



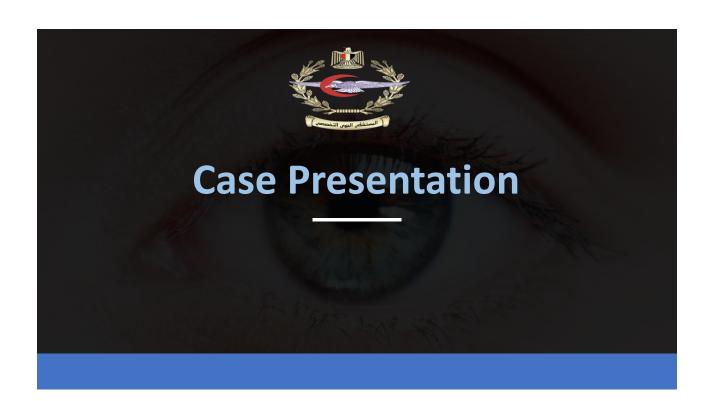


Introduction

Military pilot selection

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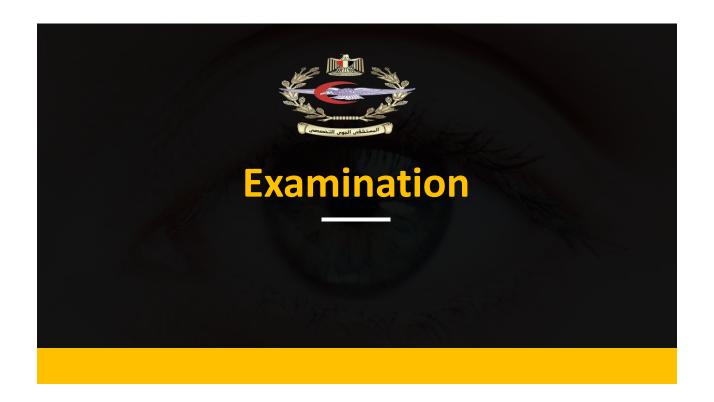


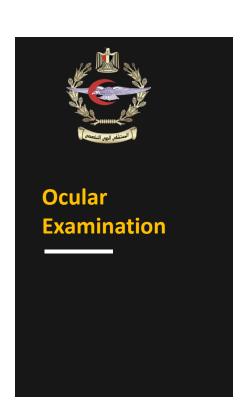


- Male patient aged 32 years, military pilot.
- Presented to Hospital complaining of diminution of vision.

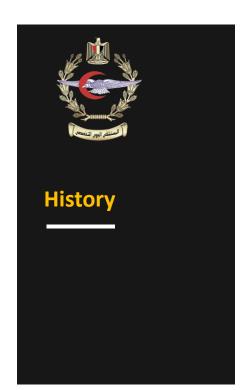


Aeromedical Waiver
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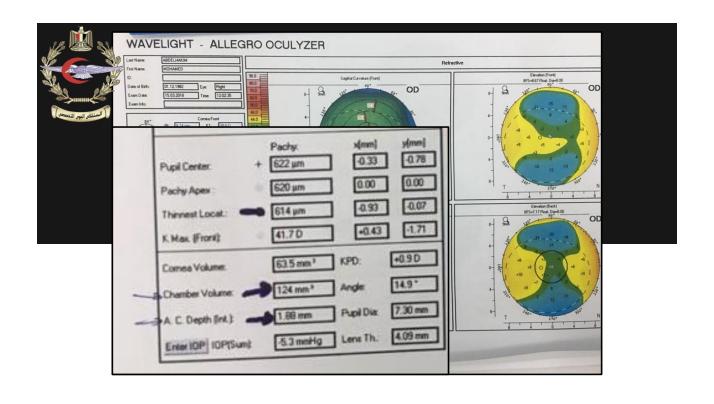


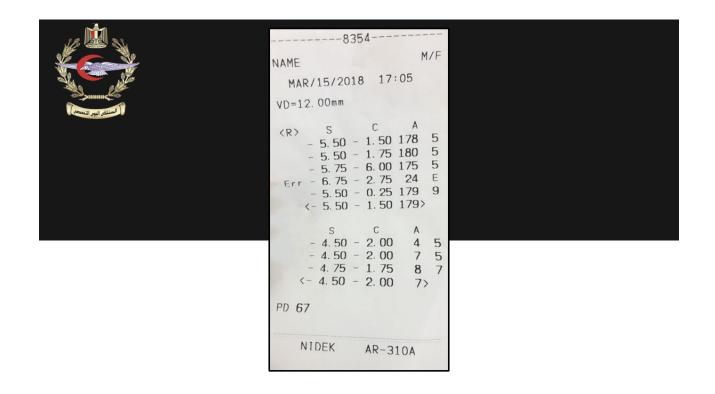


- V/A: 4/60 Bilateral
- Conjunctival hyperemia
- Bilateral corneal edema.
- Very shallow anterior chamber.
- IOP: 48 OD, 54 OS
- Regular rounded sluggish reactive pupil.
- High myopia -6 D.



