

# Global Member Newsletter

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## WHAT'S NEW AT IACLE?

### **NEW IACLE to hold Strategic Planning Meeting in autumn**

IACLE officers, board members and staff will hold a special meeting in November to discuss the findings of the 2018 Membership Survey and set the association's agenda for the next five years. The meeting will be held to coincide with Academy 2018 in San Antonio, Texas. IACLE Director of Operations, **Bonnie Boshart**, pictured with President **Dr Shehzad Naroo**, commented: 'With major IACLE events taking place in 2019 and beyond, this year is the ideal time to make plans for our future direction. We look forward to sharing the full results of our survey and to implementing new strategies based on the valuable feedback we have received from our members.'



### **NEW Research Update among highest rated IACLE resources**

Research Update – our monthly summary of key papers appearing in the peer-reviewed literature – is among the highest rated of IACLE's resources. In our recent Membership Survey, Research Update was one of four resources rated, on average, at 8 out of 10 or higher for satisfaction. Only the New IACLE Contact Lens Course (New ICLC) and Image Gallery were rated more highly. Research Update was introduced in January 2017 and Issue 18 has just been released.

Find out more about Research Update [here](#) and access the archive via Member Login under Research

### **RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP NOW TO ENJOY ALL THE BENEFITS OF IACLE MEMBERSHIP...**

**Membership renewal notices for 2018 have been sent out to all members.** Access to our **full range** of membership benefits – including the [New IACLE Contact Lens Course](#) and our latest resource [Research Update](#) – is only available to IACLE Members. **Membership must be renewed annually and expires when payment is not received.** Please renew your status [here](#) to continue as an IACLE member in 2018 and make your contribution to [Our Mission](#) for worldwide contact lens education.

## MEET A MEMBER

When not lecturing at the [Istituto Galileo](#) in Pisa, Italy or in practice, optometrist **Stefano Tarfano** is often to be found in the mountains. 'I love the mountain in all of its seasons: skiing in winter, and hiking and climbing in spring and summer.' And Stefano is equally enthusiastic about his job: 'Although I'm only 27 years old, I love sharing my knowledge and experience with students. It's a way to improve yourself as a practitioner. I love my job as a teacher and optometrist – IACLE helps me do that as best I can. Teaching for me means expanding the student's critical thinking. Learning the basics is fundamental, but the difference is when a student starts thinking with his/her own head and asking questions about a problem. Only then will he/she find solutions.'

**We're looking for more members to take part** in our monthly feature introducing an IACLE member from around the world. Contact your regional / country coordinator [here](#) for details.

## IMAGE OF THE MONTH

### Congenital uveal ectropion

FIACLE **Guillermo Carrillo**, IACLE Americas Regional Coordinator based in Lima, Perú, captured this image using slit lamp 16X magnification with a Canon Powershot 180 adapter and low, diffuse illumination. The image shows three conditions: orange peel appearance of the crystalline lens, congenital uveal ectropion and iris nevus.

Click [here](#) for more information on Image of the Month. Download a submission form to send an image

## RESOURCES

### NEW Lectures from 2017 IACLE Congress on Contact Lens Education

Ten videoed lectures from last year's IACLE Congress held in Hyderabad, India are now available exclusively to members to view and use in their teaching. The theme for the meeting was 'Translating knowledge into increased contact lens penetration'. Topics include daily disposable silicone hydrogel lenses, discussed by **Professor Desmond Fonn** (pictured).

Access Video Resources via Member Login [here](#). PowerPoints are also available, under Contributed Resources – Presentations/Lectures



### NEW IACLE adds Case Report 22 to interactive series

A post-LASIK contact lens fitting is the latest in our interactive [IACLE Case Reports Series](#), available free and exclusively to IACLE members via our website. Our thanks to **Dr Jeannie Wang** at the Lawndale Christian Health Center at the Illinois Eye Institute in Chicago, USA for contributing this case report to support members' teaching.

Access Member Login [here](#) to find all 22 IACLE Case Reports



### Test your CORE contact lens knowledge

CORE Knowledge – the Ultimate Eye Science Game – is the latest initiative from the [Centre for Ocular Research & Education](#), Canada. Launched at ARVO 2018 to mark CORE's 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary, the game allows you to test your knowledge and challenge your colleagues and friends around the world.

Click [here](#) to play the game. Good luck!



### Sign up for monthly Readers' Choice from *Contact Lens Spectrum*

Want to receive alerts to the most widely read article in each issue of the US publication [Contact Lens Spectrum](#)? The June issue of Readers' Choice highlighted an article by **Professor Nathan Efron** on 'Current and future controversies in contact lenses'. **Deborah Jones** and **Jill**

**Woods** present an international perspective on prescribing for presbyopia. Hungary, Portugal, France, Lithuania, the Netherlands, and the Philippines all report high penetration of soft multifocal lenses.

Click [here](#) to view the June Readers' Choice and [here](#) to add your email address to the mailing list

## GLOBAL UPDATE

### Americas

### **Ahmed travels to USA for AOCLE Annual Workshop**

Educator **Ahmed Sherry** from the [Modern University for Business & Science](#) in Beirut, Lebanon, became the first to benefit from this year's IACLE Travel Awards, when he joined the [AOCLE Annual Workshop](#) at the [University of the Incarnate Word Rosenberg School of Optometry](#) in San Antonio, Texas (31 May - 3 June). Ahmed attended lectures, workshops and social events, thanks to IACLE and AOCLE.

