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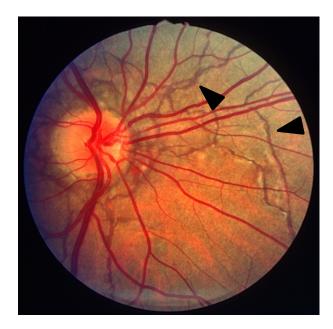




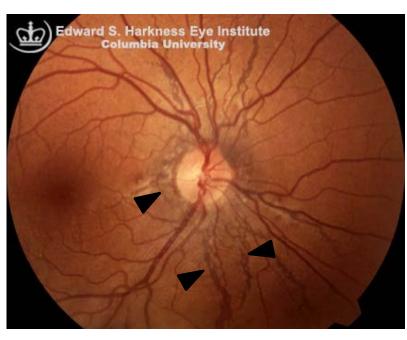
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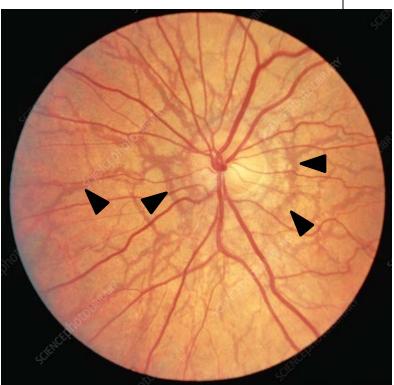
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Angioid streaks (arrowheads). Note that only a few of the many present have been marked. Q

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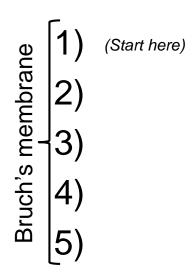


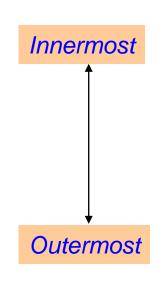
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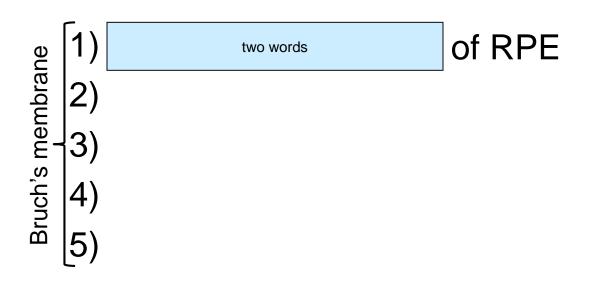


