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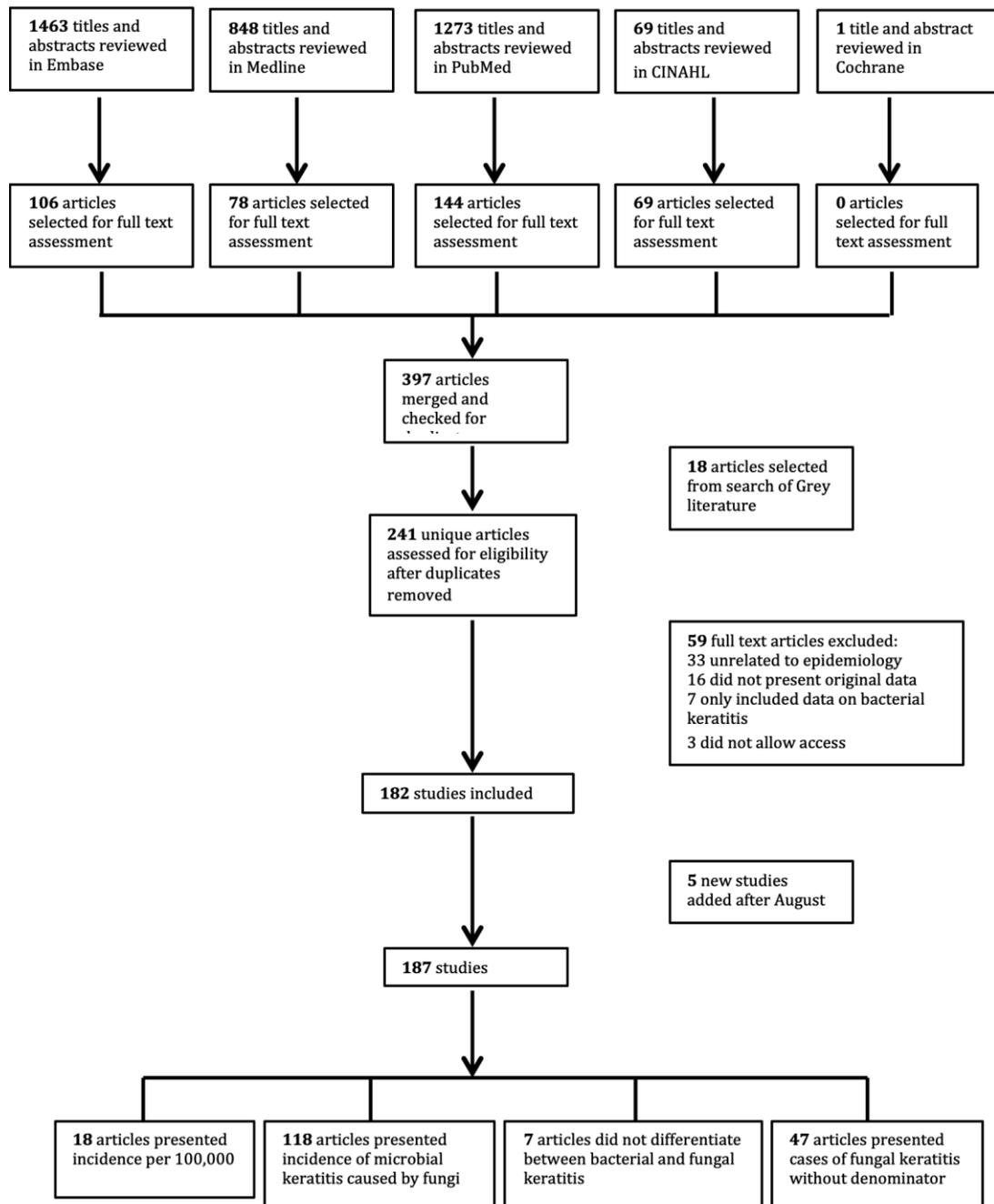
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**Supplementary Figure 1**

