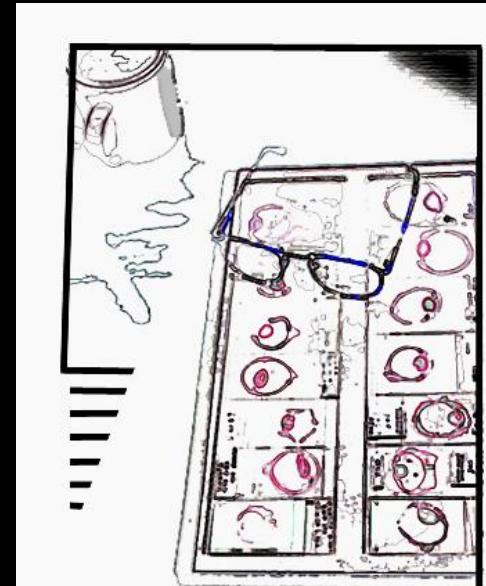




# The Glaucomas of Cats

Dick Dubielzig



**COPLOW**



# Glaucomas in Cats

- Relatively common indication for enucleation.
  - 29% of submissions to COPLOW

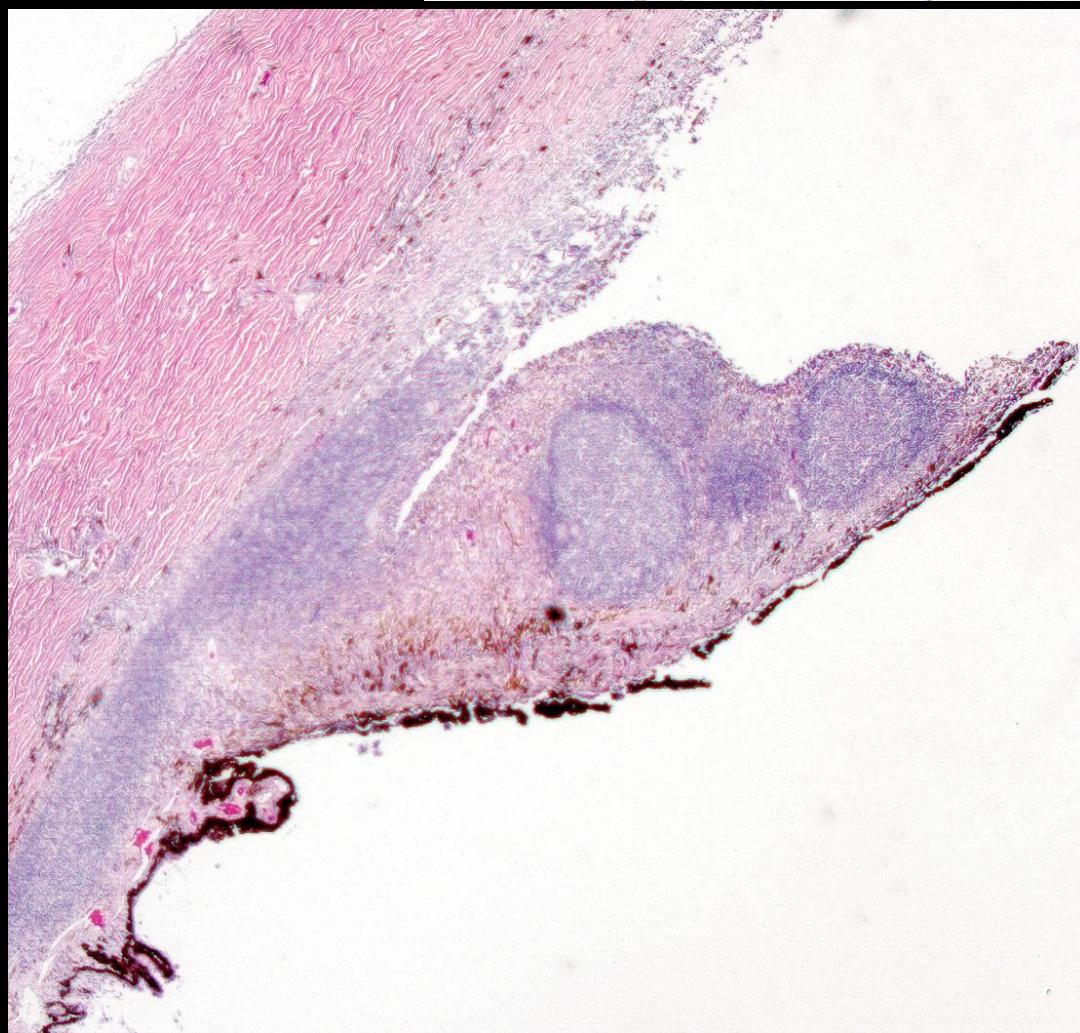
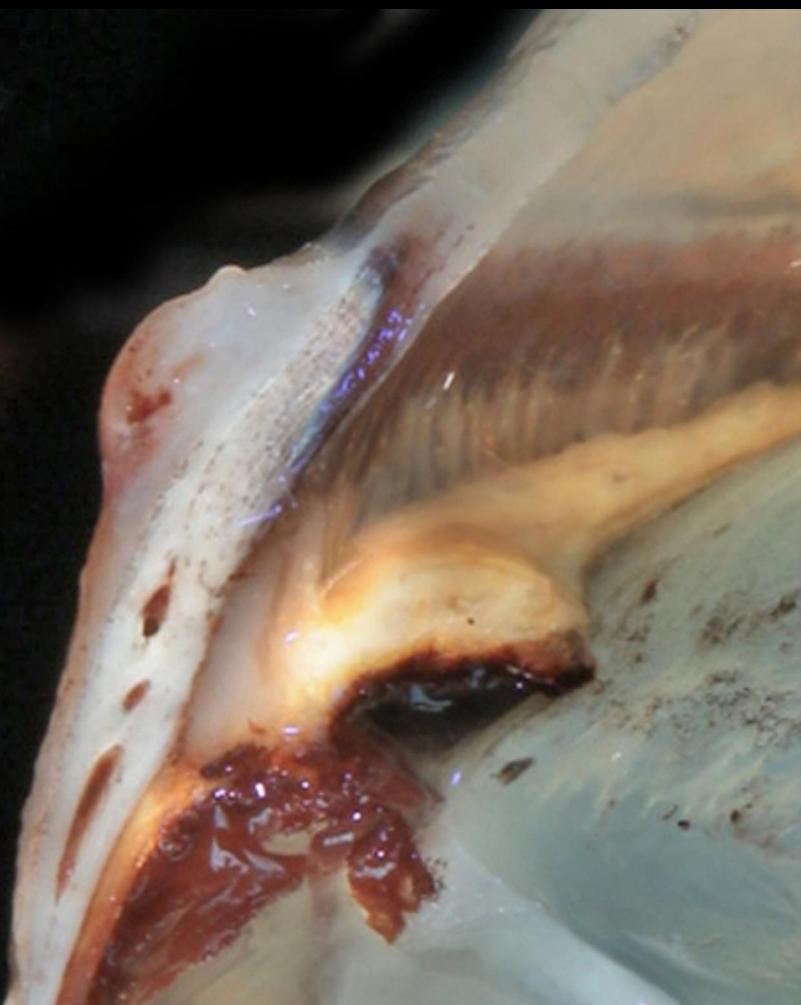
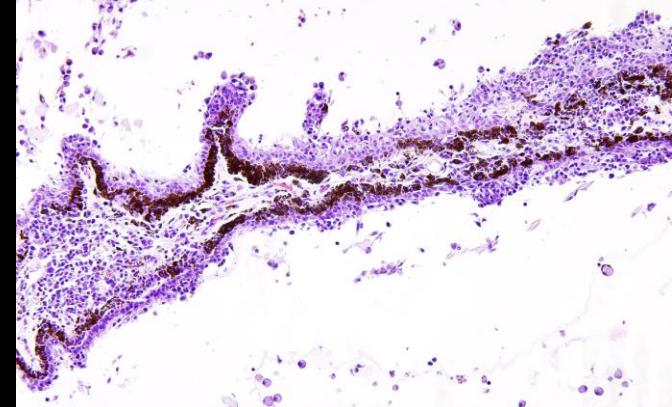
## Classification of Feline glaucoma

Congenital Glaucoma	Anterior Segment Dysgenesis
Primary Glaucoma	Open Angle Glaucoma
Secondary Glaucoma	Anterior uveitis
	Lens luxation (trauma/primary/cataract)
	Hyphema
	Intraocular tumors
	Aqueous misdirection syndrome