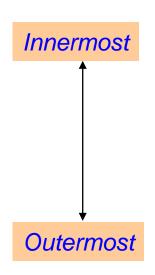




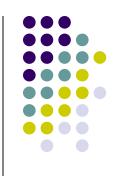


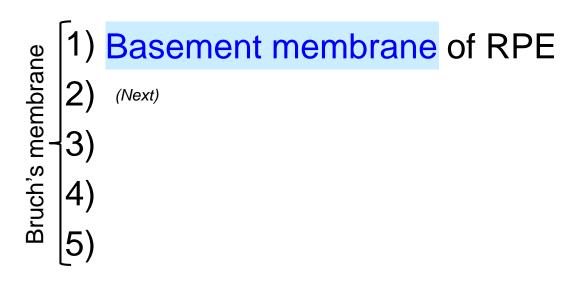


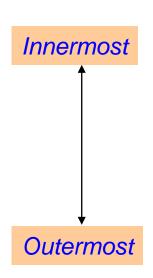








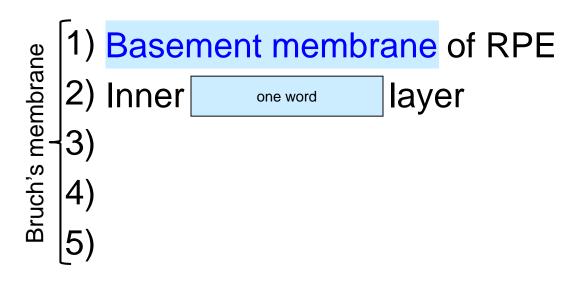


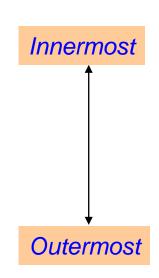






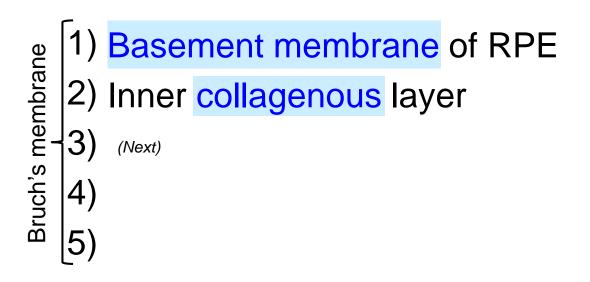


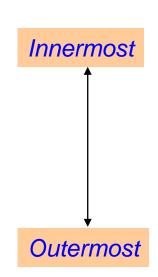








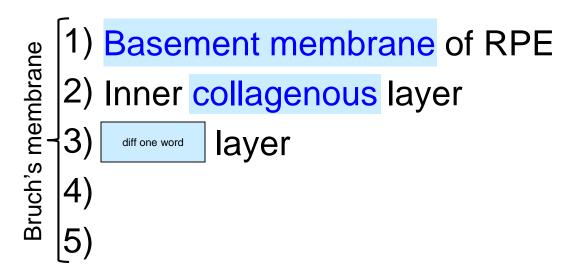


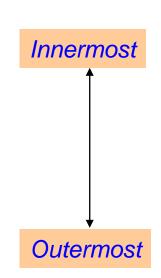










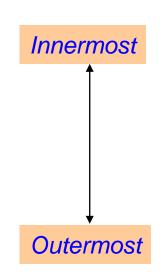






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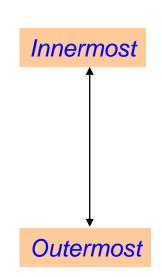






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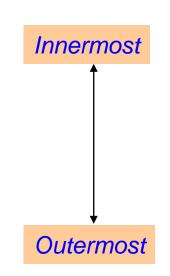


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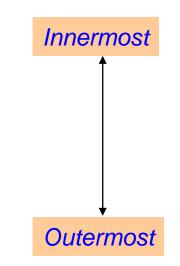
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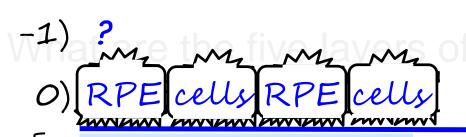
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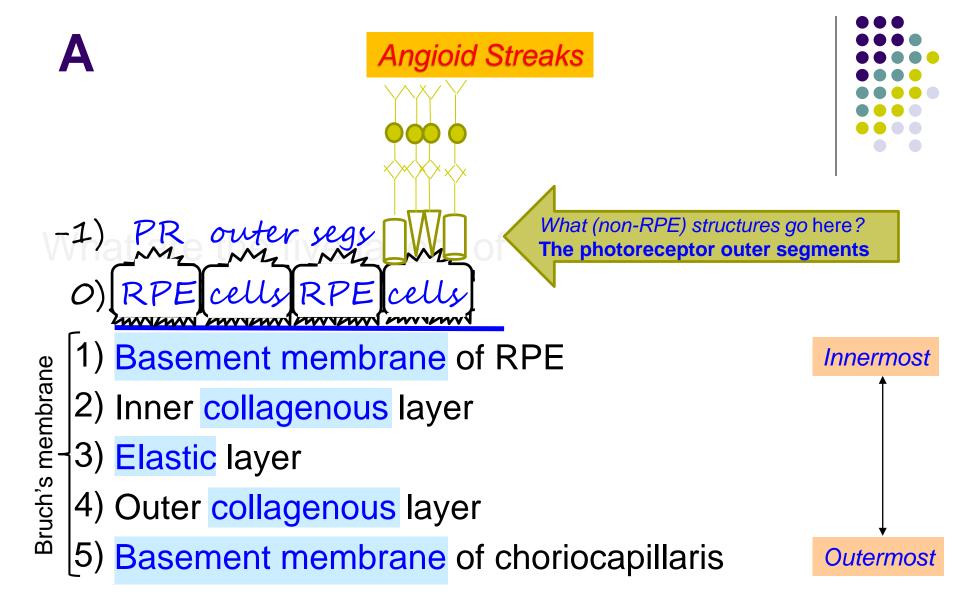


