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### Haag-Streit presents winners of the 'Haag-Streit Slit Lamp Imaging Competition 2022'

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Harlow, UK – 4th October 2022 – Haag-Streit is pleased to announce the winners of the 'Haag-Streit Slit Lamp Imaging Competition 2022'.

First prize, a Sony Alpha 7 IV Kit, has been awarded to Utpal Sarkar from Disha Eye Hospitals Barrackpore in Kolkata, India. His winning image, taken with a Haag-Streit BX 900 Imaging System, shows a case of Spherophakia and excelled in all three of the winning criteria, which were image quality, technical execution and disease interest. The jury was especially impressed by the ciliary zonule being in full focus over nearly the entire 360° of the eye.

An image by Rob Hancock from Wirral University Teaching Hospital in Wirral, UK has been selected to win second prize and received a Nikon Z fc Double Zoom Kit. His image, also taken on a Haag-Streit BX 900 slit lamp, displays a patient with Ocular Albinism and has been captured with iris transillumination technique. The image was selected by the jury for being crisp, detail-rich and showing a high level of contrast.

Third prize, a Peak Design Everyday Backpack, has been awarded to Kathleen Warren from Duke Eye Center, Durham NC in the USA. Her winning image displays a case of epithelial ingrowth, taken with a Haag-Streit BX 900 slit lamp. Taken with large magnification, the image is not only detail rich and fully in focus, but it has also been chosen for its artistic qualities.

The 'Haag-Streit Slit Lamp Imaging Competition' has now run for four consecutive years and has been a fantastic success. This year, 168 entries have been submitted by participants from 20 countries with many outstanding images among the submissions. The jury, consisting of Marc Curchod (Ophthalmic Photographer, Switzerland), Jesús Conejero (Ophthalmologist, Spain) and Frank Wenger (Head Product Management General Diagnostics Haag-Streit, Switzerland) spent a great deal of time selecting the winning images from the exceptional submissions.

Frank Wenger, Head Product Management General Diagnostics stated, "Myself and my fellow jurors have been amazed by this year's submissions. We have found the images of incomparable quality. As Haag-Streit, we are also very proud to see that many of the best images have been captured using our BX 900 slit lamp, which has been specially designed for ophthalmic photographers".

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