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JThB • Optics for Energy IV: Water in Energy Production—Continued	FThG • Optical Models of the Eye II—Continued	FThH • Harmonic Generation and Phase Matching—Continued	SThC: Best of Topicals II— Continued	FThI • Slow Light and Signal Processing— Continued	FThJ • Light Localization— Continued
JThB2 • 11:00 a.m. Tonographic Detection of Water in Fuel Cell Systems, Laura Waller, Jungik Kim, Yang Shao-Horn, George Barbastathus MIT, USA. We present method and results for in situ characterization of water diffusion and other degradation mechanisms in fuel cell membranes using interferometric phase tomography.	FThG2 • 11:00 a.m. Chromatic Wide-Field Eye Models with a GRIN Lens, Alexander V. Goncharov, Chris Dainty; Natl. Univ. of Ireland Galway, Ireland. We propose a chromatic eye model featuring a gradient index (GRIN) lens that shows intrinsic chromaticity. The model is optimized to be consistent with the ocular refractive error known from extensive experimental data.	FThH2 • 11:00 a.m. Modeling Laser-Pulse Evolution during Production of High-Harmonics in a Semi-Infinite Gas Cell, Matthew Turner, Nicole Brimhall, Michael Ware, Justin Peatross; Brigham Young Univ., USA. We numerically simulate the propagation of high-intensity laser pulses in helium during high-harmonic generation. Results explain an experimentally observed double focus and illuminate the roles of geometric and nonlinear effects in high-harmonic phase matching.	SThC2 • 11:00 a.m. Kilohertz-Rate, Collision-Free, Gas- Phase Thermometry with Femtosecond CARS, James R. Gord', Daniel R. Richard- son', Robert P. Lucht', Sukesh Roy', 'AFRL, USA, 'Dept. of Mechanical Engineering, Purdue Univ., USA. Fs-laser-based time- resolved coherent anti-Stokes Raman scattering (CARS) spectroscopy of nitro- gen is used to measure temperature at 1 kHz. The first few ps of the time-resolved CARS signal are free of collisions for pres- sures up to 20 bar. (Laser Applications to Chemical, Security and Environmental Analysis, 2008)	FTh13 • 11:00 a.m. Observations of Single Pulse Slow Light in a Persistent Spectral Hole-Burning Crystal, J. S. Han, Byoung S. Ham; Inha Univ., Republic of Korea. We investigate a self induced ultraslow group delay as long as 40 µs in a persistent spectral hole-burning crystal. The ultraslow light has potential application to on-demand all-optical information processing such as on-demand buffer memory.	structures; acousto-optic tomography, surface enhanced Raman scattering, coherent transient spectroscopy, photochemical hole burning in molecular solids, excitons in semiconductors, and nuclear spin diffusion in superconductors. He chaired the OSA Technical Group on Waves in Random and Periodic Media and is a Fellow of OSA and APS.
JThB3 * 11:15 a.m. Invited Optical Properties of Microalgae for Enhanced Biofuels Production, Analasios Melis, Univ. of California at Berkeley, USA Research seeks to alter the optical properties of microalgae in order to improve solar-to-biofuels energy conversion efficiency in mass culture under bright sunlight conditions. This requires a genetic tailoring of the chlorophyll arrays of photosynthesis.	FThG3 • 11:15 a.m. Invited  Eye Models for the Design and Performance Assessment of New-Technology Intraocular Lenses, Patricia Piers*, Henk Weeber*, Pablo Artal*, 'AMO Groningen BV, Netherlands, 'Ctr. de Investigacion en Optica y Nanofisica, Univ. de Murcia, Spain. This paper discusses the development of computer-based eye models derived from measurements of the physical characteristics of pseudophakic eyes. These models are capable of predicting the clinically measured quality of new-technology intraocular lenses.	FThH3 • 11:15 a.m. Invited Mapping of Attosecond Ionization Dynamics by Recollision-Free Higher- Order Harmonic Generation, A. J. Ver- hoef, A. Mitrofanov', E. E. Serebryannik', D. Kartashov', A. M. Zheltikov', Andrius Baltuška'; 'Vienna Univ. of Technology, Austria, 'Physics Dept., Intl. Laser Ctr., M.V. Lomonosov Moscow State Univ., Russian Federation. We demonstrate an all-optical technique for mapping sub- cycle tunnel ionization in gas based on a cross-correlation measurement of Brunel- type harmonics detected in the direction of a weak probe pulse to separate them from recollision-driven harmonics.		FTh14 • 11:15 a.m. Controllable Delay of Light Pulses in Erbium-Doped Optical Fibers with Saturable Absorption, Serguei Stepanov, Eliseo Hernández Hernández; CICESE, Mexico. We report a controllable delay of the probe light pulse sequence by a master, saturating pulses of significantly different wavelength (at 1526 and 1568 nm respectively) observed in erbium-doped single-mode fiber with saturable absorption.	FThJ2 • 11:15 a.m.  Observation of a Localization Transition in Quasi-Periodic Photonic Lattices, Yoav Lahini¹, Rami Pugatch¹, Francesca Pozzi², Marc Sorel², Roberto Morandotti², Nir Davidson¹, Yaron Silberberg¹; ¹Weizmann Inst. of Science, Israel, ²Univ. of Glasgow, UK, ³Inst. Natl. de la Recherche Scientifique, Canada. We observe the signature of a localization phase transition in one-dimensional quasi-periodic photonic lattices. In addition we compare experimentally the effect of nonlinearity before and after the transition.

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