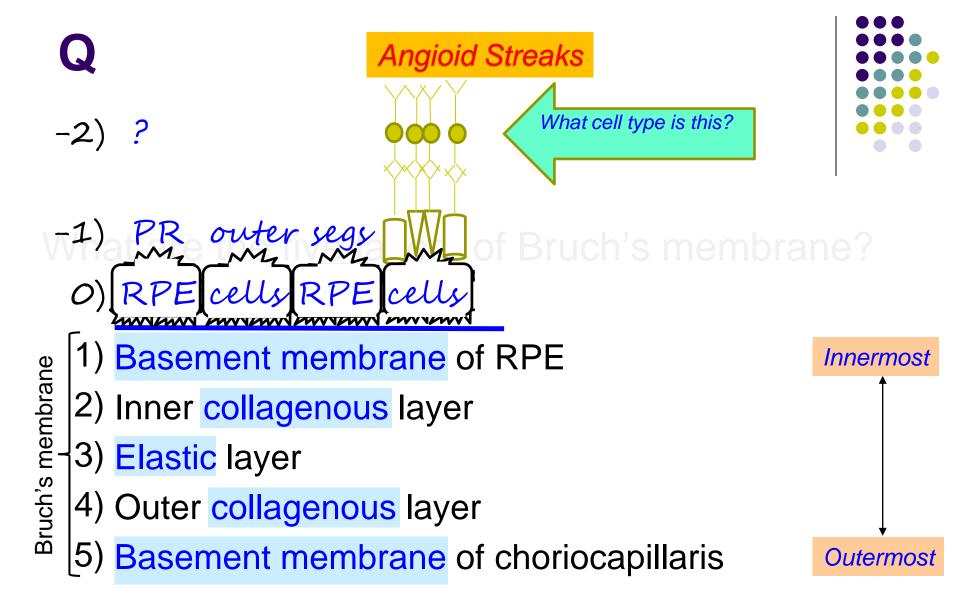
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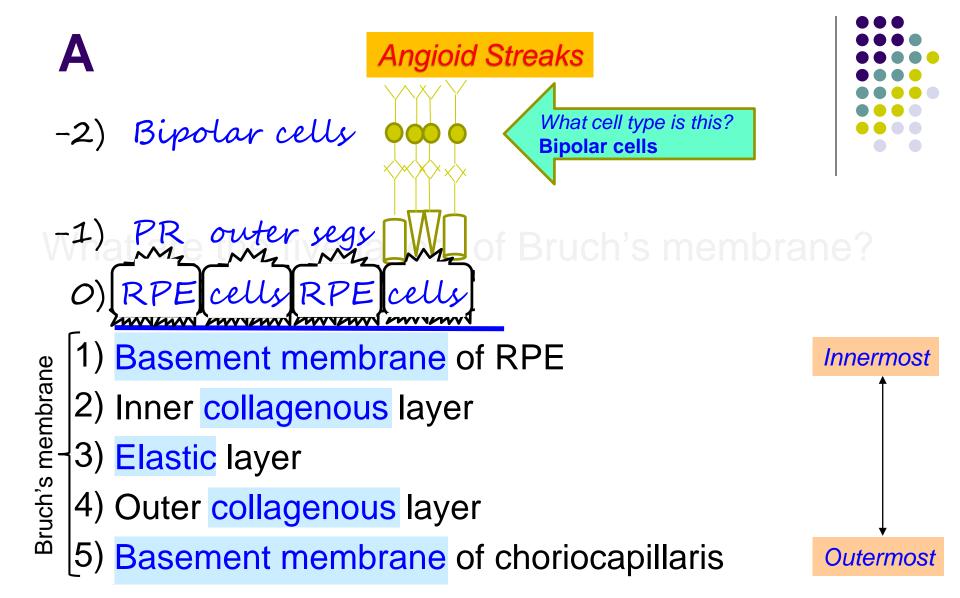