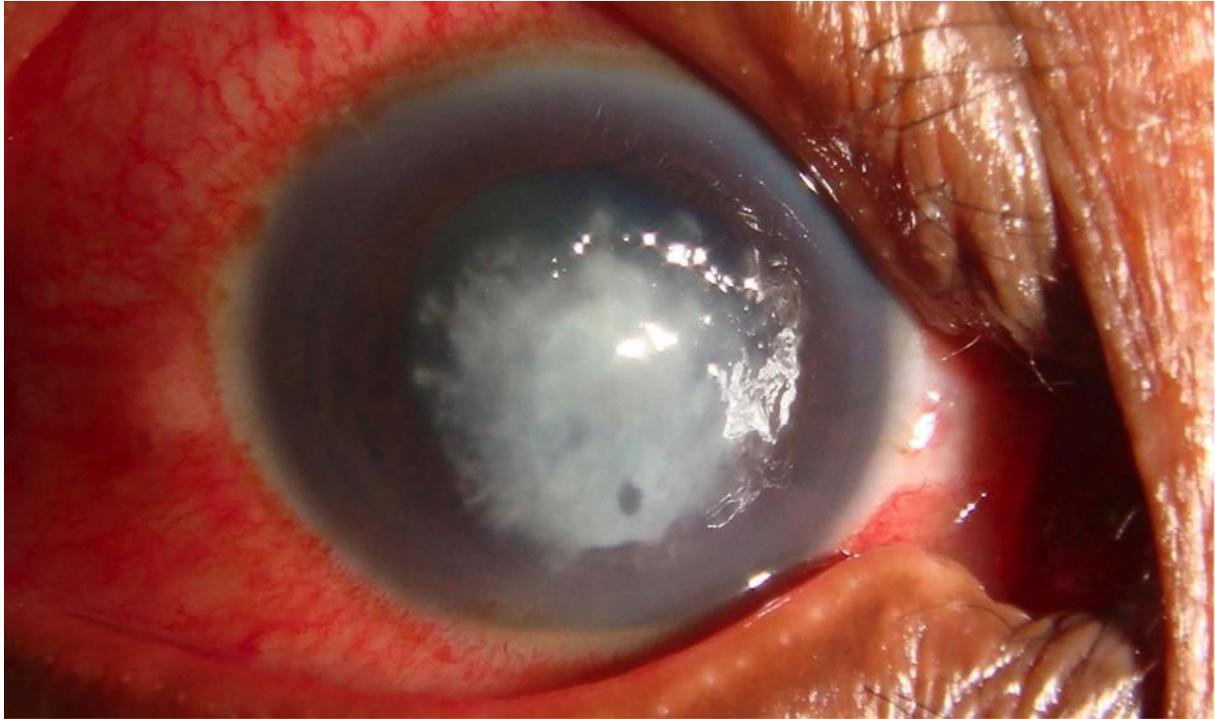


**Figure 1 Literature search and study selection.**

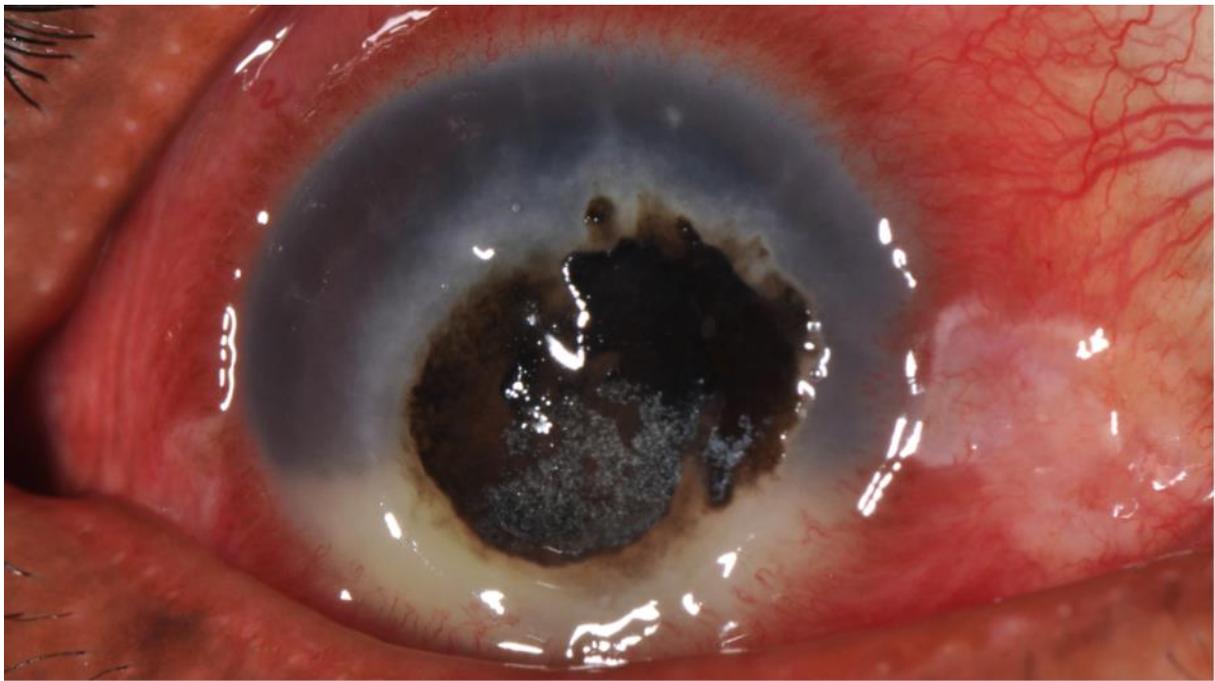
**Supplementary Figure 2**

Two examples of severe fungal keratitis:

A. Fungal keratitis caused by *Fusarium spp.*

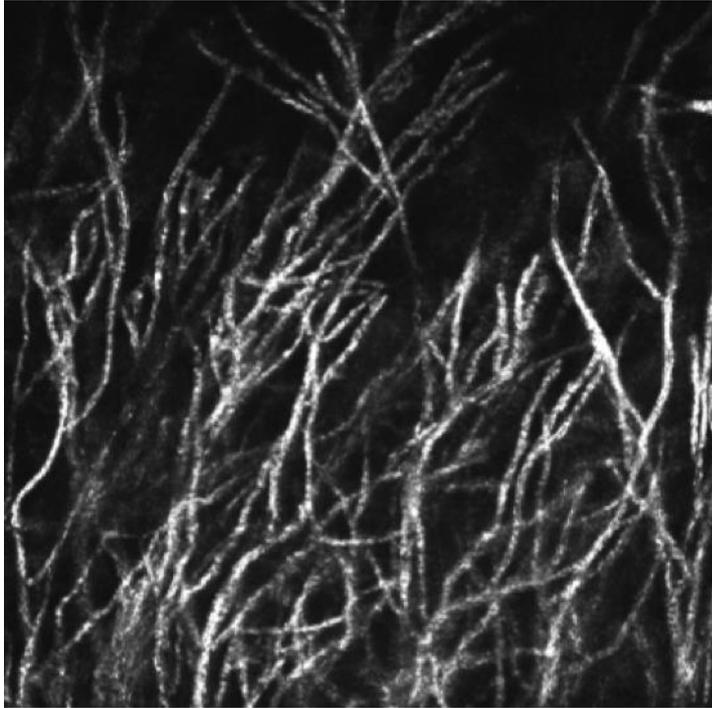


B. Fungal keratitis caused by *Curvularia lunata*



**Supplementary Figure 3**

*In vivo* confocal microscopy (IVCM) image of ulcer caused by *Fusarium* spp.



