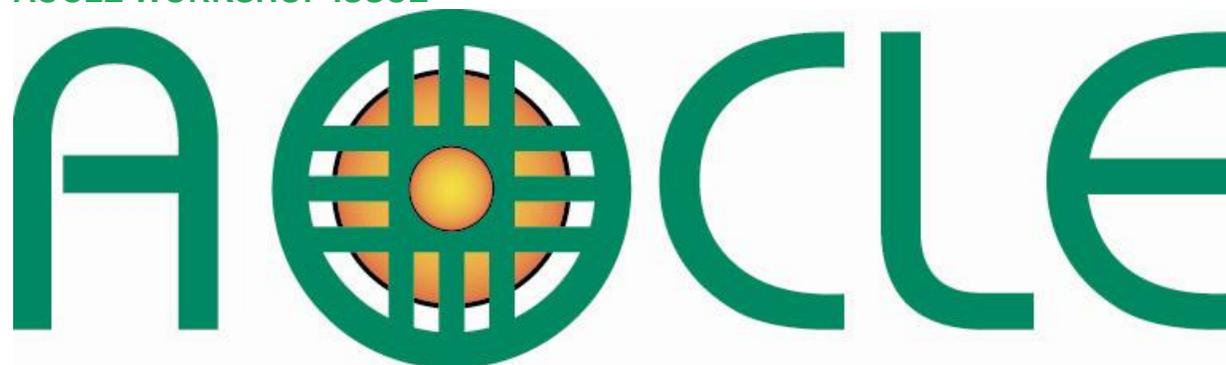


AOCLE WORKSHOP ISSUE



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Annual Educators Workshop at Indiana University

June 7-10, 2012



2012 AOCLE WORKSHOP AGENDA *(MODIFICATIONS MAY OCCUR)*

Thursday June 7, 2012

Afternoon... Arrivals/check-in Tree Suite
Conference Room Lounge IMU

6:00-9:00 PM

Welcome Reception at IU Art Museum Awards

Friday June 8, 2012

7:00-7:50 AM Breakfast- Georgian Room IMU

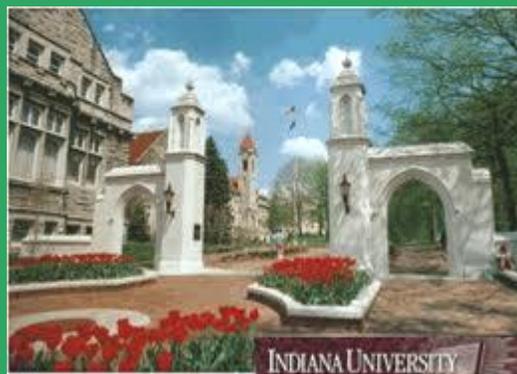
8:00 AM Lectures Oak Room IMU

Current Controversies in Optometry

Dry Eye: Dr. Carolyn Begley
Corneal Staining: Dr. Desmond Fonn

Industry Updates

11:45-12:45: Lunch- Tudor Room IMU



Preview of AOCLE Business Meeting

Current Issues

Bi-Annual Elections of Executive
Committee

Campus News

Preview of the AOCLE Industry Partners
attending the Workshop at Indiana



*Schools with AOCLE representatives at the
2012 Hoosier Workshop*

Thanks to these folks for planning this
year's Workshop:

*Susan Kovacich, Chair
Neil Pence, Co-Chair
Carolyn Begley
Steve Hitzeman
Pete Kollbaum*

AOCLE WORKSHOP (cont.)

