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This summer, the Gubelin Lab sponsored an extensive field trip to mining areas in the Western Himalayan mountains, to visit a large number of ruby, spinel and emerald mines. During three months, our partner visited mines in Afghanistan, Pakistan, Tajikistan and China, and collected authentic samples directly from the source for the Gubelin Lab reference collection. The knowledge gained on this field trip further expands the expertise of the Gubelin Lab in the field of origin determination. The article which contains spectacular photos of the various areas is now online under the 'Adventure' section of www.gubelingemlab.ch.

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The September issue of 'Jewellery News Asia' magazine features the third and last article of the Gubelin Lab on origin determination. The article 'A Holistic Approach to Determining Gem Origin' addresses ways with which the Gubelin Lab is approaching the future of origin determination. We present concepts and methods in order to differentiate gems coming from different countries but which are created under similar conditions. Holistic diagnosis and powerful evaluation methods are further strengthening and improving the reliability and quality of origin determination. The articles may also be downloaded from the 'Origin Determination' section of the Gubelin Lab website www.gubelingemlab.ch.

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As every year, the Gubelin Gem Lab will be conducting Off-Premise-Testing during the Hong Kong Jewellery and Watch Fair in September 2006. The Gubelin team will be located on the 30th floor of the Grand Hyatt Hong Kong, 1 Harbour Road. The mobile laboratory will be open from the 18th to 24th of September.

The Gubelin Newsletter is issued periodically by the Gubelin Gem Lab intending to provide short and in-time information on hot topics in the jewellery and gemstone industry, as well as news from the Gubelin Gem Lab itself.

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