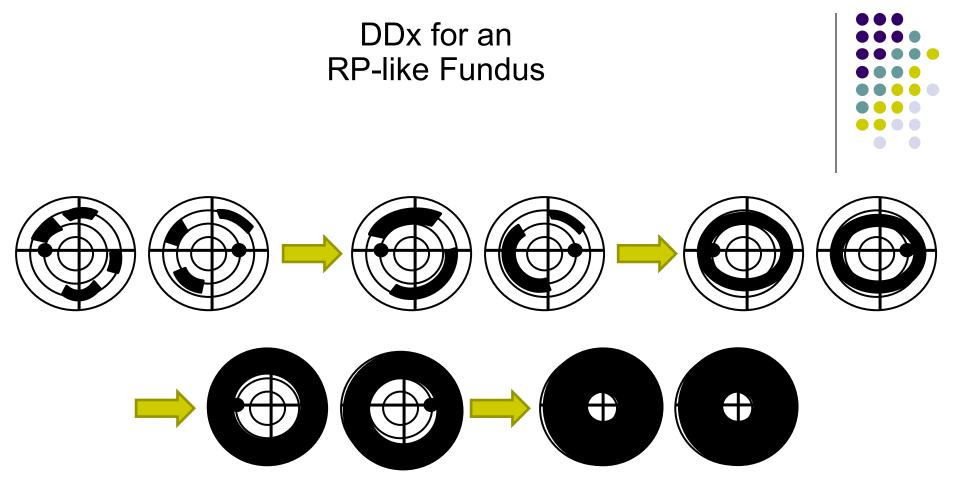
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Typical pattern of VF loss in RP: Mid-peripheral scotomata \rightarrow coalesce into *partial* rings \rightarrow coalesce into *complete* ring \rightarrow expand rapidly *outward* \rightarrow expand slowly *inward*

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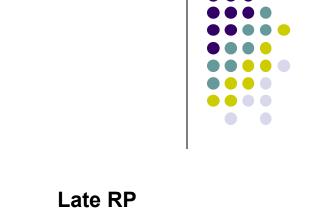
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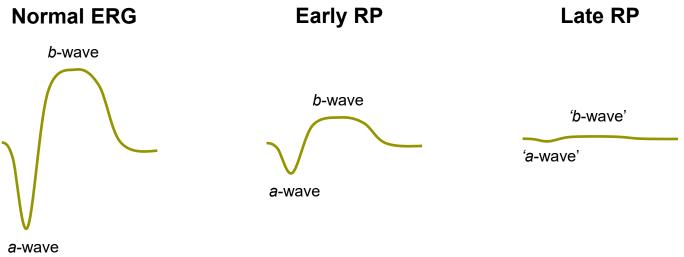
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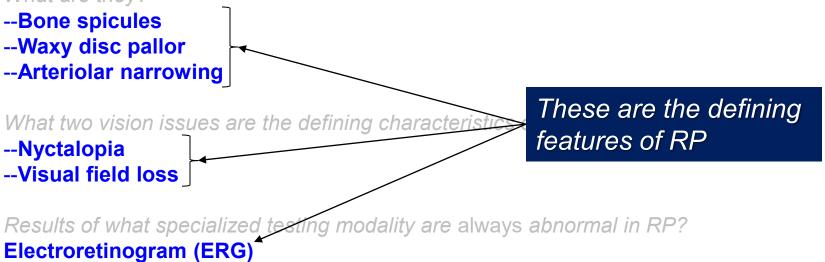




Characteristic ERG changes in RP: --Early: Reduced *a* and *b* waves --Late: Undetectable

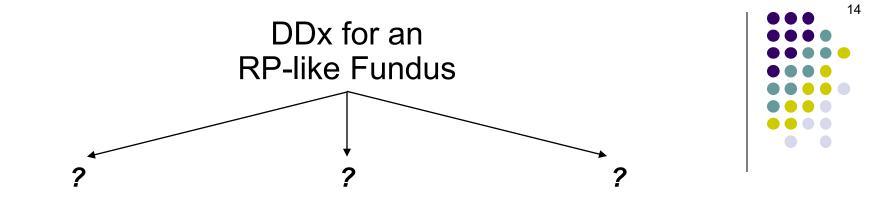


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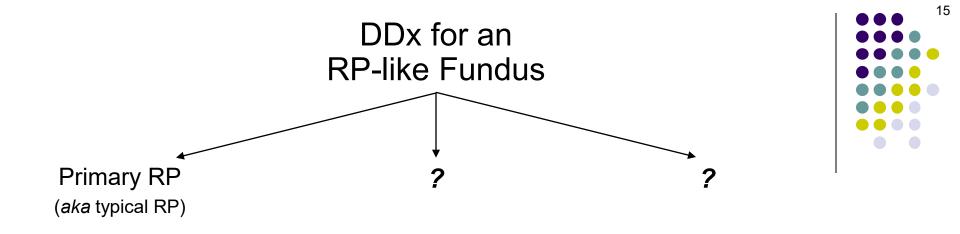




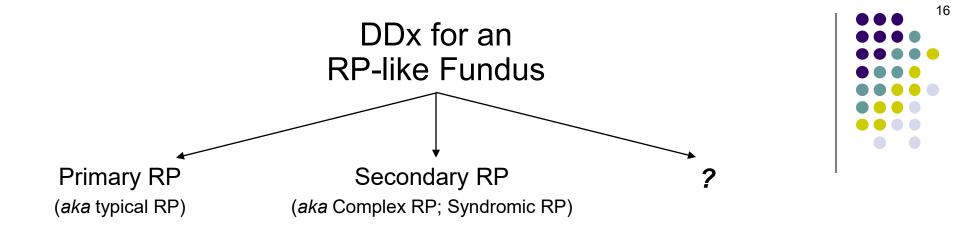
These next few slides lay out the overall way you should think about an RP-like fundus (especially on the OKAP/Boards)



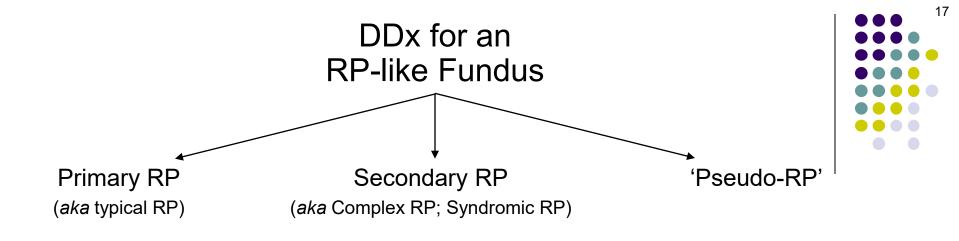
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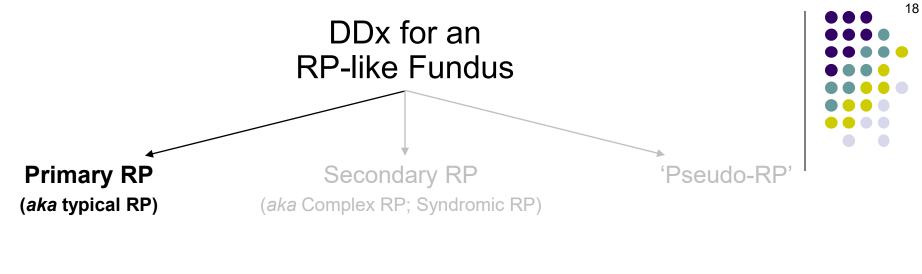
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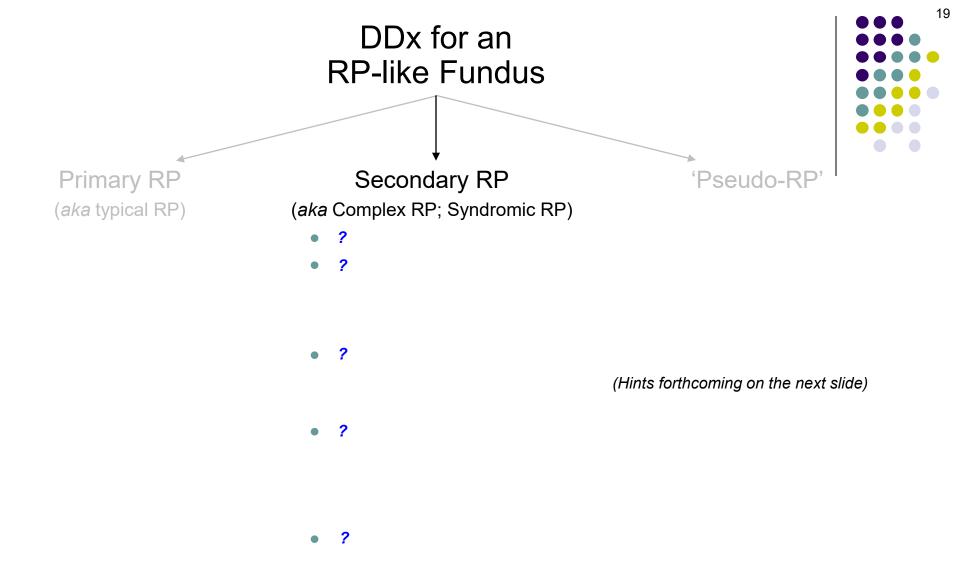
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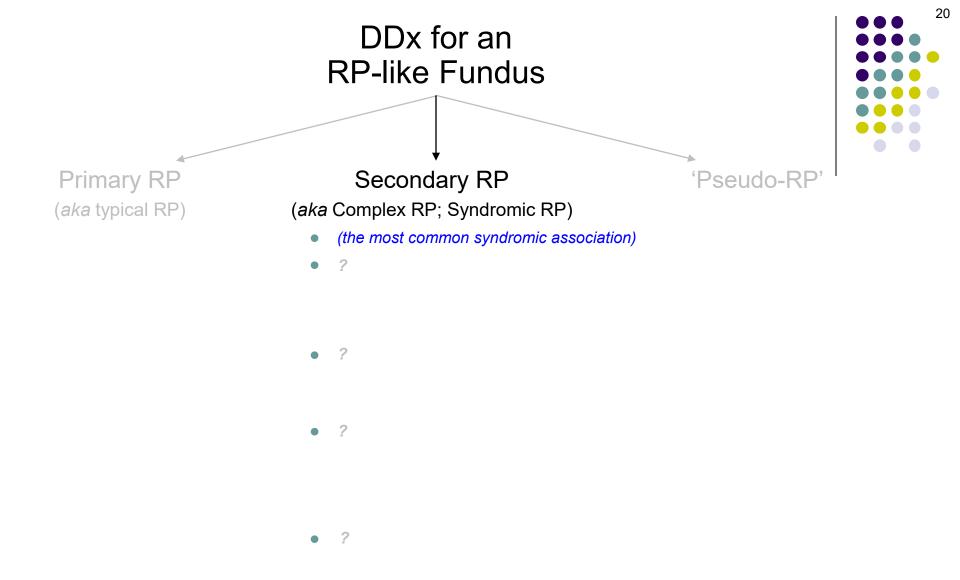


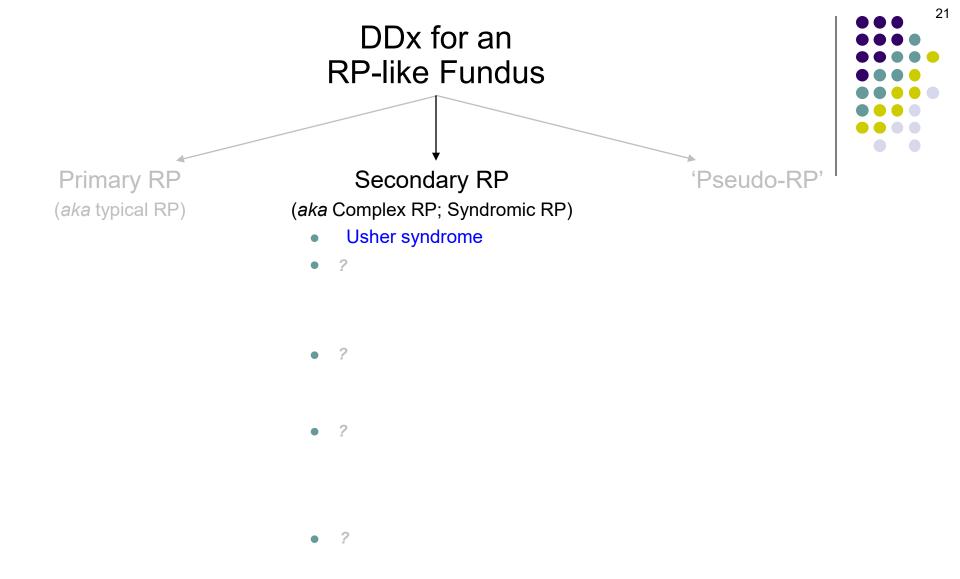
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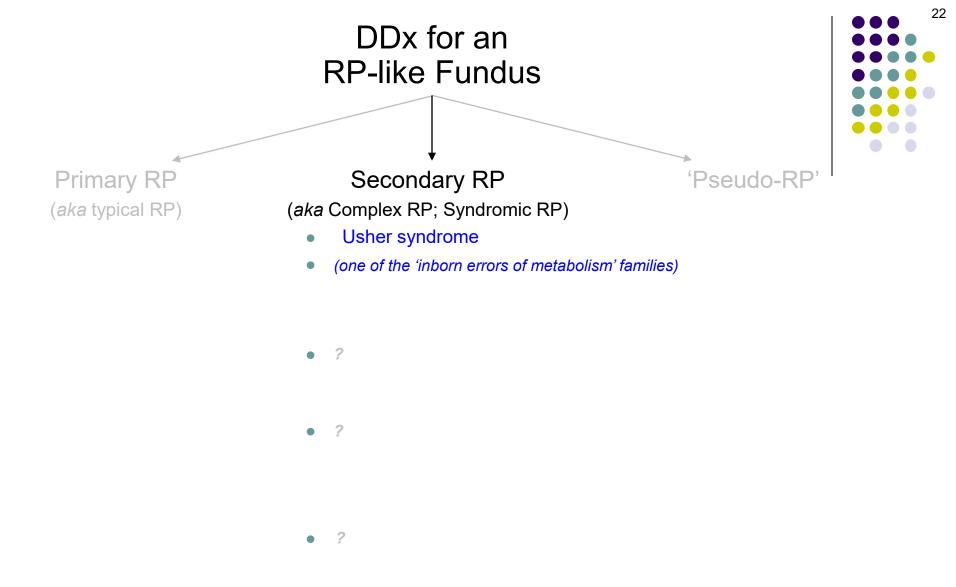


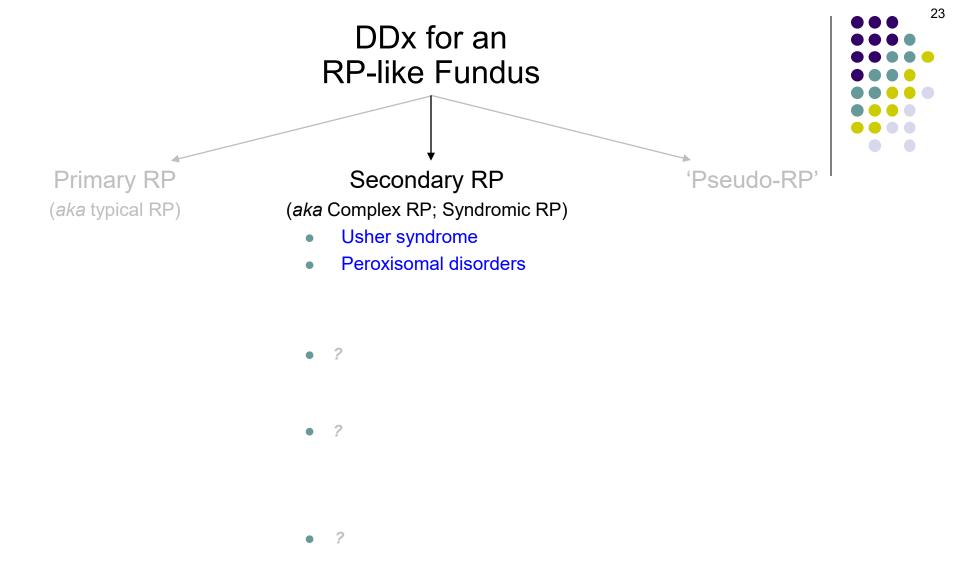
For more on RP itself, see slide-set R38

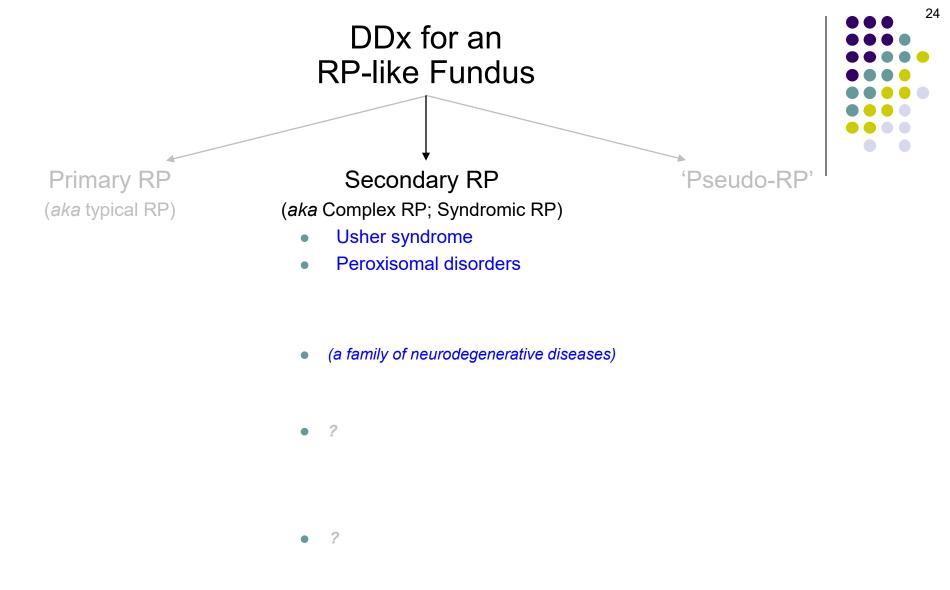


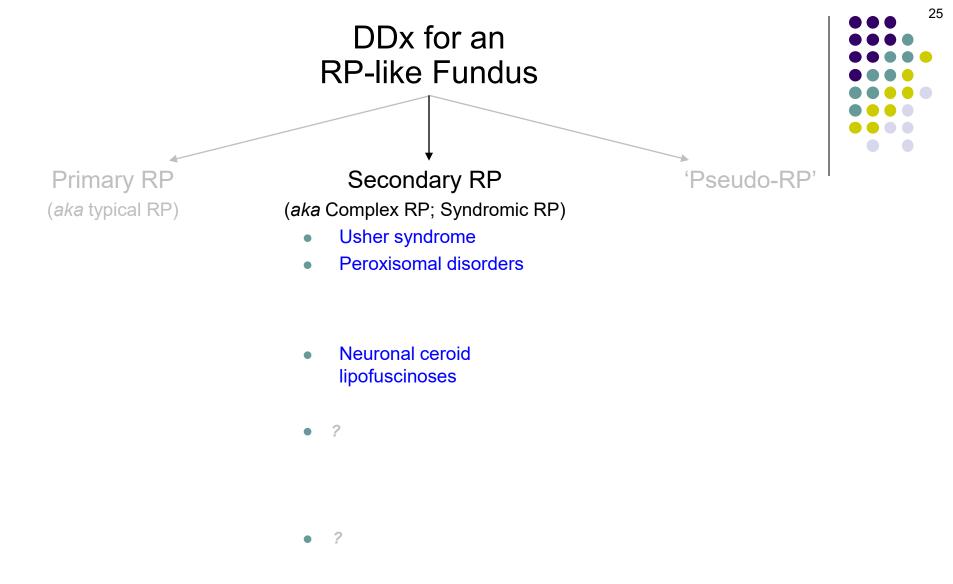


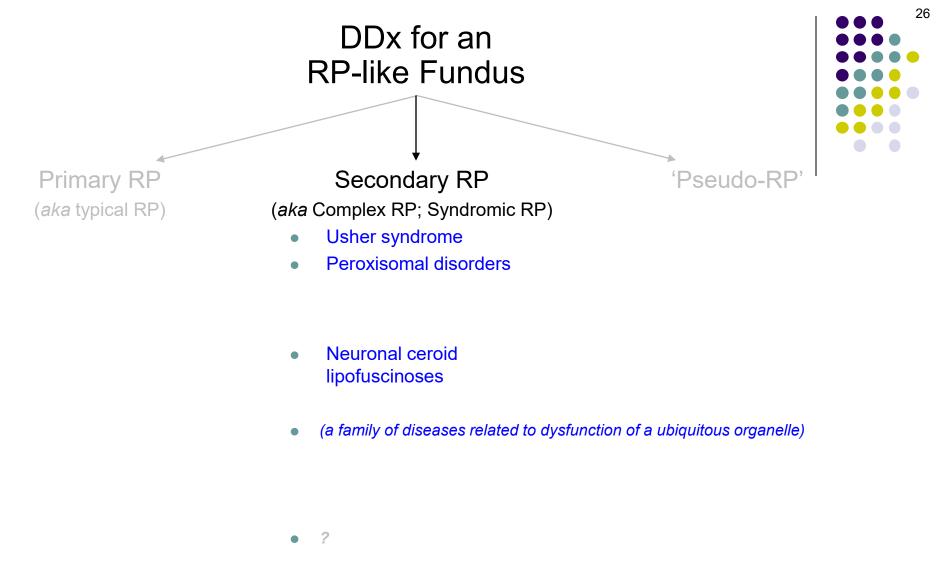


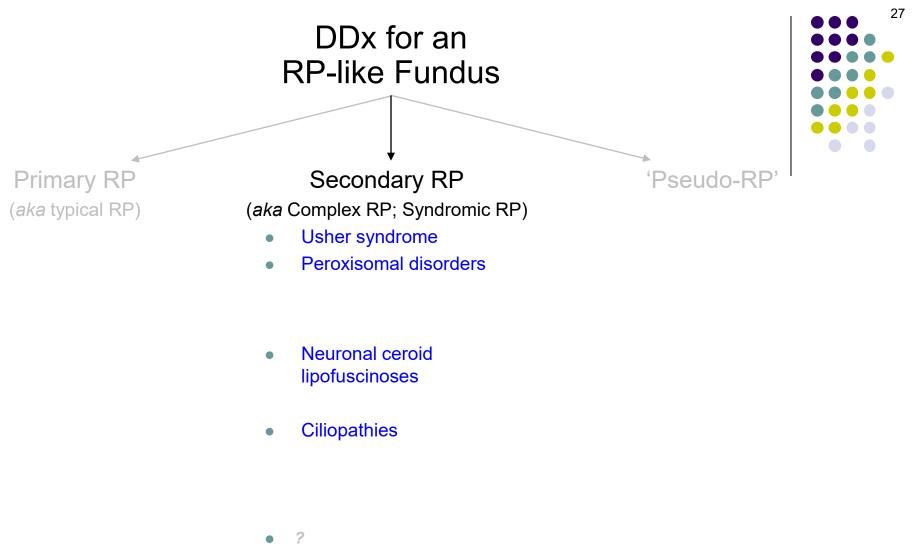














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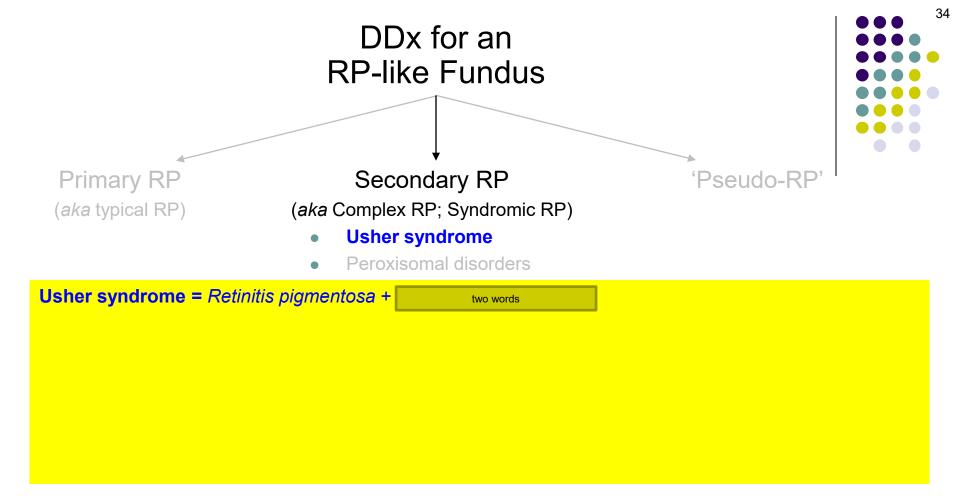
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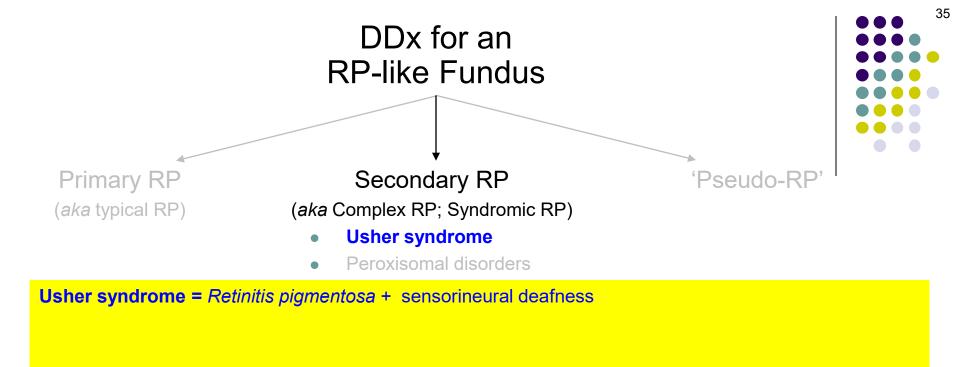
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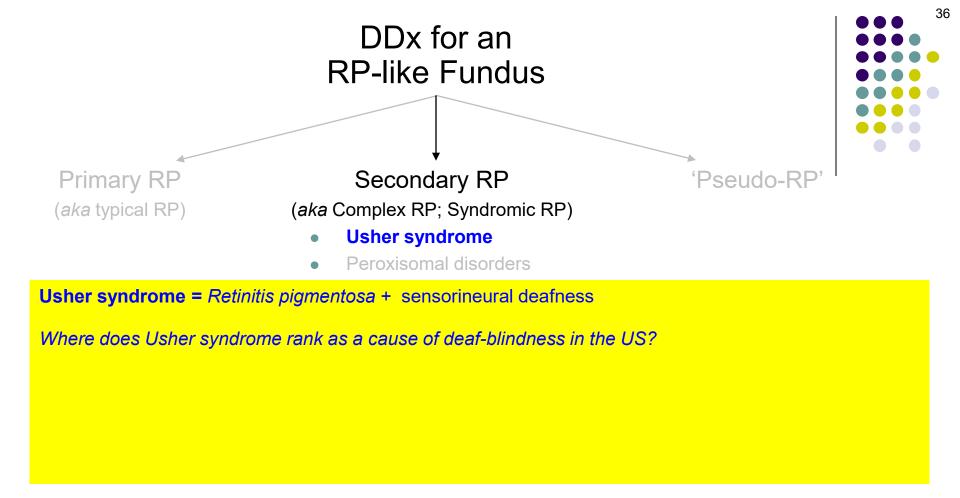
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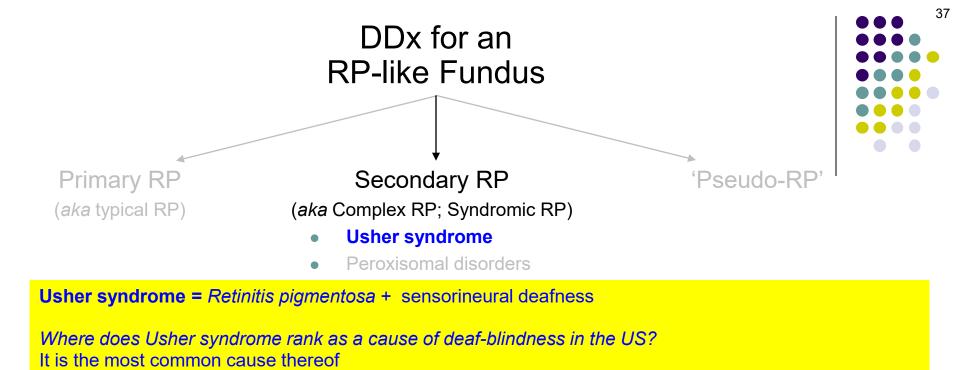
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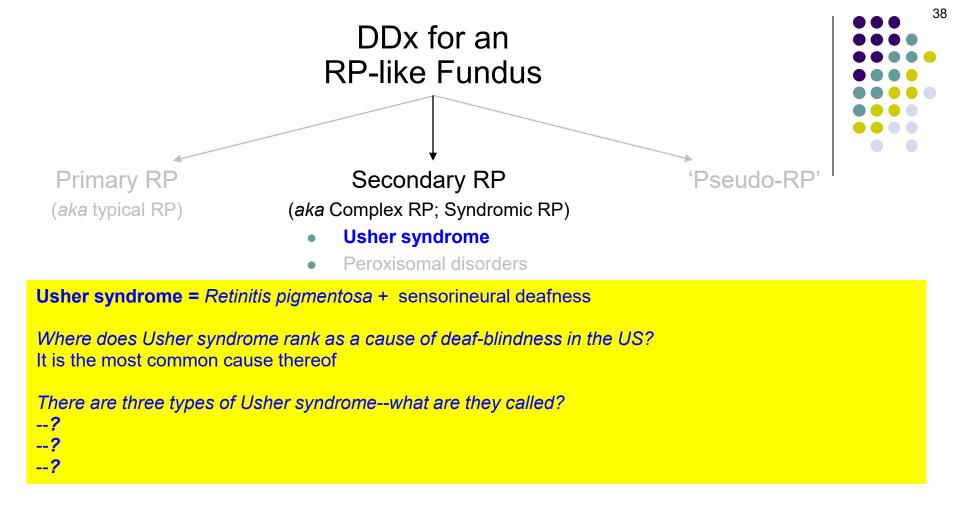


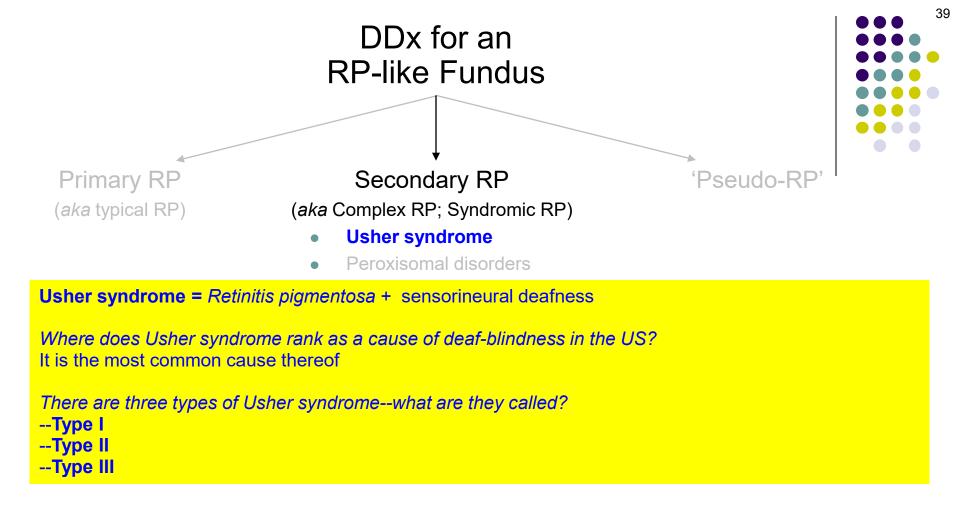
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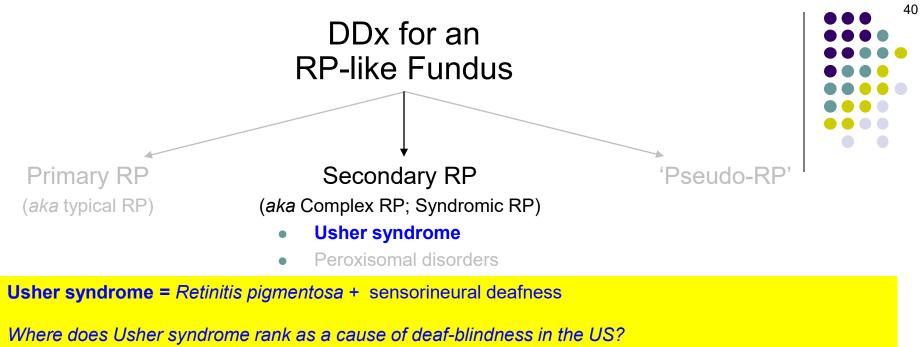


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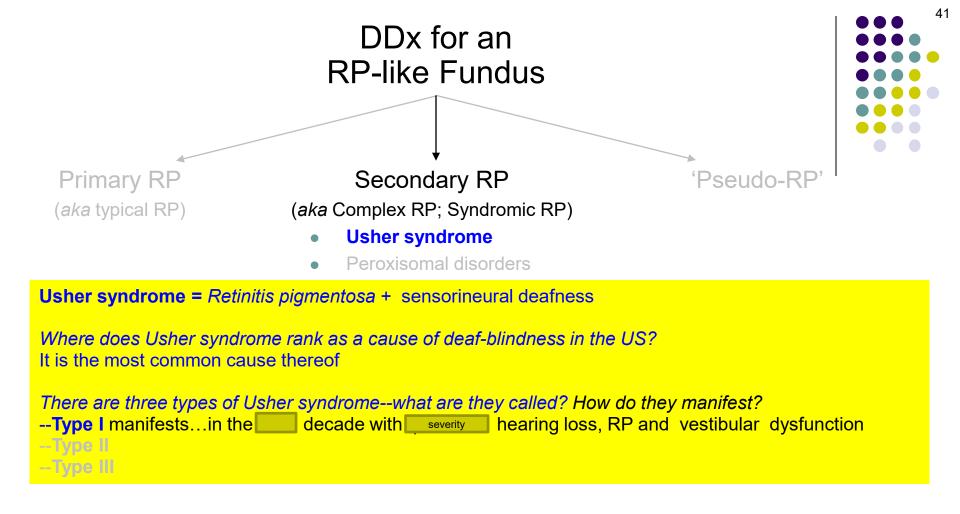


