

# COCCIDIODIAL CHORIORETINITIS

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# INITIAL PRESENTATION

- ▶ 27 YO Filipino man
- ▶ CC: “Progressively enlarging masses, Back pain, Lower extremity weakness, and decreased vision in left eye.”

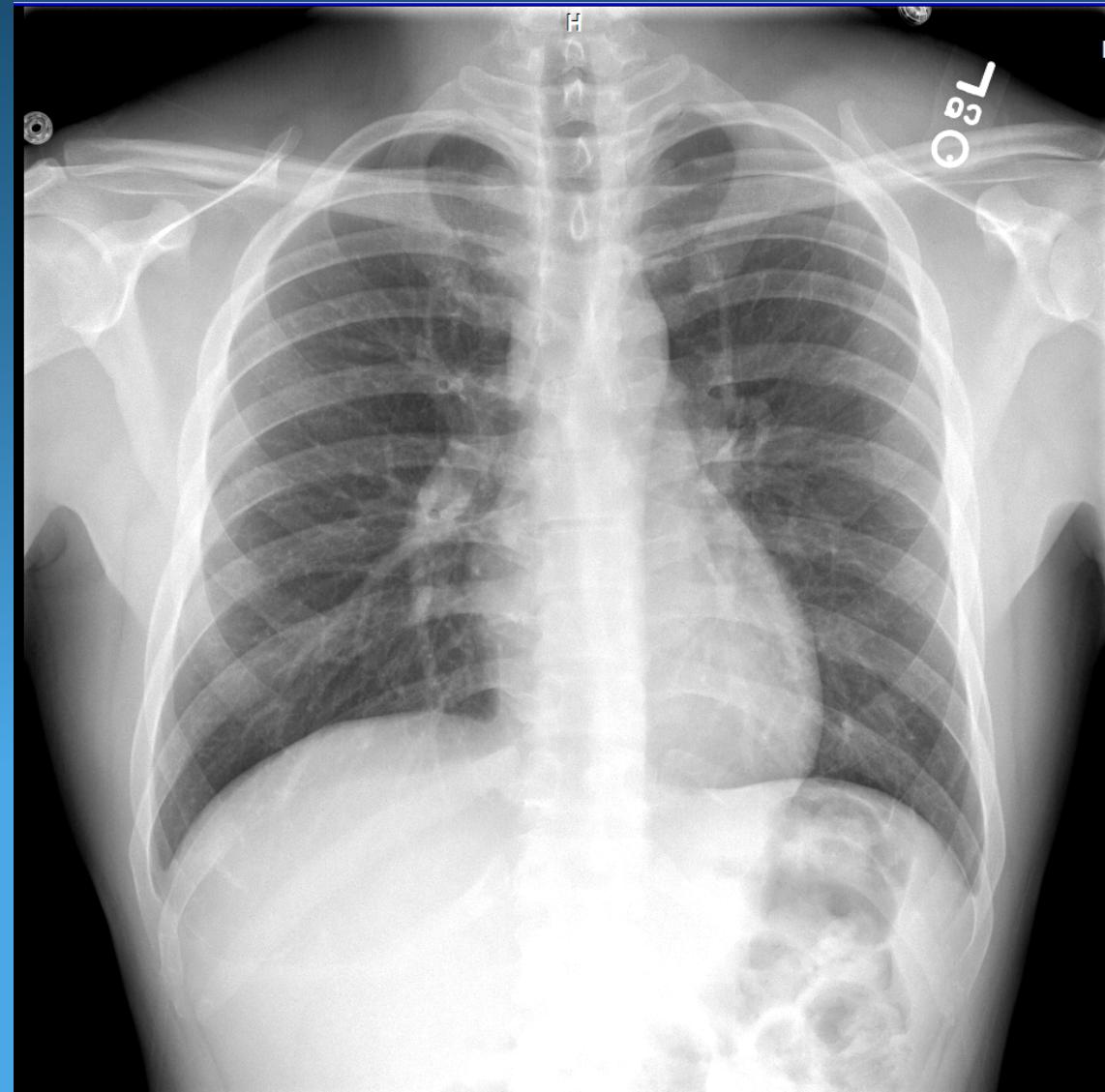
# HISTORY OF PRESENT ILLNESS

- ▶ **May 2017:** pneumonia
- ▶ **July 2017:** Back pain and Bilateral Lower extremity weakness
- ▶ **September 2017:** enlarging Masses: R submandibular, Left supraclavicular, and Paraspinal Thoracic region
- ▶ **October 2017:** Medical discharge from army
- ▶ **December 2017:** Kern medical center

