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FORMAT:
Abstract should contain:

- Title**
Author, Co-authors (maximum 6),
Purpose, Methods, Results,
Conclusion.

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5. ABSTRACT (REQUIRED):

LATE CORNEAL ALTERATIONS OBSERVED IN LAB-CONFIRMED OCULAR INFECTION CAUSED BY *Neisseria spp.*

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Purpose: To evaluate corneal alterations (biomicroscopy + OCT VISANTE, USA) in patients with previous lab-confirmed ocular infection caused by *Neisseria spp.*

Methods: From Jan/1996 to May/2009, ten patients were diagnosed with *Neisseria spp.* infection (positive direct exam-Gram staining or culture) were seen at the Ophthalmic Emergency Room, Department of Ophthalmology, Federal University of São Paulo. These patients were invited to participate in this study via a telephone contact. After signing the informed consent patients will undergo slit lamp examination, refraction, cornea sensibility testing, anterior segment optical coherence tomography (including pachymetric map), topography of the cornea, and anterior segment photography. The results will be summarized in descriptive tables and compared with available published data.

Result: The study is still being developed, all patients have been contacted and three have already undergone all procedures. We expect to find cornea alterations due to the virulence of such bacteria in corneal infections.

Conclusion: Though long-term corneal alterations are expected in this population they have never being described in detail nor quantified. By obtaining high resolution images of the cornea, the anterior segment optic tomography is a tool that might achieve this goal and even possibly detect subclinical alterations.

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