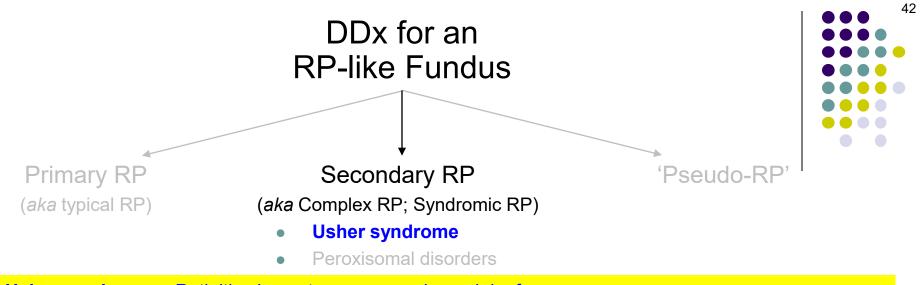


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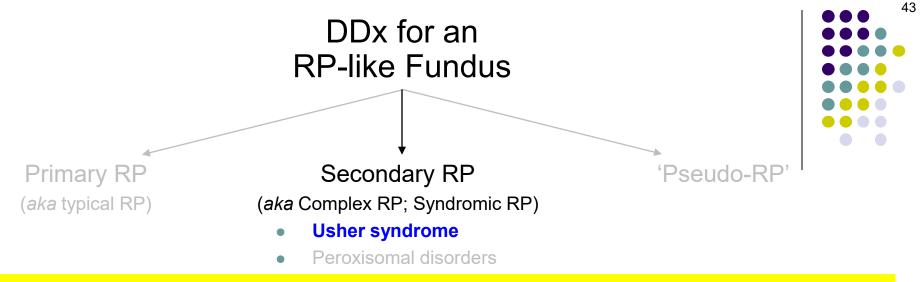
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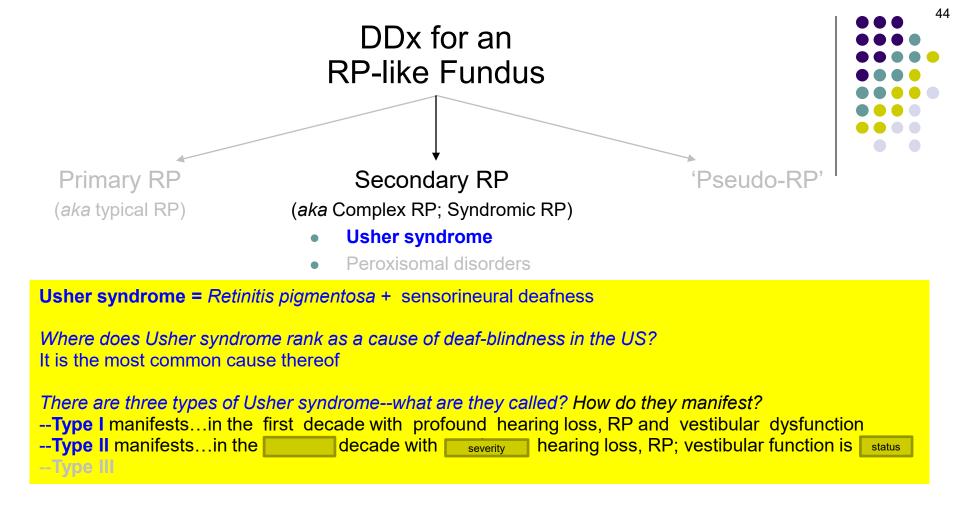
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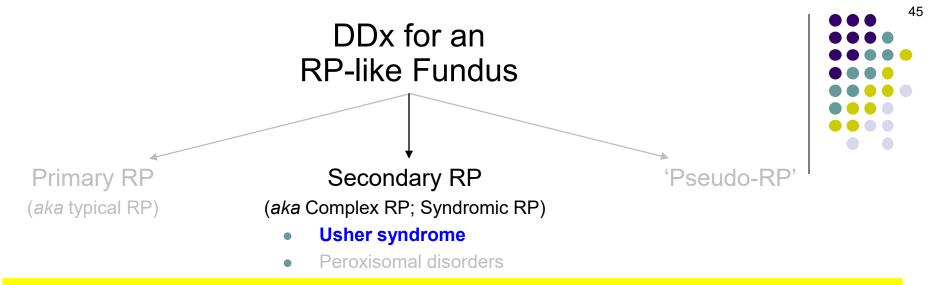
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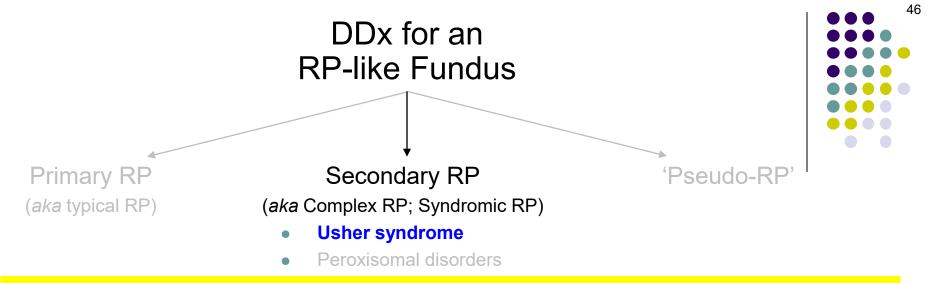
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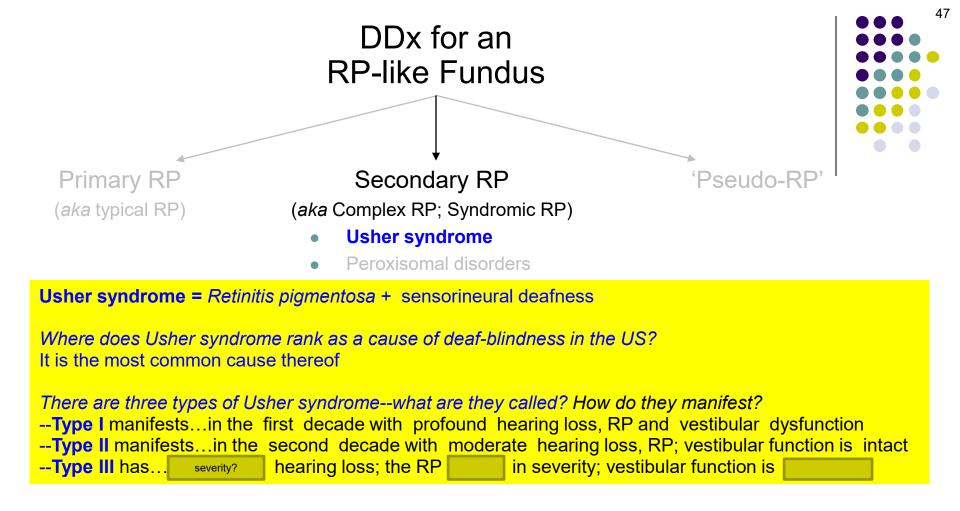
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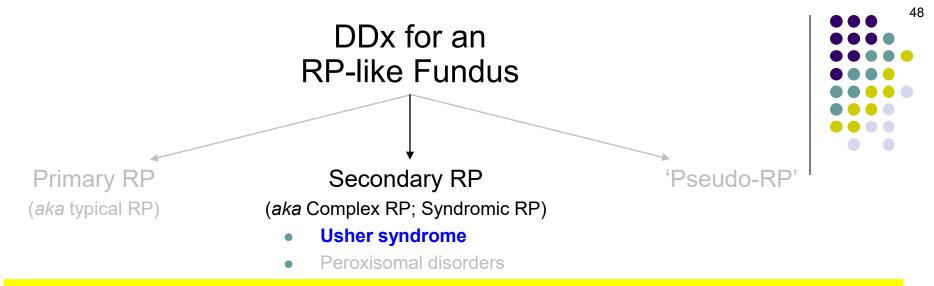
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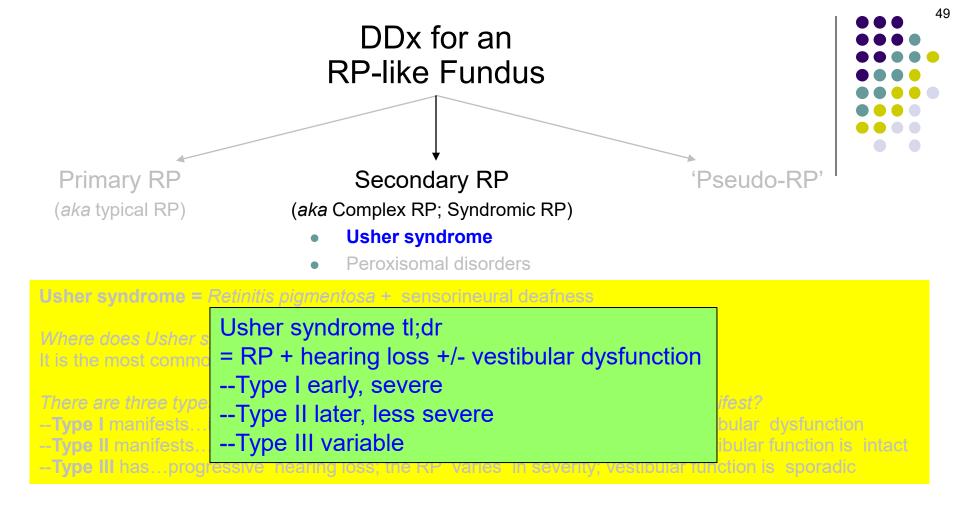
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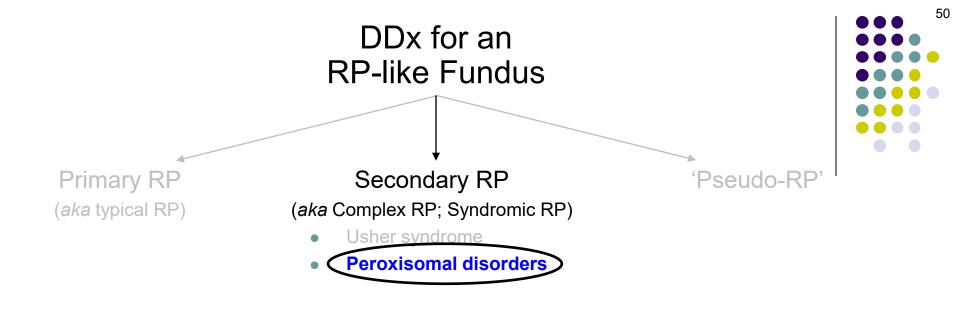




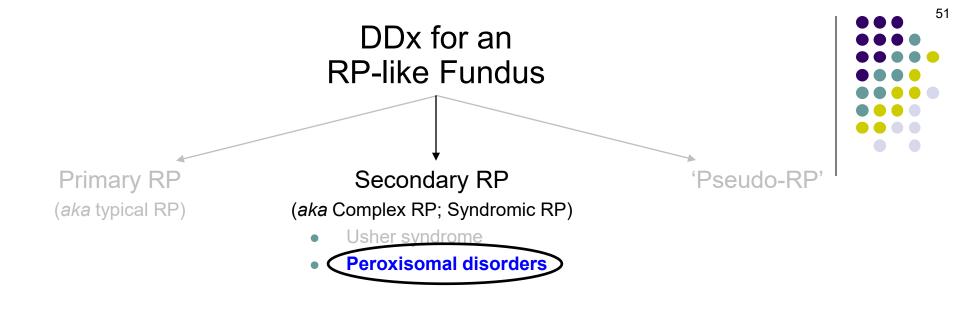
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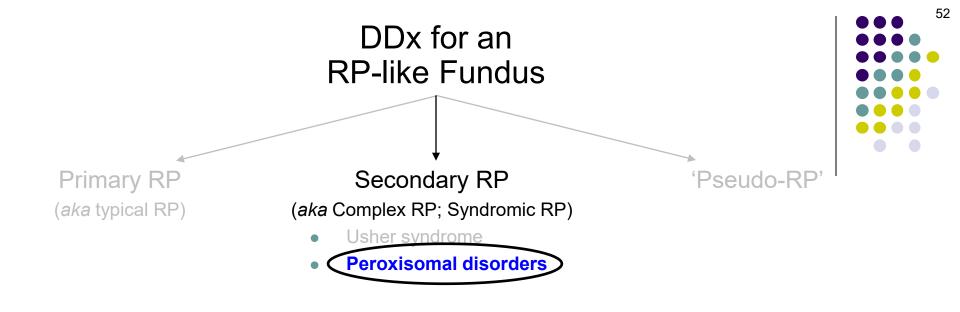




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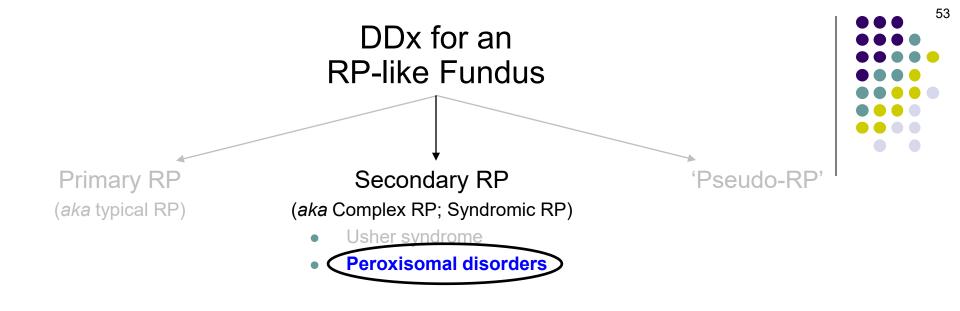


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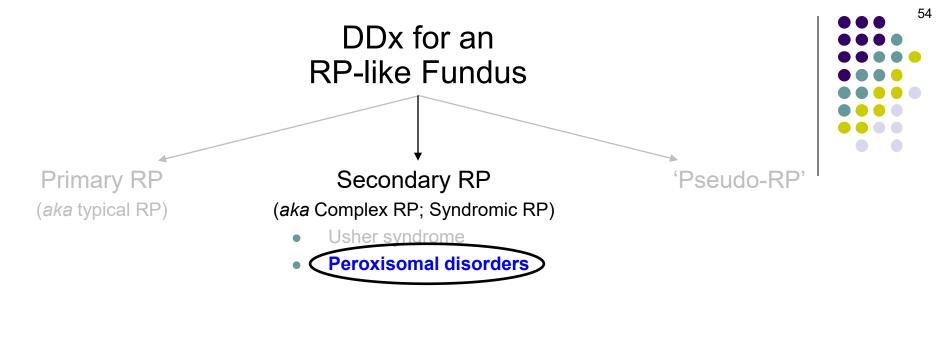
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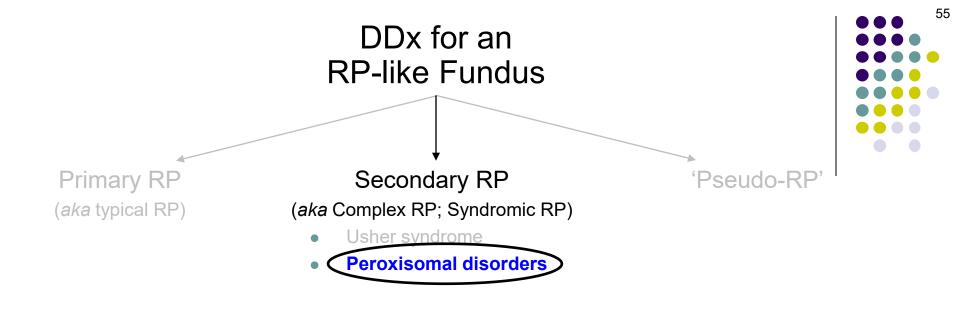
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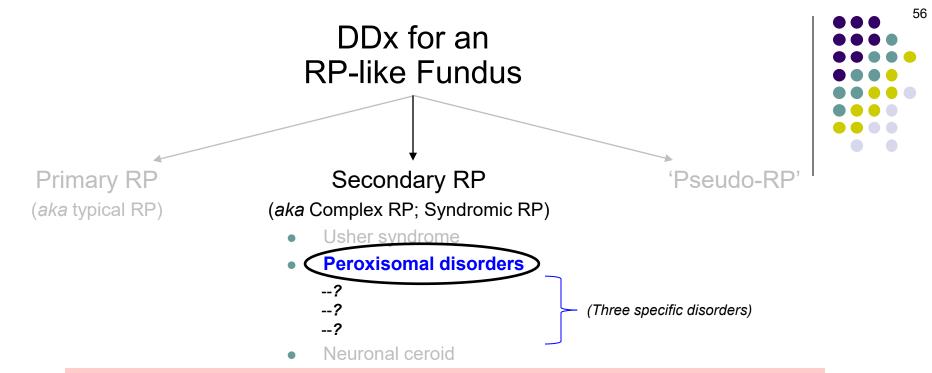


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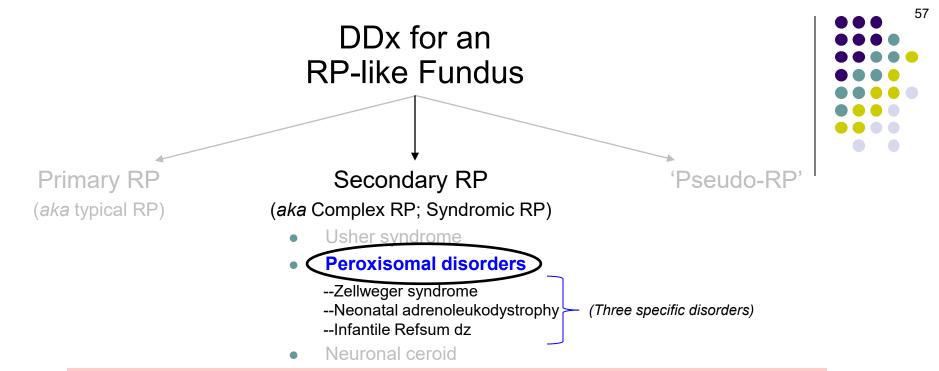
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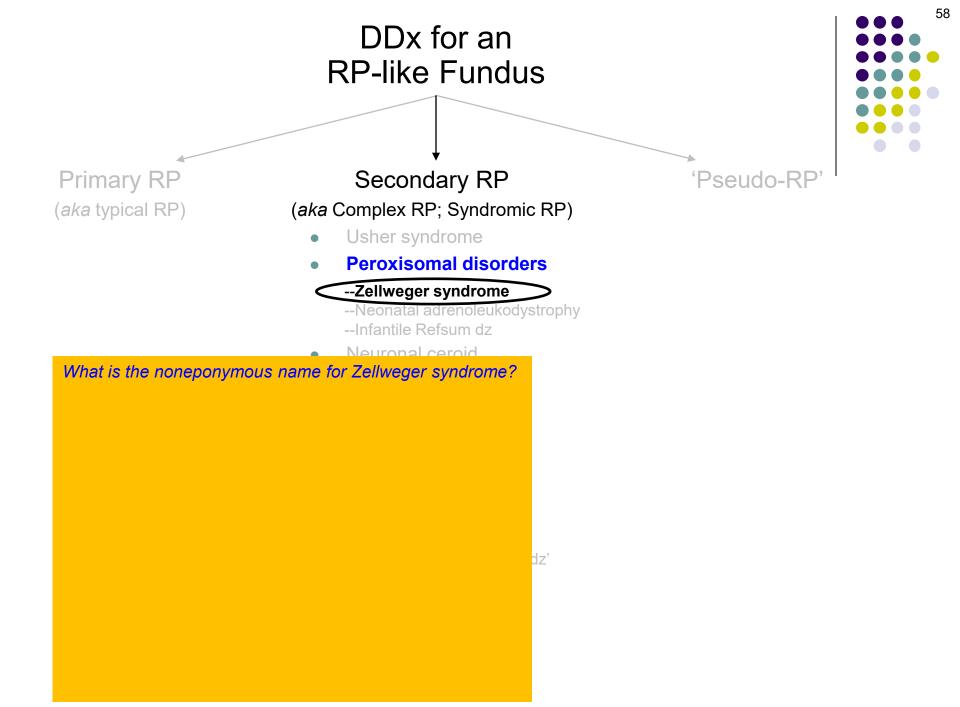
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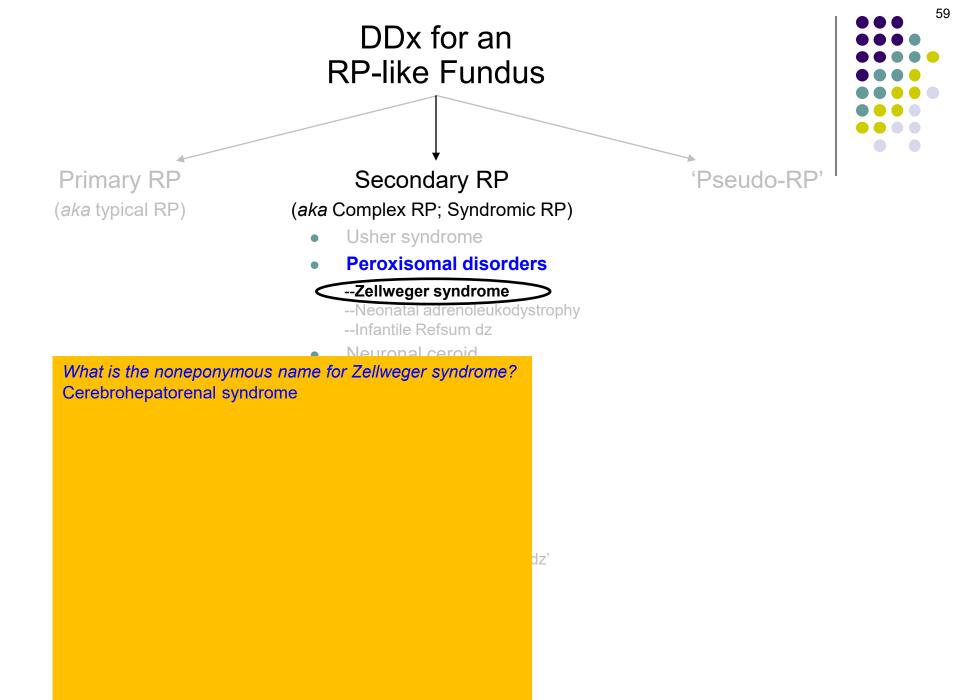
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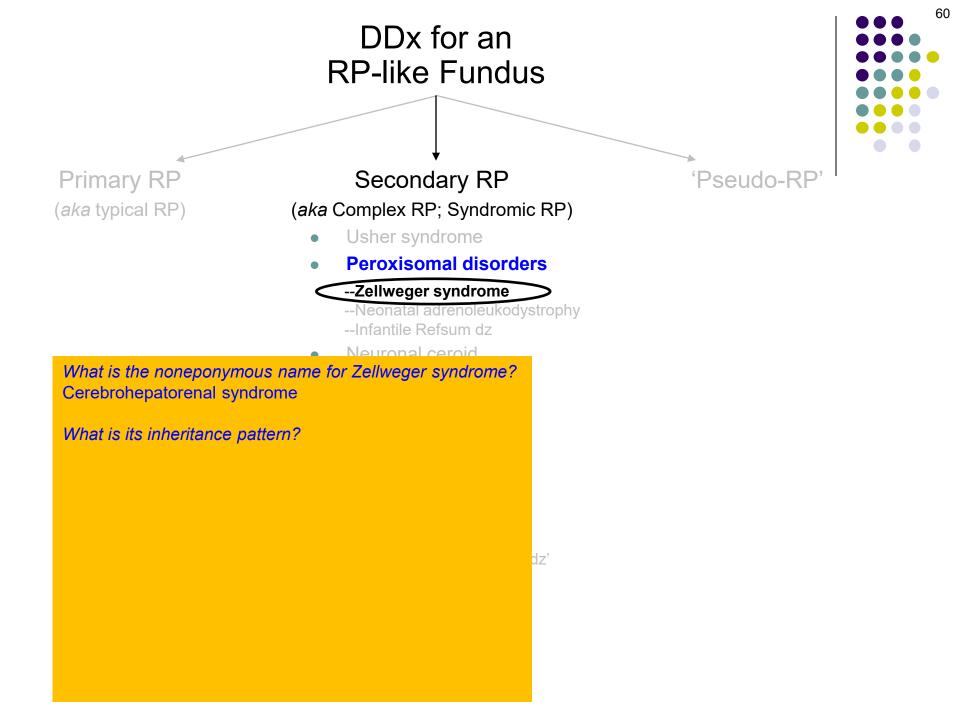
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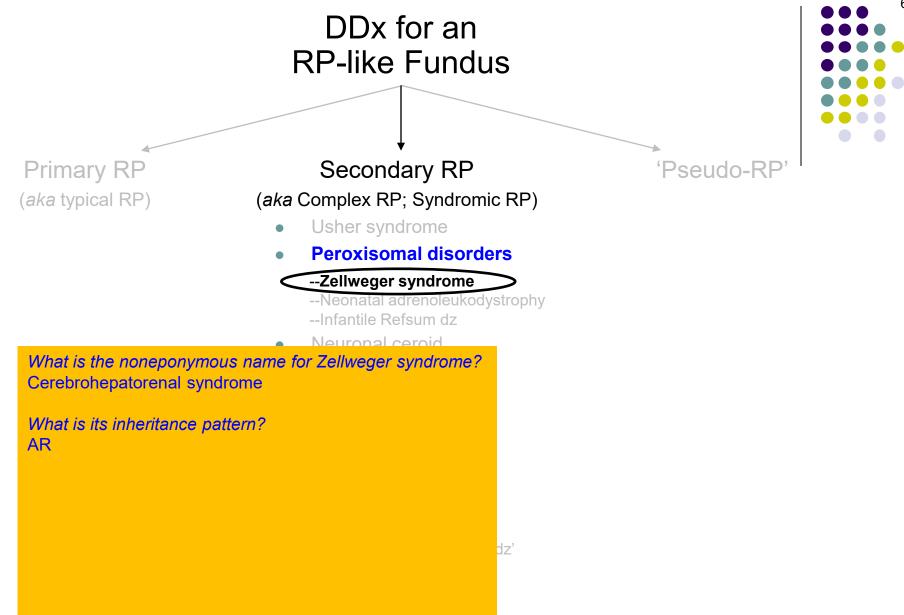
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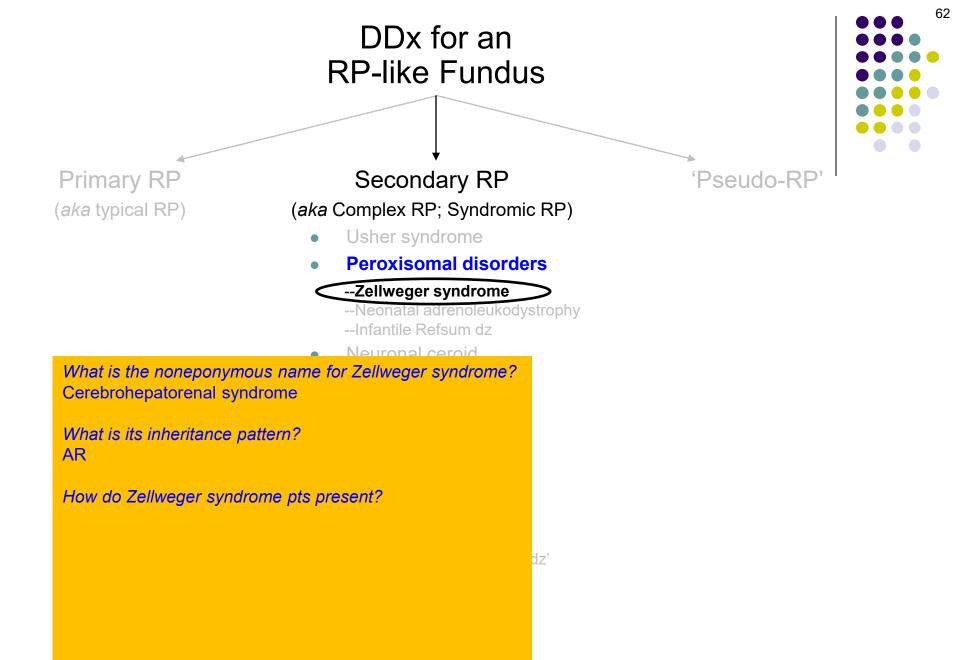
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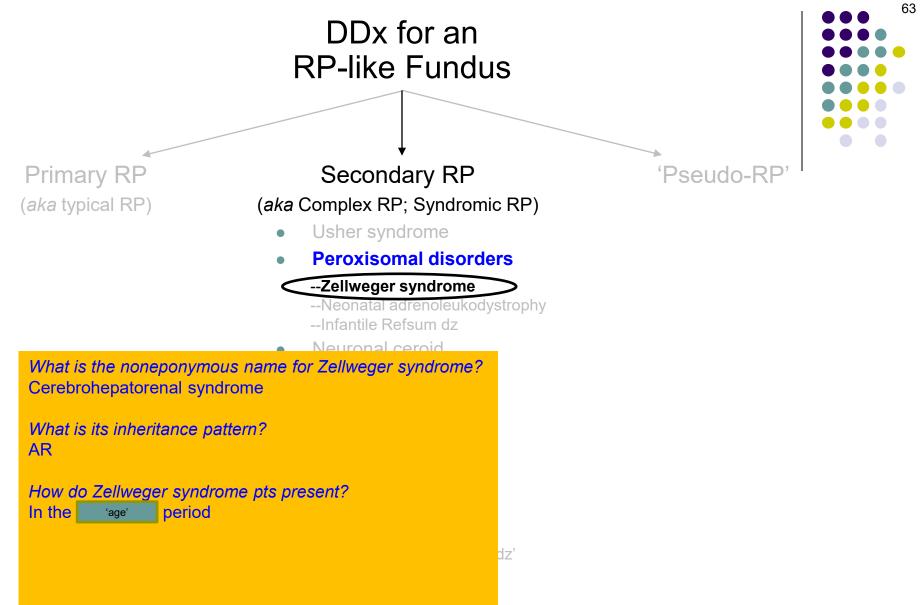


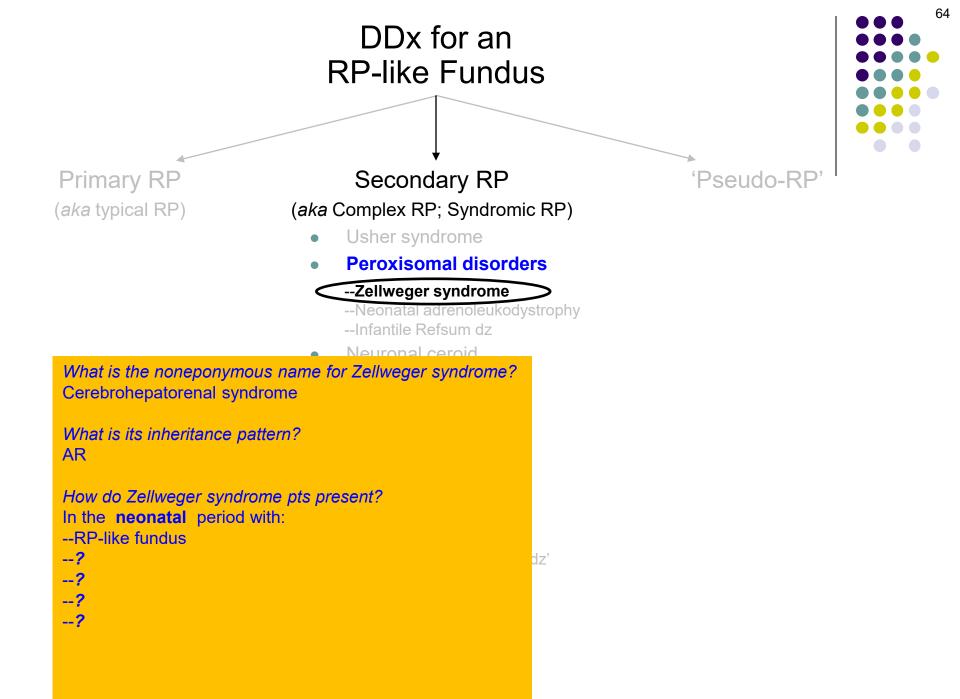


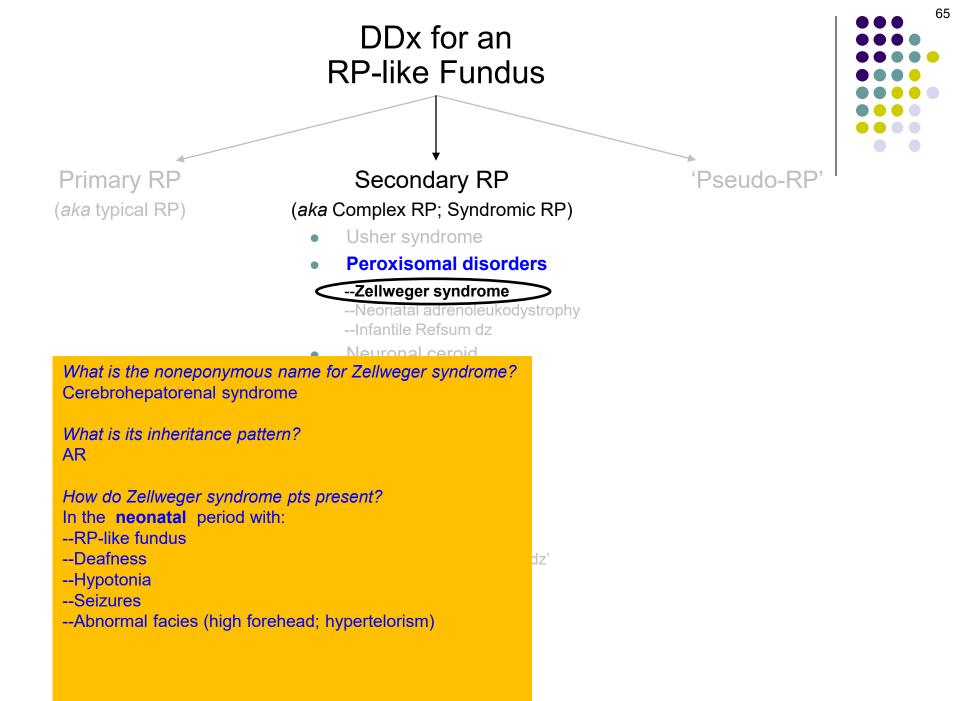










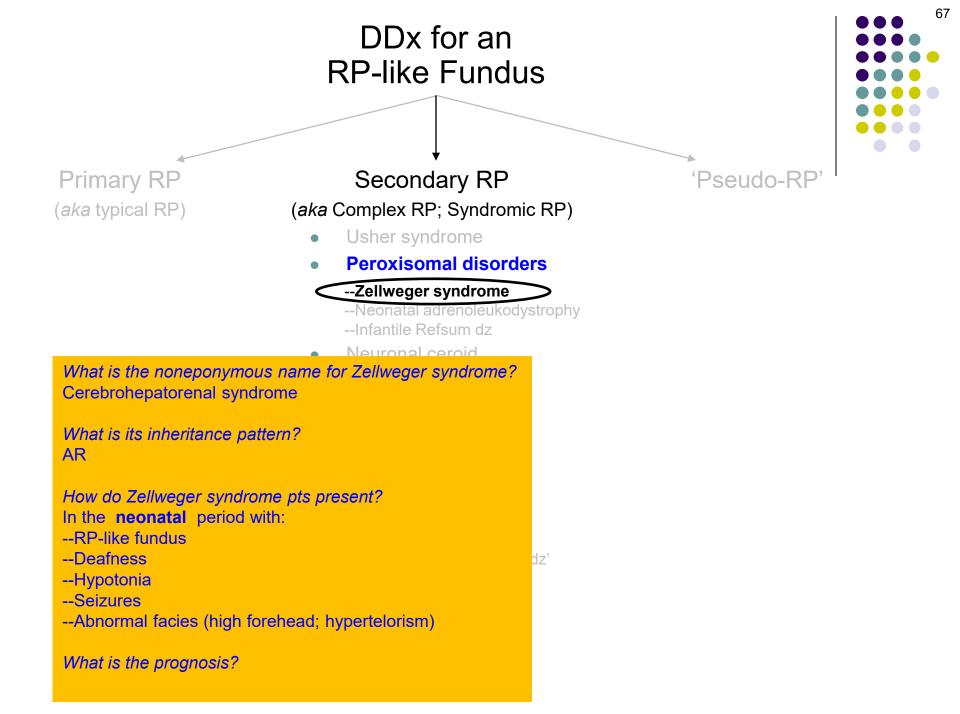


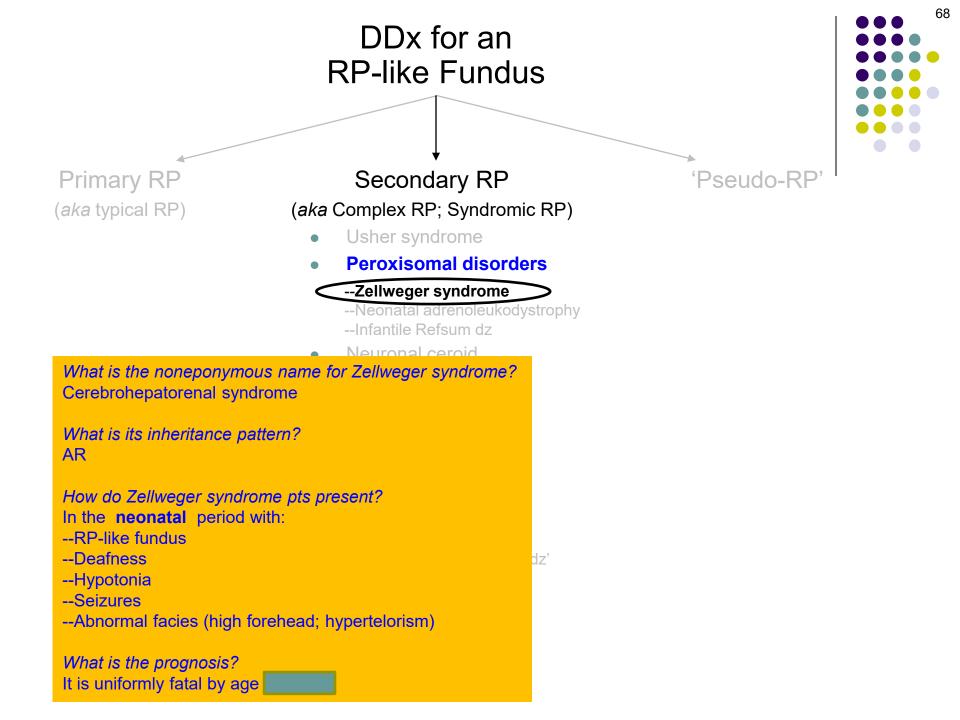
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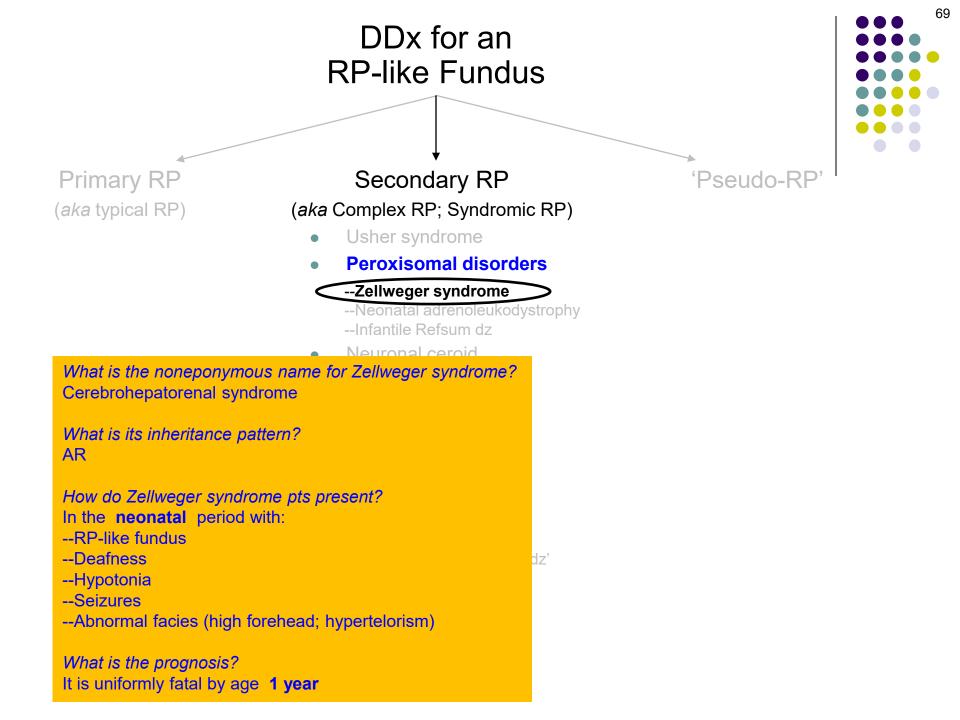


