IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS – RELATED OPHTHALMIC DISORDERS



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I. Opportunistic Infections

A. Retina

- 1. CMV Retinitis
- a. Complications
- (i) Immune Recovery Uveitis
- 2. Other Retinal Infection (Caused by various agents.

VZV and Toxoplasma gondii being most common; most occur in less than 1% of patient with AIDS).

B. Choroid (uncommon; caused by various agents, fungi and mycobacteria being most **common**)

C. Ocular surface and adnexa (important agents include VZV, microsporidia, molluscum contagiosum virus)

II. Vascular abnormalities

- A. Microvasculopathy
- 1. HIV retinopathy (cotton-wool spots, retinal hemorrhages)
- B. Retinal arteriolar and venular occlusions (uncommon)

III. Neoplasia

- A. Kaposi sarcoma (conjunctiva, eyelids)
- B. Lymphoma (Intraocular)
- C. Squamous cell carcinoma (conjunctiva)

IV. Other disorders of uncertain pathogenesis

- A. Intraocular inflammation
- 1. Chronic anterior uveitis (uncommon)
- 2. Chronic multifocal retinal infiltrates (uncommon)
- 3. Iatrogenic uveitis (drug related: cidofovir: rifabutin)
- B. Blepharitis
- C. Dry Eye
- V. Neuro-ophthalmic disorders associated with orbital or intracranial disease