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Dear Colleagues and Friends,

it is my pleasure to welcome you to the 2nd International Symposium on Artificial Vision in Aachen, Germany. The implantation of visual neuroprostheses to restore vision in blind patients was a dream 20 years ago. Due to the efforts and work of scientists and researchers, due to the support of sponsors and funding organizations all over the world this dream has become reality. Currently, two retina implant systems are approved for the treatment of blindness caused by retinal degeneration and it can be assumed that more will follow. It has been convincingly demonstrated that visual functions in blind RP patients are getting better with such systems and also activities of daily life improve. However, not every patient improved, some complications are reported, and for some patients the gain in visual function is limited. Undoubtedly, there is the need for further development and advancement. Whereas with retina implants only receptor diseases can be tackled visual neuroprostheses should also target higher centers of the visual system such as in the cortical or the CGL approach.

In this symposium researchers will present and discuss their latest findings in retinal degeneration mechanisms, basic concepts for neural stimulation, technology and materials for visual neuroprostheses, biocompatibility and experimental surgery, functional aspects as learned from preclinical experiments, and clinical findings. At the end we will also discuss new ideas and tools. There will be a lot of time for discussion and international networking. The idea of this symposium is to provide a platform for scientific exchange and discussion in an open collaborative atmosphere and to provide information, facts and data for all who are interested in this important topic which is still at its beginning.



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(Department of Ophthalmology, RWTH Aachen, University Hospital Aachen)
Welcome Address

14:10 h Univ.-Prof. Dr. rer. nat. Stefan Uhlig
(Dean of the Medical Faculty of RWTH Aachen)
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14:20 h Dr.-Ing. Damian Dudek (German Research Council DFG)
Welcome Address

14:30 h Franz Badura (Chairman of Pro Retina)
Welcome Address

14:45 h I. Session
▼ **Retinal Degeneration: Mechanisms, Phenotypes, Models**

15:15 h

Chair: **Babac A.E. Mazinani** (Aachen/D)

01 T Dilek Güven, M. Demir, S. Üke Uzun, E. Ergen, S. Tiryak Demiri, A.G. Demir, H. Kaçar (Department of Ophthalmology, Sisli Hamidiye Etfal Teaching and Research Hospital, Istanbul/TR)
Demographical and clinical characteristics of retinitis pigmentosa patients screened for Argus II retinal prosthesis candidacy

02 T Masakazu Hirota¹, M. Takeshi¹, K.L. Tibor^{1,2}, M. Suguru^{1,3}, K. Hiroyuki¹, E. Takao⁴, M. Tomomitsu⁵, F. Takashi¹ (¹Department of Applied Visual Science, Osaka University Graduate School of Medicine/J, ²Department of Ophthalmology, RWTH Aachen, University Hospital Aachen/D, ³Fundamental Technology Sec, R&D Department, Topcon Corporation/J, ⁴Department of Ophthalmology, Osaka University Graduate School of Medicine, Osaka/J, ⁵Department of Integrative Physiology, Graduate School of Medicine & Frontier Biosciences Osaka University, Osaka/J)
Relationship between Contrast Sensitivity and Parafoveal Cone Density in Normal Eyes and Eyes with Retinal Degeneration

03 T Anna-Marina van der Meer¹, S. Rösch¹, S. Johnen¹, F. Müller², P. Walter¹ (¹Department of Ophthalmology, RWTH Aachen, University Hospital Aachen/D, ²Institute of Complex Systems, Cellular Biophysics, ICS-4, Forschungszentrum Jülich GmbH, Jülich/D)
Effect of intravitreal MNU injections on mice and rabbit retinas

15:15 h II. Session
▼ **Basics for cell stimulation in the visual system**

16:25 h

Chair: **Daniel L. Rathbun** (Tübingen/D)

04 L Steven Walston, R.H. Chow, J.D. Weiland
(University of Southern California, Los Angeles/USA)
Bipolar cell activation in response to repetitive extracellular electrical stimulation in the wholemount mouse retina

