Reviewer’s report

Title: Incidence of acute-onset endophthalmitis after separate bilateral cataract surgeries less than 5 days apart

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Reviewer: William R. Barlow

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This is an interesting concept to study. It is difficult to study due to the large number of patients needed to truly show a difference. I believe your paper would benefit from a control group of cases completed in the standard manner (1st eye and 2nd eye separated by longer period of time) at your center to better assess the specific impact of your current surgical methods of only a few days between surgeries compared to this method.

One specific deficiency noted is that you report vitreous loss of 2.4%. These cases would be at greater risk of endophthalmitis. There was no mention about whether these cases were excluded from the analysis or whether the cases with endophthalmitis were associated with this complication.

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