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MANAGEMENT OF OCULAR TRAUMA IN WAR VICTIMS: A CASE SERIES FROM THE VIEW HOSPITAL

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Introduction:

The ongoing conflict in Gaza has resulted in a significant number of civilians suffering from severe ocular injuries. This abstract reviews multiple cases of war-related ocular trauma referred to The View Hospital, highlighting the variety and complexity of the injuries sustained and the multidisciplinary approaches required for their management.

Materials and methods:

A multidisciplinary approach was essential in managing these complex cases, involving ophthalmologists, neurosurgeons, and specialists in trauma care. The management strategies employed included surgical intervention for the removal of foreign bodies, repair of ruptured globes, and techniques to address retinal detachments and hemorrhages. Post-surgical care focused on minimizing infection, promoting healing, and restoring as much vision as possible.

Results:

The cases encompass a spectrum of severe ocular injuries, including traumatic cataracts, complex retinal detachments, and the presence of intraocular and intracranial foreign bodies. The traumatic events also resulted in vitreous and suprachoroidal hemorrhages, as well as chronic ruptured globes.

Conclusions:

This compilation highlights not only the severity and complexity of war-related ocular injuries but also underscores the importance of comprehensive and coordinated care in managing such cases. The outcomes emphasize the potential for recovery even in severely injured eyes through prompt and meticulous medical intervention.