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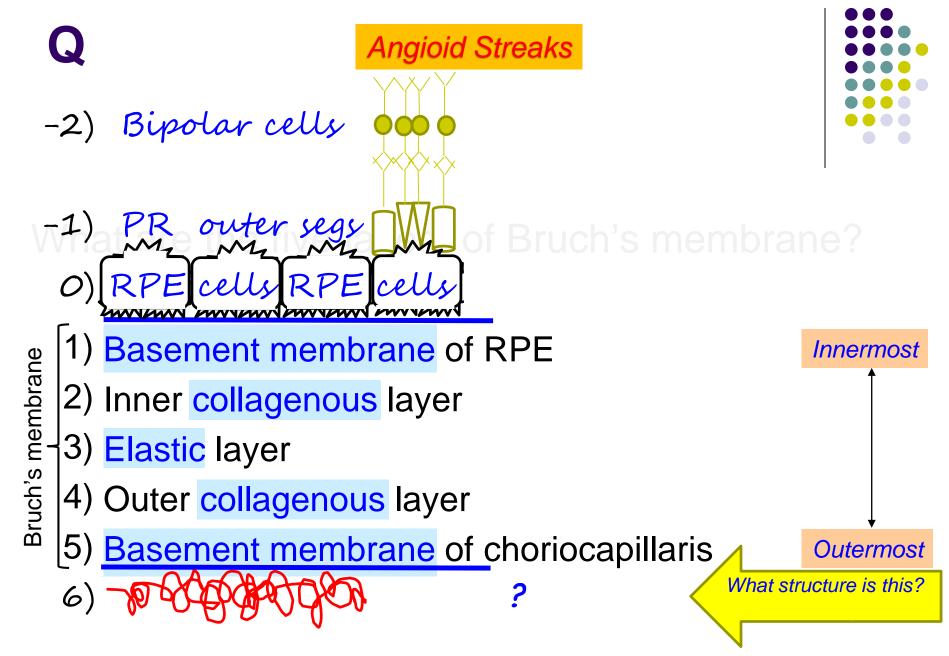
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