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Cerulean cataract

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Cerulean cataracts are composed of small bluish dot-like opacities in the peripheral lens cortex. They usually do not cause visual symptoms. This patient also has a dense central posterior subcapsular cataract which was visually significant.











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This is a congenital cataract that is rarely visually significant and strikingly beautiful. Cerulean is a sky blue color, the word deriving from the Latin word for 'heaven' and also related to copper--imagine the blue color on tarnished copper.

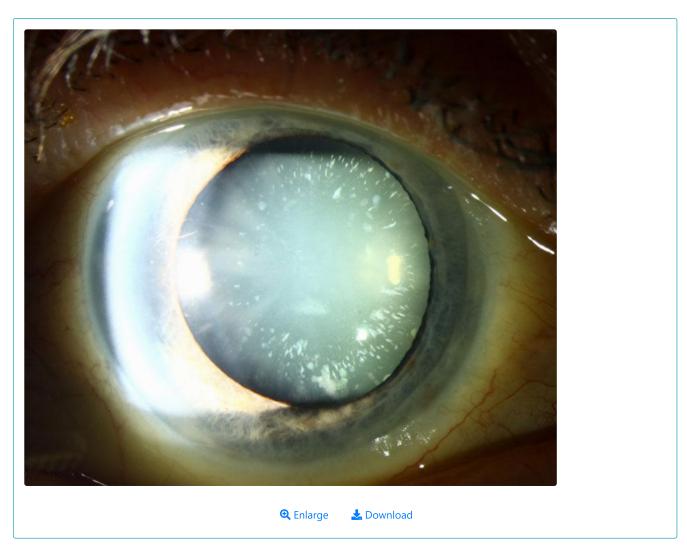


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