05 L Mahmut Emin Celik¹, I. Karagöz¹, M. Ozden², G. Sobaci³
(¹Gazi University, Ankara/TR, ²Kirikkale University Electrical and Electronics Engineering Department, Kirikkale/TR, ³Hacettepe University, Ankara/TR)
Determination of excitation thresholds for retina ganglion cells using biphasic and monophasic stimulation pulses to be designed for high resolution epiretinal prosthesis

06 L Alex Hadjinicolaou
(Department of Neurosurgery, Harvard Medical School, Boston/USA)
Electrical stimulation of retinal ganglion cells: mechanisms of neural activation

07 L Daniel L. Rathbun, S. Sekhar, A. Jalligampala, E. Zrenner
(Center for Integrative Neuroscience, Bernstein Center for Computational Neuroscience, Tübingen/D)
Linear Input Filters in Retinal Prosthetics

08 T Thomas Schanze, C. Dörr, I. Sauer (FB Life Science Engineering (LSE), Technische Hochschule Mittelhessen (THM), Gießen/D)
On spike sorting for neuronal prostheses

16:25 h Coffee break in the industrial exhibition

16:55 h III. Session
▼ **Technology and materials for visual prostheses**

17:55 h
Chair: **Günther Zeck** (Tübingen/D)

09 T Florian Waschkowski¹, A.-C. Rieck², C. Brockmann³, T. Laube³, N. Bornfeld³, P. Walter², W. Mokwa¹, G. Roessler² (¹Institute for Materials in Electrical Engineering I, RWTH Aachen University/D, ²Department of Ophthalmology, RWTH Aachen, University Hospital Aachen/D, ³Department of Ophthalmology, University Hospital Essen/D)
Fabrication of Curved Flexible Microelectrode Arrays for epiretinal Stimulation

10 T Nadine Winkin¹, C. Etzkorn², S. Johnen², W. Mokwa¹, P. Walter² (RWTH Aachen University/D, ²Department of Ophthalmology, RWTH Aachen, University Hospital Aachen/D/D)
Flexible Multi-Electrode Array for Retinal Implants

11 L Günther Zeck, M. Stelzle, R. Samba, T. Herrmann
(NMI Natural and Medical Sciences Institute at the University of Tübingen/D)
PEDOT-CNT coated electrodes stimulate retinal neurons at low voltage amplitudes and low charge densities

12 T Sandra Johnen¹, A. Jupe², A. Goehlich², W. Mokwa³, P. Walter¹ (¹Department of Ophthalmology, RWTH Aachen, University Hospital Aachen/D, ²Fraunhofer Institute for Microelectronic Circuits and Systems, Duisburg/D, ³Institute for Materials in Electrical Engineering 1, RWTH Aachen University/D)
Physiological Properties of Retinal Precursor Cells Grown on Ruthenium Nano-Lawn Structures Generated for Modification of Microelectrode Array Systems

13 L Kazim Hilmi Or (Istanbul/TR)
The advantages and problems of the use of HDR (High Dynamic Range) technology / software & HDR sensors for prosthetic vision

19:30 h Departure of bus transfer to the Conference Dinner

20:00 h Conference dinner

FRIDAY

Saturday, 28th November, 2015

09:30 h International Networking

10:15 h IV. Session

**Preclinical Evaluation I: Biocompatibility and Surgery**

10:55 h

Chair: **Gregg J. Suaning** (Sydney/AUS)

14 L **Gregg J. Suaning**^{1,2}, N. Lovell¹, N. James¹, A. Fung^{2,3} (Graduate School of Biomedical Engineering, UNSW Australia, Kensington/AUS, ²Sydney Medical School, Sydney University, Sydney/AUS, ³Australian School of Advanced Medicine, Macquarie University, Sydney/AUS)

Pre-clinical assessment of the Phoenix99 Retina Implant – passive performance in vivo

15 T **Takeshi Morimoto**¹, H. Kanda¹, T. Miyoshi², T.K. Lohmann^{1,3}, T. Fujikado¹ (Dept of Applied Visual Science, Osaka University, Suita/J, ²Dept. of Integrative Physiology, Osaka University, Suita/J, ³Department of Ophthalmology, RWTH Aachen, University Hospital Aachen/D)