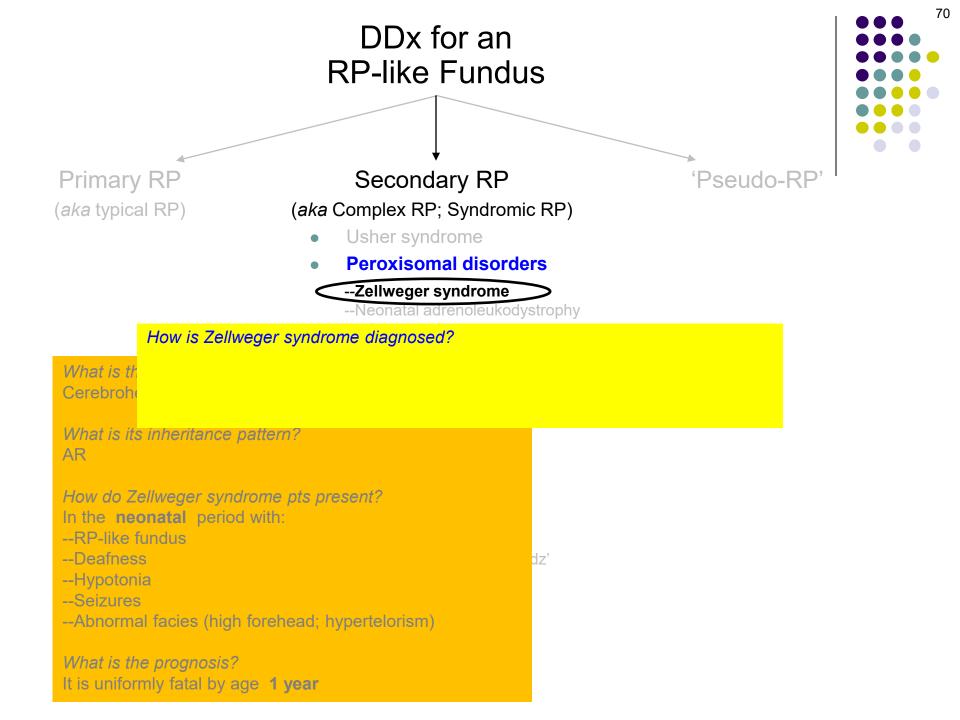


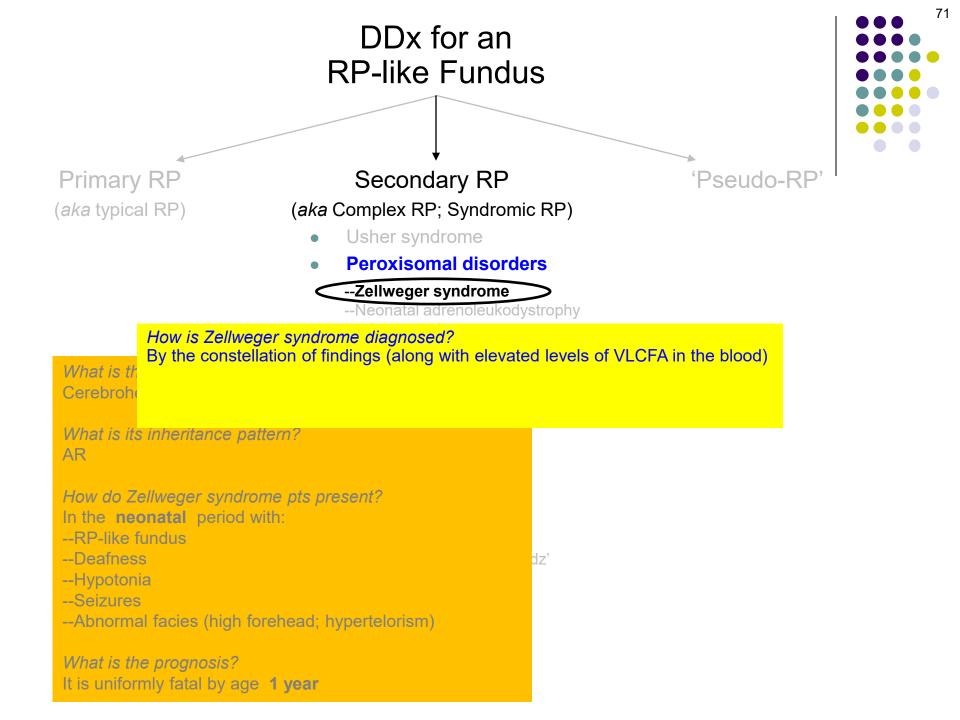
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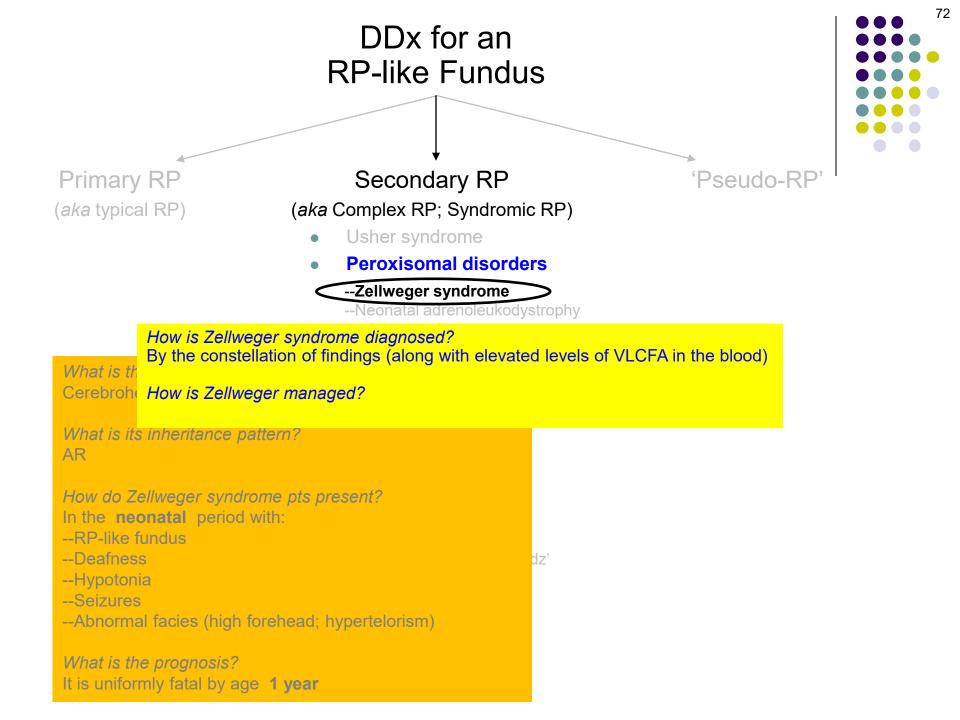