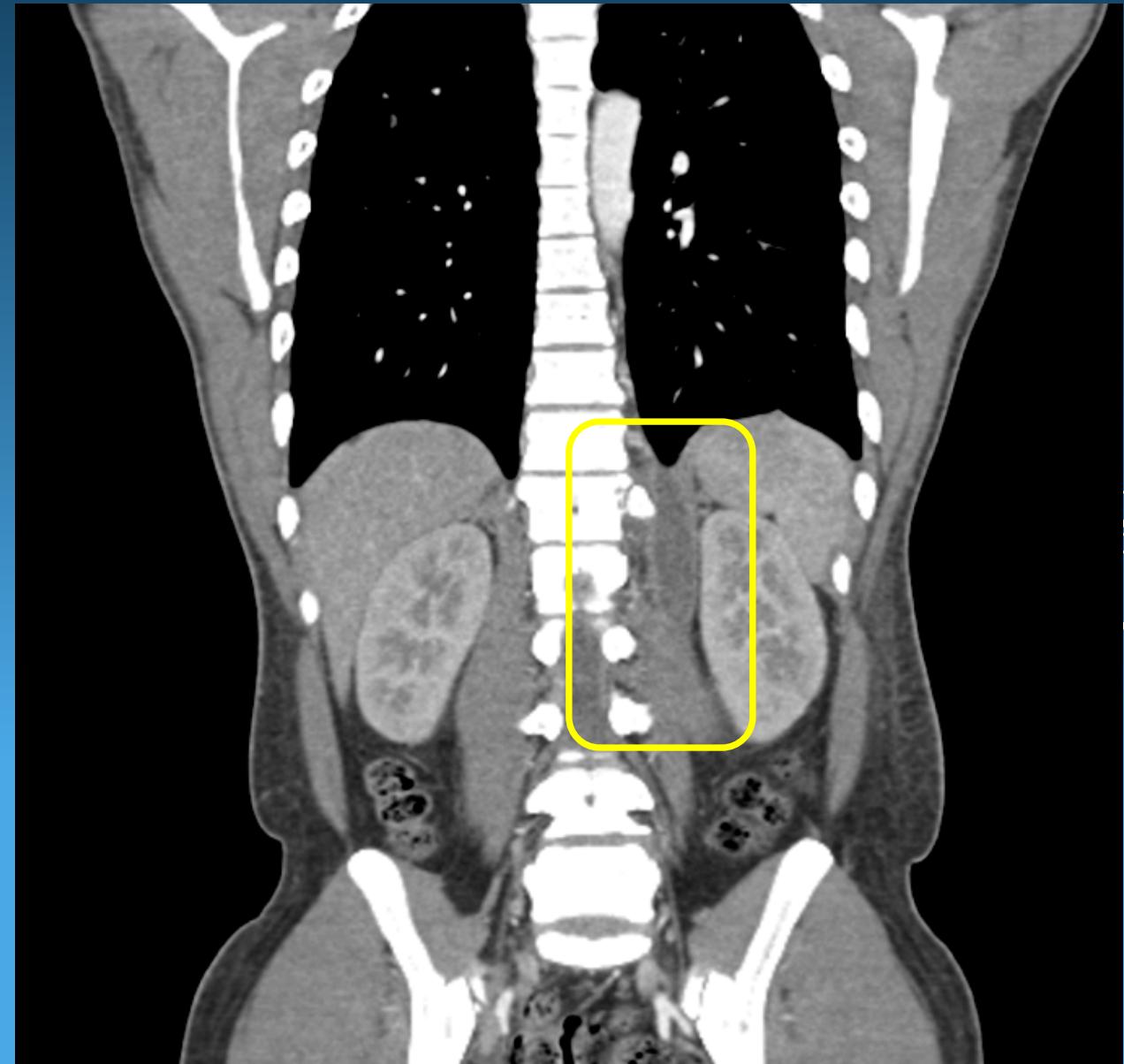
# PHYSICAL EXAM

- ▶ **Fluctuant Masses noted:**
  - ▶ R sub mandibular
  - ▶ L supraclavicular
  - ▶ Thoracic paraspinal
- ▶ **Decreased temporal visual fields**