Friday June 8, 2012 (cont)

1:00-2:45 **Workshop** Atwater Eye Clinic

3:00-4:30 **Optometry School Tour**

4:45-6:45 **Business Mtg** Oak Room IMU

7:00-10:00 **Dinner**

Walk to Nick's English Hut (Hoosier Room)

Saturday June 9, 2012

7:00-7:50 AM Bfast- Georgian Room IMU

Oak Room IMU

8:00-9:00 **Industry Updates** Oak Room

Current Controversies in Optometry

9:00-9:50 **Corneal Infiltrates**
Dr. Loretta Szczotka-Flynn

10:30-11:30 **Discussion/Breakout**

11:30-12:00 **Industry Updates**

12:00-12:30 Box Lunch

1:00-4:30 Busses depart to Activities:

Trip to Nashville, Ind. (Art Community)

Hiking in Brown County

Walk to: IU Art Museum (tour)

Walk to: Downtown Bloomington

Want to know a little more about the "down time" activities available at IU Workshop?

Nashville, the "art" town" in the hills of

Indiana: Shopping Trip

<http://www.nashville-indiana.com/shops.html>

Brown County State Park Hike

<http://www.browncountystatepark.com>

IU Art [Museum \(walk\)](#)

http://www.indiana.edu/~iuam/iuam_home.php

Bloomington on your own:

<http://www.downtownbloomington.com/>

Saturday June 9th Cont.

5:45-9:00PM Busses to Dinner

Virgil DeVault Alumni Center

Kelly Dining Room catered by

FARM Bloomington

Sunday June 10, 2012 - Departures

2012 British Contact Lens Meeting:

AOCLE comrades become new Fellows of the BCLA (FBCLA)!

Etty Bitton (Montreal)

Jill Woods (CCLR, U Waterloo)

Christina Schnider (J&J)

Campus News



University of Waterloo

Desmond Fonn, the Founding Director of the Centre for Contact Lens Research at the University of Waterloo, has received the honor of becoming a Distinguished



Professor Emeritus at the University of Waterloo, in recognition of his contributions to contact lens research, his philanthropic activities and his service to both the university and the

academic community.

The CCLR is the second largest contact lens research facility in the world and the largest in the Northern Hemisphere. At its inception, the Center had an annual budget of approximately \$200,000. It now comprises a team of over 50 people and has an annual budget in excess of \$5 million.

Des, who is speaking at our IU meeting, is known for his work investigating corneal swelling as an indicator of physiological stress to the cornea and also for his work investigating the reasons behind contact lens discomfort and cessation of lens wear.

What you might not know about Des, is that he raised over \$1.5 million for the Building Fund for the UW School of Optometry and has recently been involved in raising significant funding with the *Canadian National Institute for the Blind* to investigate the role of uncorrected vision in education in Ontario.



Also from

Waterloo, let's celebrate with Associate Professor **Gina Sorbara** for achieving tenure beginning July 1st 2012. Make sure to send her congratulations ! Just working with this fantastic educator and researcher on AOCLE projects make us realize how fortunate her colleagues are at Waterloo.. ([gsorbara@uwaterloo.ca]).

ICO

AOA/AOSA Optometry's meeting is in Chicago. Let Jan Jurkus and Gary Gunderson know if and you or other AOCLE folks will be attending the AOA this summer.



Jan Jurkus, OD, MBA
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University of Missouri St Louis

Julie Ott DeKinder, O.D., FAAO has been promoted to Associate Clinical Professor at UMSL College of Optometry.
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Julie received her



Optometry degree from NSU Oklahoma College of Optometry and completed a Cornea-Contact Lens Residency at UMSL. The new resident at UMSL will be Matthew Kauffman, a graduate from University of Houston.

Southern College of Optometry

At the May Graduation ceremonies, **Dr. Scott Steel** was honored by being awarded *Professor Emeritus of the Southern College of Optometry in recognition of his outstanding record of service* to the College and the profession. Scott, an I.U. grad, retired last fall after serving as a faculty member since 1976. We best remember him as attending AOCLE meetings as Contact Lens Service Chief for 17 years.



Bill Edmondson, Steve Byrnes and Scott Steel last fall in Memphis.

