

# Foldable IOL implantation

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**Artificial intraocular lenses are used to replace the eye natural lens when it has been removed during cataract surgery.**





# I. Types

## II. Material

### III. Design

# I. Types

- Monofocal
- Premium
  - Multifocal
  - Accommodating
  - Toric





## II. Materials

- **Non foldable: PMMA**
- **Foldable**
  - ❖ **Acrylic**
    - Hydrophobic
    - Hydrophilic
  - ❖ **Silicon**

## Materials

### PMMA

- Polymethylmethacrylate
- First material used
- Rigid , inert and non autoclave
- Chemically stable compound
- Excellent optical properties
- Ref index 1.4



### Drawbacks

Rigid and require larger incision

## Materials

### Foldable Hydrophobic Acrylic

- Very low water content
- A high refractive index
- Usually a high memory

### Drawbacks:

- **Glistenings** (Small water inclusions in the optic material, Over time, the glistenings can increase, but have no effect on visual function).
- **Dysphotopsias**

## Materials

### Hydrophilic Acrylic

High water content (The water content between IOLs varies widely and can be as high as 38%).

#### Drawbacks:

They are more prone to develop PCO than hydrophobic acrylic lenses or silicone lenses (This may be due to the high water content being more “inviting” to lens epithelial cells (LEC) ingrowth or the optic edge of IOLs in this group is not as sharp as with the hydrophobic materials).

## Materials

### Silicon IOL

- Polymers of silicon and oxygen
- Hydrophobic
- Heat resistant , autoclavable
- Highly transparent to visible light

#### Drawbacks:

- Can be pitted
- Slippery and cause glistenings
- Silicon oil adheres to IOL and become opaque.

## Materials

Lens material	Advantages	Disadvantages
PMMA	Time tested Cheapest Little inflammation	Wound size > optic diameter
Acrylic	Injectable Least inflammation	Cost Dysphotopsia
Silicone	Cost Injectable	More inflammation Silicon oil (for RD repair) adheres to IOL and becomes opaque

## III Design

### 1-Haptic design

- Plate haptic
- Loop haptic
  - C loop
  - J loop
  - Modified J Loop
- Plate loop
- Special design



(AC IOL, iris fixated, sulcus IOL).

## Design

2-It may be single piece or multipieces



	<i>Advantages</i>	<i>Disadvantages</i>
<b>Single piece</b>	-smaller incision -easy to insert	-not good in sulcus -haptics too thick -more PCO
<b>3 pieces</b>	-Ok for sulcus - less PCO	-larger incision -take care with haptics when inserting



## Design

### 3- Haptic angulation

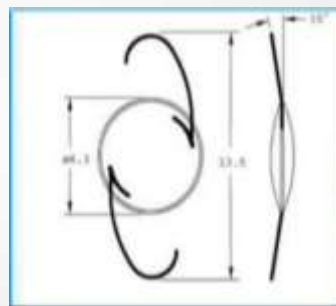
Haptic angulation reduces the incidence of PCO by maximizing the barrier effect to migrate LECs at the posterior optic edge by pushing the IOL backward against the posterior capsule .

For posterior chamber IOL:

10 degree anterior angulation to keep the optic part away from the pupil .

For anterior chamber IOL:

Posteriorly angulated lens to keep it away from the pupil



Design

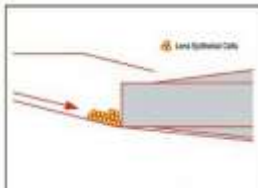
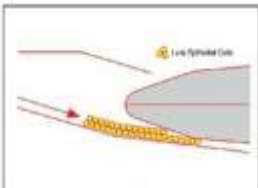
## 4-Optic design

- **Edge design**
- **Optic geometry**
- **Special optic**

Optic Design


## 1-Edge design

- Rounded edge
- Sharp edge
- half rounded edge

	PCO	glare
Rounded edge	more	less
Sharp edge	less	more
Half rounded edge	less	less

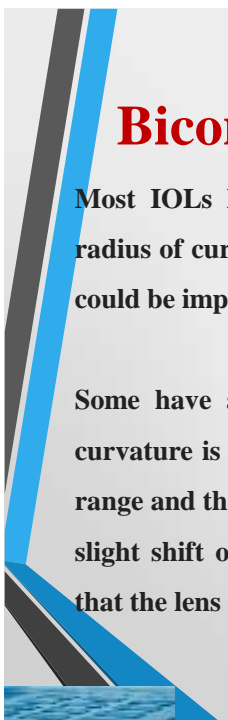




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# 2-Optic Geometry

- Biconvexity
- Optical zone



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## Biconvexity

Most IOLs have a symmetrically biconvex optic, meaning that the radius of curvature of the front and back surface are identical, so they could be implanted front to back without a change in optical power.

Some have an asymmetric biconvex optic, where the back surface curvature is relatively flat and constant throughout most of the power range and the anterior curvature is varied for IOL power. This causes a slight shift of the principal optical plane of the IOL and also implies that the lens should not be implanted front to back.

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## Optical Zone

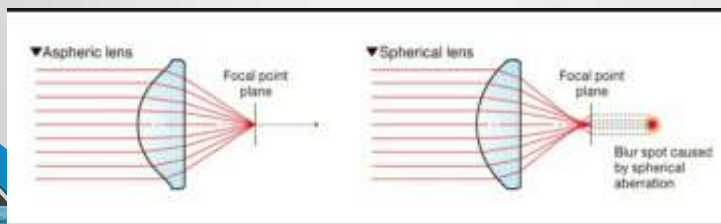
Most IOLs have a full-size effective optical zone of 6 mm in the main range of IOL powers. Therefore, the higher powered IOLs will have a thicker optic than the lower powers.

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## 3-Special optic

### Aspheric Intraocular Lenses

Traditional IOLs are spherical whereas aspheric IOLs are slightly flatter at the edge to provide better contrast sensitivity, this allows images in a similar colour to their background to be more clearly defined.



## 5- Overall Length

The capsule bag has a diameter ranging from 9.8 to 10.9 mm.

Most IOLs are oversized for the bag (usually have an overall length of 13 mm).

The main reason for such oversizing is the need for the IOL to be suitable for sulcus placement.

