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(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to the treatment of ocular diseases and conditions by administering a complement pathway inhibitor, particularly an alternative pathway inhibitor. Ocular diseases include age-related macular degeneration, diabetic retinopathy, and ocular angiogenesis. One embodiment comprises the administration of an anti-Factor D antibody in the form of a whole antibody, a Fab fragment or a single domain antibody. Other complement component inhibitors that may be useful in the present method include Factor H or inhibitors that block the action of properdin, factor B, factor Ba, factor Bb, C2, C2a, C3a, C5, C5a, C5b, C6, C7, C8, C9, or C5b-9.

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