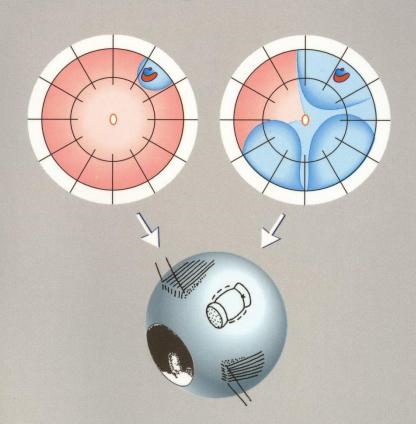
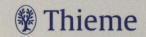
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Rule 1:

Superior temporal or nasal detachments: In 98% the primary break lies within 11/2 clock hours of the highest border.



Rule 2:

Total or superior detachments that cross the 12 o'clock meridian: In 93 % the primary break is at 12 o'clock or in a triangle, the apex of which is at the ora serrata, and the sides of which extend 11/2 clock hours to either side of 12 o'clock.



Rule 3:

Inferior detachments: In 95 % the higher side of the detachment indicates on which side of the disc an inferior break lies.



Rule 4:

»Inferior« bullous detachment: Inferior bullae in a rhegmatogenous detachment originate from a superior break.

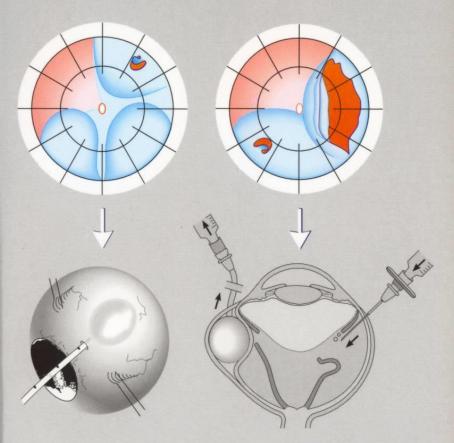
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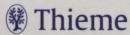
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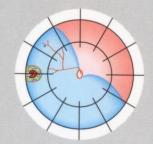
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When the **superior border** of a temporal or nasal superior detachment **drops below the buckle**, it implies an undetected break within 1¹/₂ clock hours below the new superior border.



Rule 2:

When the pattern of a detachment (superior, lateral or inferior) converts from **one pattern to another,** it indicates an undetected break consistent with the new pattern.



Rule 3:

When the **borders** of a detachment remain **unchanged** after a buckling operation and the buckle is in correct position, it implies an undetected break above the buckle.



Rule 4:

When a **total detachment** remains **unchanged** after being encircled and drained, it implied an undetected break anterior to the existing cerclage near 12 o'clock.

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