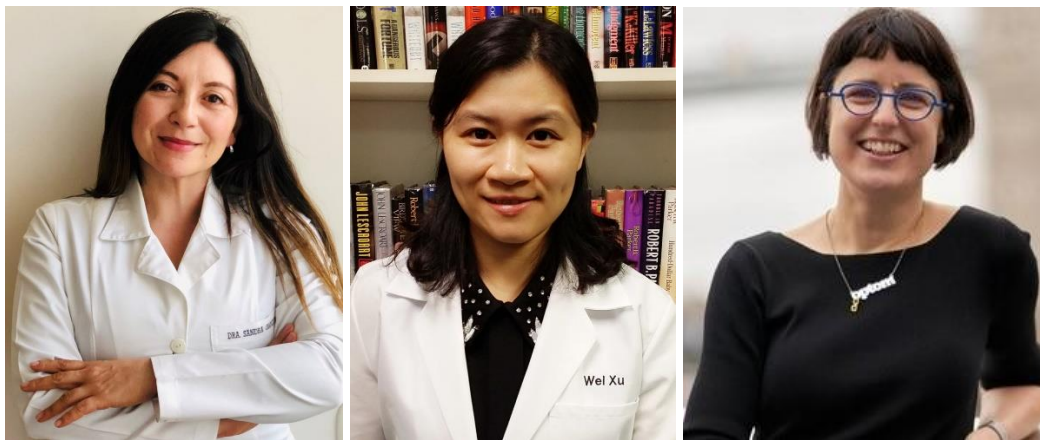


June 2021

Special Notice – 2021 IACLE Award Winners

IACLE recognizes and applauds the achievements of its 2021 Contact Lens Educator Award winners



Contact lens educators from three countries – Colombia, China and the United Kingdom – are celebrating their success in the 2021 IACLE Contact Lens Educator of the Year Awards. The meetings they will attend to receive their awards will be confirmed once COVID-19 restrictions allow.

The **IACLE Contact Lens Educator of the Year Awards** recognize and reward the achievements in contact lens education worldwide. Sponsored by CooperVision, these prestigious awards are presented each year to an individual from each of IACLE's global regions.

The 2021 winners are:

- **IACLE Americas Contact Lens Educator of the Year**

Dr Johanna Garzón (above left)

Universidad de La Salle, Bogota, Colombia

- **IACLE Asia Pacific Contact Lens Educator of the Year**

Wei Xu (above center)

Jinling Institute of Technology, Nanjing, China

- **IACLE Europe/Africa – Middle East Contact Lens Educator of the Year**

Dr Byki Huntjens (above right)

City, University of London, UK

Dr Huntjens commented, 'IACLE provides immeasurable support for any contact lens educator worldwide, and particularly during the global Covid-19 pandemic. The Association comprises of an extraordinary group of professionals who, like me, have a passion for contact lenses and are willing to share their knowledge to enhance our educational provision. Because in the end, everything we do is for the next generation of eye care practitioners. Thank you IACLE, for this awesome award; I cannot wait to share this news with my students!'

IACLE President **Dr Shehzad Naroo** added, 'It's that time of year for IACLE to announce the winners of the Educator of the Year Awards. The winner for the Asia Pacific region is Wei Xu; for the Americas is Johanna Garzón; and for Europe Africa and Middle East is Byki Huntjens. Thank you to CooperVision for continuing to sponsor the Educator of the Year Awards.'

IACLE IS SPONSORED BY

Platinum

Alcon

Gold



Silver



Bronze

BAUSCH + LOMB

Donor