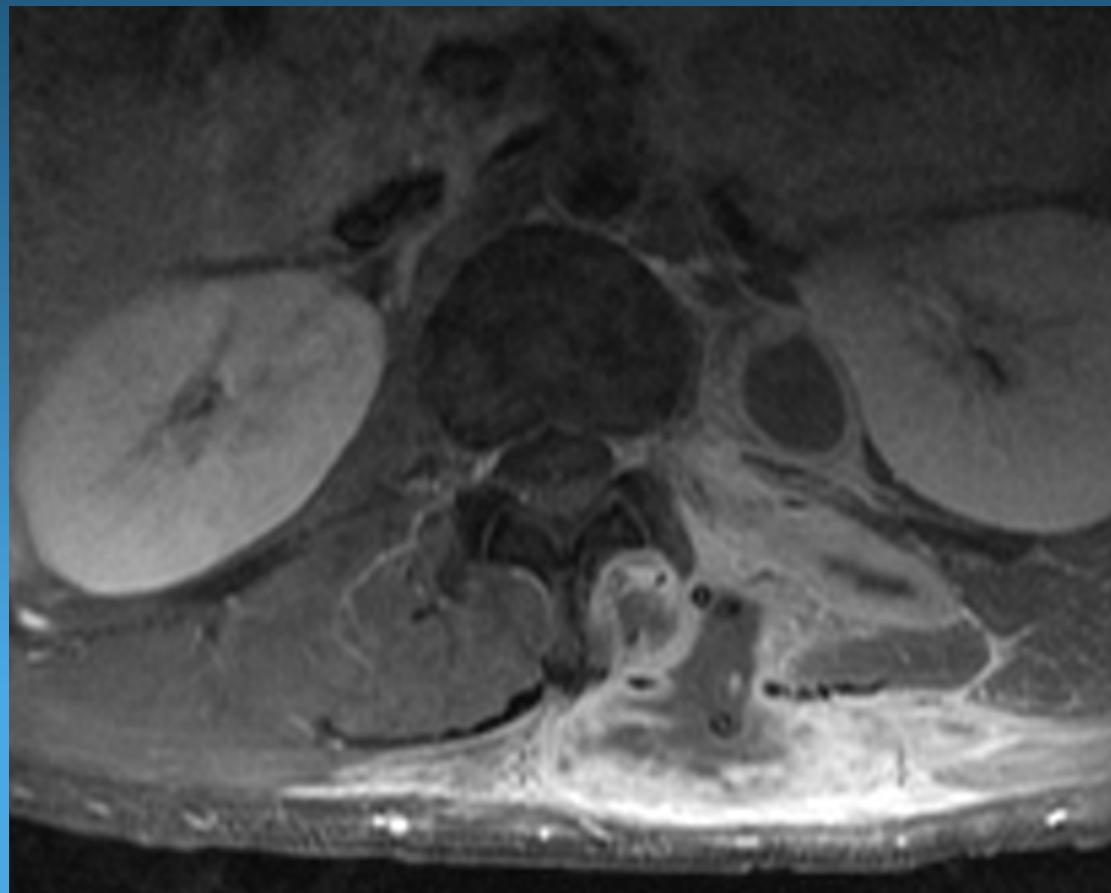
# CHEST X RAY



# Abdominal/thoracic CT

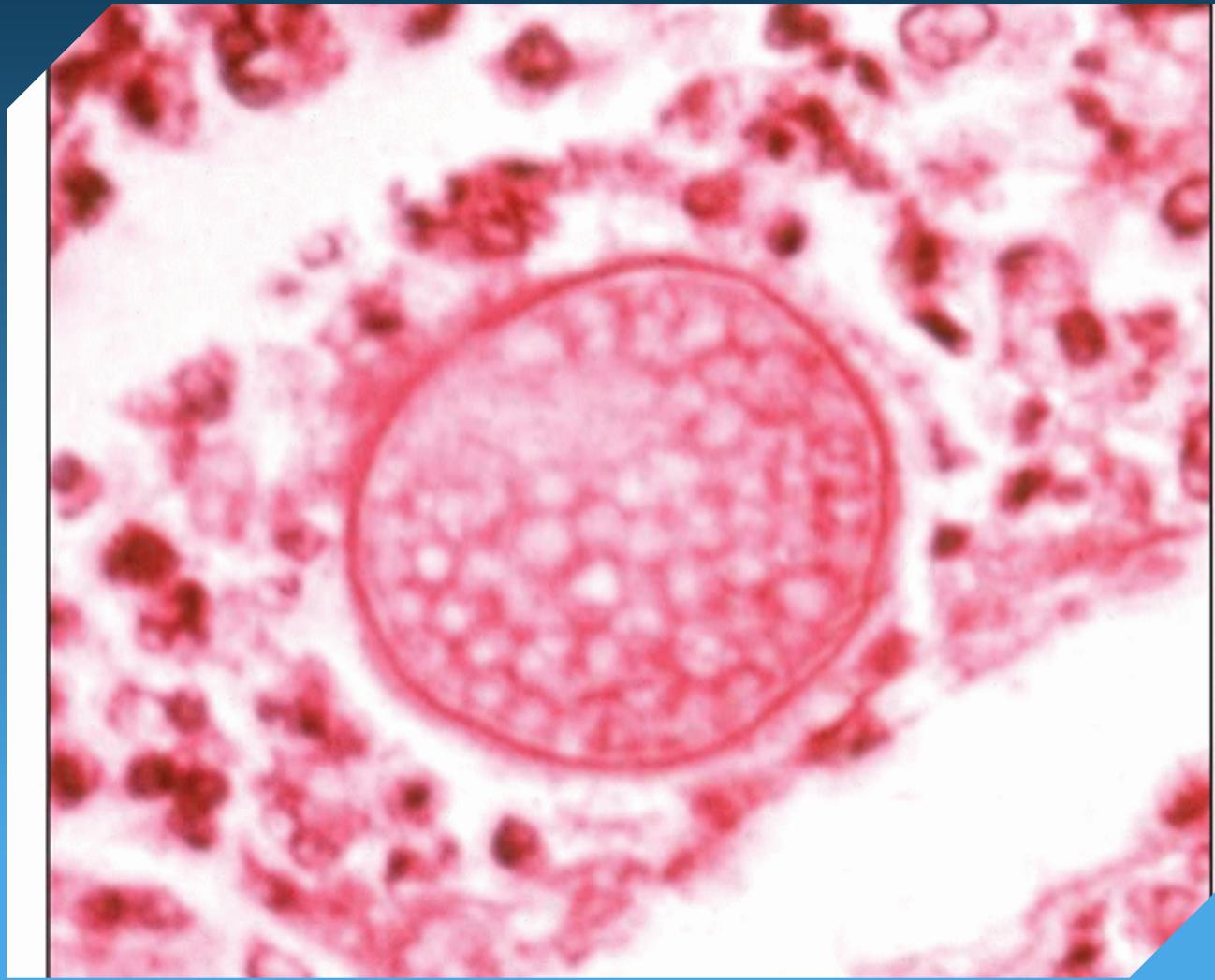


MRI



WBBS