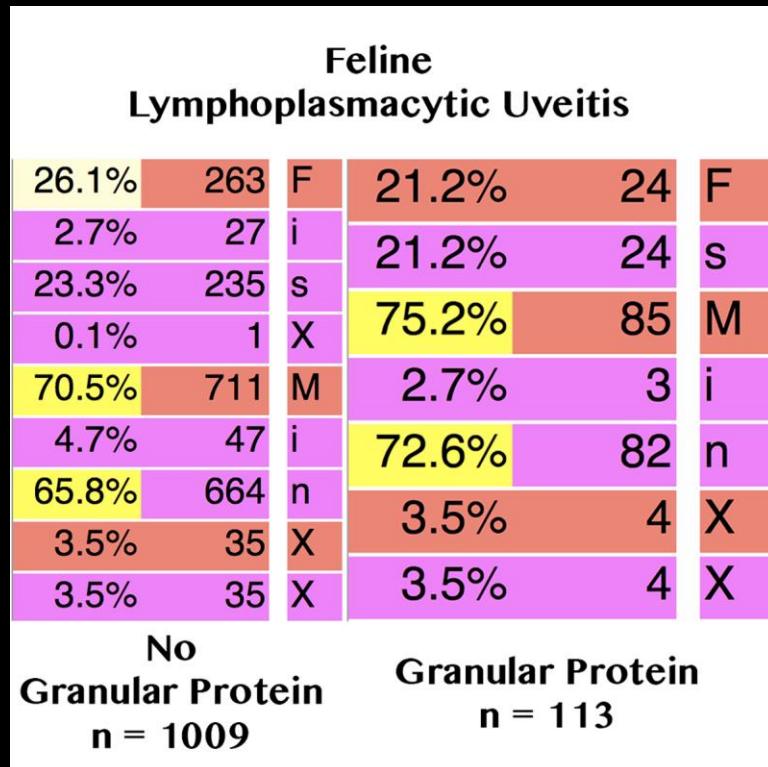
# The Glaucomas of Cats

## *Lymphoplasmacytic Uveitis*

### *861 cases*



# Lymphoplasmacytic Uveitis in Cats by Sex



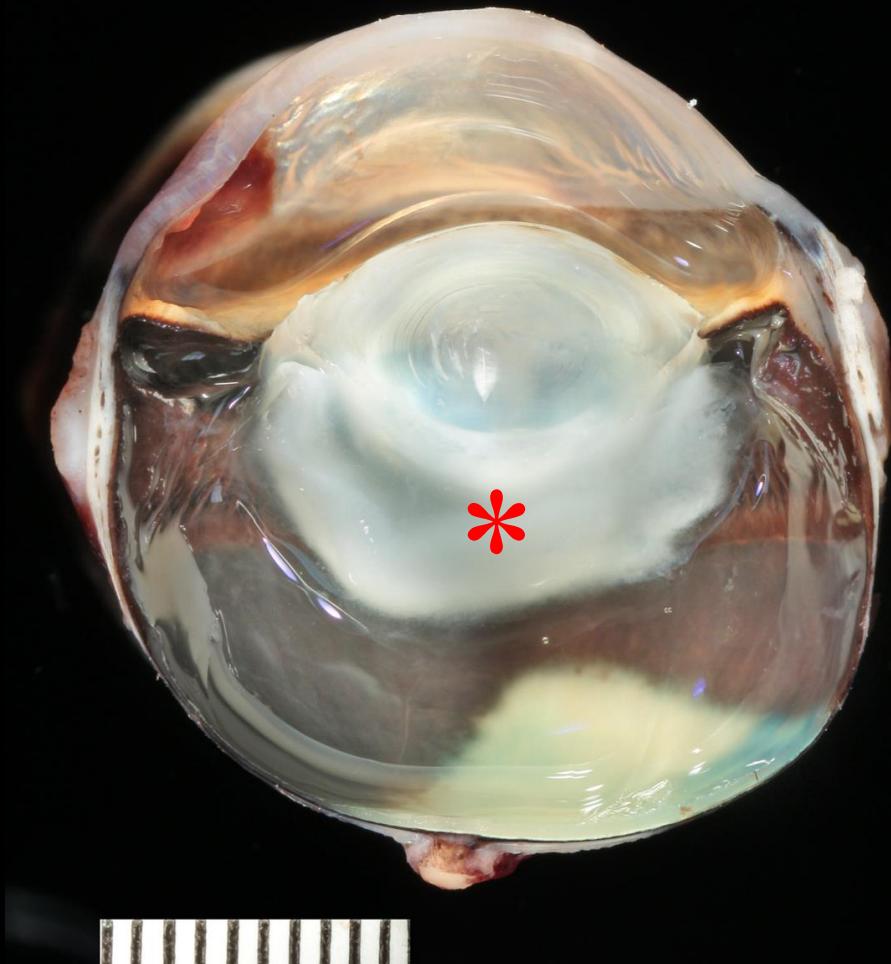
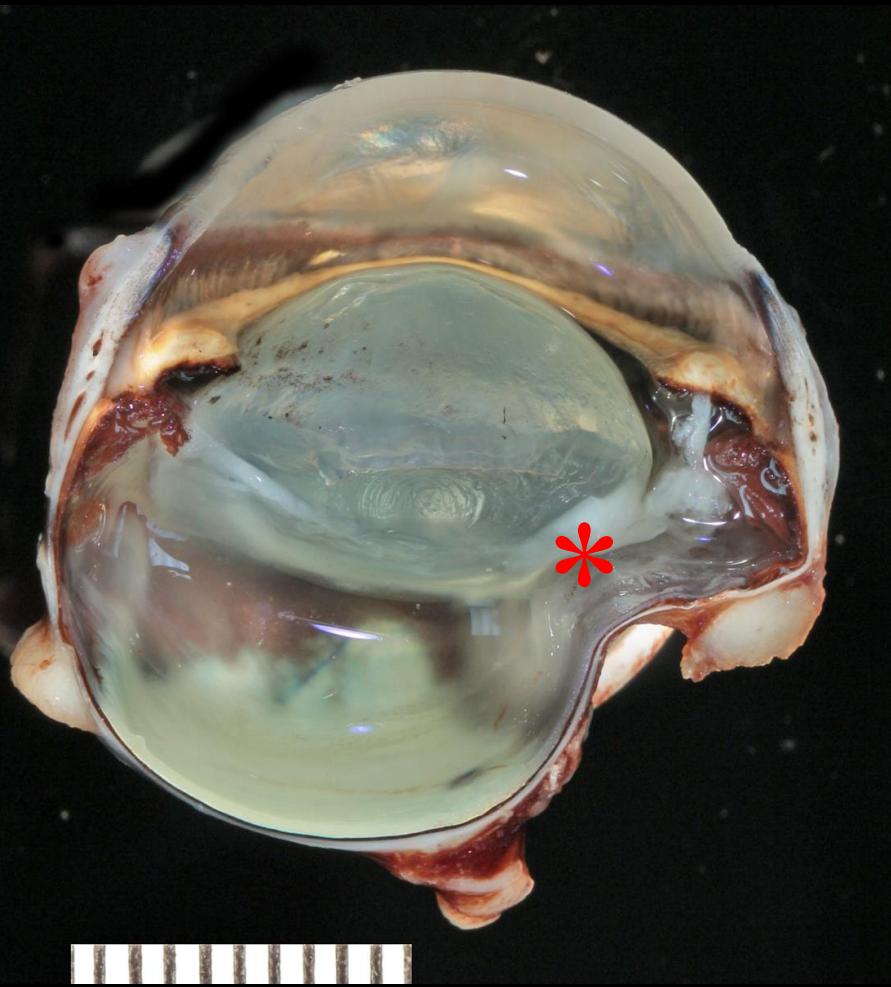
Total cats: 41% Female & 54% Male  
n = 10,300

