



Dear Young Colleagues,

This is Mario Facino writing.

During the last EVRS meeting that was held in Sopron I presented, during the Young EVRS Club inaugural meeting, the results of a survey I did among the young colleagues in order to know their opinion about some important aspects of the Club.

About 95 % of the young ophthalmologists surveyed showed a great interest in multicenter trials.

Finally, I and the others committee members of the Club wish to propose a topic:

**“Outcome of phacoemulsification after vitreous surgery for macular disorders (pucker, macular hole)”**

We think that the vast majority of us started his surgical activity as cataract surgeon while couldn't be expert in posterior segment surgery yet: this is the reason why we would like to propose this study.

To the best of our knowledge the literature regarding this subject refer to cataract surgery following pars plana vitrectomy for several vitreo-retinal pathologies such as macular disorders (macular pucker, macular hole), PVR cases, diabetic retinopathy, vitreous haemorrhage and so on. As a consequence the visual outcome may be influenced by the underlying pathology: this is the reason why we want to focus on the macular disorders to avoid some confounding factors.

Moreover the published papers consist of relatively small series of patients.

If, for instance, a group of 15 young adhered, we could be a strong force! We can imagine 10 cases with a mean follow up of one year for each one of us. We could collect 150 eyes and submit the largest series ever published!

We kindly ask the colleagues that are interested to contact Mario Facino in order to receive further information about this project. Of course any comment and suggestion is welcome.

Keeping in touch, yours sincerely.

Regards,

Mario Facino