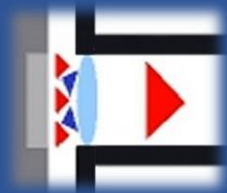


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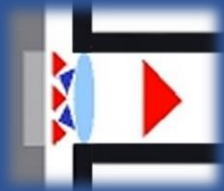
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MassCare Ltd  
United Kingdom



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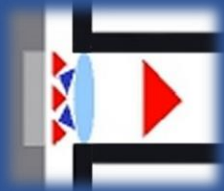


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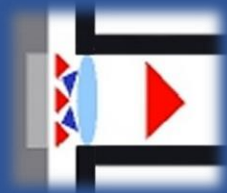
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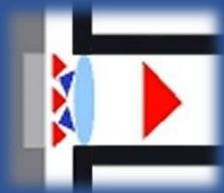
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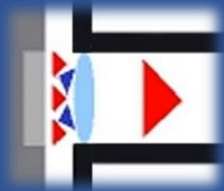
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Elected Chairman of SC8 (GDS) 2017



# When was EW-GDS formed?



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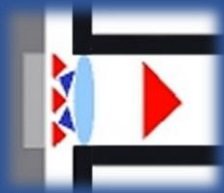
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When was EW-GDS formed?

1992 at the GAMS Conference, Paris

Very informal group of people, chaired by  
Arne Bengtson, included Edward Steers,  
John Murphy and others.

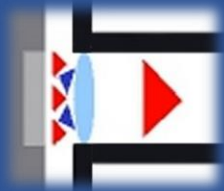
Interested in GD-OES Applied  
to Depth Profiling



Second Meeting 1993 at CSI, York

Expanded Area of Interest to  
Include MS and Bulk Analysis

Added Sub Group Chaired by Edward  
Steers to Investigate Fundamentals



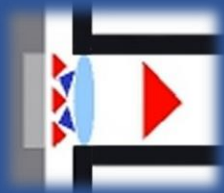


Developed and Progressed Over the Years

Meetings Held Most Years Associated with  
Conferences, then own Symposia

Became More Formal as Needed

Involved More People and More Countries



## EW-GDS Steering Committee 2019

Peter Robinson. UK. Chairman

Volker Hoffmann. Germany

Petr Smid. Germany

Thomas Nelis. Switzerland

Myriam Madani. Belgium

Arne Bengtson. Sweden

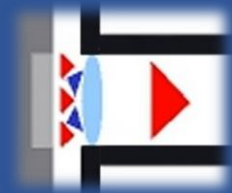
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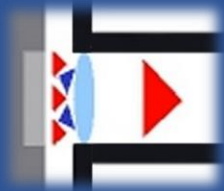
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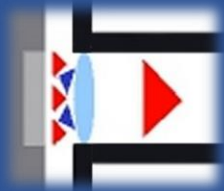


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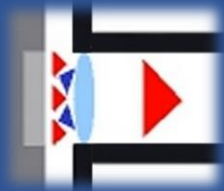
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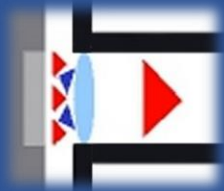


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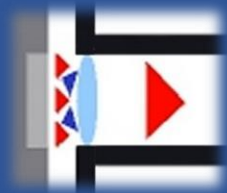
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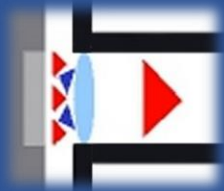
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Bring Together

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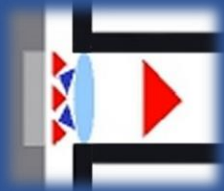
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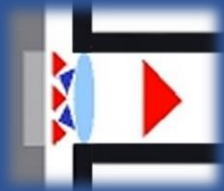


EW-GDS has been the Centre  
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These Have Achieved the  
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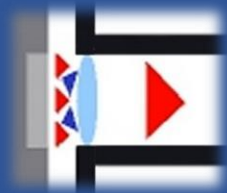


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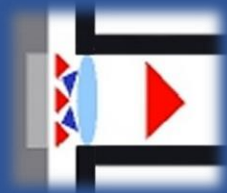
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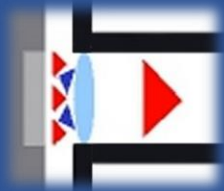
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Four Working Groups;  
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Development of Methods and Instrumentation  
Study of Glow Discharge Mechanisms  
Transfer of Technology and Know How



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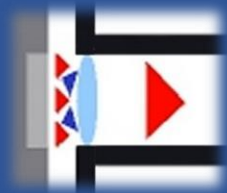


