

CHAPTER 7

EYE DISEASES AND TREATMENT: NOVEL OPHTHALMIC DRUG DELIVERY SYSTEMS

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INTRODUCTION

The eye is one of the most complex organs in our body, and that can be distinguished into three main layers. The outer layer of the eye consists of the cornea and sclera, while the middle layer consists of the iris, ciliary body and choroid. The inner layer of the eye consists of the retina, which is responsible for catching and processing the light. (1) The parts of the eye are shown in Figure 1.

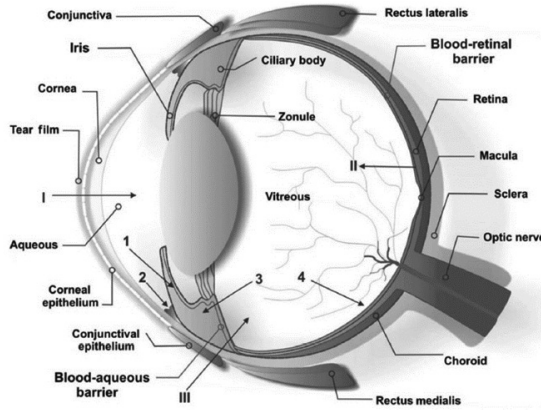


Figure 1. The parts of the eye (1)

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