Outcomes of glued foldable intraocular lens implantation in eyes with

preexisting complications and combined surgical procedures.

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Abstract:

PURPOSE: To evaluate the visual outcomes and complications of glued foldable intraocular lens

(IOL) implantation in patients with a wide range of ocular pathologies and/or having combined

surgical procedures.

SETTING: New York Eye and Ear Infirmary of Mount Sinai, New York, New York, USA.

DESIGN: Retrospective case series.

METHODS: A chart review was conducted of all glued foldable IOL procedures performed in eyes

with absent or insufficient capsule support. Patients with a postoperative follow-up less than 3

months were excluded from analysis. Intraoperative and postoperative complications, the

postoperative course, and visual and refractive outcomes were analyzed.

RESULTS: Sixty-five eyes (64 patients) were evaluated over a mean follow-up of 9.1 months +/- 6.2

(SD). Ocular comorbidities were present in 98.5% of eyes, and 95.4% had additional concurrent

surgical procedures. There was a statistically significant improvement in corrected distance visual

acuity (P = .046), with 89.2% of eyes achieving better or equal vision postoperatively. Intraoperative

complications included ocular hemorrhage (10.8%), haptic deformation (10.8%), and haptic

breakage (1.5%). Postoperative complications included elevated intraocular pressure (13.8%), optic

capture (12.3%), persistent anterior chamber inflammation (6.2%), IOL tilt (4.6%), cystoid macular edema (3.1%), recurrent ocular hemorrhage (3.1%), and retinal detachment (1.5%).

CONCLUSION: The glued foldable IOL technique resulted in favorable visual outcomes but with a moderate risk for IOL-related and other postoperative complications in eyes with complex ocular comorbidities having combined surgical procedures.

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