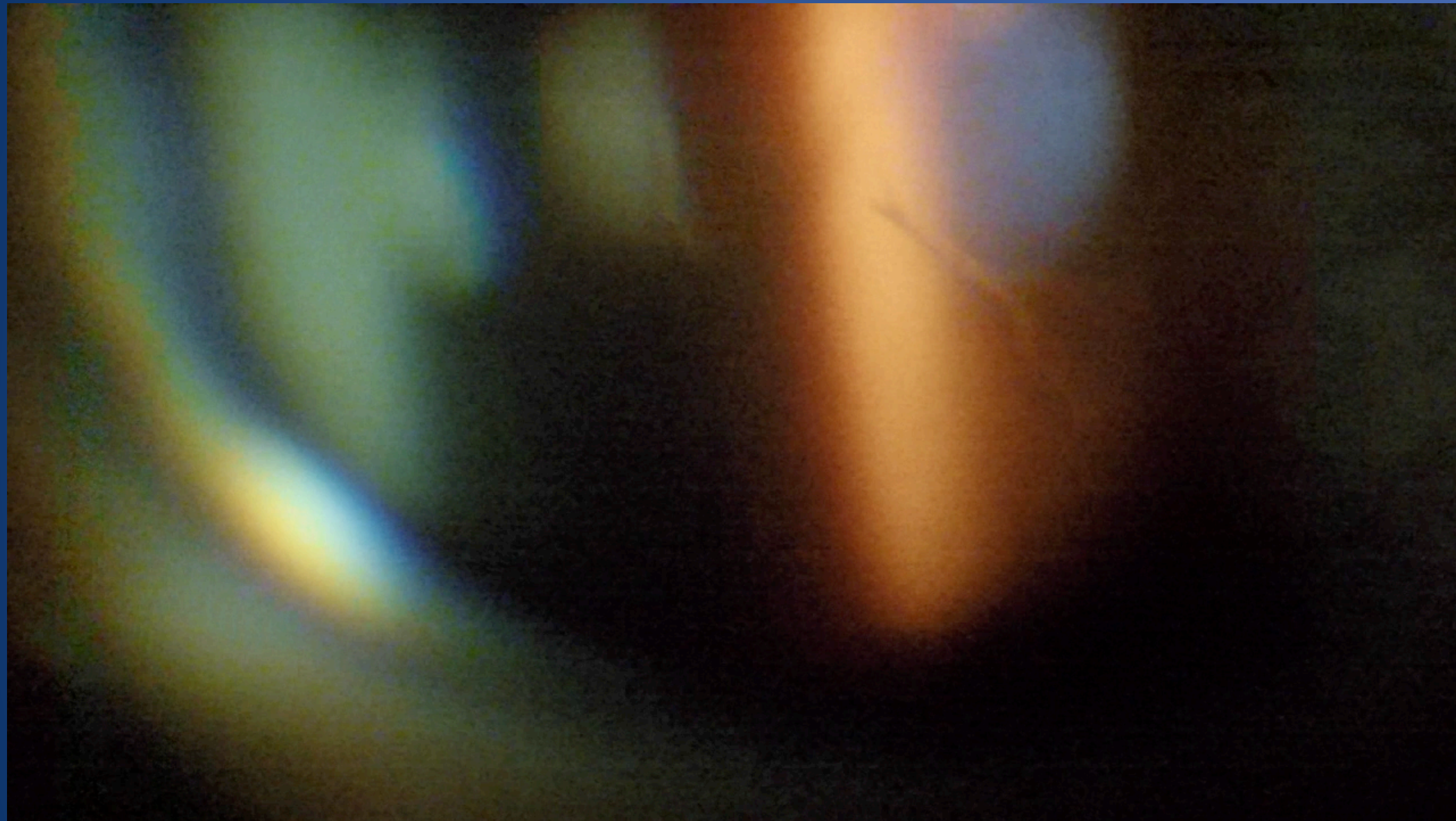


YAG Vitreolysis

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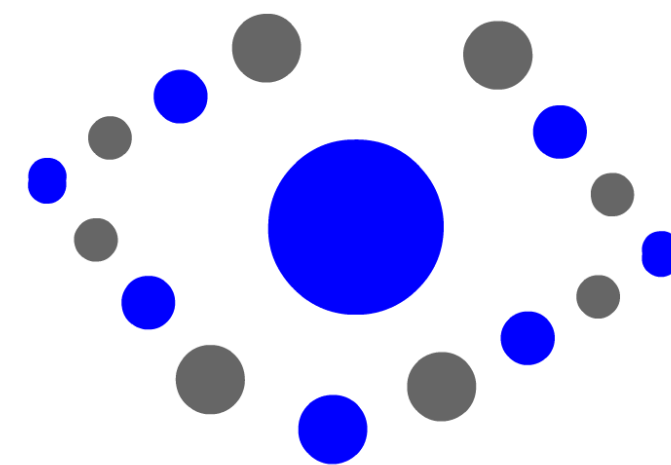
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Nd:YAG laser Disruption of tissue



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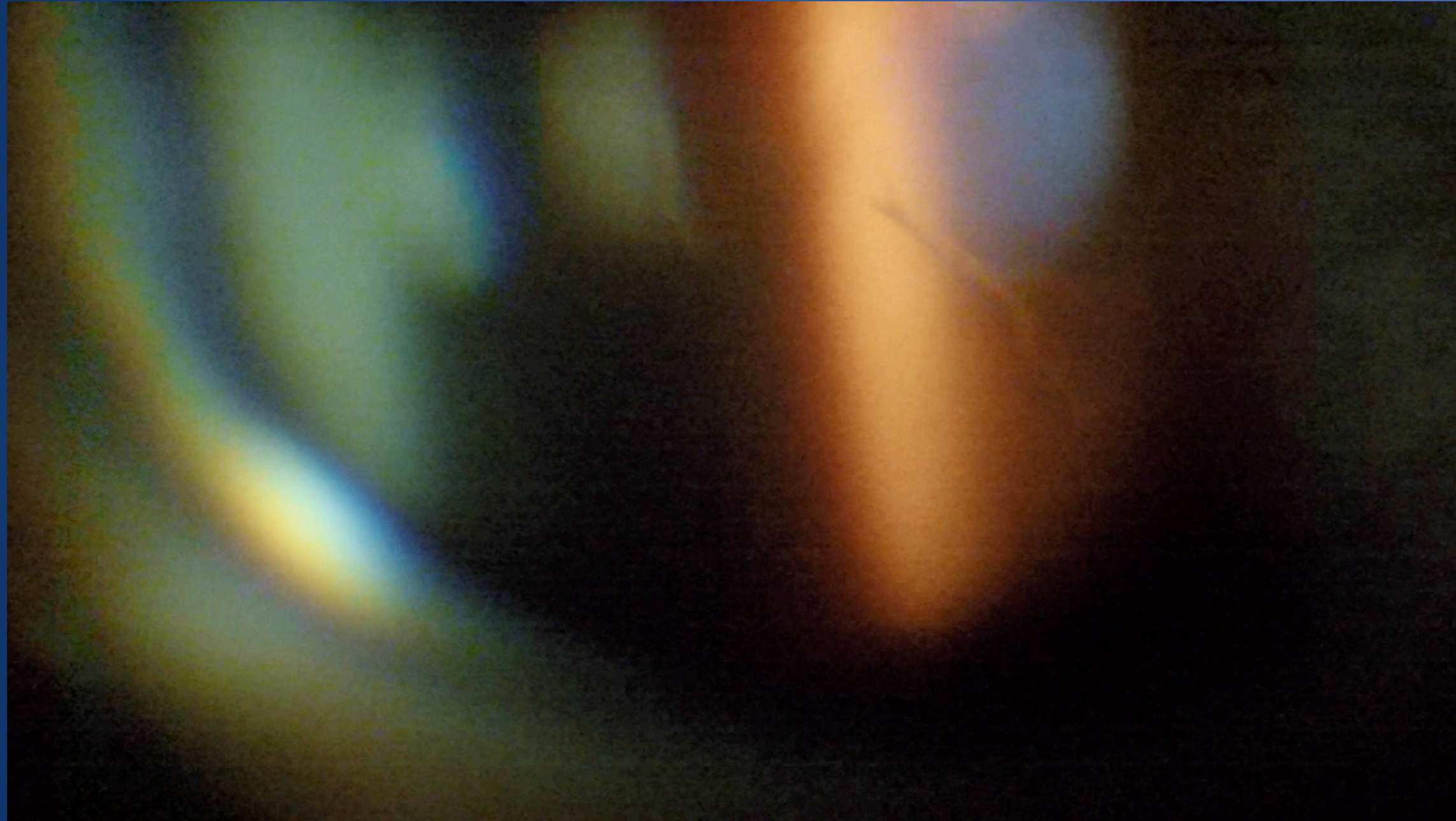


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Grundlagen und Funktionsweise des Lasers

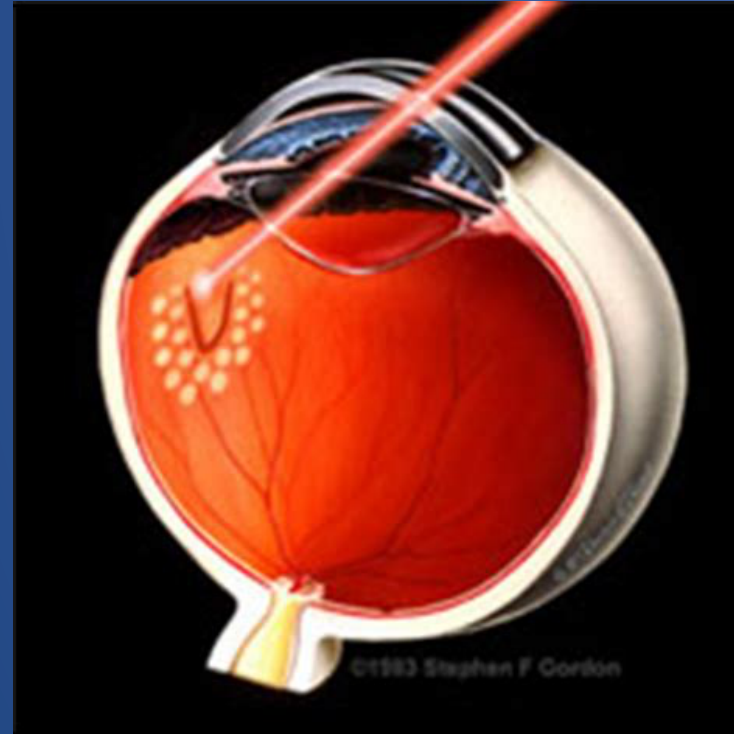
Basics and operation of the laser



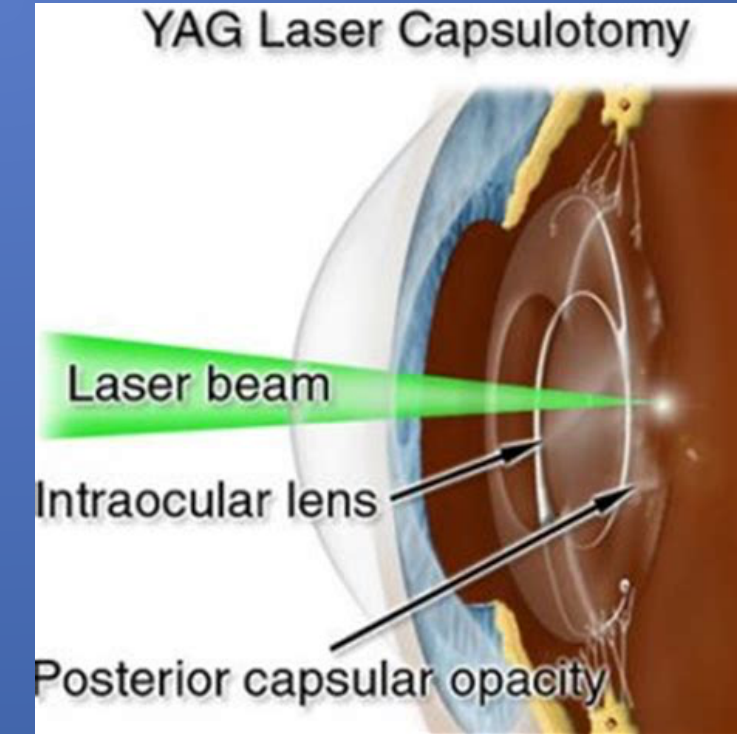
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Effects of ophthalmic lasers:

	Green laser	Burning, coagulation *
→	Nd:YAG laser	Disruption of tissue



Green laser



Nd:YAG laser

* Green laser = 'Argon' Laser

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Intermezzo 1



Dr Scott Geller was the first ophthalmologist treating floaters with a YAG laser

He started doing this in 1986

Laser used: Meridian Microruptor 2



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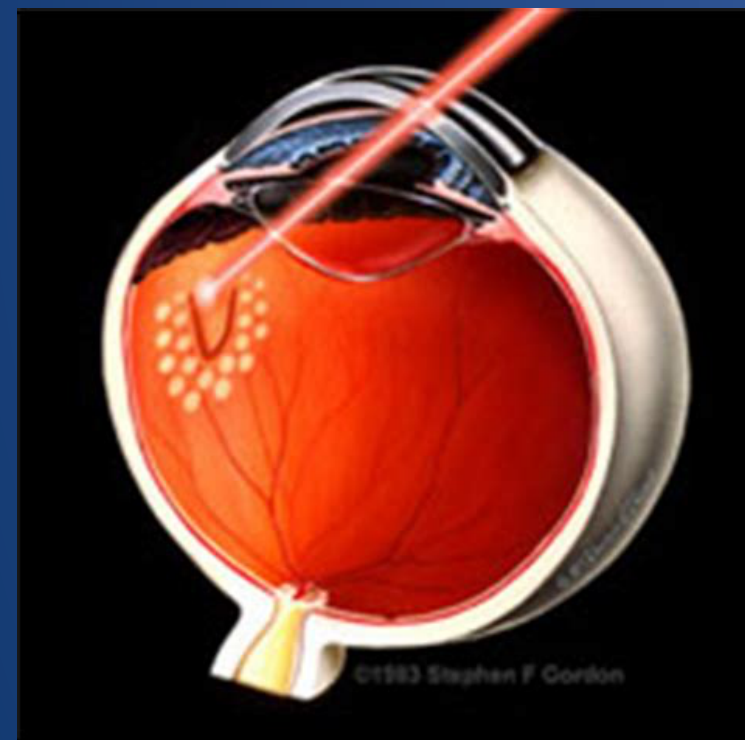
Physics of Green laser: retinal tear

Settings: 200mW 0.1 sec 200 μm

$$\text{Power} = \frac{\text{Energy}}{\text{Time}} \quad W = \frac{J}{s}$$

$$\text{Power} \times \text{Time} = \text{Energy} \quad \text{Watt} \times s = \text{Joule}$$

→ $200\text{mW} \times 0.1\text{s} = 20\text{mJ}$



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Physics of YAG laser:

Energy= Power x Time

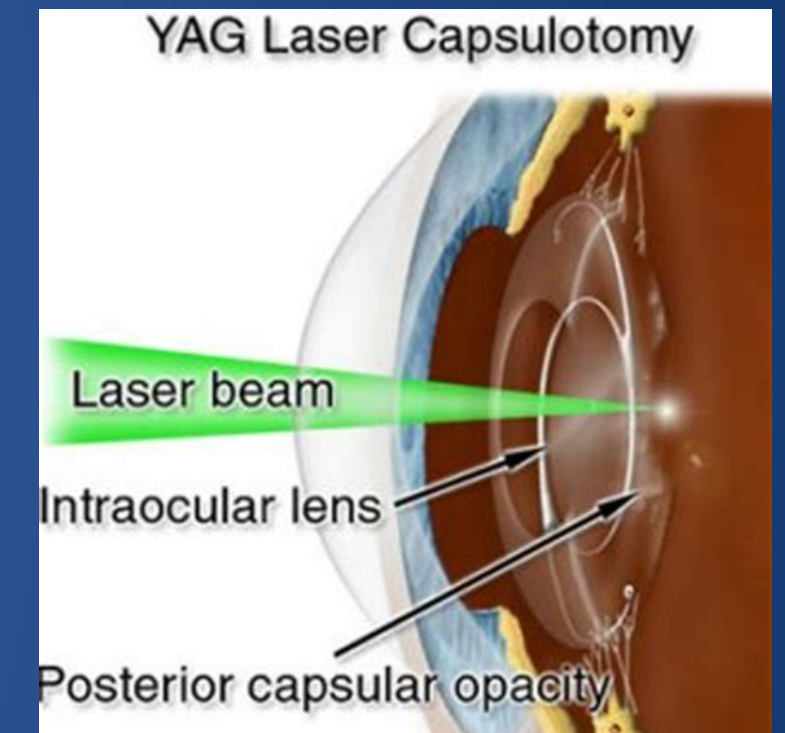
Nd: YAG pulse = 4 nano seconds = 4×10^{-9} s

Question:

How do we get 2.0mJ of energy with this pulse duration?

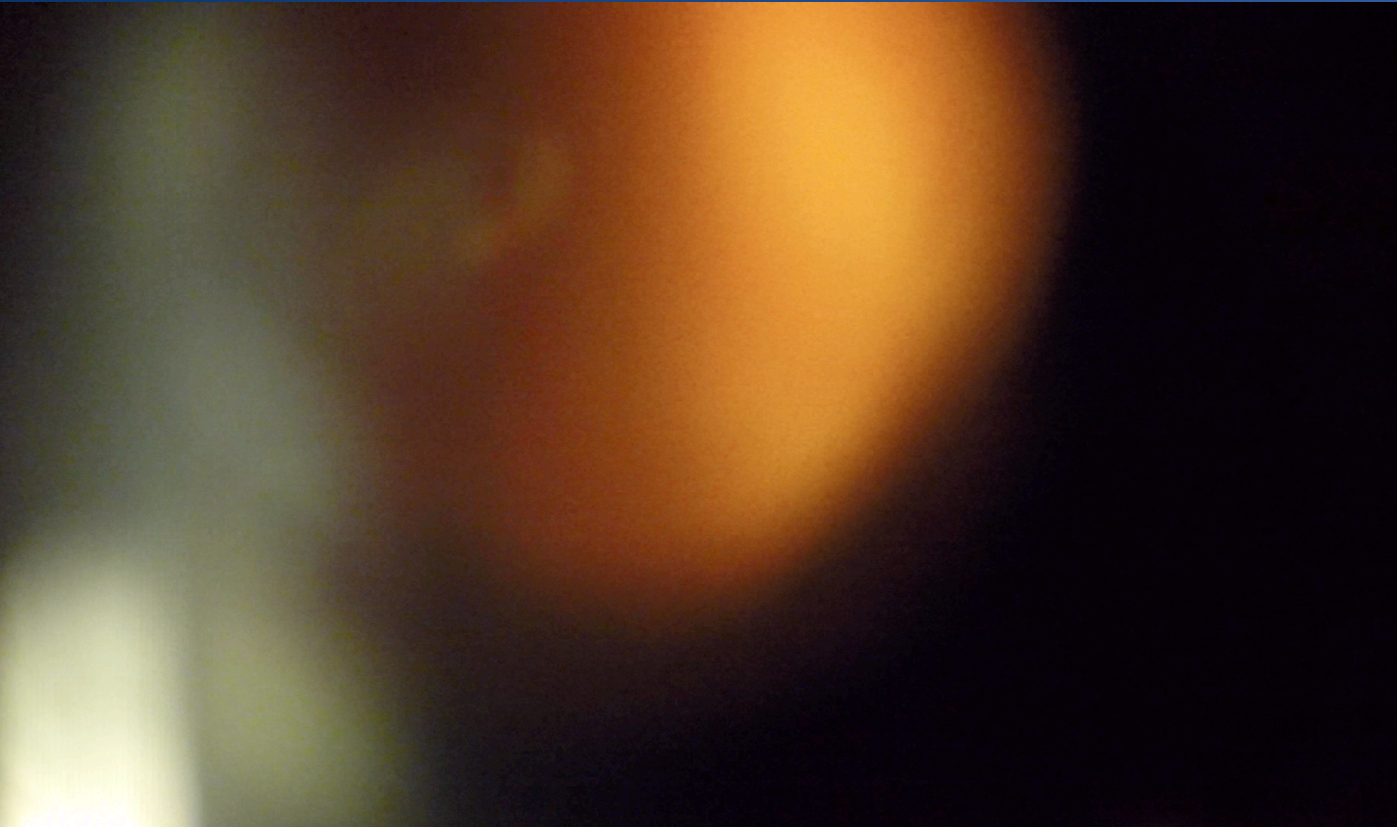
Answer:

Increase Power!



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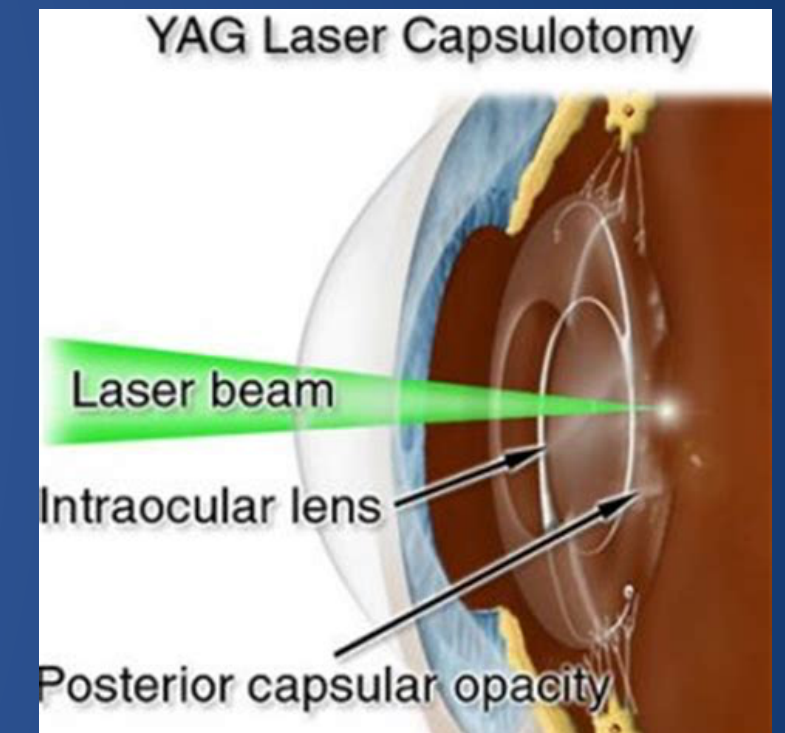
Physics of YAG laser:



How much more power for a YAG laser then Green?

