DeSanto-Shinawi syndrome Ocular manifestations

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Conflicts of interest

none

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Desanto Shinawi Syndrome

Variable presentation

- +/- Developmental delay
- +/- Decreased muscle tone
- +/- Behavioral abnormalities
 - +/-Gl abnormalities
 - +/- Eye abnormalities
 - +/- Facial differences

• Secondary to a mutation in the WAC gene



WAC gene

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This gene is expressed in all adult and fetal tissues. <u>Including the eye</u>



- Deep set eyes
- Hypertelorism
 - Ptosis
- Prominent brow
 - Strabismus
 - Myopia
 - Astigmatism
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Eyelids/orbit



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No implications from an eye health standpoint. Cosmetic

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Increased distance between the orbits

No problems with health of the eyes

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Ptosis



Can be cause by weakness in the muscles, nerves, or tendon that lifts the eyelid

If it is blocking the vision, can fix it with a surgery

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Prominent brow

Does not affect the health of the eye

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Strabismus

Any misalignment of the eyes Common problem Cause: unknown



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Strabismus: Eye Misalignment Terminology

Horizontal strabismus

- Esophoria / Esotropia (crossed inward)
- Exophoria / Exotropia (drifted outward)
- Vertical Strabismus
 - Hypertropia (higher eye)
 - Hypotropia (lower eye)

Management of Strabismus

- Evaluation: full dilated examination, refraction
- Possible treatments:
 - Glasses
 - Patching (for amblyopia and strabismus control)
 - Surgery



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Can be corrected with glasses







(b) Myopia

(c) Hyperopia





(e) Lens-Induced Hyperopic Defocus

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(d) Lens-Induced Myopic Defocus

Myopia progression

Low Dose Atropine

Keep Myopia away, ~ 90 outdoors and play! Our eyes are precious, we must take good care of them. More time on Ball games · Walks · Fun at the playground and other outdoor activities every day! Less time on Computer games · Hand-held games Handphone games

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Astigmatism



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Cortical blindness

- Cortical blindness
 - Stroke of the occipital lobe. Occipital lobe or pathology of the optic pathways. Depends on the extent of involvement, but patients can have no light perception vision.



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Visual acuity

- Visual acuity, i.e. 20/20
- Definition: how big an object has to be to see it.
- Cause: Any problem with the visual pathway.





How does decreased visual acuity impact our patients?

- Clear images are important for learning, activities of daily living, acquisition of milestones.
- The brain isn't getting a clear image-makes it difficult to interact with the environment socially, difficult to interact with the environment-ADL's, difficult to see clearly in school-difficult to learn.
- The problem, as ophthalmologists, we most often "fix" or try to fix.



Visual Processing/Perceptual visual problems

- Visual processing (brain)
 - What you see
 - Is it important
 - Relating what you see to previously stored information.
 - Recognizing what you see.



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What can we offer to patients we cannot help as eye doctors?

- First, hope
 - Children often surprise us with how well they function and what they can do.
- Resources:
 - Delta Gamma-available for patients in the St. Louis area with low vision.
 - Occupational therapy –Vision service at WUSTL

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Please call (314) 286-1669 to schedule an appointment.

Therapist providing treatment:

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What can we do:

• Help teach children and their family strategies to improve their ability to be successful at home, in school, and out in the community.

- Visual perceptual strategies to improve the ability to safely mobilize throughout the community, read, and write
- Activities of daily living strategies including dressing, brushing teeth, bathing, feeding, toileting, etc.
- Sensory processing strategies to promote successful interaction with auditory, tactile, proprioceptive, and visual input
- Fine and gross motor strategies to increase the ability to successfully write, complete self-care tasks, play, etc.
- Executive function strategies to improve the ability to organize and plan out activities
- Social skill development to improve the ability to successfully interact with peers and family members

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Questions?

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