Melanoma: 45% Female & 52% Male  
n = 2763

Strong Male Bias

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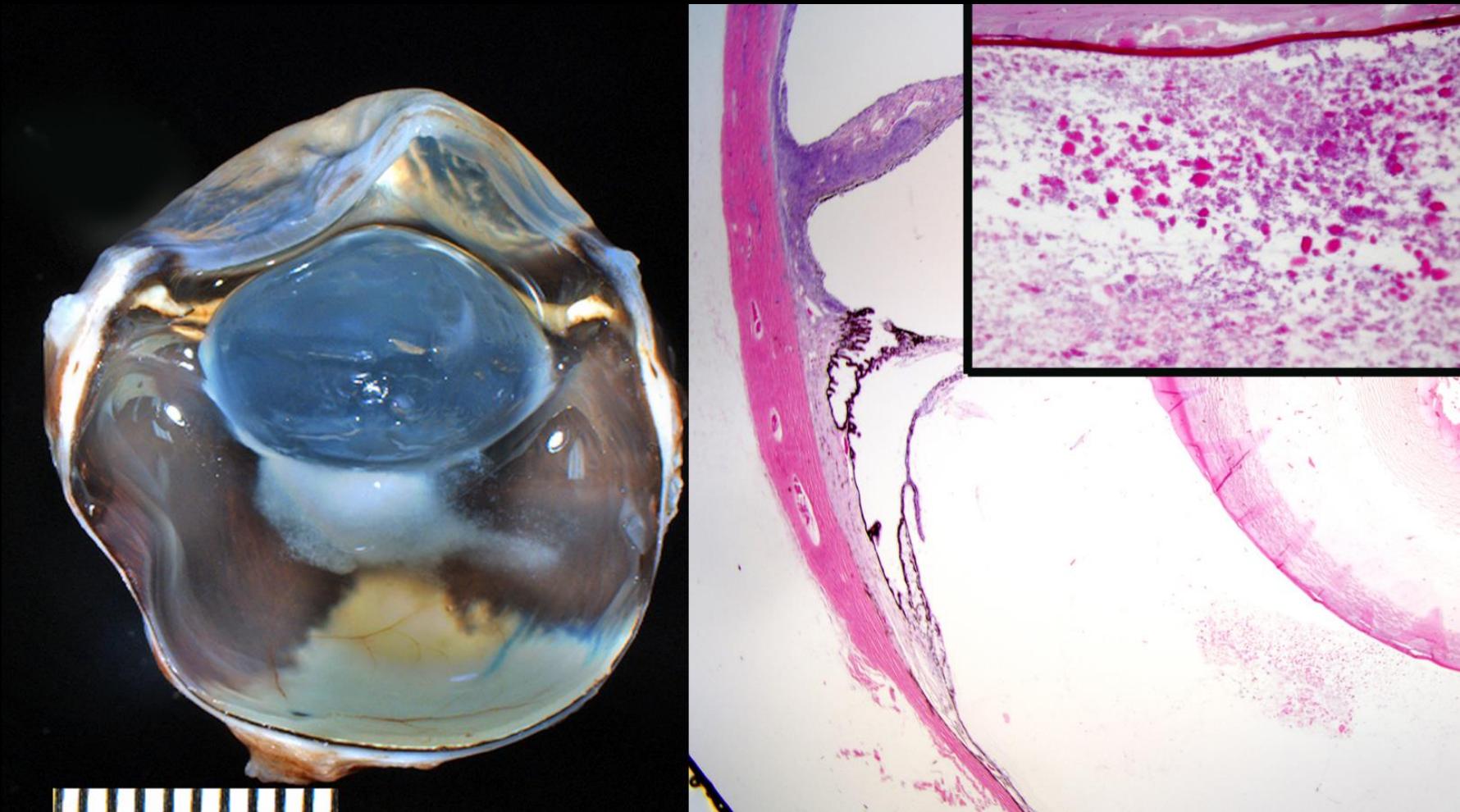
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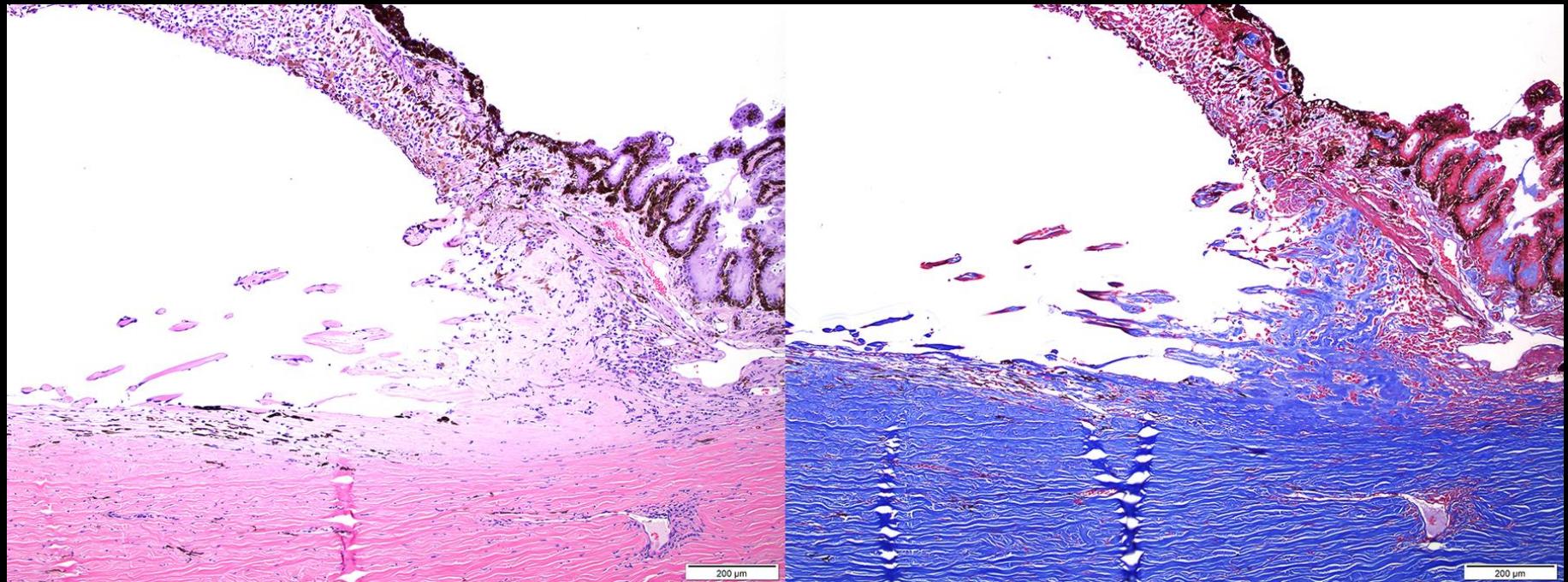
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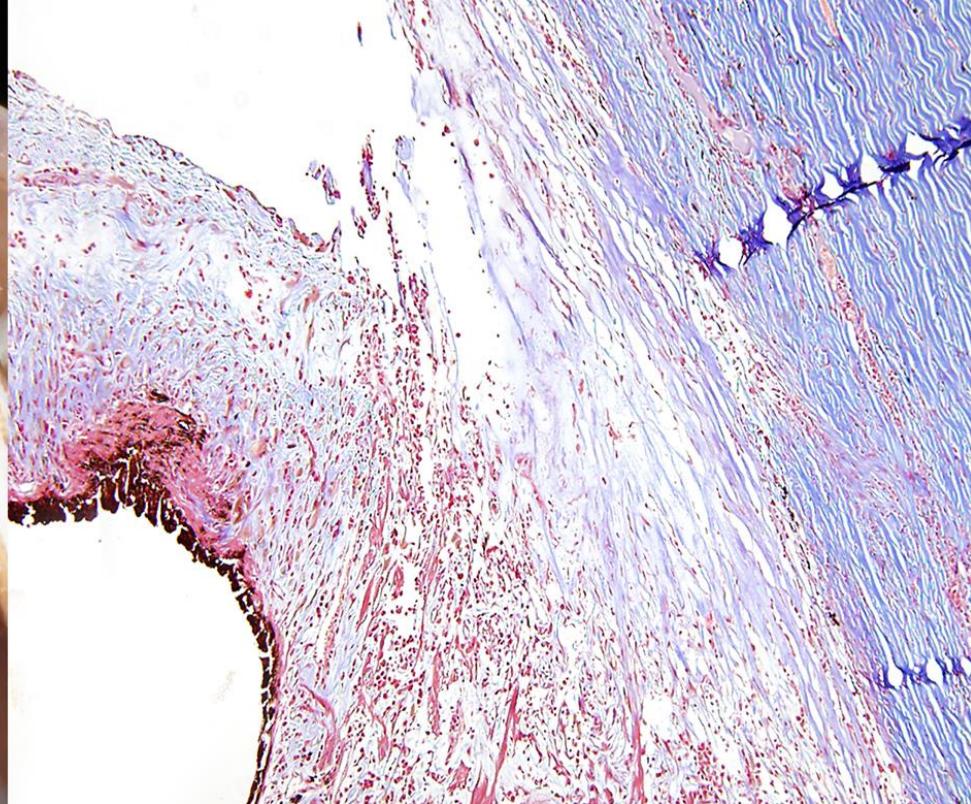
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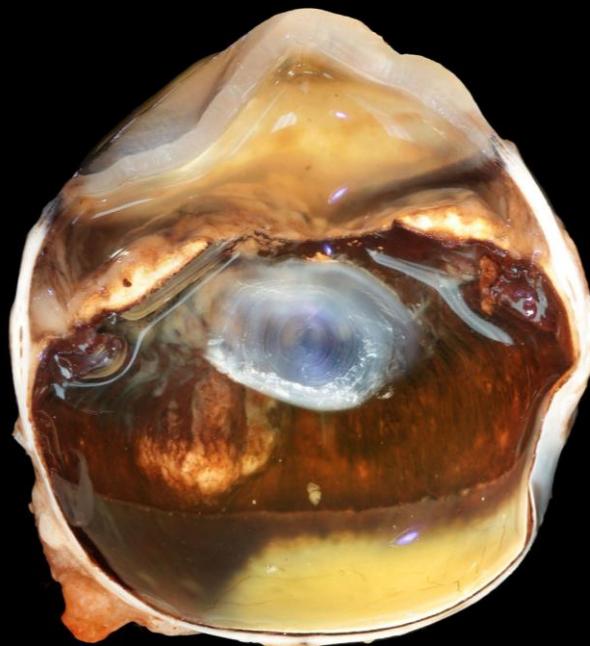
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*Feline Diffuse Iris Melanoma*  
1244 Cases



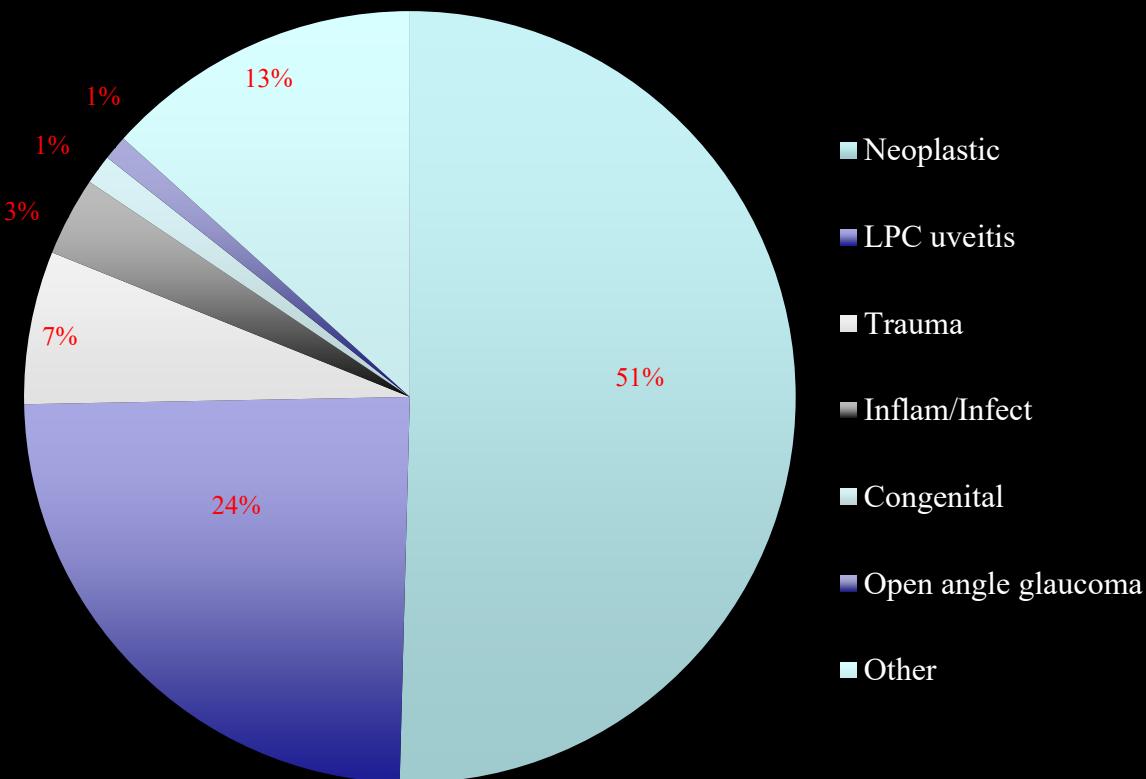
# Feline Open Angle Glaucoma

*Veterinary Ophthalmology* (2008) 11, 3, 162–165

## Feline primary open angle glaucoma

Susan Jacobi\* and Richard R. Dubielzig†

- Increase in IOP and optic nerve and retinal glaucomatous lesions with absence of significant ocular abnormalities.
  - “Open angle, open cleft”.
- 8 cats
- Mean age 9.1 years
- Unilateral presentation
- Burmese, DSH and DLH



# Feline Open Angle Glaucoma

## 33 total cases

- **Sex:** 68% female spayed; 32% male neutered
- **Mean age at presentation:** 10.1 years-old (range 5-18)
- **Breeds:**
  - DSH (n16)
  - DLH (n8)
  - DMH (n4)
  - Burmese (n3)
  - Persian (n2)