(2 mJ of YAG vs 20mJ of Green)

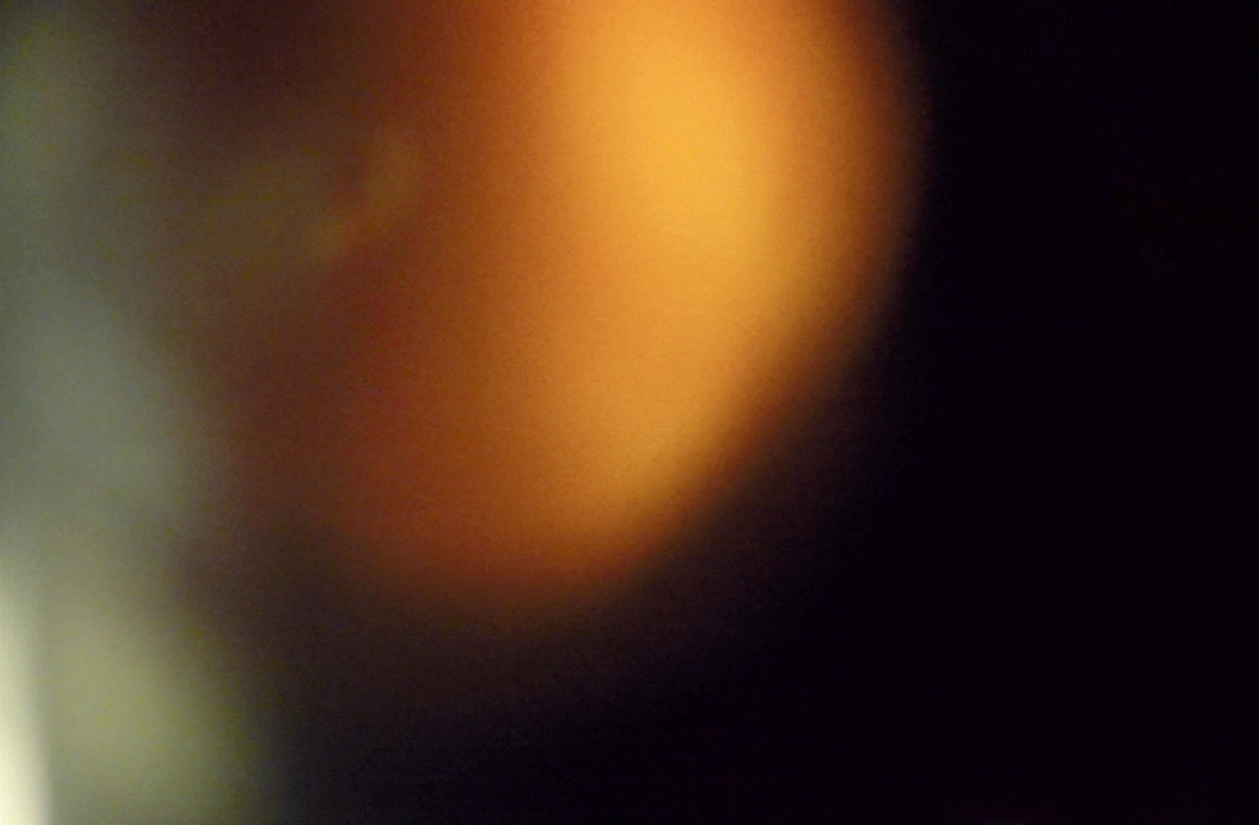
- A) 10.000 times
- B) 100.000 times
- C) > 1.000.000 times



Wie Functioniert die YAG Laser Vitreolyse

Physics of YAG laser:

2mJ delivered in 4 nano seconds


$$\text{Power} = \frac{\text{Energy}}{\text{Time}}$$

$$\text{Power} = \frac{2\text{mJ}}{4.0 \times 10^{-9} \text{ seconds}}$$

$$\text{Power} = 500.000.000 \text{ mW} = 500.000 \text{ W} = 0.5 \text{ MW}$$

(energy for 5000 lightbulbs of 100Watt)

$$\frac{500.000.000}{200} = 2.500.000$$



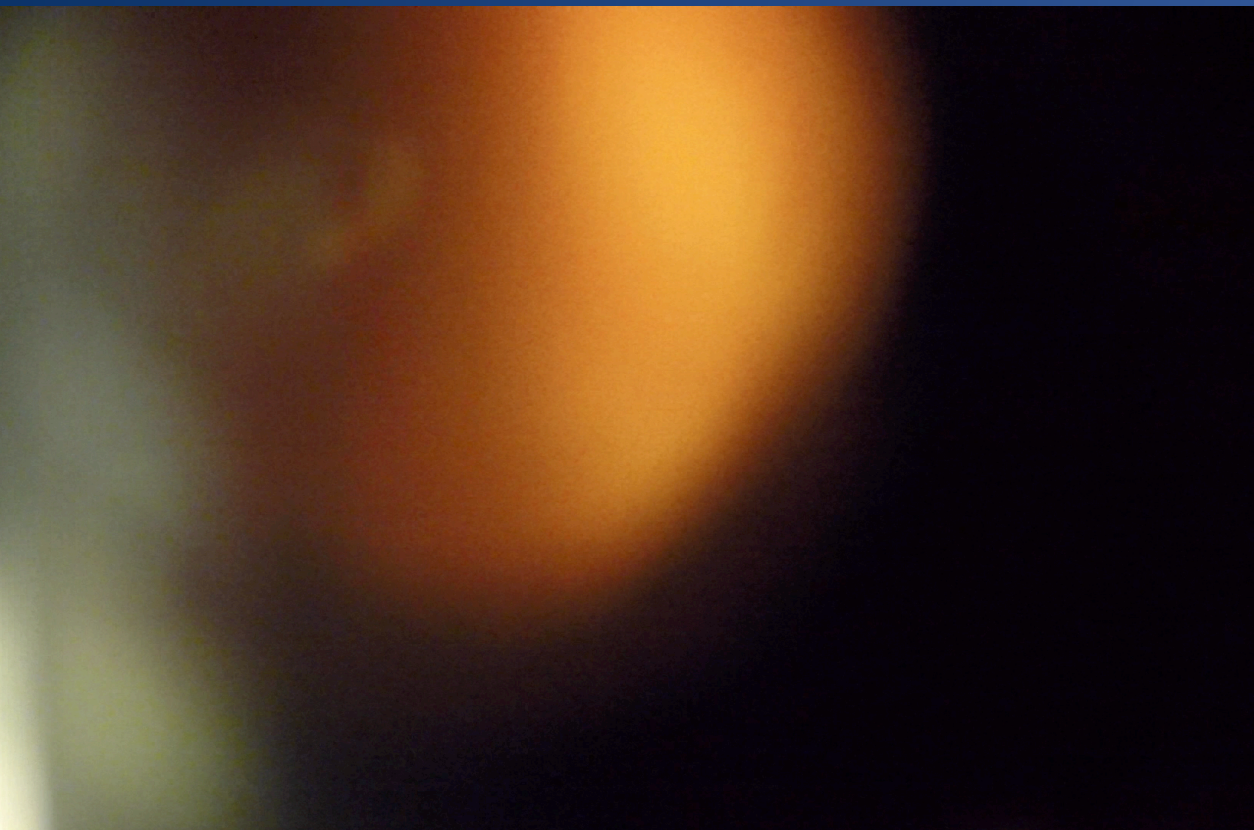
2.500.000 times stronger than 200mW of green laser

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Physics of YAG laser:

2mJ = 500.000.000 mW

That's why a YAG laser indicates mJ instead of mW....



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Spotsize:

Green laser: 300mW x 0,1 s spot size 200 μm (31.500 μm^2)

$$20 \text{ mJ} / 31.500 \mu\text{m}^2 = 0,0006 \text{ mJ} / \mu\text{m}^2$$

low power "large" area



Spotsize

Power/ μm^2

Nd:YAG laser: 2mJ 8 μm (50.3 μm^2)

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high power on small surface (626 times smaller)



