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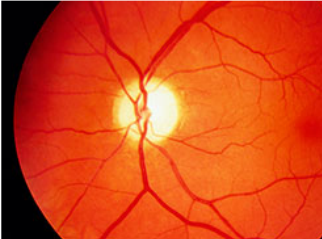
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### Executive Summary

Optic neuropathies can reflect a wide range of pathophysiologies, both acquired and inherited. This Series provides an update on the clinical, imaging, and laboratory findings that differentiate these disorders, allowing clinicians to focus their diagnostic studies and optimise treatments. Multimodality optic nerve imaging—including fundus photography, optical coherence tomography, and MRI—has greatly advanced the diagnosis and follow-up of patients with optic neuropathies. Also reviewed in this Series, new evidence shows that optic neuritis can frequently indicate autoimmune neurological disorders, including multiple sclerosis and the recently recognised disease categories of aquaporin-4 antibody-associated neuromyelitis optica spectrum disorder and myelin-oligodendrocyte glycoprotein antibody-associated disease. Early clinical recognition of optic neuritis is, therefore, important for prognosis and treatment. Also reviewed in the Series, a unifying feature in the pathophysiology of hereditary disorders of the optic nerve is mitochondrial dysfunction. Treatments are emerging for optic neuropathies, including immunotherapies and genetic therapies.

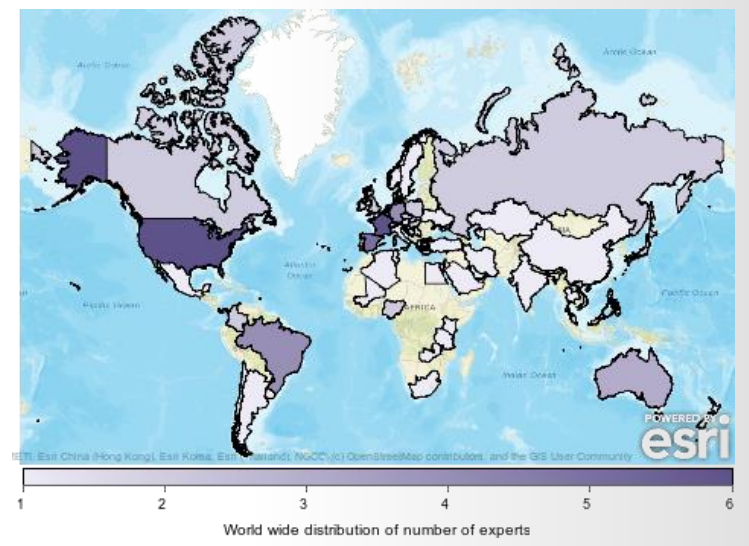
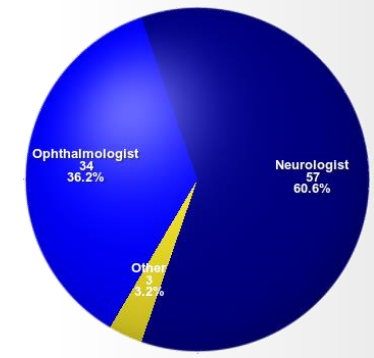
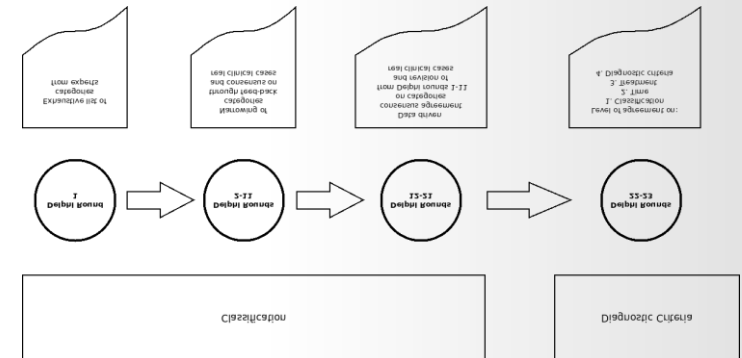


