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An 86-year-old Caucasian female was referred for a superonasal conjunctival nevus on the right eye (OD). Visual acuity was 20/20 both eyes (OU). Slit lamp biomicroscopy showed a subconjunctival pigmented lesion with prominent episcleral sentinel vessels (black arrow, Fig. 1A). Gonioscopy revealed a ciliary body mass with angle involvement (Fig. 1B). Anterior segment optical coherence tomography confirmed the lesion was deep to the conjunctiva (asterisk) with an underlying ciliary body mass (white arrow, Fig. 1C). Dilated fundus examination and ultrasonography documented choroidal tumor extension (Fig. 1D). These findings demonstrate a clinical diagnosis of ciliochoroidal melanoma with extrascleral extension that masqueraded as benign conjunctival nevus.

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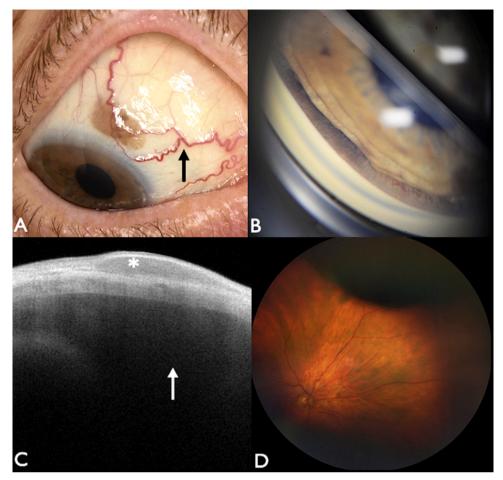


Fig. 1. Ciliochoroidal melanoma masquerading as a conjunctival nevus.