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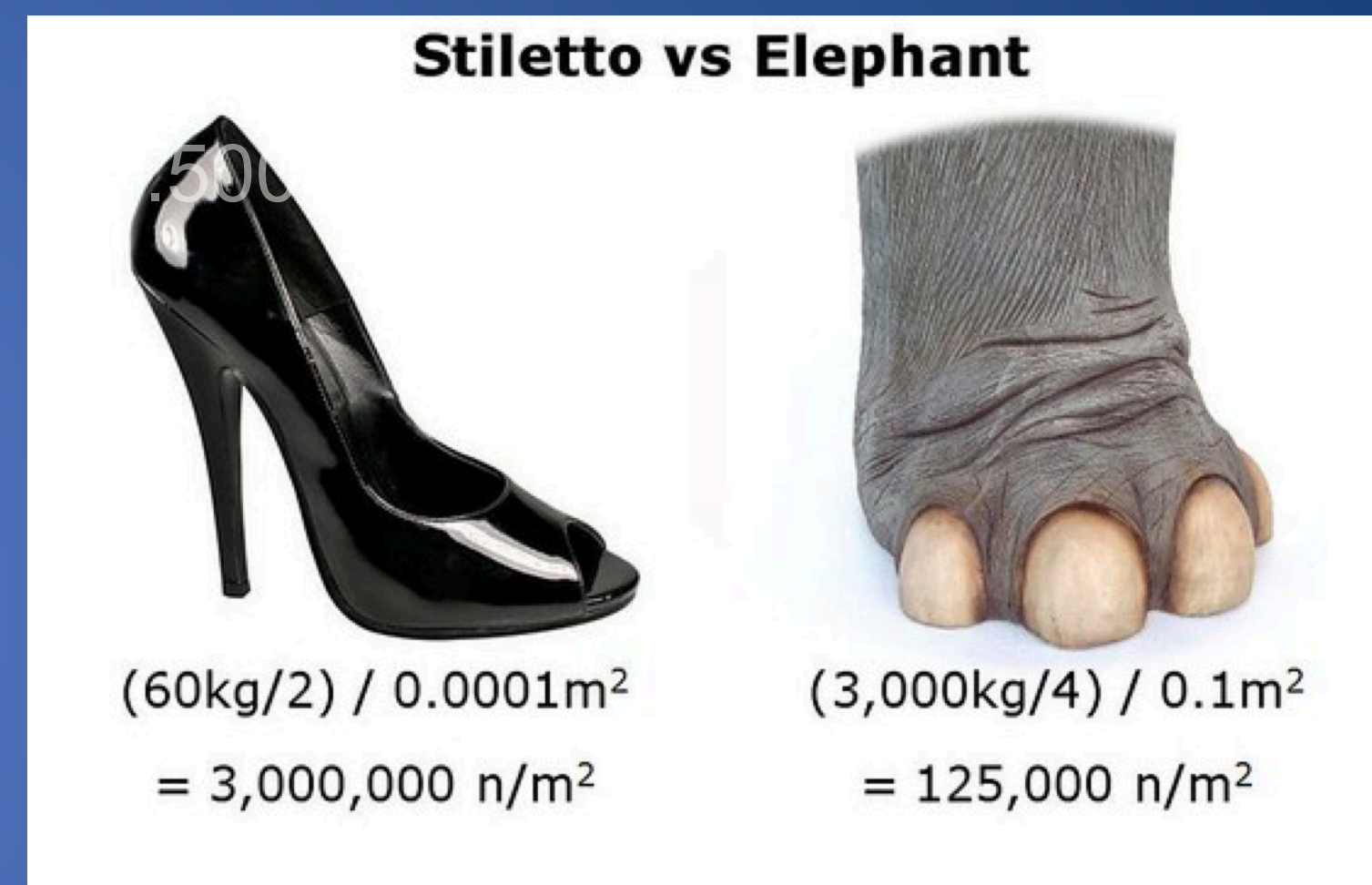
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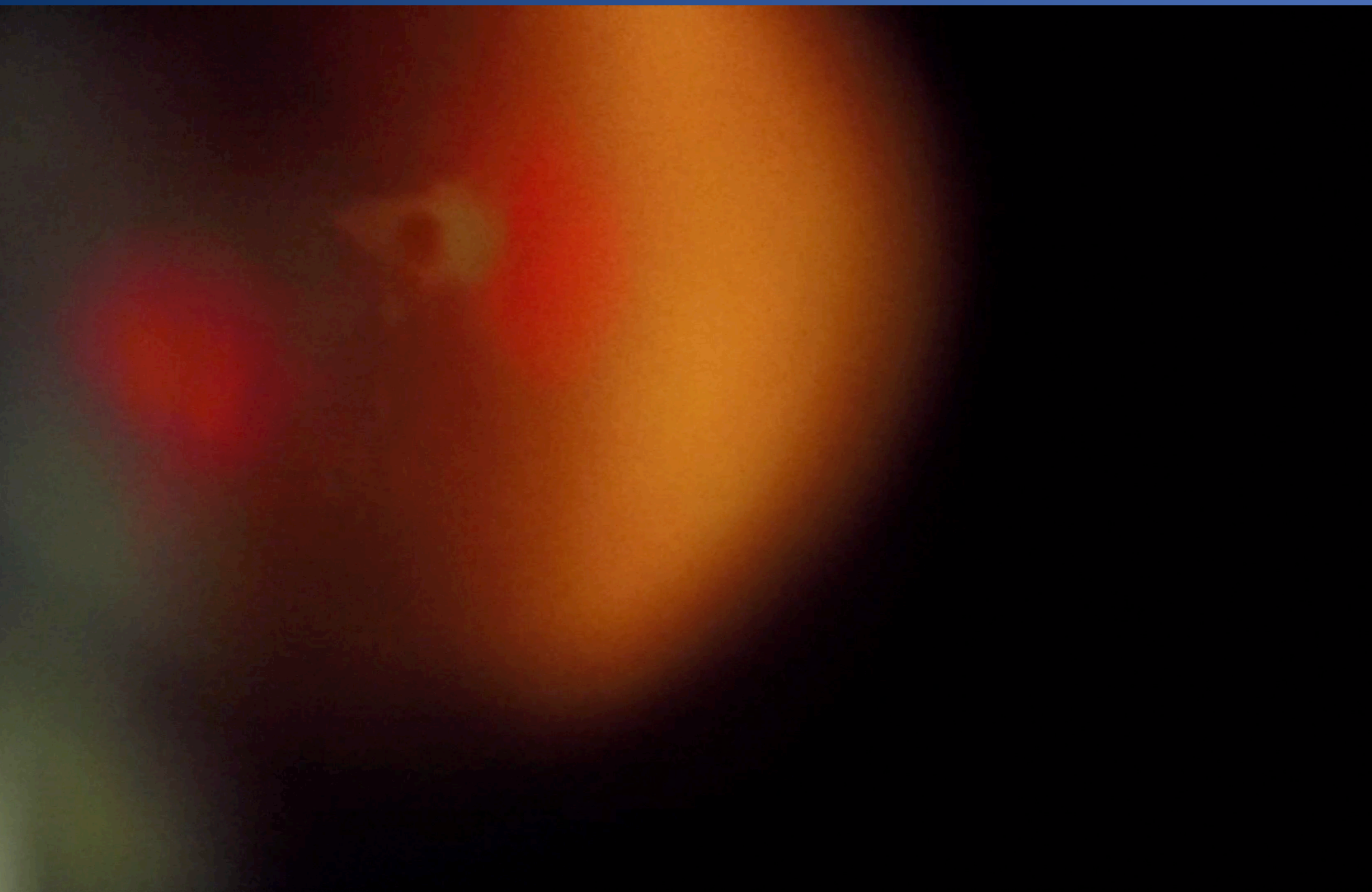
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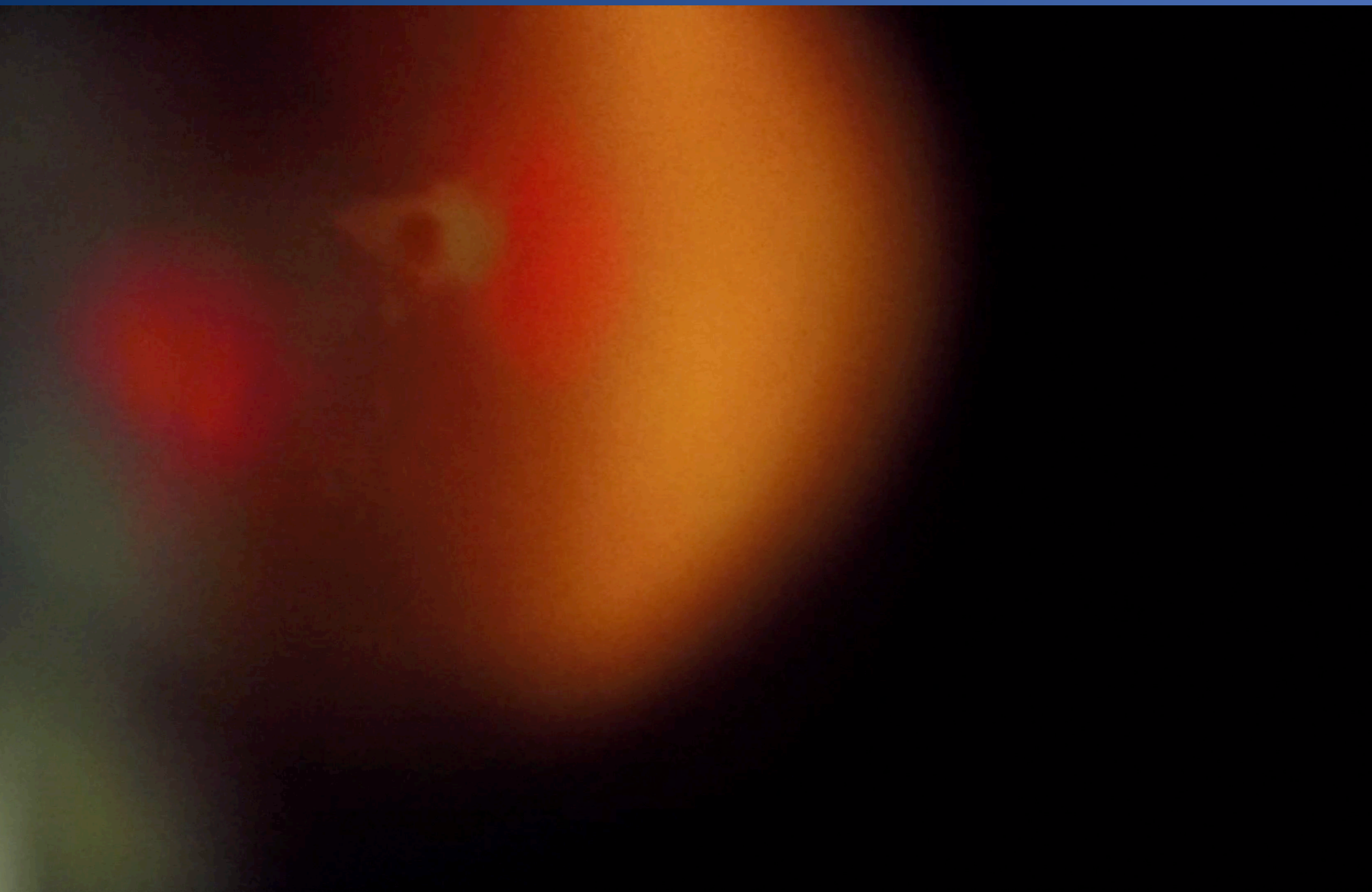


Succes rate of FLT for Weiss ring is:

- A) 45-55%
- B) 60-70%
- C) 85-95%

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Intermezzo 2 : succes rate of a Weiss Ring



dr Shah reported a rate of 53% after 1 treatment session. *

Experienced doctors:

succes rate for Weiss rings of about 95%

This requires several treatments

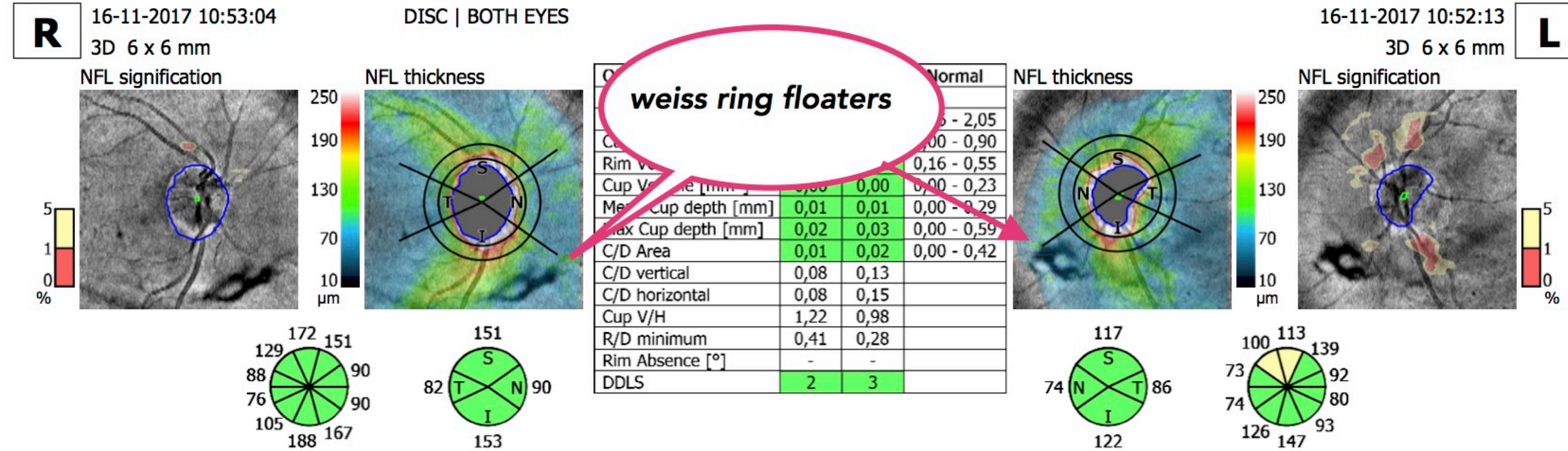
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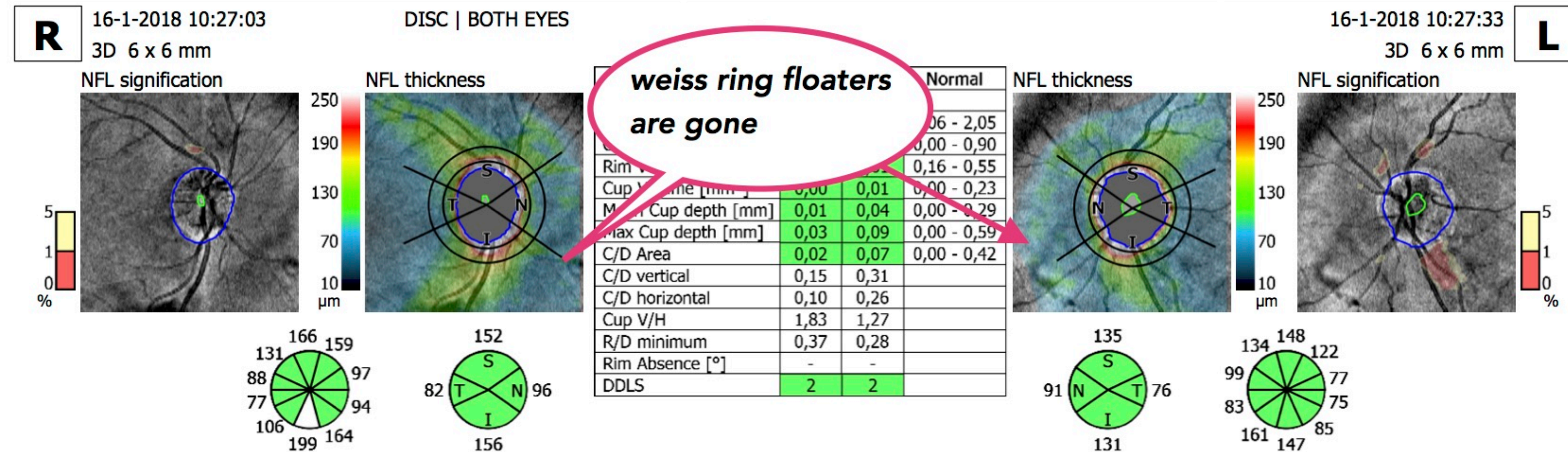