Surgical feasibility of wide-field dual-array suprachoroidal-transretinal stimulation (STS) prosthesis in middle-sized animals

16 L **Anne Christine Schnitzler**¹, P. Walter¹, F. Waschkowski², C. Eitzkorn¹, W. Mokwa², G. Roessler¹ (Department of Ophthalmology, RWTH Aachen, University Hospital Aachen/D, ²Institute of Materials in Electrical Engineering, Chair 1, RWTH Aachen/D)

Biocompatibility of very large multielectrode arrays for epiretinal stimulation in rabbits

10:55 h V. Session

**Preclinical Evaluation II: Functional aspects**

12:10 h

Chair: **Georges Goetz** (Stanford/USA)

17 T **Paul-Henri Prévot**¹, S. Dalouz¹, K. Blaize¹, E. Dubus¹, J. Porceddu¹, C. Nouvel-Jaillard¹, G. Goetz², M. Deterre³, G. Buc³, J.A. Sahel¹, S. Picaud¹ (Institut de la vision, Paris/F, ²Stanford University, Stanford/USA, ³Pixium Vision, Paris/F)

Validation of photovoltaic subretinal implants on ex-vivo blind non-human primate retinas

18 L **Georges Goetz**^{1,2}, R. Smith⁴, X. Lei², L. Galambos², T. Kamins², K. Mathieson⁵, A. Sher⁴, D. Palanker^{1,3} (HEPL, Stanford/USA, ²Electrical Engineering, Stanford/USA, ³Ophthalmology Stanford/USA, ⁴SCIPP, University of California Santa Cruz/USA, ⁵Institute of Photonics, University of Strathclyde, Glasgow/UK)

Contrast sensitivity with a subretinal prosthesis and implications for efficient delivery of visual information

19 T **Tibor Karl Lohmann**¹, H. Kanda², T. Morimoto², T. Miyoshi³, W. Mokwa⁴, P. Walter¹, T. Fujikado² (Department of Ophthalmology, RWTH Aachen, University Hospital Aachen/D, ²Department of Applied Visual Science, Osaka University, Osaka/J, ³Department of Integrative Physiology, Osaka University, Osaka/J, ⁴Institute for Materials in Electrical Engineering I, RWTH Aachen, Aachen/D)

Suprachoroidal-transretinal stimulation with the VLARS (very large array retina stimulator) device in a cat

