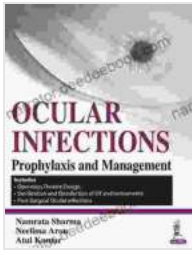


Ocular Infections: A Comprehensive Guide to Prophylaxis and Management



Ocular infections are a significant cause of morbidity and vision loss worldwide. They can affect any part of the eye, including the cornea, conjunctiva, uvea, and retina. Ocular infections can be caused by a variety of microorganisms, including bacteria, viruses, fungi, and parasites.



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The symptoms of ocular infection can vary depending on the type of infection, the severity of the infection, and the location of the infection. Common symptoms include pain, redness, swelling, discharge, blurred vision, and floaters.

Ocular infections can be a serious threat to vision. Early diagnosis and treatment are essential to preventing vision loss.

Prophylaxis of Ocular Infections

There are a number of things that can be done to prevent ocular infections. These include:

*** Washing your hands frequently* Avoiding contact with infected people* Not sharing towels or other personal items* Wearing protective eyewear when working with hazardous materials* Getting vaccinated against certain types of ocular infections**

Management of Ocular Infections

The treatment of ocular infections depends on the type of infection. Treatment may include:

*** Antibiotics* Antiviral medications* Antifungal medications*
Antiparasitic medications* Corticosteroids* Surgery**

It is important to follow your doctor's instructions carefully when treating an ocular infection. Stopping treatment too early can lead to the infection becoming resistant to the medication.

Specific Types of Ocular Infections

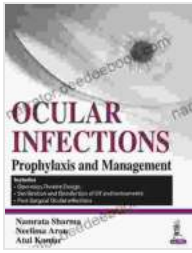
There are a number of different types of ocular infections. Some of the most common types include:

*** Bacterial conjunctivitis (pink eye)** is a highly contagious infection of the conjunctiva. Symptoms include redness, swelling, discharge, and pain. *** Viral conjunctivitis** is a contagious infection of the conjunctiva caused by a virus. Symptoms are similar to those of bacterial conjunctivitis, but viral conjunctivitis is usually less severe. *** Corneal ulcers** are infections of the cornea. Symptoms include pain, redness, swelling, and blurred vision. *** Endophthalmitis** is an infection of the inside of the eye. Symptoms include pain, redness, swelling, and blurred vision. *** Retinitis** is an infection of the retina. Symptoms include blurred vision, floaters, and vision loss.

Ocular infections are a serious threat to vision. Early diagnosis and treatment are essential to preventing vision loss. If you think you may have an ocular infection, see your doctor right away.

Additional Resources

*** [National Eye Institute](<https://www.nei.nih.gov/>)** *** [American Academy of Ophthalmology](<https://www.aao.org/>)** *** [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](<https://www.cdc.gov/>)**



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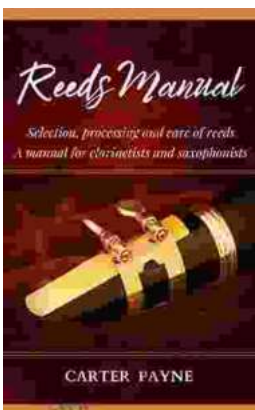
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