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Update from member in Pakistan

To mark World Optometry Day, the Pakistan Optometric Society organized a symposium on optometry career counselling with the Pakistan Institute of Community Ophthalmology (20 March). FIACLE **Dr Asad Ullah** spoke about 'How to become a Fellow of IACLE and a leading expert among contact lens practitioners around the globe'. He gave a brief introduction and background of IACLE and the process of becoming a FIACLE, including eligibility, duties and responsibilities, and potential outcomes. The attendees were motivated and expressed an interest in joining IACLE and obtaining Fellowship status. Representatives from different institutions invited Dr Ullah to arrange lectures and offered visiting lectures to their students. He thanked the organizers and IACLE for the opportunity to educate and provide resources.



Bausch + Lomb visit Tianjin Vocational Institute



In April, a successful advanced training program on contact lens fittings was held at [Tianjin Vocational Institute](#) in China (26-27 April). The program, developed by [Bausch + Lomb](#), aimed to provide practical guidance to students regarding contact lens fittings. IACLE China National Coordinator **Professor Wang Haiying** was invited to introduce the latest updates from IACLE and discuss multifocal soft contact lens fittings. In addition, other IACLE members were invited to give lectures on related topics, including spherical and toric contact lens fitting, and complications associated with contact lenses.

Wang Cuiying and **Wang Yanjun** from Tianjin Vocational Institute provided practical guidance.

According to the feedback from the participants, they gained a deeper understanding of contact lens fitting, became more confident in dispensing functional contact lenses, and became more proficient in eye examination and evaluating toric contact lens fitting with a slit lamp microscope after completing the training.

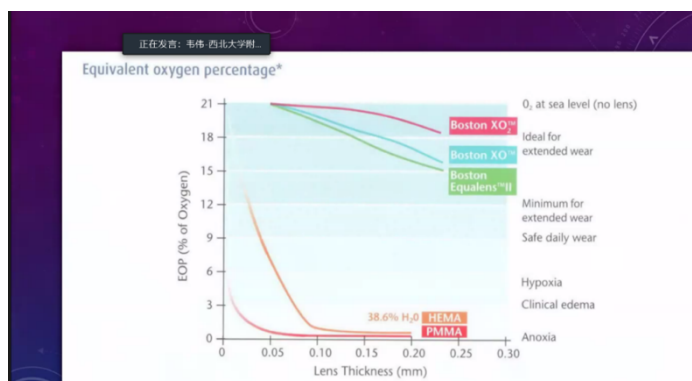
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Chinese webinar on RGP dispensing and Rose K2



On 28 April, IACLE China hosted a webinar that focused on RGP dispensing, specifically emphasizing the Rose K2 design and its effectiveness in correcting irregular corneas in keratoconus patients. FIACLE **Professor Jin Wanqing** from [Wenzhou Medical University](#) in China introduced the correction effect of the Rose K2 design, while IACLE member **Dr Wei Wei** from the First

Hospital of Xi'an discussed the clinical effect of this design on the correction of irregular corneas. China National Coordinators **Professors Qu Xiaomei** and **Wang Haiying** hosted the introduction and discussion sessions of the webinar.

With a detailed analysis of various cases, the attendees gained a better understanding of RGP in irregular corneal dispensing. A total of 44 members and teachers from different colleges attended the webinar, expressing their gratitude for the insightful lectures delivered by the speakers and showing a keen interest in the cases shared during the lecture.

China university visit

Professor Haiying Wang recently visited Dali Health School in China to meet with the head of the department to discuss the importance of contact lens education and to give a lecture to demonstrate how to use IACLE resources to enhance the learning experience for IACLE members and students. As part of the visit, Haiying had the opportunity to visit the school's contact lens lab.

During the meeting, the team discussed the significance of contact lens education and the pivotal role of IACLE in providing resources and support to educators and students in the field. Professor Wang highlighted the various resources available via IACLETOP and encouraged them to use the tools to enhance their teaching methods and provide a better student experience.

Following the meeting, Professor Wang delivered a lecture on IACLE resources and the benefits of taking the [Student Trial Exam](#) (STE) to 80 students and four teachers. She stressed the importance of continuing education and emphasized how the STE provides practical experience for students. Additionally, she discussed the advantages of becoming an IACLE member, including having access to online resources and training programs.

During her visit to the contact lens lab, Professor Wang observed the teaching methods of the faculty and the practical exercises given to the students. She also interacted with the students and discussed their experiences with contact lens education. Finally, she provided some suggestions for improvement and shared some resources available on IACLETOP.



Shree Bharatimaiya College of Optometry receives free trial lenses from Alcon

FIACLE **Dr Ankit Varshney** from [Shree Bharatimaiya College of Optometry](#) in Surat, India, collaborated with IACLE to receive free trial lenses from IACLE Platinum Sponsor [Alcon](#). The joint efforts of IACLE and industry allowed the institution's optometry students to experience and gain exposure to various contact lens materials. In addition, the trial lenses provided valuable practical training in insertion and removal techniques and enhanced the students' ability to assess and recommend the appropriate contact lenses for patients.

If you are interested in receiving trial lenses for your students, please get in touch with IACLE Asia Pacific Operations Administrator **Kavitha Jayanna** at k.jayanna@iacle.org.



Bausch + Lomb collaborate with Shree Bharatimaiya College of Optometry

In April, Shree Bharatimaiya College of Optometry in Surat, India, partnered with IACLE Bronze Sponsor [Bausch + Lomb](#) to host the [Mastermind In Campus](#) (MMIC), designed to provide structured and comprehensive contact lens training to students, equipping them

with the skills required to become successful contact lens practitioners. The program enrolled 50 optometry students, including 25 master's students and 25 fourth-year students. Three modules and one hands-on session have been completed under the guidance of Bausch + Lomb Professional Services Manager and IACLE member **Srinivas Kalyan**.