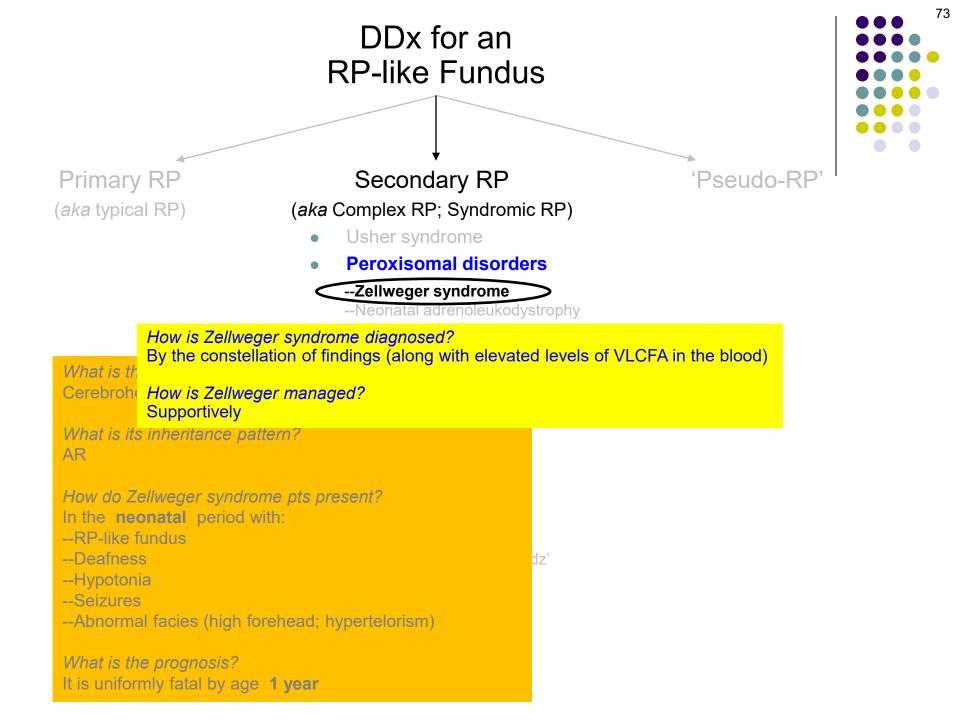


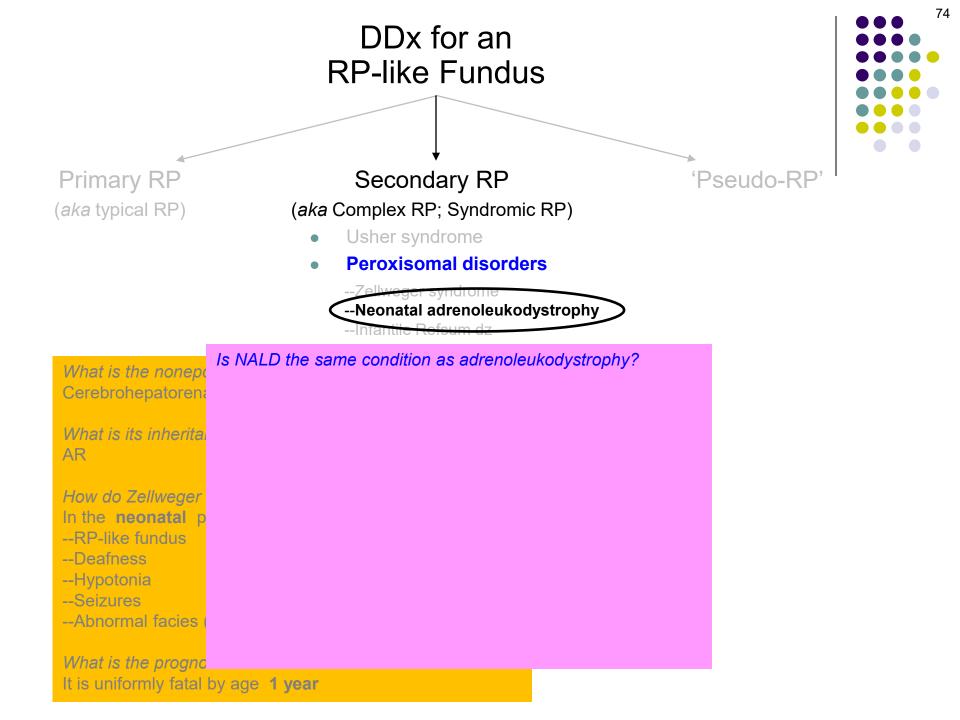


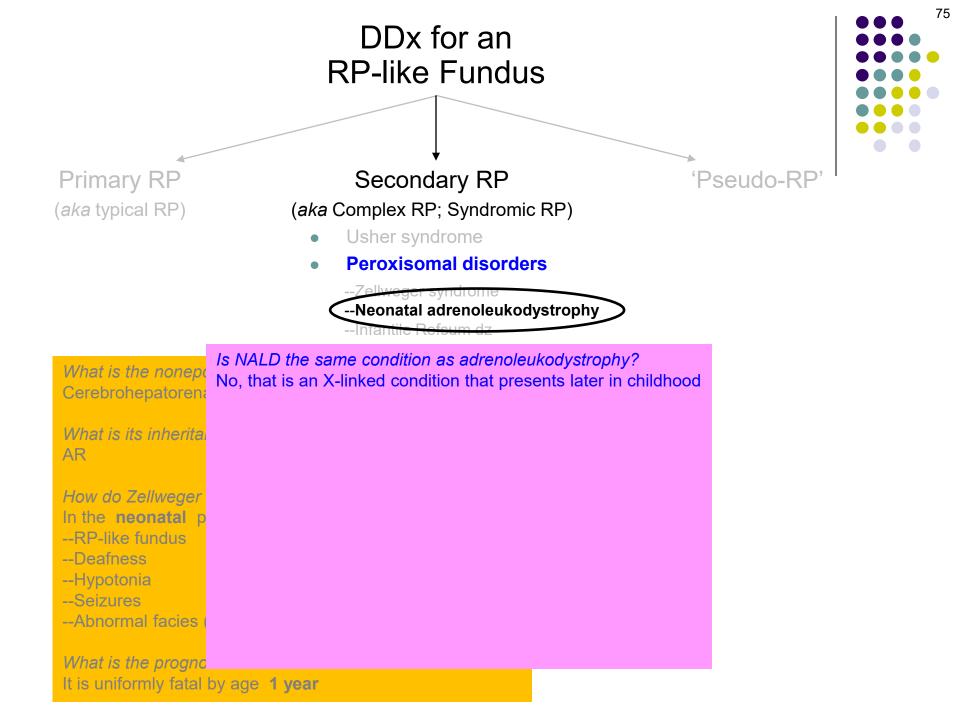


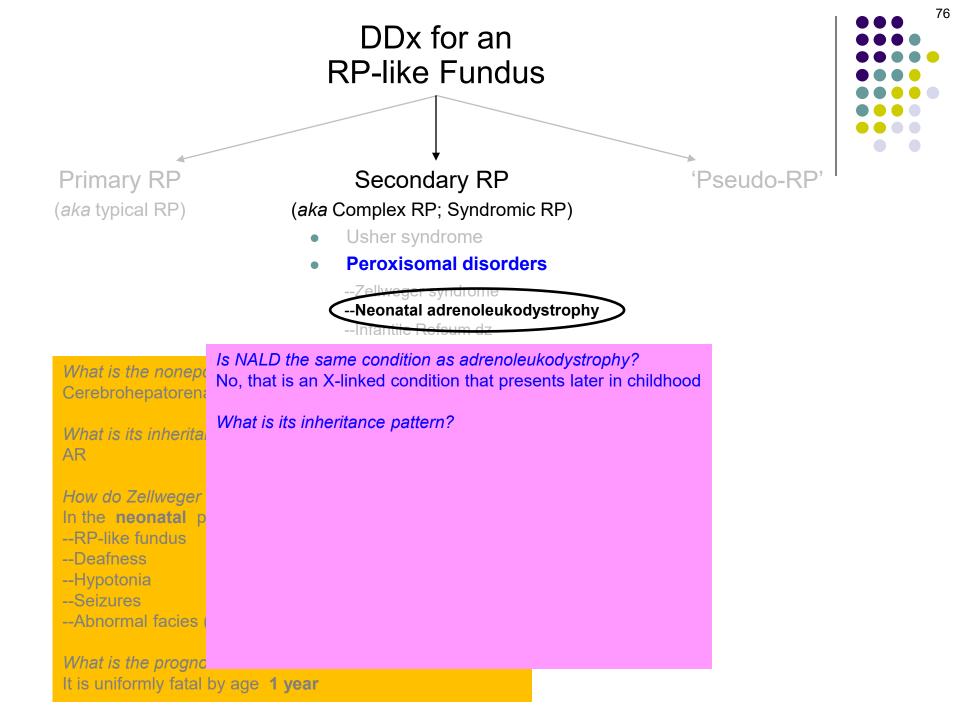


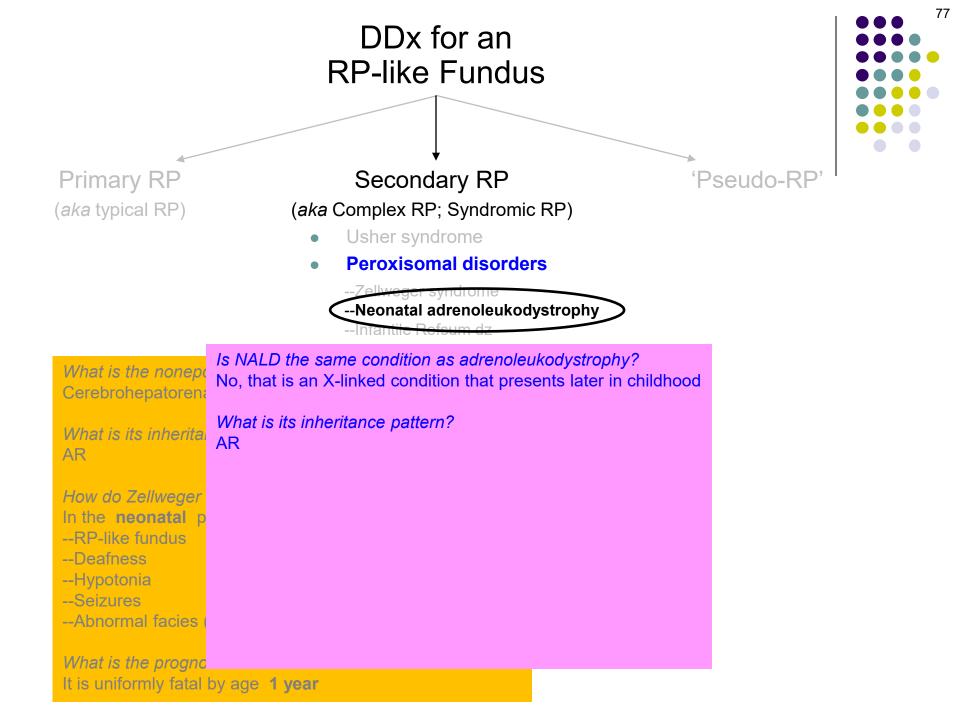


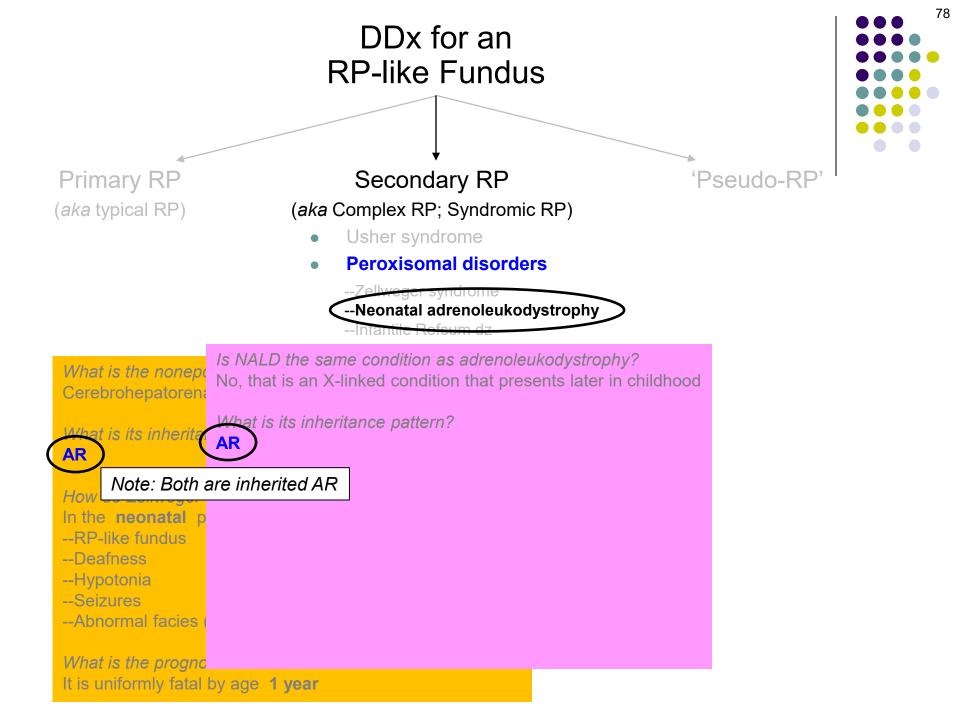


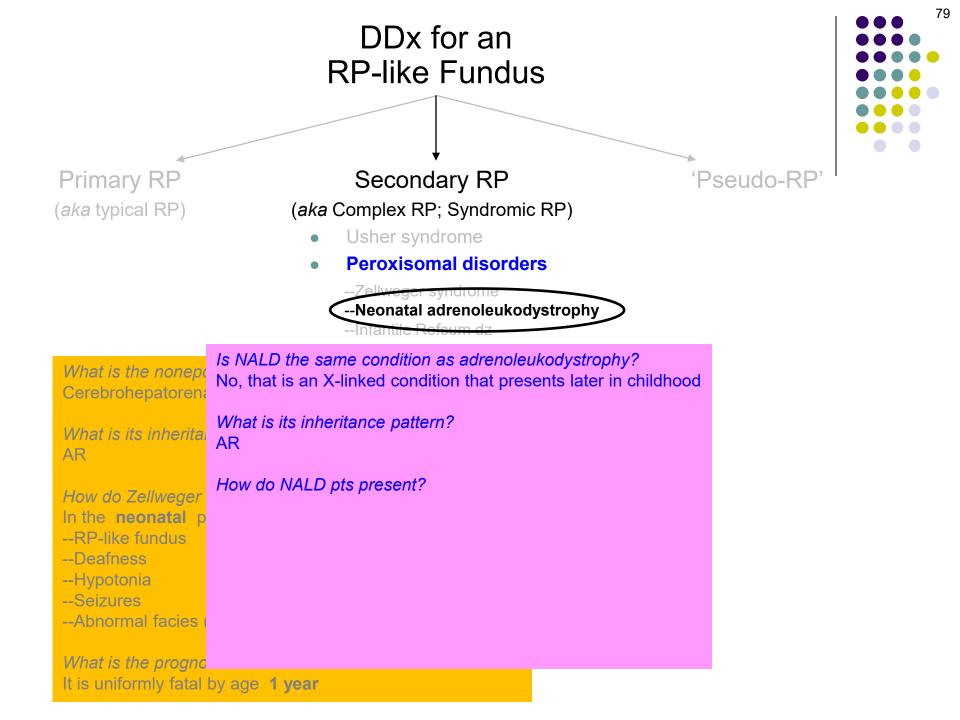


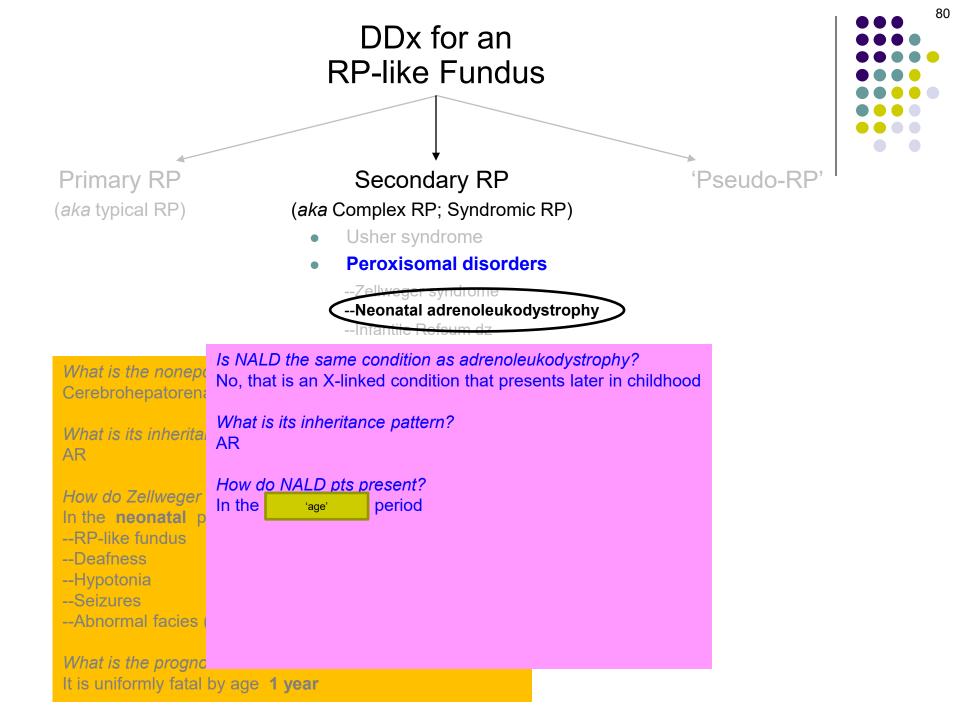


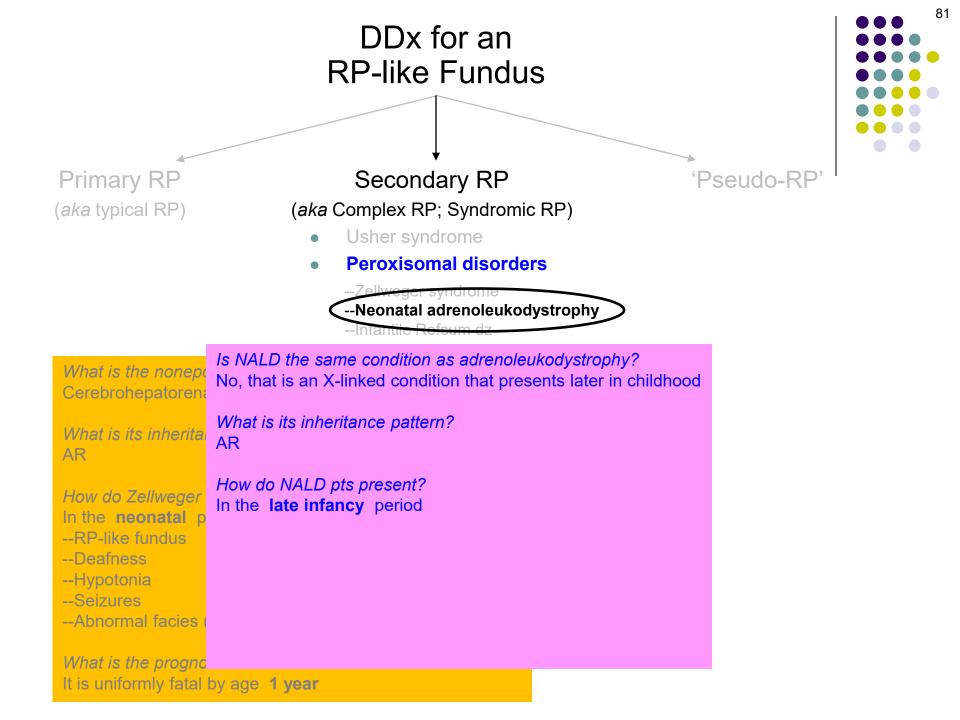


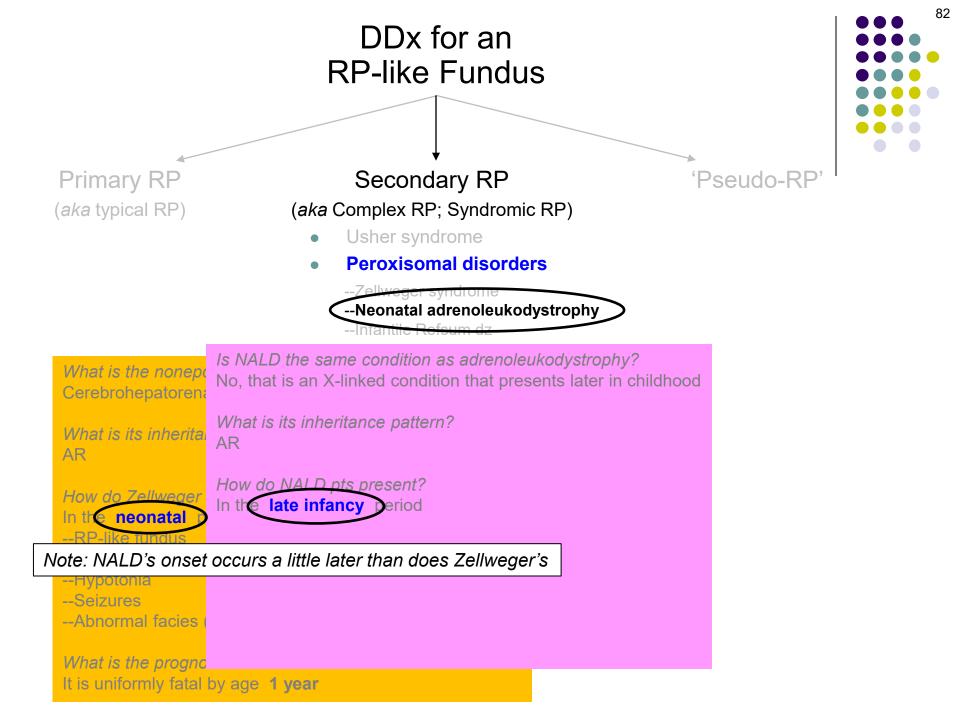


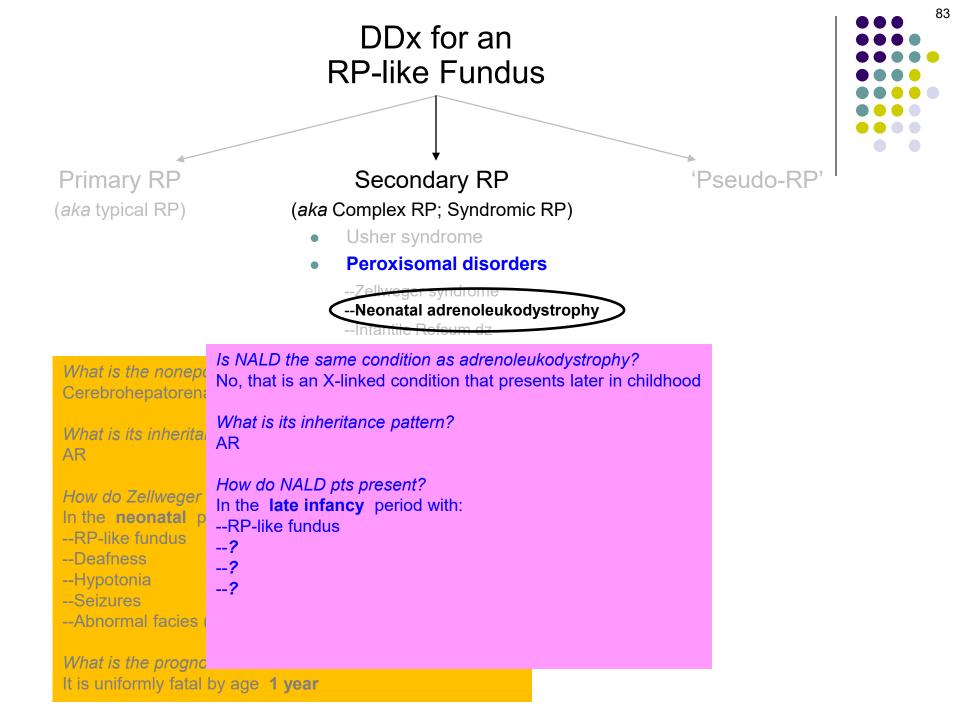


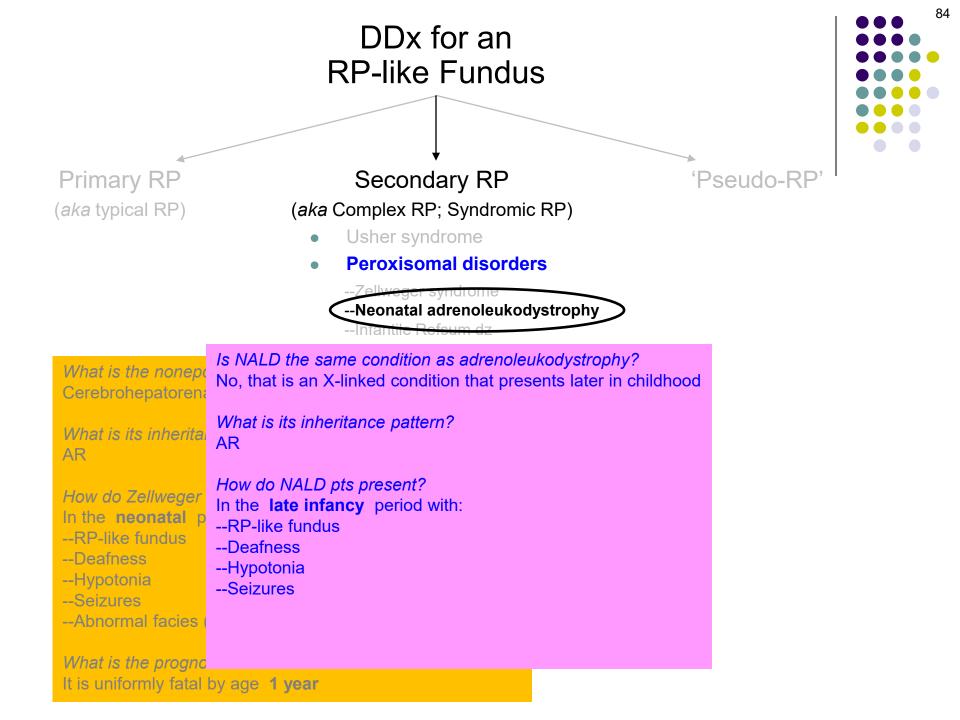


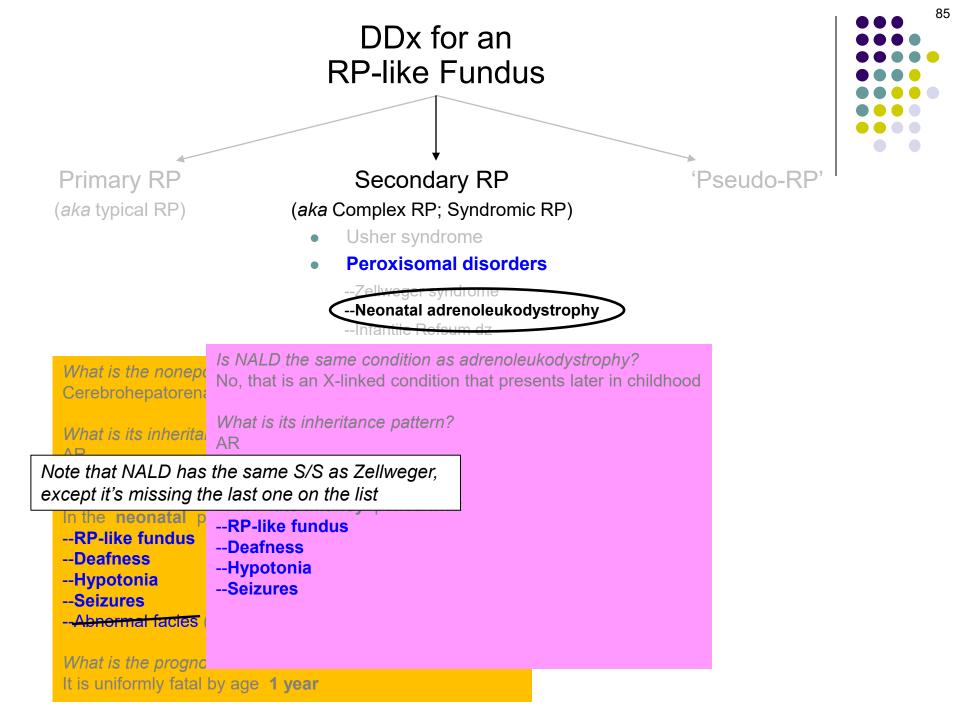


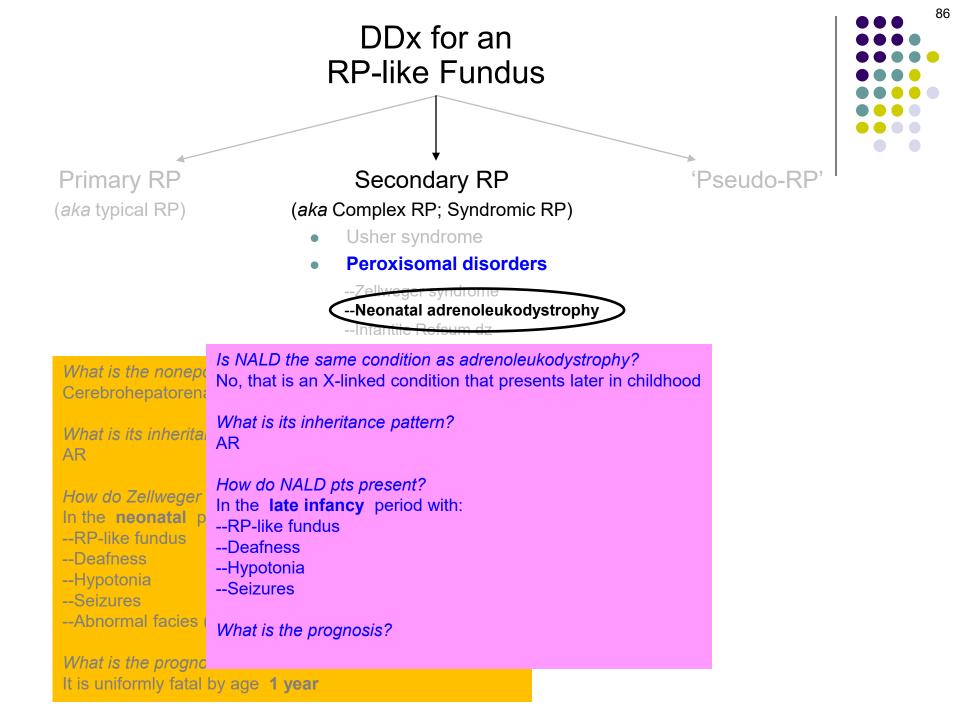


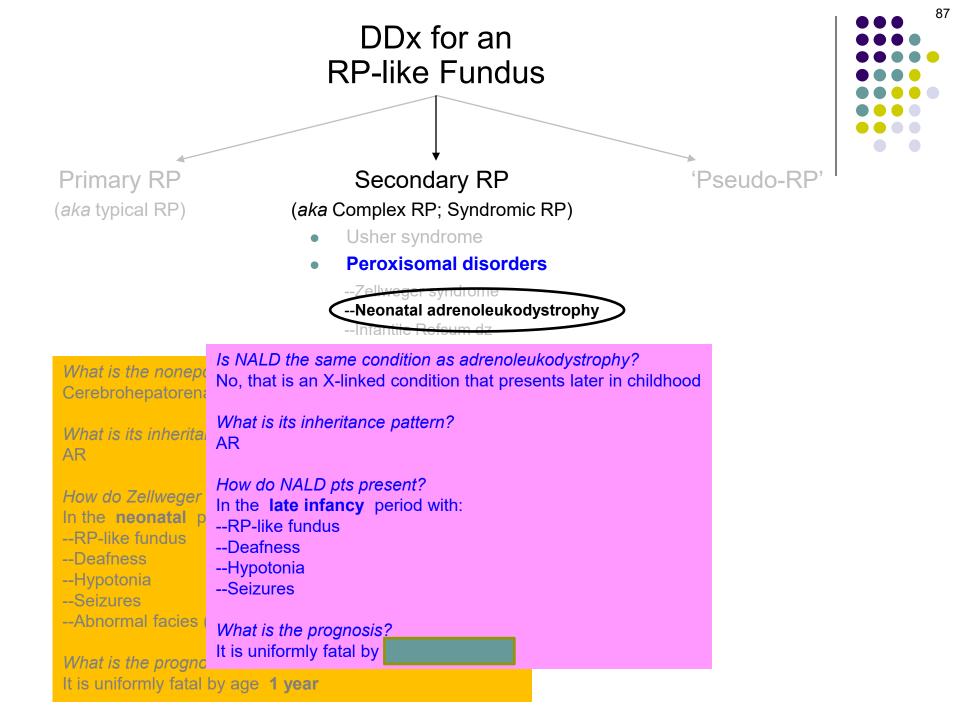


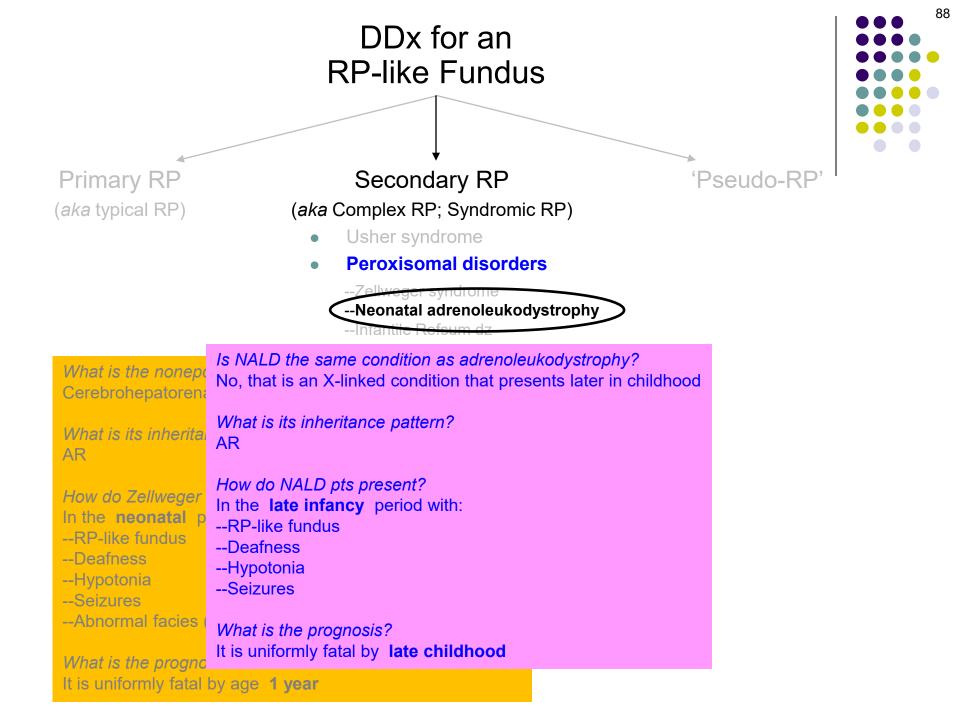


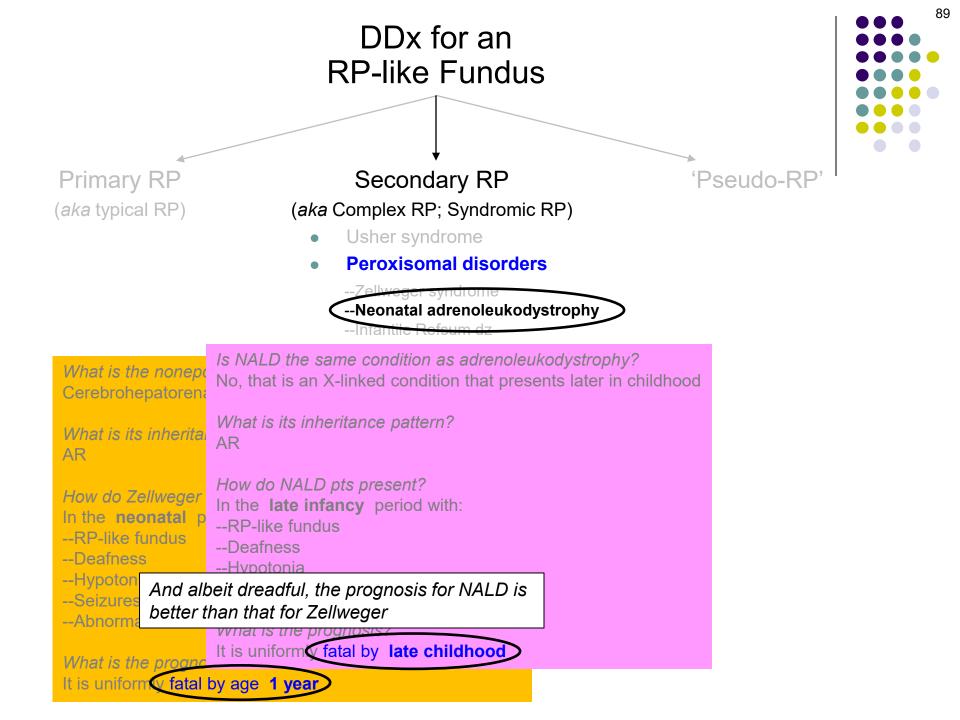


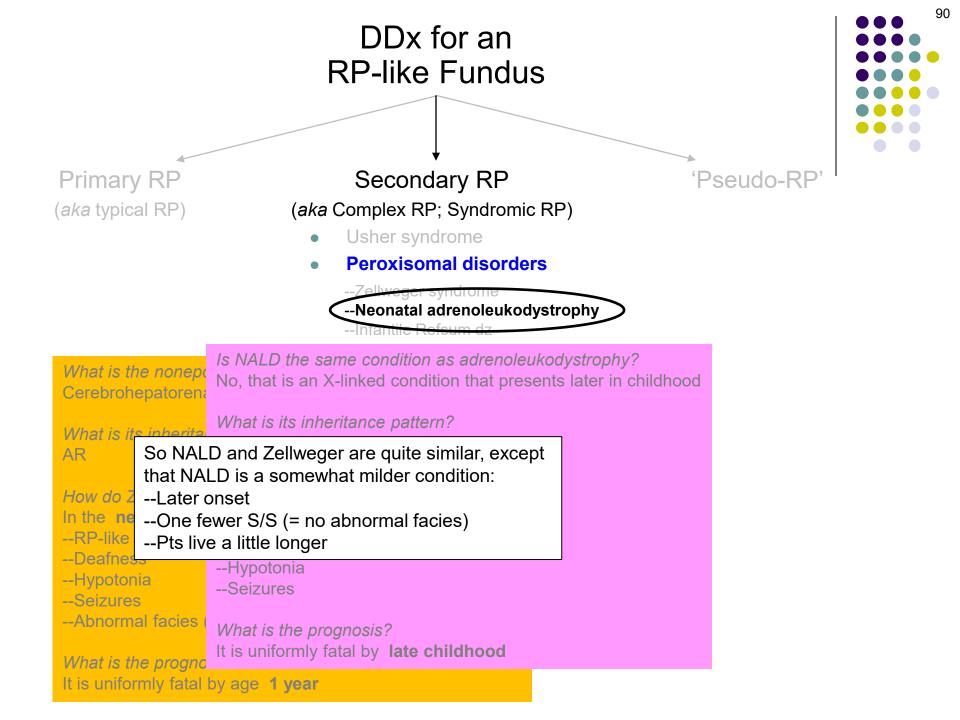


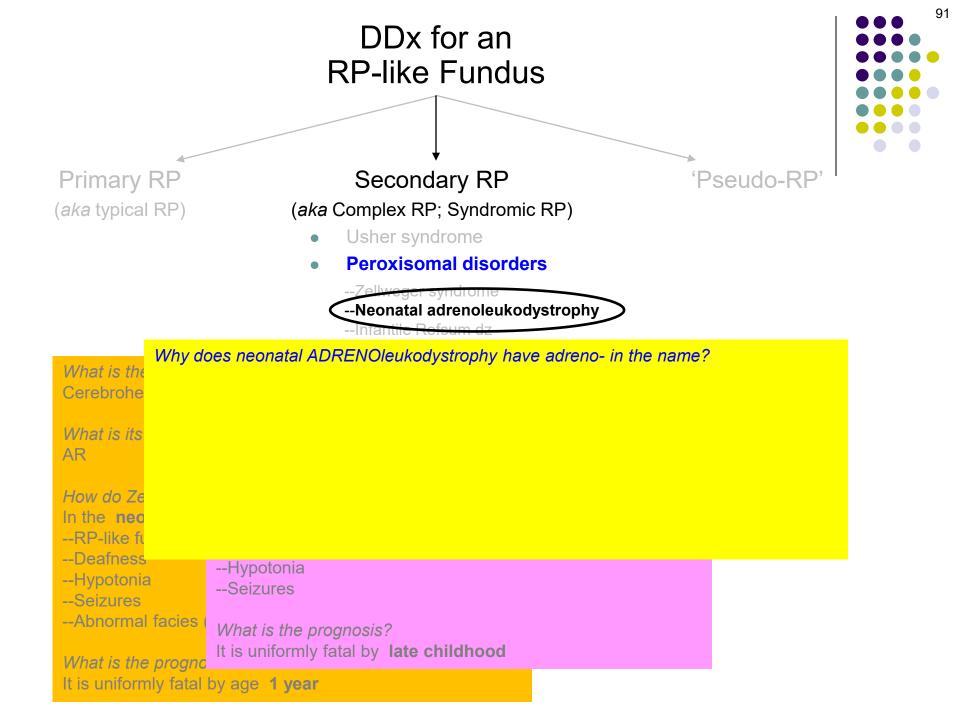


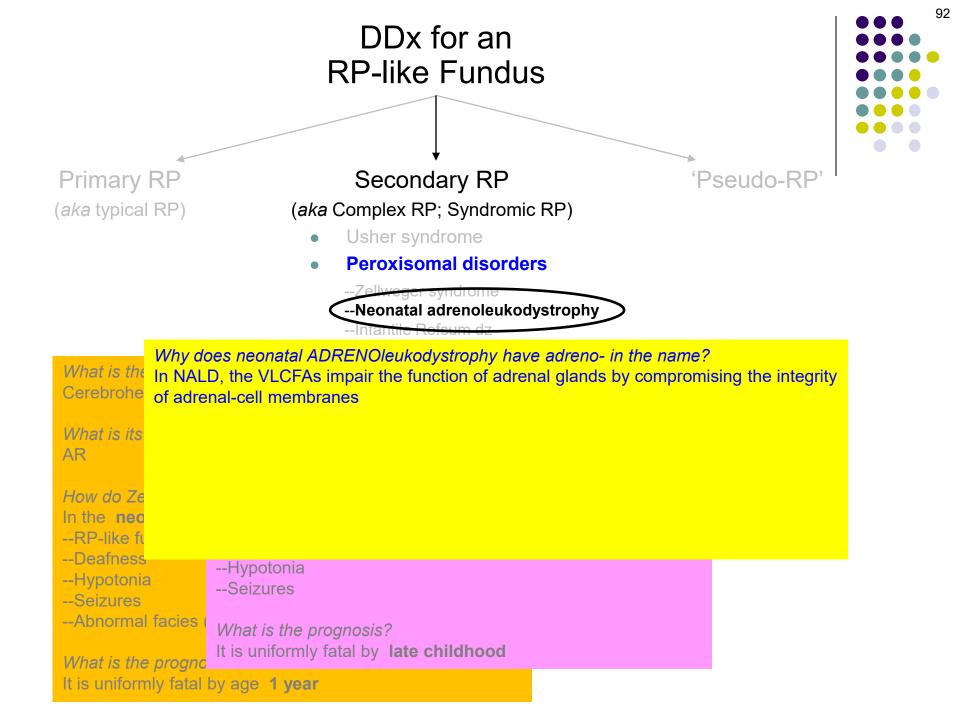


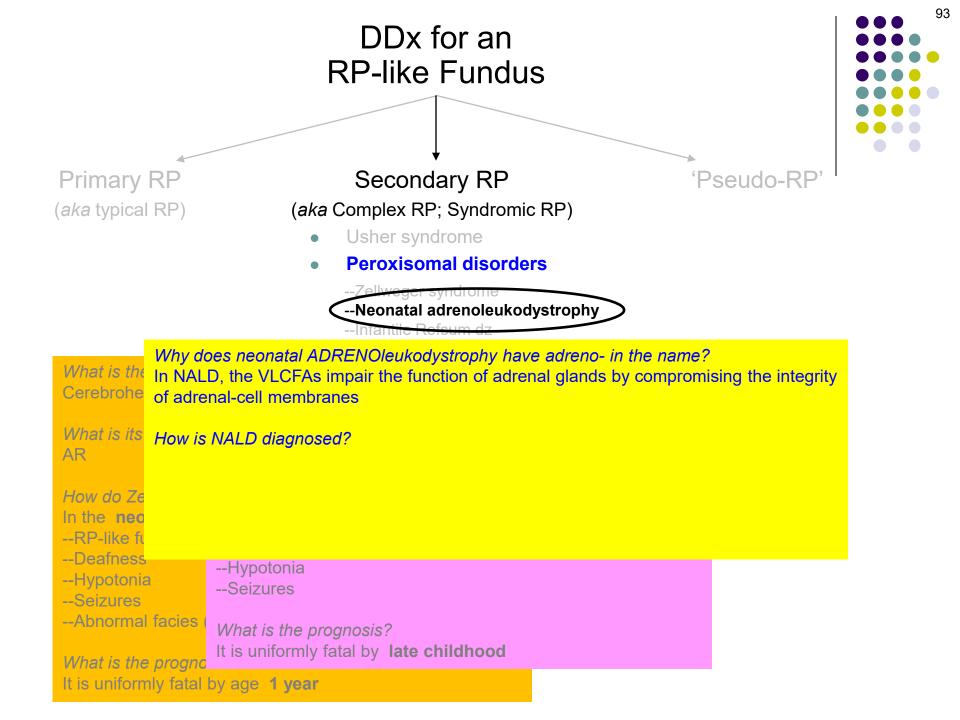


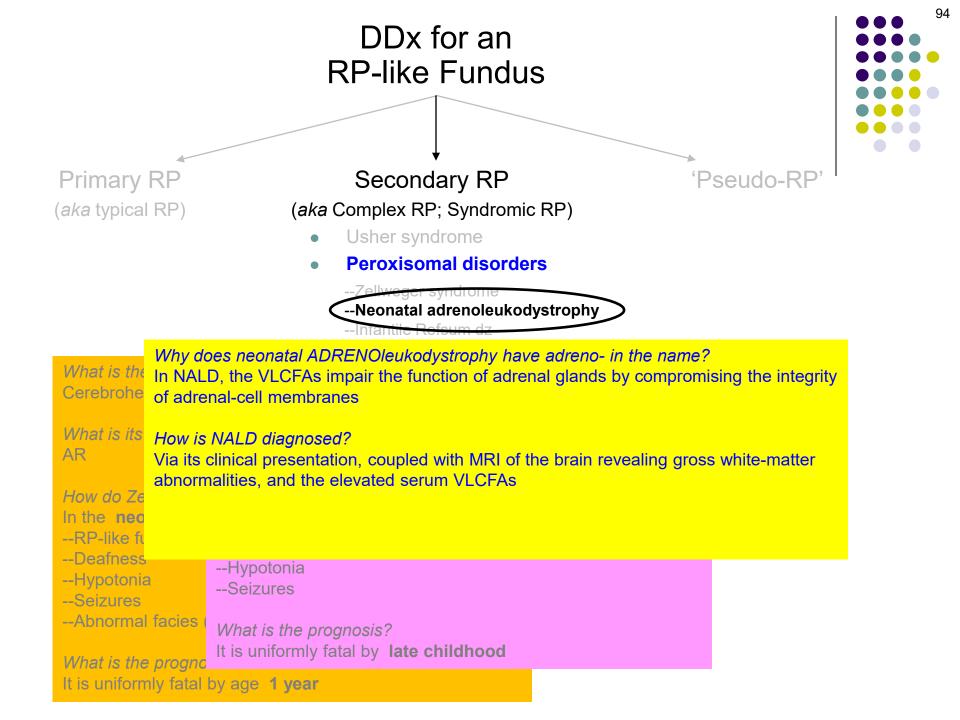


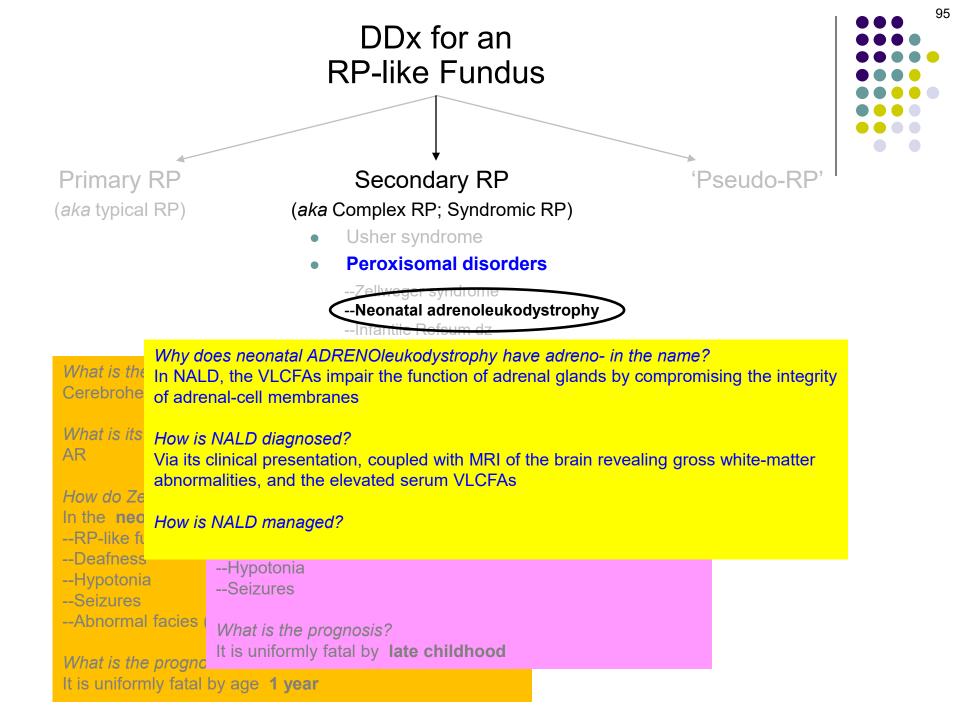


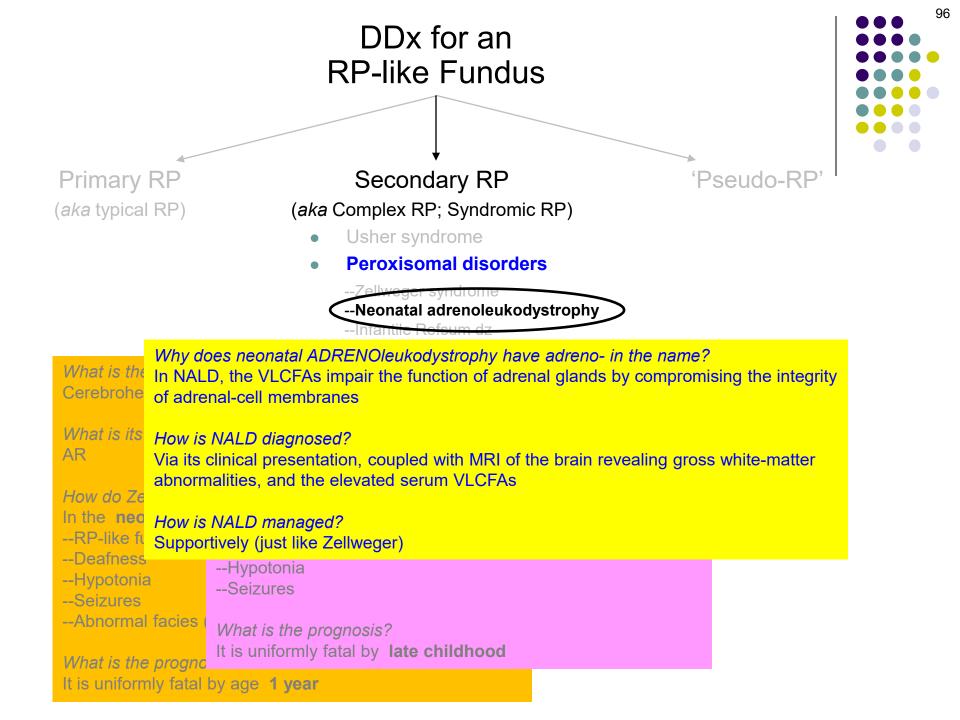


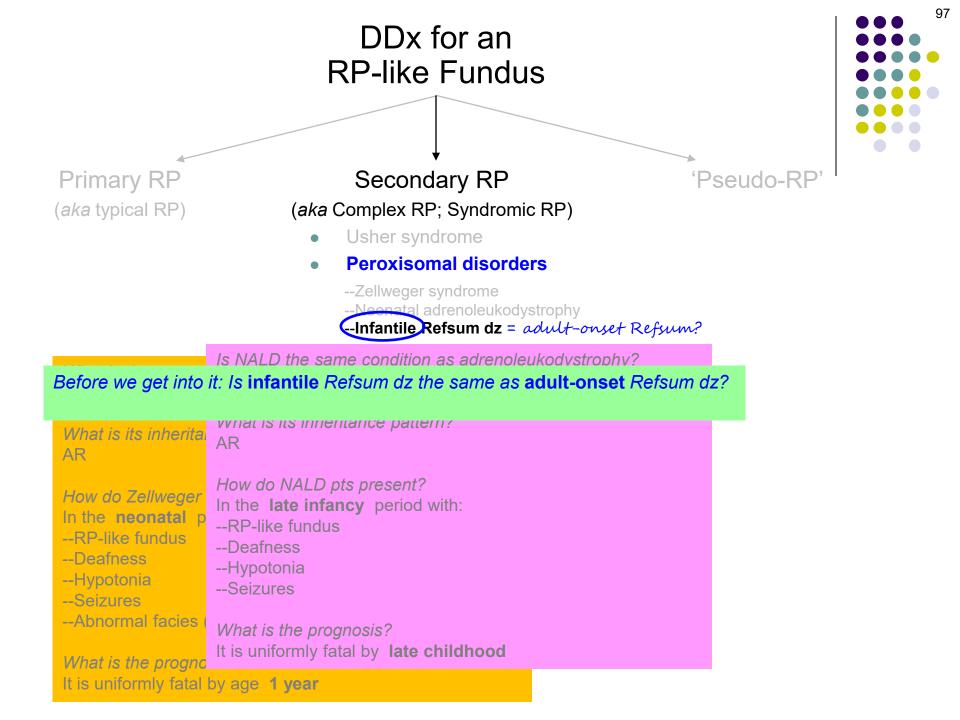


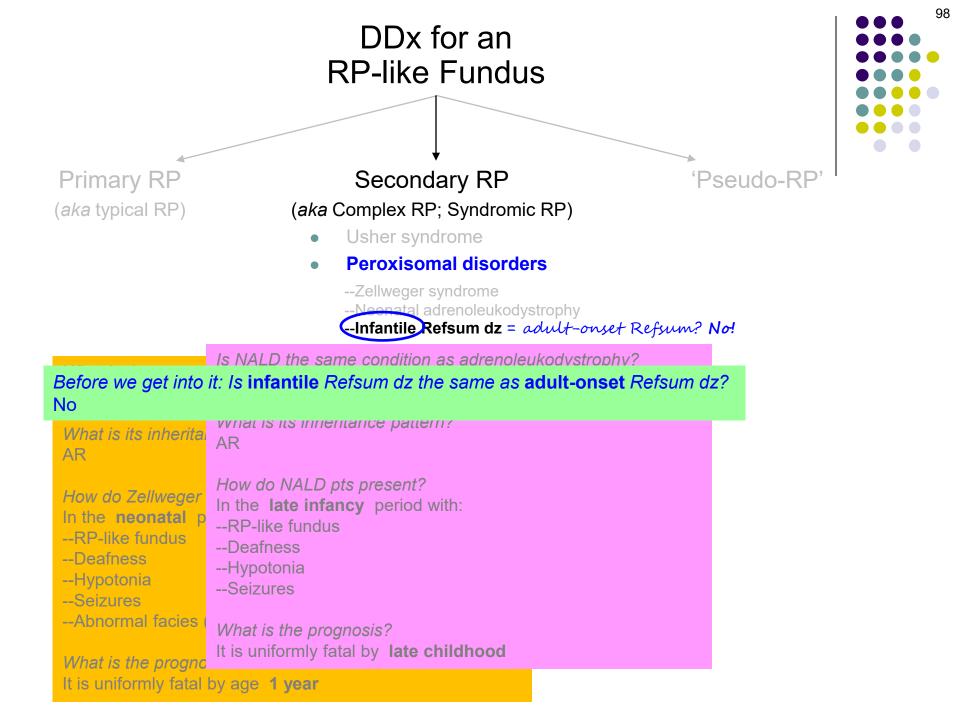












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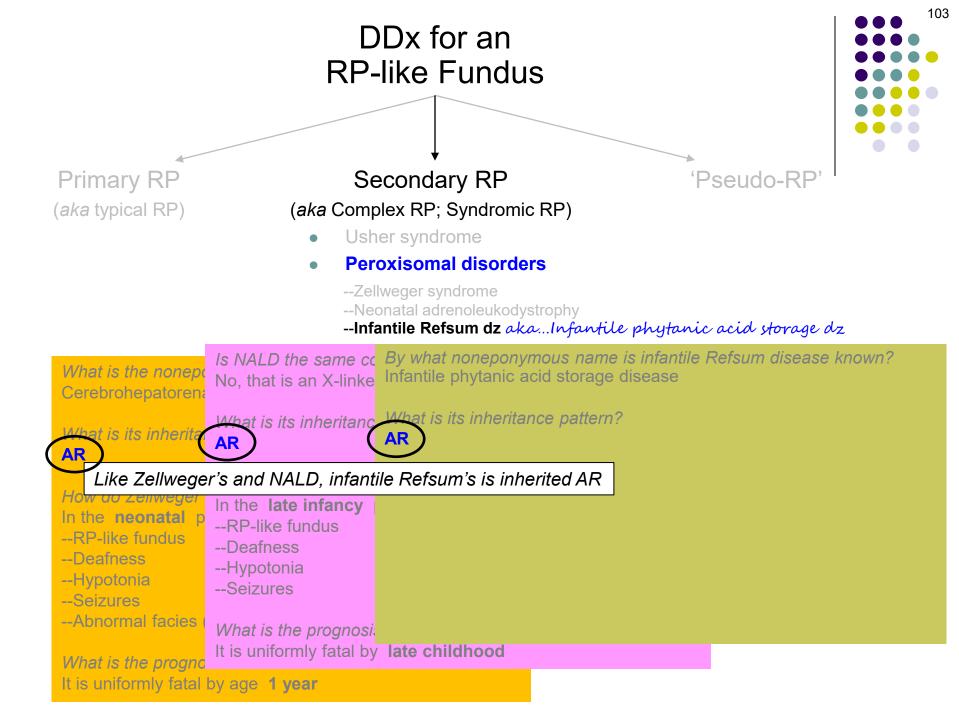
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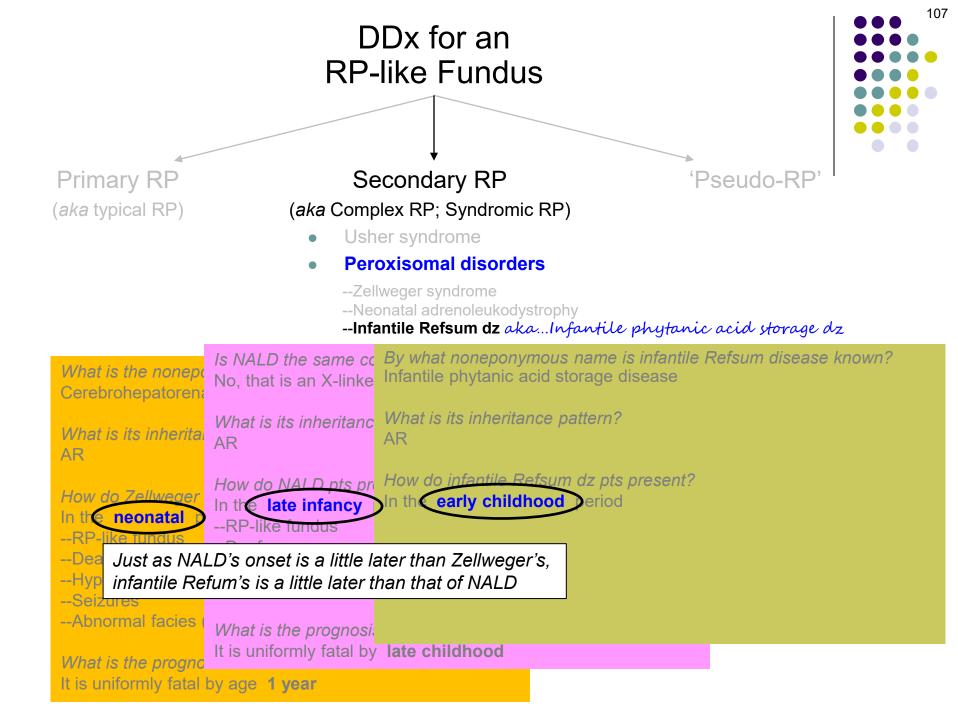
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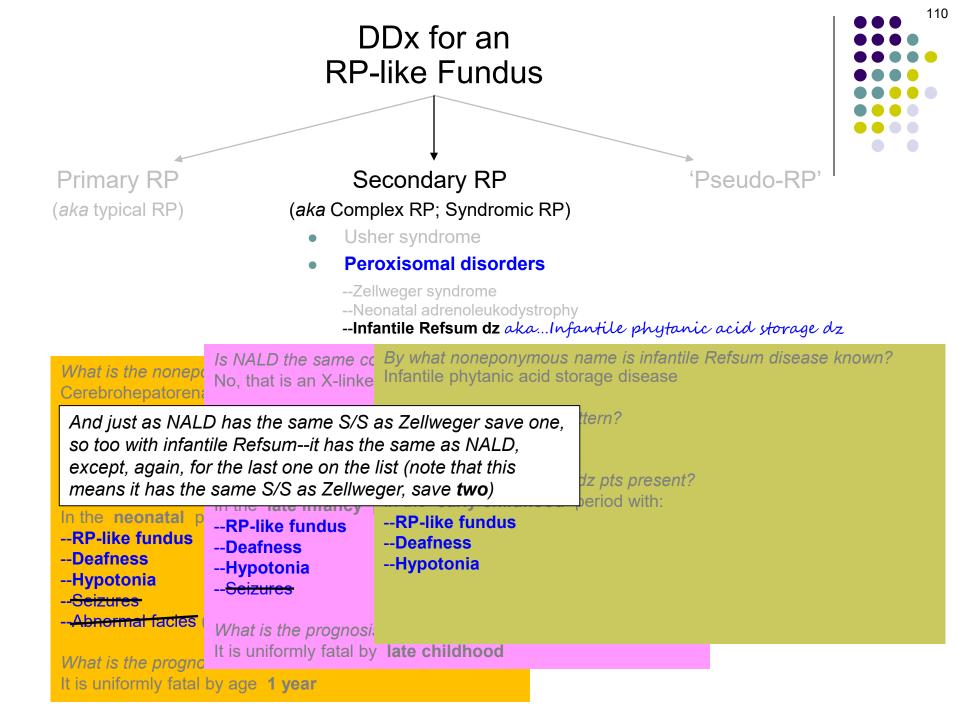
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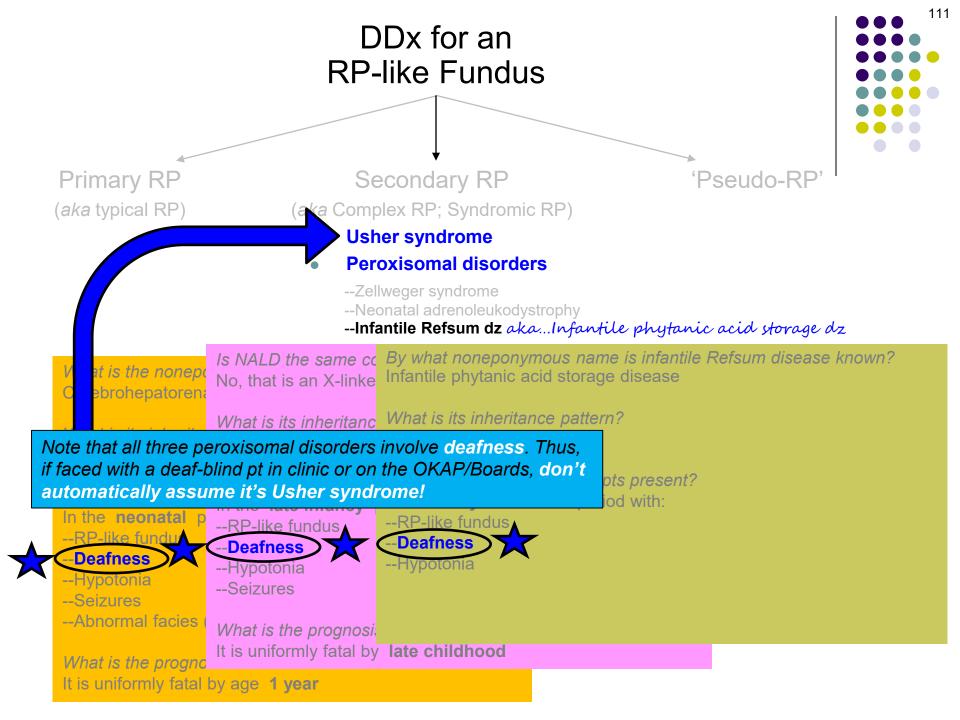
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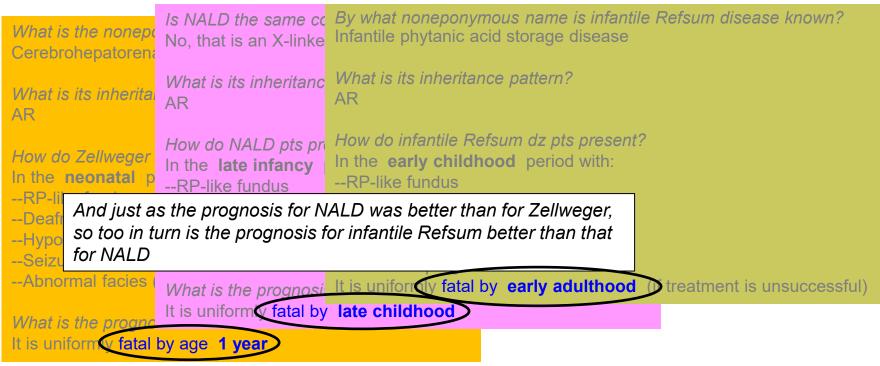
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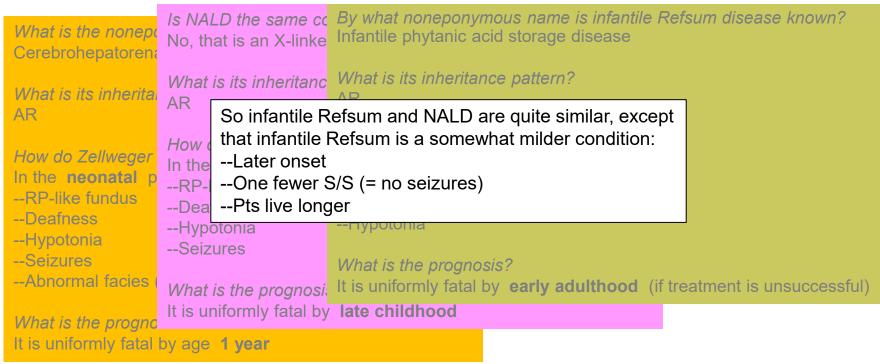
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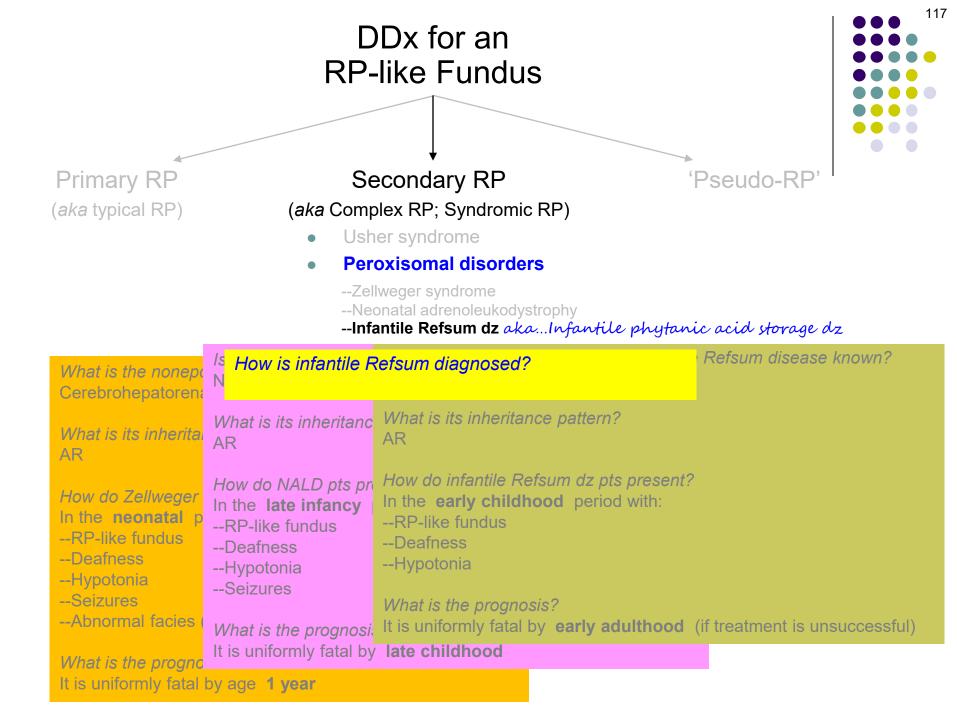
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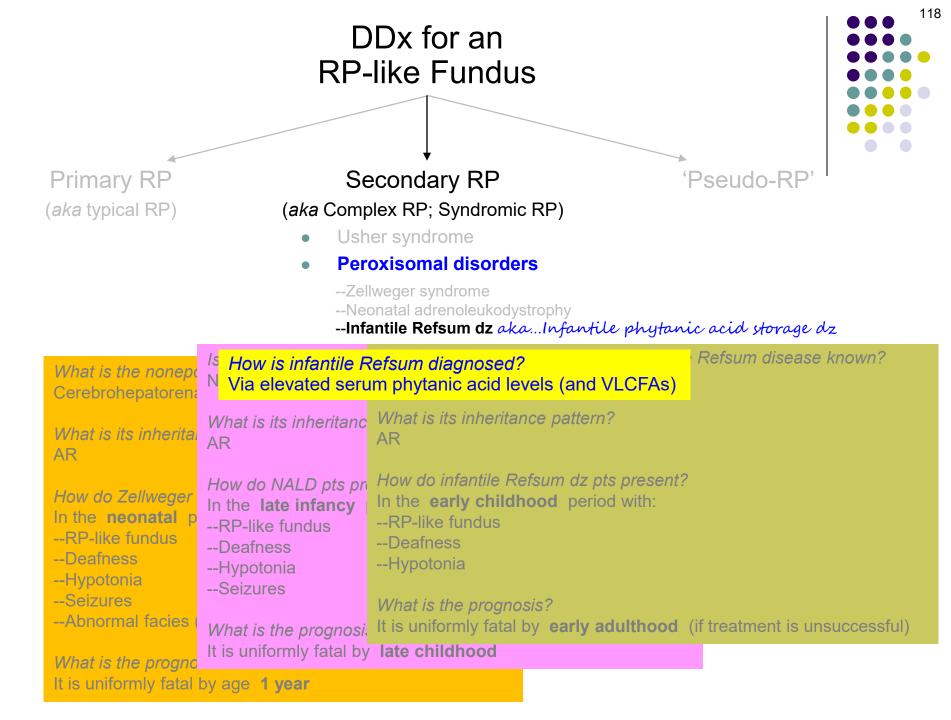
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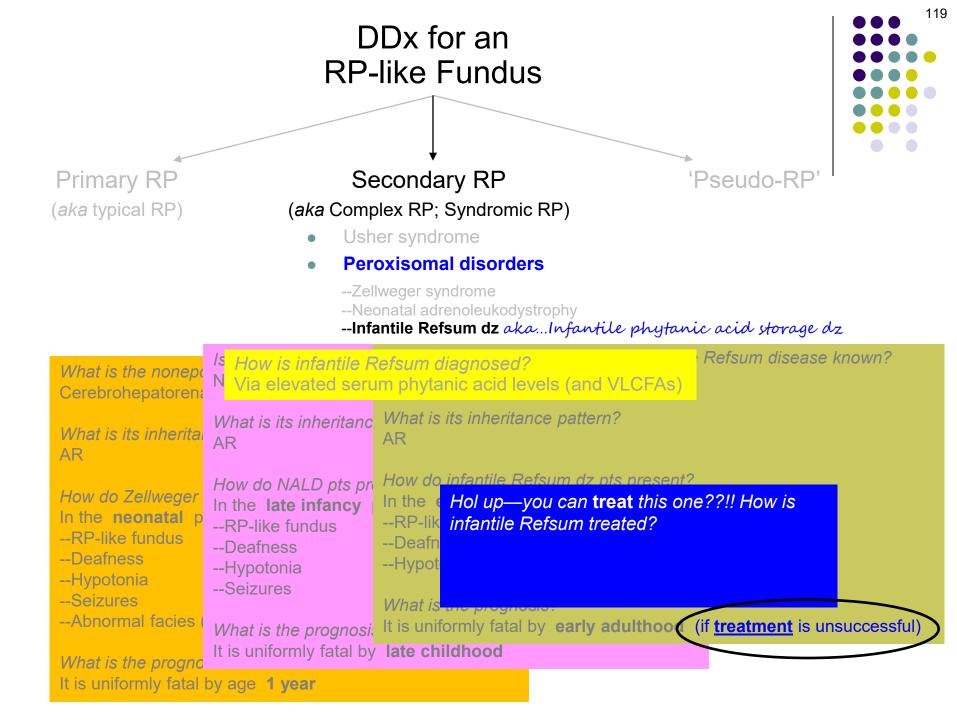
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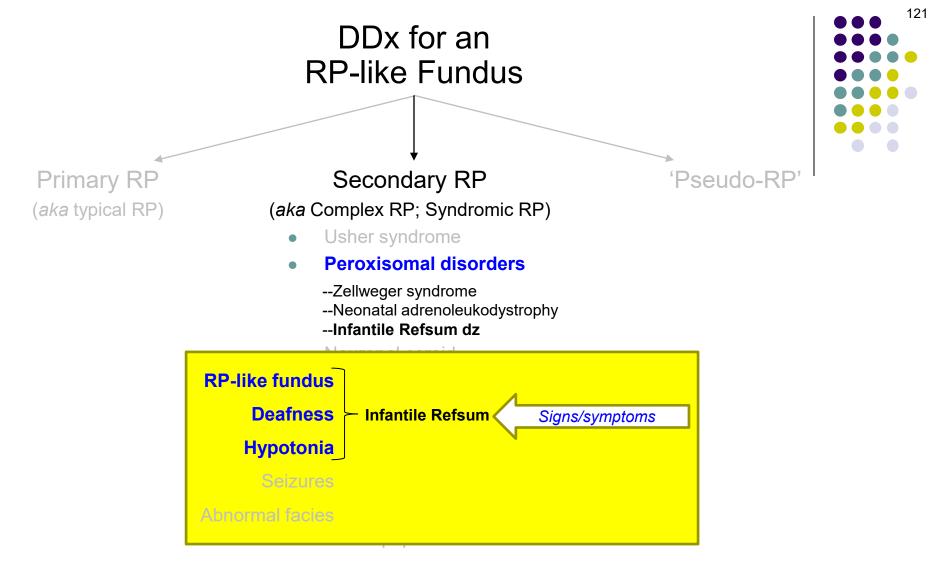
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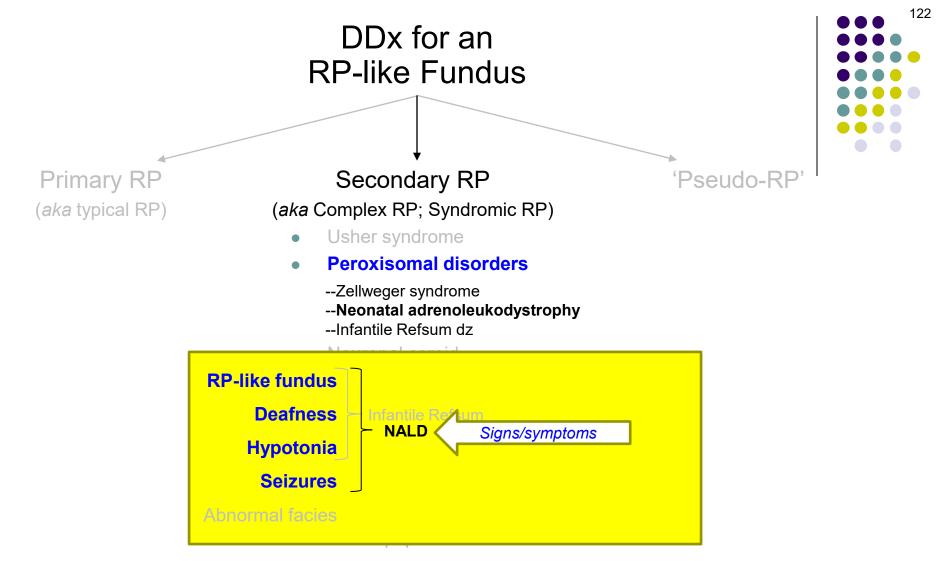
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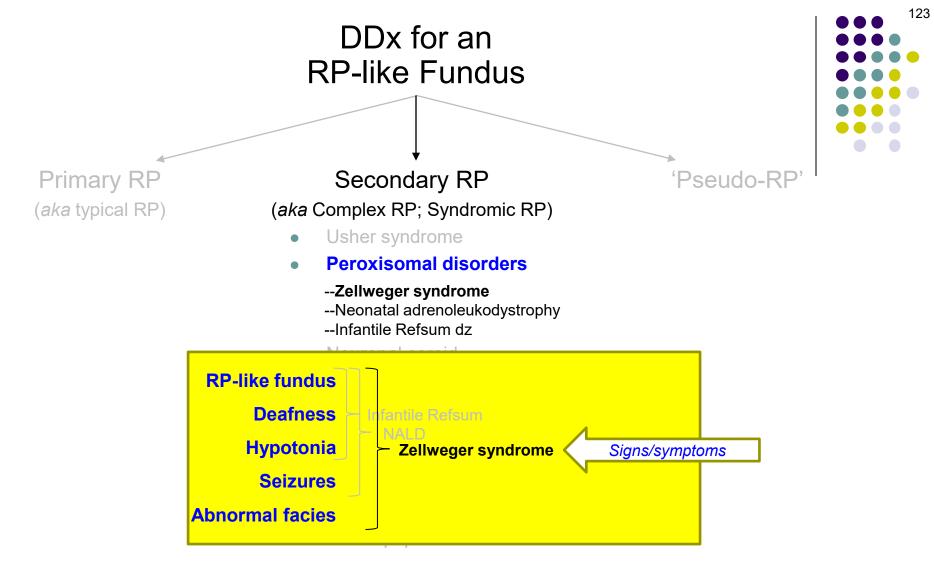
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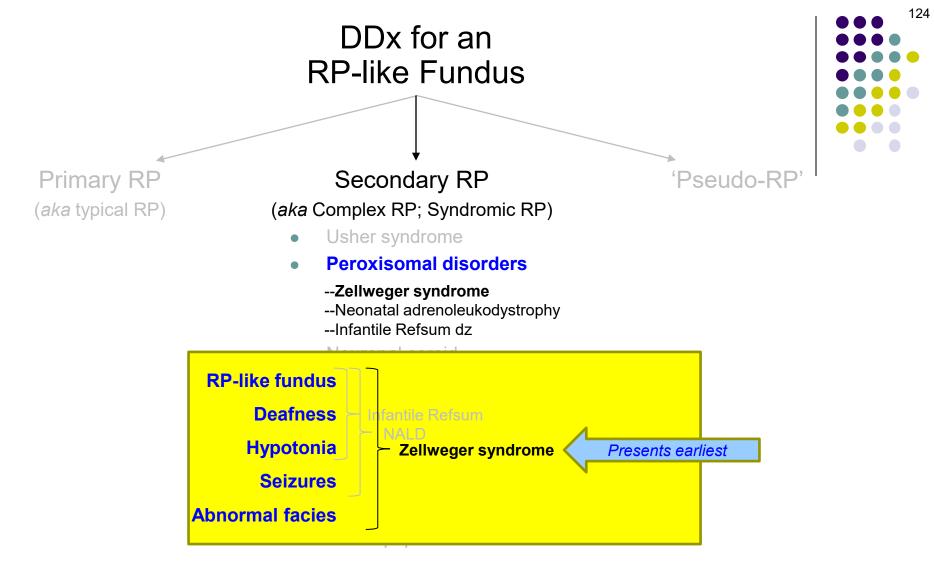
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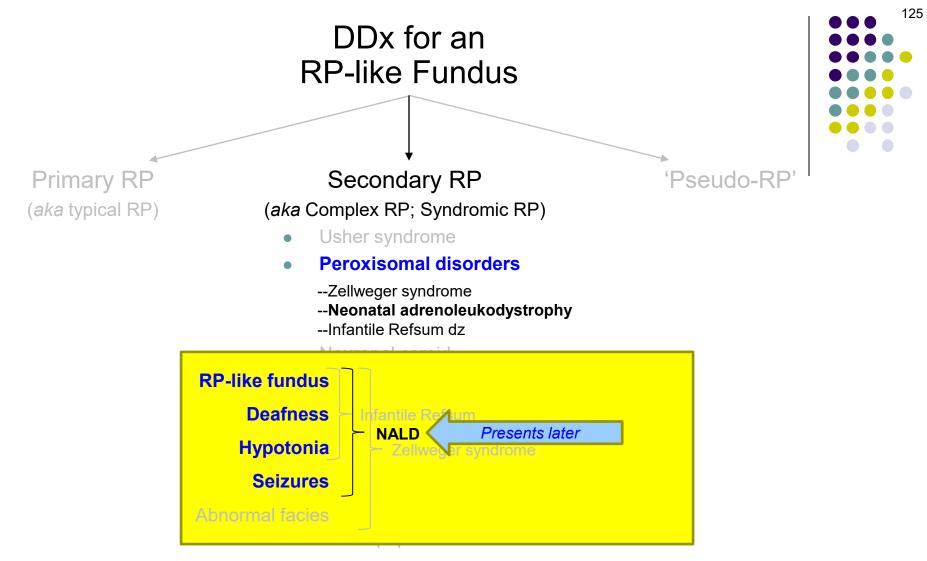
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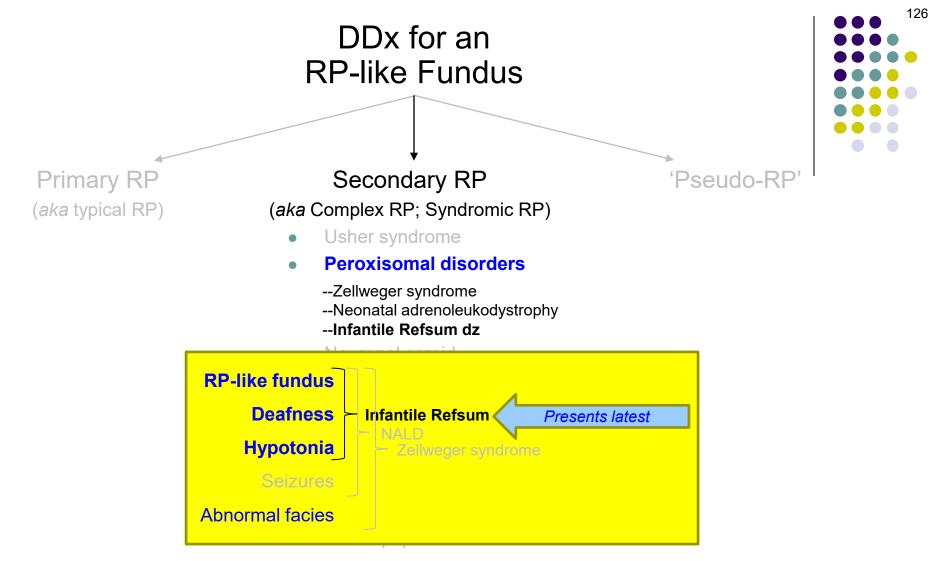