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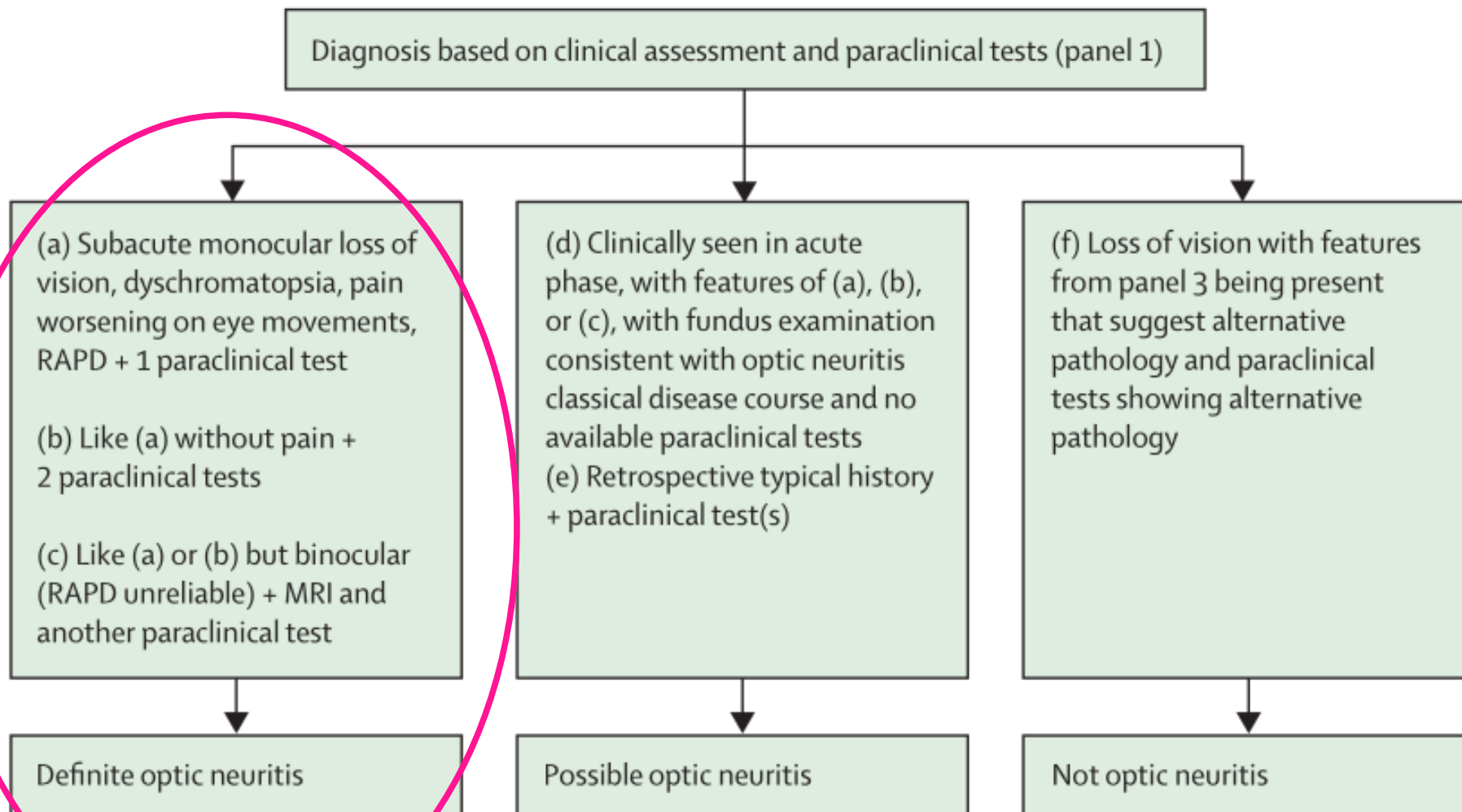
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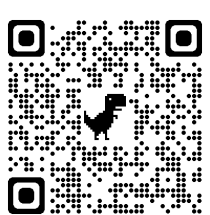
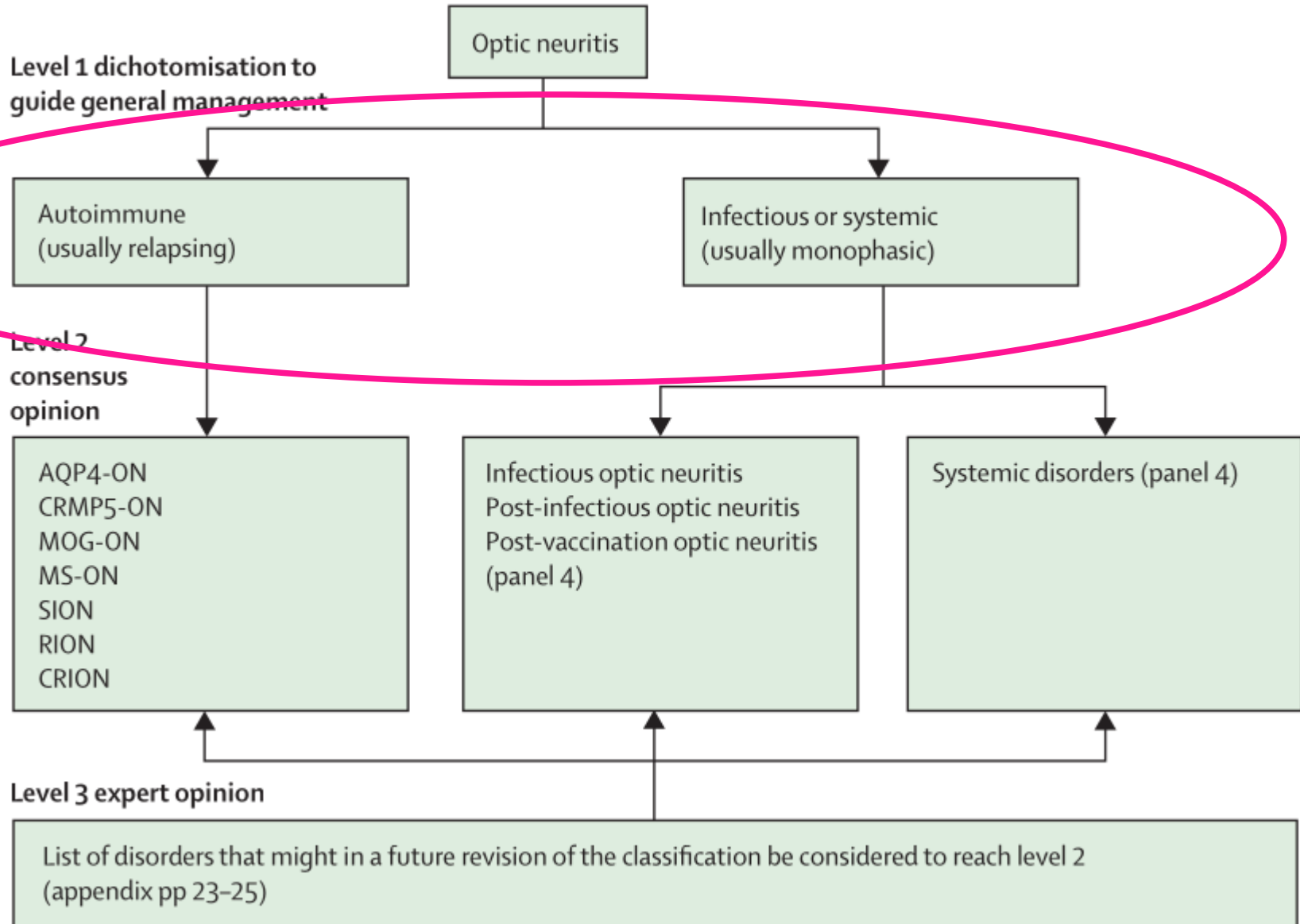
# ICON 2022 Diagnostic Criteria

