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Zoster Kerato-Uveitis Revealing a Retroviral Infection (HIV)

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Herpes zoster ophthalmic is a common condition in the elderly or in the immunocompromised people. We present the case of a 32-year-old female patient, without any particular history, who consulted the emergency room for a red right eye with major chemosis, palpebral edema, and decreased visual acuity. There was also a crusty rash in the V1 territory, suggesting herpes zoster. Visual acuity was 2/10 in the right eye and 10/10 left eye (Figure 1 and 2). Examination at the slit lamp revealed a non-hypertensive granulomatous anterior kerato-uveitis of the right eye. Given the severity of the lesion, an immunodepressive background was suspected, HIV serology came back positive.



Figure 1: Zoster herpes kerato-uveitis.

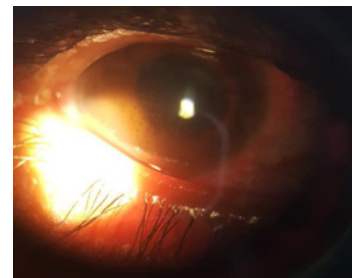


Figure 2: Zoster kerato-uveitis after 72h of retroviral treatment.