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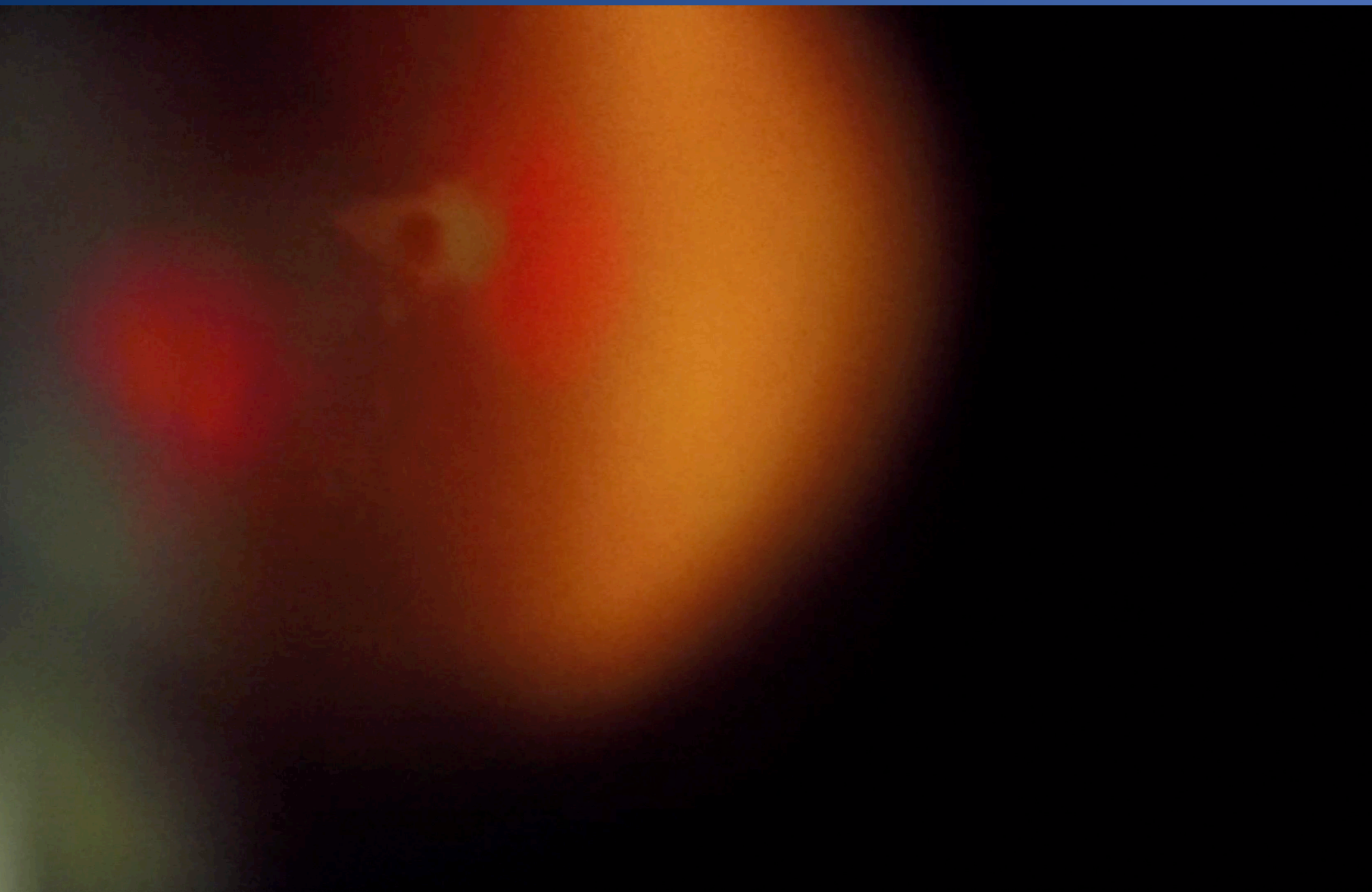


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Intermezzo 2 : succes rate of a Weiss Ring



95% succes
What happens to the other 5% ?

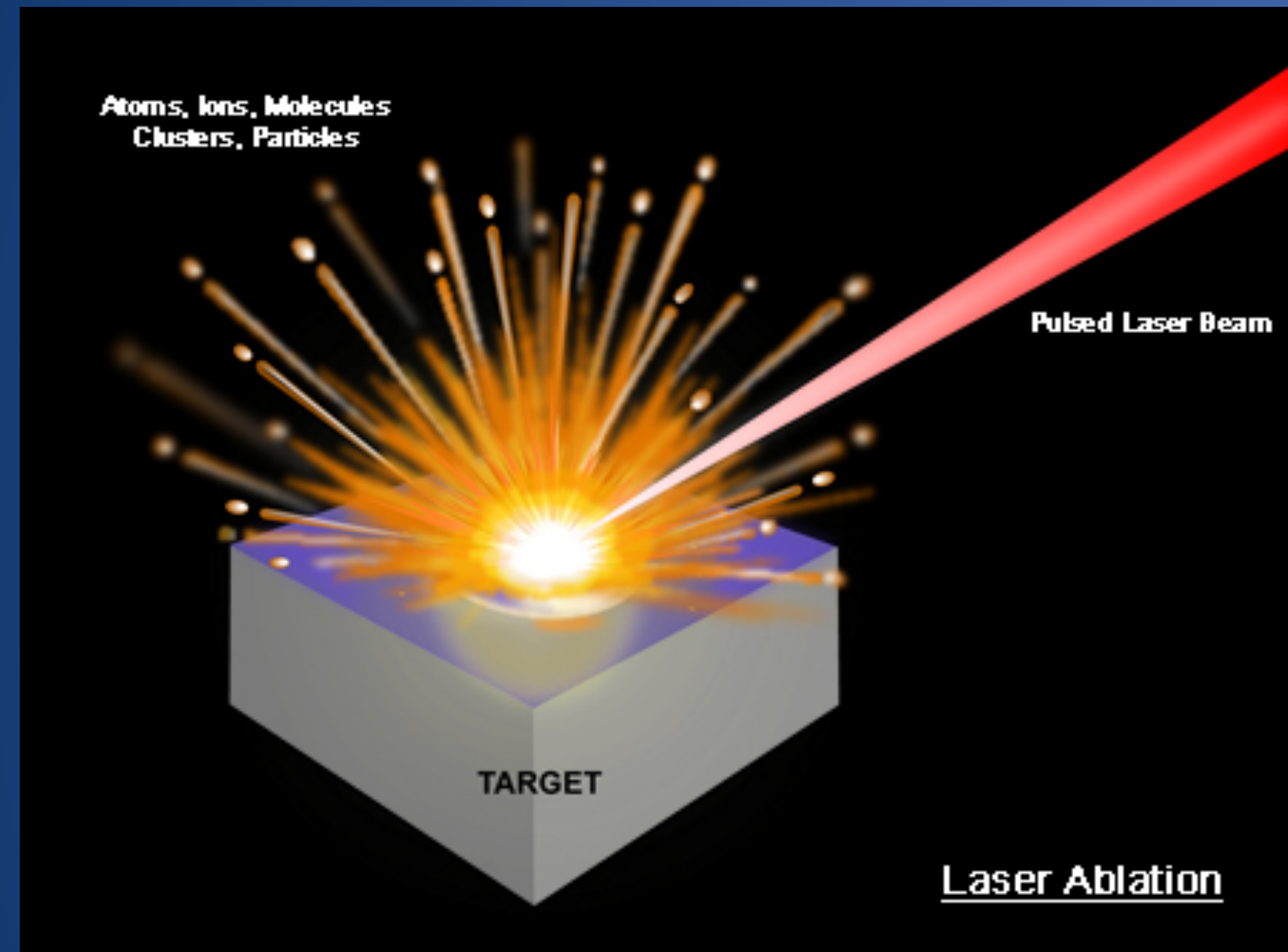
Posterior vitreous membrane

→ Membranotomy



- Membranotomy

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Physics of YAG laser:

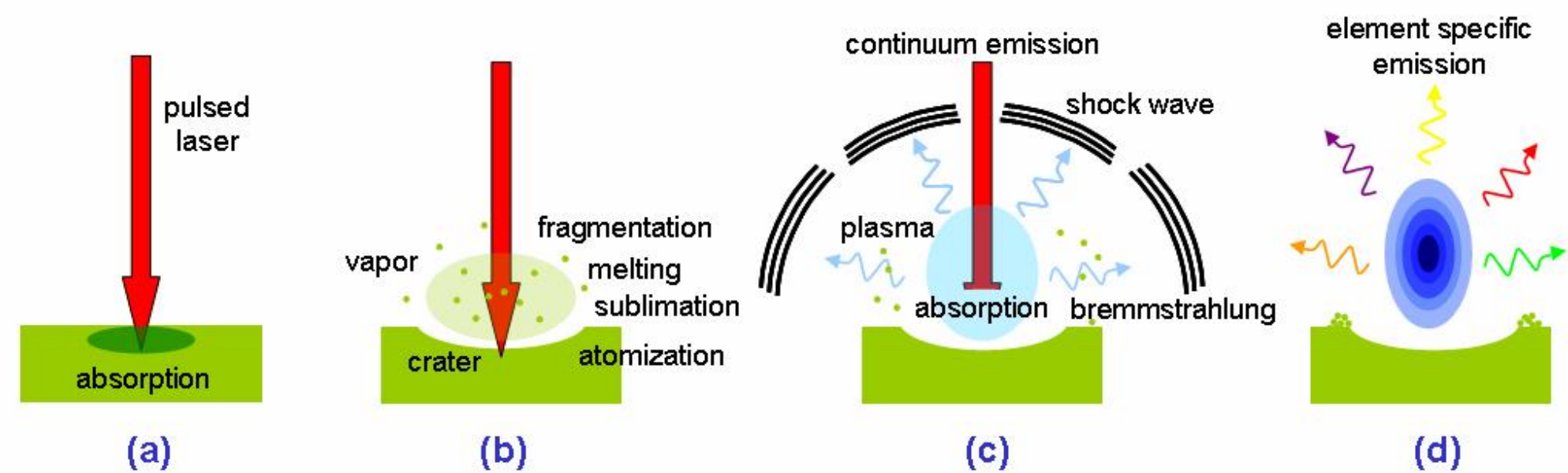
Effect of 1MW on 8 microns for 4 nanoseconds:

Temperature up to 20.000 celcius

Plasma formation

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Schematic of the laser-induced breakdown process.

