The symptoms of cataracts are progressive and cannot be corrected with glasses or contact lenses. When symptoms become bothersome or limit your daily activities, it's time to consider treatment. Treatment for cataracts involves a simple surgery to remove the cataract and replace it with an artificial lens than can restore clear vision. Cataract surgery is the most common surgical procedure worldwide and is very safe and successful.



Ask your Doctor if laser cataract surgery with the CATALYS® Precision Laser System is right for you.

CATALYS Precision Laser System

during the same procedure

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with you

The CATALYS® Precision Laser System is indicated for use in patients undergoing cataract surgery for removal of the crystalline lens. Intended uses in cataract surgery include anterior

capsulotomy, phacofragmentation, and the creation of single plane and multi-plane arc cuts/ incisions in the cornea, each of which may be performed either individually or consecutively

Contraindications, warnings, precautions and adverse events are listed in the Catalys

Precision Laser System Operator Manual. Your Doctor will be able to discuss these topics

¹ Friedman, NJ et al, "Femtosecond Laser Capsulotomy", Journal of Cataract & Refractive

² Palanker D, et al, "Femtosecond Laser Assisted Cataract Surgery With Integrated Optical

Coherence Tomography", Science Translational Medicine, Volume 2, Issue 58: 1 - 9 (2010)

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Now is the time for Laser Cataract Surgery



ABOUT Cataracts & Cataract Surgery

A cataract is a common condition in which the normally clear lens of the eye becomes increasingly cloudy. Compared to vision with a clear lens, your vision with a cataract may look fuzzy, colors may be muted, and you may experience difficulty reading signs while driving at night.

View with Cataract

CATALYS® Precision Laser System

Many of the steps of cataract surgery that are traditionally performed using handheld instruments can now be completed using the precision of a laser. The CATALYS® Precision Laser System is the world's most sophisticated laser cataract surgery system. Thousands of patients have been successfully treated. Using CATALYS®, your surgeon can provide you with a highly customized, more accurate, and gentle treatment.

Key Benefits

Customization with 3D Imaging

Like a fingerprint, every eye has a unique size and shape. Prior to treatment, CATALYS® images your eye and makes precise 3D maps of relevant structures. This enables your surgeon to create a tailored treatment plan that is customized for your eye.

Laser Precision

Your surgeon can use CATALYS® to create a perfectly sized, shaped and centered circular



opening to access and Location of Circular Opening remove the cataract. This precise incision helps your surgeon place the new artificial lens exactly where intended.



Created with CATALYS® Laser Created by Hand

Clinical studies have shown that this opening is approximately 10 times more accurate when performed with CATALYS®, compared with a manual procedure. [1, 2].

Gentle Approach

Your surgeon can use the laser to soften the hard cataract. Softening the lens with the CATALYS® laser enables your surgeon to remove the cataract more gently and with significantly less ultrasound energy than is used in traditional surgery. This gentle, low energy approach reduces inflammation and helps visual recovery.



Lens Softening with the CATALYS® Laser

Decrease the Need for Glasses

If you desire to see well without glasses or contact lenses after surgery, ask about your options. Your surgeon may recommend a tailored treatment that could include precise CATALYS® laser incisions in the cornea and a specific lens implant type.

Lens Implant Types

- Monofocal lens with a single focal point
- Toric lens for correcting higher levels of astigmatism
- Multifocal lens for multiple focal points (near, intermediate and far vision)

Quick Treatment:

What to Expect

Cataract surgery usually takes less than 30 minutes. The CATALYS® portion of treatment usually takes just a few minutes.

Comfort:

You can expect little or no discomfort during treatment and after surgery. During the laser

portion, patients describe seeing a kaleidoscope of lights.



Most people resume normal activities the very next day. And your sight may continue to

Speedy Recovery:

improve for several days or weeks after surgery.

Precautions:

Patients must be able to lie flat on their backs and motionless during the procedure.



Patients must be able to tolerate local or topical anesthesia. Tell your Doctor if you are taking any medications such as alpha blockers as these medications may affect how the Doctor does the cataract surgery.