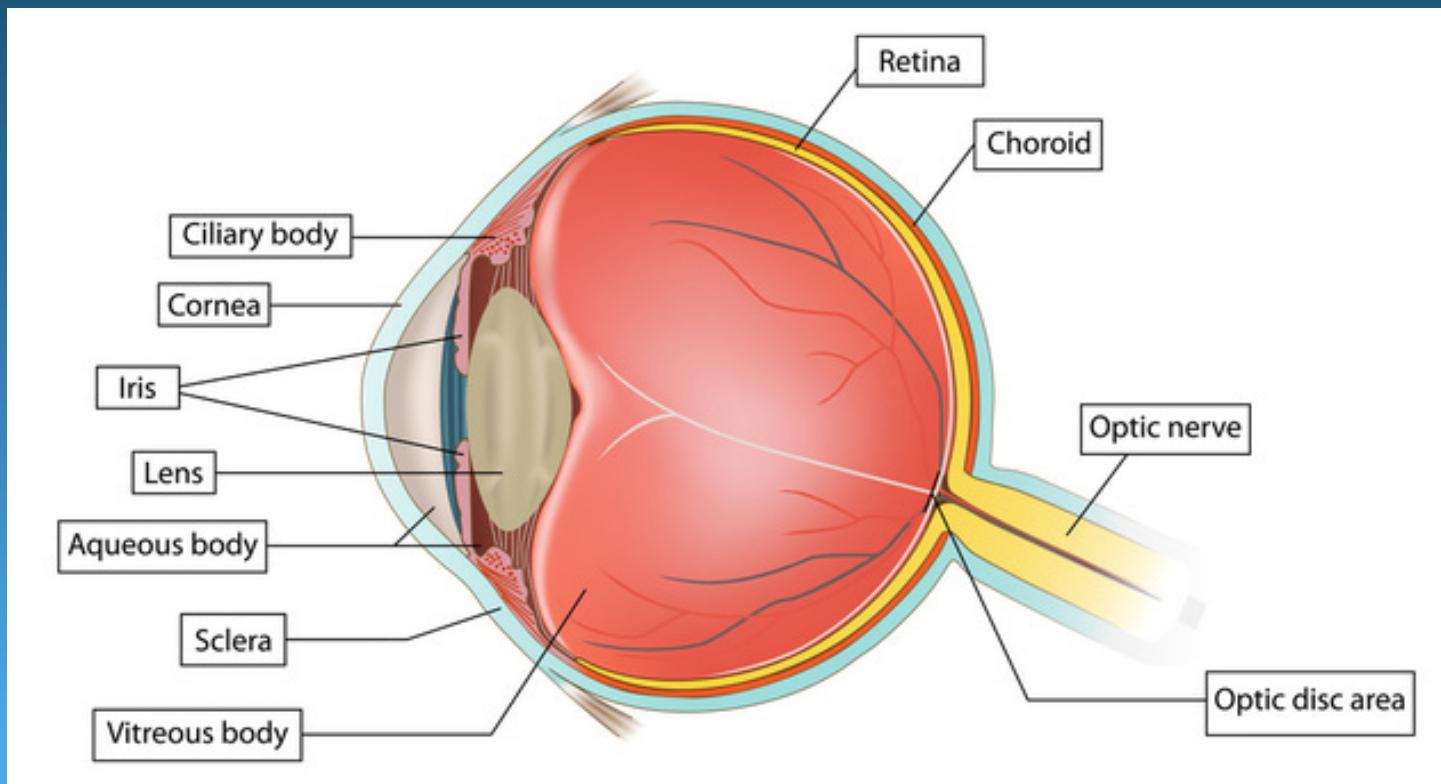


- ▶ IgM & IgG reactivity
- ▶ comp fx >1:512
- ▶ Double walled spherules with endosporulation

# OCULAR MANIFESTATIONS

- ▶ **Floater**s in his left eye
- ▶ Decreased visual fields temporal region
- ▶ Ophthalmologic examination: “puff balls” in the vitreous

