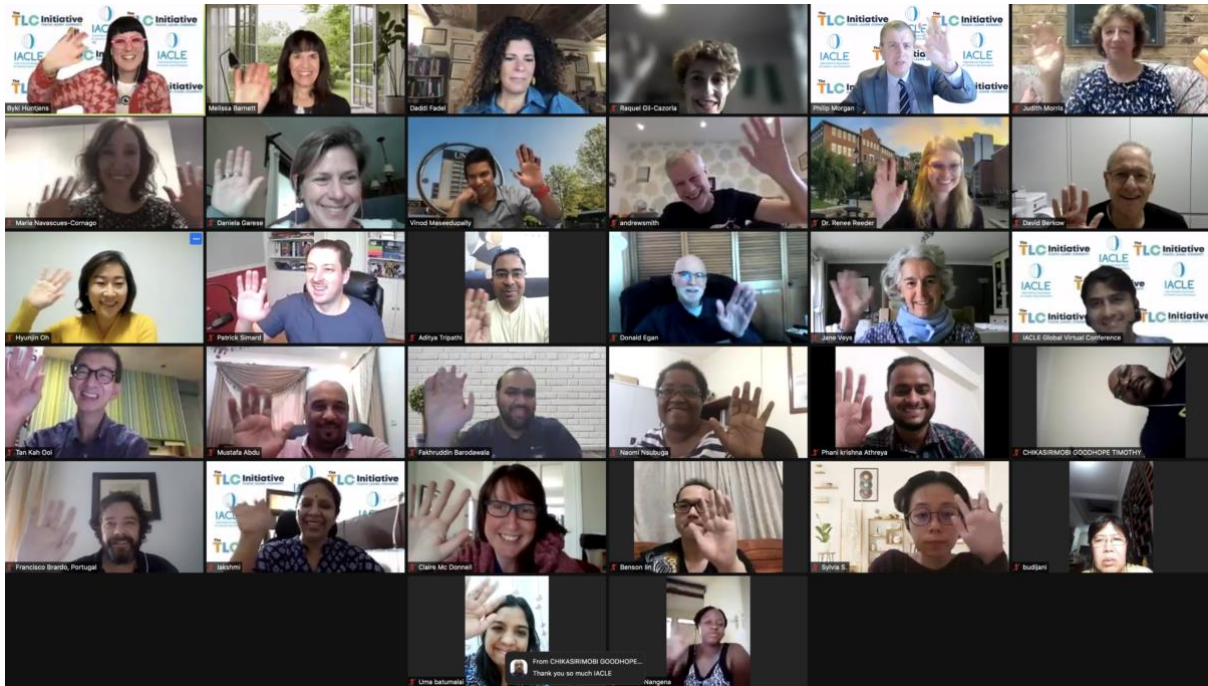


Global Member Newsletter November 2021

MEMBERSHIP PERKS IN NOVEMBER

Members around the world connect at Virtual Conference



Over 100 participants watched live online as IACLE's Board, representatives from IACLE sponsors, and authors involved in writing the [British Contact Lens Association's \(BCLA\) Contact Lens Evidence-based Academic Report \(CLEAR\)](#) Initiative shared knowledge on their areas of expertise. The post-conference survey was positive, with all respondents strongly agreeing or agreeing that the overall topics covered in the congress were relevant to their needs. We thank all the event participants and give special thanks to our [sponsors](#) for making the [Virtual Conference](#) and other IACLE activities possible.

[Catch up on the recordings here](#)

IACLETOP UPDATES

Good luck to all sitting the Fellowship Exam!

We wish all members the best of luck sitting the [Fellowship Exam \(12 November\)](#). This is the first time we are conducting the exam online

via [IACLETOP](#) and is running in Bahasa, Chinese, English, Korean and Spanish. For last minute essential revision, we advise you to review the monthly Fellowship Exam Workshops to help you prepare as thoroughly as possible.

Access the Fellowship Exam Workshops

in: [English](#) – [Chinese](#) – [Bahasa](#) – [Korean](#) – [Spanish](#)

