

PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The authors reported 3 cases of delayed-onset *Achromobacter* species endophthalmitis 5-18 months after cataract surgery. Unlike previous reports, they retained all the patients' IOLs. This study proposed the hypotheses that for this type of late-onset endophthalmitis, removal of the intraocular lens and the capsule is not necessary. Some questions: 1) Some syntax errors need to be fixed, e.g.: line 3, paragraph 1 of the introduction, "within 6 weeks of surgery" should be "within 6 weeks after surgery" 2) Line 3, paragraph 2 of the case presentation: The authors wrote "They had all undergone cataract surgery 18, 5, and 6 months prior", but "2-18 months" in the abstract and discussion. Should it be "5-18 months"? 3) Base on your hypothesis "differences in the onset or presentation of endophthalmitis (acute, chronic, delayed-onset with acute form) may be related to the bacteria amount or distribution within the eye", in the future, further research can be carried out to determine that under what circumstances can the IOL be retained.