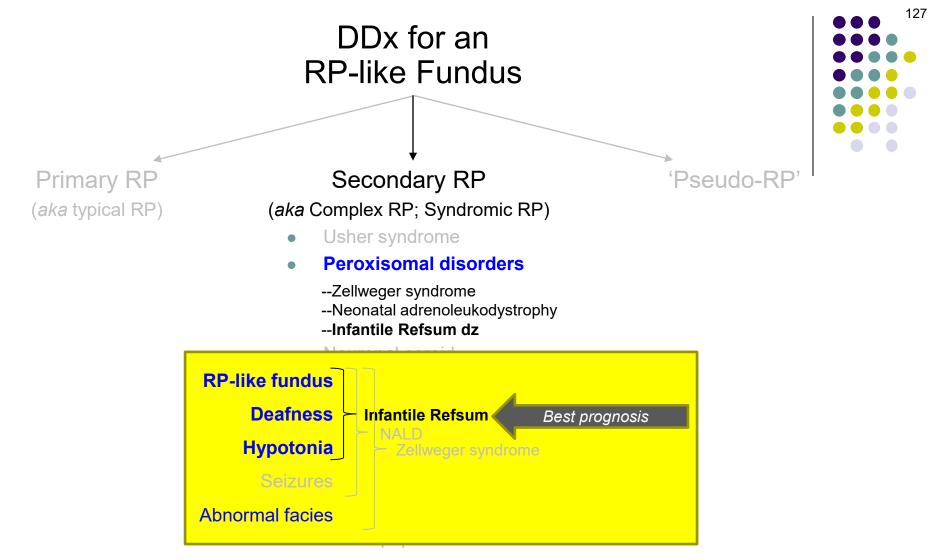


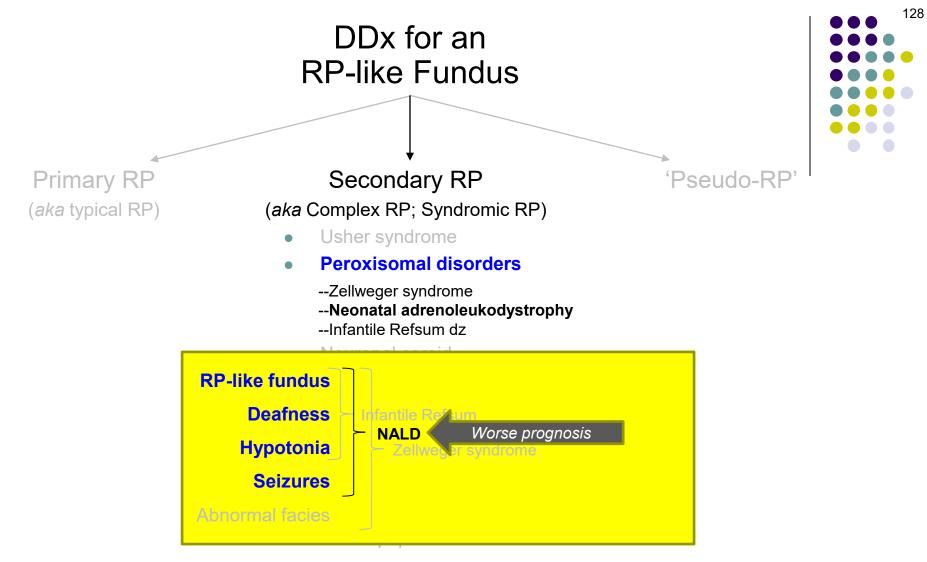


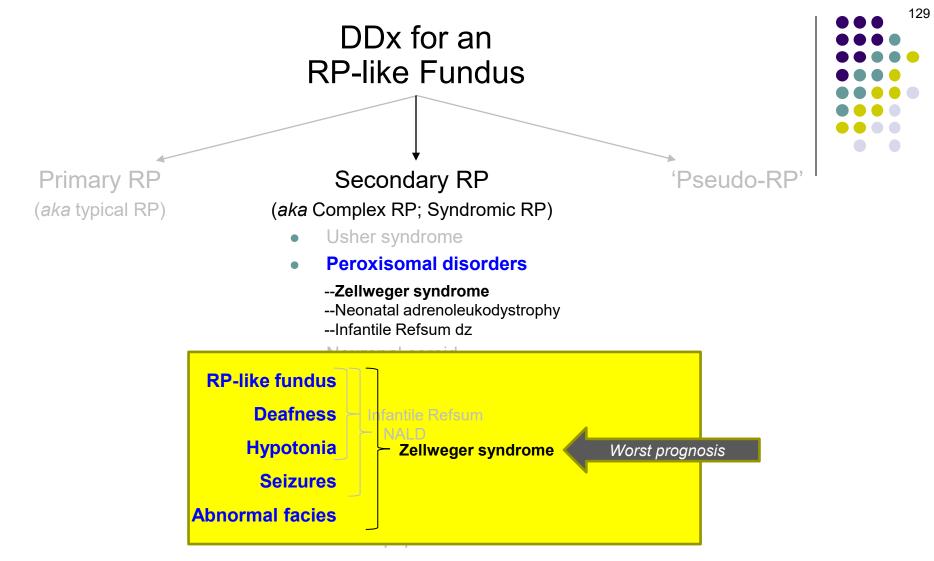


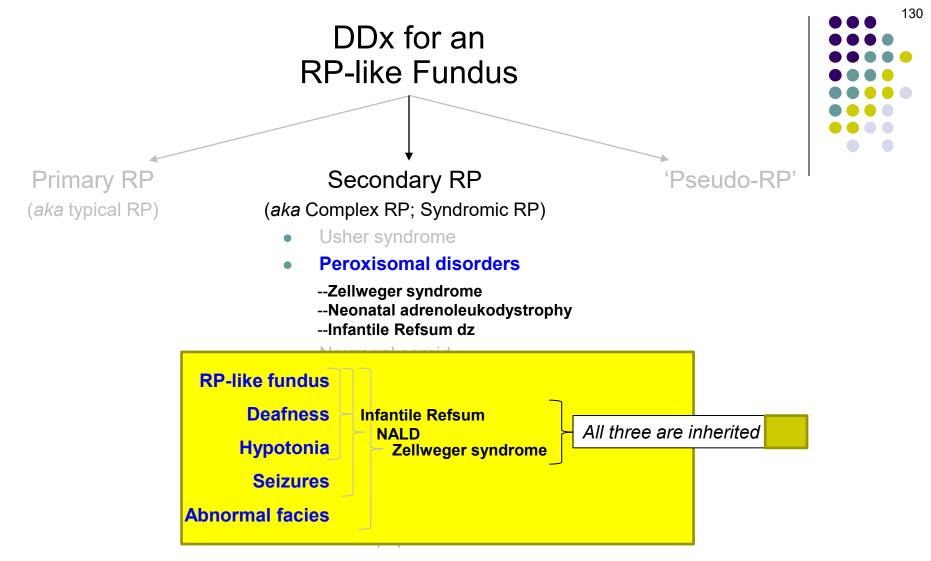


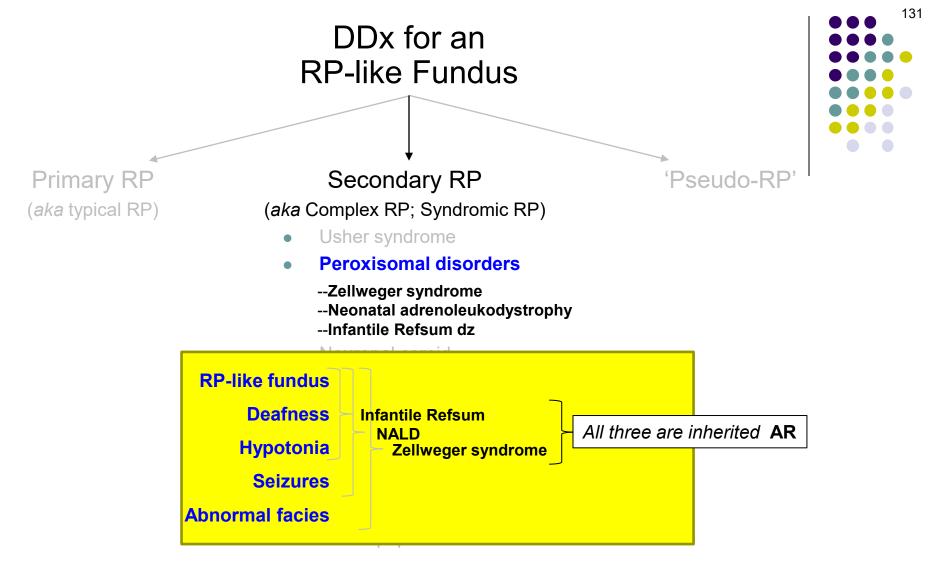


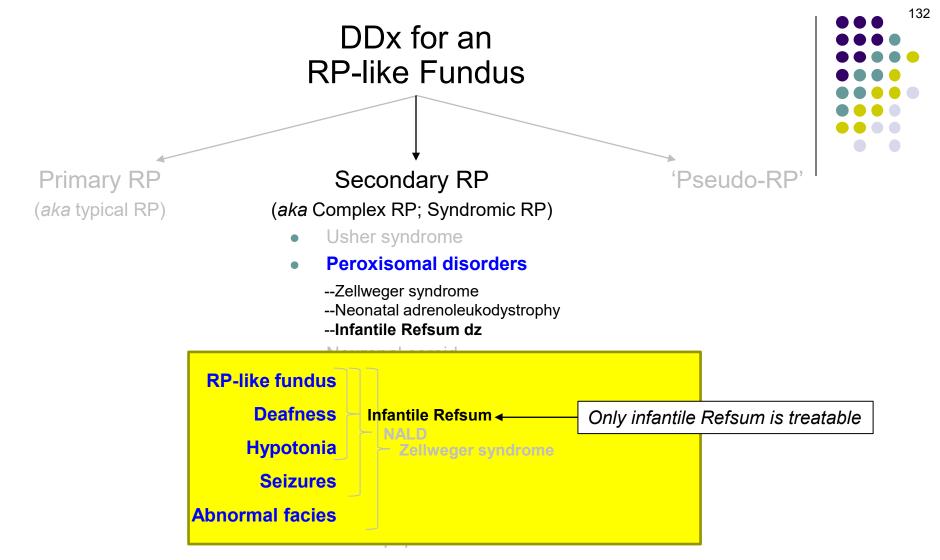














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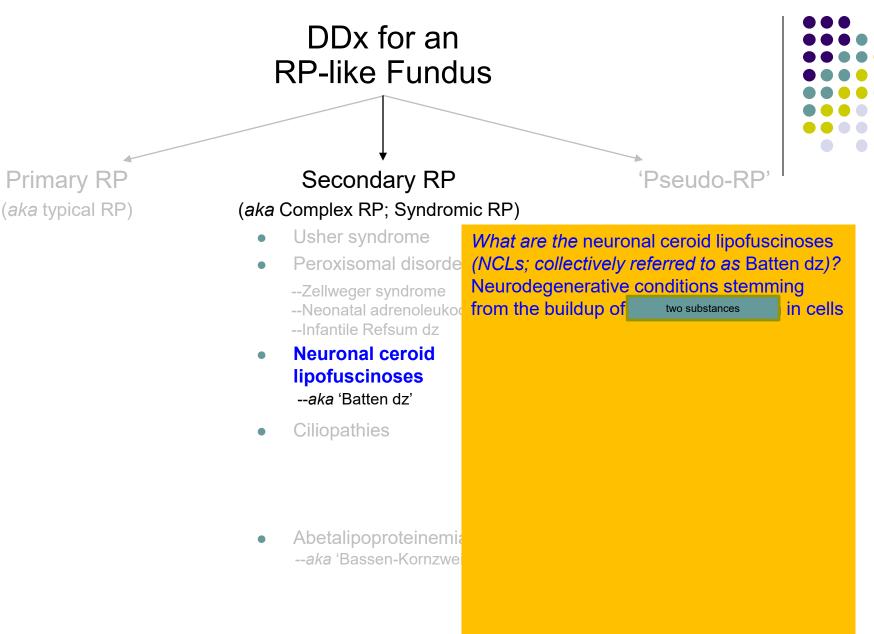
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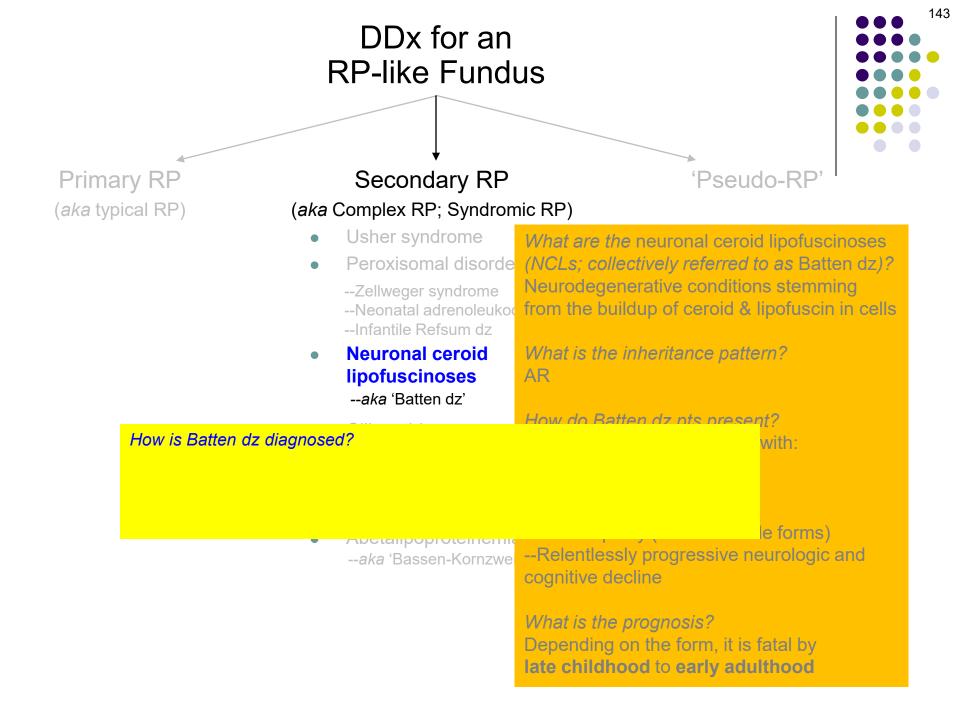
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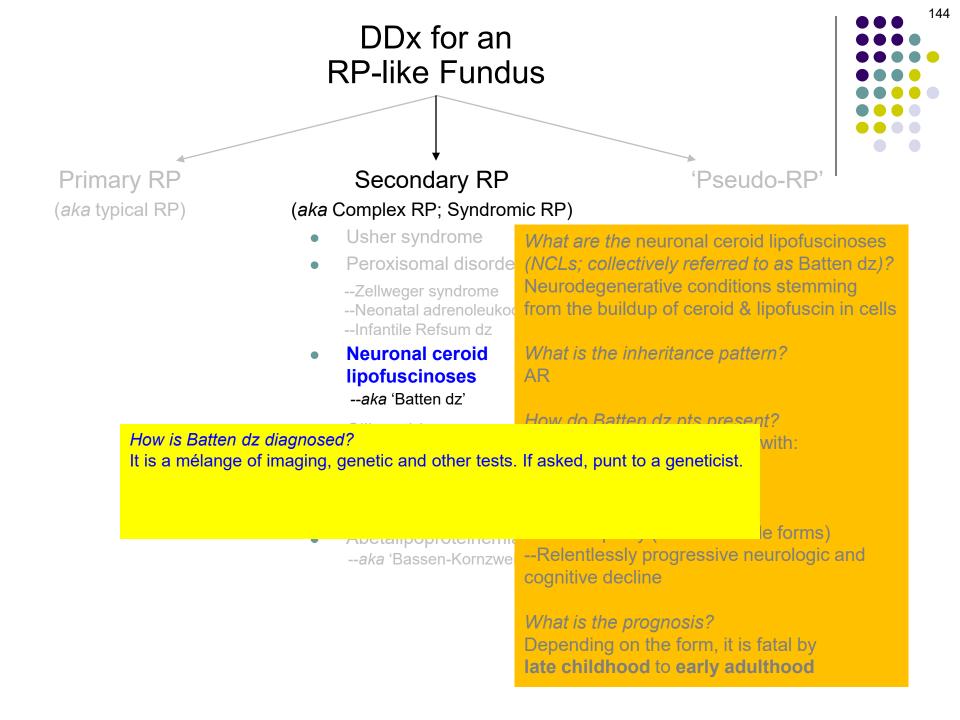
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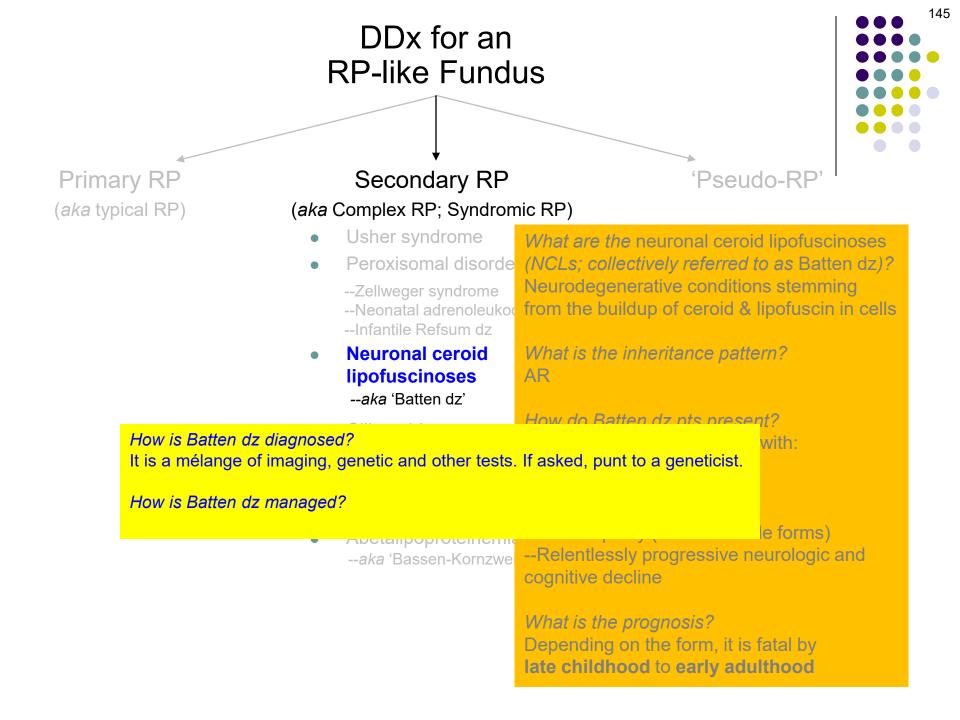
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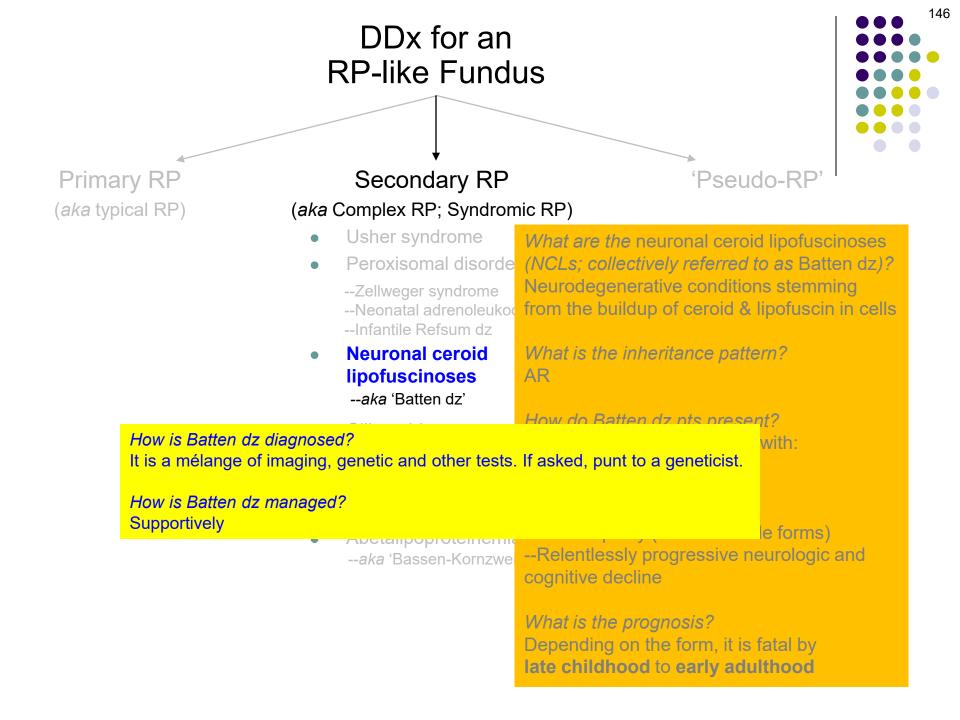
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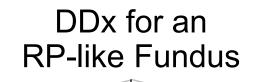
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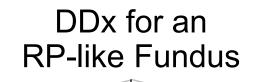


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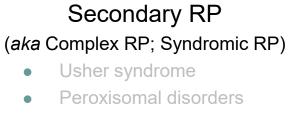
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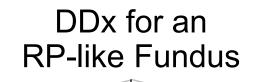


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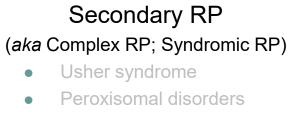
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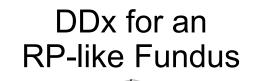


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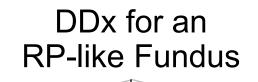
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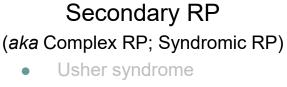


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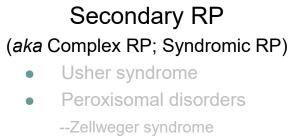


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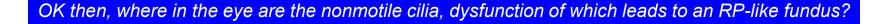








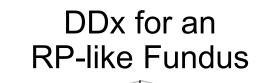
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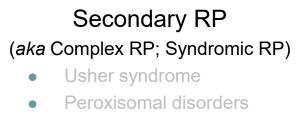


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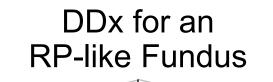


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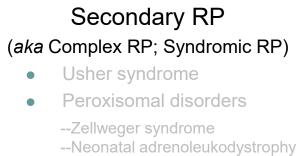


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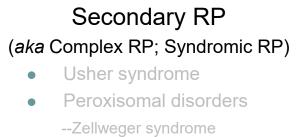


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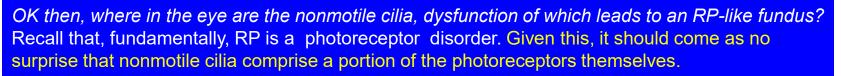






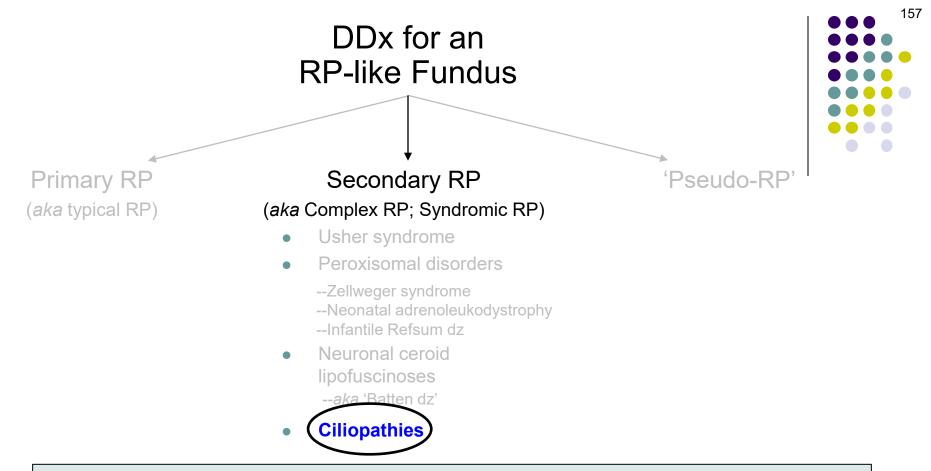


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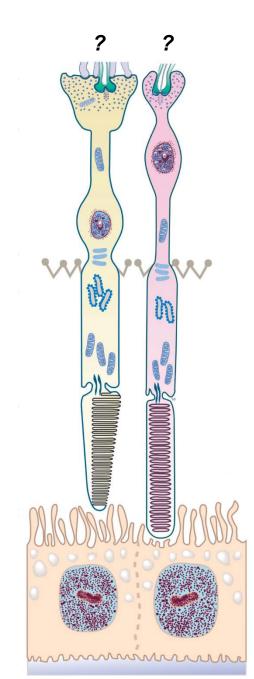


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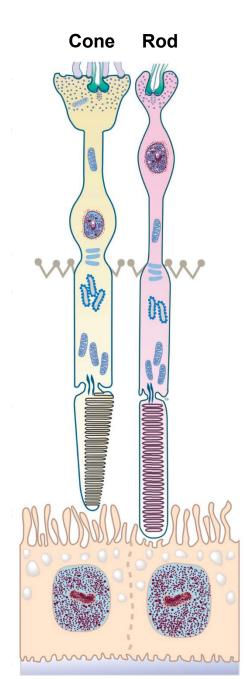
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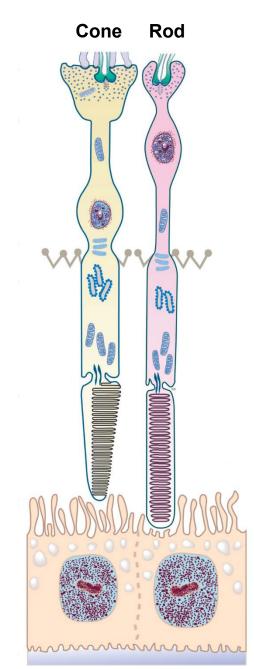




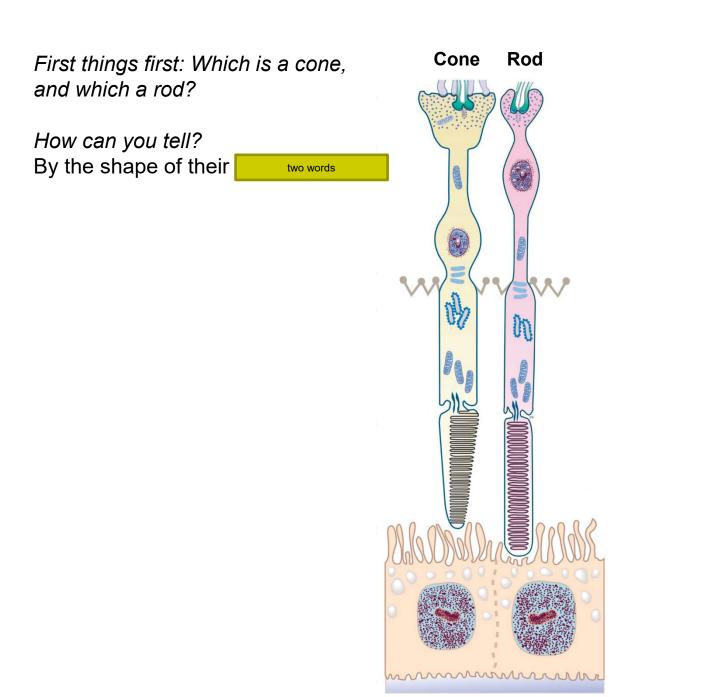




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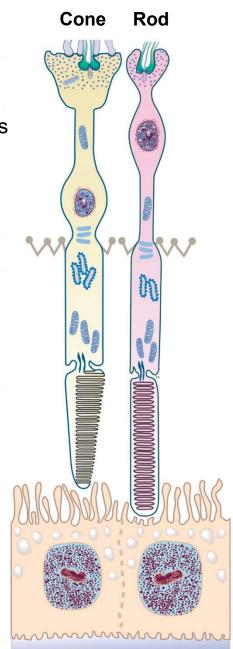








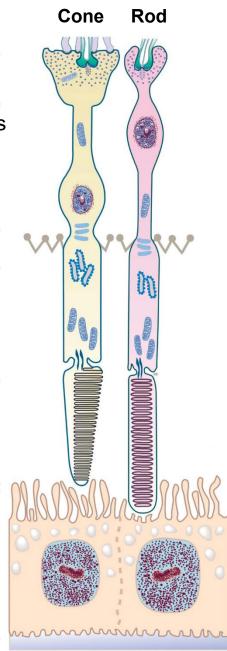
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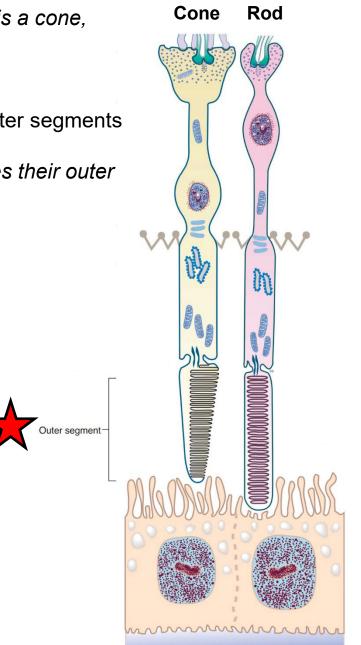
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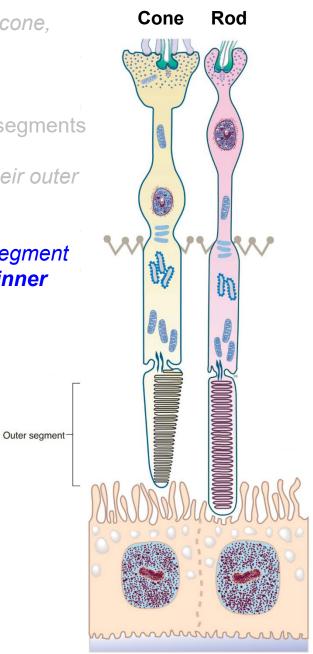




