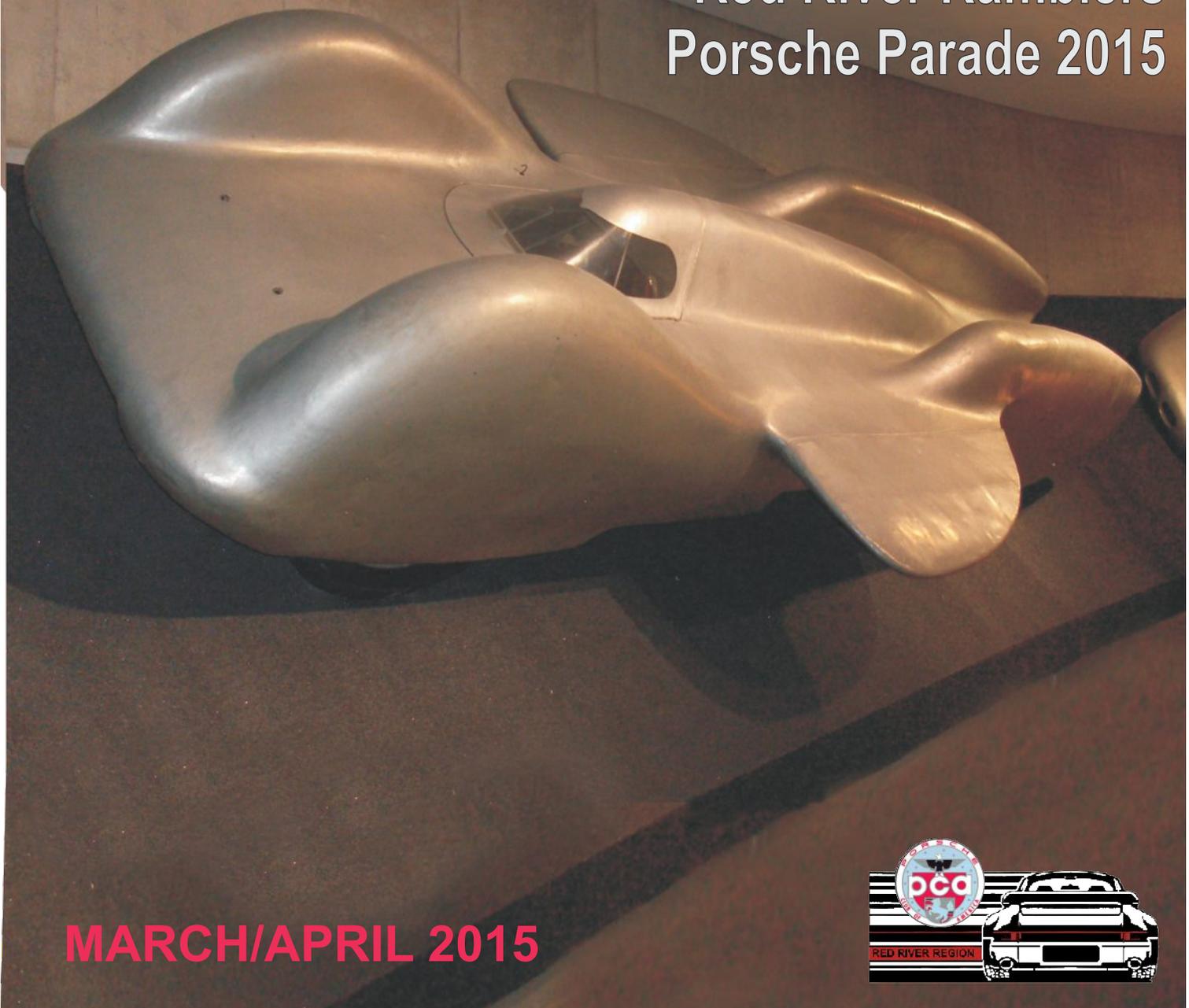


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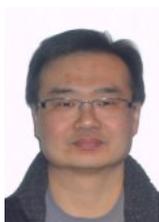
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# President's Column



So much for Manitoba Merv's prediction!

Not that I have ever believed in the weather predictions of a rodent puppet ... but I was hopeful that the proclamations of an early spring would become true. Seeing that as I am writing this column the weather outside

is in the -30C range and we are saddled with yet another extreme cold weather warning; I'm guessing the puppet of a groundhog knows just as much any other weather man or woman.

