

PHAKIC IOL ZALDIVAR INSTITUTE IMMERSIVE COURSE 2026

NOVEMBER 19, 20 & 21, 2026 | MENDOZA, ARGENTINA

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DAY 1 PROGRAM – THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19

TIME	SESSIONS	REMARKS	LOCATION	PRESENTER	TIME
7:00 am	Breakfast	Networking and meeting Zaldivar team.			
8:00 am	Welcoming	Opening remarks.	Auditorium	Carlos Gordillo Medical Manager Zaldivar Institute – Zaldivar Course Coordinator	5'
8:05 am	Guided Tour – The Zaldivar Experience	An immersive walkthrough introducing the main topics of the course.	Auditorium	Carlos Gordillo Medical Manager Zaldivar Institute – Zaldivar Course Coordinator	15'
8:20 am	Evolution of phakic IOLs	Evolution of phakic IOLs, from early concepts to new solutions and vault prediction systems.	Auditorium	Roberto Zaldivar Zaldivar Institute President	20'
8:40 am	Phakic IOL Overview	Deep dive into Phakic IOL fundamentals: indications, contraindications, patient selection.	Auditorium	Roger Zaldivar Zaldivar Institute CEO	15'
8:55 am	Surgical Skills	Reflections on innovation and patient outcomes.	Auditorium	Roberto Zaldivar Zaldivar Institute President	25'
9:20 am	Phakic IOL Tips	Interactive discussion with expert surgeons. Common pitfalls, intraoperative troubleshooting, and fine-tuning your own technique.	Auditorium	Roger Zaldivar Zaldivar Institute CEO	10'
9:30 am	Q&A	Questions & Answers	Auditorium	Carlos Gordillo Medical Manager Zaldivar Institute – Zaldivar Course Coordinator	

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9:45 am	Coffee Break				
10:15 am	SIZING BOOT CAMP #1	Focused on mastering the principles of Phakic IOL sizing — from UBM interpretation, sizing software analysis and complex cases discussion.	Auditorium	Roger Zaldivar Zaldivar Institute CEO	
10:16 am	UBM Principles	Understanding anatomical landmarks and measurement techniques.	Auditorium	Roberto Zaldivar Zaldivar Institute President	20'
10:35 am	Mastering Phakic IOL Sizing	Interpretation and practical application of sizing. Different sizing and prediction tools will be discussed from an educational, non-commercial perspective.	Auditorium	Roger Zaldivar Zaldivar Institute CEO	15'
10:50 am	Complex cases	Step-by-step review and discussion of challenging clinical scenarios.	Auditorium	Roger Zaldivar Zaldivar Institute CEO	15'
11:05 am	Interactive Discussion	Strategies to improve corneal topography, reduce optical aberrations, and prepare the eye for phakic IOL implantation.	Auditorium	Carlos Gordillo Medical Manager Zaldivar Institute – Zaldivar Course Coordinator Roger Zaldivar Zaldivar Institute CEO	15'
11:30 am	Challenging Corneas	Case-based strategies for complex corneal presentations.	Auditorium	Carlos Gordillo Head of Cornea Department – Zaldivar Institute	20'
11:50 am	Phakic IOL Beyond Limits: more than 4500 phakic IOL implanted.	Discussion of unconventional indications and customized approaches beyond standard ICL use, present and future.	Auditorium	Felix Gonzalez-Lopez Consultant Ophthalmic Surgeon – Refractive and Anterior Segment Surgery. Medical Director, Clinica Baviera Madrid	25'
12:15 am	Q&A	Questions & Answers	Auditorium		

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12:45 pm	Lunch				
2:00 pm	Learn from Reality	<i>2:00 to 5:00 pm</i> Real-time surgical transmission with intraoperative insights. Live surgical cases will be analyzed individually, allowing participants to follow the surgical strategy and understand the decision-making process at each step. The faculty will provide real-time insights into surgical planning, intraoperative findings, technique selection, adjustments, and management of unexpected situations, creating an interactive learning experience directly from live surgery.		Roberto Zaldivar Zaldivar Institute President Roger Zaldivar Zaldivar Institute CEO Carlos Gordillo Medical Manager Zaldivar Institute – Zaldivar Course Coordinator	
5:00 pm	End of the Session				