# EYE ANATOMY AND NOMENCLATURE

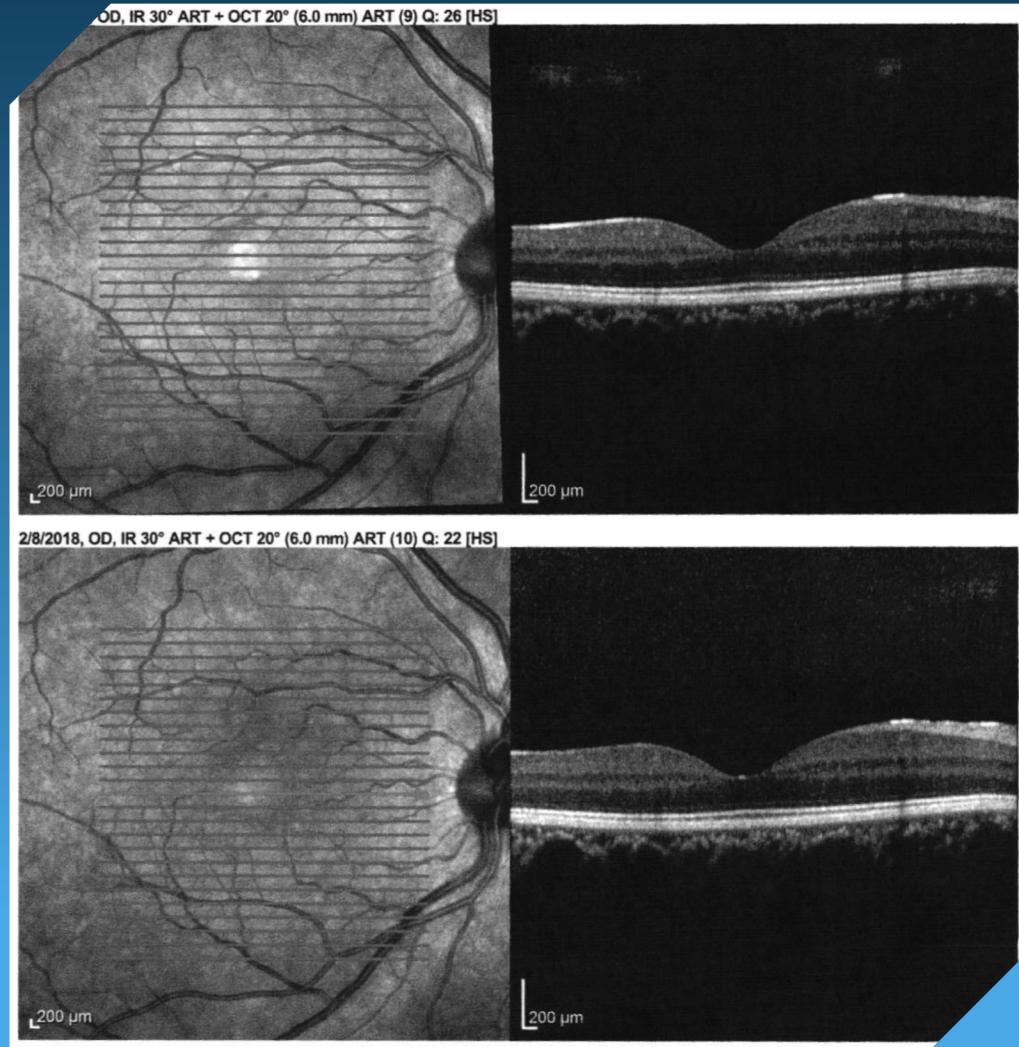


**Anterior segment:**  
Ciliary body, cornea, iris, and lens

**Posterior segment:**  
vitreous body, retina, choroid, and optic nerve

**Uvea:**  
Iris, ciliary body, and Choroid

Right eye: normal



# OPTICAL COHERENCE TOMOGRAPHY

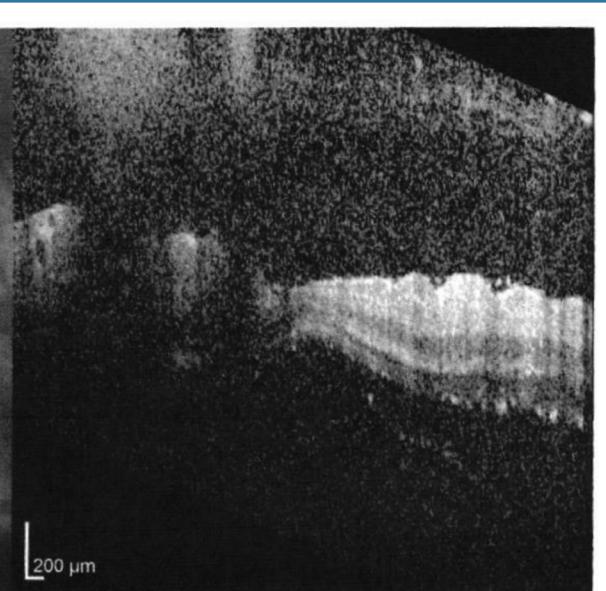
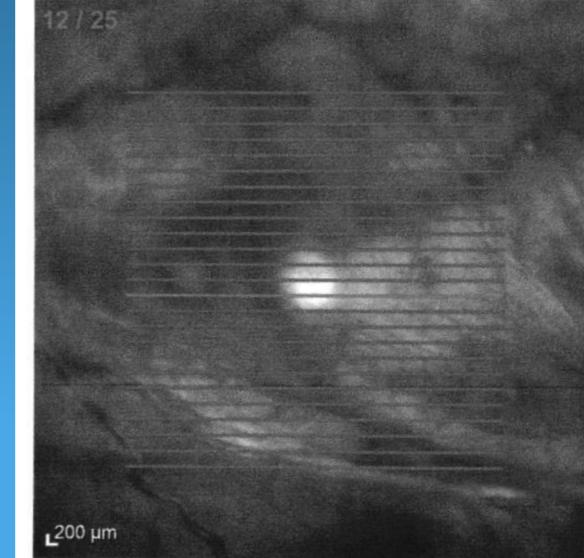
Retina