My car, like a lot of yours, is sitting snugly under a cover waiting for the inevitable arrival of spring. I am still feeling hopeful as I usually have it licensed and on the road by late March, early April. While it might take a while I'm sure we'll all have our cars out (and driving at the speed limit ) by the time the next newsletter is published.



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### On the Cover...

3,000hp T-80 Rekordwagen designed by Ferdinand Porsche, photographed at the Mercedes-Benz Museum, Stuttgart, April 2012. Photo by the Editor.

The snow and ice does give the board more time to plan upcoming events for the summer. For instance Richard Wansbutter have already contacted Rich Siegert for a return to Bemidji in September, other members have enquired about trips such as the Rennsport Reunion in October and Escape to Rushmore (also in October), and there will be future announcements for dinner cruises and Sunday drives. We are always on the lookout for requests and new ideas so please contact me or others on the board to let us know what your ideas are.

Please check our online channels for future events:

Website: <http://www.redriverpca.org/events/list/>

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Stay warm everyone and take solace in the fact the vernal equinox occurs only a few short weeks away on March 20th!

Waiyen



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Here in the dead of winter, even though many of us aren't driving our Porsches, it can still be fun to think about and learn more about the brand.

For example, Porsche Design. Founded in late 2003 as an amalgamation of five different companies marketing under two brands (*Porsche Design/Design by F.A. Porsche* and *Porsche Selection*, Porsche Design Group is majority owned by, but independent of, Porsche AG.

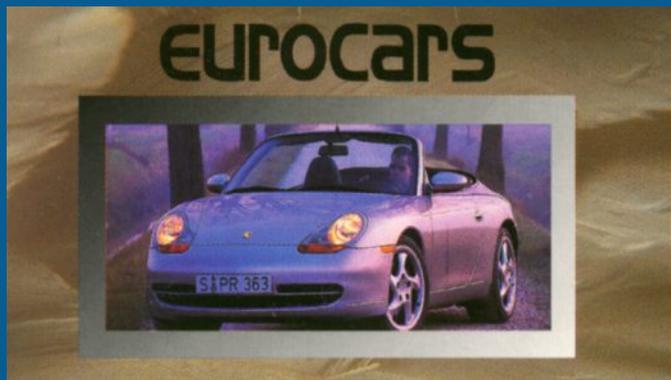


Porsche design dates back much further, of course.

Porsche has produced auto-related accessories like luggage since the 1950s, but the Porsche Design studio proper was founded by Butzi Porsche back in 1972. Pens and writing instruments, luggage, apparel, wristwatches, and eyeglasses are among the stylish and functional products that emerged from the Studio. Porsche Design creates industrial objects as well - household appliances, electronics, all the way to kitchen knives, streetcars, and even a cockpit for a commercial airliner.

Why do we love Porsche Design? The love for these beautiful and functional objects comes from the same place as our love for the cars. Lightweight, and stylish accessories appeal to our aesthetic sense, while their supreme functionality makes them practical to use every day.

It's still too cold to get out my 911 just yet - but maybe I'll scratch the Porsche itch by surfing over to <http://www.porsche-design.us/>. See you there!



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## PCA Announces Special 911 Club Coupe

Atlanta — Porsche Club of America is excited to announce the new Porsche 911 GTS Club Coupe, the product of collaboration between PCA and Porsche to honor our club's 60th anniversary. It was unveiled at Porsche Cars North America's new headquarters at One Porsche Drive in Atlanta.

Handcrafted at Porsche Exclusive and based on the 911 Carrera GTS, it was developed with input from members of PCA's Executive Council to include features that can't be found on any other Porsche model. Only 60 GTS Club Coupes will be made, for PCA members only, ensuring that they stay in the PCA family and remain exotic like the last PCA Club Coupe from 2005.

The most visible bespoke feature is the non-metallic color, named Club Blau, but look closer and you'll notice the 20-inch Sport Classic wheels painted in semi-gloss black with polished centers and rims, exclusive to the GTS Club coupe; ducktail rear spoiler; doors marked with black "Club Coupe" model designations; personalized stainless steel door-sill guards that read "GTS Club Coupe"; center compartment lid embossed with "60"; interior and dashboard trim in carbon fiber with "GTS Club Coupe 60 Years Porsche Club of America" above the glove compartment; and Alcantara-wrapped steering wheel with two-tone deviated stitching in Carmine Red and Blue and the 12 o'clock wheel marker in Carmine Red. A leather-wrapped book about the car is also included.