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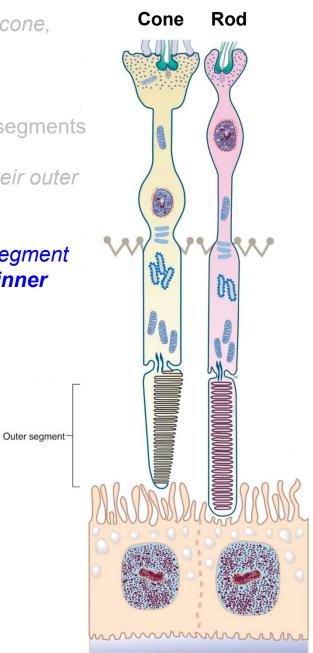




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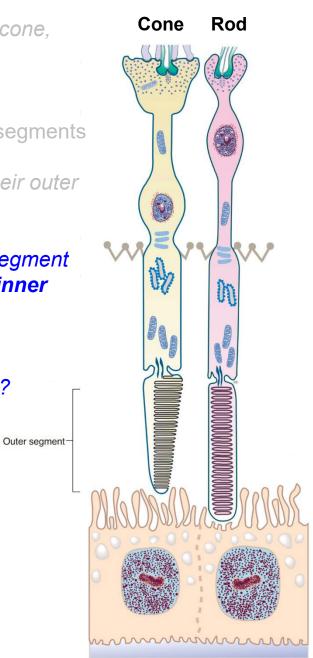


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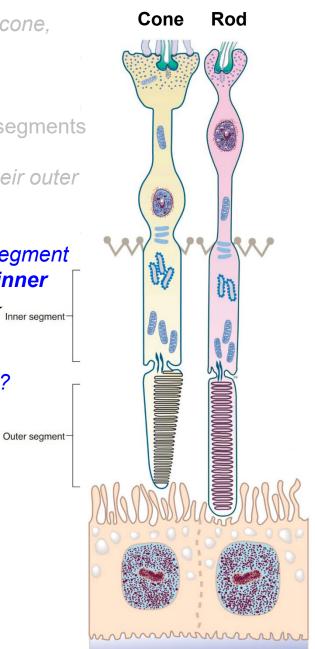


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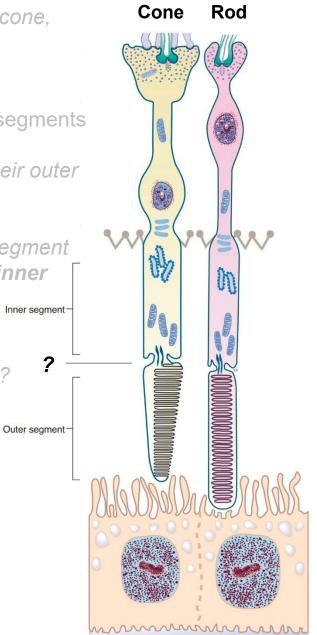
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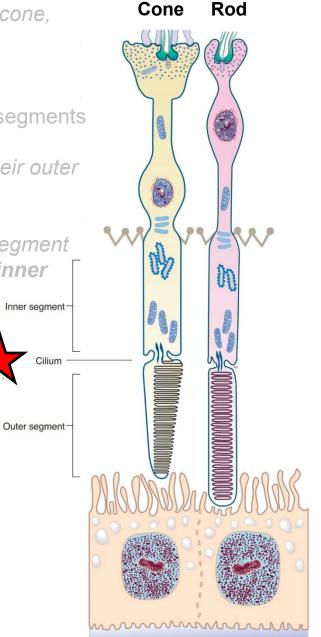
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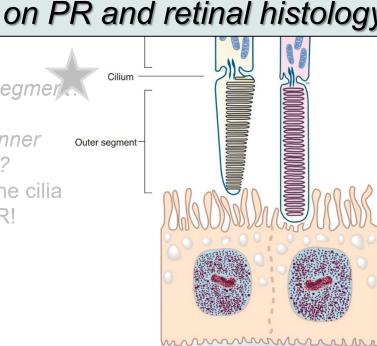
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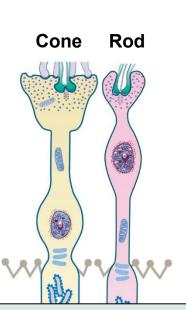
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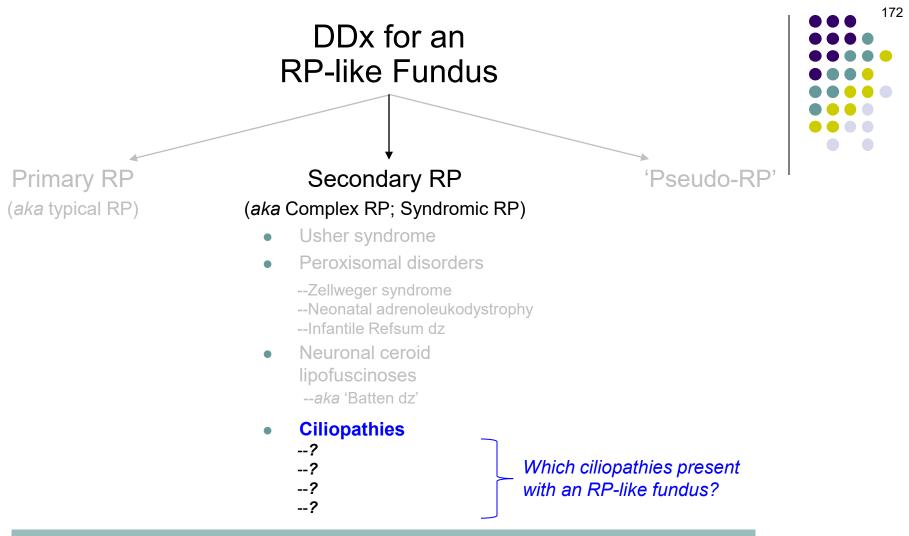
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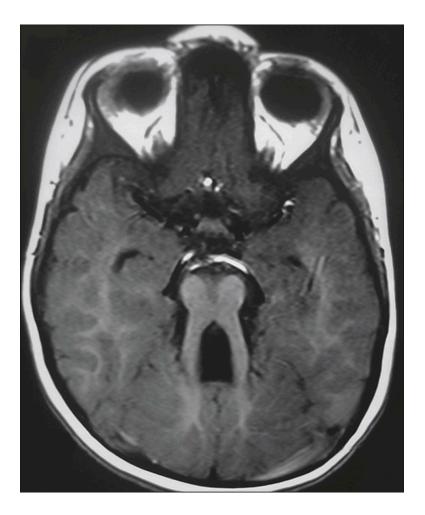
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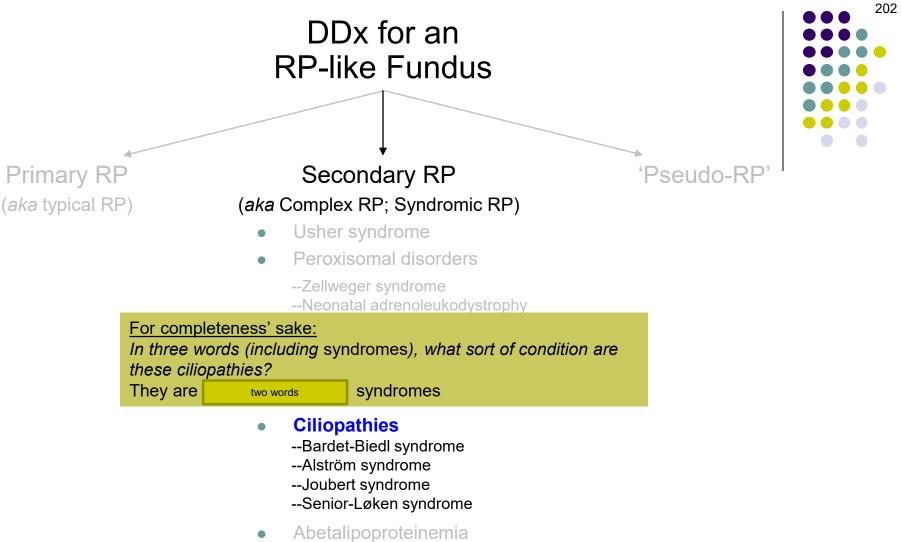
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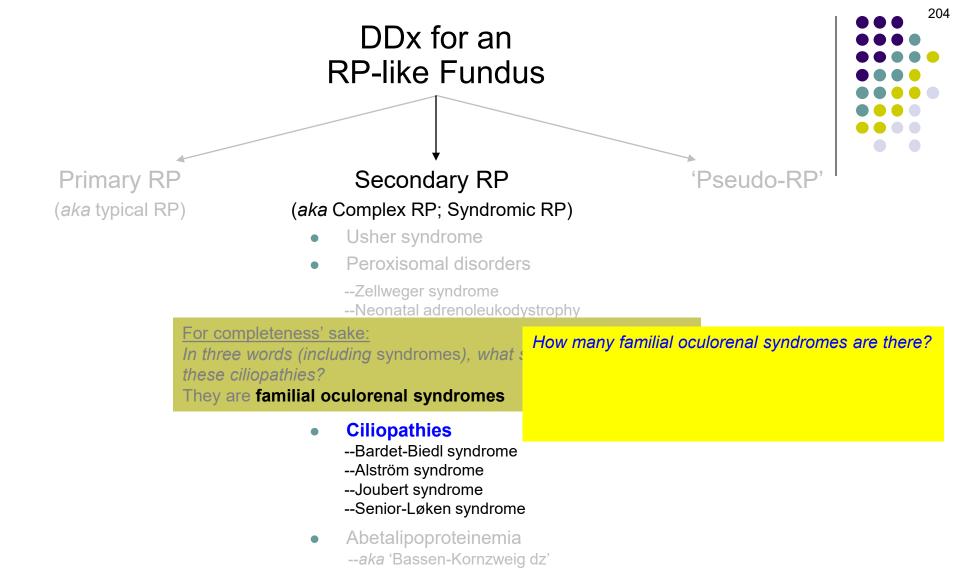
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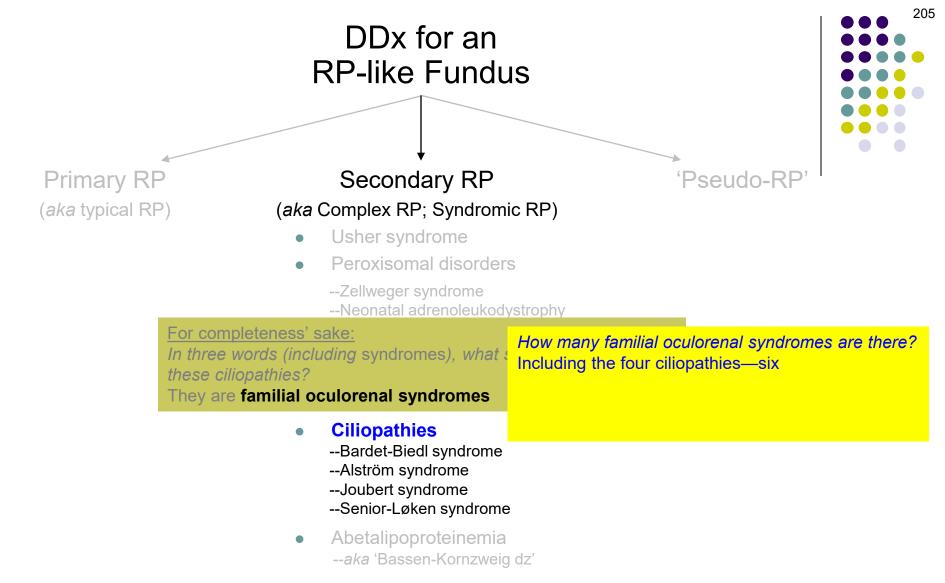
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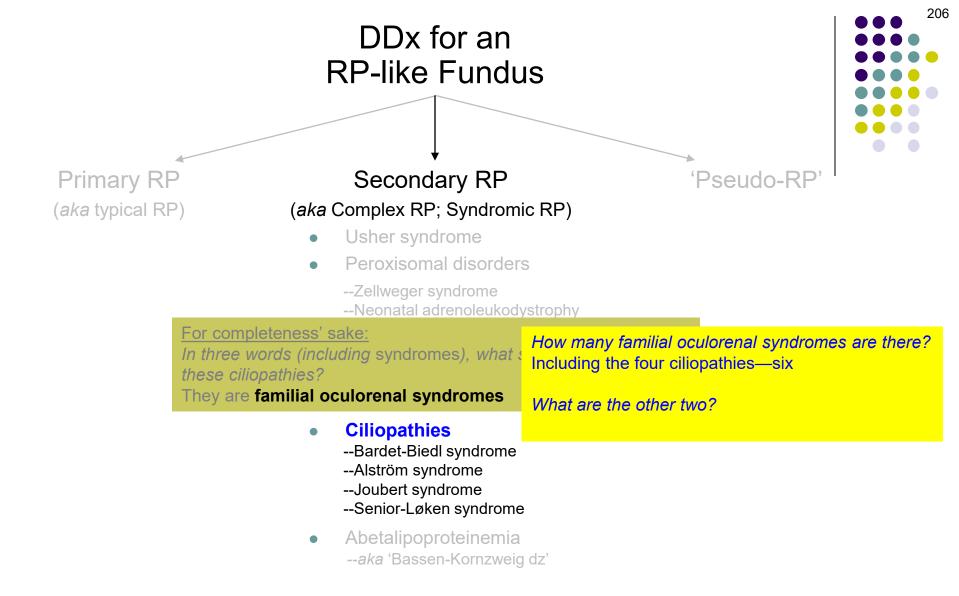
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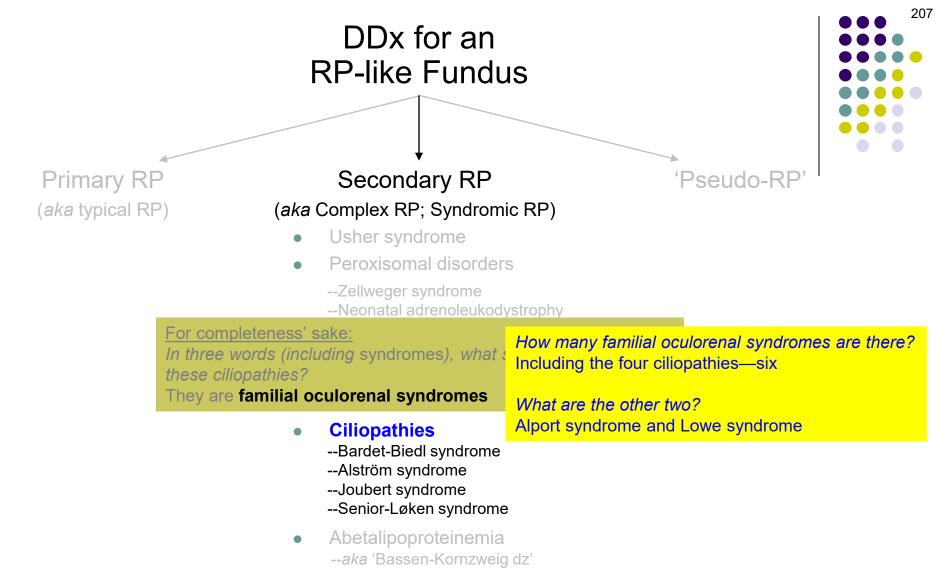
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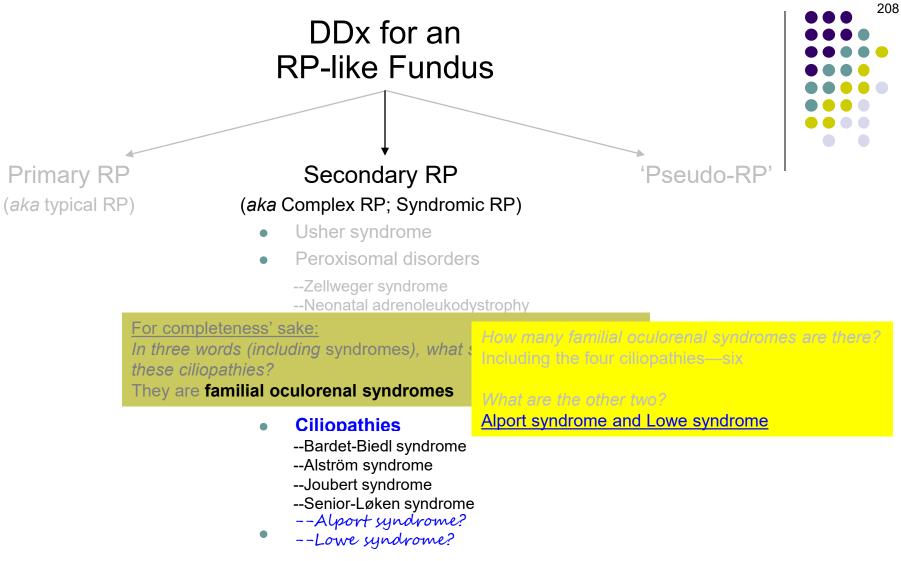




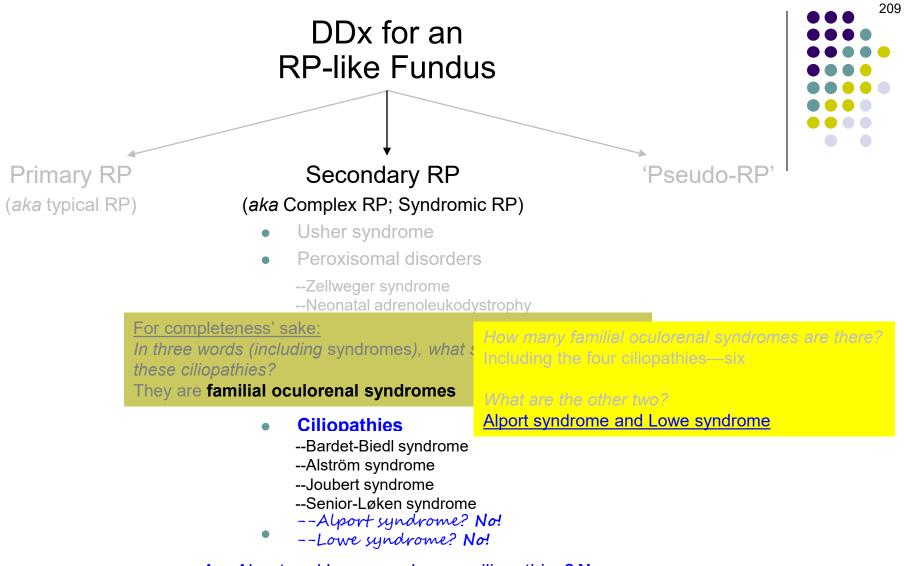




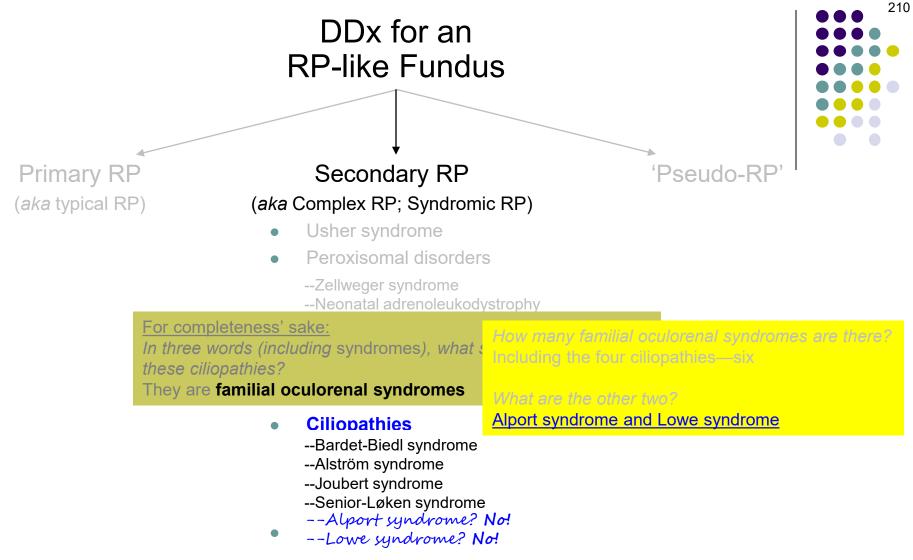




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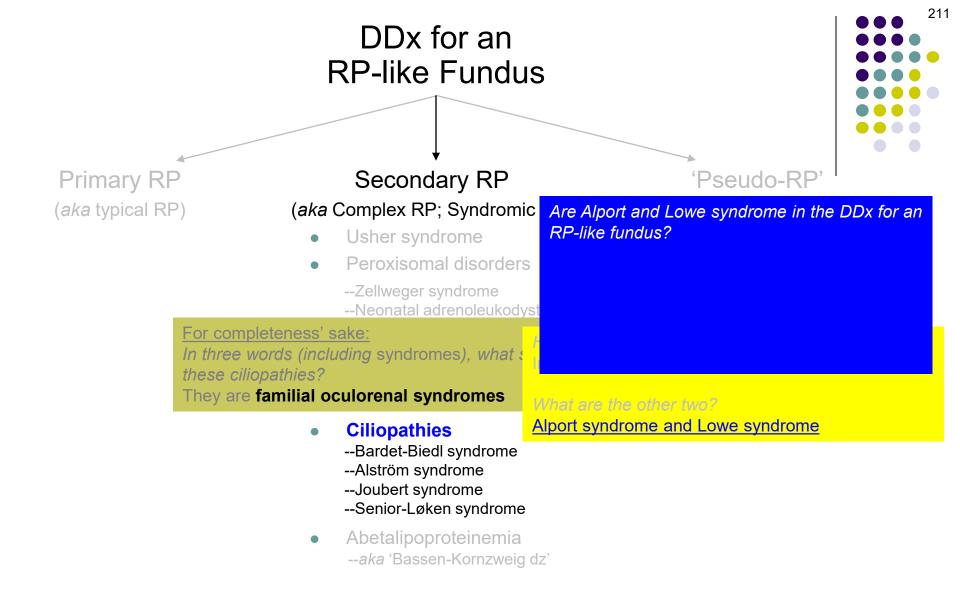


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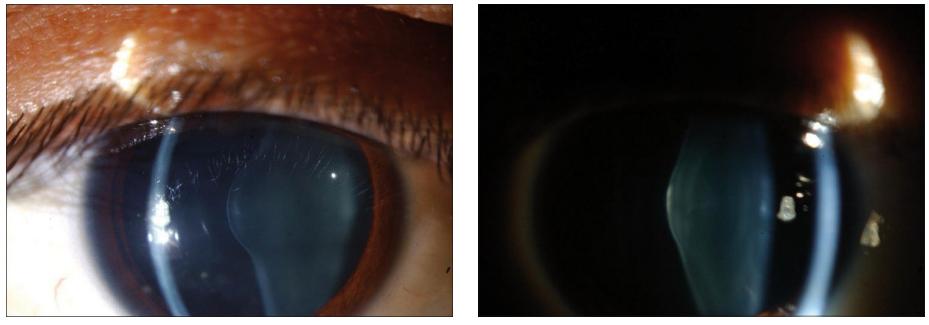
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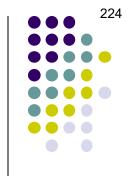
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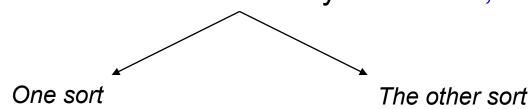
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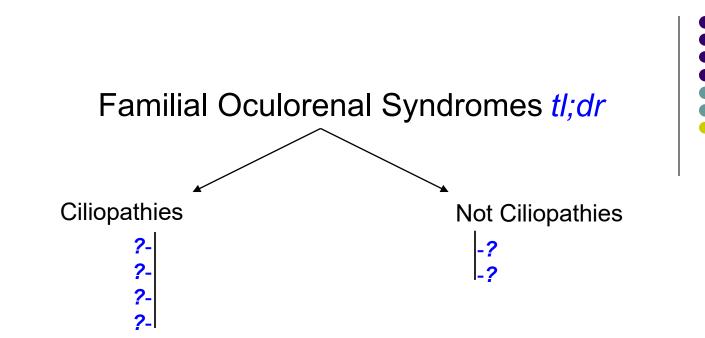




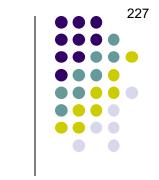


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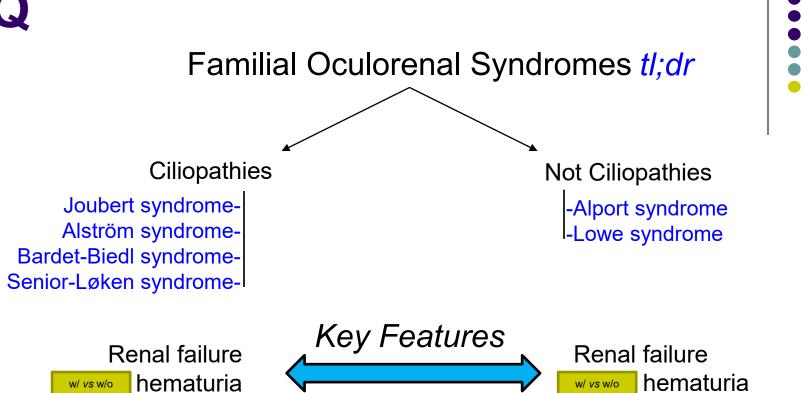


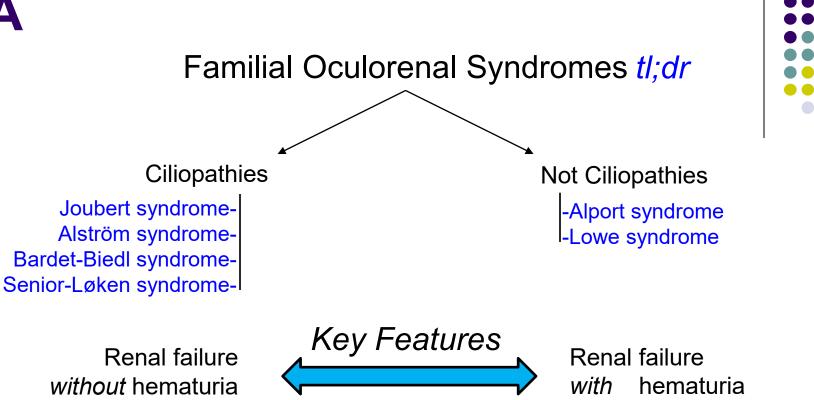


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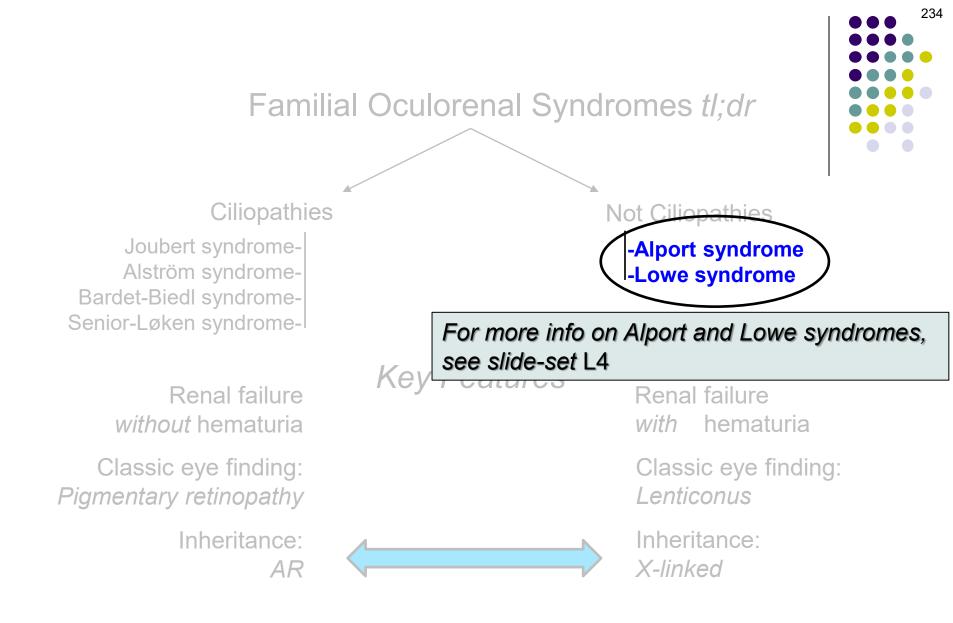
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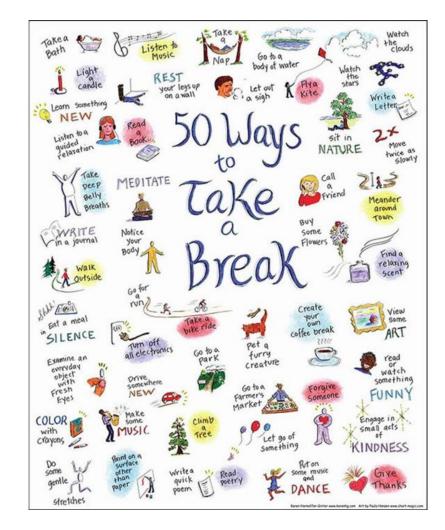
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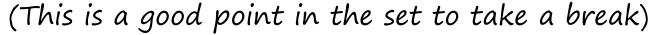
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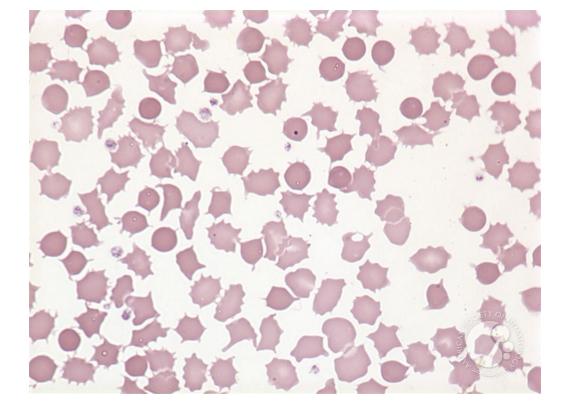
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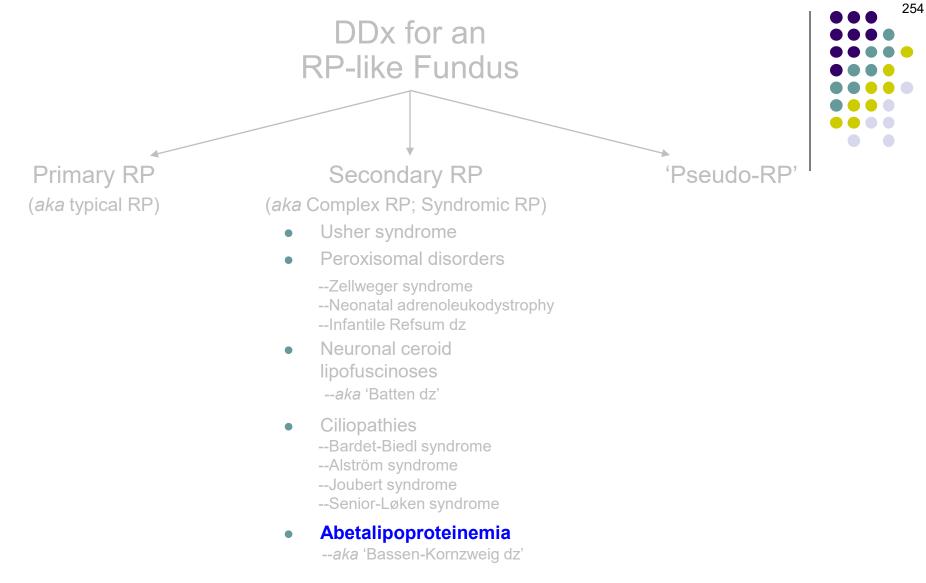
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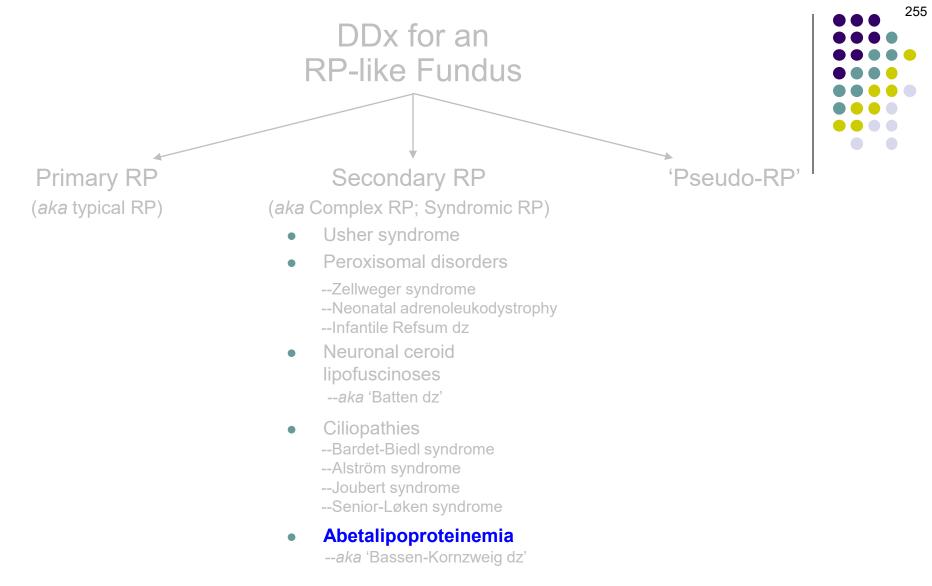
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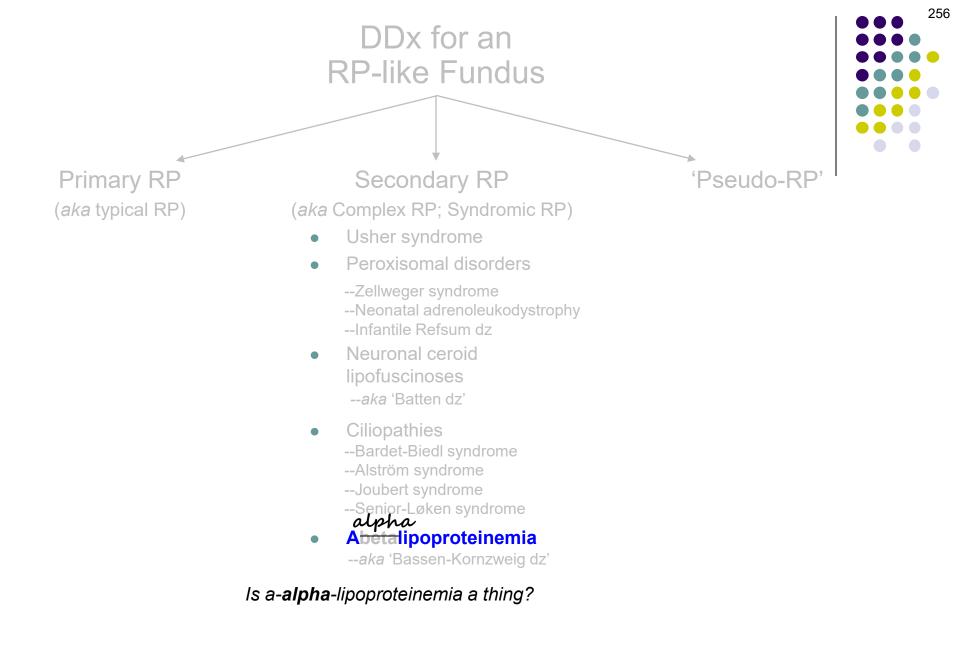


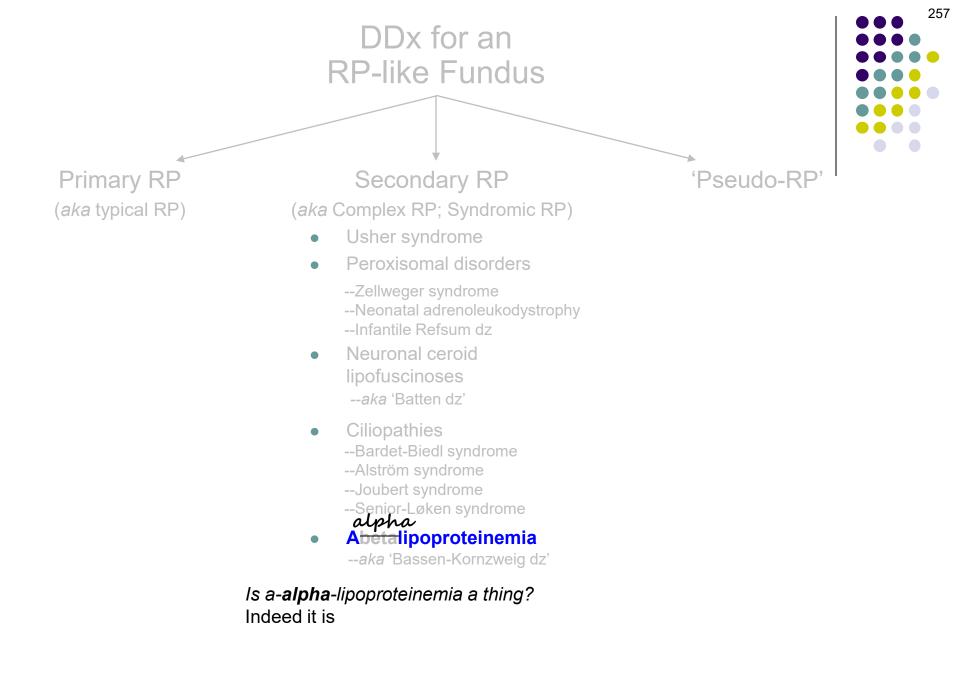
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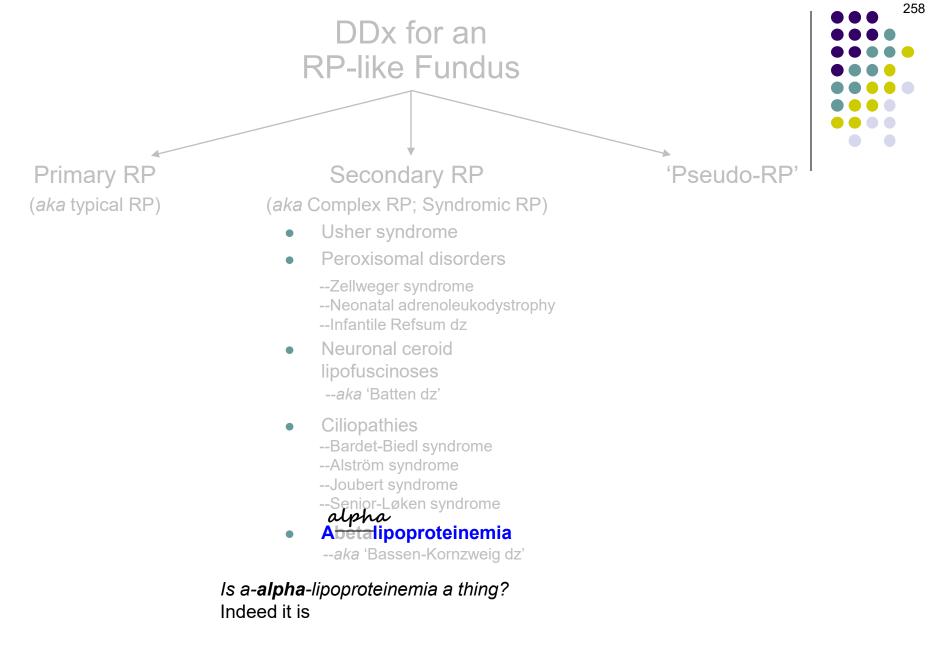


