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GOING AGGRESSIVE ON TACKLING AROP! HOW AGGRESSIVE WE SHOULD GO?

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Tackling AROP can be challenging and the course can change at any time. Authors would like to share their experience and challenges faced by them in handling 17 cases of AROP.

The study was conducted at a tertiary care centre. All the pre0term babies undergoing screening for ROP were included in the study. Both in-born and out born babies were included. Over the past 3 yrs we have screened around 890 pre-term babies for ROP. 17 babies were found to have Aggressive ROP. All were treated with anti-VEGF(Ranibizumab) injection followed by laser. 15 babies had responded well to the treatment.

Method:

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AROP can behave differently in different babies. We have noticed that among the twin babies, one child remaining absolutely normal while the other child developing aggressive ROP. We would like to know from the experts that what differently could have done to save the eye which got deteriorated even after taking all the measures.

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