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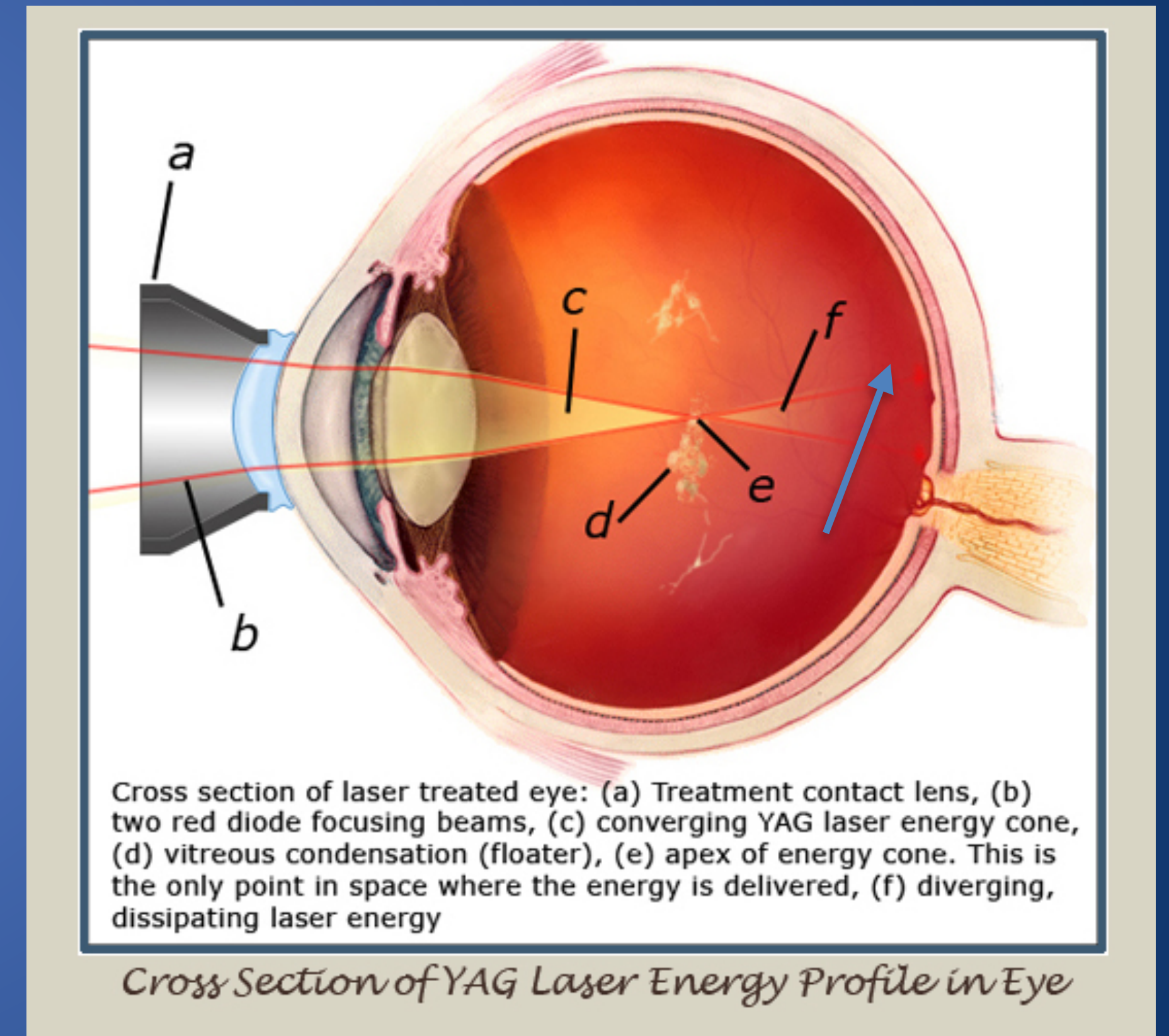



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Focus and defocus

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 Then: Proceed with either disinfection or sterilization instructions.

Disinfection

Soak In:	GLUTARALDEHYDE	OR	BLEACH
	2% or 3.4% aqueous solution		10% solution mixed at: 1 part bleach to 9 parts cool tepid water
	Temperature per manufacturer instructions		Recommended exposure time = 10 minutes
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Beam diameter retina 4.7mm

Area = πr^2

$\pi \times 2.35^2 = 17.35 \text{ mm}^2$

$2.35 / 17.35 = 0.135 \text{ mm/mm}^2$

$= 0.000000135 \text{ mm/um}^2$

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With Lens 24°

Beam diameter retina 7.2 mm

Area = πr^2

$\pi \times 3.6 \times 3.6 = 40.7 \text{mm}^2$

$2 \text{mJ} / 40.7 = 0,05 \text{ mJ} / \text{mm}^2$

No Lens 16°

Beam diameter retina 4.7mm

Area = πr^2

$\pi \times 2.35 \times 2.35 = 17.35 \text{mm}^2$

$2 \text{mJ} / 17.35 = 0,12 \text{ mJ} / \text{mm}^2$

→ $0,12 / 0,05 = 2,4$ → With lens 2,4 times less energy at retina level

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With Lens 24°

Focus Spot size 14

Area = 154 μm^2

$2\text{mJ} / 154 = 0,013 \text{ mJ} / \mu\text{m}^2$

No Lens 16°

Focus Spot size 21

Area = 346 μm^2

$2\text{mJ} / 346 = 0,0057 \text{ mJ} / \mu\text{m}^2$



$0,0013 / 0,0057 = 2,3$
Difference with lens 2,3 times higher energy in focal point

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With Lens 24°



2.3 times less energy needed
And 2.4 times less energy at retina level

$$1/2.3 = 0,43$$

$$0,43/2.4 = 0,18$$



With lens only 18% of the energy at retina level!

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With Lens 24°

Clinical effect:

- Higher magnification
- Spotsize small
- Lens pits +/-
- Laser settings: 1.2 mJ
- Higher safety

No Lens 16°

Clinical effect:

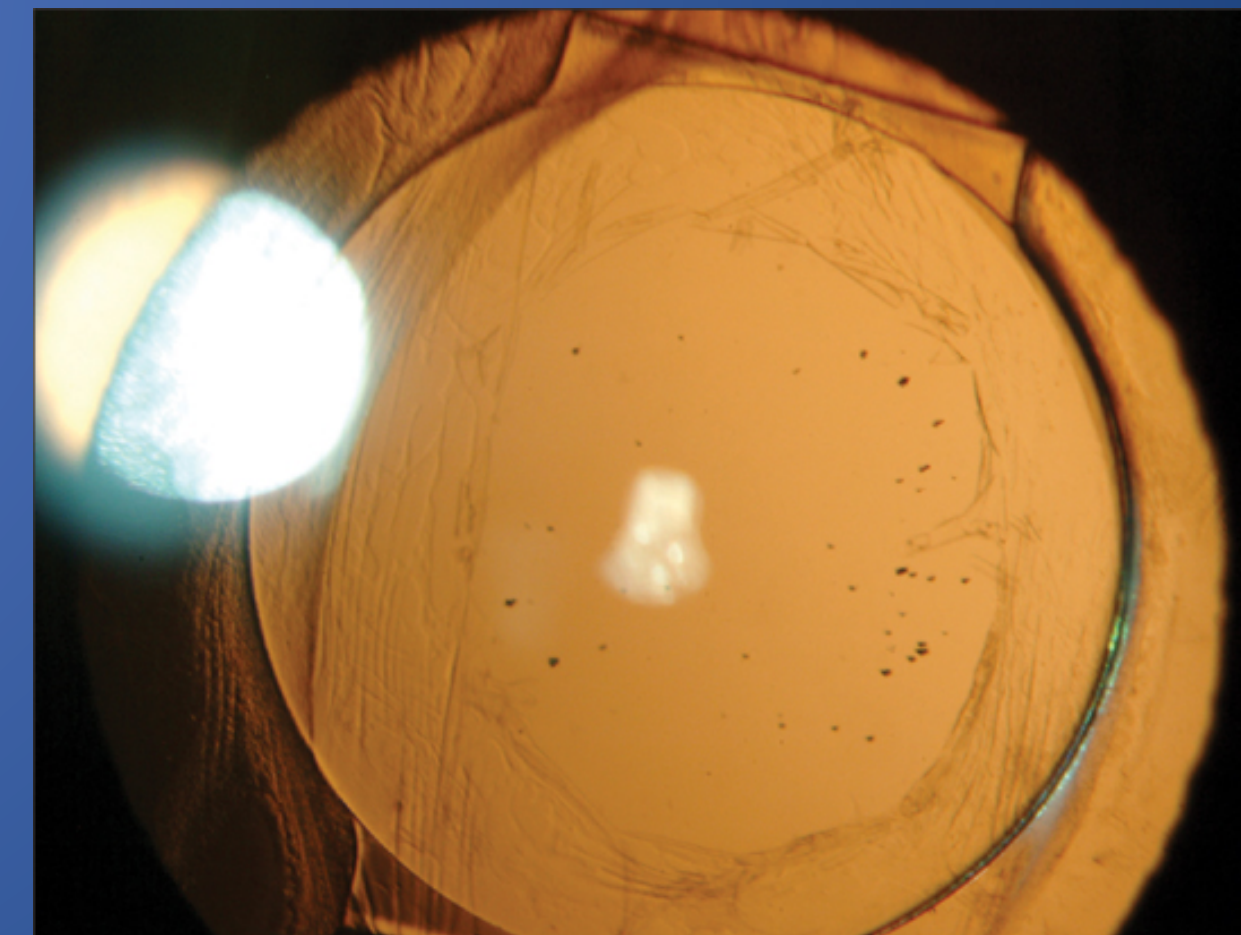
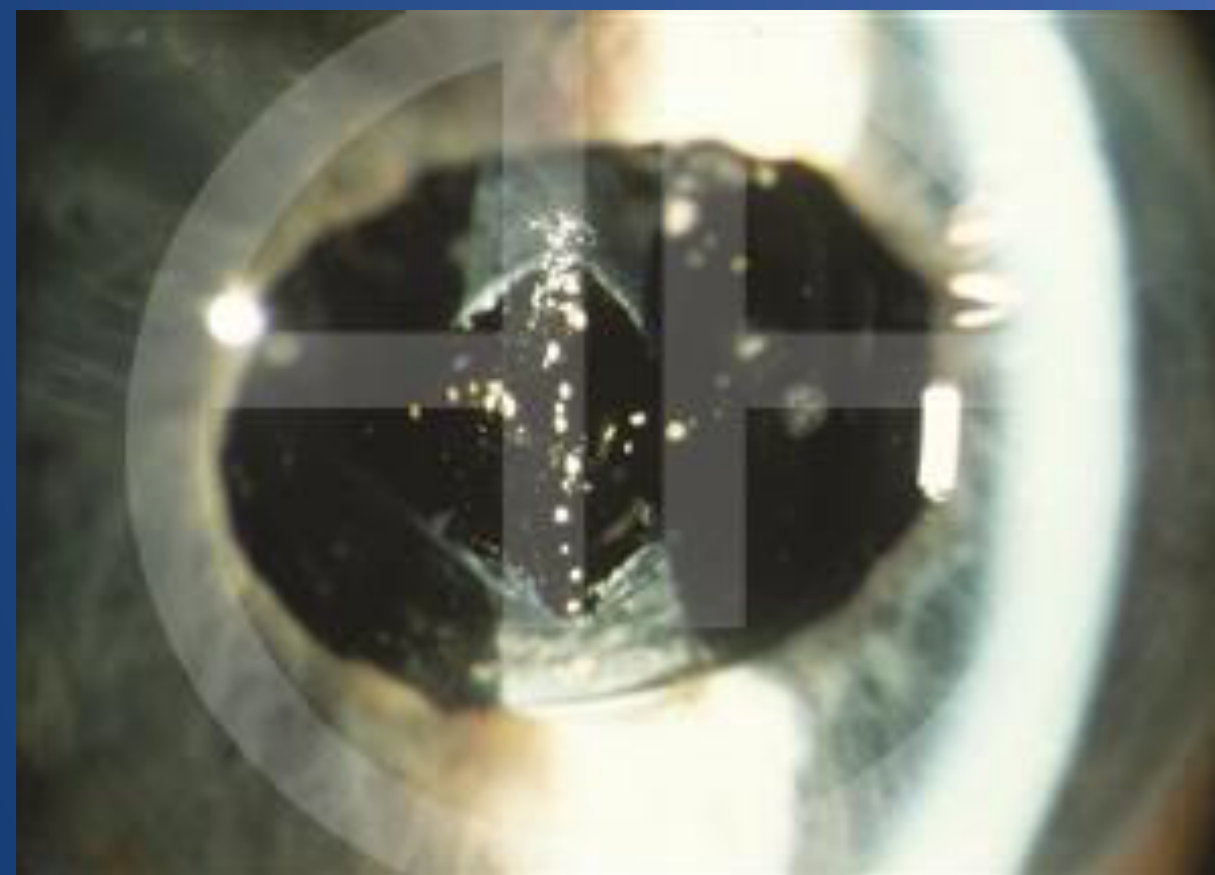
- Lower magnification
- Spotsize large
- Lens pits +
- Laser settings: 2.5 mJ
- Lower safety