At the graduation, Dr. **Bill Edmondson** hooded the class of 2012 at their request. Beginning in July, **Dustin Dixon** will begin his year as *Cornea & Contact Lens – Refractive Surgery Resident* at The Eye Center of Southern College of Optometry.

Soft Toric and Presbyopic Lens Education (STAPLE Program)

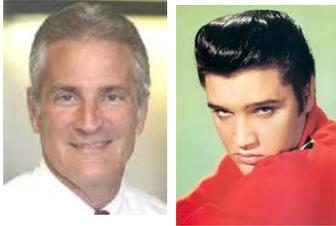
This year the Soft Toric and Presbyopic Lens Education (STAPLE) Program is available for the AOCLE schools and colleges. This program is a collaborative effort on behalf of Alcon, Bausch+Lomb, CooperVision and VISTAKON, a Division of Johnson & Johnson Vision Care.

This program provides hands-on soft toric and soft multifocal fitting workshops to Optometry Students in the United States and Canada. In these workshops, students have an opportunity to fit a product from all four companies on patients recruited specifically for the event. The STAPLE program will have been presented at NSU by the time we have the AOCLE.

The goal of these multi-company workshops is to provide generic education that will benefit the student through a valuable lens fitting experience in the soft toric and multifocal lens categories.

Use this link the website for the Toric and Multifocal Fitting Workshops. A calendar, schedule and program description is available at www.stapleprogram.com .

Contact Lens Residents flock to Memphis!



The GP Lens Institute (GPLI) and the Contact Lens Manufacturers Association (CLMA) will host their

annual August GPLI Cornea and Contact Lens Resident Symposium on August 10th at the



Southern College of Optometry. Workshops & instruction will include topography, presbyopia, GP fitting workshops and irregular cornea patient grand rounds. Representatives from the CLMA member laboratories as well as nationally recognized Contact Lens Specialists will be present. Any questions regarding Symposium should be directed to Ursula Lotzkat at 574-277-0718 ulotzkat@aol.com), or Dr. Ed Bennett at 314-516-6258 (ebennett@umsl.edu)

Christi Diehl is the new Director of Marketing. Catch up all the new developments in the May E-dition of the GP Lens Institute's Newsletter "CONTACTS". **Has hell frozen over?** Custom soft lenses obviously have a place in a specialty contact lens practice, and the GPLI now considers

them part of their new domain. programs@gpli.info

AOCLE The AOCLE is Business Meeting

Friday June 8, 2012 - 4:45pm-6:45pm

We are providing a partial list of business topics. This will allow new attendees to review these issues with the other AOCLE folks on their campus, before they will be expected to vote. As usual, one vote per School.

Chair's Report: Vinita Henry

Pete Kollbaum will discuss/demonstrate the QuizSight Project on which he & John Mark Jackson have been working.

Other Projects completed since the last meeting- Healthy Habits GP, etc

AOCLE Part-time assistant-revote or approve for coming year.

Vice Chair's Report (Bruce Morgan)

Review of progress: online teaching video

Old Business

Resident Award

New Business: Business meeting (cont.)



Election of AOCLE Exec. Board :
2 yr term for President, VP, and Secretary

While nominations can be taken from the floor, if interested do take a minute now & contact Vinita or Bruce.

Typically added: new Secretary & maybe folks for communications / newsletter.

Future Workshops: 2013-/2014-/2015-

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2013 Global Specialty Lens Symposium

January 24 - 27, 2013: The Global Specialty Lens Symposium (GSLs) is a 2 1/2 day comprehensive meeting, brought to you by *Contact Lens Spectrum*. The focus is on the latest techniques and technologies for the successful management of ocular conditions using today's specialty contact lenses. This international cross-discipline meeting includes both surgical and non-surgical options and includes hands-on demonstrations of cutting-edge products, as well as scientific papers, and posters. Milt Pappas presentation on corneal staining was excellent.

This year at the **Rio All Suites Hotel** and Casino! Accredited for continuing education under COPE, NCLE, and JCAHPO, the meeting will offer approximately 30 credit hours.



