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Thirty-five percent of all of the cases involved dense nuclei, he said. Seventy-five percent of the procedures were performed using topical anesthesia. "Most [91%] were done using a phaco chop method, which indicates that these were very experienced surgeons," Dr. Chang added.

Nothing unusual was noted about the distribution of iris color, diabetes, or pseudoexfoliation in the patient population.

**Results**

Atropine as a single strategy was effective in only 42% (eight of 19) of the cases for which it was chosen, Dr. Chang said. In these cases, preoperative pupil diameter was very large (mean 7.2 mm) and decreased only slightly (mean 0.9 mm) by the end of the procedure. A well-dilated pupil at the start of surgery may indicate that the IFIS is less severe, he said.
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