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[54] "SPARE PARTS" FOR USE IN
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[57] **ABSTRACT**

For use in ophthalmic surgery, the surgeon has avail-
able a supply of "spare parts" which are artificial mem-
bers, possibly simulating different components of the
eye, that are suited, depending on their structural forms
and shapes, for surgical implantation in the eye as and/
or in connection with repair and/or reinforcement
and/or replacement structures for damaged or diseased
eye components. The members basically are made of
cohesive sheet materials of biocompatible substances
such as cross-linked hyaluronic acid, PMMA, or other
equivalents thereof. Certain of such "spare parts" are
particularly well suited for dealing with the problem of
the torn posterior capsule when encountered during an
extracapsular cataract extraction.

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