Read Ahmed's comments on his experiences [here](#)

### **FIACLEs score across the Americas in June**

With football's World Cup approaching fever pitch in the region, FIACLEs in Latin America have still found time to deliver contact lens education to around 500 students and eye care practitioners in the past month. Guatemala and Ecuador may not have qualified for the finals in Russia but they have played host to IACLE events.

Read a full report on LA events [here](#)

## **Asia Pacific**

### **IACLE steps up the pace at events in the AP region**

FIACLEs, IACLE members and staff recently presented at educational events in China, the Philippines and Indonesia, reports Asia Pacific Regional Coordinator **Dr Cheni Lee**. Lectures in Tianjin (pictured) were broadcast to 168 IACLE members using the WeChat real-time social platform. And in the Philippines, IACLE played a central role in an event that attracted close to 1,000 optometrists and optometry students

Read Cheni's report on AP activities [here](#)

### **IACLE Korea looks to priorities for future**

Korean National Coordinator **Professor Kyounghee Park** from [Kookje University](#) visited two institutions this month to discuss the [Student Trial Exam](#) and an IACLE Educators' Meeting to be held in December. Kyounghee met with **Professor Okjin Lee** at [Dongnam University](#) and **Professor Daejong Kim** (pictured) at [Kyungdong University](#). Korea is one of our Global Priority Countries and has 55 IACLE members.

### **Register now for BCLA Asia in Singapore**

Early-bird registration is now available for BCLA Asia, to be held at the Singapore Polytechnic Convention Centre in September. The member delegate rate is \$80SGD and non-members pay \$120SGD. The event is a partnership between the [British Contact Lens Association](#) and [Singapore Optometric Association](#). Presenters include **Professor Pauline Cho** (China), **Professor Jennifer Craig** (New Zealand), **Dr Kate Gifford** and **Professor Eric Papas** (Australia), and FIACLE **Professor James Wolffsohn** (UK).

Register for BCLA Asia [here](#) and download the full program [here](#)

## **Europe / Africa – Middle East**

### **FIACLE is every educator's dream, says Mohamad**

**Mohamad Ali Hamadé** of the [Lebanese University](#) in Beirut is one of latest intake of FIACLEs following the 2017 Fellowship Exam. 'After the academic years, there are few available ways to keep graduates upgraded to high levels,' he says. 'Although practice is very important, it doesn't allow us to experience all critical cases, especially in countries where optometry and contact lens fitting are not officially that recognized. FIACLE is a 'must do' exam for all contact lens educators, at least in the academic field. I'm

very proud to have finally realized my dream and I would like to encourage all my colleagues to follow my experience. Thank you very much IACLE!’

**Find out more about becoming a FIACLE [here](#) and access the latest FIACLE Directory [here](#)**

#### **IACLE Fellows join judging panel for sixth FORCE final**

Contact lens educators from four European countries judged the 2018 [CooperVision FORCE](#) Student of the Year final in Budapest, Hungary in May. Pictured (left to right) are: FIACLE **Dr Eef van der Worp** (Netherlands), **Elena García Rubio** (Spain), chairman FIACLE **Professor James Wolffsohn** (UK) and **Pascale Dauthuille** (France). Overall winners were **Laura Valencia** and **Pablo Arlanzón**, students from the [Universidad de Valladolid](#), Spain. Bulgarian student **Maxim Yanev** from [Medical University – Varna](#) – supervised by FIACLE **Professor Christina Grupcheva** – received a special commendation.

Click [here](#) for a full report on the 2018 FORCE final

#### **BCLA welcomes new President at London AGM**

The new President of the [British Contact Lens Association](#) has pledged to ‘push the boundaries’ of modern eye health and lead a new generation of pioneers to revolutionise day-to-day practice. **Professor Sunil Shah** was installed as the BCLA’s new President at its AGM in London on 10 June. Professor Shah is a consultant ophthalmic surgeon affiliated to [Midland Eye](#) in Birmingham and Solihull. He was recently made a full professor at [Aston University](#) and has also been named in the top 100 most influential people in world ophthalmology.

Read **Professor Shah’s** comments on his new role [here](#)

#### **BCLA UK hails a tale of two cities**

IACLE President **Dr Shehzad Naroo** and Vice President **Professor Philip Morgan** were among the speakers for the BCLA UK events held in Birmingham and London last month (4 and 10 June). Shehzad delivered a lecture on the concept of ‘Ocular surface happy’ to improve retention rates among contact lens patients. And Philip asked delegates ‘Is it time to review contact lens clinical care?’ IACLE member **Byki Huntjens** from the Netherlands was among new BCLA Fellows receiving their awards at the events.

Click [here](#) for all forthcoming BCLA events

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

- 27 July – International Congress of Scleral Contacts 2018. Fort Lauderdale, Florida, USA. Details [here](#).
- 9-11 August – 29th National Congress of Optometry FEDOPTO, Barranquilla, Colombia. Details [here](#).
- 22-25 August – Nordic Congress of Ophthalmology (NOK 2018), Oslo, Norway. Details [here](#).

A full schedule of IACLE and other events in 2018 is available at [Meetings & Conferences](#).

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