DEWS	DRY EYE: DIAGNOSTIC TEST TEMPLATE	
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TEST	Reflective Meniscometry	
TO DIAGNOSE	Dry eye, using an index of tear volume.	Bron 1997; Yokoi et al 1999; Oguz et al. 2000; Yokoi et al. 2000
VERSION of	[V1]	ui. 2000
TEST DESCRIPTION	This test measures the radius of curvature of the lower central tear meniscus, which reflects total tear volume at the ocular surface	Bron 1997; Yokoi 1999; Oguz 2000; Yokoi 2000; Ishibashi 2003; Yokoi 2004a, b
CONDUCT of TEST	An illuminated horizontal striped target, with known line width, is projected onto the meniscus and the reflected specular image is magnified via a lens system. It is recorded with a slit-lamp camera (photographic system) or a video (video system).  Using the concave mirror formula [R=2W(i/t; W=working distance (known value), i=image size (calculated from the width of a pair of stripes (one white and one black) in a printed image, t=target size (known value)], the radius of the tear meniscus at the central lower lid margin is calculated manually, (with a microscope and photographs) or digitally (using image analysis software).	Yokoi et al. 1999; Oguz et al. 2000; Yokoi et al.2000
Web Video	Not available	
Materials:	<ul> <li>Illumination system with horizontal striped target</li> <li>Lens system for magnification</li> <li>Receiving system (camera or videocamera)</li> <li>Rule with microscope or computer and image analysis software</li> </ul>	Yokoi et al. 1999; Oguz et al. 2000; Yokoi et al. 2000
Variations of technique	Radius, cross sectional area, width and height of the tear meniscus can be measured on a captured cross-sectional photograph of the inferior tear meniscus using image analysis software in the computer. Fluorescein must be instilled to delineate the tear film.	Mainstone et al. 1996
Standardization	Time of day [ ] Temperature [ ] Humidity [ ] Air speed [ ] Illumination [ x ] Other:[desirable to perform the test in conditions which do not induce reflex tearing]	
Diagnostic value	This version: [1] Photographic system:: [normal subjects, n=45] R=0.365 ± 0.153 (SD) mm, Yokoi et al 1999 Video-meniscometer:	Yokoi et al 1999
	Significant difference between normal subjects and dry eyes.  Dry eye patients, n=29: R=0.22±0.09 (SD)mm; Oguz et al 2000:  Dry eye patients, n=32; R=0.250±0.086(SD)mm, Normal	Oguz et al 2000,3 Yokoi et al 2000
	subjects, n=29; R=0.365±0.153 (SD)mm; Yokoi et al 2000  Right or left eye of normal subjects, n=14;R= R=0.30±0.06 (SD)mm; 0.33±0.08 (SD), Ishibashi et al. 20003  Dry eye patients, n=38; R=0.17±0.05 (SD)mm,	Ishibashi et al. 2003
	Normal subjects, n=36; R=0.30±0.1 (SD)mm; Yokoi 2004 <sup>a</sup> Other version : [2]: Dry eye subjects (n=15):	Yokoi 2004a.

	R=0.314±0.160 (SD)mm, age matched normal controls	Mainstone et al.
	(n=15): R=0.545±0.259 (SD)mm	1996
Repeatability	Intra-observer agreement. [NA]	
	Inter-observer agreement. [NA]	
Sensitivity	(true positives) [88.9%, cut-off value for the radius taken to	Yokoi 2004a.
	be 0.25mm]	
Specificity	(100-false positives) [77.8%, cut-off value for the radius	Yokoi 2004a.
	taken to be 0.25mm]	
Other Stats		
Test problems	In Conjunctivochalasis and lid abnormalities, such as	
	entropion or ectropion, make the measurement difficult or	
	impossible	
Test solutions		
FORWARD	A real-time automatated system is anticipated.	
LOOK		
Glossary		

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