GLOBAL WEBINAR IN NOVEMBER

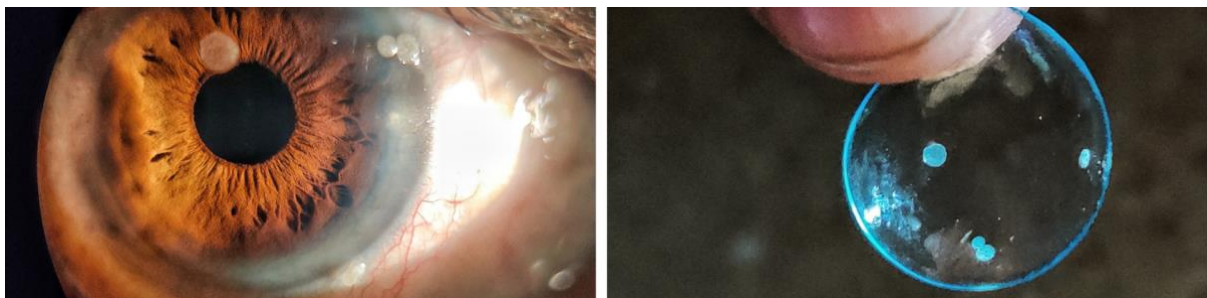


Join IACLE Vice President **Dr Shehzad Naroo** and Lifetime FIACLE **Dr Eef van der Worp** on **Wednesday 24 November** at **12 noon UK time (GMT)** to debate the topic ‘Are specialty lenses special?’. Shehzad is an Associate Professor at [Aston University](#) in Birmingham, UK, and is Editor-in-Chief of the journal [Contact Lens and Anterior Eye](#). Eef served as the Head of the Contact Lens Department at [Hogeschool van Utrecht](#) in the Netherlands and currently runs a research and education consultancy, Eye-Contact-Lens, based in Amsterdam.

We encourage educators to let their students know about this session that will be live streamed to our [Facebook page](#) on the day.

NEWS IN NOVEMBER

Image of the Month



FIACLE **Dr Atanu Samanta** and **Ashish Singh** from [Nagar School of Optometry](#) in Ahmedabad, India captured the above images using a OnePlus 7T mobile with a

camera sensor under slit lamp defuse illumination. The 48-year-old male soft contact lens wearer complained of poor vision and ocular discomfort for two months and had been a soft lens wearer for more than a year. However, on slit lamp examination, the pair found jelly bumps on different areas of the lens. A possible cause of this could be due to infrequent follow-up visits and improper cleaning of the lenses.

[Feature in next month's Image of the Month by submitting your image here](#)

CORE is recruiting

Our in-kind sponsor, the [Centre for Ocular Research & Education \(CORE\)](#), based at the [University of Waterloo](#) in Canada, is recruiting for a [Clinical Research Associate / Education Team Leader](#) and a [Clinical Research Associate](#). All work will be conducted at the CORE facility, located on the main campus at the University of Waterloo. If you have any questions regarding the positions, application process, assessment process, or eligibility, please get in touch with [Professor Lyndon Jones](#).

[For more information on the roles](#)

WCO host 24-hour live stream

The graphic features a dark background with a network of blue dots and lines. On the left, the logo for 'The World Council of Optometry' is shown above the text 'presents EYES AROUND THE WORLD'. Below this, it says 'A Global Day of Learning | 20th Nov 2021' and 'Event Management by India Vision Institute'. On the right, the text 'SAVE THE DATE' is written vertically next to a large '20 NOV 2021'. A blue box on the right contains a list of bullet points.

- WCO will live stream a full 24 hours of lectures for practicing clinicians and optometric educators across 3 time zones for a full day of continuing education.
- Lectures will be available online following the webinar.
- Multiple lectures will be COPE & CET approved.

On **20 November**, the [World Council of Optometry \(WCO\)](#) presents 'Eyes Around the World: A Global Day of Learning', a 24-hour live stream of lectures for practising clinicians and optometry educators. The conference program features over 25 speakers from 12 countries, covering diabetes, dry eye management, myopia management and specialty contact lenses. On behalf of IACLE, Lifetime FIACLEs **Professor James Wolffsohn** and **Monica Chaudhry** and

FIACLEs **Professor Raquel Gil Cazorla** and **Dr Lindsay Sicks** are delivering four lectures in support of the continuing education day.

[View the conference program and register here](#)

Renew your IACLE membership to receive all benefits

We remind our members that access to our **full range of membership benefits** – including the resources and programs within [IACLETOP](#) and all resources and events under the [Teach. Learn. Connect. Initiative](#) – is exclusively available for IACLE members. Please note, IACLE membership runs on an annual cycle and expires when payment is not received. Therefore, please renew your membership by **31 December 2021**. If you have any questions about renewing your membership, please get in touch with your [IACLE Representative](#).

[More info on IACLE membership](#)

MEET A MEMBER



Introducing **Angel Garcia Garrigos**, optometrist and Director of the Technical Department at [Tiedra Farmacéutica SL](#) in Alcorcón, Spain. Angel specializes in myopia control, orthokeratology, and scleral lenses. He believes IACLE has assisted his career by keeping him in touch with ‘a group of professionals of the highest level’. Outside of work, Angel has an interest in astronomy, veganism and playing the steel tongue drum!

