

**Table 1.** Classification of retinal lesions of diabetic retinopathy.

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A. Non-proliferative (Background diabetic retinopathy)

Microaneurysms

Intraretinal haemorrhages

Hard exudates

B. Pre-proliferative diabetic retinopathy

Intraretinal microvascular abnormalities (IRMAs)

Venous dilatation, venous beading, loop formation

Soft exudates (Cotton-wool spots)

Deep round haemorrhages

C. Proliferative diabetic retinopathy

Neovascularization at the optic disc

Neovascularization elsewhere at the retina

Preretinal haemorrhage or vitreous haemorrhage

Preretinal fibrosis  $\pm$  tractional retinal detachment

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