## A Diagnosis of optic neuritis



# ICON 2022 Classification

## B Classification of optic neuritis



# 1<sup>st</sup> Case

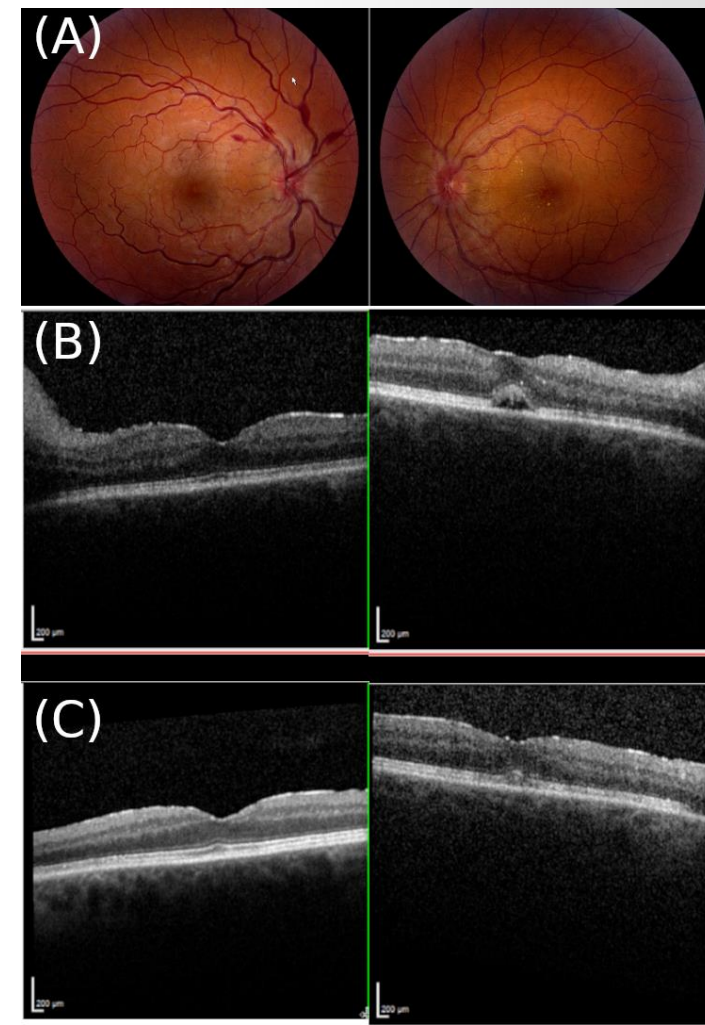
- 34y old Caucasian female patient
- 7d RE pain, worsening on eye movements
- Dyschromatopsia & VA RE 6/9, LE 6/5
- Right RAPD
- Reports: fatigue, cognitive problems, urinary incontinence, depression
- PmHx: right sided numbness lasting 1m, 3y ago
- MRI: DIS & DIT & 3 Gd+ non-symptomatic lesions

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Case

- 28y old, Afrocaribbean male
- Painless loss of vision LE (6/38)
- Dyschromatopsia
- L RAPD
- Several steroid responsive episodes over ~20y fup
- OCT: pRNFL atrophy LE (IEPD >5%)
- MRI a swollen, Gd+, left optic nerve.  
Brain & spinal cord normal
- AQP4 seropositive

# 3<sup>rd</sup> Case

- 72 year old male develops febrile illness in Vietnam
- 2-3 weeks later bilateral, sequential, painless loss of vision (PL)
- no RAPD (but both pupils constrict with accommodation)
- Fundus:
  - Bilateral disc edema
  - RE hemorrhages
  - LE macular scar, CMO
- No recovery @ 6m fup  
(IVMP given ~6w after onset)





# 3 Scenarios

- **Case 1: is this MS ?**

Scenario A: painful, monocular, subacute LOV, dyschromatopsia, RAPD

- **Case 2: is this NMO ?**

Scenario B: no pain, monocular, subacute LOV, dyschromatopsia, RAPD

- **Case 3: what is this ?**

Scenario C: binocular, subacute LOV, dyschromatopsia, no pain, RAPD unreliable

## Panel 1: Diagnostic criteria for optic neuritis

### Clinical criteria

- A: Monocular, subacute loss of vision associated with orbital pain worsening on eye movements, reduced contrast and colour vision, and relative afferent pupillary deficit
- B: Painless with all other features of (A).
- C: Binocular loss of vision with all features of (A) or (B).

### Paraclinical criteria

- OCT: Corresponding optic disc swelling acutely or an inter-eye difference in the mGCIPL of  $>4\%$  or  $>4\mu\text{m}$  or in the pRNFL of  $>5\%$  or  $>5\mu\text{m}$  within 3 months after onset.
- MRI: Contrast enhancement of the symptomatic optic nerve and sheaths acutely or an intrinsic signal (looking brighter) increase within 3 months.
- Biomarker: AQP4, MOG, or CRMP5 antibody seropositive, or intrathecal CSF IgG (oligoclonal bands).

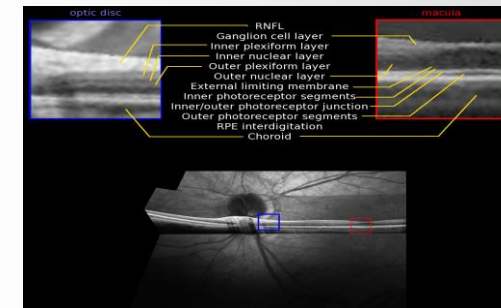
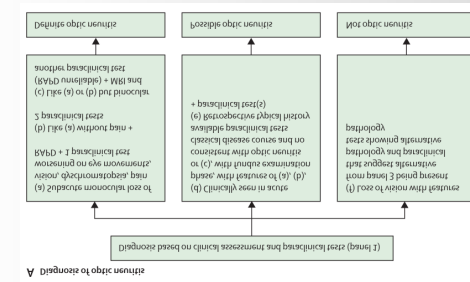
### Application of the clinical and paraclinical criteria