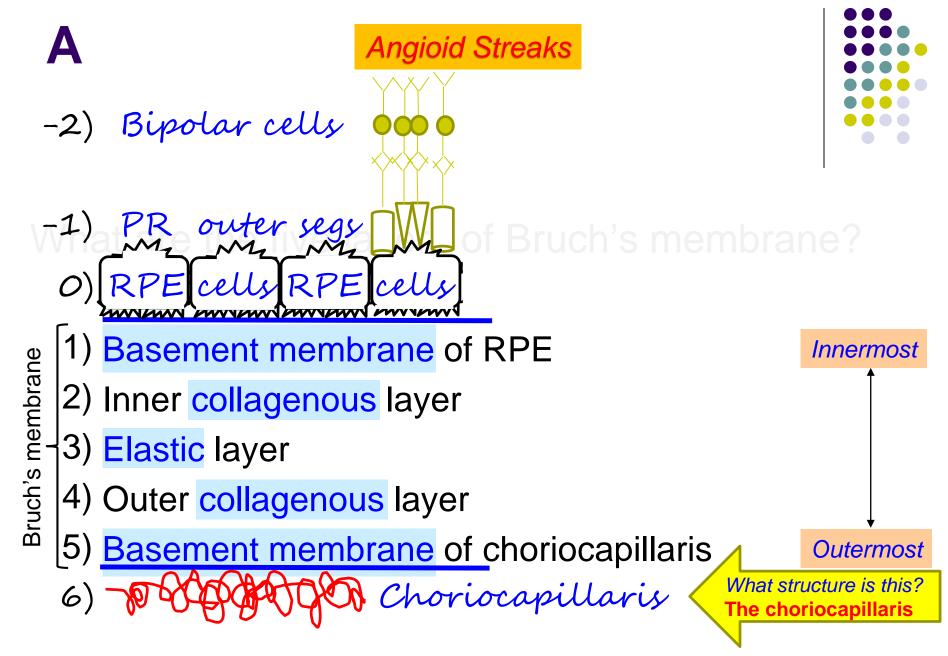
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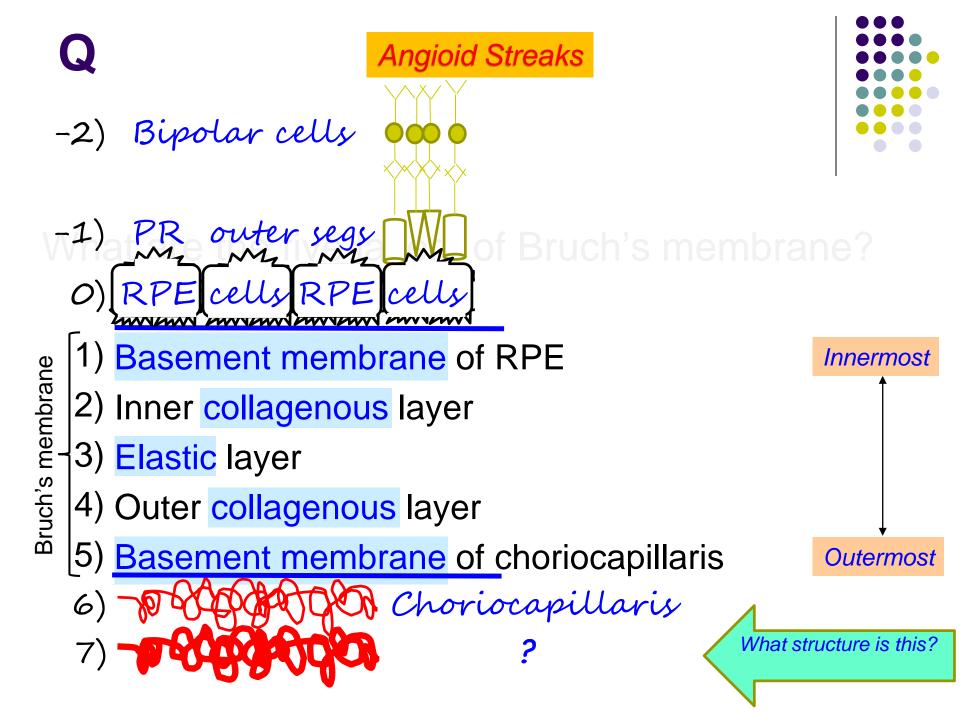