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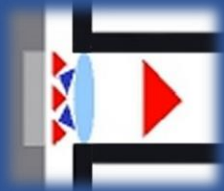
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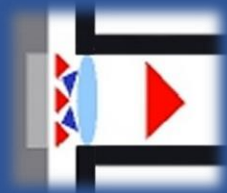
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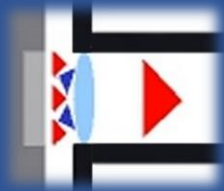
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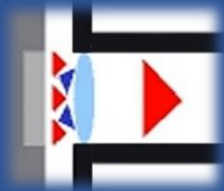


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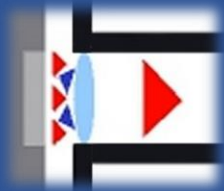
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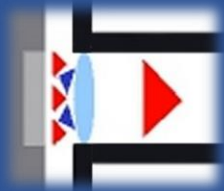
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16 Partners from 10 Countries  
20 Associated Partners  
11 Research Posts (PhD) (3 Years)  
5 Post Doc Posts (2 Years)



# More Recent Application for Training Networks

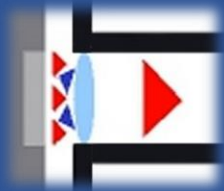


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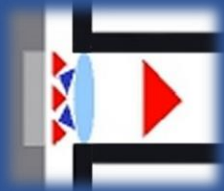
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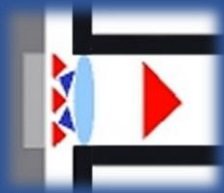


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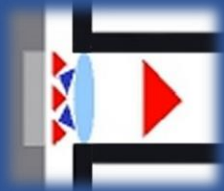
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Neither Successful. We Will Refocus  
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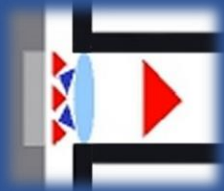
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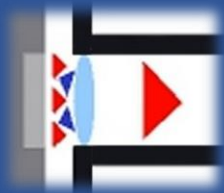
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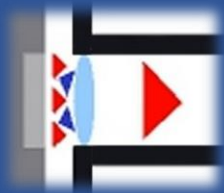
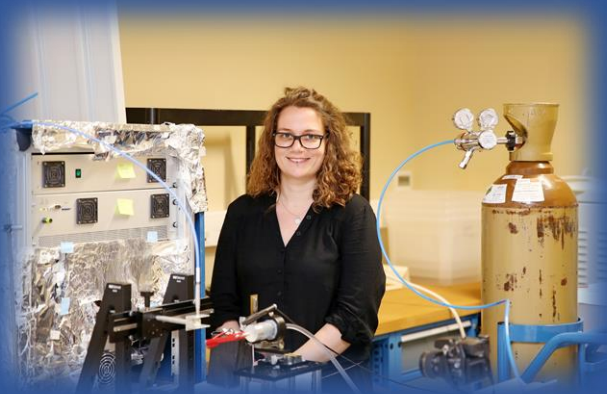
The Richard Payling  
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# Some of the Winners of the Richard Payling Memorial Award



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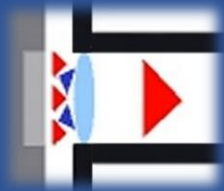
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# Edward Steers Memorial Awards



Best GDS Publication of the Year

Financial Assistance to Help Young Researchers Attend Conferences.

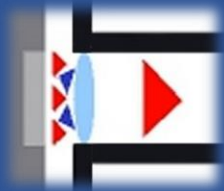


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# EW-GDS Drive to Expand Interest in GDS Through the Organisation of International Symposia.

## Make Our Work More Visible to the World



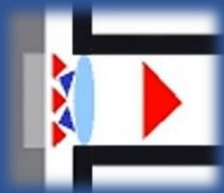
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# 1<sup>st</sup> International Glow Discharge Spectroscopy Symposium



Albi, France. 2010



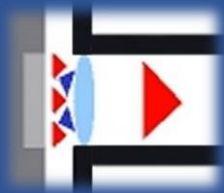
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# 2nd International Glow Discharge Spectroscopy Symposium



Prague, Czech Republic. 2014



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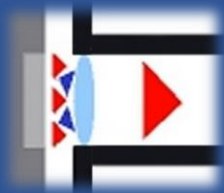
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# 3rd International Glow Discharge Spectroscopy Symposium



Liverpool, UK. 2016



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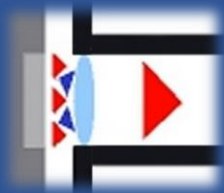
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# 4th International Glow Discharge Spectroscopy Symposium



