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MCEM SAQ example No.2

A 34-year-old builder presents with pain and blurred vision from an accident at work during which cement powder spilled into his eyes. He normally has perfect vision.

On examination his visual acuity is right: 6/18, left: 6/12 and the pH in both eyes is 8.5.

a. What is your immediate management?

b. The patient's pH returns to normal, what management would you like to undertake now?

c. Explain how the pinhole technique for assessing visual acuity works.

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