# Feline Open Angle Glaucoma

## Presenting complaints

- Dilated pupils
- Enlarged globe
- Vision loss

## Ophthalmic findings

- Absent pupillary light reflexes
- Buphthalmos
- Dilated pupils
- ON atrophy

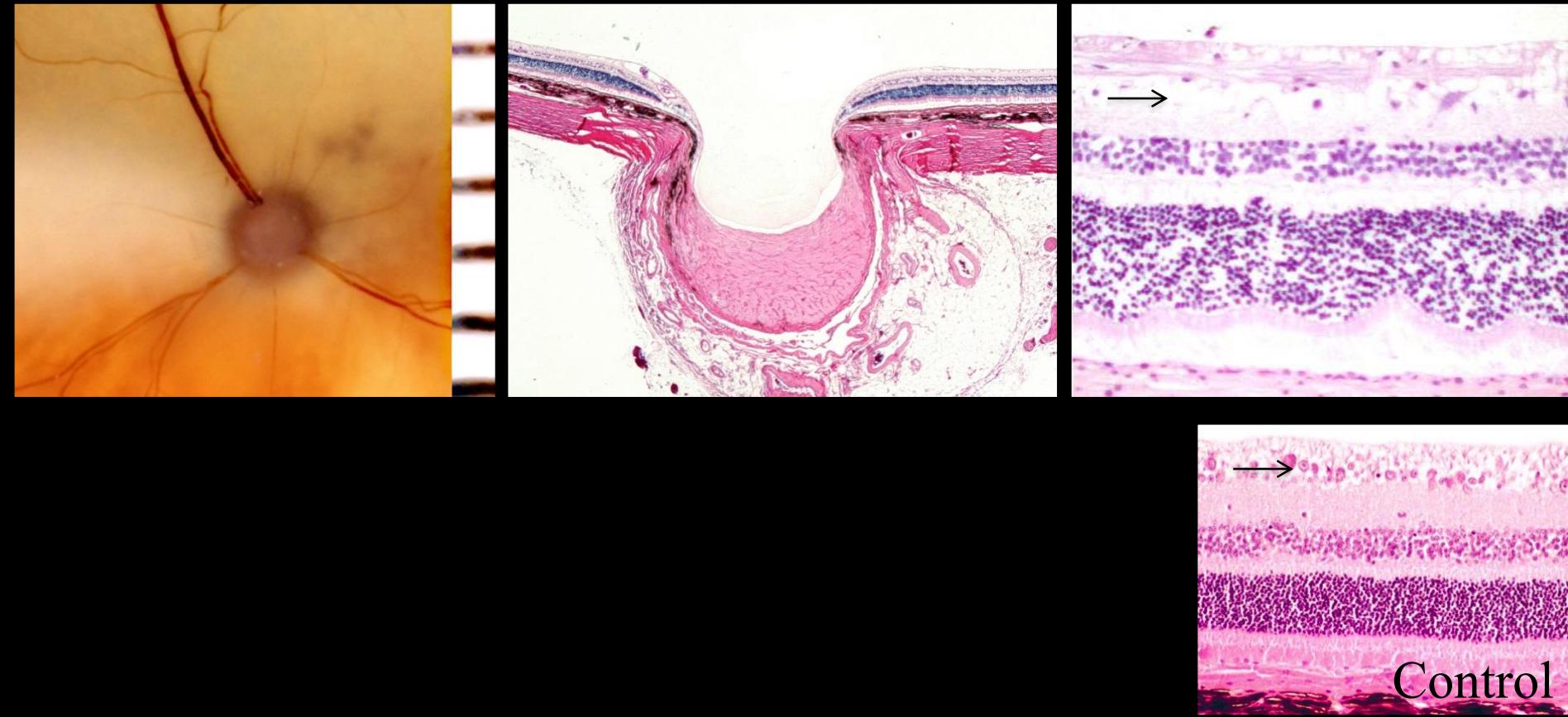


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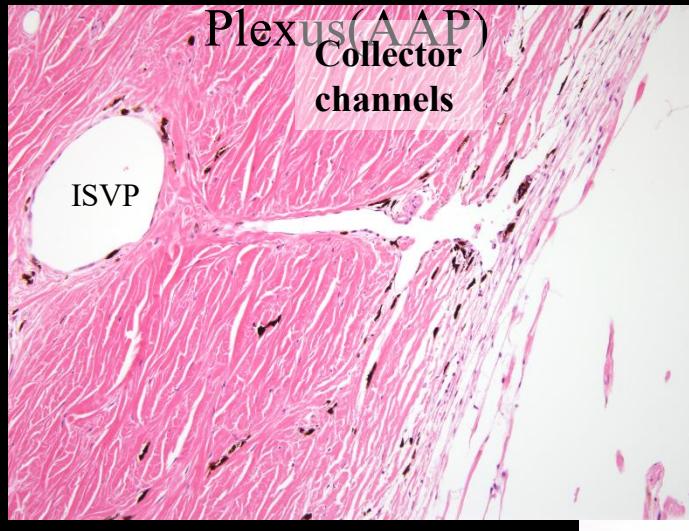
- **Mean IOP at enucleation:** 47.7mmHg (range 25-67)
- **Laterality:**
  - 58% Bilaterally affected (17/29)
  - 24% OD only (7/29)
  - 17% OS only (5/29)
- **Glaucoma in the contralateral eye:**
  - 29% (5/17) Glaucoma OU at first presentation
  - 53% (9/17) Developed glaucoma other eye < 1 year.
  - 17% (3/17) Developed glaucoma other eye > 1 year.
  - **Average time to glaucoma in the 2nd eye after diagnosis:**  
10 months (range 3 weeks-5 years).



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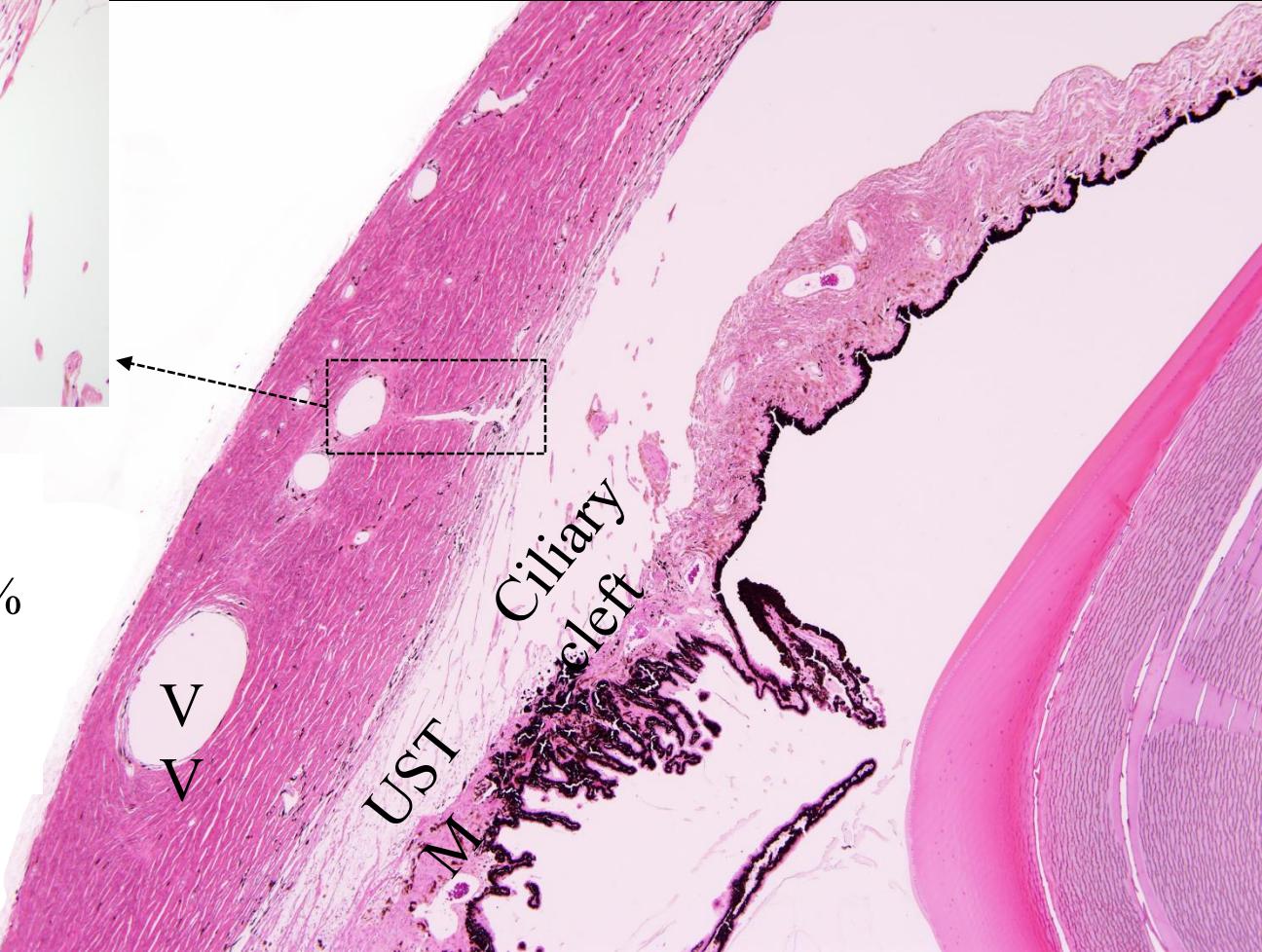
# ICA and aqueous outflow anatomy in cats



