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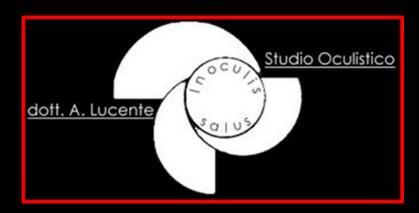
#### L'utilizzo dei Laser in Oftalmologia

caratteristiche dello strumento e tecnica di utilizzo

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## Capsulotomia e iridotomia Yag laser

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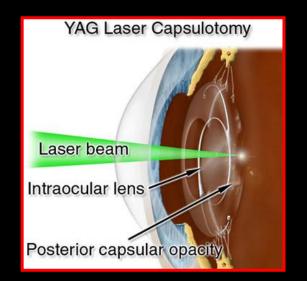
# Disclosure

## **Consulting Free**

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- Alfa Intes

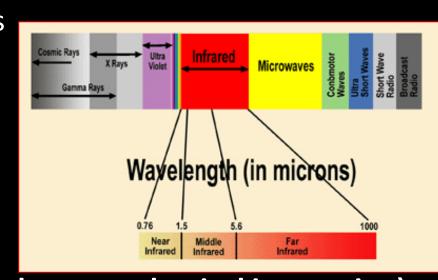
- Nd:YAG è un laser a stato solido che sfrutta come mezzo laser attivo un cristallo di ittrio e alluminio (YAG) drogato al neodimio Nd:Y3AI5012
- Nd:YAG Neodymium-doped Yttrium Aluminium Garnet (NY:Y3Al5O12)
- 1964 Laser operation of Nd:YAG was first demonstrated by J. E. Geusic Bell Laboratories (New Jersy)
- 1980 Fankhauser e Aron-Rosa first YAG capsulotomy
- 1064 nm wavelength
- Optical breakdown results

in ionization, or plasma formation (electromechanical interaction)









## **Preparation of the patient**

#### **Before Treatment Session**

- Complete ophthalmic history and examination
- Discussion of proposed procedure, including risks, benefits, and alternatives; signing of informed consent form
- Apraclonidine or beta-adrenergic blocking agent
- Pupillary dilation (optional)
- Determination of visual axis and normal pupillary size: sketch and preliminar laser marker shot
- indomethacin drops 0.50%

#### At the Laser

- Review of the procedure, the expected pop or click, and the importance of fixation
- Application of topical anesthetic if contact lens is to be used
- Adjustment of stool, table, chin rest, and footrest for optimal patient comfort
- Application of head strap to maintain forehead position
- Darkening of the room (optional)
- Provision of fixation target for fellow eye
- Illumination of target if room is darkened
- Photograph the opacity



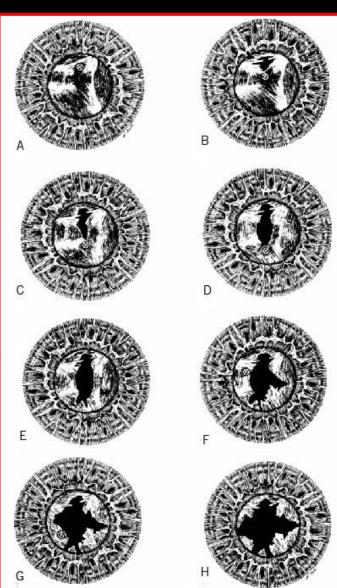


## Sequential capsulotomy photographs

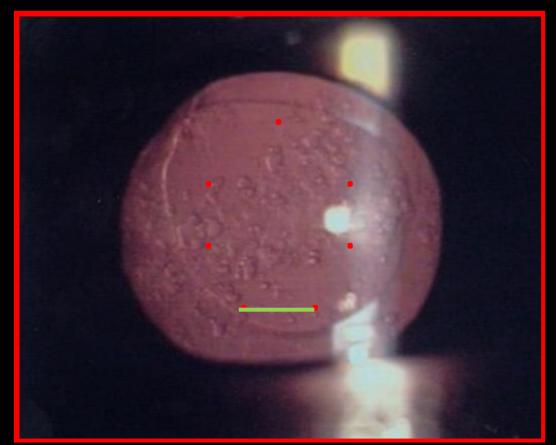
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- Use minimum energy 1 mJ if possible
- Identify and cut across tension lines
- Perform a cruciate openin begin at
   12 o'clock progress toward 6 o'clock
   and cut across at 3 and 9 o'clock
- Clean up any residual tags
- Avoid freely floating fragments