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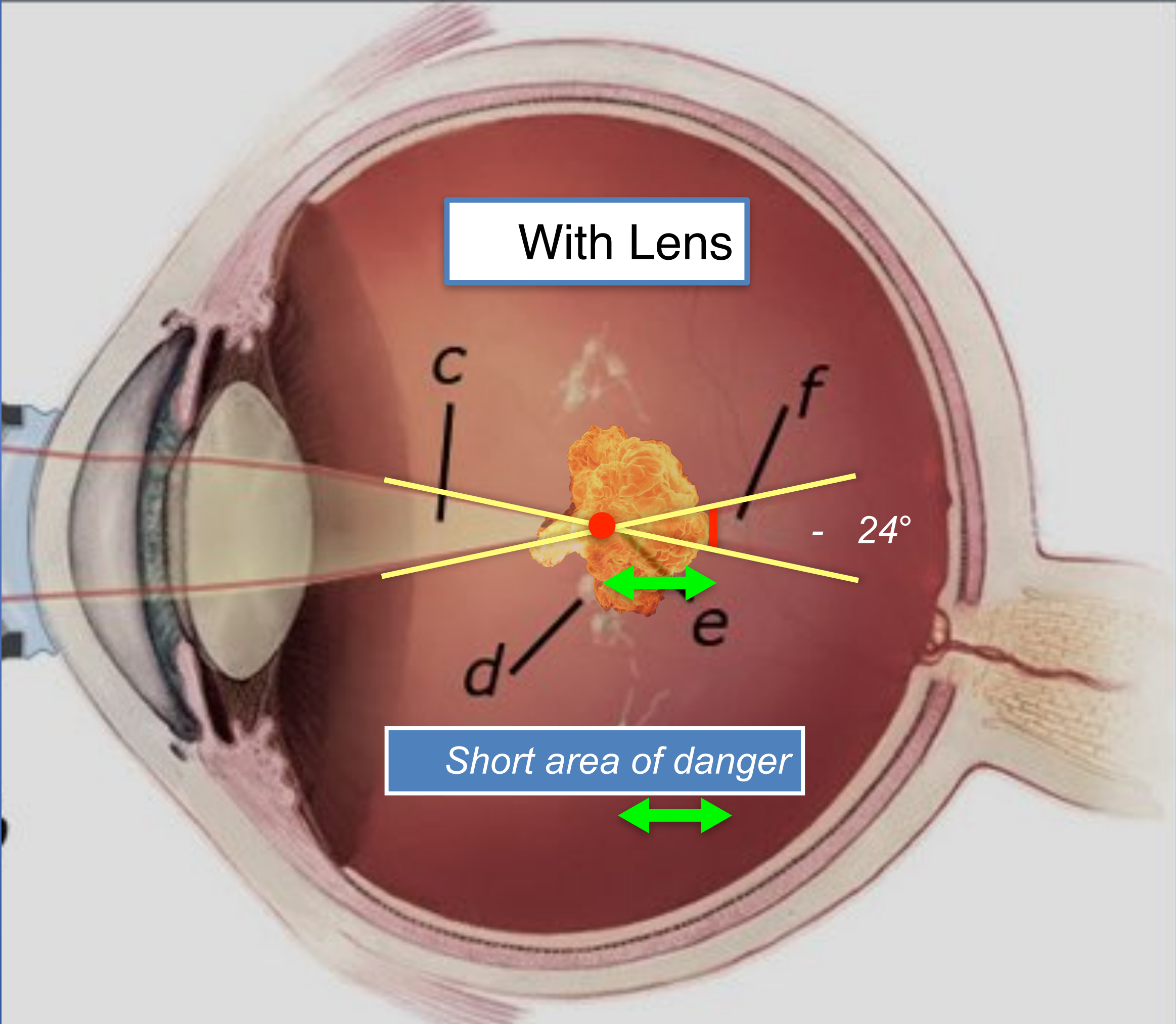
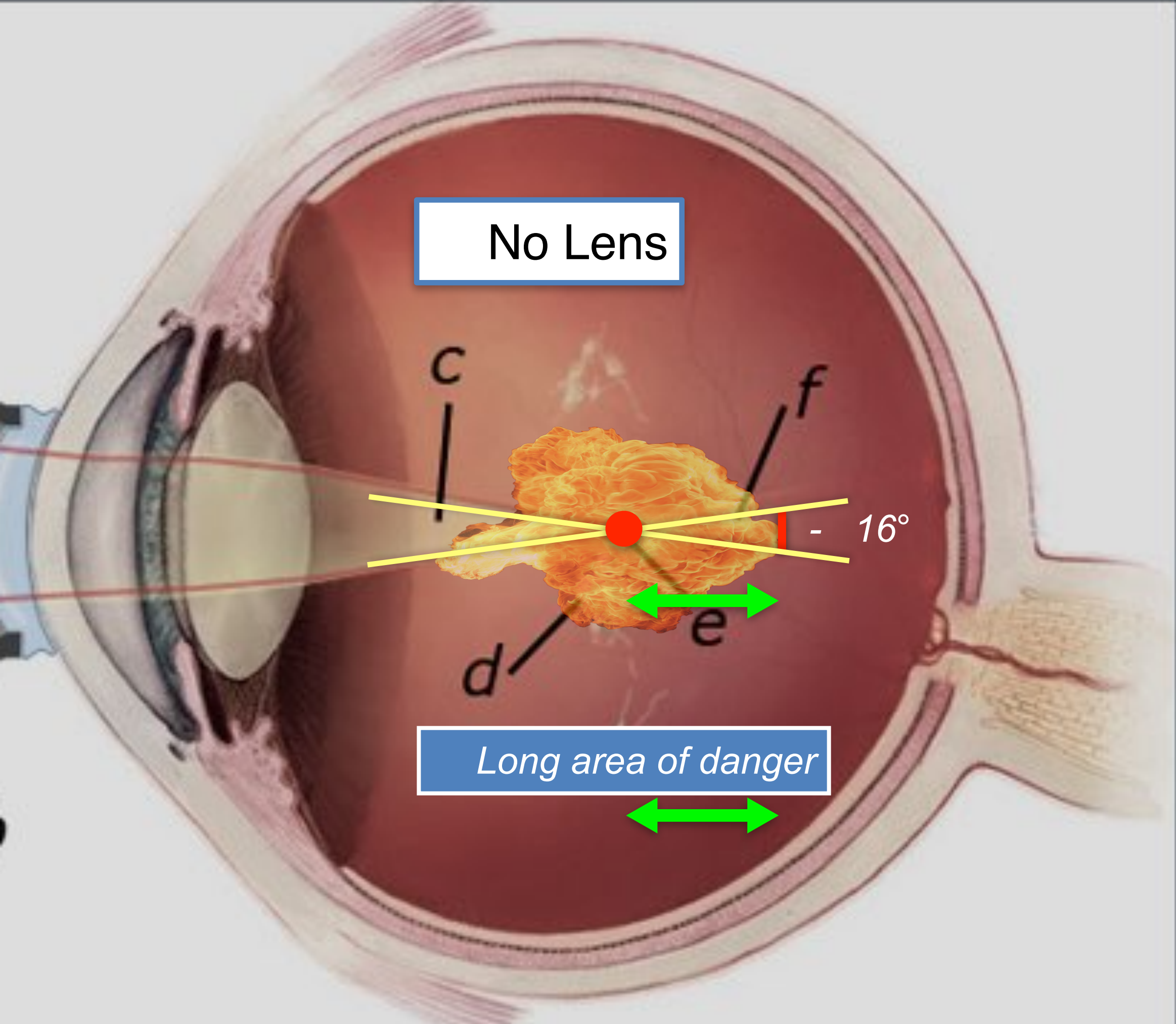
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Capsulotomy is safer with contact glass than without !
Forget that extra minute
Don't teach your residents to do without