The education committee; Craig Norman, FCLSA; Ed Bennett, OD, FAAO; Pat Caroline, FCLSA, FAAO; Jason J. Nichols, OD, MPH, PhD and Eef van der Worp, BSc Optom, PhD, FAAO. The program covers specialty contact lens practice - from fundamentals to post-surgical fitting and patient management. All presented by an international faculty.

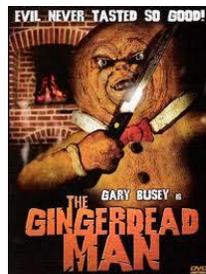
www.GSLSymposium.com.

Recent News

X-Cyl Calculations: An excellent review of soft toric calculators by our own AOCLE member John Mark Jackson, in a recent *Contact Lens Spectrum*.

John Mark compares the pros & cons of several programs, like Ophthalmicalc, an online application from the University of Melbourne (AU), the ToriTrack calculator (Coopervision), EyeDock.com, the subscription website (no cost to students and may be faculty), and lastly OptiCalc, which is an iPhone app that includes several contact lens tools, including one to calculate soft toric lens powers after over-refraction.

Steve Byrnes, O.D. is currently in the woods in Gloucester Massachusetts on a creature feature movie set. He is doing theatrical lenses for the creature. We don't know the name of the film yet.



Undergoing trials: the new Compliance technique tentatively named Negative Reinforcement Action (NRA)



AOCLE Industry Partners & Sponsors at 2012 Workshop

The Vision Care Institute (Vistakon)

www.thevisioncareinstitute.com

Giovanna Olivares

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If you haven't checked out the The Vision Care Institutes, ODLean Consulting Program Website (www.ODLean.com), take time to pass the information on to your Practice management folks.

Included in the website is information on how to grow a practice's patient base and manage patient flow - Perfect for new grads joining an older practice or purchasing a very old practice. It also has tips on how to increase productivity, improve patient experience, and boost profits. It might be a

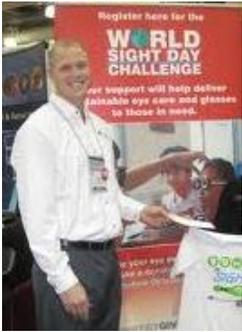


good reference to those 4th years getting ready to head out into the world.

Vistakon is also one of the sponsors of STAPLE: Soft Toric and Presbyopic Lens Education Program available for the AOCLE schools and colleges.

Art Optical www.artoptical.com

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If you are interested, take the opportunity between sessions at the IU AOCLE to talk to the Art folks individually about potential opportunities for workshops. Alan McKee, at Oklahoma and Andrea Janoff at NOVA have developed GP workshops in their CL clinics with Mike and Eric.

At SCO, I utilize Art's Consultation Service as a learning experience for Interns in the CL Clinic. Using a speaker phone, I have one or two interns work with me and laboratory consultant in designing or trouble shooting our regular clinic patients.

For an introduction to their full range of custom soft & GP options, including large diameter (SOClear), RG/,post-surgical, Kones, Multifocals, Torics, Intellawave custom soft SiHi lenses, and the Kerasoft IC design, contact Mike or Erik at 800-253-9364

Abbott Medical Optics

www.amo-inc.com Cell:714-247-8447.



David Hansen, OD. Dave, on behalf of Abbott, works tirelessly for

Optometry and Optometric Education.

Make a point of speaking one-on-one with him about how he could work with your school. In addition to projects on ocular aberrations, he is involved with CL solutions. dave.hansen@amo.abbott.com .

Menicon:www.menicon.com

Randy Sakamoto, OD, Ph.D
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Photo is of Randy in his bilingual private office in Hawaii. Do not ask him to show you the view from his office window.

Menicon Unique pH available again!