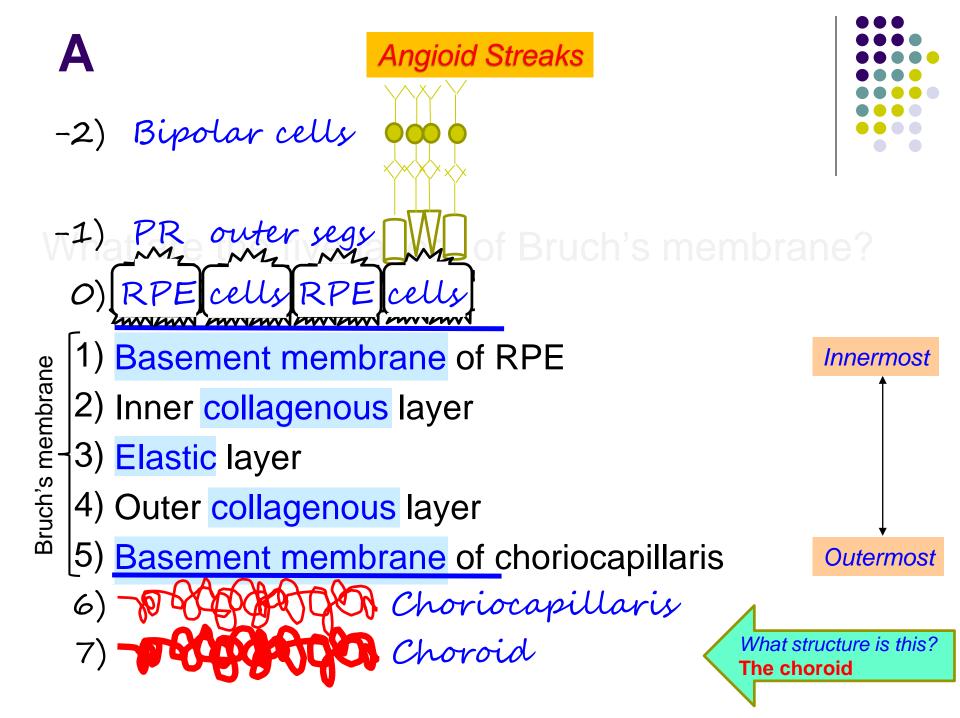














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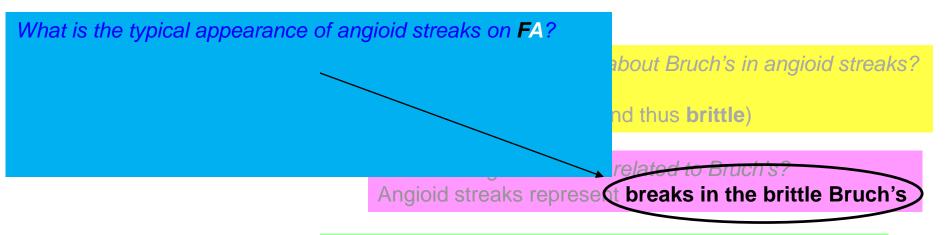
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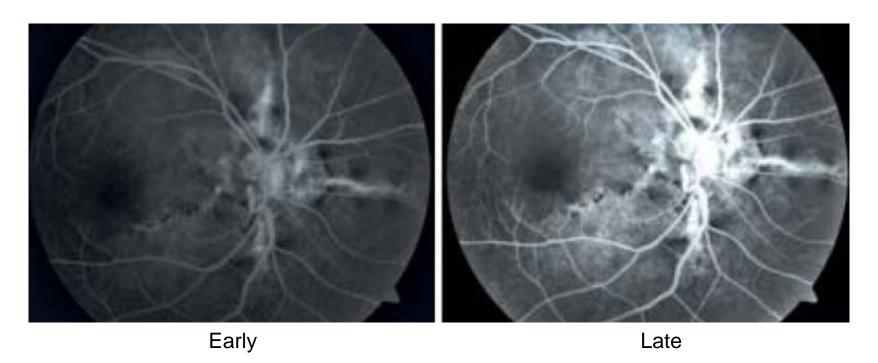
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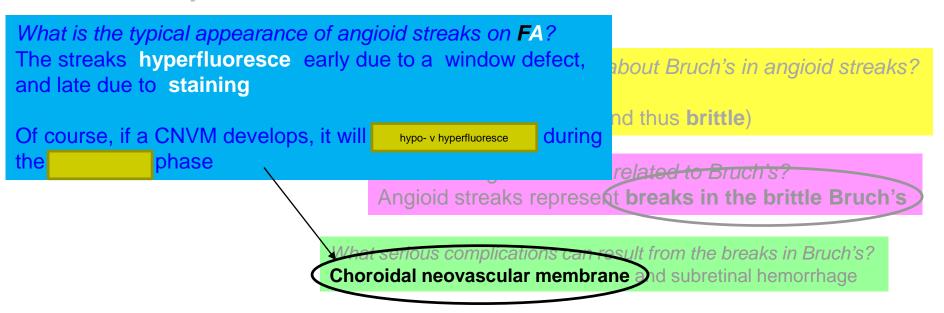
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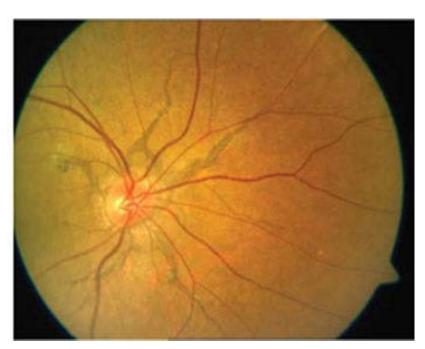