Retinal pigmented epithelium

Choroid

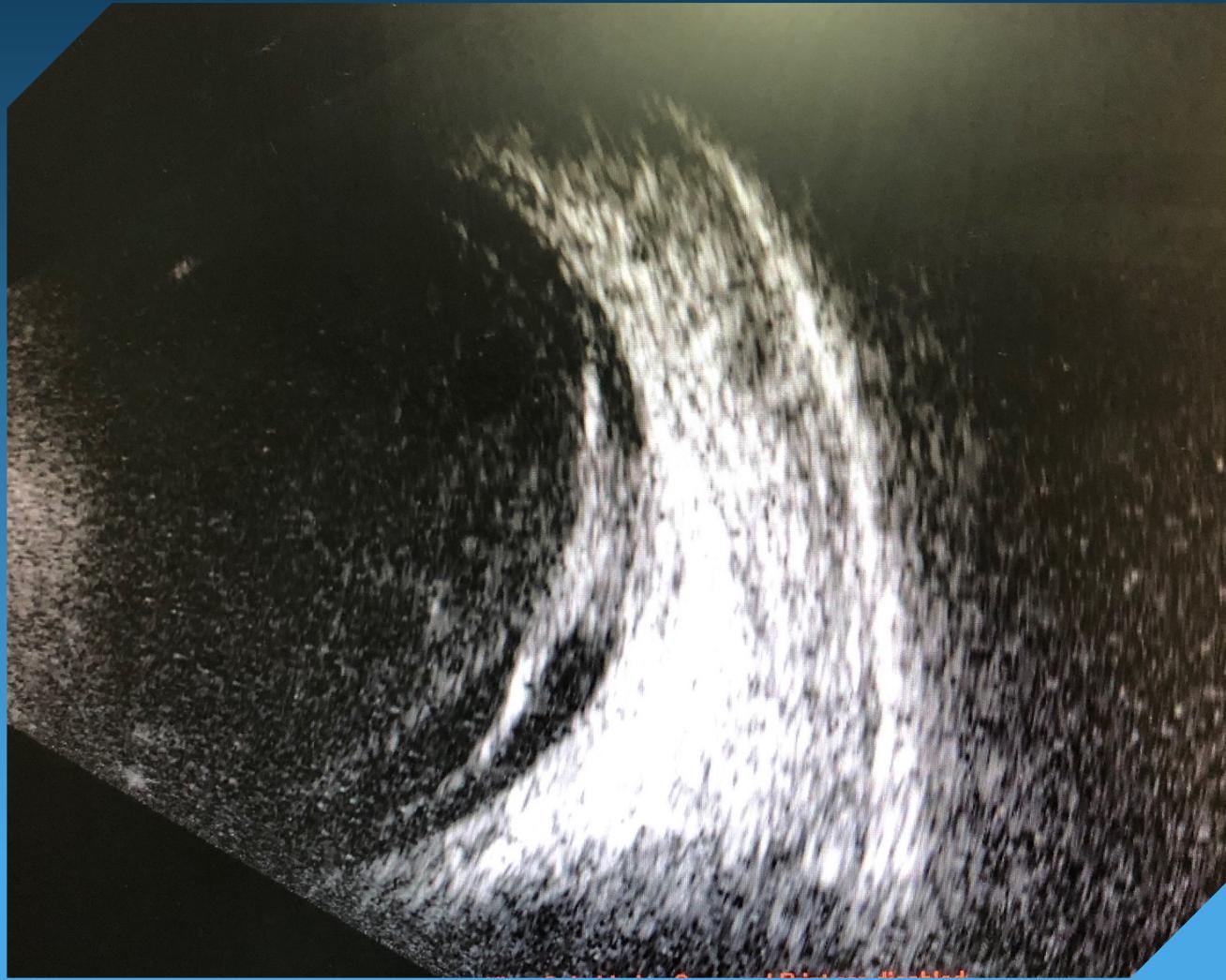
Left eye: diseased

2/8/2018, OS, IR 30° + OCT 20° (5.8 mm) ART (8) Q: 12 [HS]



