

Announcement of the VDCO Peter-Abel-Award

Contact optics and optometry is in the focus for the award ceremony

Berlin, 03.01.2025 - The Association of German Contact Lens Specialists and Optometrists (VDCO) is awarding the Peter-Abel-Award for scientific work for the 29th time.

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

The winning paper will be characterised by topicality, scientific research and innovation.

This year, the Peter-Abel-Award is endowed with **€ 2,000.00**.

PROCEEDINGS

Applicants must submit the dissertation or all associated papers that led to the award of the doctoral degree / Ph.D. no more than **two years ago by 15. June 2025** (file format Adobe PDF). An international, independent jury will evaluate all submitted paper.

The award ceremony will take place at the VDCO's annual conference as part of SICHT.KONTAKTE²⁰²⁵ in Osnabrück. The Peter-Abel-Award is associated with a half-hour lecture in German or English of the award-winning topic. Possible travel expenses for one person will be covered.

The VDCO wish you success!

Kind regards



Stephan Hirschfeld
Chairman of VDCO

SICHT.KONTAKTE²⁰²⁵ will take place from 10.-12. October 2025 in Osnabrück.

In addition to the annual congress of the Association of German Contact Lens Specialists and Optometrists "VDCO'25", the "VDCO-Young Forum" and the "Day of Optometry" will take place. Lectures and practical workshops in the field of optometry and contact optics await you.

Winner 2024

Emmanuel Kobia-acquah has received the Peter -Abel-Award 2024 with his submitted paper "**Choroidal thickness changes in response to topical antimuscarinic medication and relationships with myopia progression in children in Ireland**"



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Questions?

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