

# Intraocular lens Difficulties

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## IOL in history

- Sir Harold Ridley, in the 1940s, discovered that shards of acrylic cockpit canopies remained inert in the eyes of a British pilot who was blinded when his aircraft crashed during World War II.
- Ridley developed and implanted the first artificial lens in November, 1949, and reported on the first 27 cases in 1952 .It was the first medical device implanted in a human being and generated considerable opposition from his peers



## IOL development

- ICCE: Rigid anterior chamber IOL, iris clip IOL (UGH syndrome, bullous keratopathy)
- ECCE:
  - 1977: Shearing J looped haptic IOL
  - 1981: Sinskey C-looped haptic IOL
  - AC-IOL: Closed loop then open loops
- Phacoemulsification: Foldable IOL

## Sources of problems

- 1-Improper choice of the IOL
- 2-Improper technique

## Improper choice

- 1-Material
- 2-Design
- 3-Power



## Ideal IOL

- Mimicking the natural lens
- The lens should be
  - Transparent
  - Durable over extended periods of time
  - Non-reactive (biocompatible)
  - Accommodation
  - Stable position
  - Non adhesive for cells and bacteria (low water content)
  - Able to restore vision (and correct preexisting refractive problems)
  - UV blocking (restore biological visual spectrum)
  - Additional functions eg Toric



# MATERIALS USED FOR INTRAOCULAR LENSES

## Optic materials

### 1. Non-foldable-rigid IOL

- Polymethyl methacrylate (PMMA)

### 2. Foldable IOL

- Silicone
- Hydrophobic acrylic
- Hydrophilic acrylic

### 3. Rollable/Ultra-thin IOL

- hydrogel

## Haptic materials

- Polypropylene
- PMMA
- Acrylic

## IOL materials

- The most common materials used today are:

1- Foldable silicone and acrylic, as they can be implanted through a small incision.

2- Polymethyl methacrylate (PMMA), less commonly used, is a rigid material suitable for rigid 1- and 3-piece IOL designs or for haptic materials.

3- Heparin- Coated

4- yellow- tinted



## IOL design

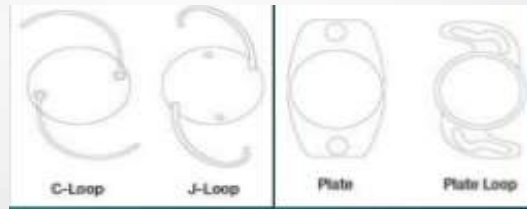
Haptic designs;

\*PC-IOL

1-Plate haptic

2-Loop haptic (J, C, modified C)

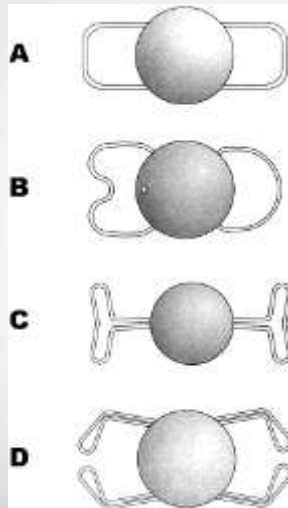
2-Plate loop



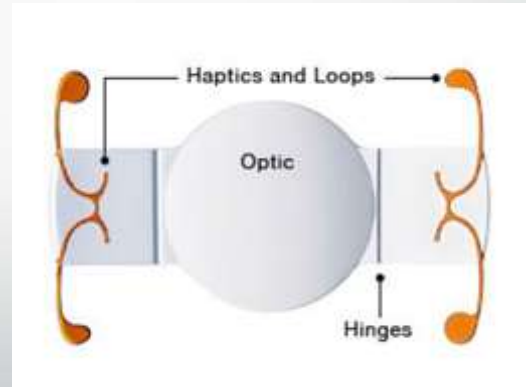
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1-Closed loop