## Cat Aqueous outflow

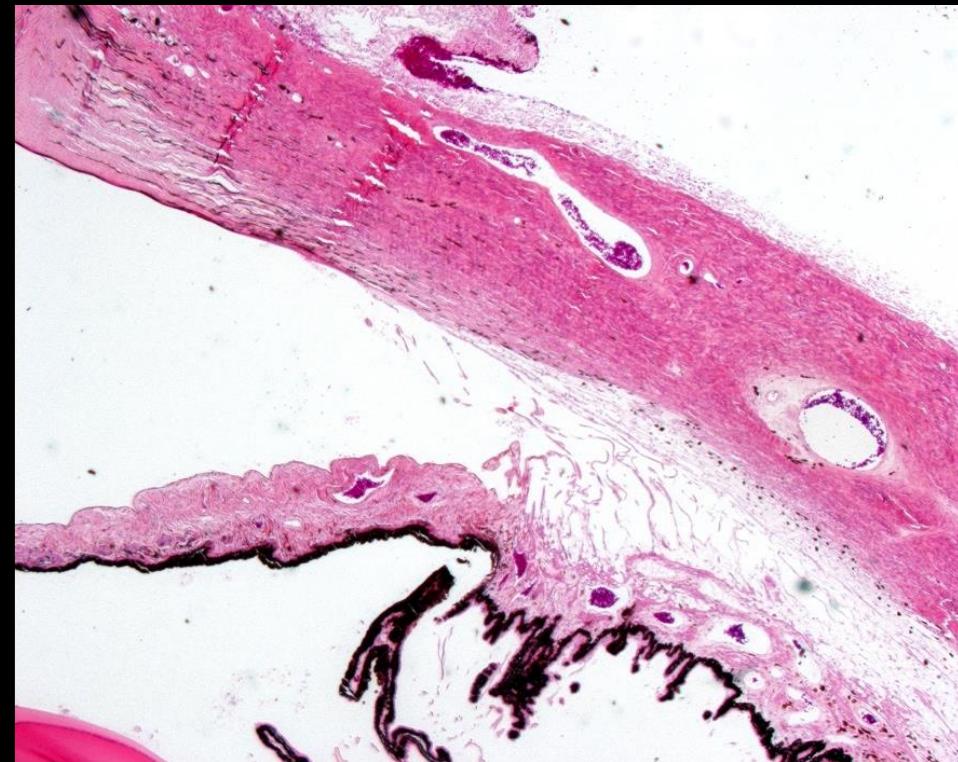
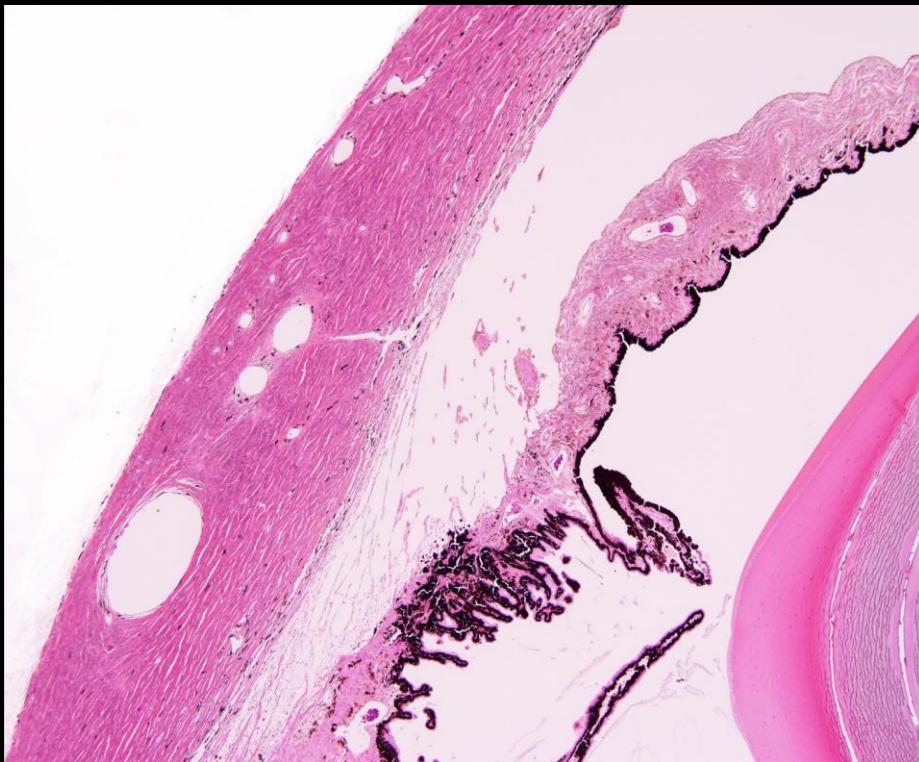
Conventional Pathway 97%

