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Headlines:

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Once again the Gubelin Lab is bringing its expertise near to the clients and conducts Off-Premise-Testings (OPT) in New York and Hong Kong. From August 10 until 18, Gubelin gemmologists are located in New York, 589 Fifth Avenue, Suite 1007, phone 001-212-840 2069.

From September 18 until 26, another OPT is held in Hong Kong, during the Hong Kong Jewellery and Watch Fair. Our team will be testing gemstones at the Grand Hyatt Hotel, 1 Harbour Road, next to the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Center, and can be contacted by phone at +852 9463 3571. More information on these OPTs can be found on our website [www.gubelingemlab.ch](http://www.gubelingemlab.ch).

\*\*\* Field trip to Western Himalayan mountains continues to Tajikistan and China:

As mentioned in our last Newsletter, the Gubelin Lab is sponsoring a field trip to mining areas in the Western Himalayan mountains. In the last weeks, our partner visited the famous spinel mines of Kul I Lal / Badakshan, and the ruby mines of Murghab (both in Tajikistan). Other localities visited in July include the Jedgalek ruby mines in Afghanistan, and the Davdar emerald mines in China. The samples collected and the knowledge gained on this field trip further expands the expertise of the Gubelin Lab in the field of origin determination.

\*\*\* August issue of 'Jewellery News Asia' features next article on Origin Determination:

The series of articles of the Gubelin Lab on origin determination in JNA continues in the August issue with an article on 'The limitations of origin determination'. With these articles, the Gubelin Lab intends to help the trade and the final consumers to better understand the determination of the country of origin. After the description of the concept, the method and a case study in the first article in July, the article in the August issue emphasises the challenges of origin determination, again illustrated and described with a case study. Finally, the September issue of JNA will feature an article addressing the methods and concepts with which the Gubelin Lab is managing the mentioned challenges, strengthening and improving the reliability and quality of origin determination.

\*\*\* Dr. Eduard Gubelin's Photoatlas of Inclusions Volume 2 available at Gubelin Lab:

End of 2005, just a few months after the passing of the late Dr. Eduard Gubelin, his last book appeared, the Photoatlas of Inclusions Volume 2. Dr. Gubelin authored this impressive book with over 2200 colour plates on more than 800 pages together with John Koivula. The book can be ordered directly at the Gubelin Lab for the special price of CHF 280 plus shipping charges.

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