2-Open loop



- Accommodating IOL

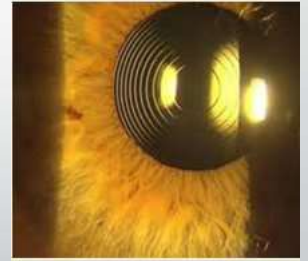


- \*Iris fixation clips



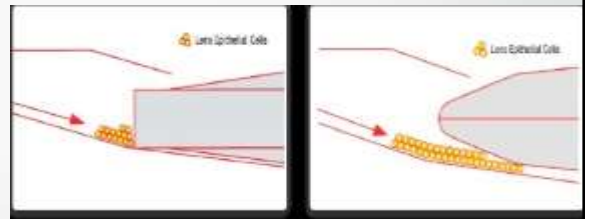
## Optic Design

Monofocal  
Multifocal  
Toric



## Edge design:

- 1-Sharp edge
- 2-Square edge
- 3-Rounded anterior and sharp posterior edge



## IOL power Calculation

- Machines, A constant, IOL type
- Other factors: Other eye refraction, patient needs, silicone filled eye
- Formulas
- 1-Short eyes: Hoffer-Q, Haigis, Holliday II
- 2-Long eyes: Wang-Koch, SRK/T

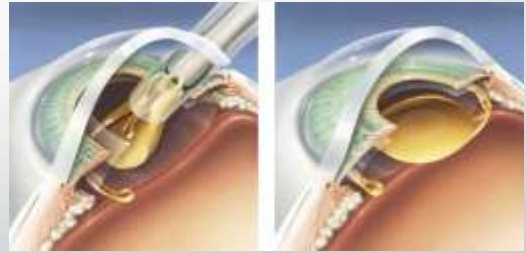
## IOL calculation after refractive surgery

- Problems:
- 1- Conventional keratometers can not accurately measure anterior corneal power  
(solution : topography or Pentacam)
- 2-distorted ratio between anterior and postereior corneal surfaces  
(solution: directly measure posterior surface power with pentacam)
- 3-conventional formulas mispredict ELP  
(solution:IOL master or pentacam to directly measure ACD) and use the correct formula eg Haigis L or Shammass



## Ideal techniques

- Minimal eye disturbance:
  - Better delivery systems and smart materials
  - Ideal Location of the IOL



## Intraoperative difficulties

- 1- stuck haptic in the injector leading to broken haptic
- Reasons: improper loading
- Prevention: preloaded IOL
- Detection ;resistance during injection
- Treatment: if detected early reload or replace  
, If cut haptic explant



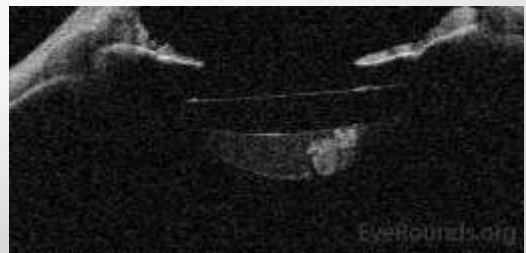
## Incomplete or slow unfolding

- Reason: insufficient viscoelastic in the cartridge or dried out
- Treatment: wait and help with second instrument or viscoelastic injection



## Capsular block syndrome

- Reasons : small CCC
- Detection High IOP, shallow AC , Iris Prolapse
- Treatment : push IOL posteriorly with second instrument