Uveal scleral pathway 3%

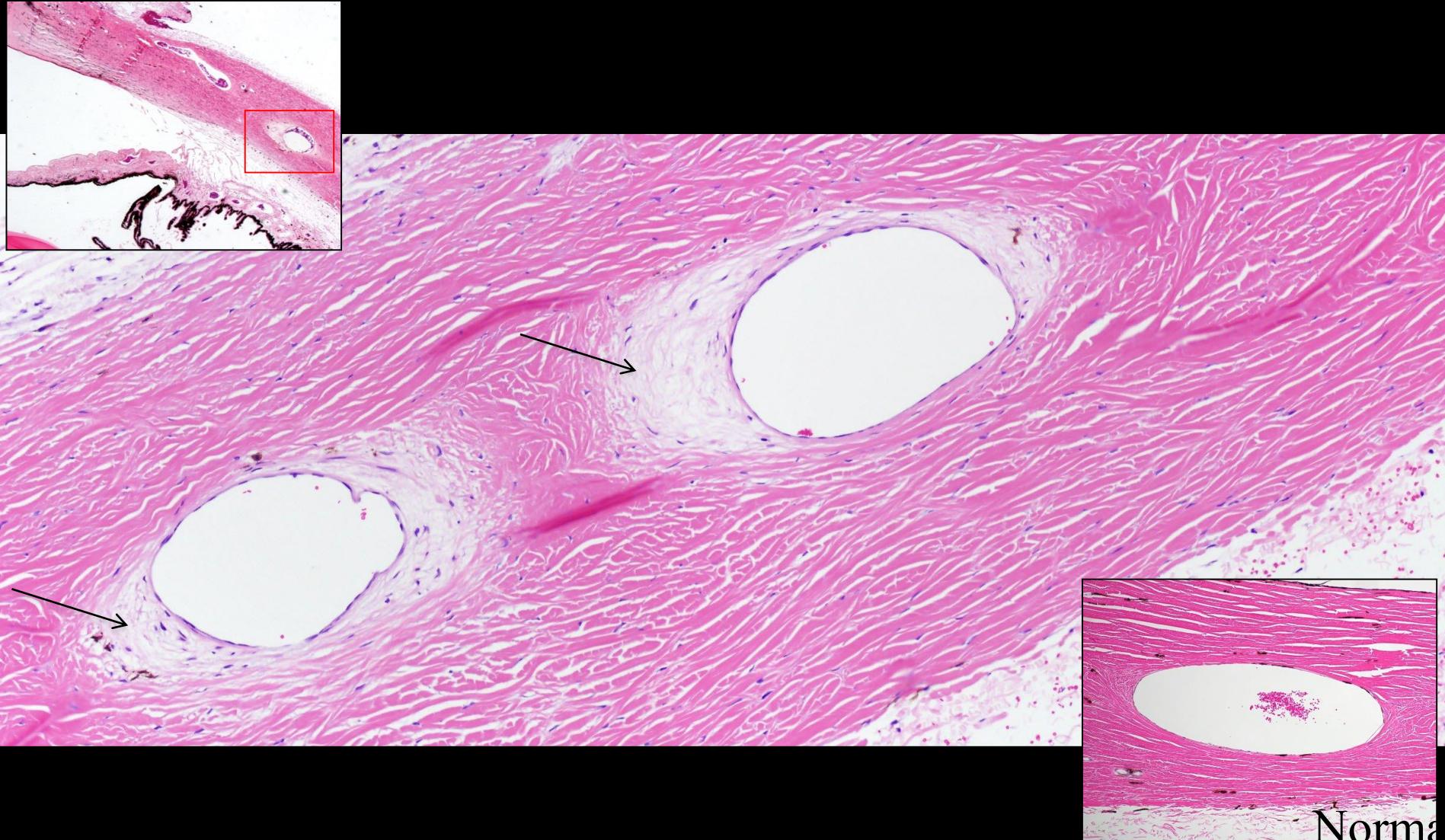


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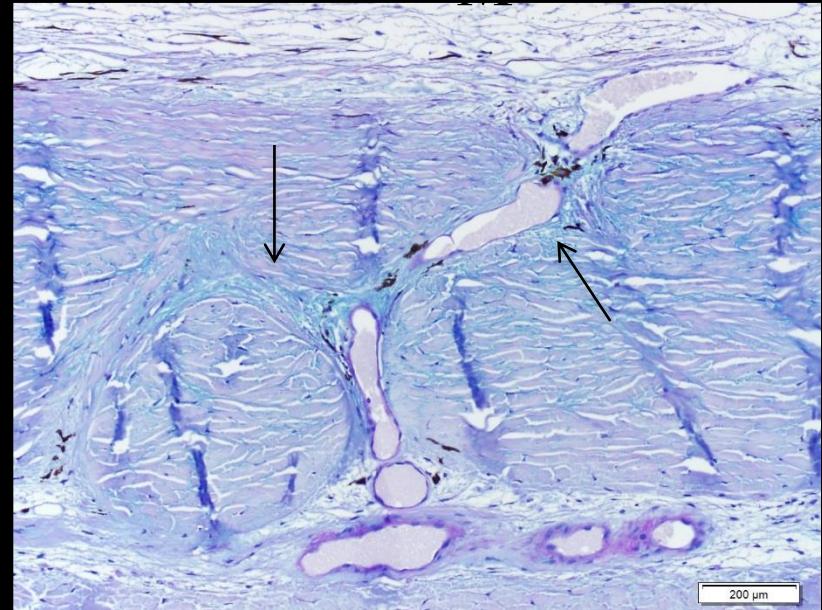
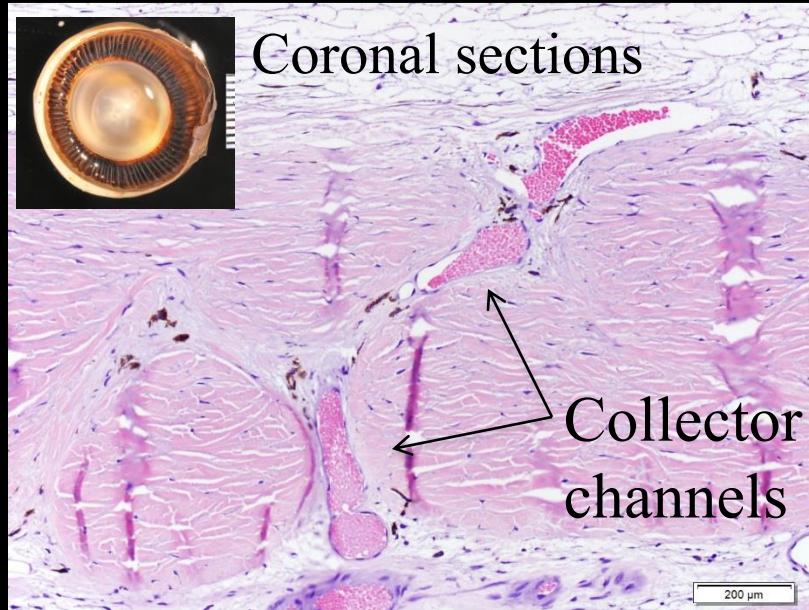
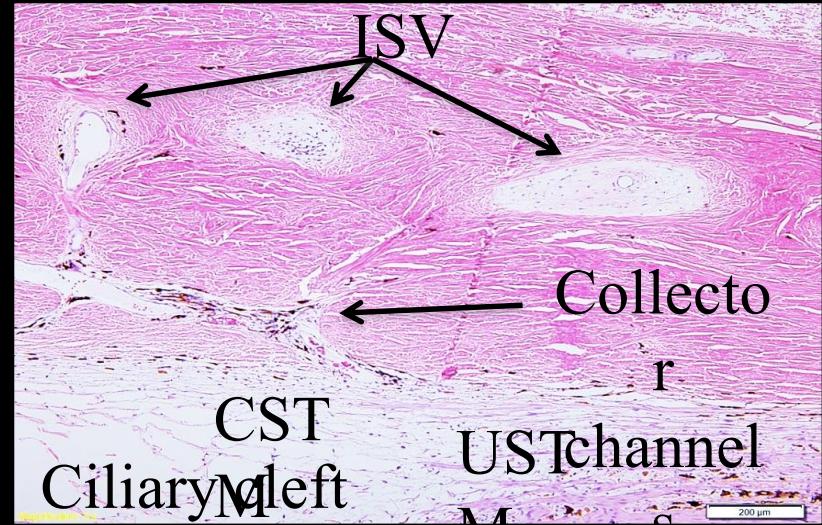
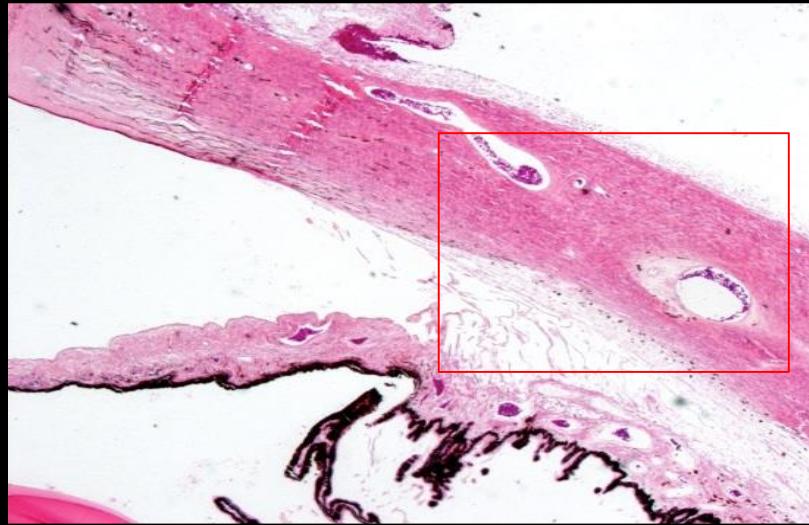
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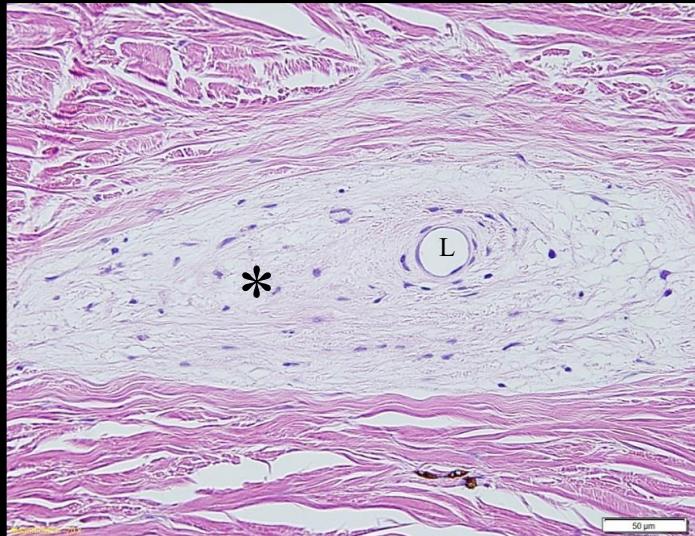
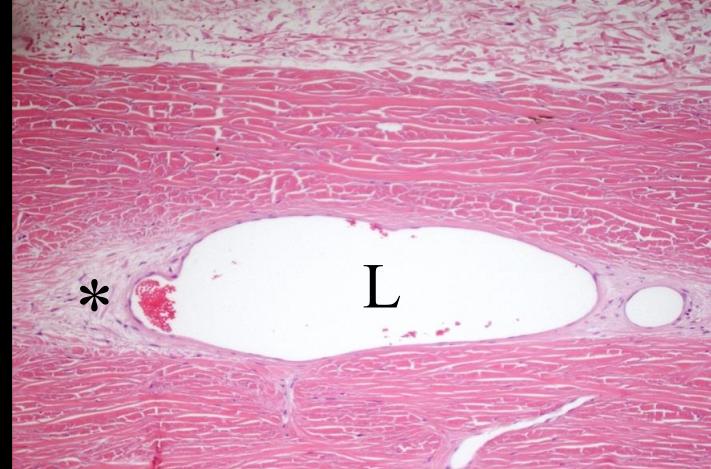
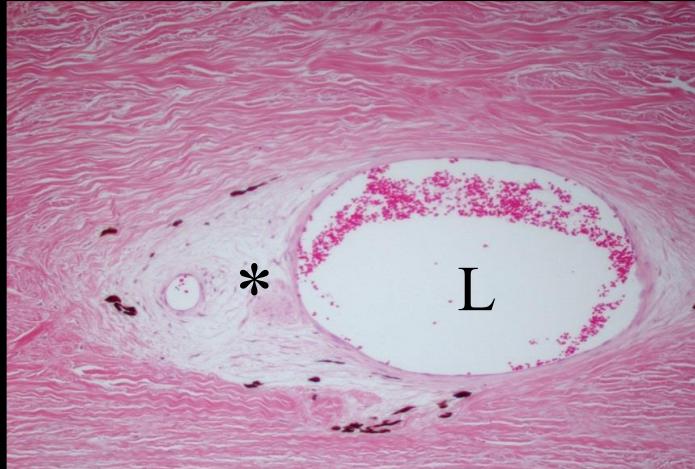
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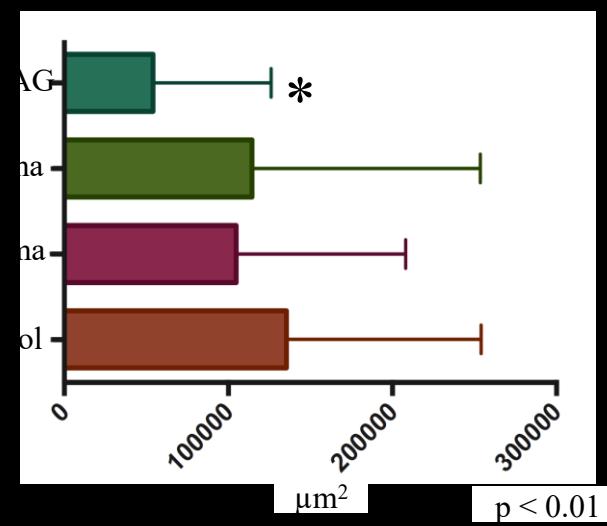
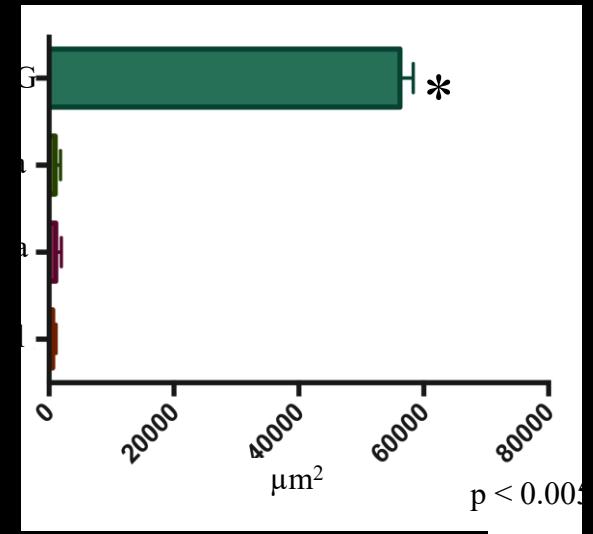
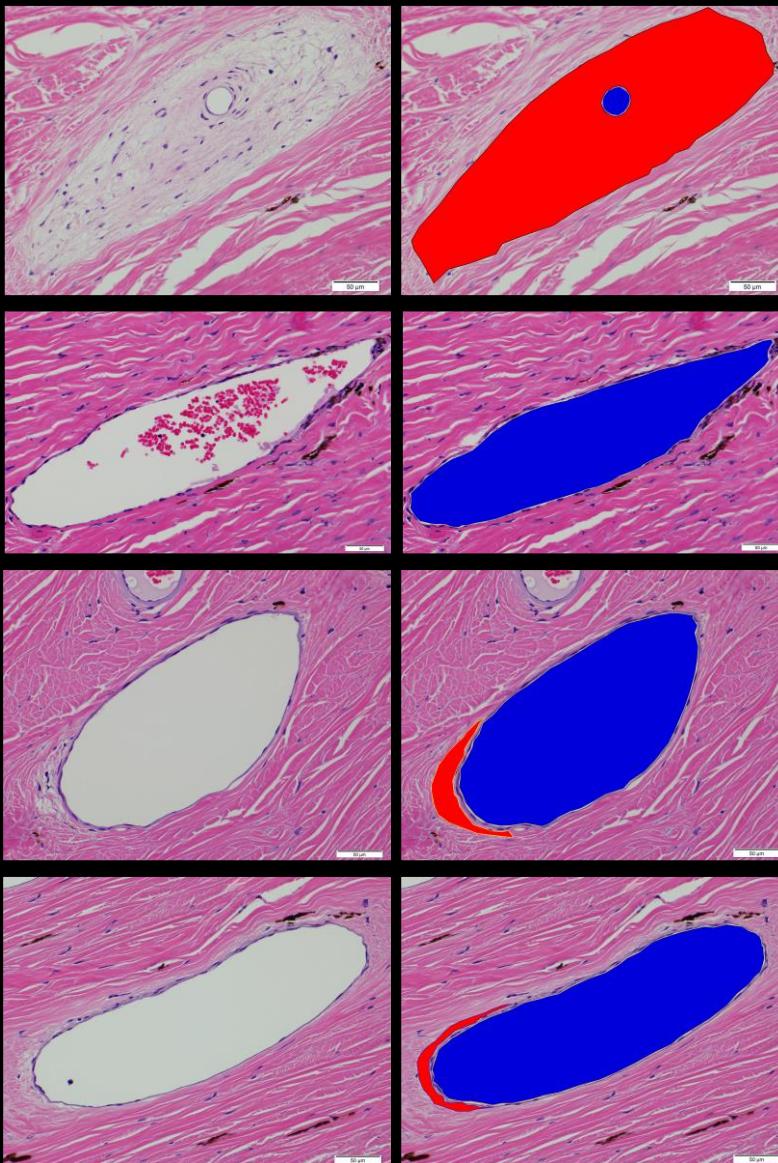
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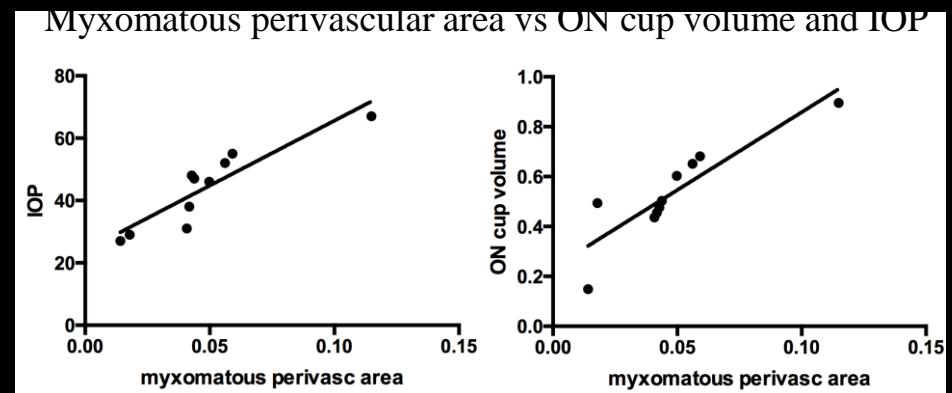
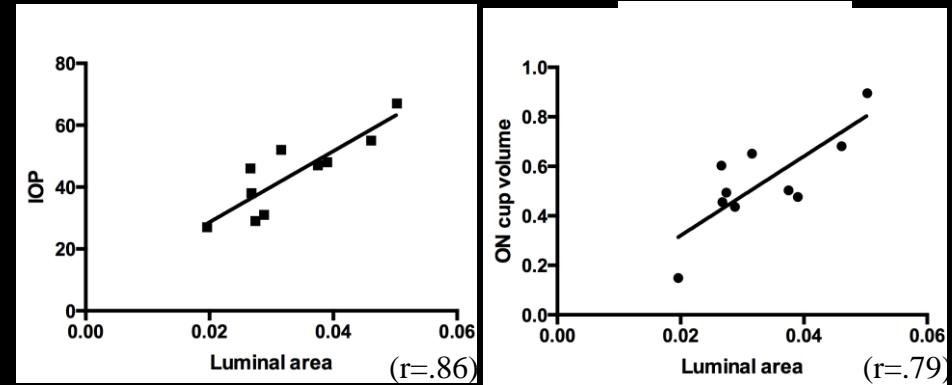
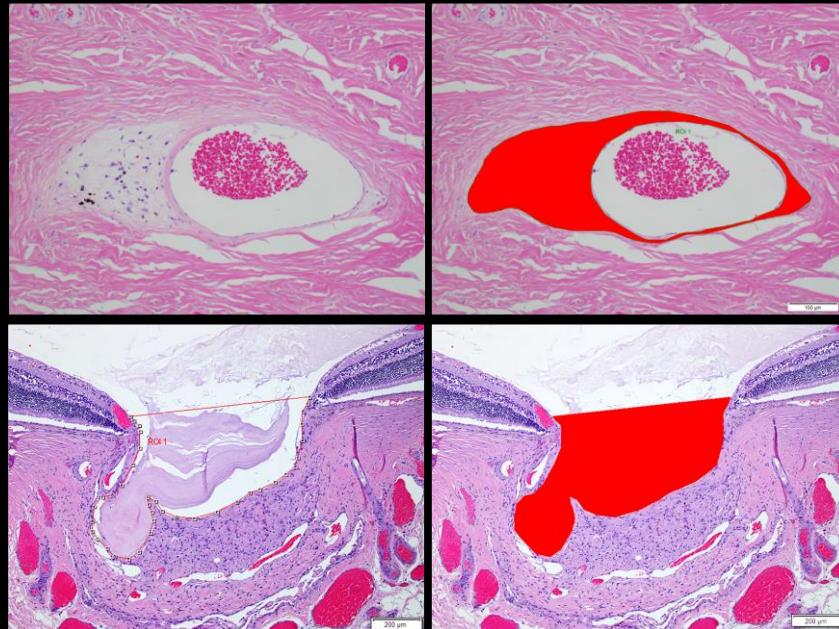