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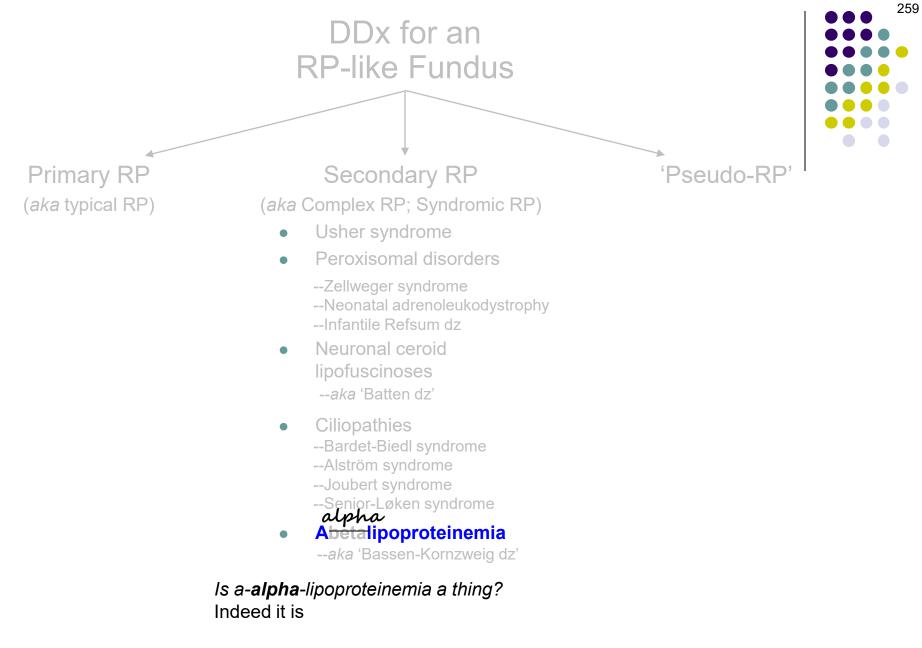
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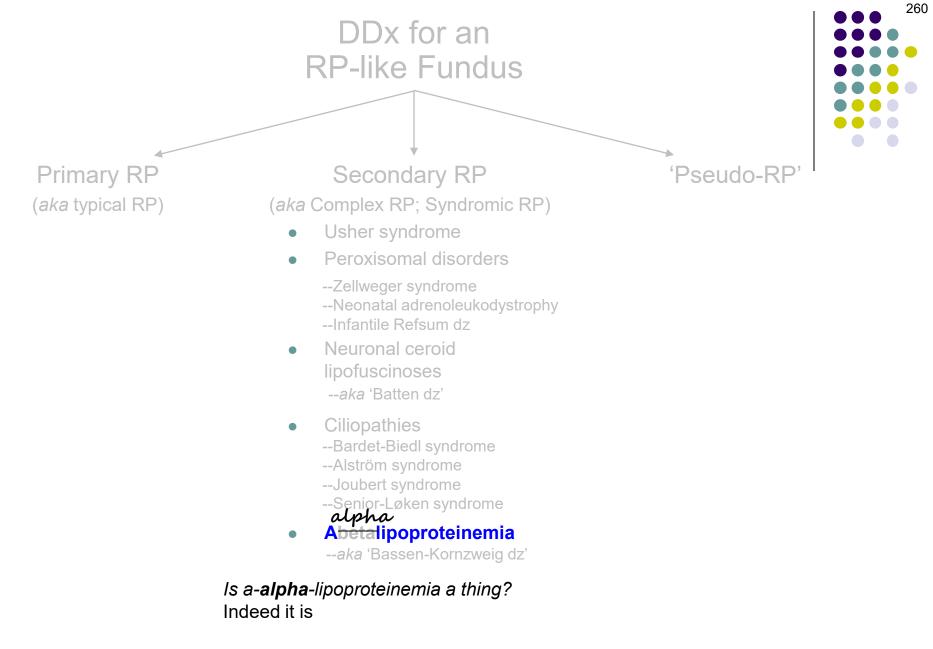




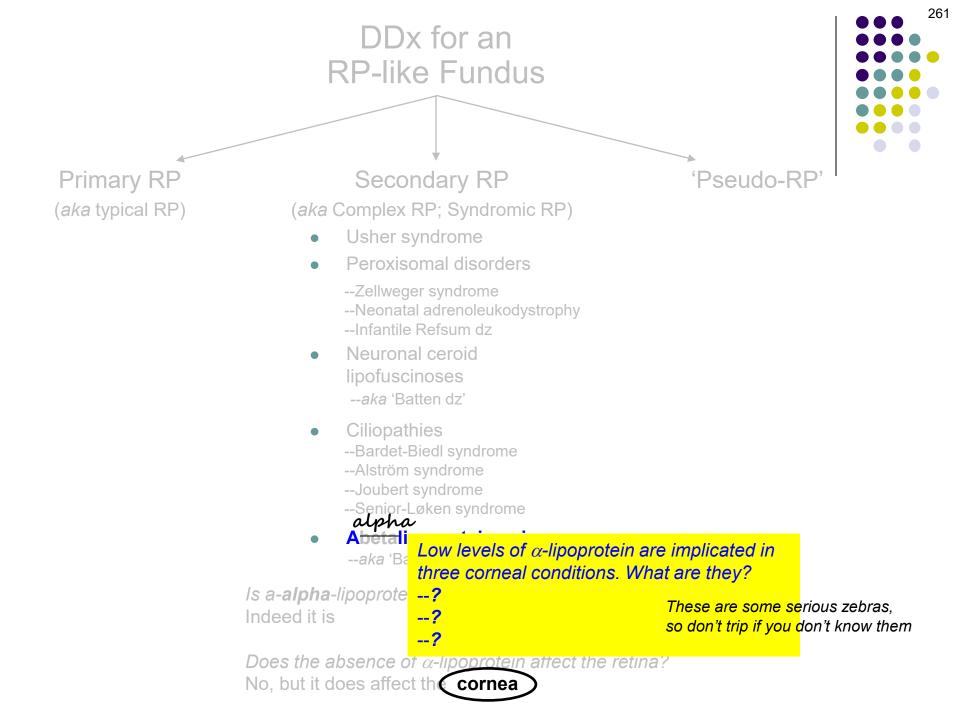
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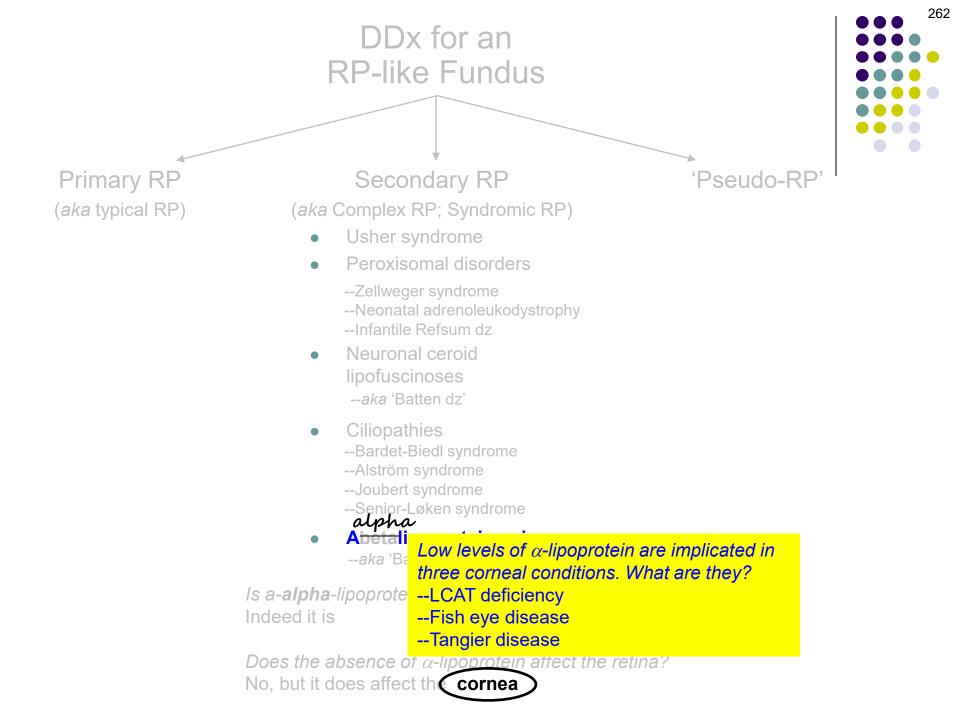


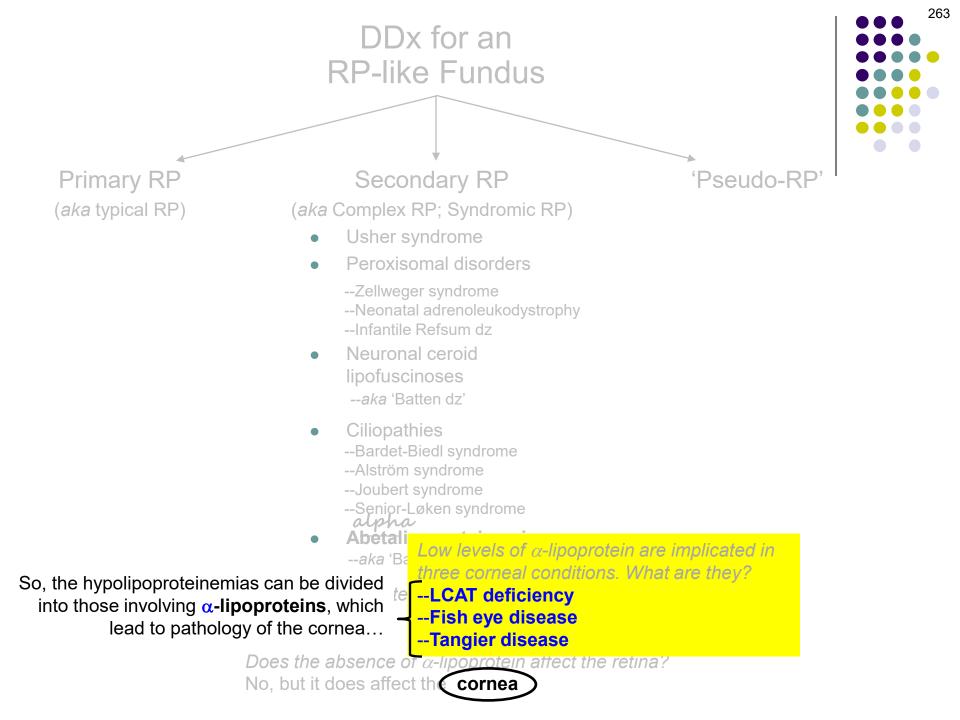
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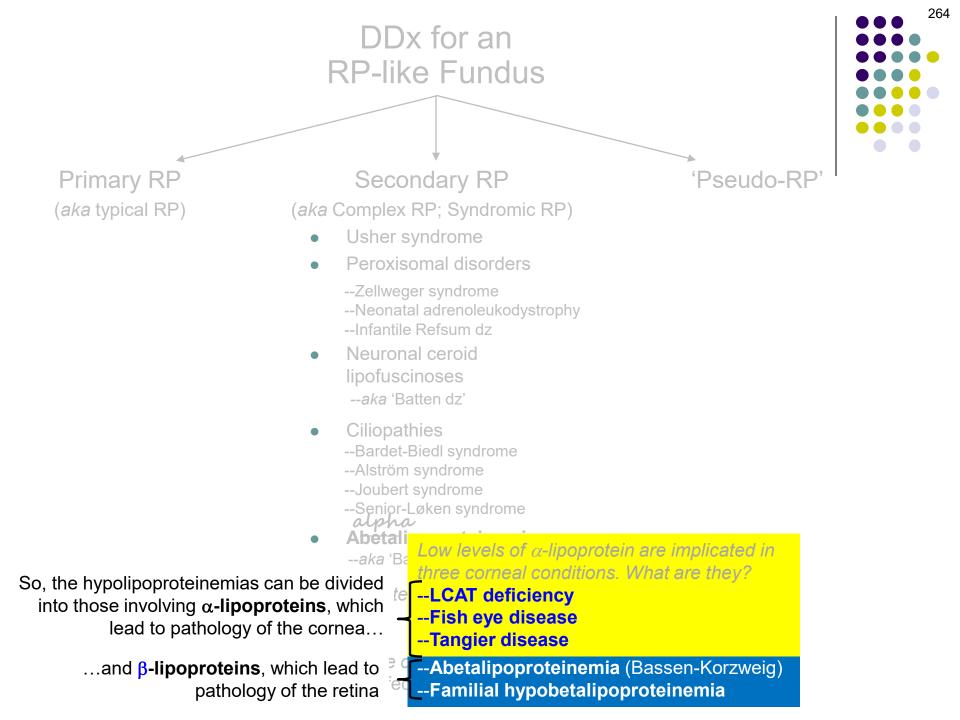


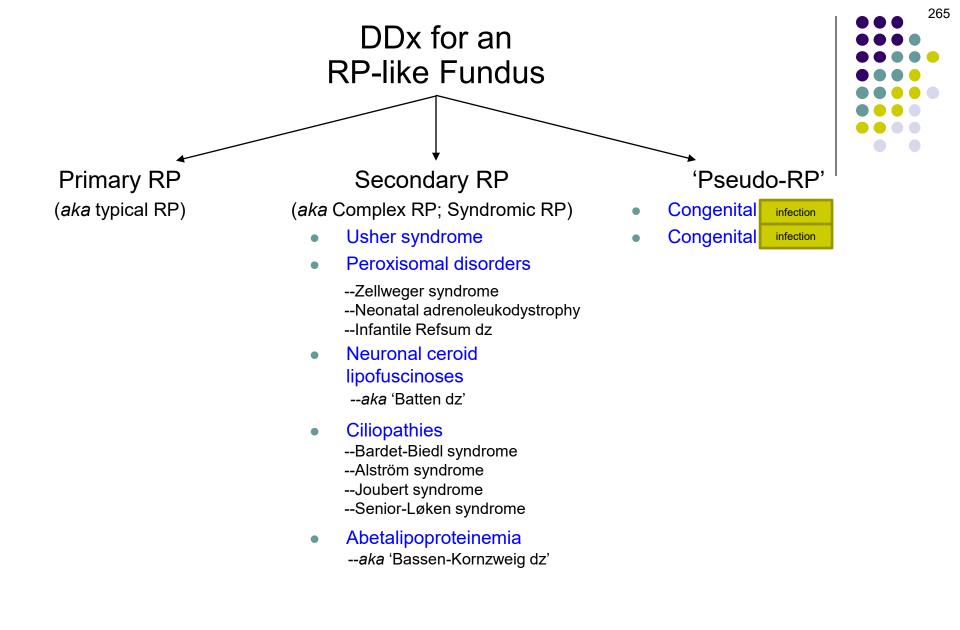
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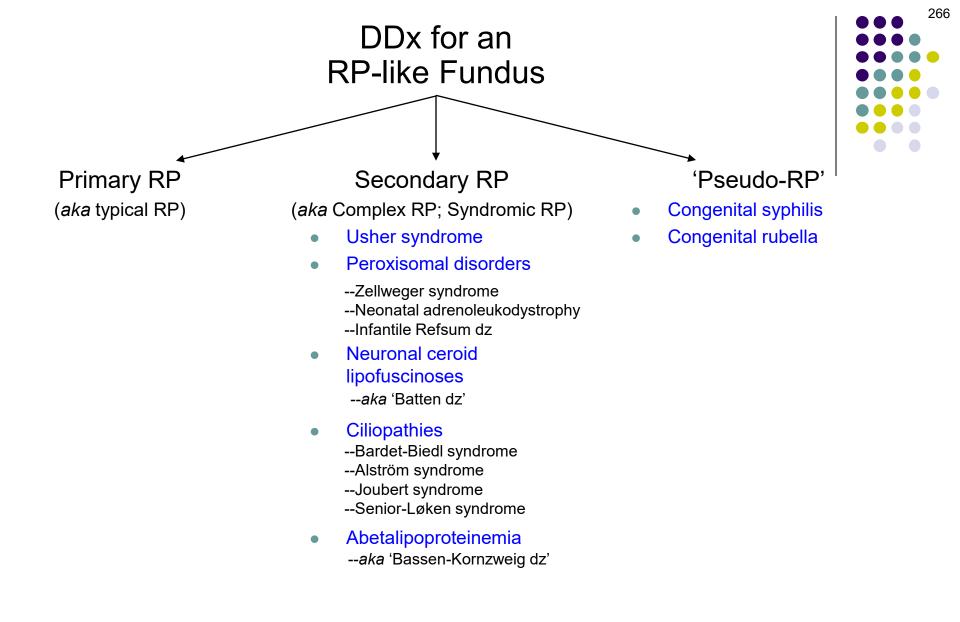




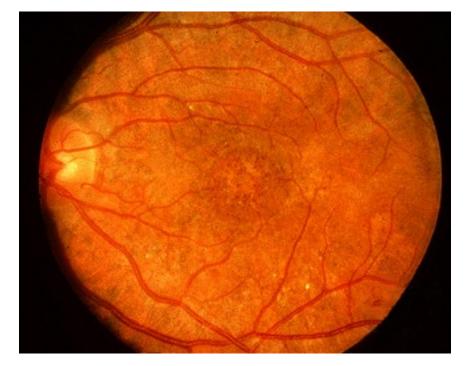


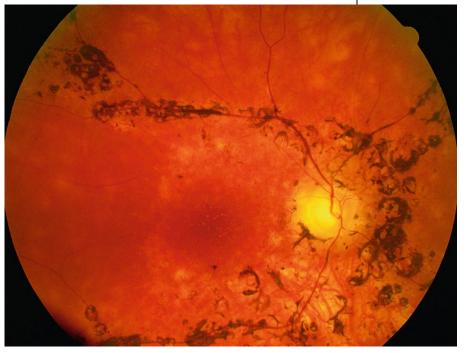












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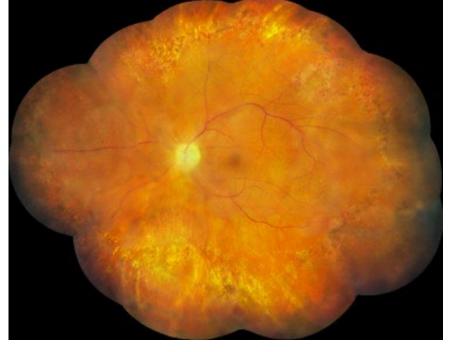
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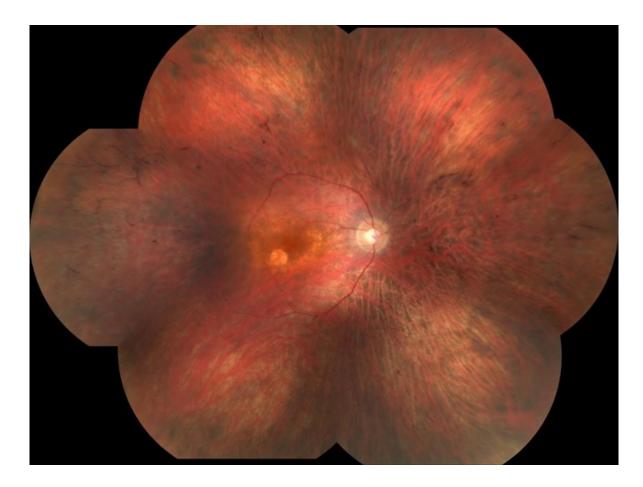
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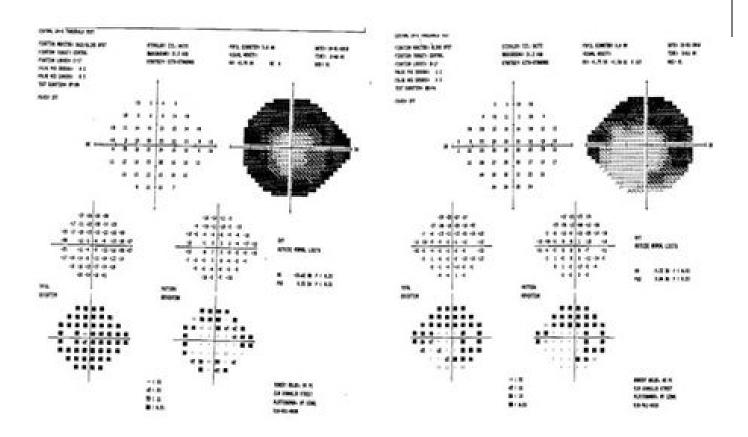
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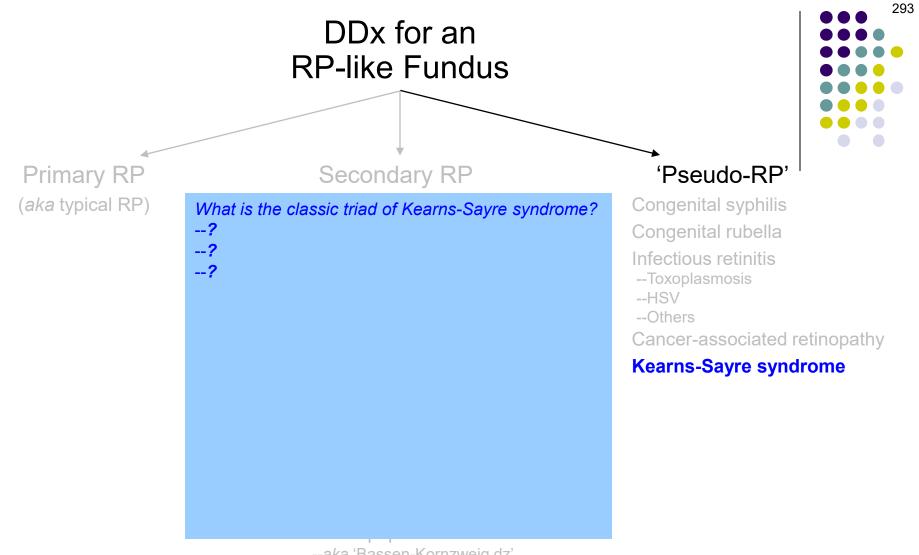
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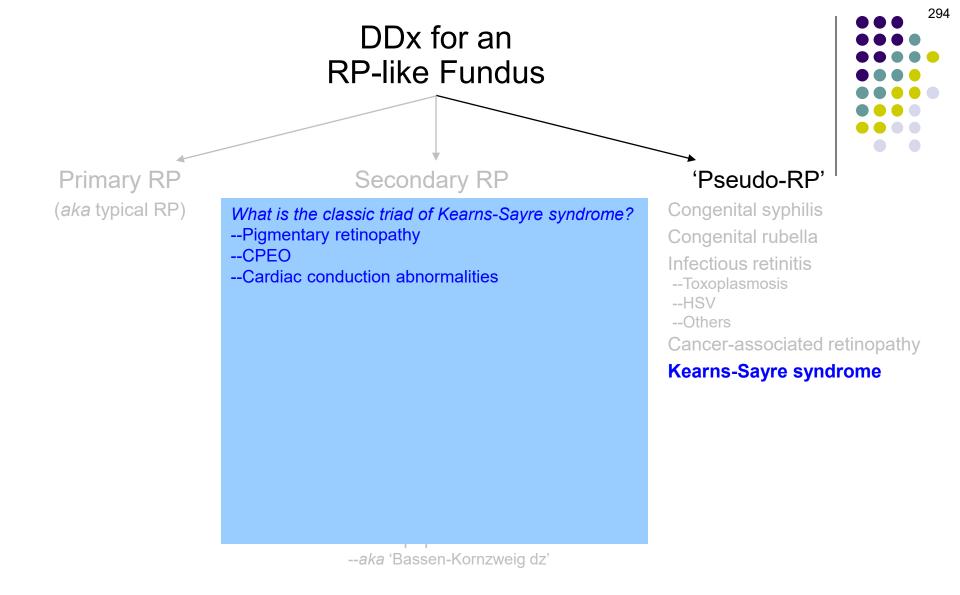
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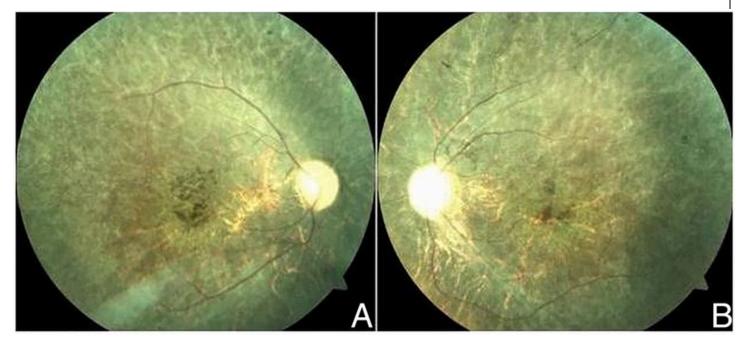
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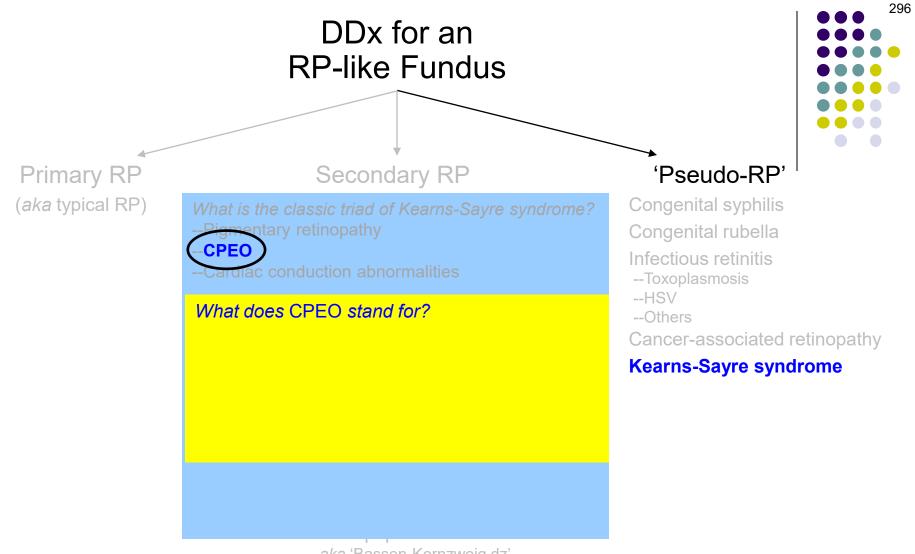


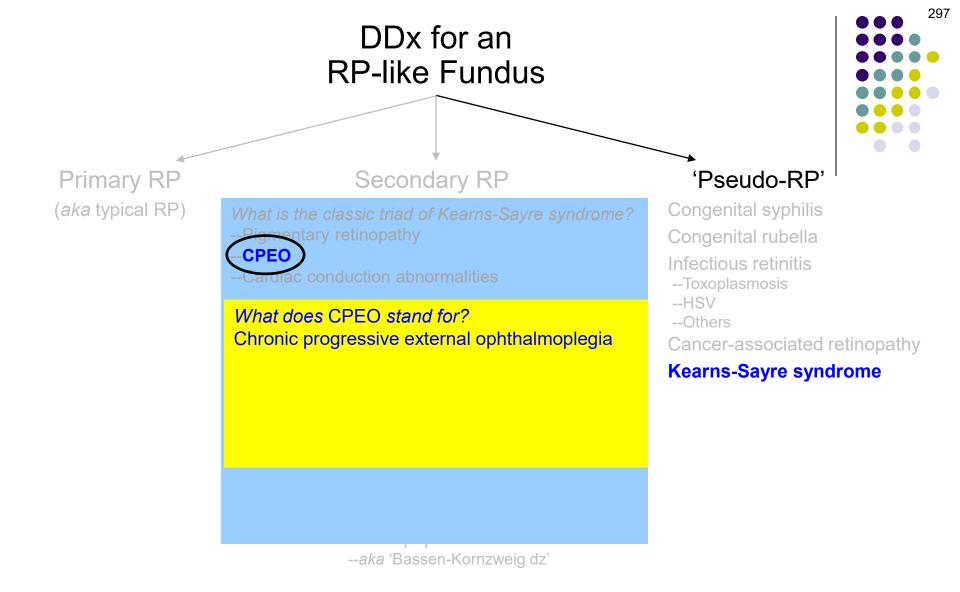


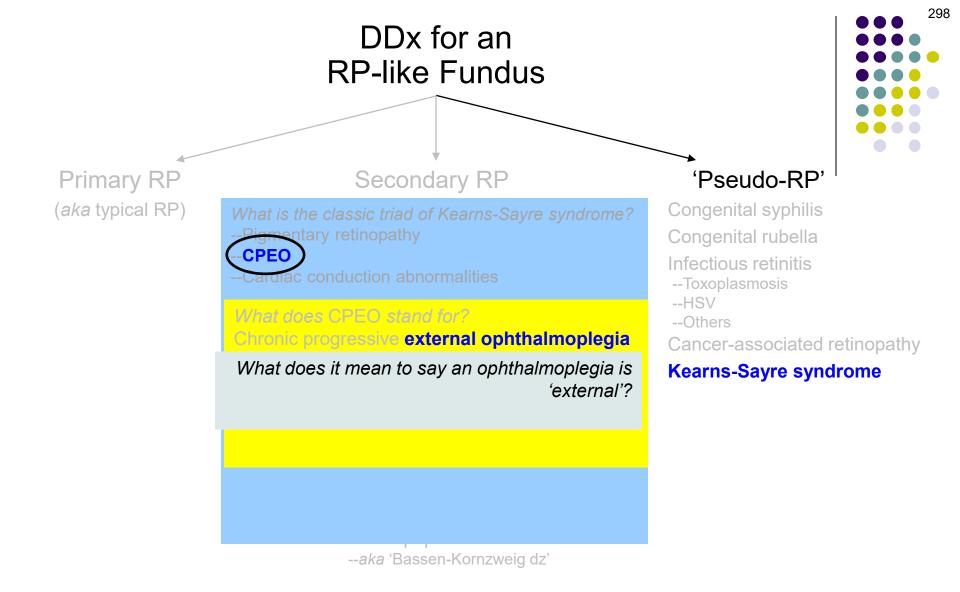


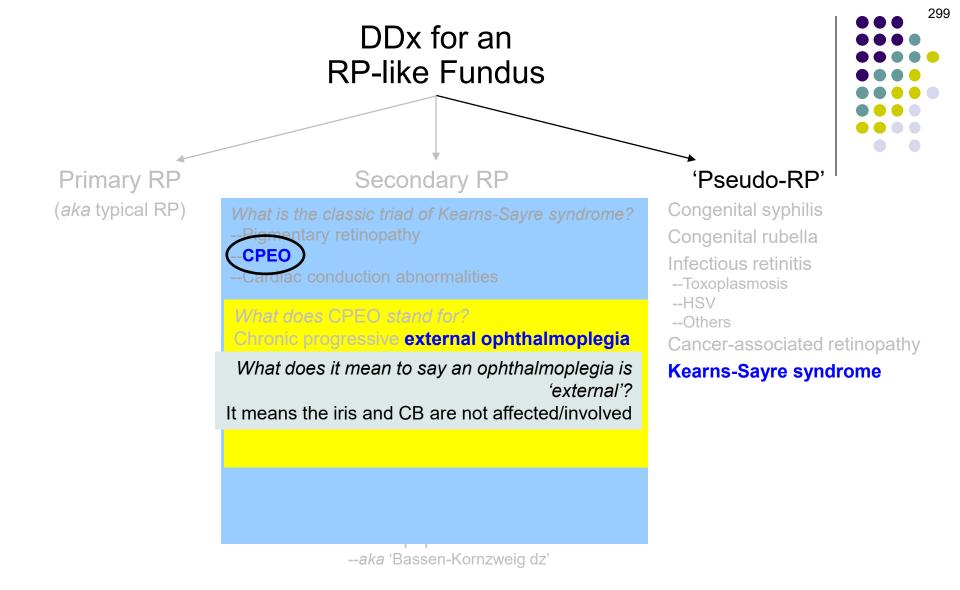


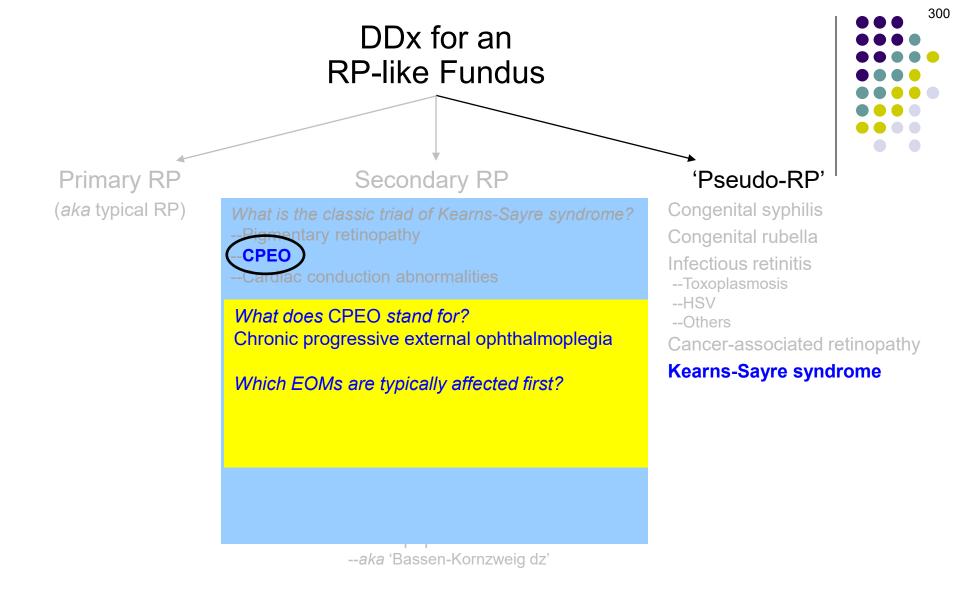
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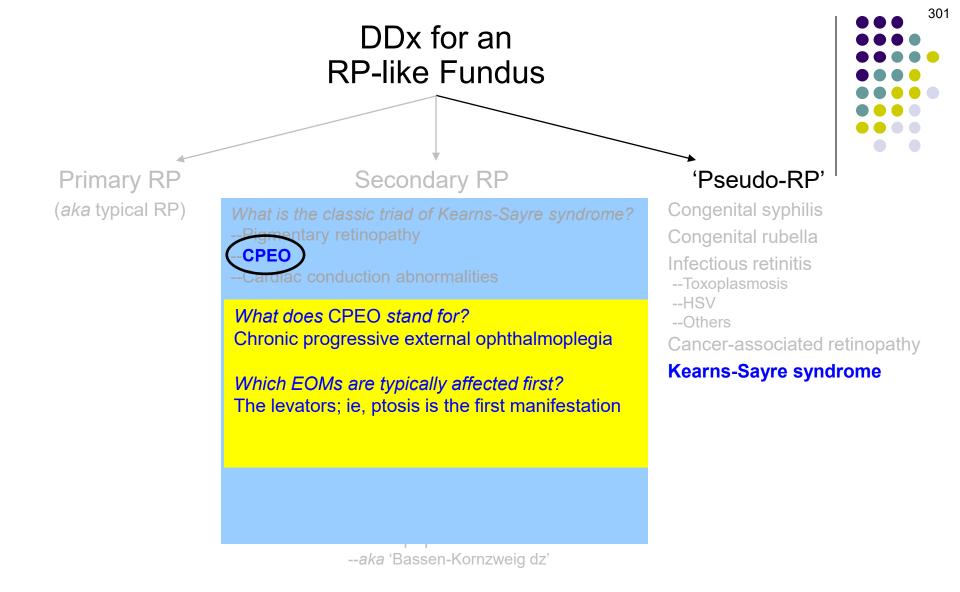


