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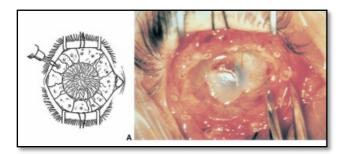


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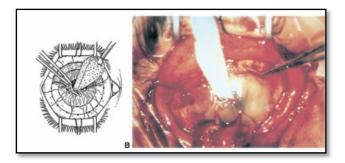
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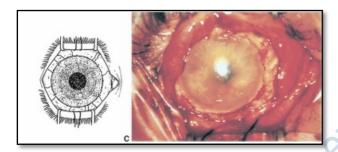
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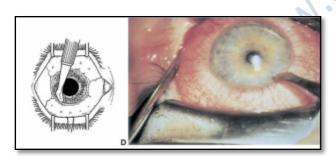
A] With disposable cautery, the area of bulbar conjunctiva to be resected is marked approximately 2 mm posterior to the limbus.



B] After conjunctival resection, abnormal corneal epithelium and fibrovascular pannus are stripped by blunt dissection using cellulose sponges and tissue forceps.



C] Additional surface polishing smoothens the stromal surface and improves clarity.



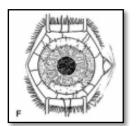
D] Superior and inferior limbal grafts are delineated in the donor eye with focal applications of cautery approximately 2 mm posterior to the limbus. The initial incision is made superficially within clear cornea using a disposable knife.



E] The bulbar conjunctival portion of the graft is undermined and thinly dissected from its limbal attachment.







F] The limbal grafts are transferred to their corresponding sites in the recipient eye and are secured with interrupted sutures, 10-0 nylon suture at the corneal edge and 8-0 polyglycolic acid suture at the conjunctival margin.

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