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Google Glass holds promise in plastic surgery: Study

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WASHINGTON: The first plastic surgery procedure performed using Google Glass shows the computerized eyewear holds promise in plastic surgery, scientists say. Google Glass has a wide range of possible applications in plastic surgery — with the potential to enhance surgical training, medical documentation, and patient safety, according to a new article in the journal Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery.

"Google Glass is an exciting technology, attracting global interest from multiple industries, professions, and individuals," researchers said.

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Although Glass is not currently available to the public, the technology is still being developed in several markets, including healthcare.