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"done" effect. The most requested looks? Michelle Pfeiffer's heart-shaped lips and Christy Turlington's full-bodied pout are often cited as ideals. Upcoming developments, according to Haworth, include injectable substances with greater reliability. Though he believes that clients will continue to favor full lips over thin ones, Haworth expects the "volume explosion," as he calls it, to settle down.

keeping abreast

THE BASIS OF A MASSIVE class-action suit in the '90s, silicone implants were blamed for causing sometimes devastating health problems and were eventually pulled off the market. Beverly Hills breastaugmentation specialist Dr. Garth Fisher, along with many of his colleagues, contends that, though the dangers associated with silicone implants are alarming, the furor has resulted in research that essentially documents their safety. Silicone is poised to reenter the market, but in its absence, saline has come to the fore as a viable alternative, But, Fisher says, "the perfect implant remains elusive-the substance would have to defy gravity."

## body talk

AMID A TEMPEST OF bad press surrounding botched liposuction procedures by unqualified doctors, armies of Angelenos continued over the past decade to have their thighs, tummies and hips instantly slimmed down, most without incident, thanks to new technology. And more improvements are in store. One new procedure, for example, uses ultrasound, which involves liquefying the fat to be removed-a gentler approach than the current one, which uses a narrow vacuum that breaks up fat cells before suctioning them out. In addition, Fodor envisions body sculpting via endoscopy, wherein refined fillers or fat are injected and not reabsorbed by the body.

Though he believes that a healthy body and lifestyle will continue to be key in all matters cosmetic, Fodor predicts a return to less of a hard-body aesthetic and more of a celebration of the softer feminine shape—even in California. LA



