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# ISCEV News Extra



*from the  
Secretary-General*

The ISCEV New Extra is the annual update to the Newsletter of the International Society for Clinical Electrophysiology of Vision with information for elections and highlights of the annual meetings held during the XLVIII ISCEV International Symposium in Freemantle, Western Australia, November 2010.

## 2010 ISCEV ELECTIONS

Congratulations to Prof Shuishi Yamamoto, our new vice-president for Asia and Oceania, and to Dr Mineo Kondo who returns for a second term as Board member-at-large. Both were elected unopposed by the ISCEV members present at the annual membership meeting on 06 November, 2010 to serve on the ISCEV Board of Directors for terms from 2011–2013.

Thus, the annual ISCEV voting ballot has only one item, the venue for our 2013 ISCEV International Symposium in Asia. Two generous invitations have been extended. Please vote to select one of the two finalist venues (see pages 2 and 3). (Numbered ballots have been sent by airmail to voting members.) For details of ISCEV procedures see <[www.ISCEV.org/bye-laws.html](http://www.ISCEV.org/bye-laws.html)>.

***Voting Deadline: 21 December, 2010. Please use your vote!***

## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE ISCEV BUSINESS MEETINGS

**The ISCEV Standard** for clinical electro-oculography (EOG) (2006 update) is due for renewal. ISCEV members present voted to re-validate this standard subject to only minor updates with the proviso that a renewal notice is issued to all members and the authors take account of feedback. Working parties presented their plans for **Extended Protocols** at a special session in Perth. Look forward to updates and calls for input.

**ISCEV membership fees**, which have been stable for more than a decade, will increase modestly (from US\$ 135 to US\$ 150) to meet our basic running costs. Fees for junior and emeritus members are half (US\$ 75).

Judyth Dawson has donated the proceeds from the DTL trademark (Dawson, Trick, Litzkow electrode) to support an annual invited lecture at the ISCEV Annual Symposium, the **William W Dawson Memorial Keynote Lecture**.

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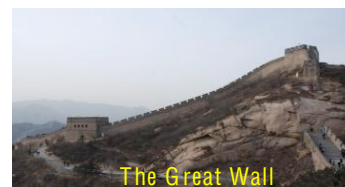
In her recent report, the editor-in-chief, Laura Frishman encouraged members to submit high quality papers to support the profile of our journal and to keep the publication of issues on time. The editors thank those members who have submitted papers recently and those who have edited special issues. Please cite the most recent ISCEV standards as well as other recent papers from Doc. Ophthalmol. in your new publications as appropriate, both in our journal and others.

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## 51<sup>th</sup> ISCEV Symposium 2013 Invitation: Chongqing, China

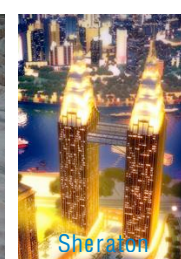
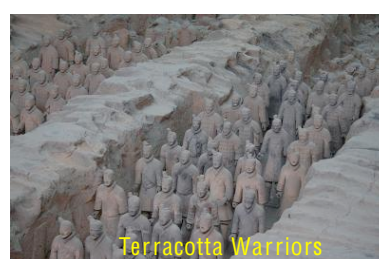
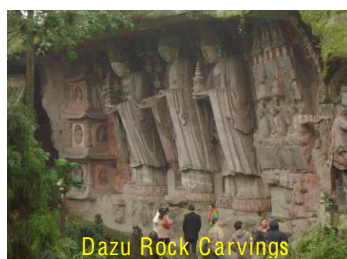
Board Members of the Visual Physiology committee of the Chinese Ophthalmological Society, and its Chair, Professor Zheng Qin Yin, warmly invite all ISCEV members to host their 2013 annual symposium in Chongqing, China!



### Why Chongqing (重庆)?

- Chongqing is China's largest and youngest municipality and was once the capital of China. The urban area of Chongqing has a population of 7 million, with another 25 million in the peripheral area.
- There is a growing awareness in the importance of visual electrophysiological and local clinicians and visual scientists are very enthusiastic to learn more about clinical electrophysiological of vision. We expect symposium delegates of around 400-500, with attendance of >200 local delegates.
- The region has >3000 years of culture and offers the best of modern and traditional culture. Key tourist attractions include UNESCO World Heritage sites such as the 9<sup>th</sup> century Dazu Rock Carvings, Three Gorges in Yangtze River, Jiuzhai valley, and ancient village of Ci Qi Kou (Porcelain Village).
- Delicious Sichuan cuisine with the world famous hot pot to stimulate your taste buds!
- State-of-the-art convention facilities and infrastructures, which have successfully hosted major regional and international conferences with more than 6000 delegates.
- Despite the world-class standards, the cost of hosting conferences is only half of other major Asian cities. This ensures a low registration fee for all delegates with great food and social activities.
- A wide range of budget 3-star to luxurious 5-star hotels including international brands such as Hilton, Marriott, Hyatt, Sofitel and Sheraton. Even the most luxurious 5-star hotel accommodation only costs US\$100 per night!
- Convenient access to Chongqing Jiangbei International Airport with non-stop international flights from Tokyo, Nagoya, Seoul, Singapore and Bangkok. Multiple daily flights from all major cities of China and only 2 hours from Beijing, Shanghai and Hong Kong. Direct check-through flights are also available from major cities in Europe (Paris, London, Frankfurt) and North America (Vancouver and Los Angeles).
- Stopover in Xian (1 hour flight from Chongqing) to visit the world famous Terracotta Warriors, or Beijing (2 hours flight from Chongqing) to visit the Great Wall and the Forbidden City.