Past history of severe migraine in last 10 days.







Ultrasound biomicroscopy

- Ultrasound biomicroscopy of the right eye showing appositional closure of nasal angle with supraciliary effusion
- Ultrasound biomicroscopy of left eye showing occluded angle with supraciliary effusion of nasal angle

History of severe migraine, the patient started to take Topiramate (Topamax) 10 days before presentation.

He began with 50mg per day for 5 days then 100mg per day for 5 days.

The diminution of vision started gradually from the 2nd day of Topamax intake



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Topamax



Topamax is a sulfamate-substituted monosaccharide originally developed and used as an anti-convulsant medication to prevent epileptic seizures.

. Topamax is occasionally used as an antidepressant. In children, it is indicated for the treatment of Lennox-Gastaut syndrome, a disorder that causes seizures and developmental delay.



What is Topamax?

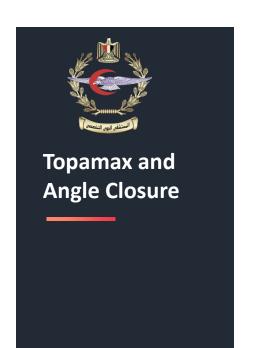
Topamax is also used off-label for the treatment of bipolar disorder, as well as bulimia, autism-spectrum disorder, psychological addiction in alcoholism, weight loss, post-traumatic stress disorder, obsessive-compulsive disorder, smoking cessation, idiopathic intracranial hypertension, neuropathic pain and cocaine dependence.



Topamax can cause numerous adverse effects, including paresthesia (the most common side effect), fatigue, renal stone development, taste change (and weight loss (leading to its use in treating obesity). There may also be difficulty with concentration, attention span and memory



The most concerning adverse effect of
Topamax is the possibility of acute angleclosure glaucoma. Patients need not be at
risk of angle closure prior to the use of
Topamax for it to occur. In fact, angle closure
from Topamax use can occur in younger
patients and even children who otherwise
would not be at risk.



When angle closure occurs from Topamax use, it usually seen relatively soon after starting the medication—often within the first month, and sometimes even after the first dose.



Also, the angle closure is typically bilateral, compared to the unilateral presentation of angle closure resulting from primary pupil block. Accompanying Topamax-induced angle closure is the acute onset of a myopic refractive shift, which, with angle closure, is an important diagnostic indication of this drug effect. It is not uncommon to see abrupt myopic shifts of four to five diopters or more, and the resultant change in acuity may be more symptomatic to the patient than the IOP effects from angle closure.

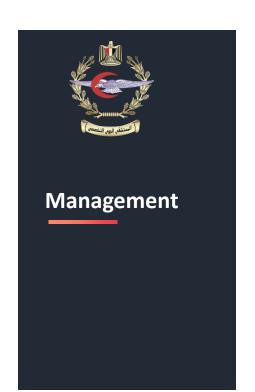


The glaucomatous and angle closure mechanism occurring from Topamax use is not relative pupil block, but seems to be a sulfa-allergic response with resultant swelling and congestion, as well as effusion, detachment or forward rotation of the ciliary body

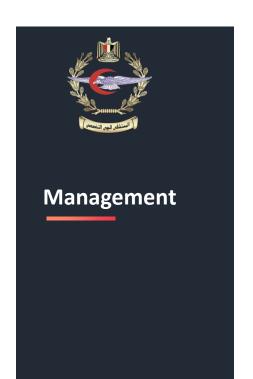
Topiramate-induced ciliochoroidal effusion with forward displacement of the lens-iris diaphragm causes extreme anterior chamber shallowing, resulting in angle-closure glaucoma.



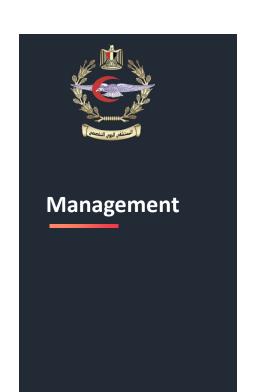
In contrast to relative pupil block, there will be no iris bombé in Topamax-induced angle closure; rather, the chamber will be flat. Congestion of the ciliary body allows the lens zonules to become lax, and the resultant thickening of the lens as well as the forward rotation of the lens-iris diaphragm induces the myopic shift. Increased lens thickness contributes only minimally to anterior chamber shallowing and does not participate in the angle closure.



