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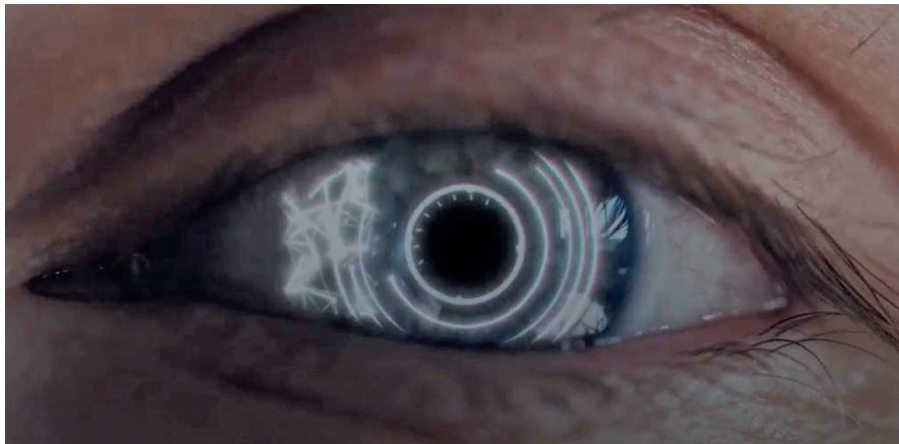
Cataract surgery is one of the most common and safest procedures performed in modern ophthalmology^{1,2}. Despite its routine nature, it requires a thorough preoperative assessment, taking into account biometric examinations, corneal condition, endothelial status, ocular and systemic comorbidities, and patient expectations regarding visual outcomes^{1,3}. Proper planning involves defining the surgical technique, selecting the intraocular lens, performing accurate biometric calculations, and stratifying risks¹. During surgery, efficient execution demands precise control of phacoemulsification energy, stability of the anterior chamber, endothelial protection, and careful handling of the intraocular tissues; these factors are directly related to patient safety and visual outcomes^{2,3}. Postoperative care requires systematic follow-up, clear patient guidance, and careful monitoring for potential complications^{1,3}. Even with meticulous planning, complications may occur. The surgeon must be pre-

pared to promptly identify and manage any complication to preserve visual prognosis².

In the accompanying video, I discuss a specific case of a surgical complication and emphasize the importance of structured postoperative follow-up and appropriate management. I invite you to watch and reflect on how timely recognition and decisive management are crucial for patient safety and optimal outcomes in cataract surgery.

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