Cystoid Macular Edema



What is Cystoid Macular Edema (CME)?

Cystoid Macular Edema (CME), or swelling of the macula, typically occurs as a result of inflammatory disease, injury, or eye surgery. Fluid collects within the layers of the macula, causing blurred and/or distorted central vision. CME rarely causes permanent loss of vision, but the recovery is often a slow and gradual process. CME may require

diagnostic testing to be detected, an OCT and/or fluorescein angiogram (FA) may be performed.

Signs and Symptoms of CME

- Blurry central vision
- Distorted vision (straight lines appear wavy or bent)
- Light sensitivity
- Vision is tinted pink

Treatment options

In most cases CME can be treated with prescription eye drops. In some cases, intravitreal injections may need to be performed to decrease the swelling.





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