Menicon has now made available Unique pH'. Many of us utilized this from

day one with our CRT patients – comfort with lipid and protein cleaning efficacy. This time the solution is buffered to approximate the same pH and tonicity of human tears. This should then make this more comfortable for patients during insertion and lens wear. You can dispense a bottle of Menicon Unique pH and sign your patients up for the WebStore

Speaking of CRT: between activities in Bloomington, make sure to ask Randy Sakamoto about his experience with increased CRT effect in his own patients utilizing the Menicon CRT lenses with identical CRT parameters,

SpecialEyes

AOCLE Contact: Ms. Lindsay McCorkle at 888-232-9653. For other information **SpecialEyes** www.specialeyesqc.com
Michelle Walsh mwalsh@specialeyesqc.com

SpecialEyes is a custom soft contact lens company that is dedicated to educating eye care professionals on the benefits of using custom soft lenses to create precision vision for their patients.

SpecialEyes has developed educational programming for optometry students intending to heighten their understanding of custom soft contact lenses with lectures and workshops that may be tailored to the needs of individual schools and colleges of optometry.

Matthew Lampa OD, FAO (Pacific) lampa@pacific.edu serves as a consultant to SpecialEyes and will partner with individual programs to deliver on site educational information. (Photo of Matt and Beth

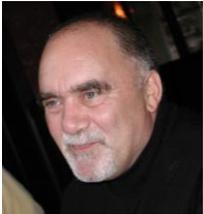


Kinoshita, O.D. at the 2012 Global Specialty Lens Symposium)

To supplement the educational programming SpecialEyes

would like to introduce an educational/contact lens program for optometry students where by students may order any SpecialEyes product !

Contamac



Peg Achenbach, O.D. has joined Tim Koch at Contamac Ltd. as the academic liaison and made a point of asking AOCLE educators about their needs over the last

6 months -> now available from the Contamac: Specialty Lens Institute (CSLI), with programs designed for 3rd and 4th year students.



Here, Peg is pictured with and Dr. Kathy Tran at a recent program at UC Berkeley.

Current CSLI presentations are lecture

based, but will be moving to a more workshop based format in the future. 8 educational modules are available that can be modified to fit the time available at each school and to address topics of special interest to the class or clinic.

Dr Achenbach's said. "With the emphasis on education in the specialty contact lens area, we can focus on some very interesting cases, clinicals, contact lens materials, designs and technology. The CSLI hopes to become a valuable resource for all optometry students, residents and faculty.

CSLI has offered scholarships to each school and college of optometry for their contact lens department to use as they see fit.

For more information please contact Dr. Peg Achenbach, Chief Medical and Academic Strategist, Professional Services, Contamac, Ltd. drpeg@contamacus.com; 201-981-2020.

Bausch + Lomb

www.bausch.com, Mo Merchea, OD, Ph.D mohinder.merchea@bausch.com

Mo announced that Neil Dian (Chicago) Neil.Dian@bausch.com will be the first Academic Relations Director at Bausch & Lomb, North American Vision Care.

In this role, Neil will have the responsibility of continuing to develop relationships within the AOCLE Colleges and he will be working directly with local field sales representatives, Craig Norman and Mo Merchea.

At the AOCLE workshop, we hope to get a chance to know him and get a better sense of just who to contact on the Academic Relations Team with our various projects

In the meantime, Mo Merchea says to email or call him if we have educational needs, are interested in our on-campus CL lectures or



contact lens fitting programs. Through the IOL folks, he supported a Pre/Post Op Cataract workshop at SCO.

Photo of Lynn White & Crag Norman at Bausch & Lomb's Educators meeting – a fitting workshop on the KeraSoft IC – a SiHy custom lens for Successful Irregular Cornea Management.

X-Cel Contacts:

Cassandra Gordon, NCLEC is the new Director of Academic Programs for Optometry Schools. gordon@walman.com Tel: 813-507-8635 Her goal in the next year is to develop an active working relationship with the contact lens educators (and students) at each College of Optometry. She sees her role as trying to increase support from X-Cel Contacts, provide products and services that will enhance the contact lens programs on campus.

