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## AUGUST IOTADERMA (#318)

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What is Secrétan disease?

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## JULY IOTADERMA (#317)

**Question:** Do you know to what **distichiasis** refers?

**Answer:** Distichiasis is an uncommon condition in which a person has two rows of eyelashes.<sup>1-4</sup> Usually the supernumerary eyelash line is a complete one, but sometimes only one or two lashes are noted. The upper eyelids are most frequently affected, but in the “complete” condition both upper and lower lids are involved. Entropion and ectropion, as well as the absence of Meibomian glands, can be present. The condition has been associated with an abnormality of the *FOXC2* gene. This eyelid finding comprises a prominent part of several rare congenital syndromes which can feature renal abnormalities, lymphedema, and other processes.<sup>1,2</sup> The actress Elizabeth Taylor had distichiasis. The condition has recently been reported as a consequence of cancer therapy.<sup>3</sup> Distichiasis, incidentally, is often confused with the even more unusual condition **districhiasis** in which case a patient has three lines of eyelashes!

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