

Yale Eye Center Grand Rounds

“Managing and Preventing Bleb-related Complications”

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7:00 am – 8:15 am

Zoom

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TARGET AUDIENCE

Eye care professionals.

NEEDS ASSESSMENT

Successful traditional glaucoma surgery (trabeculectomy) results in a conjunctival filtering bleb. The bleb is vulnerable to infection (blebitis), and the infection can potentially spread inside the eye with devastating consequences (bleb-related endophthalmitis). Effective alternative surgery, with lower risk of late infection, is increasingly available, so use of

trabeculectomy is becoming less frequent. Nevertheless, many vulnerable blebs exist from prior trabeculectomy, and substantial numbers of trabeculectomy are still performed. Identifying and correcting the risk factors for infection can reduce the chance of infection, and, when blebitis does occur, early treatment can help avert a destructive outcome. This talk will outline the setting in which bleb infection develops and discuss strategies to reduce the chance of infection and to treat infection when it occurs.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

At the conclusion of the conference, meeting participants will be able to:

- List characteristics of a filtering bleb that increase risk of infection.

- Formulate a strategy for reducing infection risk in an existing bleb.
- Describe surgical modifications that lead to safer filtering blebs.

DESIGNATION STATEMENT

The Yale School of Medicine designates this live activity for 1.5 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)™.

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FACULTY DISCLOSURES

Speaker: David Dueker, MD – NONE
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