

RELIABILITY CHECKLISTS

Steps for improved interpretation of visual field testing and OCT imaging.



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BASIC RELIABILITY CHECKLIST

Visual Field	OCT
☐ Reliability: Check patient age, correct add, and reliability parameters	☐ Reliability: Check signal strength, assess for presence of posterior subcapsular cataract, posterior capsular opacification, or high myopia
☐ Reliability: Confirm the correct blind spot location	☐ Reliability: Rule out tracking or torsion errors
☐ Progression: Assess the mean deviation, pattern standard deviation, and slope of progression of the visual field index	☐ Progression: Use slope or sector average thickness for progression
☐ Rule out masquerader: Determine if visual field loss respects the vertical midline	☐ Rule out masquerader: See if there is a vertical cutoff in the ganglion cell thickness map
☐ Rule out masquerader: Note sudden hemispheric loss of visual field	☐ Rule out masquerader: Determine if there is a hemispheric pattern of change in retinal nerve fiber layer and macula, suggesting a vascular event or nonarteritic anterior ischemic optic neuropathy

ADVANCED RELIABILITY CHECKLIST

Visual Field	OCT
☐ Rule out artifacts: Determine actual decibel level change at each location to confirm that improved spots are not masking worsening spots on global parameters	☐ Rule out artifacts: Look for the presence of an epiretinal membrane, posterior vitreous detachment, floater shadow, myopic schisis, vitreous traction, and correct segmentation of layer boundaries
☐ Real change? Confirm reproducibility on repeat testing	☐ Real change? Confirm that retinal nerve fiber layer loss matches macular/ganglion cell-inner plexiform layer loss
☐ Glaucoma type: Note change in paracentral spots (indicating low-tension glaucoma) versus peripheral areas (indicating high-pressure glaucoma)	☐ Glaucoma type: Determine if the change is in the temporal area (indicating low-tension glaucoma) or in the superotemporal and inferotemporal bundles (indicating high-pressure glaucoma)

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