

LASIK Expert Dr. James Salz Co-Authors Article on Pupil Size in Connection with LASIK & Other Laser Eye Surgeries in August 2006 Issue of Current Opinion in Ophthalmology

Summary:

In the article entitled "Pupil Size and Corneal Laser Surgery" published in the August 2006 Issue of Current [Opinion in Ophthalmology](#) on refractive surgery [Dr. Salz](#) and Dr. Trattler reviewed recent findings on the role of scotopic pupil size as a factor in predicting night vision complaints from patients who have had laser surgery operations such as LASIK. Dr. Salz and Dr. Trattler recommend that laser eye surgeons accurately measure pupil size of prospective patients in a dark room and advise patients with large pupils of their increased risk as part of their standard informed consent procedure. In addition, studies have shown that Laser eye surgery utilizing Wavefront-based laser eye treatments, which can include LASIK, have reduced the incidence of these complaints compared to conventional treatments.

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Dr. James Salz (www.drsalz.com) co-authored an article entitled "Pupil Size and Corneal Laser Surgery" in the August 2006 issue of [Current Opinion in Ophthalmology](#) on refractive surgery. The article was co-written with Dr. William Trattler. In the article, Dr. Salz and Dr. Trattler reviewed recent findings on the role of scotopic pupil size as a factor in predicting night vision complaints from patients who have had laser surgery operations such as LASIK.

According to Dr. Salz, "This article reviews the current thinking on the importance of pupil size. Many patients with large nighttime pupils have night vision complaints following laser refractive surgery procedures such as LASIK. Laser eye surgeons should measure the pupils of prospective patients accurately in a dark room and advise them of a potential increased risk if their pupils are larger than normal. This course of action is an important aspect of the informed consent process. Wavefront-based laser eye treatments, which can include LASIK, have reduced the incidence of these complaints compared to conventional treatments. Patients who do not improve with time can often be helped with eye drops, which can reduce the pupil size for several hours.

For additional information on [the importance of pupil size](#), please visit www.drsalz.com/pupil_size.htm

About Laser Vision Medical Associates

Laser Vision Medical Associates, Inc. (Laser Vision Medical Associates)(www.drsalz.com) is the refractive surgery medical private practice of Dr. James J. Salz, M.D. and its services patients in the Beverly Hills, Los Angeles, and Orange County regions of Southern California. Dr. James Salz, M.D. is the President and primary physician who performs laser vision surgery for the company. Dr. Salz has been researching and publishing studies as well as performing refractive surgery, including LASIK, for over 20 years. Dr. Salz is Clinical Professor of Ophthalmology at the University of Southern California and Co-Director of Refractive Surgery Research at the Discovery Fund for Eye Research at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center in Los Angeles. He has been the principal investigator for several major studies,

including 8 FDA excimer laser studies, STAAR Surgical Implantable Contact Lens for Hyperopia FDA clinical trial. Dr. James Salz has been a paid consultant to Visx, and Alcon. Dr. James Salz is an expert of special interest in all aspects of refractive surgery, including LASIK, PRK, and Phakic implants. Dr. James Salz is also an expert in cataract surgery and lens implantation as well as medical legal matters and device and method patents related to ophthalmology. Dr. James Salz has an extensive listing of publications he has written or edited (www.drsalz.com/publications.htm), and has spoken at hundreds of meetings concerning LASIK and other laser eye surgery procedures in the United States and abroad. For more information about Dr. Salz and LASIK and other laser eye surgery procedures, please visit www.drsalz.com. For information about Dr. James Salz's unique qualifications for LASIK, please see www.drsalz.com/choose_dr_salz.htm. Laser Vision Medical Associates performs its LASIK and laser eye surgery procedures at Laser Eye Associates.

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Laser Eye Associates of Los Angeles, Inc. ("Laser Eye Associates") is an association consisting of about 30 LASIK and laser eye surgeons in the Beverly Hills / Los Angeles area. Laser Eye Associates is one of the few laser vision centers in the world with 3 different FDA approved excimer laser systems (Alcon, Visx and Alegretto): a femtosecond laser (Intralase) for creating the LASIK flap without a blade; (2) a Holmium laser system for treating low degrees of hyperopia; and (3) the only FDA approved procedure for treating presbyopia (the condition which requires reading glasses after age 40 the Refractec Conductive Keratoplasty (CK) instrument. Dr. James J. Salz is currently President of Laser Eye Associates and a shareholder of the company.

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