Double Sutural Cataract

A 13-year-old boy presented for a routine eye examination. His best corrected visual acuity was 20/20 in both eyes. Right eye examination revealed a clear cornea with star shaped lenticular opacity along with multiple opacities in the cortex (**Figure**, A). The left eye had a similar but denser star-shaped opacity in the center (**Figure**, B). The patient was thus diagnosed to have bilateral sutural cataract. This lenticular opacity followed the path of the anterior (upright) and posterior (inverted) Y suture along with presence of branches and knobs. Sutural cataracts are generally nonprogressive congenital lens opacities that occur at the location of closure of the fetal optic nucleus.[1,2] These cataracts rarely need intervention because there is minimal or no effect on vision.[1,3] ■

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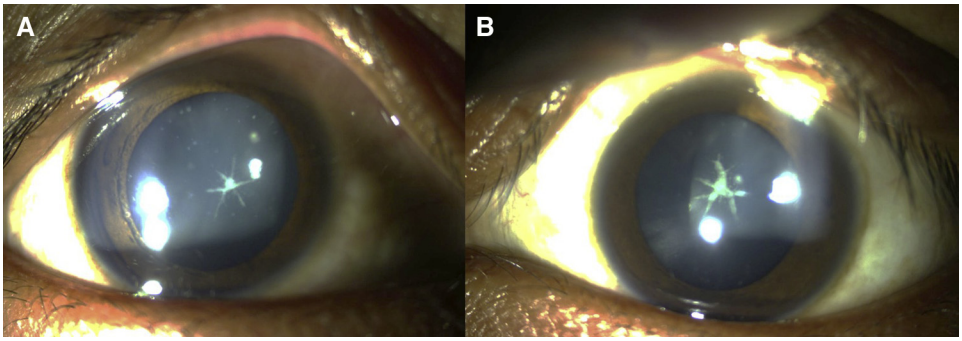

Figure. Slit-lamp photograph showing bilateral star shaped lens opacities following both the anterior and posterior Y sutures characteristic of congenital sutural cataract in a young male. The central opacities are denser in the **B,** left eye than the **A,** right.

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