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Review

"Reading this book can lead to a more restful night's sleep . . . The contributors to this book are world-renowned surgeons and the information that they provide will be useful to everyone who deals with cataracts, whether routine or complex. The contributors are experienced in their topic and provide state of the art information to manage nearly any situation. . . This video is very descriptive, but can make your heart skip a beat as you watch a lens float to the retina. Fortunately, each complication is managed efficiently and the viewer can pick up many important tips to use on their own complex cases. In summary, *Phaco Nightmares – Conquering Cataract Catastrophes* can be useful to phacoemulsification surgeons of all experience levels."

— David T. Vroman, MD, *American Journal of Ophthalmology*

"This is a well organized book on the various complications of phacoemulsification cataract surgery. Each chapter follows the same format and is concise, to the point and with a very practical approach which lends itself to easy reading and quick access to any topic that the reader might be interested in learning more about. . . The objectives are clearly met and the book is a tremendous resource for beginning and even experienced cataract surgeons. . . The uniqueness of this book is that it is written at a level that any surgeon, no matter at what stage of their career they might be, can obtain valuable information from the experienced authors. . . The book is richly illustrated and has excellent tables and key point summaries at the end of each chapter that help highlight the salient features. . . It will be a tremendous asset to training residents and a reference source for experienced practitioners who might need a few tips on an anticipated complicated case."

— Stephen E. Orlin, MD, *Doody's Review*

"In this book, Dr. Agarwal has assembled a world class group of surgeons to discuss a wide variety of difficult and challenging cases in phacoemulsification. *Phaco Nightmares* is a comprehensive text that will guide beginning and experienced Phaco surgeons alike. [Dr. Agarwal] has produced a text herein that will help give this generation of ophthalmic surgeons the experience and knowledge to meet the challenges of difficult and challenging surgery into the 21st century. I applaud his dedication to our profession."

— From the Foreword, Stephen S. Lane, MD, *University of Minnesota, Stillwater, MN*

About the Author

Dr. Amar Agarwal is the pioneer of phakonit, which is phako with a needle incision technology. This technique became popularized as bimanual phaco, microincision cataract surgery (MICS), or microphaco. He is the first to remove cataracts through a 0.7 mm tip with the technique called microphakonit. He has also discovered no anesthesia cataract surgery and FAVIT, a new technique to remove dropped nuclei. The air pump, which was a simple idea of using an aquarium fish pump to increase the fluid into the eye in bimanual phaco and co-axial phaco, has helped prevent surge. This built the basis of various techniques of forced

infusion for small incision cataract surgery. He was also the first to use trypan blue for staining epiretinal membranes and publishing the details in his four-volume Textbook of Ophthalmology. His latest discovery is a new refractive error called aberropia. Dr. Agarwal has received many awards for his work in ophthalmology, most significantly the Barraquer Award and the Kelman Award. He has also written more than 33 books, which have been published in various languages—English, Spanish, and Polish. He also trains doctors from all over the world in his center on phaco, bimanual phaco, LASIK, and retina. The website for Dr. Agarwal's Eye Hospital is <http://www.dragarwal.com>.

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