

Global Member Newsletter

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WHAT'S NEW AT IACLE?

NEW 2018 Membership Survey highlights benefits to joining

More than nine in 10 members (92%) are extremely or very likely to recommend other contact lens educators to join IACLE, and providing the resources needed to each contact lenses is seen as the number one benefit of membership. These are among the findings of the 2018 Membership Survey, released this month. The [New IACLE Contact Lens Course](#) (New ICLC) is the most widely used resource and most respondents (90%) use a version of the ICLC in their teaching. Tools to improve the practical skills and assessment of students would be welcome resources in future. The survey results will be used to inform our future strategy and deliver even greater benefits to members.

Click [here](#) to read the full Membership Survey report and look out for more details in a Special Notice



NEW IACLE Educators of the Year to receive their awards

This year's IACLE Contact Lens Educator of the Year Awards will be presented at the International Reception at the [Academy 2018](#) meeting in Texas, USA next month. The ceremony will take place from 7.15 pm to 9 pm on Friday 9 November in the Grand Hyatt San Antonio (Lone Star Ballroom A, 2nd Floor). IACLE members are welcome to attend. The Awards and the reception are kindly sponsored by CooperVision. One of the three 2018 IACLE Travel Awards will also be presented. IACLE officers, board members and staff will hold a Strategic Planning Meeting on 6 November to coincide with Academy 2018. Our Annual General Meeting takes place on 8 November at 12.30 pm (Bonham E Room, 3rd Floor) and is also open to all members.

Read about this year's IACLE Award winners [here](#)

NEW IACLE unveils new management structure

The IACLE Management Team has been restructured to make our operations more efficient. **Bonnie Boshart** becomes Executive Director and will continue to be responsible for overall operations. The Education Team will now be managed by **Lakshmi Shinde**, as Director of Global Education. **Siobhan Allen** will manage administrative functions of the IACLE Secretariat, as Director of Administration. Siobhan, Lakshmi and Bonnie are pictured (l-r) with Director of Educational Programs **Nilesh Thite** (center) and President **Dr Shehzad Naroo** (r).

Find out more about the IACLE's Staff & Structure [here](#)

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

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 and make your contribution to [Our Mission](#) for worldwide contact lens education.

MEET A MEMBER



FIACLE **Anitha Arvind**, Assistant Professor at [Sankara College of Optometry](#) in Bangalore, India has an unusual hobby outside work. 'I'm a passionate baker and run a small baking venture called The Cupcake Factory!' she explains. In her professional life, Anitha is equally passionate about IACLE: 'Achieving FIACLE status has been a dream come true and a matter of pride in both my professional and personal life, as I share a platform with eminent educators across the globe. It has boosted my self-confidence and given me recognition for all the efforts I've put in to imparting knowledge. I hope I inspire many to take up Fellowship, just as I've been inspired by colleagues who have been FIACLEs before me.'

WOULD YOU LIKE TO INTRODUCE YOURSELF TO IACLE MEMBERS WORLDWIDE? We're looking for more members to take part in Meet a Member. Contact your regional / country coordinator [here](#) for details.

IMAGE OF THE MONTH

Toric SCL 20° anticlockwise rotation

FIACLE **Professor Ricardo Flores** of [Centro Interdisciplinario de Ciencias de la Salud Unidad Santo Tomás IPN](#) in Mexico City captured this image using a smartphone and slit-lamp adaptor, with low magnification and diffuse illumination. The image shows a toric soft contact lens with 20° anticlockwise rotation (towards the right side of the examiner). The scribe mark is not exactly at the 6 o' clock position. Note the slight inferior decentration of the lens.

Click [here](#) for more information on Image of the Month. Download a submission form to add your image to our collection

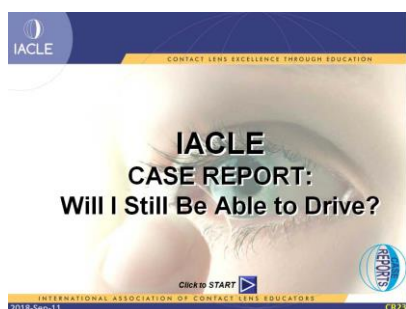
RESOURCES



NEW First New ICLC module in Italian

Translation of the New IACLE Contact Lens Course (New ICLC) into Italian is now underway. The project is led by FIACLE **Dr Fabrizio Zeri** who has invited 18 colleagues to be involved. FIACLE **Dr Pietro Gheller** of the Istituto Superiore di Ottica e Optometria has kindly completed translation of the first lecture, D2 – Rigid Contact Lens Complications, which is now on our website. Translations into Spanish, Chinese, Korean, Bahasa are also in progress, and five lectures are already available in French.

Find more information on the New ICLC [here](#) and access the course via Member Login



NEW Case Report 23: Driving and vision

'Will I still be able to drive?' is the latest addition to the IACLE Case Report Series. **Dr Michael J Lopykinski** of the [Illinois College of Optometry](#), Chicago, USA describes a case of irregular astigmatism due to traumatic eye injury. The patient is fitted with RGP lenses to meet the required level of visual acuity for driving. Scleral lenses are not always required in such cases, the author says.

Use Member Login [here](#) to find the full IACLE Case Report Series

NEW Video explores arguments for SiHy materials

A short video exploring the benefits of silicone hydrogel daily disposable (SiHy DD) contact lens materials compared to hydrogels is available on the website of UK journal, [Optometry Today](#). **Dr Kathy Dumbleton**, Clinical Associate Professor at the [University of California, Berkeley](#), USA, presents what is described as a 'research-led argument in favour of silicone hydrogels'.