#### Definite optic neuritis

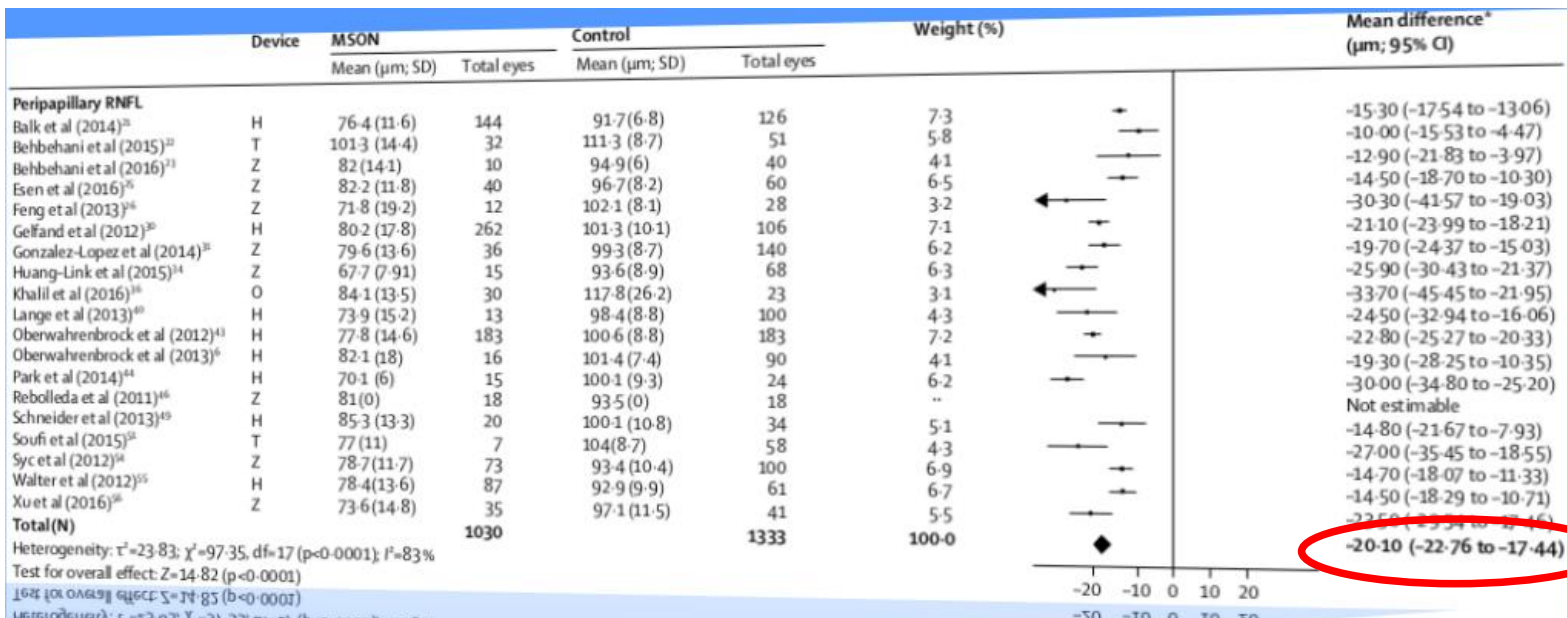
- (A) and one paraclinical test
- (B) and two paraclinical tests of different modality
- (C) and two different paraclinical tests of which one is MRI

#### Possible optic neuritis

- (A), (B), or (C) if seen acutely but in absence of paraclinical tests, with fundus examination typical for optic neuritis and consistent with the natural history during follow-up
- Positive paraclinical test or tests, with a medical history suggestive of optic neuritis



