

# Pingeculum





**SYMPTOMS AND SIGNS** 

**DESCRIPTION** 

### **Symptoms:**

- May be asymptomatic
- Foreign body sensation
- Dry eye symptoms
- Rarely discomfort (only when inflamed)

#### Signs:

- Yellow-white mound on the bulbar conjunctiva
- adjacent to the limbus; nasal > temporal.
- Calcification occasionally visible.

Extremely common, innocuous, asymptomatic 'elastotic' degeneration of the collagen fibres of conjunctival stroma.

### **Documentation and routine review** (12 months) required.

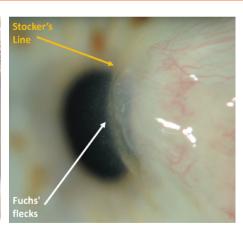
- Discuss UV, dust/wind protection
- Educate on possible progression to pterygium
- Lubricants if required



## Pterygium







#### **SYMPTOMS AND SIGNS**

#### **Symptoms:**

- · Ocular redness
- Foreign body sensation
- Dry eye symptoms
- Epiphora
- Irritation and discomfort when inflamed

#### Signs:

- Location: nasal > temporal
- Increased corneal astigmatism (WTR astigmatism)
- Keratometric distortion
- Changes in vision with encroachment towards visual axis
- Small haemorrhages at apex indicative of aggressive activity
- Fuchs' flecks: small discrete whitish flecks consisting of clusters of pterygial epithelial cells often present at the advancing edge
- · Chronic:
  - o Stocker's line: linear epithelial iron deposition may be seen anterior to the head of the pterygium

#### **DESCRIPTION**

Triangular fibrovascular subepithelial ingrowth of degenerative bulbar conjunctival tissue over the limbus onto the cornea

**Risk factors:** Age (young people), Gender (M>F), Outdoor Activities, Race (Caucasian), UV exposure, Dust, Wind, Hobbies (e.g. surfing/fishing) and Smoking.

## Documentation and routine review (6-12 months) required.

- Assess degree of symptoms/ visual impairment
- Monitor with photograph, VA, refraction, keratometry, topography
- Discuss UV, dust/wind protection
- Educate on progression
- ubricants, address blepharitis + MGD, short topical steroid course if required

### Referral to an Ophthalmologist is required if:

- Progressive growth into visual axis
- Significant change in vision/astigmatism
- Significant symptoms: irritation, recurrent inflammation not relieved by topical medication
- Atypical appearance such as possible dysplasia
- Limited ocular motility
- Cosmesis



# Ocular Surface Squamous Neoplasia (OSSN)









#### **SYMPTOMS AND SIGNS**

#### **Symptoms:**

- · May be asymptomatic
- Ocular redness
- · Foreign body sensation

#### Signs:

- Often begins at limbus
- Usually in interpalpebral zone of older patients
- Epithelial thickening; frosted glass appearance
- Nodular, irregular edges
- Pigmentation can occur in dark-skinned patients
- Prominent corkscrew vascular pattern and feeder vessels (large feeder vessels indicate invasion)
- Conjunctival injection (can masquerade as chronic conjunctivitis)
- May appear gelatinous (with superficial vessels); papilliform (when it has a papillary appearance); or leukoplakic (with a white keratin plaque covering the lesion)
- Intraocular extension is uncommon and metastatic spread is extremely rare
- Extremes disease can cause inability to close eye, proptosis and/or diplopia due to mass effect

#### **DESCRIPTION**

A spectrum of benign, pre-malignant and malignant unilateral slowly-progressive epithelial lesions of the conjunctiva and cornea.

- CIN (conjunctival/cornea intraepithelial neoplasia)
  - Conjunctival dysplasia
  - Carcinoma-in-situ
- 2. Squamous Cell carcinoma (SCC)

Incidence of 1:50,000

Origin: Pterygium, CIN, De-novo.

**Risk factors:** UV Exposure, pale skin, older age immunosuppression, HIV, Xeroderma pigmentosum, smoking, HPV 16,18, Trachoma, Vit A deficiency.

Urgent referral to an Ophthalmologist is required. (If unsure refer for biopsy to confirm diagnosis)