A Case of Juvenile Xanthogranuloma (Naevoxanthoendothelioma) of the Iris

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A case is described. It is suggested that the intra-ocular localization of this condition, formerly known only as a skin disease, is less uncommon than would appear from the number of cases described in the literature.

The clinical picture of a unilateral iris tumour, spontaneous hyphaemata and secondary glaucoma in a very young child is a strong indication of this condition. The correct diagnosis is particularly important as the prognosis is less unfavourable if the condition is recognized early. X-ray treatment has met with success in a number of cases.

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Discussion

Waardenburg asks if these granulomata may also be congenital.

Hamburg: Not as far as I know. They may be found in children between one and two months of age.