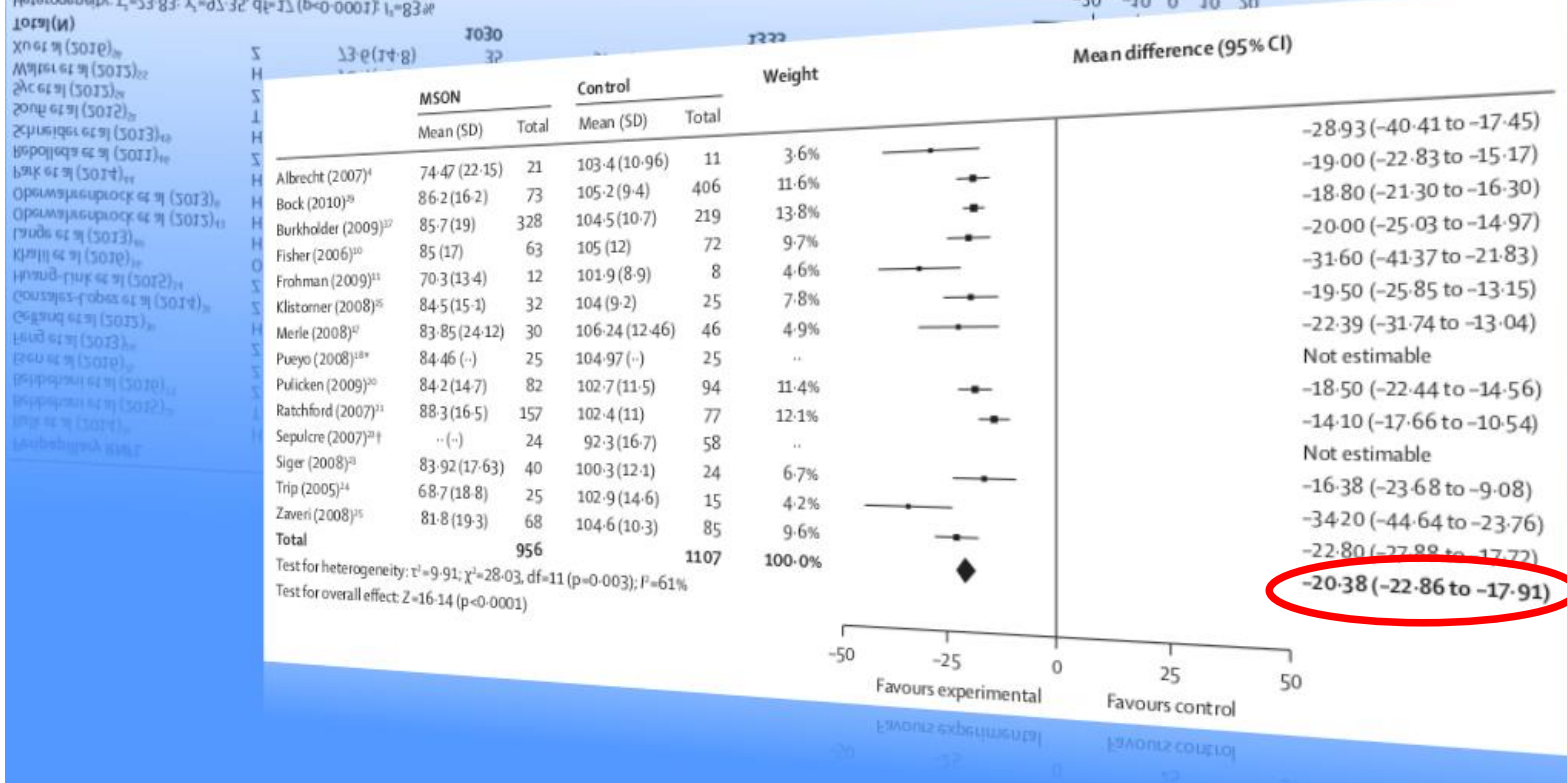
# OCT in MS-ON



pRNFL atrophy

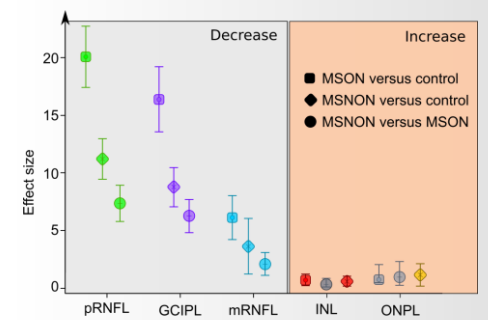
TLN 2010

20.10 (17.44-22.76)  $\mu\text{m}$



TLN 2017

20.38 (17.91-22.86)  $\mu\text{m}$



## 4<sup>th</sup> Case

- 37y old woman 18 month ago
  - expanding central scotoma
  - Periocular pain, score 9/10
  - Photo phobia
- Headaches improved with topiramate
- Visual function with 3 more attacks:
  - BCVA RE 6/9.5, LE 6/24
  - Normal colour vision
  - Left RAPD

## 4th Case

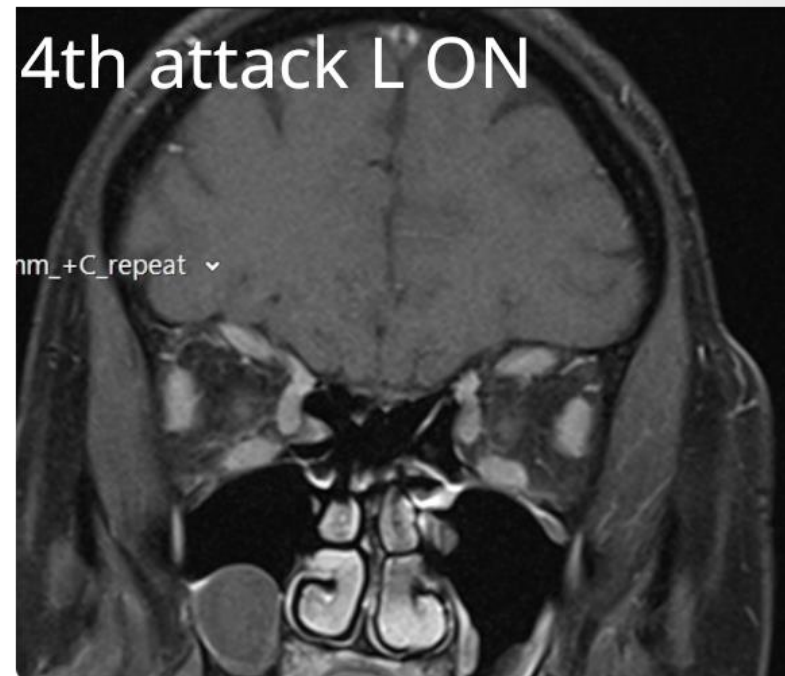
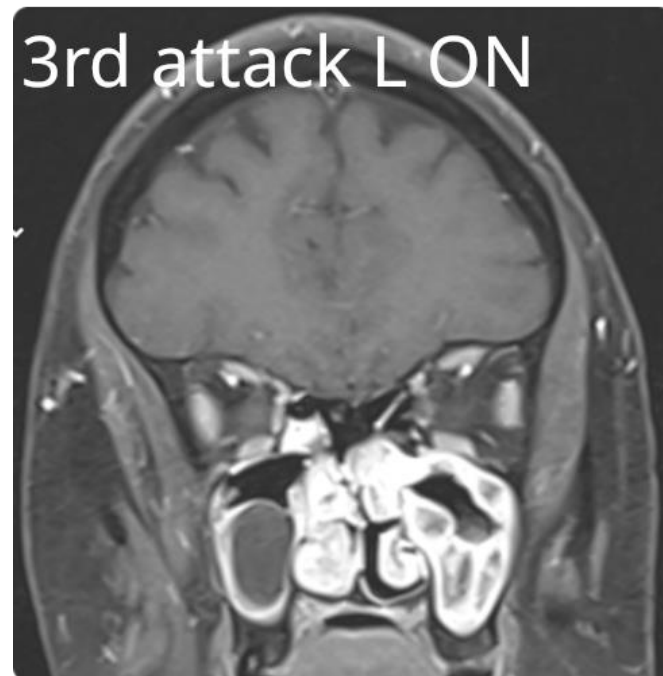
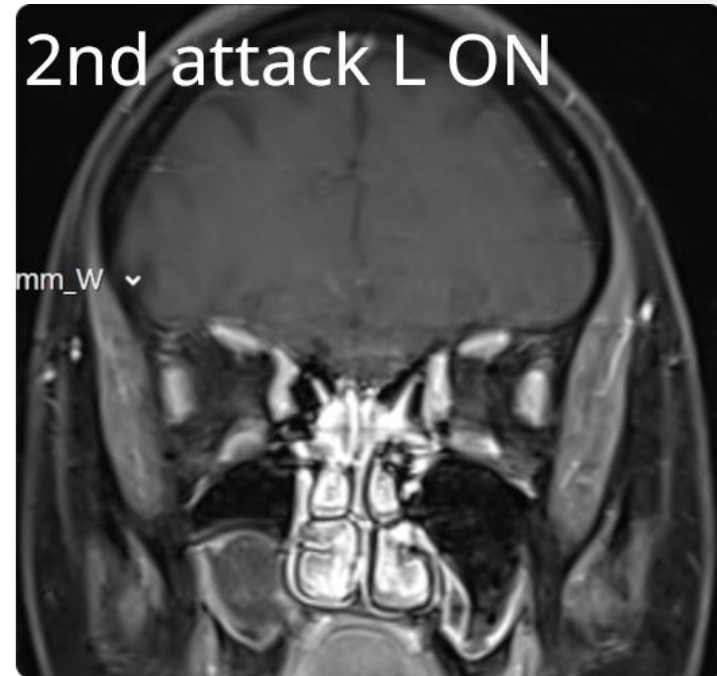
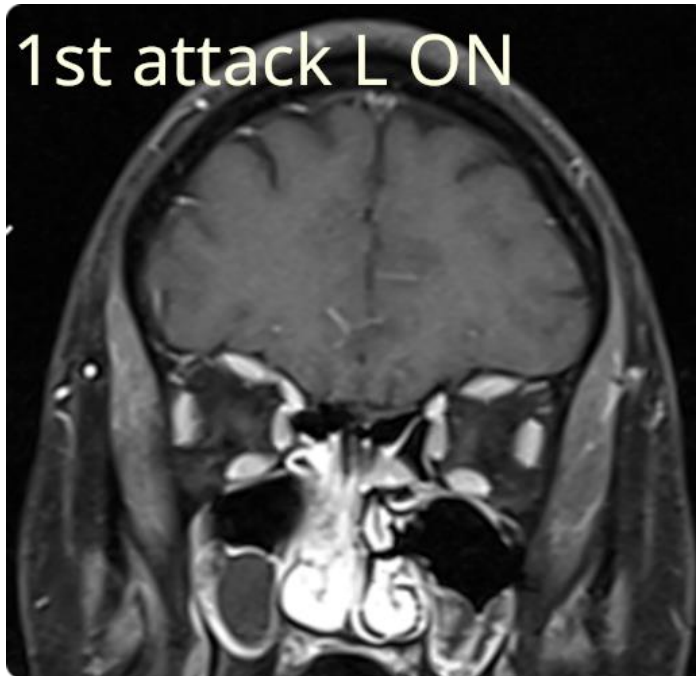
### PmHx:

- Recurrent oral ulcers for 9 years
- Erythematous digital nodules & facial rash
- Musculoskeletal pain & fatigue
- GI problems (bloating, diarrhoea, steatorrhoea)

### Management in referring hospital:

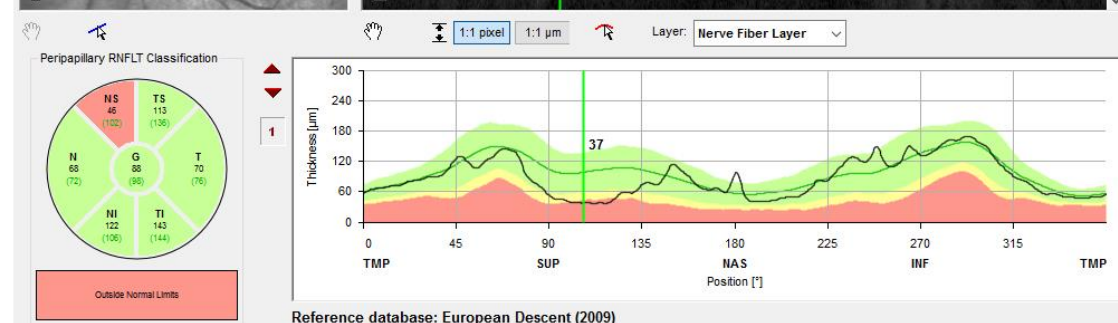
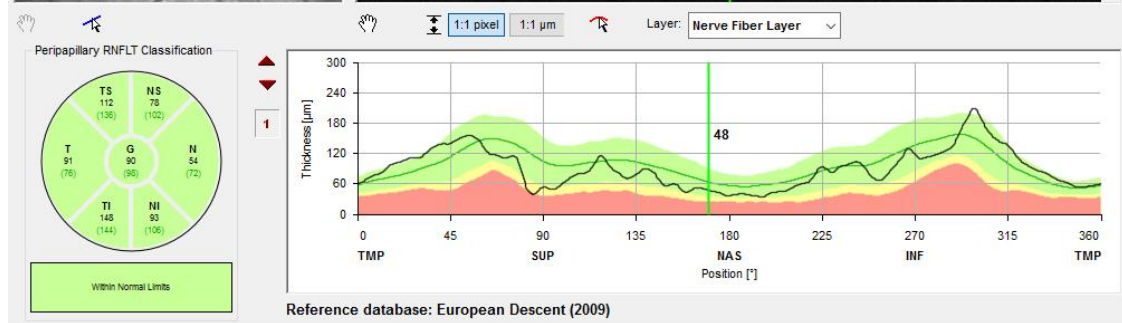
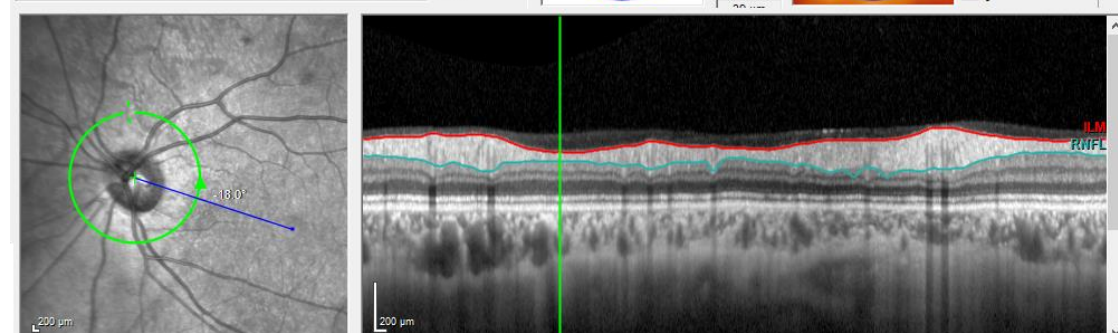
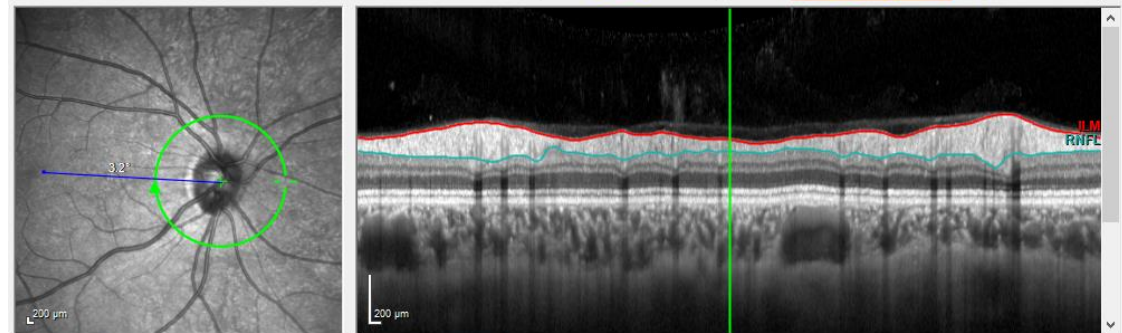
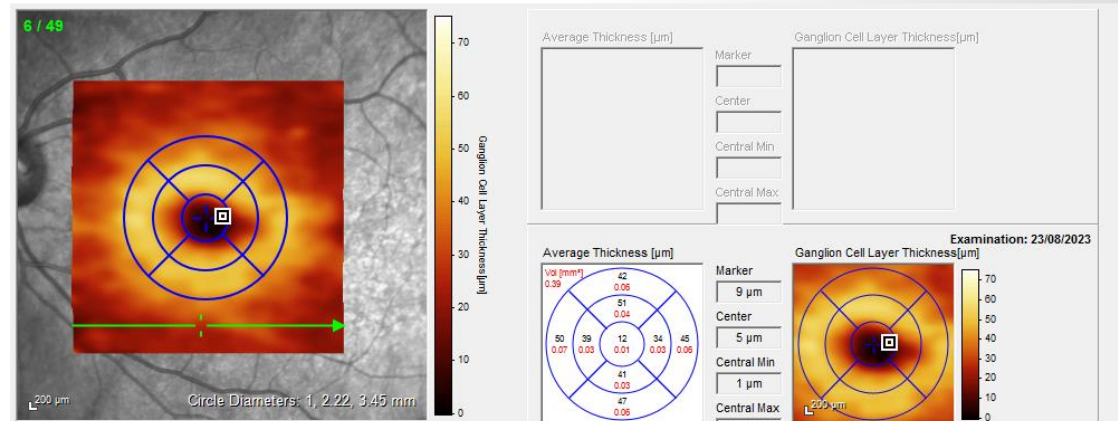
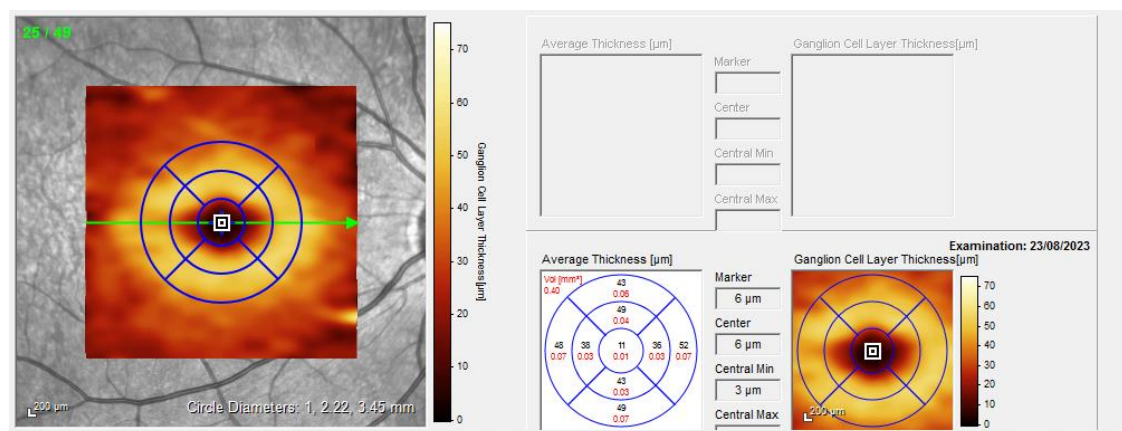
- High dose IV corticosteroids repeatedly for suspected relapsing optic neuritis & repeat MRI

