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Removal of a cataract by emulsifying the lens ultrasonically.

[Greek *phakos*, lentil, lentil-shaped object; see **bha-bhā-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#) + [EMULSIFICATION](#).]

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