X-Cel, has recently added the **Flexlens toric** design to its monthly replacement schedule. Flexlens are custom soft lenses that are made to order in hydrogel or silicone hydrogel materials. They are offered in designs which include Spheres, Tricurve Keratoconus, PRS, Aphakic, Piggyback and Large Diameter.

At the workshop ask her about: **Atlantis:** X-Cel's newest Semi Scleral GP design that will be launched at the end of June. (a totally cool name for this company with their main office is just outside of Atlanta)

Evidently the unique peripheral curve is calculated to improve distribution of pressure in the landing area while addressing edge lift and overall comfort.

On a completely different topic – hats way off to X-Cel (Walman Optical) for quietly providing thousands of dollars every year in direct grants to students at Schools and Colleges of Optometry.

SYNERGEYES

www.synergeyes.com

We are fortunate that Jan Sevier, FCLSA, COT (Product Specialist/Consultant) (jsevier@synergeyes.com). 2232 Rutherford Rd., Carlsbad, CA 92008, Tel. 877-733-2012 x 9644 will again be joining us at the AOCLE meeting this year. She will be showing us what Synergyes has available in the Duette and Duette MF.

In a recent e-mail, Jan told us why the best way to order the lenses is to have the MF fitting set. While the actually fit of the lens is the same as the Duette, the zone size is best determined on the eye with the diagnostic lens on. The zones are labeled small and large but are not determined on pupil size, eye dominance, or amount of add but rather how the lens exactly centers on the eye and the angle kappa. In the small zone the powers are more condensed or compact and in the large zone they are more spread out (similar to a large or small corridor in progressive spectacle lenses).

About 2/3's of patients are successful in the small zone so typically put those lenses on first during the trial - if acuities are not good then put on the large zone and check acuities at all ranges with that one.



Photo of Jan Sevier (SynergyEyes), & Dawn Lamb(SCO) at recent AOCLE mtg).

Jan will be speaking

more about these products and will be able to let us know at that time the availability of getting these diagnostic sets into our clinics.

Jan Sevier, FCLSA, COT (Product Specialist/Consultant) (jsevier@synergeyes.com). 2232 Rutherford Rd., Carlsbad, CA 92008, Tel. 877-733-2012 x 9644

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Valley Contax -- (800) 547-8815
Valley Contax, 200 South Mill St.
Springfield, Oregon, 97477
contax@valleycontax.com The folks at Valley Contax are no stranger to GP and



Specialty Lens clinicians. This is the first time they have partnered with us at an AOCLE workshop. We all look forward to

getting better acquainted with these folks from the great northwest.

Check out their website -> you just have to read about their staff- it is brilliantly unique !

"We know that when you choose to order lenses from Valley Contax, our job is to meet your expectation and deliver what you need so that you can, in-turn, meet the needs of your patients. It's up to us to make sure that your wishes come



true... " Janice Adams, President Valley Contax (Pictured here)

Oculus: AOCLE welcomes Oculus as new Industry Partner !

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Essilor carries the Jupiter and Perimeter scleral lens designs and works with Ortho K /Medmont corneal topographers.

Mary Ann Krail (Essilor) asks that we let her know if you would like to receive a complimentary KBA fitting set.

CooperVision:

www.coopervision.com

Mark Andre mandre@coopervision.com



CooperVision is proud to be a sponsor of the Adopt a Patient Program along with VSP, our partner in the program. "Adopt a Patient" is intended to be a positive contact lens fitting experience for Optometry students in their third or fourth year.

The program benefits prospective contact lens patients that are otherwise unable to afford contact lenses while providing the student with an opportunity for a "hands on" fitting experience that would otherwise have been prevented by the patient's lack of resources. Through an updated "Adopt a Patient program" offered by CooperVision® and VSP® Vision Care, low-income patients can qualify for one year's no-cost contact lenses. The program gives each optometry student the opportunity to "Adopt a Patient. Bill Edmondson reports that at Oklahoma and at Southern College of Optometry, the program has specifically benefitted some pediatric patients with amblyopic or binocular problems that had prescriptions not suitable for spectacles.