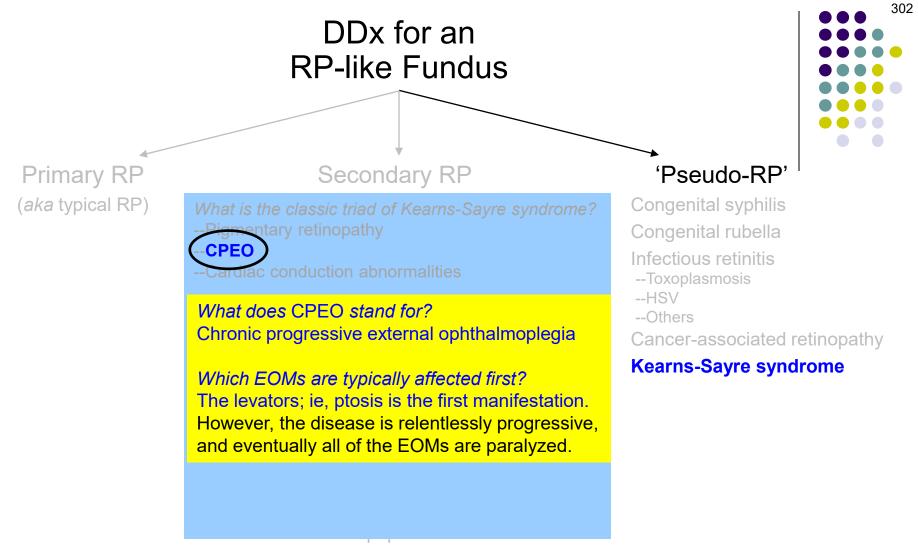








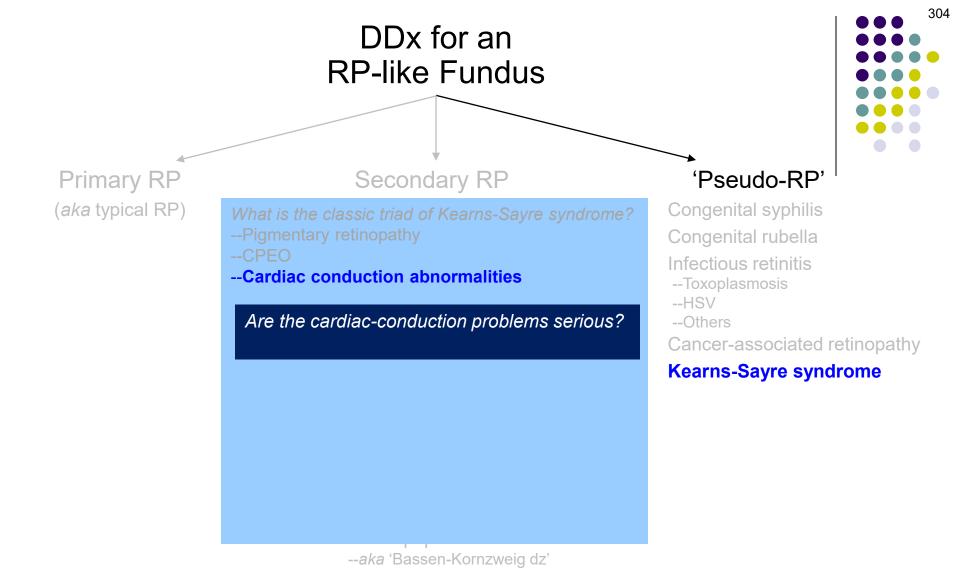


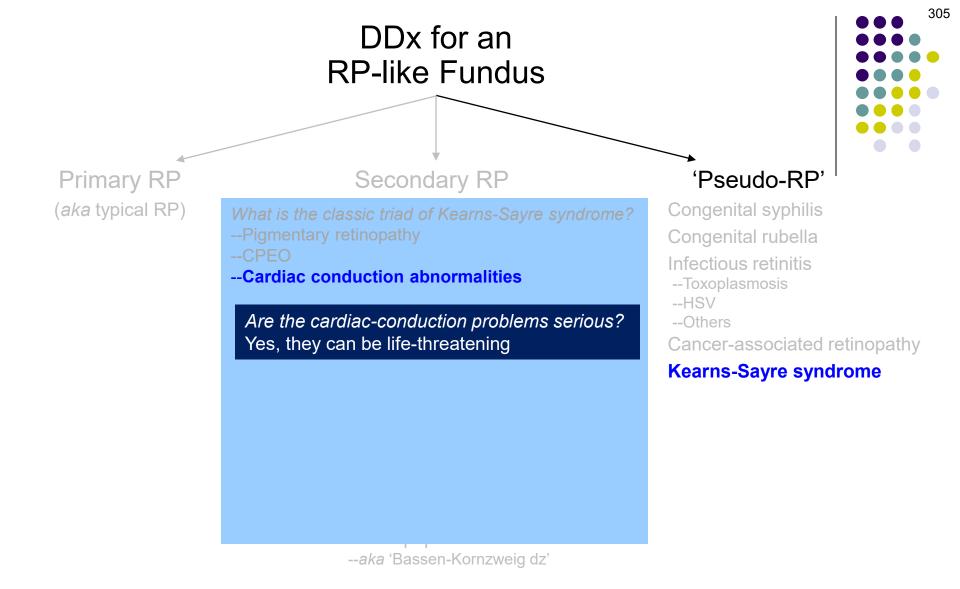


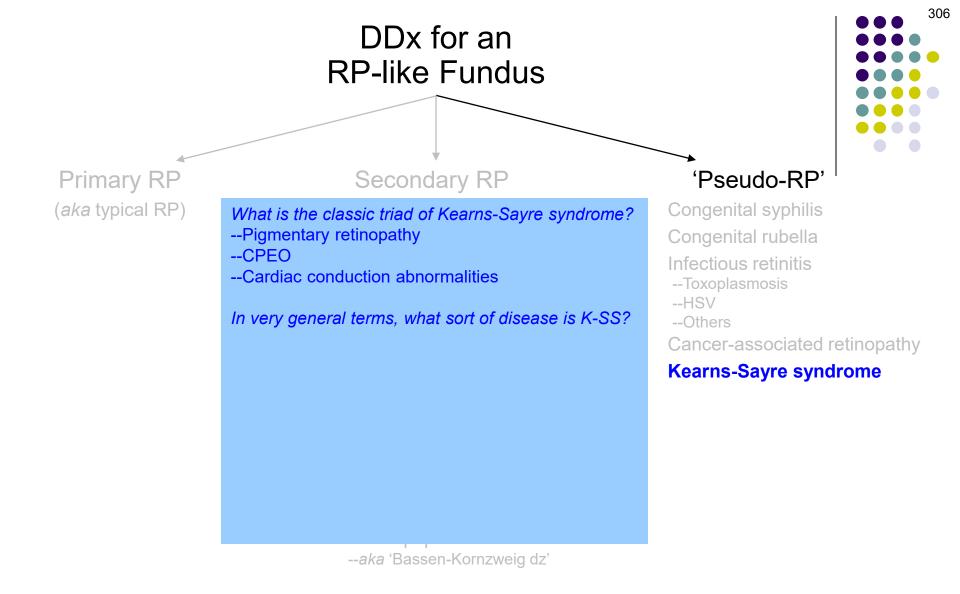


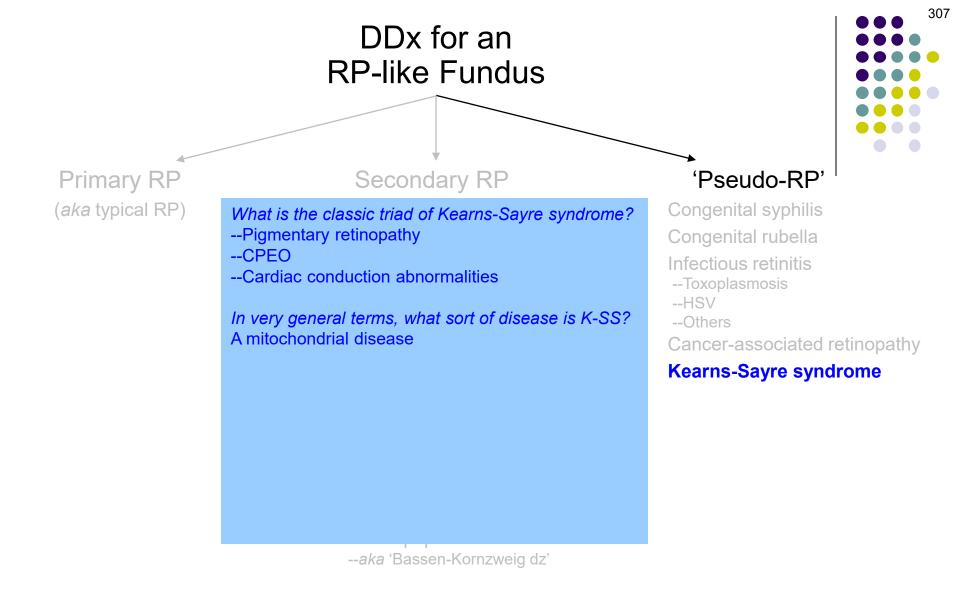


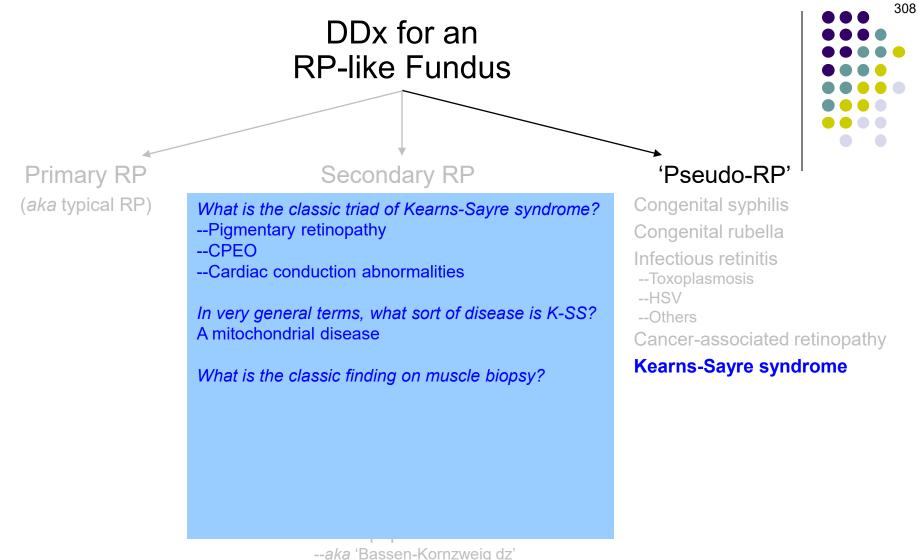
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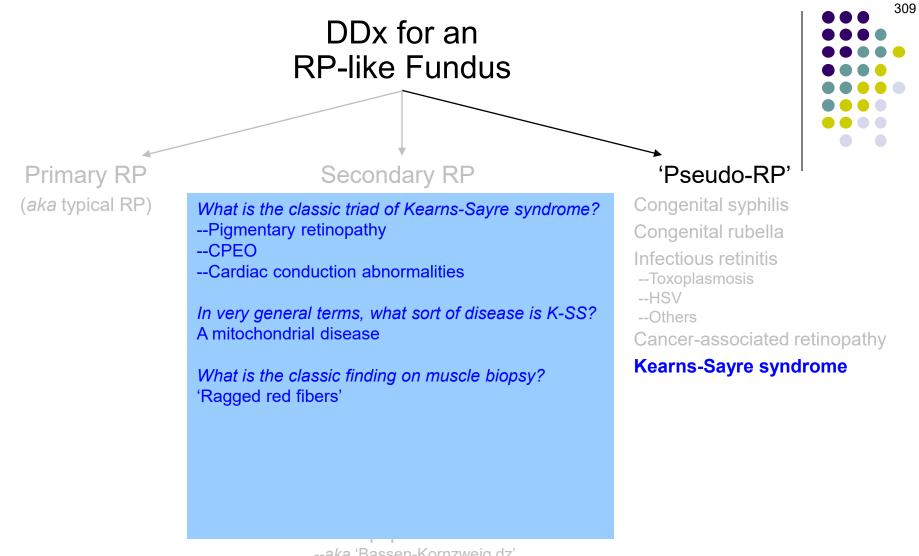


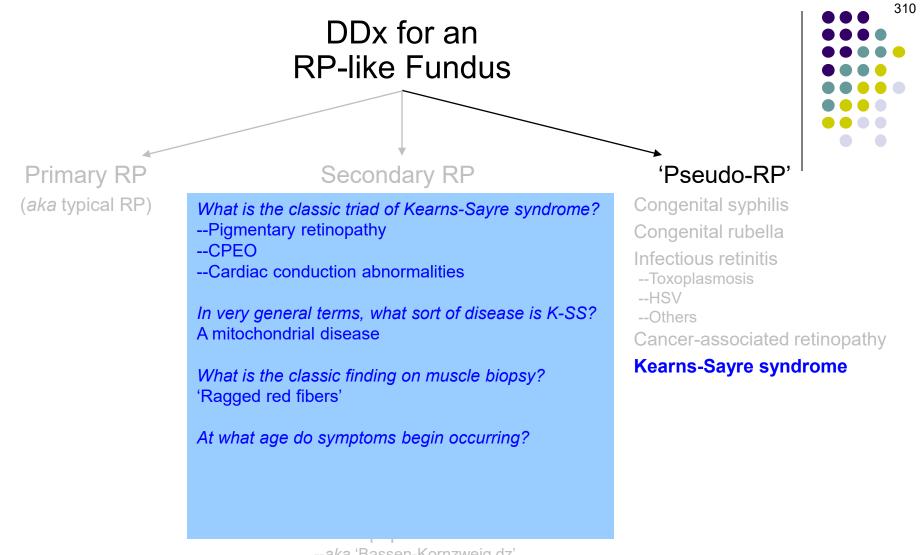


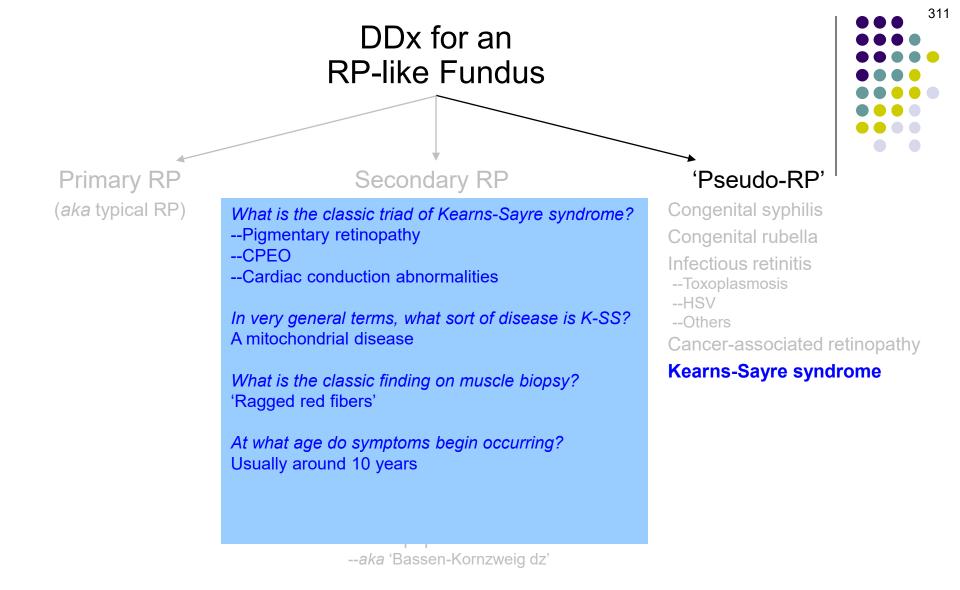


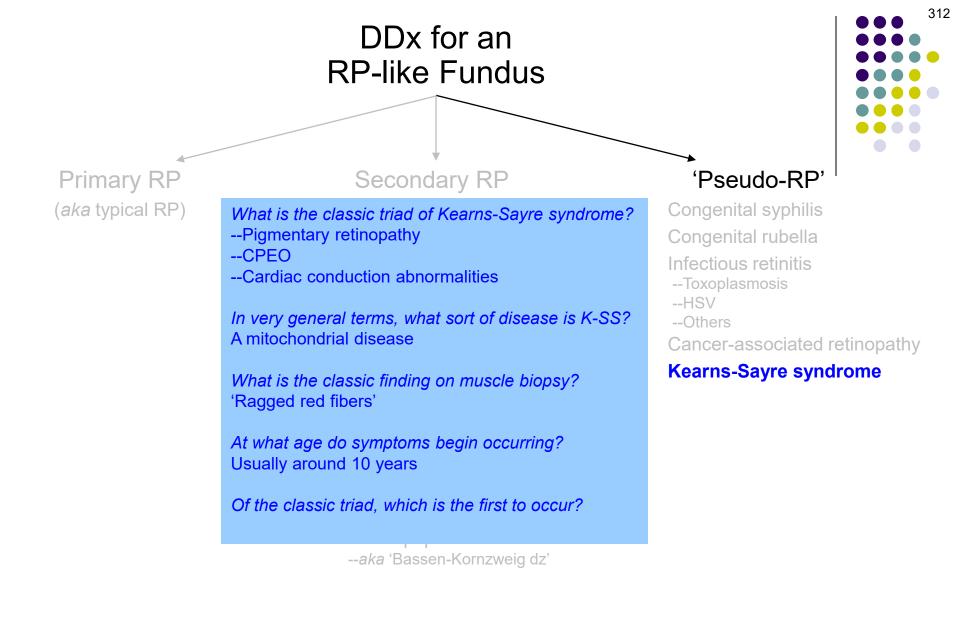


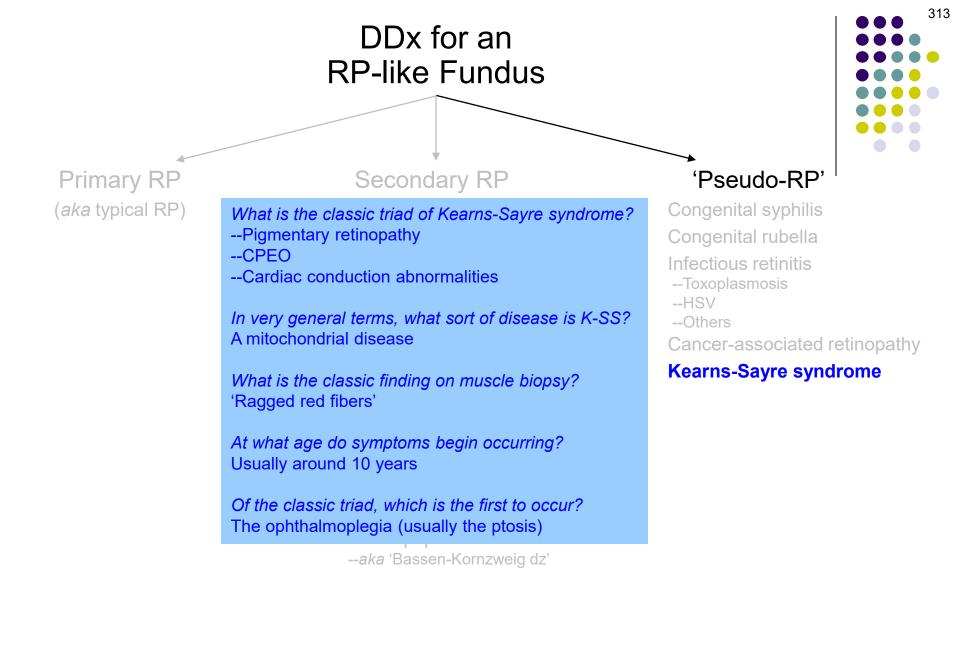


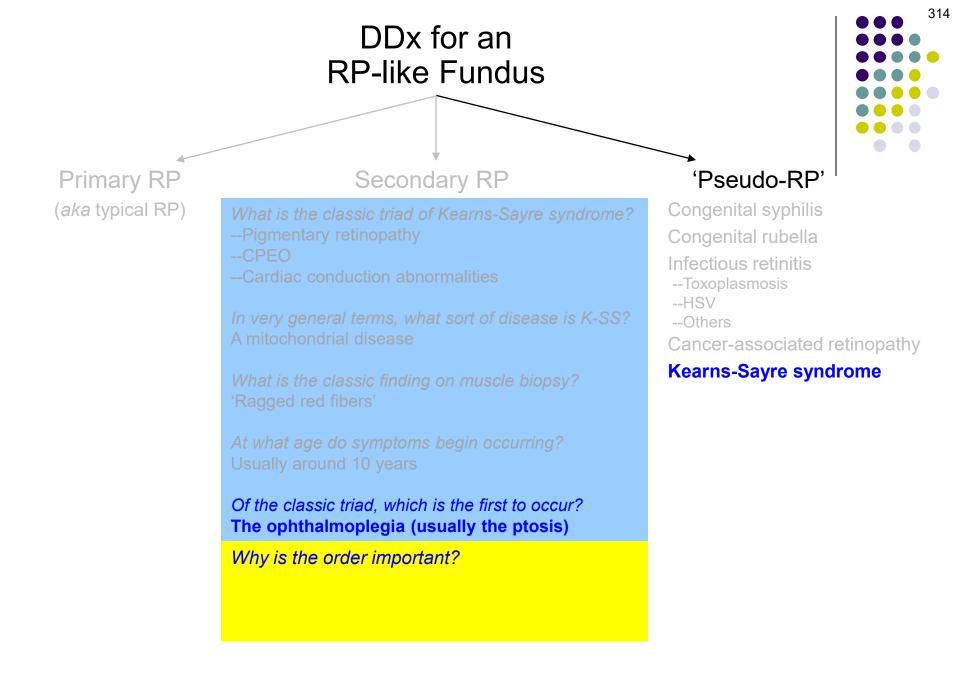


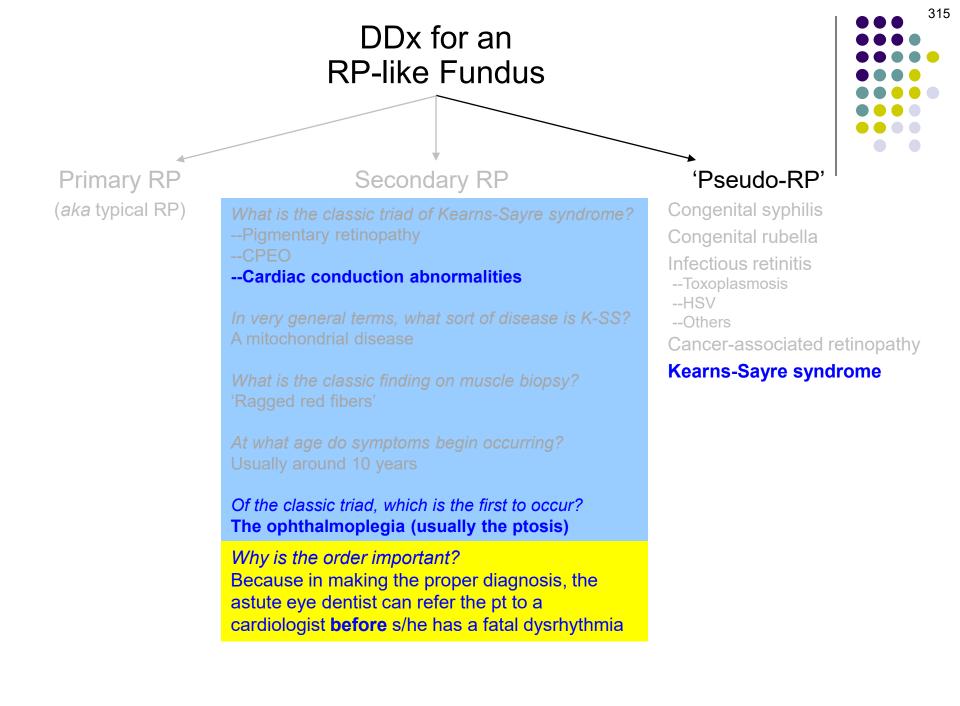












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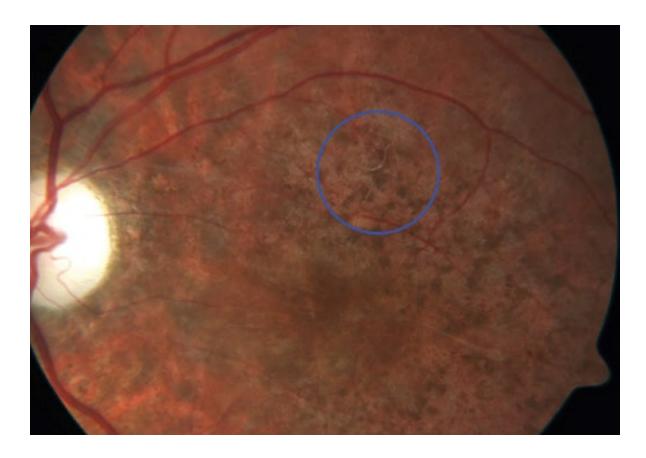
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DUSN (circle indicates the worm's location)



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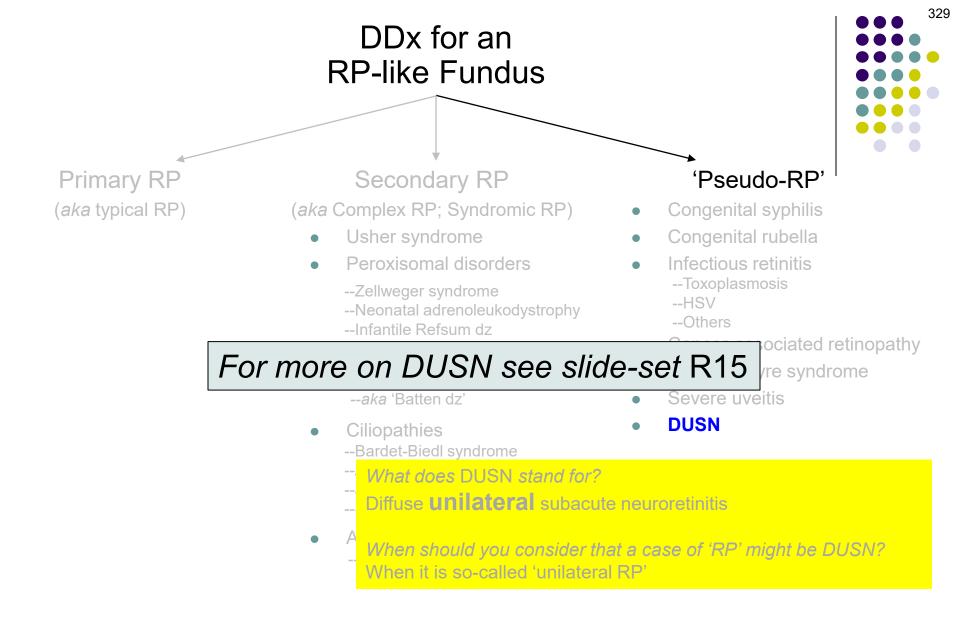
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Thioridazine: Pigmentary retinopathy



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Hydroxychloroquine (Plaquenil) toxicity is addressed in detail in R25

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--Dark adaptometry (ditto)



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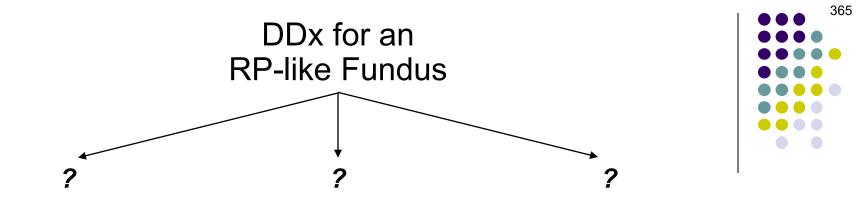
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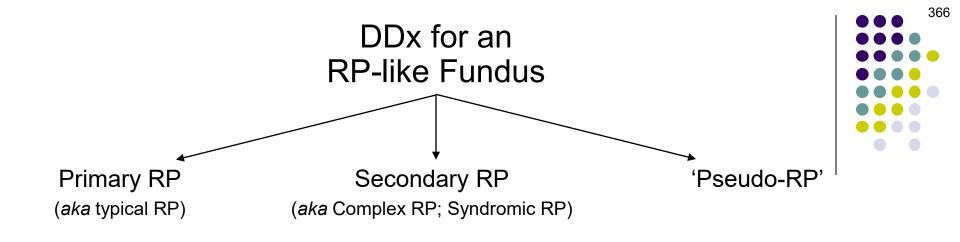
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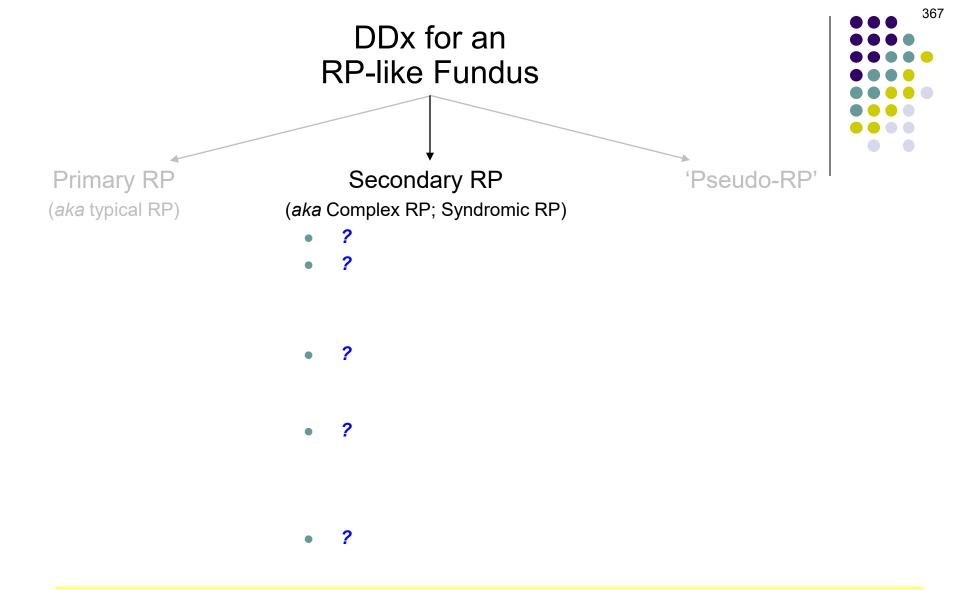
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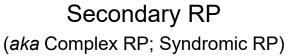
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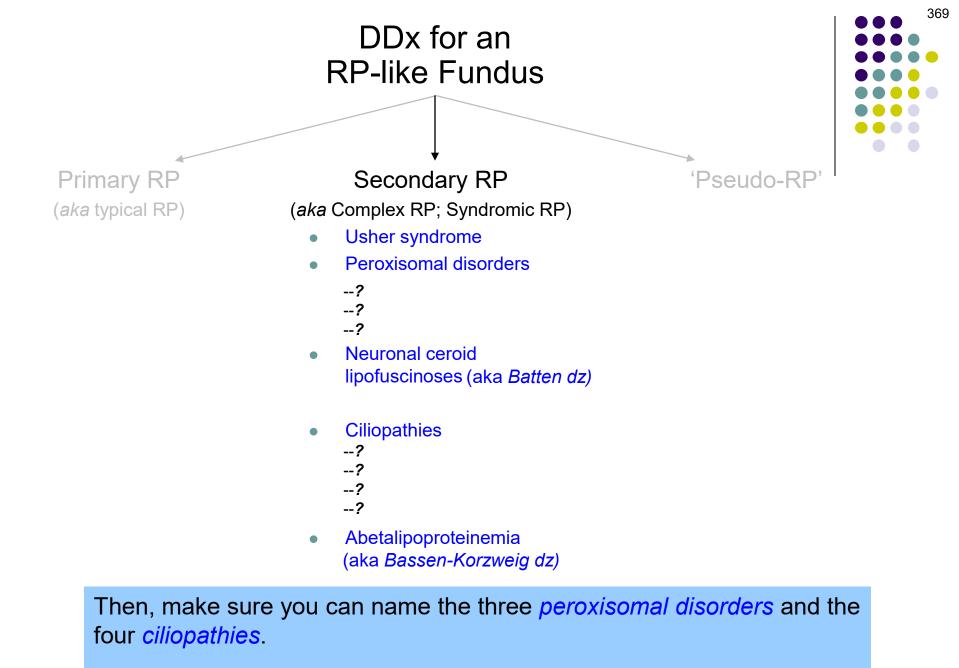
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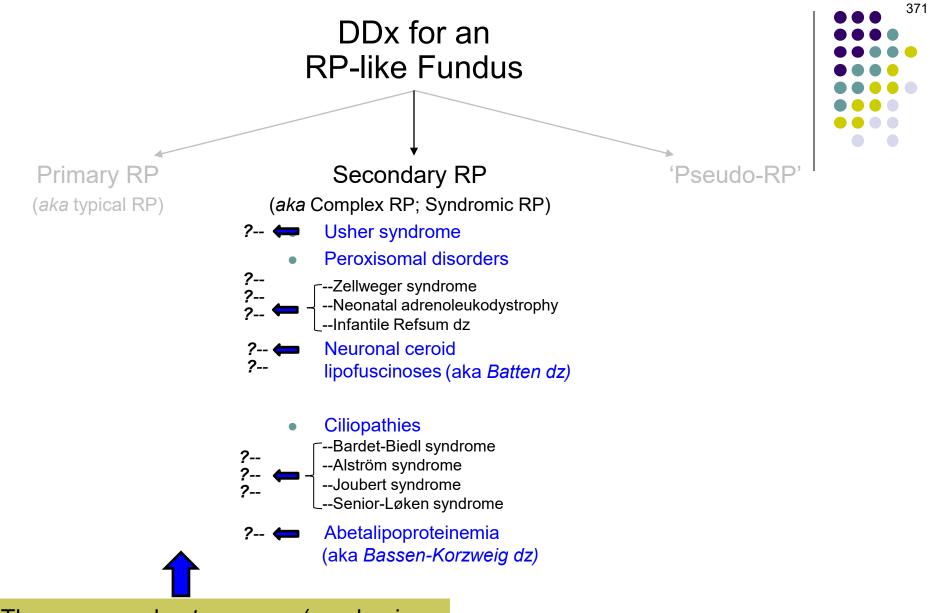
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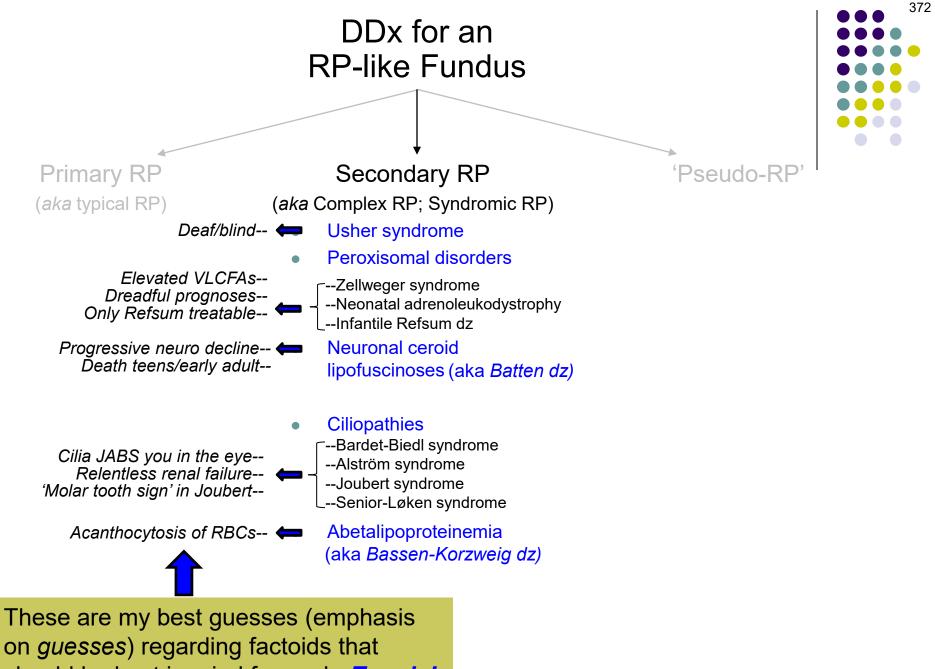
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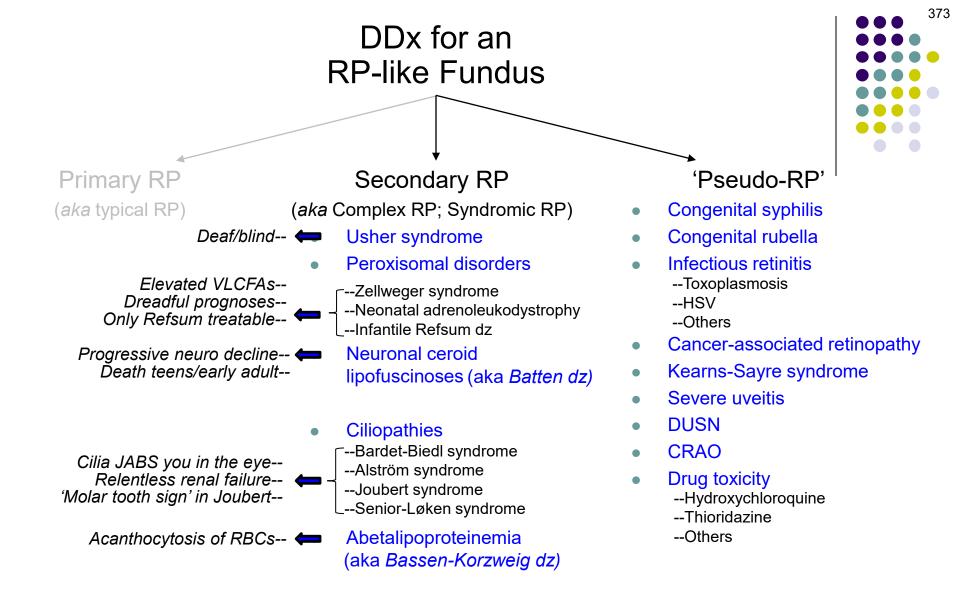
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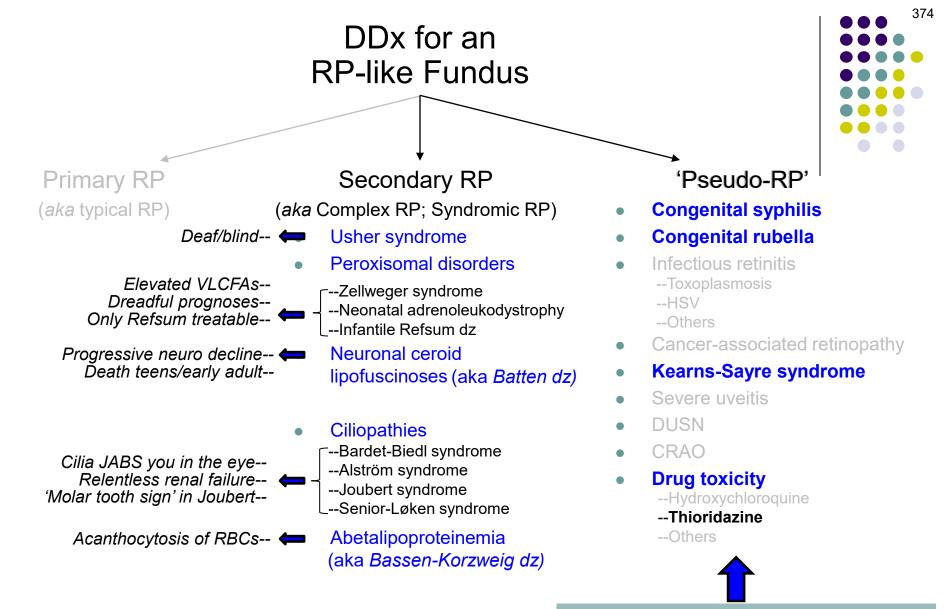
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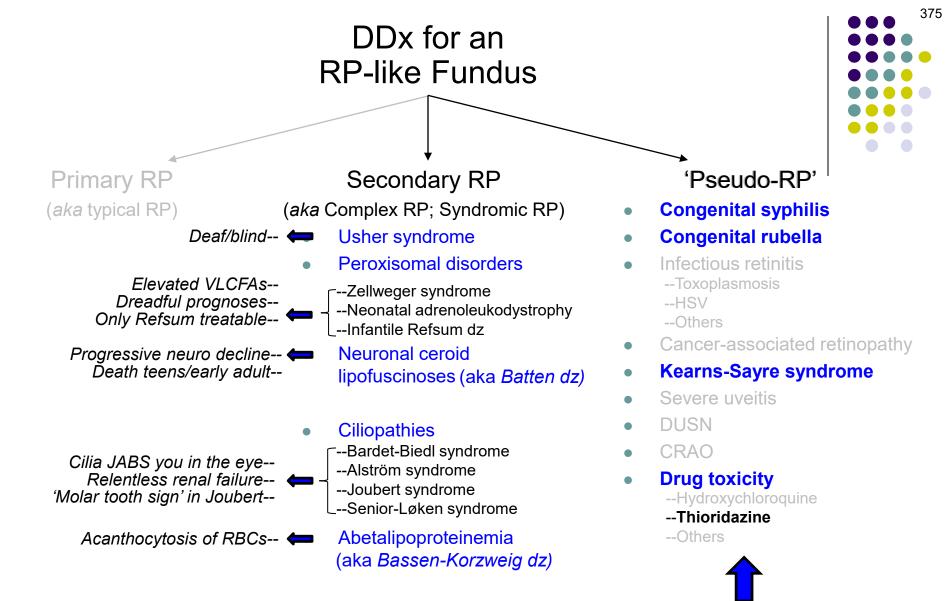
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