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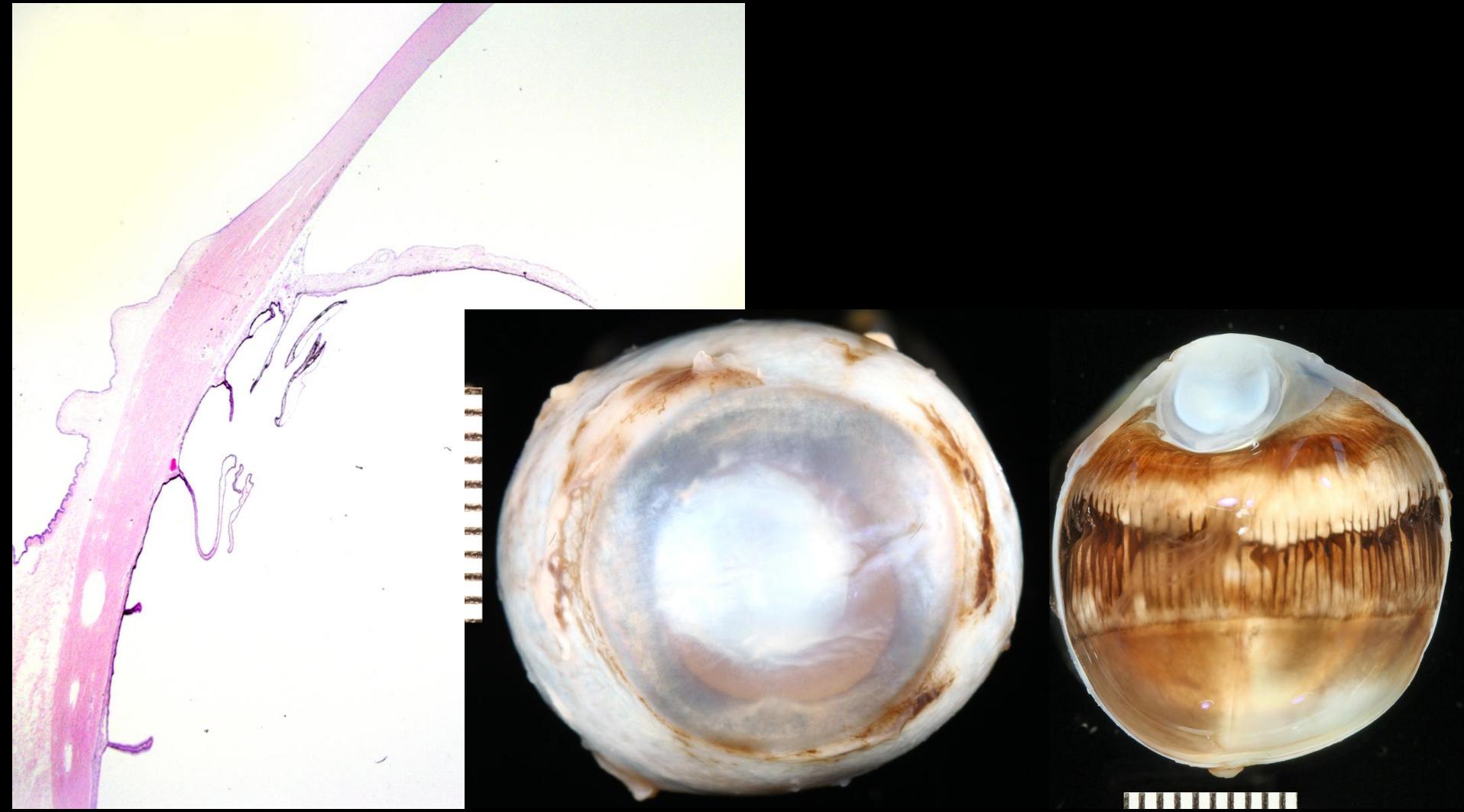
Luminal and Perivascular Myxomatous Tissue Area Correlates with IOP and Optic Nerve Cup Area