Access the 2-minute video [here](#) to hear the case for SiHy DDs

GLOBAL UPDATE

Americas

IACLE interacts with industry at Americas events

Events in the LA region in the past month included an IACLE Industry Seminar for contact lens students at the [Universidad de Morón](#) in Buenos Aires, Argentina (28 September). Ten students took part under this initiative of FIACLE **Cristina Ferniot**. Professional affairs teams from Alcon and Johnson & Johnson Vision Care explained about their products and the benefits of contact lens wear. IACLE member **Renzo Serrano** and FIACLE **Guillermo Carrillo** also took part in a product launch in Perú with 60 attendees.

Read a full report [here](#)

Sabrina sets her sights on the future for contact lens education

New teaching methods using artificial intelligence were just one of the experiences FIACLE **Sabrina Lara** took home from the [FEDOPTO Congress](#) in Barranquilla, Colombia (9-11 August), as recipient of a 2018 IACLE Travel Award. Sabrina thanked IACLE for 'this incredible award': 'I have been teaching for more than 25 years thanks to the information you give to educators. There is nothing more important in my professional life than the pride of spreading the knowledge of IACLE,' she said.

Read Sabrina's report [here](#) and find out about our Travel Awards [here](#)

Asia Pacific

IACLE leaves its footprint at BCLA Asia

IACLE AP took the opportunity to hold meetings at BCLA Asia in Singapore (18-19 September) and played an active role in the conference too. The theme for the meeting, co-hosted by the [British Contact Lens Association](#) and [Singapore Optometric Association](#), was 'Surviving Practice Change'. More than 500 delegates attended this second BCLA Asia event.

Read a report on BCLA Asia 2018 [here](#) and more comments on BCLA Asia [here](#)

Kyounghee visits institutes around Korea

IACLE Korea National Coordinator **Professor Kyounghee Park** (pictured center) recently visited the [Johnson & Johnson Institute](#) in Seoul to present certificates to new FIACLEs. Members thanked IACLE for the resources that had helped them to study systematically for the Fellowship Exam, and upgrade their contact lens knowledge and skills. Kyounghee also visited **Professor Jeongmee Kim** at Korea's [Far East University](#) to discuss Student Trial Exam (STE) implementation and a forthcoming industry seminar.

Pune COE event puts IACLE members in the picture

IACLE members from the [Dr DY Patil Institute of Optometry and Visual Sciences](#) in Pune, India were among the speakers for the institute's Continuing Optometry Education Program on 'Recent Advancements in Contact Lenses' (24 September). FIACLE **Professor Veshal Madan** and members **Dr Neeta Mishra** and **Mahadev Shegunashi**, delivered lectures to 250 delegates attending. Neeta is pictured

(right) next to IACLE Director of Educational Programs **Nilesh Thite**, who also spoke on the program.

Europe / Africa – Middle East

Shehzad scores a hat-trick with events in three countries

September was a busy month for IACLE President **Dr Shehzad Naroo**. He spoke at the opening of the new [Istituto Benigno Zaccagnini](#) training centre in Milan, Italy. He took part in a debate at the 48th [European Contact Lens Society of Ophthalmologists](#) Congress in Mandelieu, France and delivered a paper on 'Transient effects of smoking on the eye' that won Best Paper. And he presented at the East Mediterranean Council of Optometry [International Congress of Optometry](#), in Marrakech, Morocco on 'How to improve contact lens retention'.



NEW AOF calls for posters for 2019 congress

The [Association des Optométristes de France](#) (AOF) invites poster submissions for the Congrès d'Optométrie and Contactologie taking place on 20-21 January 2019 at Le Beffroi de Montrouge, near Paris. 'For your school, it's an opportunity to shine in the world of optometry,' says the AOF's **Camille Schmitt**. 'For educators, it could inspire your teaching. And for students, it's an occasion to achieve their first scientific communication, present their work and communicate a message.' Posters should be horizontal, A0 in size (118.9cm x 84.1cm) and in French or English.

Send your poster title to info@optometrie-aof.com before **1 December 2018**



European Academy
of Optometry and Optics

NEW IACLE to host meeting alongside EAEO 2019 in Rome

IACLE will hold an Educator Meeting in Rome, Italy in May 2019 to coincide with the European Academy of Optometry and Optics (EAEO) annual conference (18-20 May). The IACLE meeting will be on Friday 17 May at [Università Roma Tre](#). The EAEO will be co-hosting the two-day conference with Federottica (the association representing optometrists and opticians in Italy) alongside a European Council of Optometry and Optics' meeting. The deadline for abstracts to be submitted to EAEO is **Friday 2 November**.

Click [here](#) for information on EAEO submissions



NEW TFOS announces date for 2020 conference

The [Tear Film & Ocular Surface Society](#) (TFOS) has scheduled its next International Conference for Cernobbio, Italy from 9-12 September 2020. TFOS has several reports available in various languages freely available on its website, including the 2017 DEWS (Dry Eye Workshop) II Report.

Look out for more details [here](#) and find TFOS reports [here](#)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 20-21 October – IACLE Educator Meeting, Mumbai, India. Contact k.jayanna@iacle.org.
- 27-28 October – IACLE Educator Meeting, Chennai, India. Contact k.jayanna@iacle.org.
- 8 November – 16th Hong Kong Optometric Conference, Hong Kong. Details [here](#).
- 7-10 November – American Academy of Optometry annual meeting, Academy 2018, San Antonio, Texas, USA. Details [here](#).
- 13-15 November – Dubai Optical Show, Vision-X, Dubai, United Arab Emirates. Details [here](#).

A full schedule of IACLE and other events in 2018 is available at [Meetings & Conferences](#).
Please email dates of 2018 events to s.allen@iacle.org.