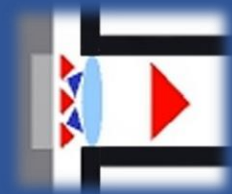
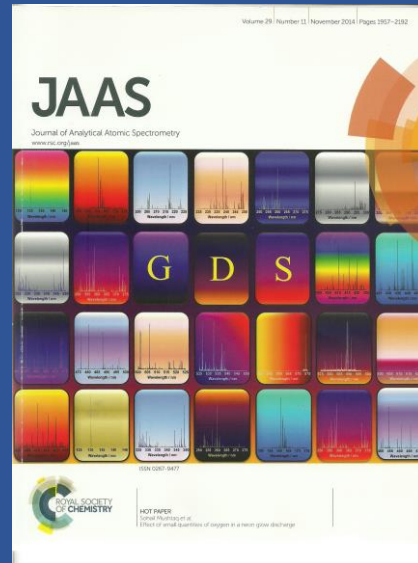
**Berlin, Germany, 2018**



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# Increase Visibility of our Work



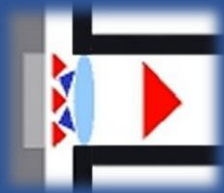
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# 5<sup>th</sup> International Glow Discharge Spectroscopy Symposium



Oviedo, Spain April 2020



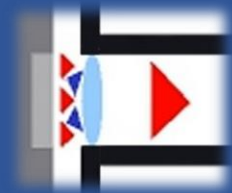
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The Word is Spreading .....



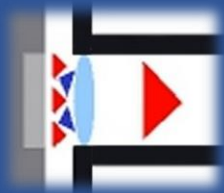
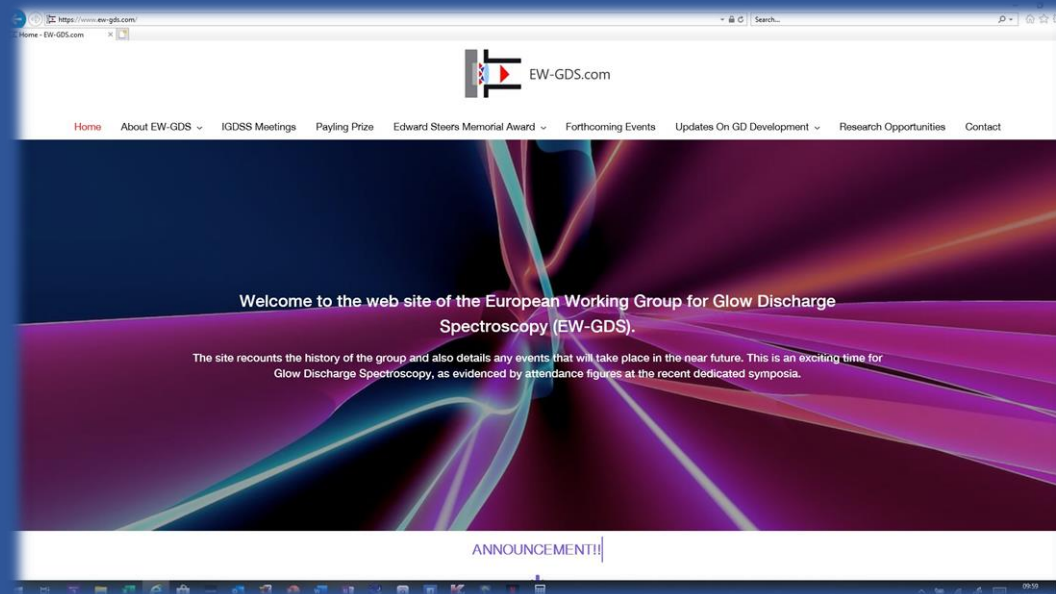
1<sup>st</sup> Chinese GDS Symposium  
Shanghai 2017



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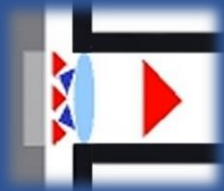


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I Would Like to Express My Thanks  
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Chance to Talk About  
This Part of My Work

But Before I Finish .....

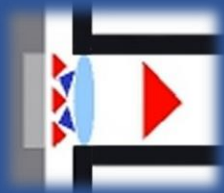




# One Thing Leads to Another – Sixty years of Spectroscopic Research.

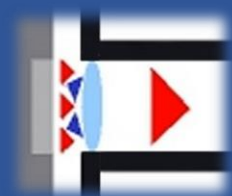
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London Metropolitan University



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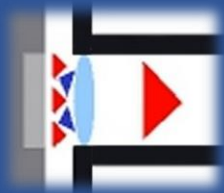


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Thank You  
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