

## Pseudophakic Bullous Keratopathy

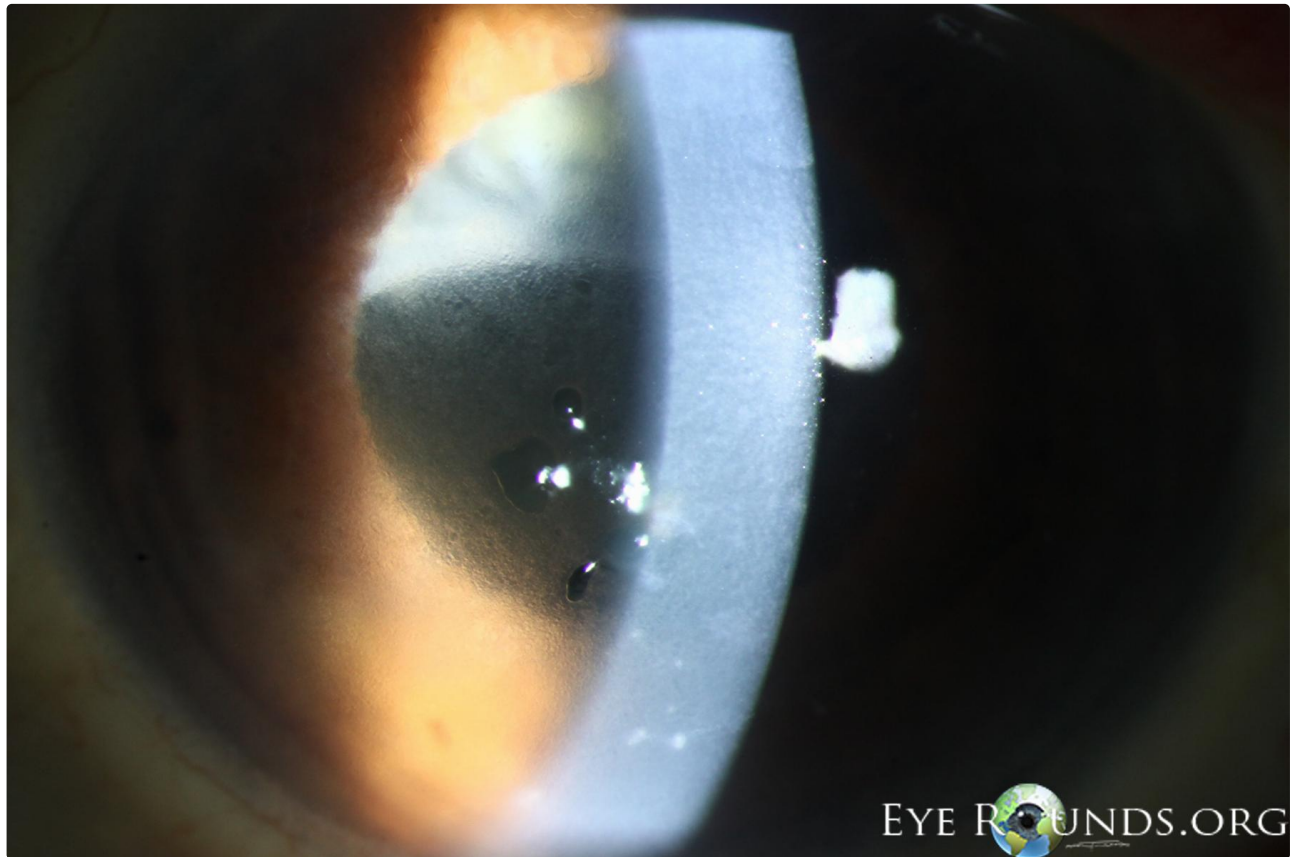
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Bullous keratopathy is characterized by corneal edema with formation of epithelial bullae. It is secondary to loss or dysfunction of the corneal endothelial cells which usually maintain the cornea's dehydrated state.



This patient's edema resulted as a sequellae of cataract surgery, thus it is called pseudophakic bullous keratopathy. Note the diffuse epithelial microcysts with several larger bullae visible to the left of the slit beam.

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