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Novel Tetracycline Reduced Angiogenesis in Mouse Model of Choroidal Neovascularization

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ABSTRACT: Choroidal neovascularization (CNV) is a leading cause of blindness worldwide. Minocycline and diacetyl minocycline (DAM; modified to remove the antimicrobial action of its parent compound) are tetracycline derivatives with antiangiogenic properties. Minocycline and DAM were tested in a laser-induced model of CNV in mice via topical eye drops. Both compounds reduced CNV lesion volume, suggesting that topical administration of minocycline and diacetyl minocycline may represent