**Proposed Dates:** 13 to 17 October, 2013: Get away from the heat and humidity. October is the most pleasant time to visit Chongqing, with temperature of 20°C and colorful autumn views.



### An Invitation to Singapore for the XLXI ISCEV International Symposium-2013

**Proposed Dates: Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> to Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> August 2013**

Singapore, a city with  
endless possibilities.



It gives us great pleasure to invite you to **Singapore, the Lion City**, for ISCEV 2013. The island nation of Singapore, with its diverse vibrant multi-cultural society, is a premiere tourist destination in South-East Asia. It offers a perfect mix of the past and present; skyscrapers, rich rainforests and wetlands, adventure sports, varied cultural heritages, and many spectacular tourist spots like the Night Safari, the integrated Sentosa and Marina Bay Sands Resorts and Universal Studios. Singapore is also a shopper's paradise, and well-known for its fascinating variety of Asian and world cuisines – a city with endless possibilities.

**Access:** Singapore is one of the best-connected cities in the world. Participants can get hassle-free, direct flights to Singapore from most international airports. Nationals from many countries will also not need a visa to enter Singapore. In addition, due to its strategic location in the heart of South-East Asia, Singapore is the ideal gateway to explore the exotic cultures of neighboring countries like Malaysia, Indonesia, Thailand, Vietnam and Cambodia; all easily accessible by bus, train, boat or plane.

**Venue:** The symposium will be held at Singapore Management University's world-class auditorium, nestled in the heart of Singapore's dynamic art district, flanked by national museums, Fort Canning Park, historical 'Chijmes' and a wide array of cafés, restaurants, and boutiques. This area is easily accessible by subway and just a stroll away from Singapore's shopping district in Orchard Road. There are many nearby accommodation options from budget to 5-star, ranging from USD 80-250.



**Hospitality and Social program:** Our social program will highlight Singapore's fascinating mix of Malay, Indian, Chinese and Eurasian cultures. One excursion option would include a city tour of our historical heritage sites, followed by a leisurely cruise along Singapore's waterways and culminating in a Sentosa beach-side party complete with dinner, dance and cultural activities. Accompanying persons may be kept entertained with visits to old favorites like the Singapore Zoo, Night Safari and Bird Park. They could also visit Chinatown, Little India, one of the new water and theme parks on Sentosa Island, bicycle down the East Coast Parkway, take a tree-top walk at MacRitchie Reservoir or wander amongst the orchids at the Singapore Botanical Gardens.



At night, the Singapore River comes alive with a kaleidoscope of activities including dining at Clarke and Boat Quays, attending a concert at the Esplanade, or trying your luck at our two new casinos. There is a lot to do and see in Singapore. We welcome you to experience our hospitality and to take away memories that are Uniquely Singapore.

#### **More Information:**

<http://www.yoursingapore.com/content/traveller/en/experience.html>

To watch videos, click on "your new Singapore" on above site, or go to

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=va9awWNjInE&feature=fvw>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0Yoi7QbmCeo>

<http://www-singapore.com/attractions/>

**Organizers: Audrey Chia and Ranjana Mathur**

**Singapore National Eye Centre and Singapore Eye Research Institute.**

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UPCOMING ISCEV  
INTERNATIONAL  
SYMPOSIA:



**September, 2011:**  
**XLIX Symposium**  
**Québec, Canada.**

**June 2012:**  
**50th ISCEV Interna-**  
**tional Symposium**  
**Valencia, Spain.**

**2013: See pages 2 &**  
**3 for invitations and**  
**use your vote!**

**2014: 52<sup>nd</sup> ISCEV**  
**Int'l Symposium, in**  
**the Americas is open**  
**for invitations.**

for ISCEV information  
and events see:

[www.ISCEV.org](http://www.ISCEV.org)

## THE 2010 ISCEV AWARDS AND HONOURS

The 2010 **Eberhard Dodt Memorial Award** for an outstanding presentation at the ISCEV Symposium by a young scientist was awarded to **X Y George Kong** of Melbourne, Australia for his presentation, “*Mitochondrial impairment results in increased susceptibility to injury in retinal neurons*”. The Awards Committee also commended Alison Foulis (Glasgow, Scotland) and Shiyong Li (Chongqing, China) for their excellent presentations.

**Prof Yozo Miyaki** delivered the fifth **Emiko Adachi Award Lecture** giving us his insights into the new clinical entities of complete and incomplete CSNB, and occult macular dystrophy interwoven with his personal history of working with ISCEV.

Congratulations, winner of the **2010 Emiko Adachi Award, Prof Geoffrey Arden** for contributions to science and for dedicated service to ISCEV. We look forward to his Award Lecture.

## ISCEV SMALL GRANTS FOR LABORATORY VISITS

The ISCEV small grants, awarded in 2009/10, lead to successful international collaborative visits by Thomas Meigen (Germany) to Houston & Los Angeles to investigate lateral interactions in animal retinal models and by Anderson Rodrigues (Brazil) to Erlangen, Germany to study chromatic adaptation in the ERG. The new grants awarded for 2010/11 are to Anne Fulton (Boston, USA) for a visit by Padjima Rani (Hyderabad, India) to investigate neonatal and infant ERGs and to a team, “the BriSCEV Travelling Eyes” for an inter-laboratory ERG standardisation project with 15 participating laboratories in the UK

ISCEV awarded 12 travel grants (9 full grants and 4 special grants) to worthy applicants in partial support of their contributions for the 2010 ISCEV Symposium in Australia.

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