

## Announcement of the VDCO Peter-Abel-Award

*The theme of award ceremony is contact optics and optometry*

Berlin, March 2022 - The Association of German Contact Lens Specialists and Optometrists (VDCO) will be awarding the Peter-Abel-Award for scientific work for the 26th time.

The prize is awarded for innovative and outstanding work in the field of contact optics, ocular physiology and optometry. The prize is offered for current scientific work that has led to the attainment of the Ph.D. degree.

The recipient of the Peter-Abel-Award will be invited to present their work at the annual VDCO meeting on 8 October 2022 in Osnabrück. Travel expenses will be covered.

Submissions will be assessed based on relevance, scientific integrity, and potential for innovation in ophthalmic and optometric practice. The Peter-Abel-Award is sponsored this year for the second time by Rodenstock GmbH and is endowed with € 4,000.



The award ceremony will take place on Saturday, 8 October 2022 in Osnabrück at the VDCO annual conference as part of SICHT.KONTAKTE 2022 and will be honoured with a lecture on the award-winning topic. Former awardees include Neema Ghorbani Mojarrad, Ph.D., Prof. Lyndon Jones, Ph.D., Prof. Nathan Efron, Ph.D and Dr. Andreas Berke.

## PROCEEDINGS

Applicants must submit the completed dissertation or all associated papers that led to the award of the doctoral degree / Ph.D. no more than two years ago by 10. July 2022. An international, independent jury will evaluate all submitted papers.

- File format Adobe PDF by e-mail to [info@vdco.de](mailto:info@vdco.de)
- Submission deadline is on 10. July 2022
- Presentation on Saturday, 8. October 2022 in Osnabrück in German or English (travel expenses for one person will be paid)

We look forward to receiving your submission.

The VDCO and Rodenstock GmbH wish you success!



Stephan Hirschfeld  
1. Vorsitzender der VDCO

Daniel Paulnsteiner  
Head of Product Management DACH  
Rodenstock GmbH

From **7.– 9. October 2022**, SICHT.KONTAKTE<sup>2022</sup> will take place in [OsnabrückHALLE](#) in Osnabrück. In addition to the annual congress of the Association of German Contact Lens Specialists and Optometrists "VDCO'22", the "ZVA Guild Master Conference" of the Association of Opticians And Optometrists (ZVA), the VDCO-Young "Study Forum" and the "Optometry Day" will take place. Lectures and practical workshops in the field of optometry and contact optics await you.

## Winner 2022

Neema Ghorbani Mojarrad, Ph.D. has received the Peter - Abel-Award 2021 with his submitted paper "Use of genetics in prediction of myopia development"



Neema Ghorbani Mojarrad,  
Ph.D.

## Questions?

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