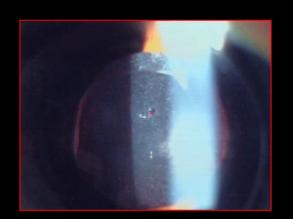




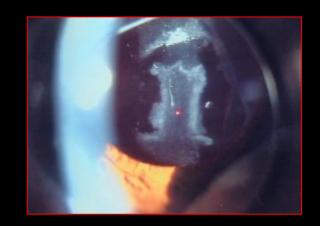
# My capsulotomy



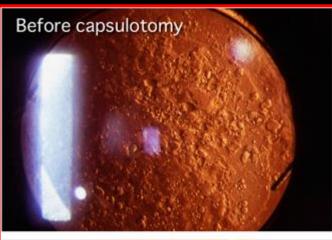




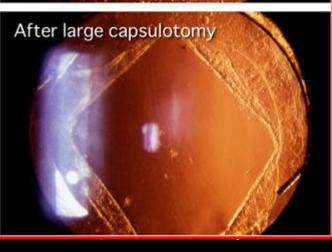




- The capsulotomy sho driving at night, wher
- A small opening migh detachment
- A small opening in a control those of a small pupil
- When the capsule is copening is an improve
- As the patient looks tedges behind the sph
- Capsulotomies may ir enlargement tending
- Glare and haze rema with a 3-mm opening



After small capsulotomy



otopic conditions, such as otomy edge is most likely

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thin 6 weeks with capsular tag retention

apsular openings, decrease -mm capsular opening

## Contraindications to laser capsulotomy

#### **Absolute Contraindications**

- Corneal scars, irregularities, or edema that interfere with target visualization or make optical breakdown unpredictable
- Inadequate stability of the eye
- Inadequate stability of the IOL

#### Relative Contraindications

- Known or suspected cystoid macular edema CME
- Active intraocular inflammation
- High risk for retinal detachment

- Intraocular Pressure Elevation greater than 10 mmHg have been observed in 15% to 67% peaks at 3 to 4 hours, decreases but may remain elevated at 24 hours, and usually returns to baseline at 1week
- Cystoid Macular Edema CME 0.55% to 2.5%
- Retinal detachment 0.08% to 3.6%
- Asymptomatic retinal breaks were found at a rate of 2.1% within 1 month
- Intraocular Lens Damage, Pitting of IOLs occurs in 15% to 33% of eyes not visually significant, although rarely the damage may cause sufficient glare and image degradation that the damaged IOL must be explanted
- Propionibacterium acnes endophthalmitis has been reported
- Iritis persisting for 6 months has been reported in less than 1%
- Macular holes have rarely
- Specular microscopic studies have reported corneal endothelial cell loss of 2.3% to 7%
- IOL dislocation IOL movement and refractive changes

## Conclusions

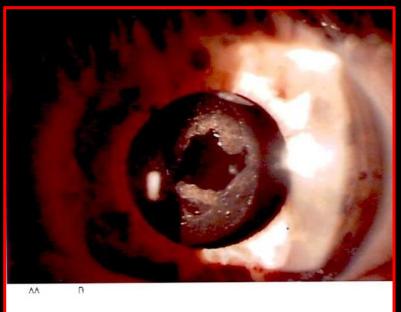
## An Overview of Nd:YAG Laser Capsulotomy

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Review Med Hypothesis Discov Innov Ophthalmol. 2014; 3(2)

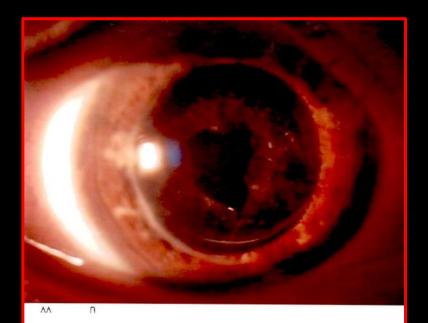
In conclusion, some complications especially rise in IOP and macular thickness seems to be unavoidable after Nd: YAG laser capsulotomy. Using less total energy and performing smaller capsulotomies are practical choices to decrease complications after Nd:YAG capsulotomy

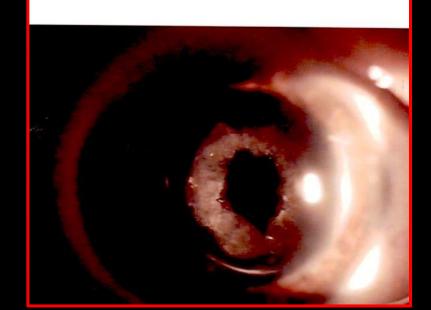
#### Optical breakdown results in ionization, or plasma formation in the ocular tissue



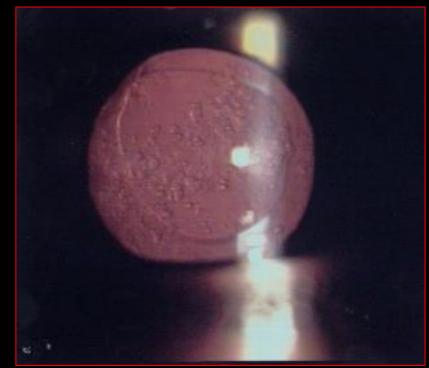












- Impact point offset by 30 to 200  $\mu m$  behind the focal plane
- Constant pulse duration of 4 nanoseconds
- 8/10 μm spot diameter
- Minimum energy from 0.5 mJ
- Energy adjustable up to 10 mJ