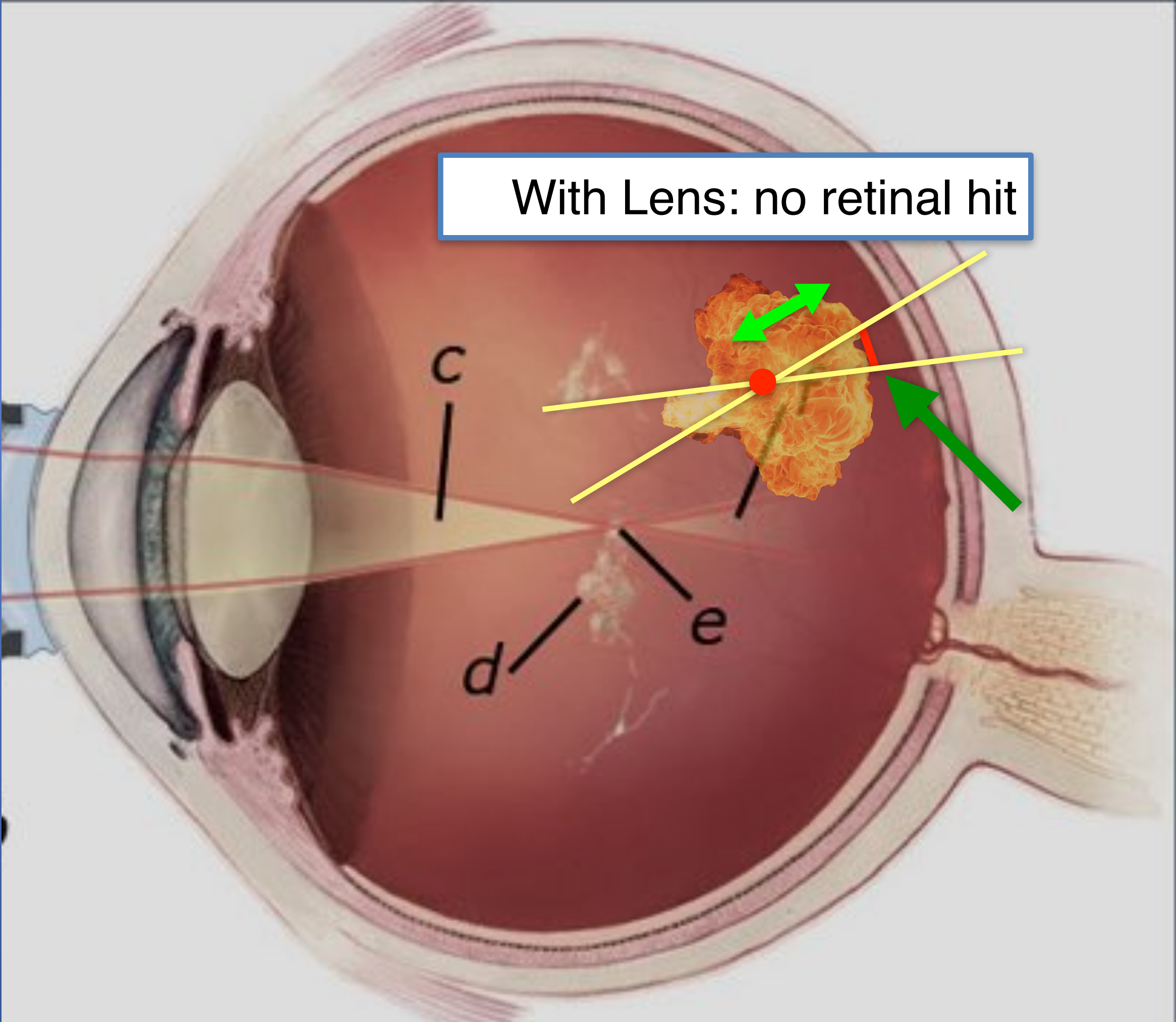
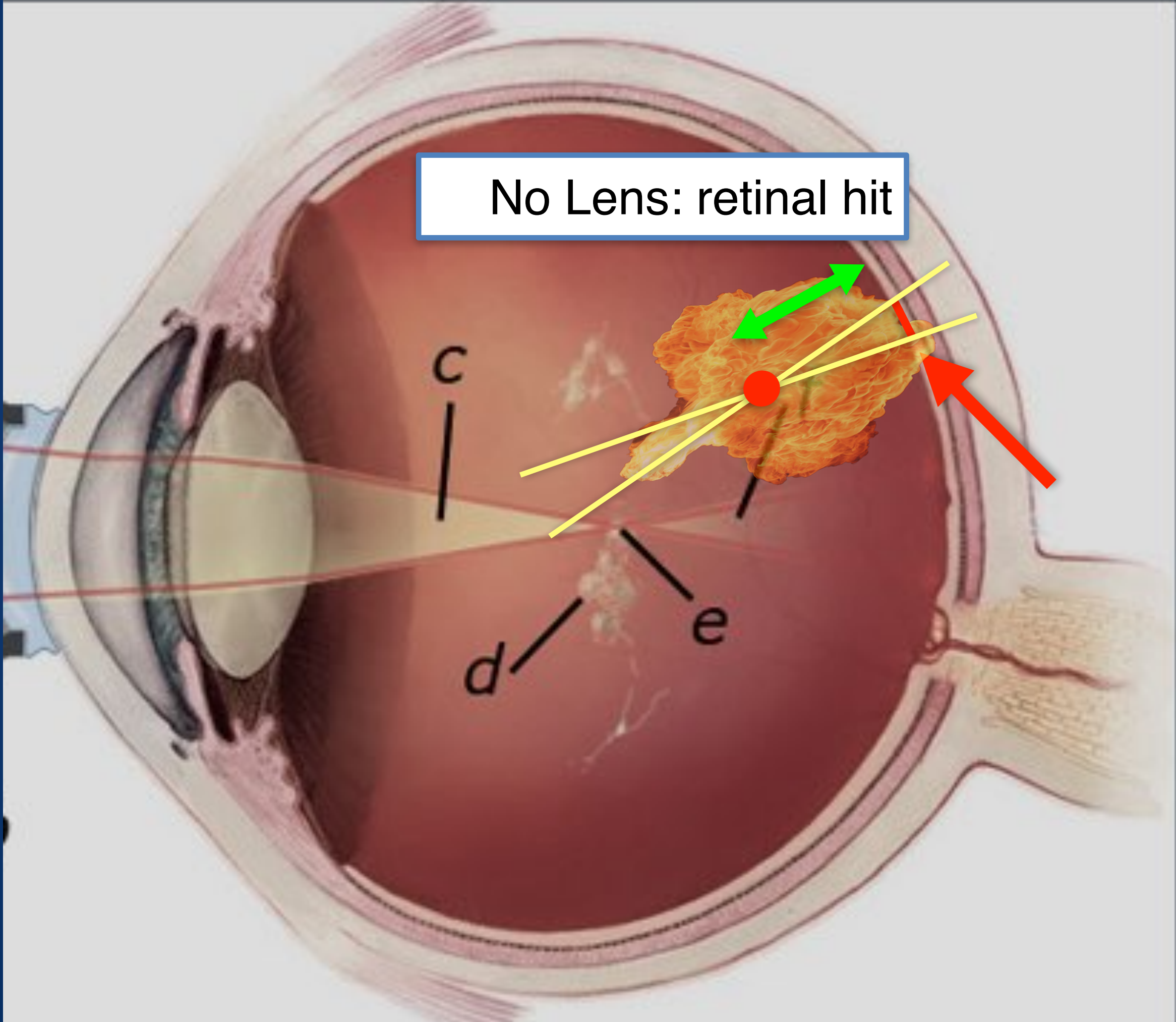
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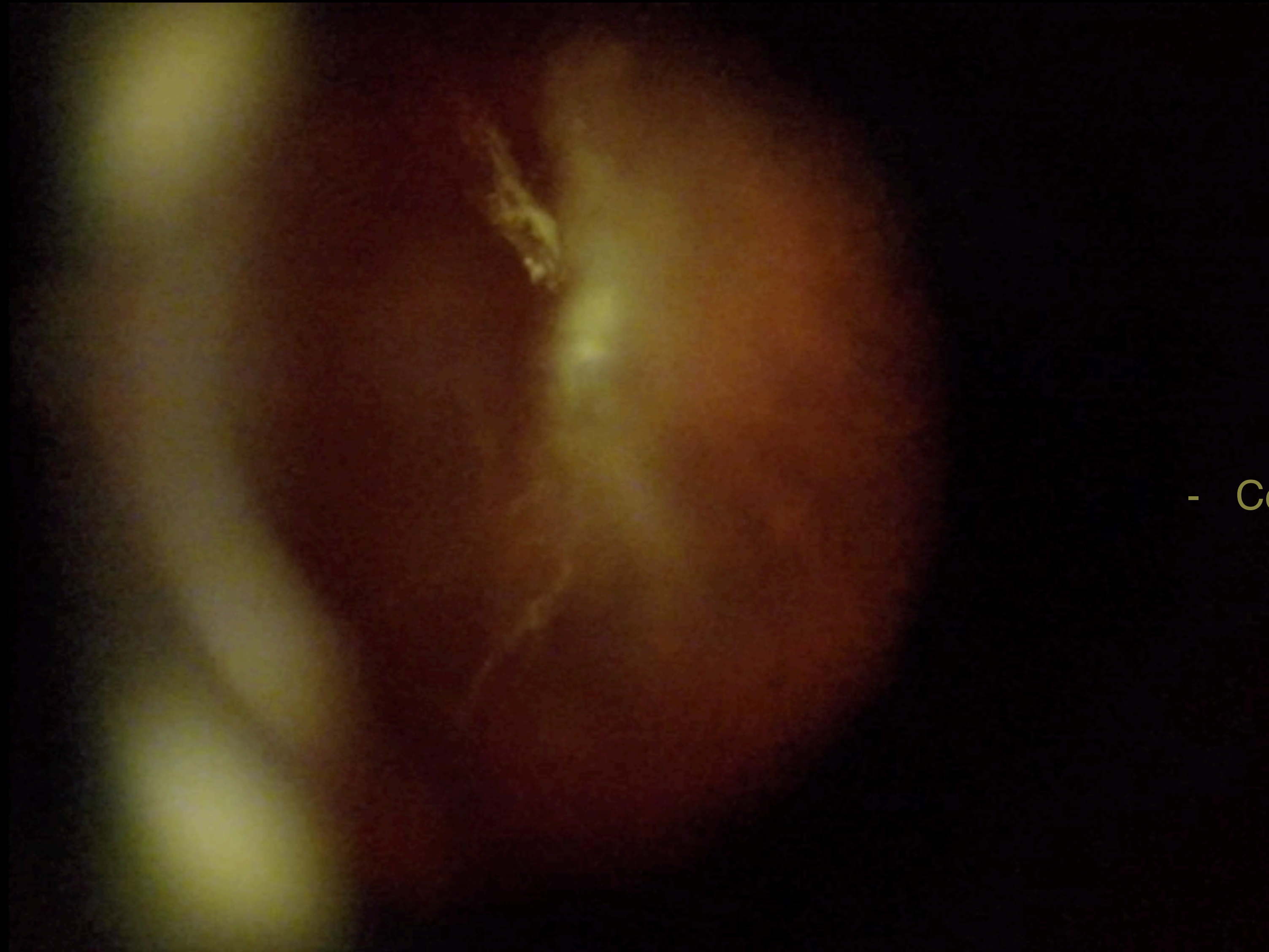
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Low magnification lens

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Intermezzo 3 : treatment video's

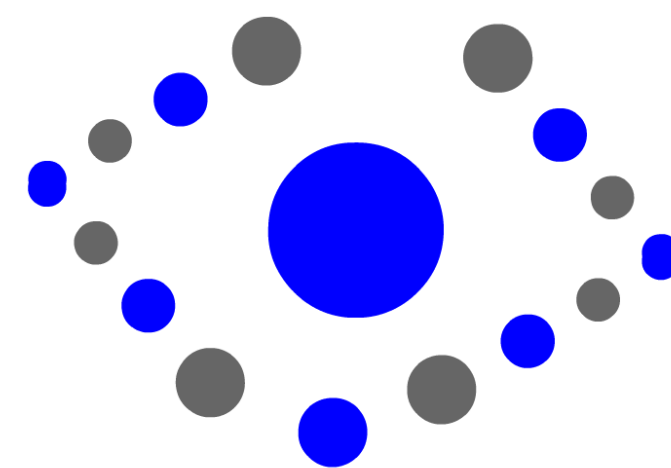


- Central cloud floater

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Thank you





- Bottlebrush floater



- Central cloud high myopia



- Treatable preretinal floaters