**Supplementary Table 2: Scoring system for modified GRADE criteria. Age refers to the study publication year.**

PCR/IVCM + Culture/smear	2
Culture, smear	1
Clinical suspicion only	0
Age	Score
≤5 yrs	2
5yrs < x ≤10 yrs	1
>10 yrs	0
Patient no	Score
≥30	1
<30	0
%FK/MK given	Score
Yes	1
No	0

**Supplementary Table 3: Modified GRADE score for 18 papers that comprise the papers used for estimating annual incidence of fungal keratitis**

Country (year)	Diagnostic accuracy (/2)	Patient n >30 (/1)	Up to date (/2)	%FK/MK (/1)	Overall score (/6)	Reference in supplementary
Malawi (2017)	0		2	0	2	2
Egypt (2012)	1	1	1	1	4	9
China (2013)	1		2	1	4	38
China (2010)	1	1	1	1	4	39
India (1993)	1	1	0	1	3	69
Nepal (2014)	1	1	2	1	5	96
Malaysia (2017)	1		2	0	3	108
Philippines (2013)	1		2	1	4	109
Thailand (2012)	1	1	1	1	4	114
Vietnam (2012)	2	1	1	0	4	118
Turkey (2017)	1	1	2	1	5	128
Denmark (2015)	2	0	2	0	4	130
Ireland (2011)	2	1	1	1	5	131
United Kingdom (2016)	2	1	2	1	6	134
Brazil (2011)	1	1	1	0	3	148
Columbia (2017)	1	1	2	1	5	153
USA (2010)	1	0	1	1	3	161
Australia (2008)	1	1	1	1	4	173

**Supplementary Table 4:** Fungal keratitis as a proportion of all microbial keratitis, and cases without a confirmed pathogen, GDP and distance from the equator. Where more than one study in past 10 years, a weighted mean has been calculated. Reference numbers refer to supplementary references

Country	Year	%FK/MK	Culture negative cases (%)	GDP per capita at median time of study (\$USD)	Mean distance from equator (km)#	Reference in supplementary or (in main text)
<b>AFRICA</b>						
Egypt	2011-2015	44.3*	192/608 (31.6)	3213	3003	6, 8, (m14), 9 189
Ethiopia	2014-5	45.1	-	571	1001	1
Ghana	1995	56.0	85/199 (42.7)	386	9110	17
Libya	2008-10	32.9	-	10,297	3114	11
Nigeria	1995-2005	15.8	71/169 (42)	379	1112	20
Sierra Leone	2005-6	39.0	4/73 (5)	292	941	22
South Africa	2013-15	2.2	-	6434	3399	16
Tanzania	2008-10	24.6	26/52 (46)	659	667	5 (m1)
Tunisia	1995-2016	15.4*	12/30 (40)	3195	3782	13, 15
<b>ASIA</b>						
Bangladesh	2008	39.2	24/120 (20)	616	2670	47
China	2009-2014	51.0*	1663/2973 (60.0)	5634	3893	28 (m16), 38 (m15)
China - Hong Kong	2004-2013	9.2	238/398 (59.8)	31,516	10,372	39, 40
China - Taiwan	2012-2014	8.2	-	24,818	7341	23
India	2003-2015	54.9*	9443/23799 (39.7)	1090	2447	49, 51-55, 58-60, 64, 66, 67, 75, 76, 78, 81, 83 (m6), 84, 85, 87-89
Iran	2007-2013	7.2*	55/70 (78.6)	6532	3559	90, 92, 93
Iraq	2013-2018	23.6*	32/105 (30.5)	4974	2281	178, 181
Japan	1999-2003	8.4 *	51/123 (41.5)	33,846	3969	43
Korea (RO)	2012-2014	10.0	-	18,640	3994	45
Malaysia	2007-2016	26.0	132/207 (63.8)	10,405	278	107, 108
Nepal	1981-2014	44.8	455/1745 (26.1)	220	3114	
Oman	2000-2007	23.0*	100/176 (56.8)	9070	1451	120, 121
Pakistan	2013	29.5	-	1272	3337	104
Philippines	2012-2014	27.0	-	2768	1446	109
Saudi Arabia	2006-2009	3.8	-	16,472	2781	123
Singapore	2012-2014	0.7	-	56,389	142	23
Sri Lanka	2012	40.4	-	3351	876	106
Thailand	2013	15.0	166/223 (74.4)	6168	8991	113 (m18), 114 (m19)
Turkey	2014-2015	9.4	395/620 (63.8)	12,127	4338	126
Vietnam	2008	60.0	-	1143	1798	119
<b>EUROPE</b>						
Netherlands	2014-2017	14.0	92/185 (50)	44,746	5812	142
Spain	2010-2016	1.0	92/297 (31)	29,212	4449	138
UK	2006-2017	6.9	-	41,791	6160	134 (m7), 183
<b>LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARRIBEAN</b>						
Brazil	1975-2013	13.9	581/2049 (28.4)	3495	1112	146, 147, 150-152