► Multiple vitreous  
opacities

► Retinal detachment



B-SCAN

- ▶ **Tractional/exudative  
retinal detachment**

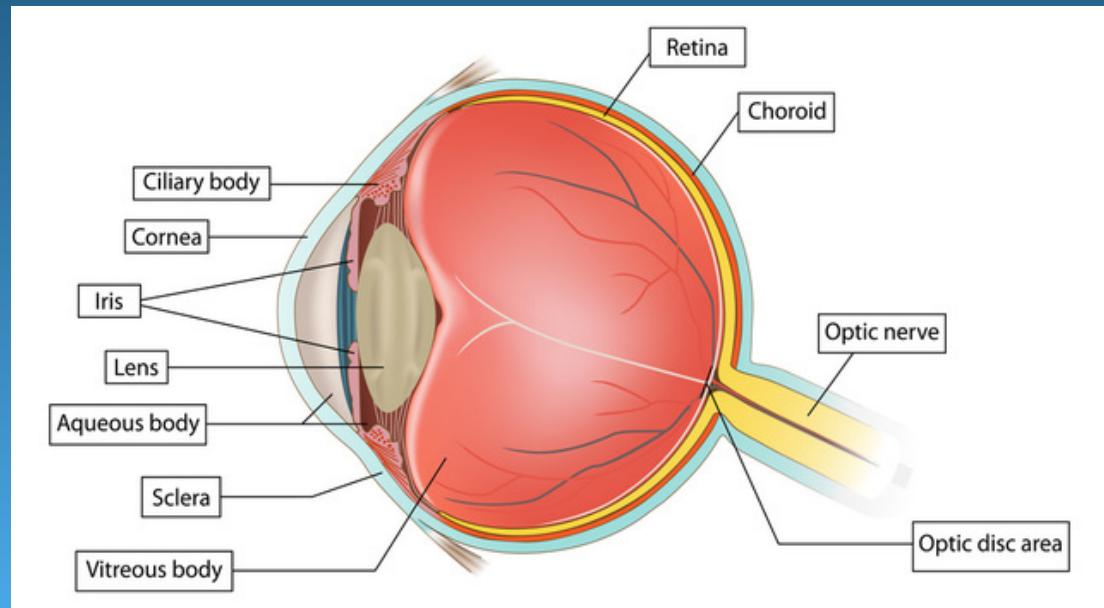
# TREATMENT REGIMEN

- ▶ **Intravitreal Amphotericin B deoxycholate injections**
- ▶ **Dosing: 5mcg/.1 mL every 3 days**

# CASES REPORTED

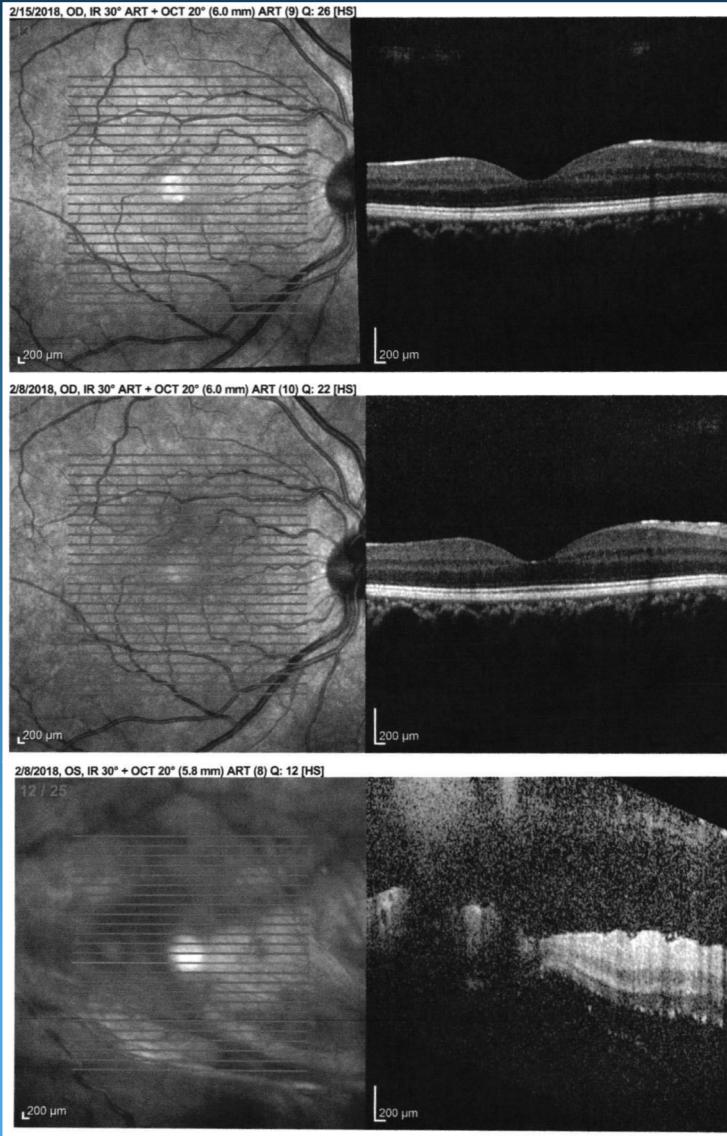
- ▶ 2010: primary retinitis without disseminated disease: enucleation
- ▶ 1987: Disseminated Coccidiomycosis: Retinal and vitreal involvement found on autopsy

# OTHER CONSIDERATIONS



- ▶ **Most commonly affects anterior segment structures**
- ▶ **Posterior segment disease: enucleation**
- ▶ **Vitrectomy= high risk for posterior segment seeding**

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# CONCLUSIONS

- ▶ Vision deficits in disseminated Coccidioidomycosis = Ophthalmology consult
- ▶ Tx for choroid/vitreal/retinal disease: intravitreal amphotericin B deoxycholate
- ▶ Vitrectomy in anterior segment disease= increased risk of posterior segment seeding
- ▶ Coccidioidomycosis endophthalmitis= poor prognosis

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