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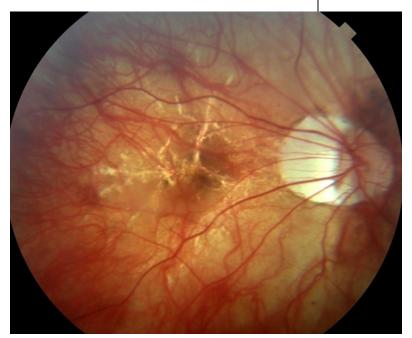
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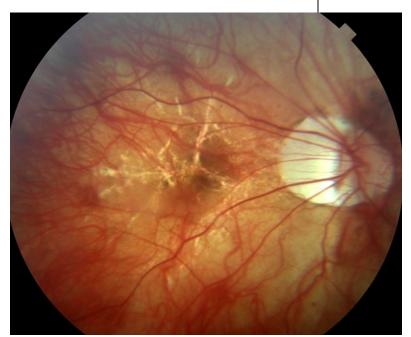
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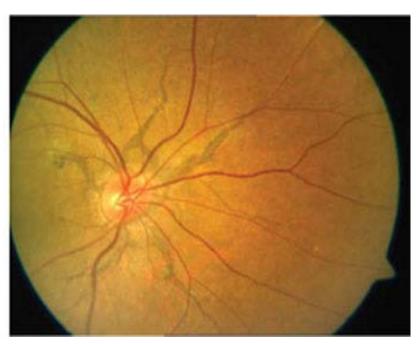
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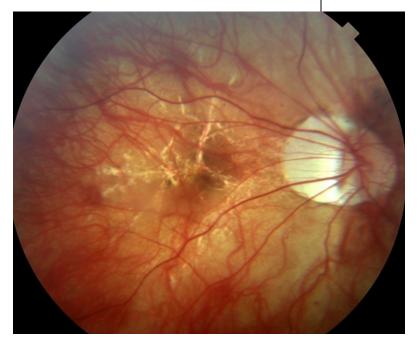
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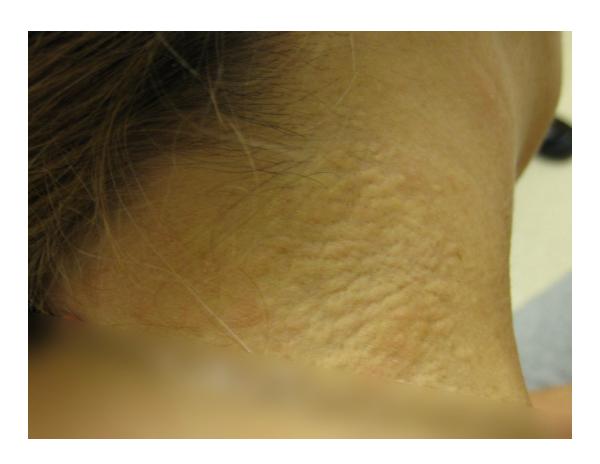