# MRI



# OCT

IEPD macular = 2.5% (less than the 4% required)  
 IEPD disc = 3% (less than the 5% required)

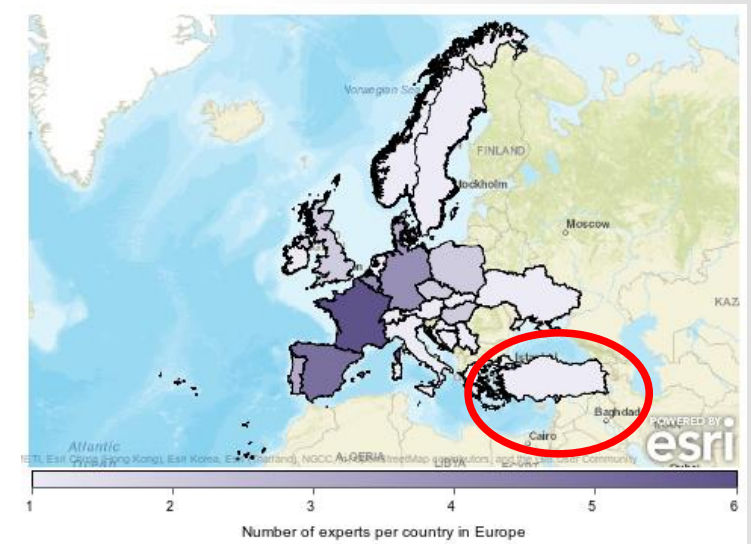


# 4<sup>th</sup> Case

- ICON 2022: not optic neuritis
  - Not clinically
  - Not with para-clinical tests

