

Implantation of glued intraocular lenses in eyes with microcornea.

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Abstract:

PURPOSE: To evaluate the intraoperative modifications for and vision outcomes after implantation of glued intraocular lenses (IOLs) in eyes with microcornea.

SETTING: Dr. Agarwal's Eye Hospital and Eye Research Centre, Chennai, India.

DESIGN: Prospective case series.

METHODS: Eyes with a horizontal cornea of 10.0 mm or less were evaluated for intraoperative modifications and postoperative vision after implantation of a glued IOL. The type of surgery, type of IOL, incision and optic sizes, haptic length modifications, uncorrected (UDVA) and corrected (CDVA) distance visual acuity, and postoperative complications were analyzed.

RESULTS: A glued IOL was implanted in 15 eyes to treat subluxated cataract (9 eyes), aphakia (5), and intraoperative capsule loss (1). In cases involving a subluxated cataract, implantation of the glued IOL was followed by lensectomy (7 eyes) or intracapsular cataract extraction (2 eyes). The mean follow-up was 22.4 months \pm 17.2 (SD). The mean horizontal corneal diameter and axial length were 8.0 \pm 0.6 mm and 21.0 \pm 2.4 mm, respectively. The mean amount of IOL haptic trimmed intraoperatively was 1.54 \pm 0.33 mm. There was significant correlation between the horizontal corneal diameter and the amount of haptic trimmed ($P = .000$). The mean size of the main incision was 3.70 \pm 0.98 mm. Three-piece foldable IOLs with a 6.0 mm optic were used. There

were no cases of haptic extrusion or subconjunctival haptic placement. There was statistically significant improvement in CDVA ($P = .032$) and UDVA ($P = .012$) after surgery.

CONCLUSION: Glued IOLs were safely implanted in eyes with microcornea using modifications such as custom haptic trimming and 6.0 mm optic foldable IOLs.

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