<b>Mexico</b>	2016	33.4	-	8444	2558	177
<b>Paraguay</b>	1988-2011	46.3*	-	1615	2595	154-156, 180
<b>NORTH AMERICA</b>						
<b>USA</b>	1976-2014	12.1	79/232 (34)	45,056	2748	158-161, (m22), 162, 163, 166, 167
<b>OCEANIA</b>						
<b>Australia</b>	1999-2004	7.3	-	19,483	2781	172
<b>New Zealand</b>	2003-2007	1.7	91/265 (34.4)	27,751	4549	174

FK = fungal keratitis; MK= microbial keratitis; GDP = gross domestic product

\*Weighted mean

# One degree of latitude is equivalent to about 111 kilometers (69 miles).

**Supplementary Table 5:** Trends in fungal keratitis as a proportion of all microbial keratitis over time. Reference numbers refer to supplementary references

Country	Year	%FK/MK	Size of study (eyes) (n)	Reference (in supplementary)
Tanzania	1994-1995	15.1	212	4
	2008-2010	24.6	170	5
Egypt	2012	55.0	60	9
	2011-2013	43.3	834	189
	2013-2015	55.5	247	6
Tunisia	1995-2012	12.4	60	13
	2016	30.0	100	15
Ghana	1995	56.1	199	17
	1999-2001	74.7	290	18
China (west)	1999-2004	61.9	1054	34
	2009-2013	71.7	2973	28
Hong Kong	1997-1998	6.4	223	39
	2004-2013	9.2	347	40
Japan	1999-2003	6.1	123	43
	2003	10.6	261	42
India – Aravind, South	1994	51.9	434	70
	1999-2002	52.1	3183	68
	2006-2009	63.0	5221	75
	2012-2013	75.8	252	67
Iran	2007-2009	9.4	466	92
	2011-2013	5.6	2180	90
	2012-2013	18.2	220	93
Nepal	1981	23.1	133	102
	1992-1993	22.1	558	98
	1998-1999	65.5	86	95
	2004-2008	61.1	351	94
	2006-2007	36.5	1880	99
	2007-2008	60.0	44	100
	2011	70.0	1644	103
	2011-2012	27.5	2768	97
Sri Lanka	1976-1981	33.3	66	105
	2012	40.4	1069	106
Malaysia	2007-2011	25.3	186	107
	2016	26.7	207	108
Thailand	1982-2003	13.6	556	112
	1988-2000	24.6	292	111
	2001-2004	39.2	127	117
	2004-2005	37.5	176	116
	2003-2006	50.8	310	115
Vietnam	1974-1982	23.6	1219	176
	2008	59.6	1153	118, 119

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