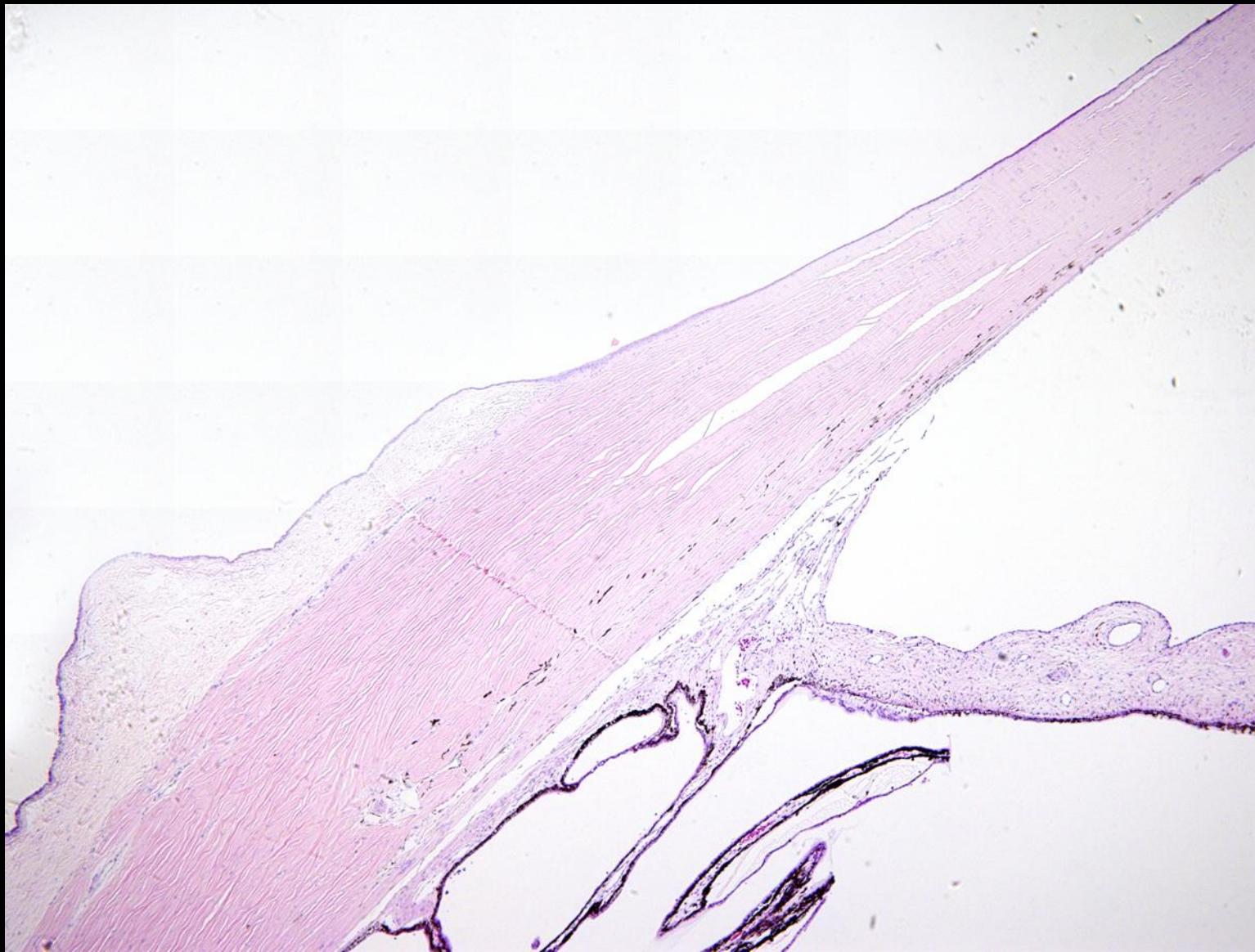
# Feline Open Angle Glaucoma

- FOAG uncommon and insidious disease.
  - Adult, females, bilateral, no breed predilection.
- Morphology suggest a post-trabecular obstruction of aqueous outflow.
- Perivascular deposition of myxomatous matrix and luminal narrowing correlate with glaucoma markers.
- Pathophysiology still poorly understood.

# Congenital Glaucoma



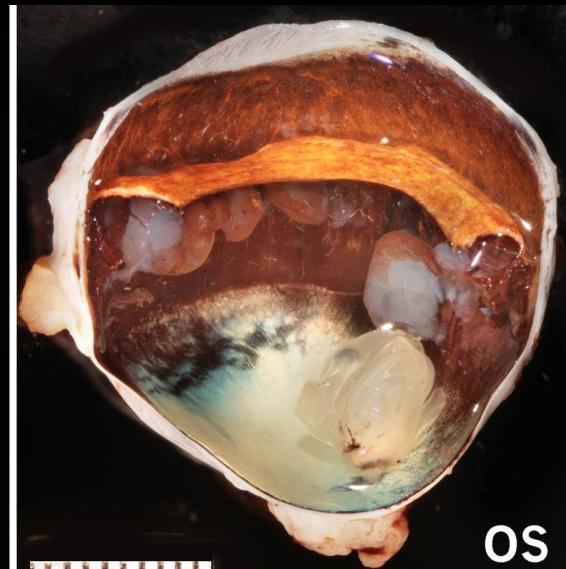
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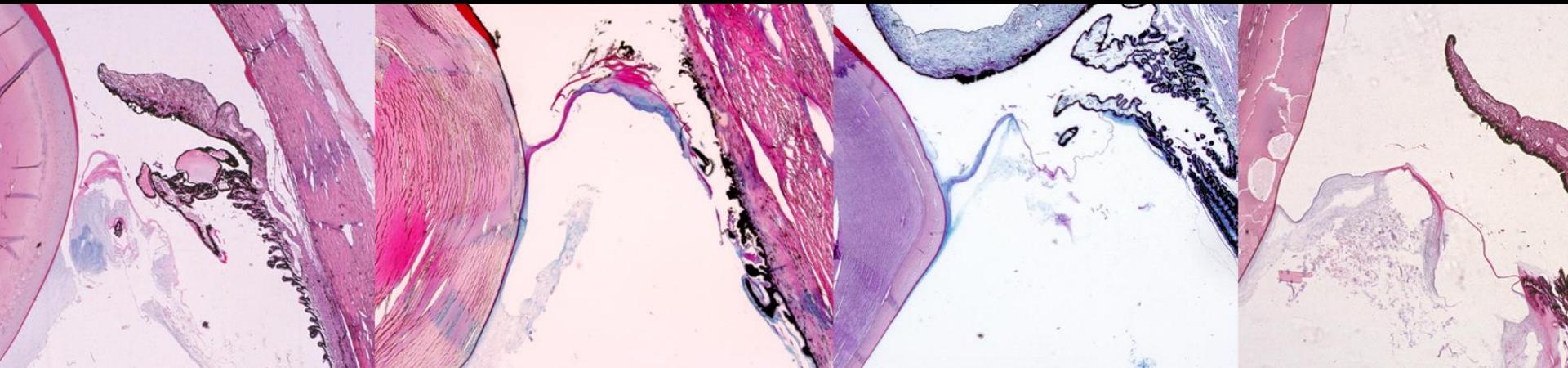


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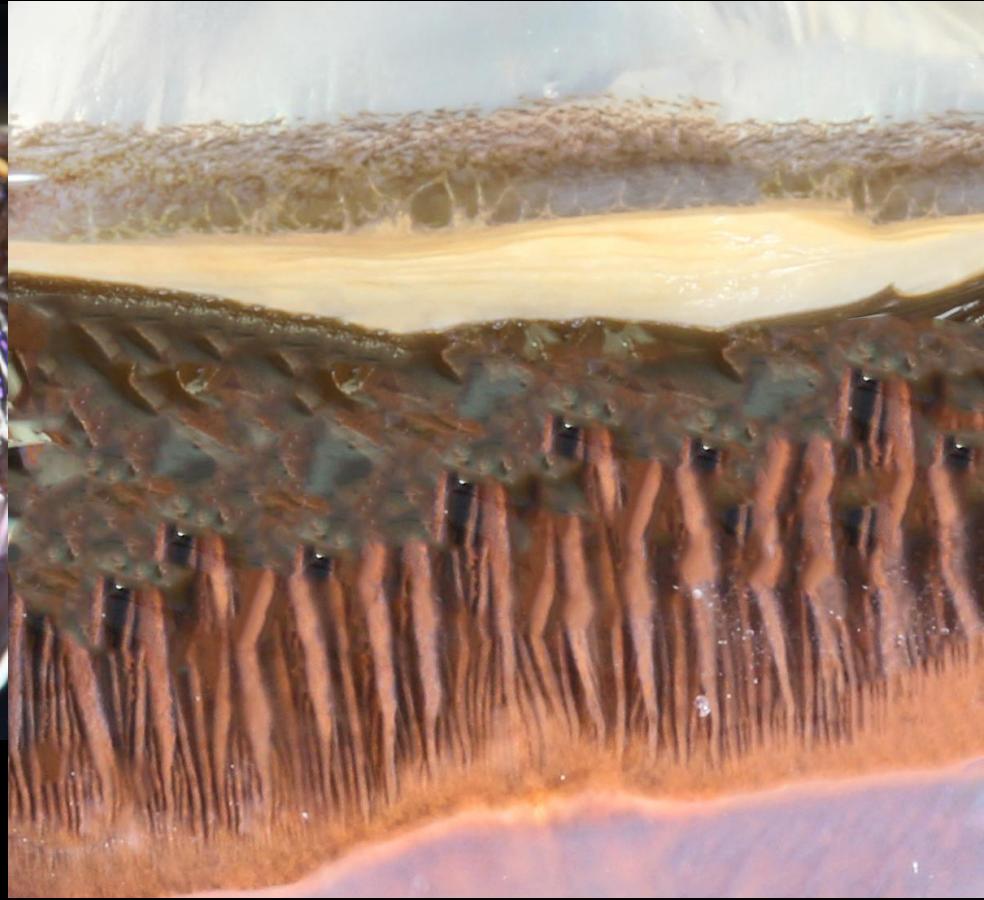


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# Aqueous Misdirect Syndrome



# Primary Lens Luxation Cats



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