- Dx: acute L superior BRVO pattern recognition on OCT

- DD: Behçet's disease
- National Behçet's Centre @Birmingham












# Outlook

## REVIEW


### Artificial intelligence extension of the OSCAR-IB criteria


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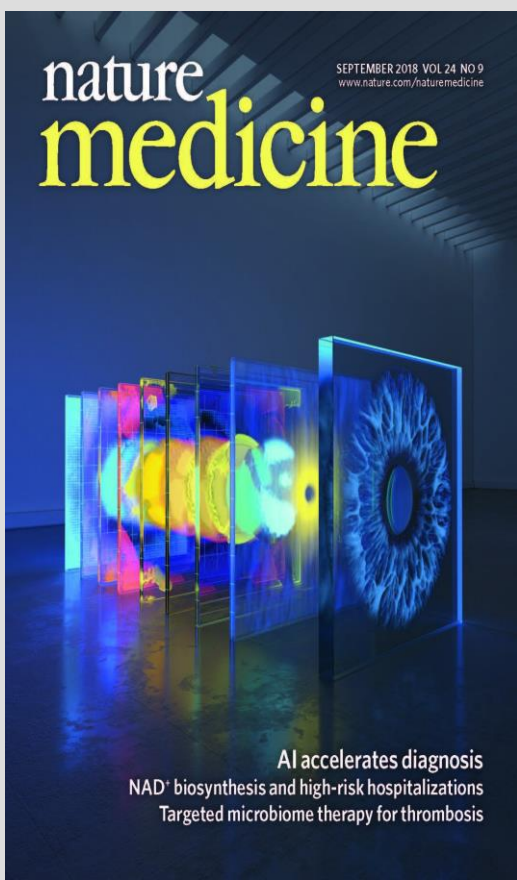




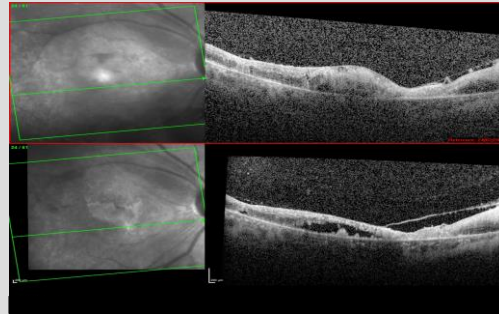
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# 5<sup>th</sup> case

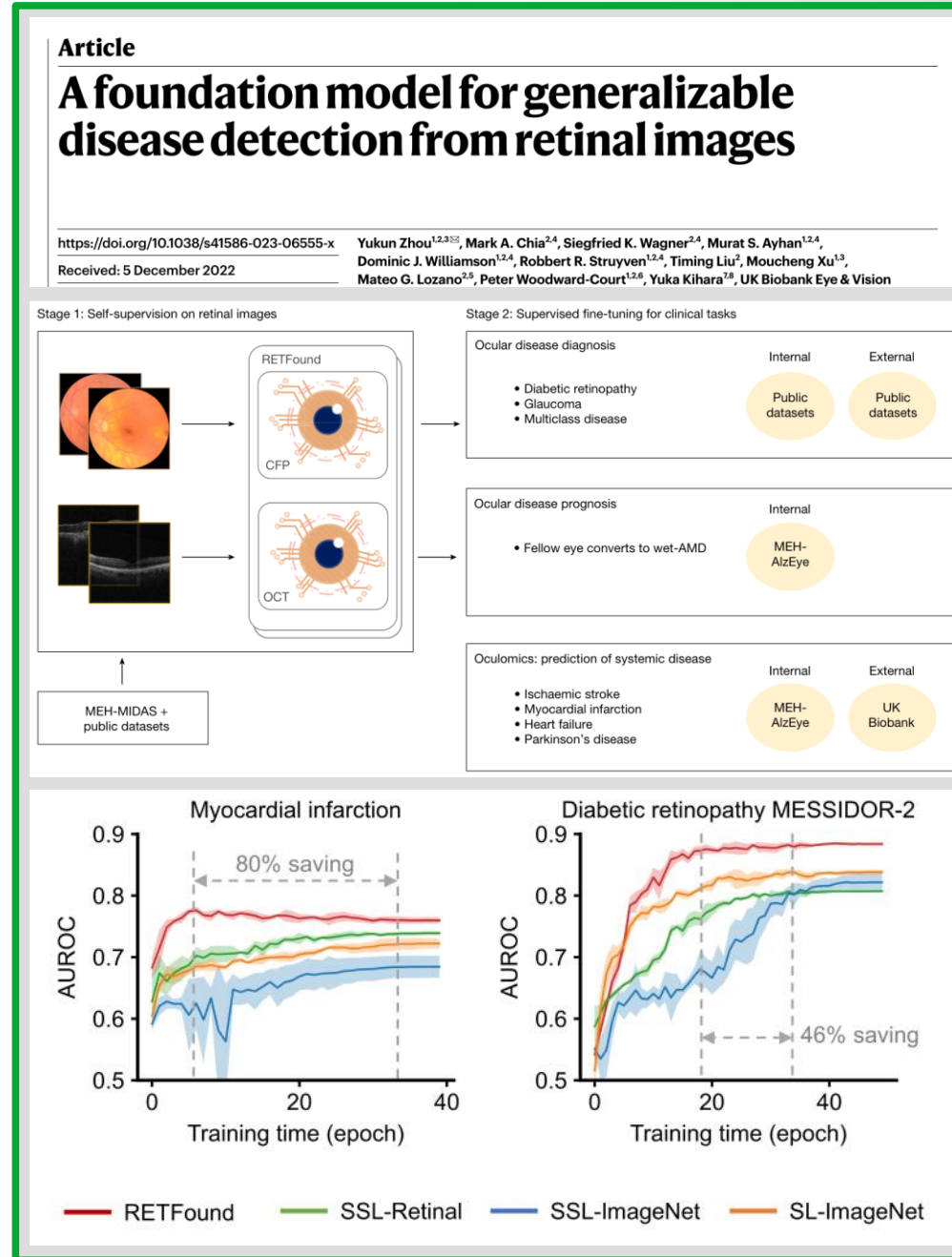
- 32 year old woman with RRMS
- Natalizumab for > 10 years
- Develops progressive cloudy vision in right eye
- Started on corticosteroids for suspected MS-ON
- MRI: no enhancement of right optic nerve, no new lesions
- Vision continues to worsen (HM)
- 22 days after onset seen @MEH
- OCT: ...



# OCT & AI



- 5<sup>th</sup> case: VZV vitritis
- Observation: 1.71%
- Routine: 24.09%
- **Semi-Urgent: 46.39%**
- **Urgent: 27.80%**



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Referral suggestion (%)

Urgent	98.9
Semi-urgent	0.5
Routine	0.4
Observation only	0.2



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# Summary

- Clinical approach to ON differential diagnosis
- ICON 2022 Diagnostic Criteria
- ICON 2022 Classification
- 5 Cases: 4 not MS-ON
  - 3 clinical scenarios
- Outlook: AI, pattern recognition, non-supervised learning, EUNOS 2024

# Wielkie dzięki