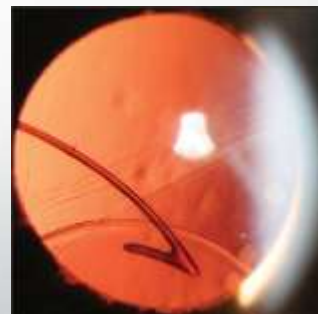
## Unstable IOL

- Reasons : Large CCC, asymmetrical CCC, Incomplete CCC, subluxated capsular bag, PC hole
- Treatment: larger optic or 3 piece IOL, opposite capsular relaxing incision, CTR, sulcus implantation
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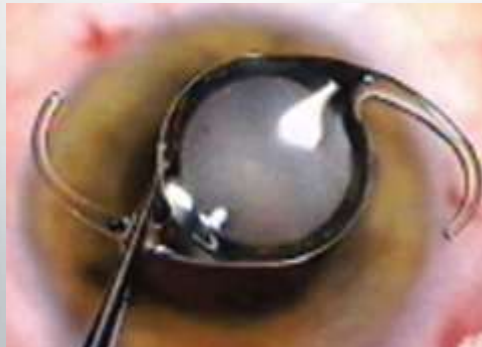
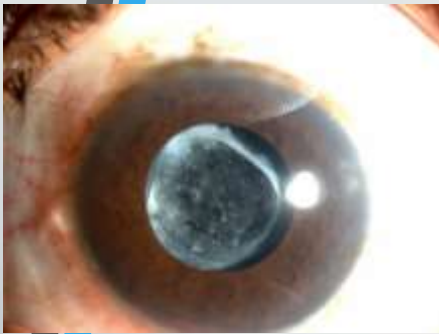
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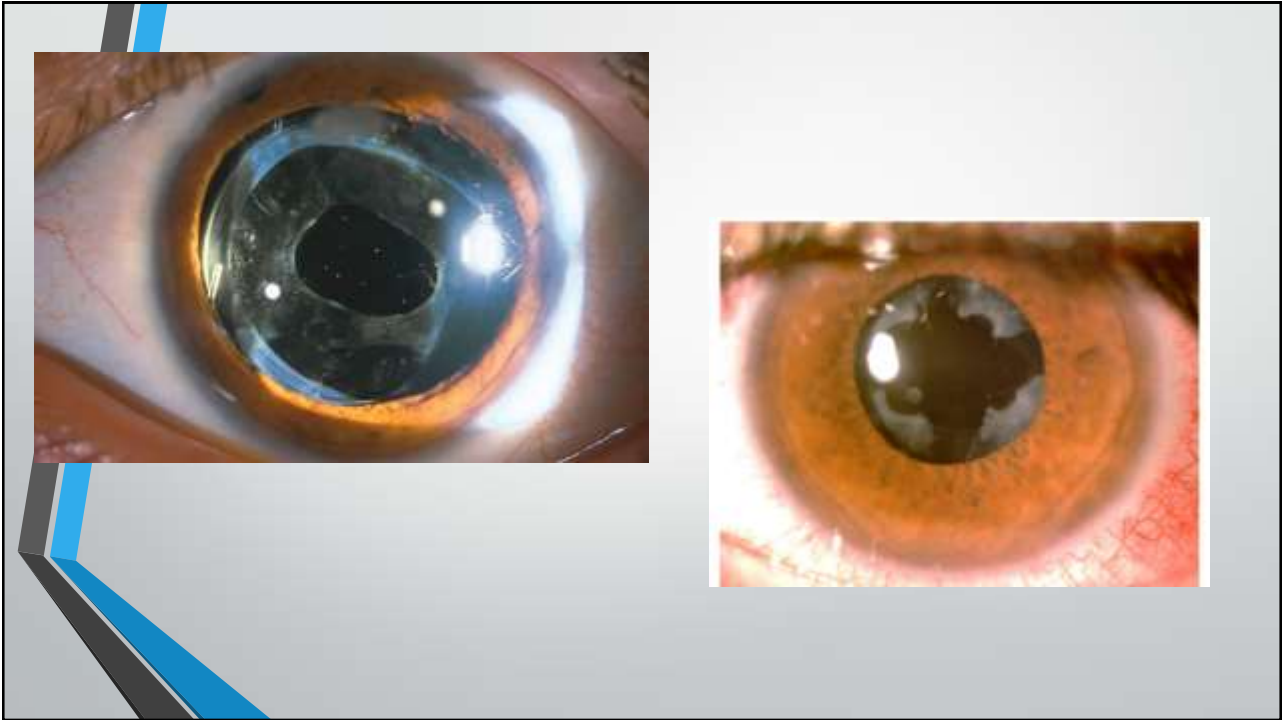
- 1- early
- Malpositions



## Late Postoperative IOL complications

- 1-Posterior Capsule Opacification
- 2-Anterior Capsule Opacification
- 3-Interlenticular Opacification





## Continued

- 4-late postop.endophthalmitis
- 5-Pigment dispersion
  - Anterior implants – Iris contact
- 6-Corneal edema

