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## Ocular Melanoma (OM)

**OM is rare**, affecting approximately five in a million people; about 200 cases are diagnosed per year in Canada. Like other melanomas, it begins in melanocytes – the cells that produce the pigment melanin. Also referred to as uveal melanoma, 90% of primary OM develops in the choroid.

**Uveal Melanoma** - The uvea is a three-layered part of the eye. It is made up of the choroid, iris and ciliary body. Uveal melanoma can form in any of these layers and is named for where it forms:

- Choroidal melanoma
- Iris melanoma
- Ciliary melanoma
- Conjunctival Melanoma

For more info, watch our webinar:  
[www.bit.ly/OcumelWeb](http://www.bit.ly/OcumelWeb)

## Ocumel Canada

Ocumel Canada, an initiative of Save Your Skin Foundation, was founded in 2019 in order to help those diagnosed with OM find the latest information about the disease and a supportive community for patients and caregivers. If you or someone you know has been touched by this rare cancer and is in need of assistance, please reach out to us.

Visit [OcumelCanada.ca](http://OcumelCanada.ca) to find up-to-date educational and support resources from Canada, the United States, and around the world.

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