# Iridotomy

## Background

Laser peripheral iridotomy (LPI) is the preferred procedure for treating angle-closure glaucoma caused by relative or absolute pupillary block. LPI eliminates pupillary block by allowing the aqueous to pass directly from the posterior chamber into the anterior chamber, bypassing the pupil. LPI can be performed with an argon laser, with a Nd:YAG laser, or, in certain circumstances, with both

## **Indications**

Acute angle-closure glaucoma

Chronic angle-closure glaucoma

Fellow eye of acute angle-closure glaucoma

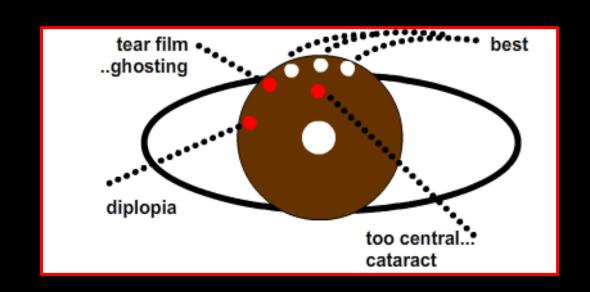
Narrow/occludable angle

 Miscellaneous conditions, including phacomorphic glaucoma, aqueous misdirection, nanophthalmos, pigmentary dispersion syndrome, and plateau iris syndrome

# Contraindications

• Corneal edema

Corneal opacity



• Flat anterior chamber

## **Periprocedural Care**

- Patient Education/Informed Consent
- Nd:YAG laser an argon laser or both are needed
- Using a contact lens makes the procedure easier
- Abraham lens or a Wise lens
- Iridotomy be at least 200/500 μm in size
- Gonioscopy is used to assess the anterior chamber angle and AS-OCT
- Retroillumination direct and indirect



## **Technique**

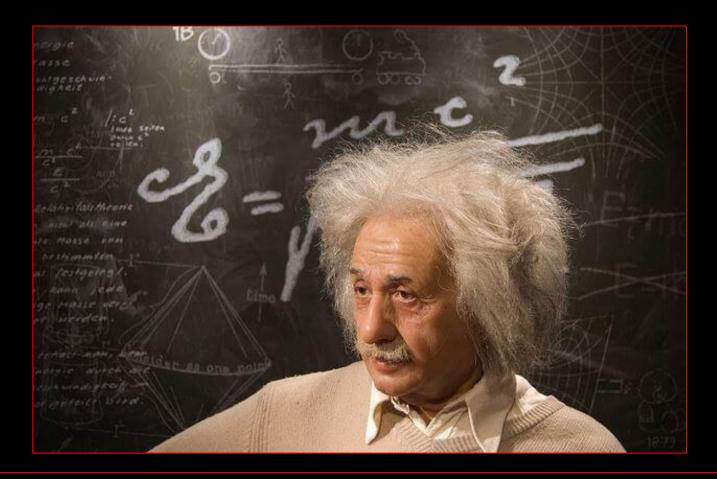
- The iridotomy site should be in the peripheral third
- A crypt or a thinned area of the iris is recommended
- Most ophthalmologists place the iridotomy between 11 o'clock and 1 o'clock, where it is superiorly covered by the lids
- Aberrations are less frequent a superior site
- In patients with blue or green irides

  LPI can be performed with a Nd:YAG laser, using the following settings: Power 4-8 mJ, Pulses/burst 1-3 (the author prefers 2), Spot size Fixed
- In patients with dark brown irides
   First, the argon laser is employed to remove the anterior border of the iris, using the following settings: Power 300-400 mW, Spot size 50-100 mm, Duration 0.05 seconds

# **Complications of Procedure**

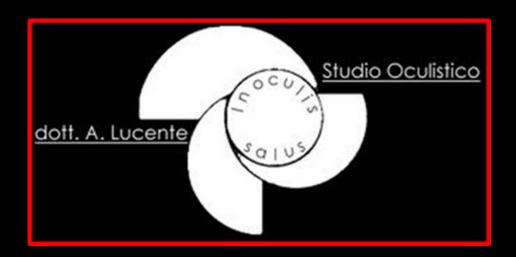
- Postoperative intraocular pressure spike IOP occurs it is usually in the first hour (as many as 70% of cases) or, less commonly, in the second hour (as many as 40% of cases)
- Anterior uveitis is usually mild and can be successfully treated with topical steroids
- Iris bleeding and hyphema (50% of patients )
- Corneal decompensation
- Closure of the iridotomy site is rare, especially when the Nd:YAG laser is used

## Albert Einstein (Ulma, 14 marzo 1879 – Princeton, 18 aprile 1955)



"Tutto dovrebbe essere reso il più semplice possibile, ma non più semplicistico"

# Thanks for Your attention



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