Have you introduced any technologies or innovations to your curriculum recently? Have you received any awards or recognition for your teaching efforts? Do you have any goals or aspirations for contact lens education in the future? Has IACLE helped you in your contact lens teaching? If you answered

yes to any of the above questions, we would love to hear from you! Share your achievements with other IACLE colleagues and inspire the future of contact lens education.

[Introduce yourself to other IACLE members by completing this short online form](#)

RESOURCES

New GlobalEyes podcast series

Dr Melissa Barnett and **Dr Tom Arnold** host a monthly podcast, supported by [CooperVision](#), starring eye care specialists from around the globe. The podcast explores the education system, techniques and methods, patient demographics and what they see as obstacles and opportunities. The latest episode, 'Just do something', features **Dr Kate Gifford**, who discusses her career.

[Listen to the episode](#)

Soft contact lenses over the last 50 years

Professor Eric Papas from the [School of Optometry and Vision Science](#) at the [University of New South Wales](#) in Sydney, Australia, outlines a contact lens practice's 'personal' experience with soft contact lenses over the last 50 years and describes how soft lenses have evolved over the years.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR REGIONS?

AMERICAS

J&J invites Regional Coordinator to lecture

[Johnson & Johnson Mexico](#) invited IACLE Regional Coordinator **Guillermo Carrillo** to deliver a webinar on 'Contact lens fitting in the pandemic: the new normal', focusing on updated evidence in contact lens management and safe contact lens practice (21 October). Johnson & Johnson sponsored the event in collaboration with the [Optometric Program UTESA](#) in the Dominican Republic. Over 200 participants tuned in live.

[Read the full Americas report](#)

ASIA PACIFIC

Students in Korea learn about the STE

IACLE Korea Coordinator **Professor Kyounghee Park** delivered a webinar on 'Case Reports for the [Student Trial Exam](#)' to optometry students from [Choonhae College of Health Sciences](#) in Ulsan, South Korea (20 October). In addition, Professor Park explained the practical aspects of using IACLE'S new resources. A total of 15 students and two members joined live.

[Read the full Asia Pacific report](#)

IACLE at ICLEP

Between 29-31 October, several IACLE colleagues presented at the [57th Indian Contact Lens Program](#) (ICLEP). Executive Manager of Educational Development **Professor Craig Woods**, Executive Manager of Educational Programs **Nilesh Thite**, Asia Pacific Regional Director **Dr Kah Ooi Tan** and EAME Regional Director **Dr Fabrizio Zeri** delivered talks on various topics from silicone hydrogels to Ortho-k to the effect of the pandemic on contact lens practice.

[More info on ICLEP](#)

Regional Director speaks at AP conferences

IACLE Regional Director **Dr Kah Ooi Tan** spoke on behalf of the [Asia Optometric Management Academy](#) (AOMA) in partnership with the [Asia Optometric Congress](#) (AOC) to celebrate the release of the Asia region [myopia management consensus guidelines](#) (10 November). Kah Ooi is also speaking on 'Overview of clinical myopia management' at the Annual Optometric Conference organized by the [Korean Society of Vision Science](#) (12 November).

EUROPE / AFRICA / MIDDLE EAST



On **7 November**, the [British Contact Lens Association](#) (BCLA) hosted a 12-hour live stream as part of the first-ever BCLA Vision conference. The day consisted of global contact lens experts who shared findings on the latest research and

gave advice for how to use this in everyday practice. IACLE Vice President **Dr Shehzad Naroo** chaired a 'CLAE: a year in review' session and was joined by Executive Manager of Global Education, **Lakshmi Shinde**, Board Member, **Fakhruddin Barodawala** and Asia Pacific Regional Director **Dr Kah Ooi Tan** (pictured above).

[Read a press release on the event](#)

Vision care in the digital era



The [Dubai VisionPlus Expo](#) saw many global brands, manufacturers, and distributors of all products and services relating to the optical industry showcase their latest technology and product ranges (26-28 October). IACLE Executive Manager of Educational Programs **Nilesh Thite** (pictured above) was invited to speak at the scientific track – [VisionPlus Academy](#). He delivered talks on 'Opportunities and threats to contact lens practice' and 'Increasing contact lens business with a proactive recommendation.'

[More info](#)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

IACLE TLC (Teach. Learn. Connect) WEBINARS

Visit the [IACLE Webinars](#) area on IACLETOP to view the schedule for upcoming webinars.

Key dates for early 2022:

OPTI (The International Trade Show for Optics & Design), Munich, Germany, 14-16 January 2022. [Details](#).

Global Specialty Lens Symposium, Las Vegas, USA, 19-22 January 2022. [Details](#).

Netherlands Contact Lens Congress (NCC), Veldhoven, The Netherlands, 13-14 March 2022. [Details](#).

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