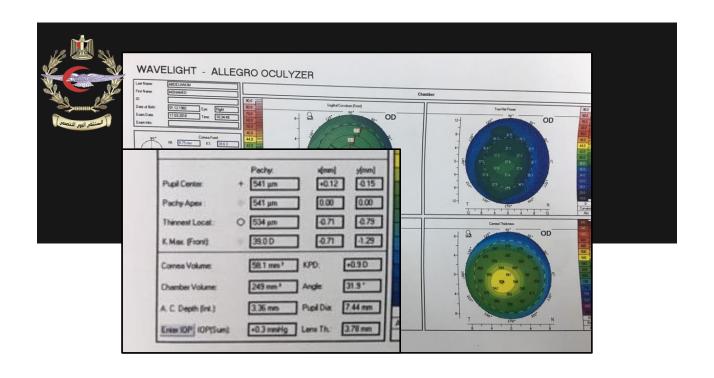
Typically, cessation of Topamax results in resolution of the myopia and angle closure Visual outcome is usually good and the episode resolves within days to weeks with little, if any, permanent damage. Beyond cessation of Topamax, the acute IOP rise can also be addressed with anti-glaucoma medications. Pilocarpine should be avoided, but virtually any other topical IOP-lowering medication is acceptable.



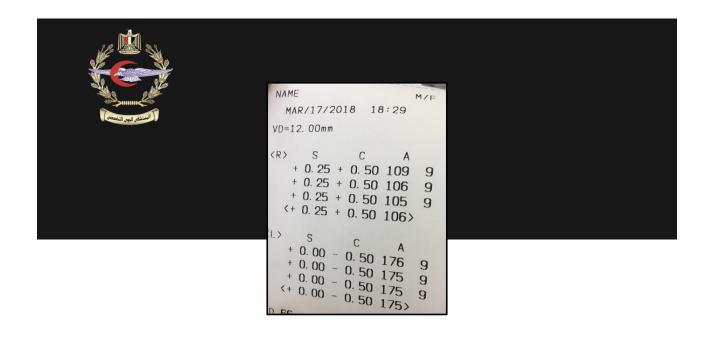
More important, however, is the use of a strong cycloplegic, such as atropine, and an anti-inflammatory, such as prednisolone acetate 1%. These stabilize leaking vascular membranes, leading to reduced choroidal swelling, relaxation of the ciliary body and lens-iris diaphragm, deepening of the chamber with cessation of angle closure, and reversal of the myopic shift.

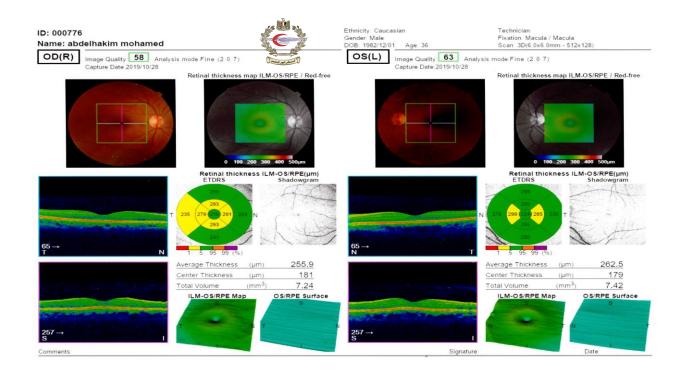


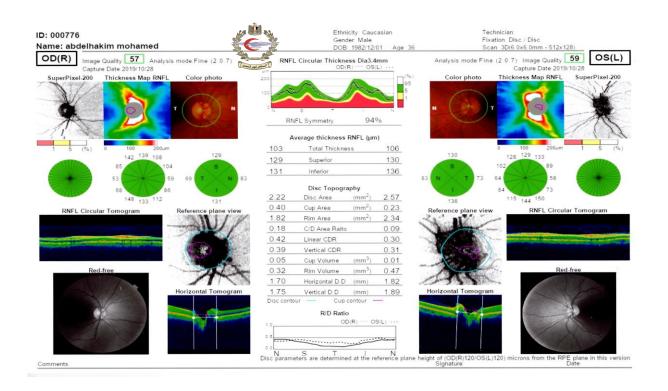
Because there is no relative pupil block, laser peripheral iridotomy and miotics do not have any effect in Topamax-induced angle closure. But, argon laser iridoplasty, an iridoretraction procedure, has been helpful in managing refractory Topamax-induced angle closure, as it physically pulls the iris away from the trabecular meshwork.

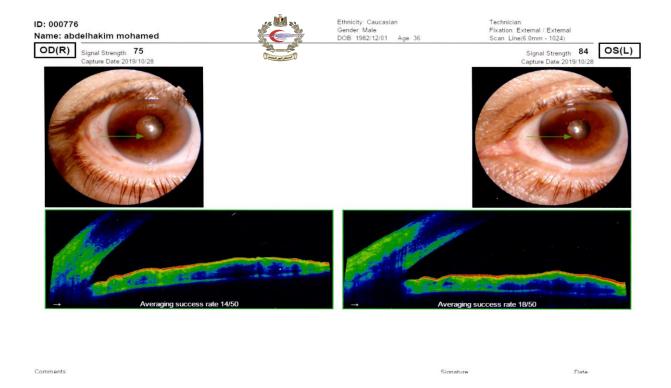














Take Home Message

Topamax is widely used nowadays as routine treatment of migraine and obesity

Ophthalmologists need to be aware of the potential ocular side effects of Topamax . Although relatively rare but prompt recognition is key for appropriate management .