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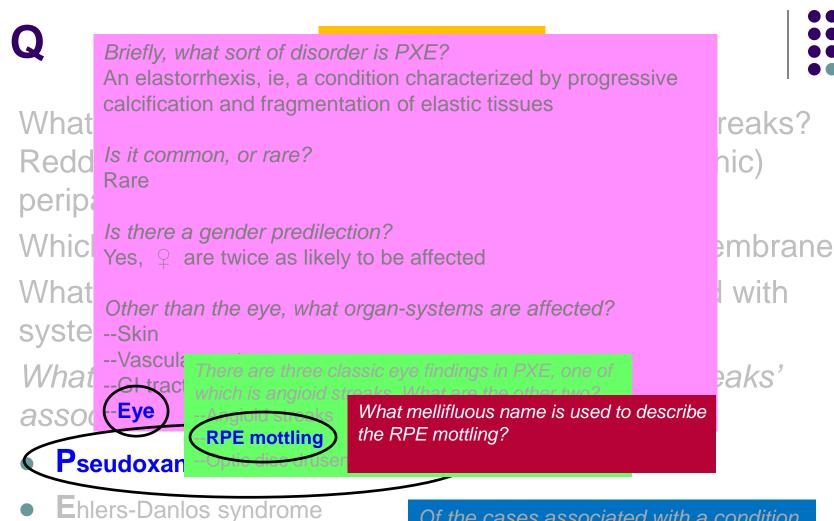
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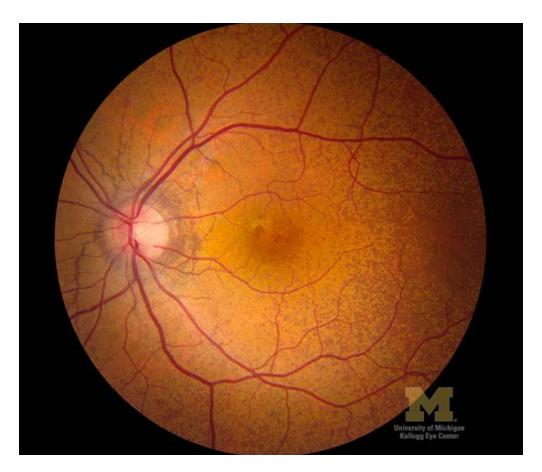
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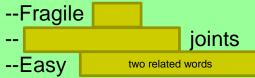
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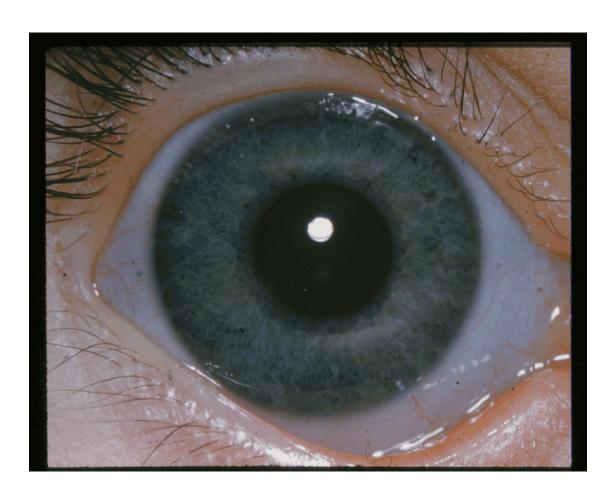
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