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Comparison of Outcomes of Anterior Chamber vs iris or scleral-fixated intraocular lens implantation after complicated cataract surgery.

Objective: To compare postoperative visual outcomes and complication rates between patients receiving anterior chamber intraocular lens implants vs iris and scleral-fixated intraocular lens implants.

Methods: A retrospective chart review was performed for all patients who received an anterior chamber, scleral-fixated, or iris-fixated intraocular lens implant following complicated cataract surgery between June 2010 and June 2020. Main outcome measures included best-corrected visual acuity at postoperative months 1, 6, and 12. Any intraoperative or postoperative complications were also documented. The data was analyzed using chi-square analysis.

Results and Discussion: 136 patients required an anterior chamber or iris or scleral fixated intraocular lens implant. 90 patients (66.2%) received an anterior chamber intraocular lens and 46 (33.8%) patients received either an iris or scleral fixated intraocular lens. There was no significant difference in best-corrected visual acuity between the two groups at months 1 (p=0.94), 6 (p=0.68), and 12 (p=0.43) after surgery. There was a significant difference in short-term complications between both groups (p=0.01). The most common short-term complication for anterior chamber lens implants was corneal edema. For sutured lenses, the most common complication was increased intraocular pressure. However, there was no significant difference in long-term complications (p=0.18). Conclusion: The purpose of this study is to broaden the literature available and assess how secondary ACIOLs compare to IOLs fixated to the sclera or iris in terms of post-operative best-corrected visual acuity and postoperative complications. Our findings show no difference in visual outcomes after anterior chamber or iris/scleral sutured intraocular lens implantation. While eyes receiving an anterior chamber intraocular lens implant had more early complications, there is no significant difference in long-term complications between the two groups.