For more information on the program, contact either Mark Andre at mandre@coopervision.com or Dana Beards at danabe@vsp.com.

CooperVision is also proud to be an industry partner of the Soft Toric and Presbyopic Lens Education program (STAPLE). This program provides a "hands on" fitting experience for Optometry students through toric and multifocal soft contact lens workshops at the schools. For more information on this program, contact Ursula Lotzkat at Ulotzkat@aol.com. More educational institutions are adding service experiences to their educational program, our industry partners have stepped up with support.

Late Breaking news: Many of us received an e-mail announcing the Cooper's new Daily Disposable multifocal in the Proclear material. We will be looking for Mark to fill us in on this new product. "*Hey Mark - the press release make it sound like it has is only a near centered add O.U. and maybe one progressive power – are we interpreting the press release correctly?*" , newsletter staff.

Paragon Vision Sciences

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Ken with Jeff Walline and Trisha Pack



at a "hands-on" CRT workshop at NSU Oklahoma.

Not only is Ken very helpful in working with schools on

CRT workshops, but will not hesitate to feedback & consultation on individual CRT fits. Here is a recent e-mail, addressed to SCO student Tyler (copied to Bill

Edmondson) from Ken after they sent Ken topographies on a new CRT patient whose topographies & VA's seemed appropriate, but had symptoms. -

"Bill/Tyler,

Thanks for the update on this CRT patient. The symptoms you describe are fairly common for an Rx as high as this. The post-treatment maps show a good raised ring of epithelium around the treatment zone and decent centration. The ROL reflects that a BC change from 9.10 OD and 9.20 OS may be in need of a 0.10 mm flattening OU in order to hold the treatment longer through the day. This is a very good result for the time in treatment for this high myope. Let's see what the VA result is after another week of wear."

Ken Kopp, FCLSA

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Photo of Dave Sattler Director, Professional Relations - Academic

Development 6201 South Freeway Fort Worth, Texas Tel: 817-551-8671. We look

forward to finding out the best way to contact

appropriate folks at Alcon. (Photo of Alcon campus in Ft Worth)

This spring at SCO, with the help of Dave,



Bill Edmondson & regional Alcon pharma folks set up workshops for student clinicians in his Ocular Pharmacology Class.

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Richard Dorer

BLANCHARD CONTACT LENS INC. has earned a reputation of excellence in both consultation for lens designs and quality workmanship in both unique soft and custom-made R.G.P. lenses. The majority of customers have been referred by other practitioners. As an educational source, the website fitting guides, fitting videos are an outstanding clinical tool for student clinicians encountering their first few keratoconic or postsurgical patients.

Rich Dorer also told me about the newly created Blanchard Professional Learning and Development Center for sclera lens fitting. This program may be more for educators than students. It started two years ago for active private practitioner MSD accounts. There is have very limited space and generally typically accept only practitioners that are currently and actively fitting MSD as their scleral lens of choice. The course is lead by Dr. Stephen Byrnes and the location is at our laboratory in New Hampshire. If an educator/ practitioner is interested in attending and meets the criteria they will need to contact the Blanchard Contact Lens Representative that covers their school.

Stanley J. Yamane named Distinguished Optometrist

Pacific University has named alumnus **Stanley J. Yamane** O.D., the 2012 recipient of the University's Kamelia Massih Prize for a Distinguished Optometrist. The award recognizes a Pacific graduate who has



served the optometric profession with distinction

www.contactlensupdate.com

www.contactlensupdate.com is the new domain for information previously included in "siliconehydrogels". Some of you may have noticed that if you tried to access siliconehydrogels , there was a notice it was no longer support at that site/Domain.