Phacotrabeculectomy

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Advantages:

- One procedure in one sitting.
- Discontinuation of expensive antiglaucoma therapy especially in poor countries.
- Early rehabilitation.

Indications:

- Glaucoma that is uncontrollable either medically or after laser trabeculoplasty when visual function is impaired by a cataract.
- Cataract requiring extraction in any POAG patient even if it is controlled.
- Cataract requiring extraction in a non compliant patient.
- Cataract requiring extraction in a poor patient with glaucoma.
- Cataract requiring extraction in any closed angle glaucoma patient.
Relative contraindications

- Patient who has cataract and controlled IOP using one medication with mild to Moderate cupping and little or no visual field loss (phaco-alone).
- Glaucoma that requires a very low IOP (Trab + MMC – alone).
- Advanced glaucoma with uncontrolled IOP and immediate need for successful reduction of IOP (Trab – alone).

Difficulties:

- Small pupil.
- Pseudoexfoliation syndrome
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Thank you