- 20 T Hiroyuki Kanda¹**, T. Miyoshi², T. Morimoto¹, T. Fujikado¹
(¹Dept. of Applied Visual Science, , Osaka University, Osaka/J, ²Dept. Of Integrative Physiology, Graduate School of Medicine, Osaka University, Osaka/J)
Spatial extent of neural responses evaluated by single-unit activities of the lateral geniculate nucleus elicited by suprachoroidal electrical stimulation
- 21 T Henrike Stutzki^{1,2}**, F. Helmhold¹, G. Zeck¹ (NMI – Natural and Medical Sciences Institute at the University of Tübingen, Reutlingen/D, ²Graduate Training Centre of Neuroscience / International Max Planck Research School, Tübingen/D)
Electrical receptive field mapping in blind retina using localized electrical stimulation with a subretinal implant
- 22 L Thomas C. Spencer¹**, J.B. Fallon, P.C. Thien, M.N. Shivasani
(¹Bionics Institute, University of Melbourne/AUS, ²Department of Medical Bionics, University of Melbourne/AUS)
Restricting spread of neural activation in the retina using focused multipolar stimulation
- 12:10 h Lunch break and visit of the industrial exhibition**
- 13:15 h VI. Session**
▼ **Experiences in patients, clinical results**
- 15:00 h**
Chair: **Lauren N. Ayton** (Melbourne/AUS)
- 23 L Takashi Fujikado¹**, M. Kamei², H. Kishima³, T. Morimoto¹, H. Kanda¹, H. Sakaguchi², K. Nishida², T. Endo², T.K. Lomann⁴, T. Maruo³, M. Hirota¹, K. Oosawa⁵, M. Ozawa⁵ (¹Applied Visual Science, Osaka University, Osaka/J, ²Ophthalmology, Osaka University, Osaka/J, ³Neurosurgery, Osaka University, Osaka/J, ⁴Department of Ophthalmology, RWTH Aachen, University Hospital Aachen/D, ⁵Institute of Artificial Vision, Nidek Co/J)
Clinical Study of Retinal Prosthesis by 49 Channel Suprachoroidal-Transretinal Stimulation (STS) in Patients with Advanced Retinitis Pigmentosa
- 24 L Mohit N. Shivasani^{1,2}**, N.C. Sinclair¹, L.N. Gillespie^{1,2}, M.A. Petoe¹, D. Pardinias-Diaz¹, P.J. Blamey^{1,2} for the Bionic Vision Australia Consortium
(¹Bionics Institute, East Melbourne/AUS, ²Medical Bionics Department, University of Melbourne/AUS)
Making phosphenes meaningful – Image and pattern recognition with a suprachoroidal retinal prosthesis
- 25 T Lauren N. Ayton¹**, F. O'Hare¹, S.A. Bentley², L. Deverell¹, M.A. Petoe³, N. Barnes⁴, J.G. Walker^{4,5}, Z. Wu¹, C.D. Luu¹, J. Yeoh¹, P.J. Allen¹, R.H. Guymer¹, C.D. McCarthy^{4,6} for the Bionic Vision Australia consortium. (¹Centre for Eye Research Australia, The University of Melbourne, Royal Victorian Eye and Ear Hospital, East Melbourne/AUS, ²Australian College of Optometry, National Vision Research Institute, The University of Melbourne, Carlton/AUS, ³Bionics Institute and Dept. Medical Bionics, The University of Melbourne, East Melbourne/AUS, ⁴NICTA Computer Vision Research Group and Research School of Engineering, Australian National University, Canberra/AUS, ⁵National Institute of Mental Health Research, Australian National University, Canberra/AUS, ⁶School of Software and Electrical Engineering, Swinburne University of Technology, Melbourne/AUS)
Navigation and Obstacle Avoidance with the Bionic Vision Australia Suprachoroidal Retinal Prosthesis

- 26 L Michaela Velikay-Parel¹**, Y. LeMer², G. Richard³, M. Keserü³, R. Hornig⁴
(¹Medical University Graz, Graz/A, ²Fondation Ophtalmologique A. De Rothschild, Paris/F, ³Klinik und Poliklinik für Augenheilkunde Hamburg-Eppendorf, Hamburg/D, ⁴Pixium Vision SA, Paris/F)
The Intelligent Retinal Implant System IRIS V1: technology, surgical technique, first study results
- 27 T Takao Endo¹**, T. Fujikado², M. Hirota², H. Kanda², T. Morimoto², K. Nishida¹
(¹Department of Ophthalmology, Osaka University Graduate School of Medicine, Osaka/J, ²Department of Applied Visual Science, Osaka University Graduate School of Medicine, Osaka/J)
Evaluation of reaching by localization test in a patient with retinal prosthesis by suprachoroidal-transretinal stimulation (STS)
- 28 L Eduardo Fernandez^{1,2}**, A. Alfaro^{1,2}, R. Toledano³, J. Albusua⁴, A. García¹
(¹Bioengineering Institute, Miguel Hernández University of Elche, Elche/E, ²CIBER-BBN, Zaragoza/E, ³Department of Neurology, Hospital Internacional Ruber, Madrid/E, ⁴Department of Neurosurgery, Fundación Jimenez Díaz and Hospital Rey Juan Carlos, Madrid/E)
Towards a Cortical Visual Prosthesis for the Blind: Perceptions elicited by electrical stimulation of human visual cortex
- 29 L Duane R. Geruschat**, J. Dorn (¹Johns Hopkins University Wilmer Eye Institute, Baltimore/USA, ²Second Sight Medical Products, Geneva/CH)
Analysis of Case Reports for the Argus II Retinal Implant
- 30 T Hannah Schimitzek**, P. Walter
(Department of Ophthalmology, RWTH Aachen, University Hospital Aachen/D)
Surgery-associated adverse events of Argus II retinal prosthesis system

