

The unknown source of Communicable Diseases

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A wish to look pretty/handsome is quite natural. The ocularist plays an important role in rehabilitation of patients suffering from ugly looking ophthalmic sockets. His role is a disciplinary one involving a broad range of services in overall management of the patient. Ocularists endeavour to restore the natural aesthetics of individuals having an ophthalmic socket. Presently there are three practices in ophthalmic cosmetic field i.e. stock based practice, stock modification practice and custom made practice.

Generally stock based practice is in vogue in sub-continent due to economic reasons. However, patients fitted with ocular prosthesis under stock practices have a potential to develop communicable infections in one form or another. In addition peroxide initiated prostheses are irritant and hence uncomfortable. Histopathology and immunohistochemistry suggest that fibronectin plays a role in bacterial adherence and infections due to inherent porosity of the peroxide-initiated polymerized stock prosthesis.