Dear Colleague,

Injuries are among the most underestimated dangers to health. Approximately 750,000 people in the US alone suffer from monocular blindness caused by trauma; 90% of those injuries are deemed avoidable, and epidemiological studies in the past were able to present effective measures for the prevention of the vast majority of such injuries. In the past decades, it was thus possible to reduce the number of eye injuries occurring at the workplace, in traffic accidents and during sports activities in certain countries. Obviously, further improvement is necessary on a worldwide basis.

Conversely, terrorist attacks, wars, and civil uprisings significantly increased the number of eye injuries in some parts of the world. Attacks by terrorist and extremists, but also by police forces, causing mass casualties can, sadly, occur anywhere in the world today at any time. Thus, triage and psychological care of the victims are completely new tasks that an ophthalmologist is also confronted with. The dramatic improvements the development in vitreoretinal surgery brought can be implemented only to a partial extent in many countries due to limited resources and lack of expertise. All this yields a great variety of topics for an international exchange, so that everybody can learn from everyone.

For this purpose, we invite you on behalf of the International Society of Ocular Trauma and the German Ophthalmological Society, to our joint meeting in Berlin, Germany, from October 7 - 8, 2020.

The meeting will be dedicated to Albrecht von Graefe, one of the most important German ophthalmologists of the 19th century and citizen of Berlin. 2020 is not only a symbolic number for our speciality but the 150th anniversary of his death.

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local organizing team of the AG DOG-Traumatology

Pre Meeting Course & WetLab
October 5-6, 2020, Halle/Saale, Germany
DOG-ISOT-Satellite Course and WetLab: Primary management of open globe injuries

Topics of the wetlabs include:
1) Eyelid and lacrimal way reconstruction, muscle reinsertion.
2) Anterior segment reconstruction, corneal and scleral wound closure, pkp, amniotic membrane surgery, secondary IOL-fixation, iris sutures
3) Intraocular reconstruction, vitrectomy, introcular foreign body removal and pole-to-pole-surgery

Experienced trauma surgeons present pearls and pitfalls in rapid fire lectures.

Organization:
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Prof. Frank Wilhem (Greifswald, Germany)
Prof. Ferenc Kuhn (Jacksonville USA)

44 participants max. (early reservation advised!)

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Congress Venue:
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**Program Overview: ISOT 2020**

**Wednesday, October 7, 2020**
10:00 – 10:15 Opening Ceremony  
10:15 – 11:30 Masterclass „Severe Ocular Trauma“:  
Instructive trauma cases, interactive panel discussion  
11:30 – 12:45 free paper session:  
12:45 – 13:00 The Cesare Forlini lecture  
13:45 – 15:15 1st scientific session: chemical and physical burns, explosion trauma  
15:45 – 17:15 2nd scientific session: „Chameleon“ IOFBs and endophthalmitis  
20:00 – 22:30 ISOT evening event and dinner

**Thursday, October 8, 2020**
8:30 – 9:45 3rd scientific session: pediatric trauma  
10:15 -11:30 free paper session  
11:45 – 12:15 Keynote lecture - Prof. Ferenc Kuhn „Counselling the ocular trauma patient“  
13:45 – 14:45 Poster sessions and election of the ISOT poster award  
15:00 -16.15 4th scientific session: complex reconstruction  
16:45 – 17:55 5th scientific session: posttraumatic glaucoma  
17:55 – 18:00 closing words: Prof. Ferenc Kuhn, president of the ISOT  
18:15 – 19:30 opening of the DOG meeting by the president of the DOG Prof. Hans Hoerauf  
19:30 DOG get together

**Registration and Submission of Papers**

- All submissions and registrations via: [www.dog.org](http://www.dog.org)  
- Submissions of abstracts: open from 01 February - 06 April 2020  
- Preliminary Programmm will be released February 2020  
- Notification of accepted papers will be send June 2020  
- Early bird registration until 21 July 2020  
- every participant/faculty has to register  
- On Thursday October 8, there will be parallel sessions of the DOG Meeting (annual meeting of the German ophthalmological Society)  
- It is possible to registrar for the ISOT Meeting only, but also for ISOT and DOG meeting altogether, the DOG Meeting will offer bilingual/English presentations on all days  
- All submitted papers will be reviewed  
- Congress language for the ISOT/DOG meeting is English