15:00 h VII. Session**▼ New Tools and Ideas****15:50 h**Chair: **Takashi Fujikado** (Osaka/J)

- 31 L Gislin Dagnelie**, Gislin Dagnelie, D. Geruschat, R.W. Massof, P.E. Jeter, O. Adeyemo
(Johns Hopkins University, Dept. of Ophthalmology, Baltimore/USA)
Developing a calibrated ultra-low vision (ULV) assessment toolkit
- 32 T Nabeel A. Fattah**, W. Al-Atabany, D. Sokolov, G. Chester, P. Degenaar
(Newcastle University, Newcastle upon Tyne/UK)
Real Time Fully Wireless Implantable Optogenetics Visual Cortical Stimulator
- 33 L Pascal Raffelberg¹**, A.M. Marzouk¹, D. Schüttler¹, R. Viga¹, R. Kokozinski^{1,2}
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Evaluation of Neuronal Stimulation Methods for Retinal Bipolar Cells Including New Pulse Density Modulated, Charge Controlled Stimulation Approach
- 34 L Peter Walter¹**, W. Mokwa², A. Grabmaier³, R. Kokozinski³, R. Viga³ (¹Department of Ophthalmology, RWTH Aachen, University Hospital Aachen/D, ²Institute of Materials in Electrical Engineering I, RWTH Aachen University, Aachen/D, ³Department for Electronic Devices and Circuits, University of Duisburg-Essen, Duisburg/D)
Development of an implantable epiretinal vision prosthesis with integrated image acquisition – OPTOEPIRET

15:50 h Farewell

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**The Meeting Venue – Technologiezentrum
Center for Technology, Aachen Europaplatz**

The Europaplatz is one of the central traffic spots in Aachen. It is the endpoint of highway A544 leading the highway A4 from Cologne/Frankfurt and the highway A44 from Düsseldorf to the city center of Aachen. The Technologiezentrum is located just at the edge of this circle. Several hotels and the Aachen city center with the famous cathedral dating back from the 8th century and the city hall are nearby as well as many restaurants and other spots. Aachen is the city of RWTH Aachen University, a technical university with a strong focus on engineering, natural sciences, and medicine. RWTH Aachen shares a strong cooperation with the Research Center Jülich, one of the national Research Centers of the Helmholtz Group.



Aachen is also known for non-scientific activities and aspects. Among them horse sports is important. Aachen hosts the CHIO, the maybe most important annual equestrian festival. Aachen is located in the most western corner of Germany very close to the Netherlands and to Belgium making life in this corner of Germany very international and open. Important transnational cooperations are located in this area and Aachen has therefore also a very strong focus on Europe and the advancement of its integration. The Center for Technology hosts several companies and agencies working on the further development of this region. It also hosts the conference center where our meeting will take place.

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From Düsseldorf. Take the train from Düsseldorf Airport Station to Aachen Main Station (approx. 1.5 h).

From Cologne. Take the train from Cologne Airport Station to Cologne Main Station (approx. 15 min) and then continue to Aachen Main Station (approx. 45 – 60 min).

From Aachen Main Station take a taxi to Technologiezentrum at Europaplatz

By car

From Frankfurt Airport you can drive highway A3 to Cologne and then change to A4 direction to Aachen. At AK Aachen please change to A544 direction Aachen Europaplatz (approx. 3 h).

From Düsseldorf Airport. A52 → A61 → A44. Then A544 direction Europaplatz. (approx. 95 km, 1 h)

From Cologne Airport. Take the A59, then change to A599 followed by A4 towards Aachen. Then A544 direction Europaplatz. (approx. 82 km, 1 h)



Meeting address

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Lunch on Saturday, November 28th, 2015 (included in the conference fee)

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