DAY 2 PROGRAM – FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20

TIME	SESSIONS	REMARKS	LOCATION	PRESENTER	TIME
7:30 am	Breakfast				
8:00 am	Welcoming	Opening remarks	Auditorium	Carlos Gordillo Medical Manager Zaldivar Institute – Zaldivar Course Coordinator	5'
8:05 am	Post-Op Reality Check	Live transmission of postoperative controls, analyzing real cases and outcomes to consolidate surgical decision-making.	Auditorium	Roger Zaldivar Zaldivar Institute CEO & Carlos Gordillo Medical Manager Zaldivar Institute – Zaldivar Course Coordinator	40'
8:45 am	Q & A	Questions & Answers	Auditorium		
9:30 am	Learn From Reality II	Live surgery sessions designed to translate theory into real clinical practice, with step-by-step commentary and discussion of intraoperative decisions. The live surgeries will take place throughout the day — from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. — with lectures and interactive discussions in between.	Auditorium		
11:00 am	Coffee Break				
12:00 pm	Learn from Reality II (Cont.)	Live surgery sessions designed to translate theory into real clinical practice, with step-by-step commentary and discussion of intraoperative decisions. The live surgeries will take place throughout the day — from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. — with lectures and interactive discussions in between.	Auditorium		
12:35 pm	Q&A	Questions & Answers	Auditorium		
1:00 pm	Lunch				

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2:00 pm	Words Matter: Shaping the Patient experience		Auditorium	Amanda Cardwell Carones MPH Founder	30'
2:30 pm	Learn From Reality II (Cont.)	Live surgery sessions designed to translate theory into real clinical practice, with step-by-step commentary and discussion of intraoperative decisions. The live surgeries will take place throughout the day — from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. — with lectures and interactive discussions in between.	Auditorium		
3:00 pm	Phakic IOL: Management of the Angle, Pigment Dispersion, and Intraocular Pressure	Case-based presentation exploring angle assessment, pigment dispersion, and intraocular pressure management in phakic IOL patients. Objectives: discuss challenging clinical scenarios, decision-making, and medical and surgical management strategies, highlighting practical lessons learned.	Auditorium	Juan J. Mura Glaucoma and Advanced Anterior Segment Surgery Specialist, University of Toronto. Centro de la Visión, Santiago.	20'
3:20 pm	Q&A	Questions & Answers	Auditorium		
4:00 pm	International Case Report	Clinical case report presented by a former course participant, now a recognized KOL in their country. Objectives: discuss challenging real-world cases, clinical decision-making, surgical strategies and lessons learned, offering an international perspective on phakic IOL practice.	Auditorium	Eva Kim Refractive Surgeon, Uveitis, Medical Director at ICON Eyecare	30'
4:30 pm	Q&A	Questions & Answers	Auditorium		
5:30 pm	End of the session				

PARALLEL SESSION – 2:00 PM TO 5:00 PM

TIME	SESSIONS	REMARKS	LOCATION	PRESENTER	TIME
2:00 pm	UBM BOOT CAMP	A continuously running parallel session in small groups, offering hands-on training in ultrasound biomicroscopy throughout the course. Each session lasts 20 minutes.		Zaldivar Team	
5:00 pm	End of the session				

DAY 3 PROGRAM – SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21

TIME	SESSIONS	REMARKS	LOCATION	PRESENTER	TIME
8:30 am	Breakfast				
9:00 am	Welcoming	Opening remarks	Auditorium		5'
9:05 am	Post-Op Reality Check	Live transmission of postoperative controls, plus streaming from Zaldivar's consultation.	Auditorium		40'
10:00 am	Q&A	Questions & Answers	Auditorium		
10:10 am	Coffee Break				
10:30 am	Paradox Choice	Facing complex and unconventional scenarios where surgical judgment defines the outcome.	Auditorium	Roger Zaldivar Zaldivar Institute CEO	15'
10:45 am	Iris Trauma Repair	Latest surgical techniques and case-based strategies for functional and aesthetic reconstruction after iris trauma.	Auditorium	Pablo Adamek Refractive Surgery Department – Zaldivar Institute	10'
10:55 am	Q&A	Questions & Answers	Auditorium		
11:15 am	Words Matter	Clear and Assertive Patient Communication.	Auditorium	Roger Zaldivar Zaldivar Institute CEO	15'
12:00 pm	Challenging cases	Interactive discussion of challenging phakic IOL cases: What would you do? Explore management options, share your approach, and compare clinical and surgical strategies with the faculty.	Auditorium	Zaldivar Institute Team	30'
12:30 pm	Q&A	Questions & Answers	Auditorium		

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12:40 pm	Closing and conclusion		Auditorium	Roberto Zaldivar Zaldivar Institute President Roger Zaldivar Zaldivar Institute CEO Carlos Gordillo Medical Manager Zaldivar Institute – Zaldivar Course Coordinator	15'