Want to take the PCA 60th Anniversary theme a bit further? The Extended Club Coupe Package option adds a vehicle key painted in Club Blau, a leather key pouch, and leather-edged floor mats with two-tone stitching in Carmine Red and Blue. A personalized indoor car cover is also available as an option.

Of course, this special 911 also benefits from having all the features that are standard on the regular production Carrera GTS, including a 430-horsepower flat six with Sport Exhaust, SportDesign aero package, GTS communication package, and black GTS Alcantara interior package with Carmine Red accents.

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## PCA Club Coupe, cont'd

"The idea for this Club Coupe came from a trip to Germany," PCA Past President Manny Alban says, when he was a guest of Porsche's for the unveiling of the rest-of-world Porsche 911 Club Coupe in 2012. He promptly asked the folks at Porsche: "What would it take for us to build a PCA 60th Anniversary car?" The seed was sown, and a series of meetings with Porsche Cars North America ensued over the next few years to specify the design of the car.

"The color was key for the 50th. We knew we wanted blue for the new car," Alban relates. The older Club Coupes were all painted Azurro California Blue, a metallic hue inspired by a color available on 356s in 1955, Azure Blue. As chance would have it, inspiration for Club Blau was close by.

"We arrived at the color choice that would ultimately lead Porsche to make a custom paint just for this car — it closely matches the blue of our logo," Alban says.

"We loved choosing a color that would represent PCA," confesses PCA President Caren Cooper, "though we weren't sure what choices we'd be allowed to make. Fortunately Porsche provided a broad range of options and we all independently arrived at the same color choice."

"Front and center is the collaboration between Porsche and PCA to make this car," Cooper explains. "This highlights how much Porsche values their relationship with PCA."

Porsche will give one GTS Club Coupe away to a lucky PCA member (details will be made available soon), and the other 59 will be available for purchase for \$136,060 (not including \$995 destination fee) by PCA members through a lottery. Applicants must fill out and submit a registration form to participate in this offer, which will be made available on PCA.org on February 1. There is no charge for the opportunity to register, and there is no obligation to purchase the vehicle. Deliveries will start in June 2015.

(Courtesy PCA)



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## NEW 2015 CAYMAN GT4

By Damon Lowney

Photo courtesy Porsche

Porsche announced the new Porsche Cayman GT4 today, a 385-horsepower, six-speed manual, mid-engined sports car that has clocked a 7-minute and 40-second lap time around the Nürburgring Nordschleife. For the record, that's five more horsepower than the 2004 911 GT3, the same Nordschleife lap time as the 2011 911 GT3, and just eight seconds slower around the track than a 605-hp Carrera GT.

The 3.8-liter flat six basically is a detuned 911 Carrera S engine. But despite having 15 less horsepower than the 911, the Cayman GT4 blasts from 0-60 miles per hour in 4.2 seconds — 0.1 seconds quicker. Porsche has answered many sports car enthusiasts' prayers by making the GT4 available only with a manual transmission. The six-speed is attached to the chassis with dynamic gearbox mounts that work to quell movement produced by torque from the drivetrain. This helps the driver to put the power down more effectively. The GT4's 55-hp advantage over the Cayman GTS allows it to go six mph faster, topping out at 183 — this despite an aero package designed for more downforce.

The front end gets a new fascia with three prominent, unobstructed air-inlet openings and a more pronounced lip spoiler. To balance off the aero package, Porsche fitted a large rear spoiler.



The Cayman GT4 is lowered by 30 millimeters and comes standard with steel disc brakes. Porsche Carbon Ceramic Brakes (PCCB) are optional. It rides on five-lug wheels that lend themselves better to many track-day enthusiasts than the center-lock wheels standard on the 911 GT3 (it takes much effort to loosen the center bolts with the giant breaker-bar).

“The interior of the Cayman GT4 focuses on maximizing the experience of unfiltered driving enjoyment for both driver and passenger,” Porsche states. To that end, leather and Alcantara sport seats are standard with full buckets in carbon fiber available as an option. A compact Alcantara-wrapped sport steering wheel rounds out the standard fare. As an option, Porsche will fit a “custom” Sport Chrono Package that features a Track Precision app.

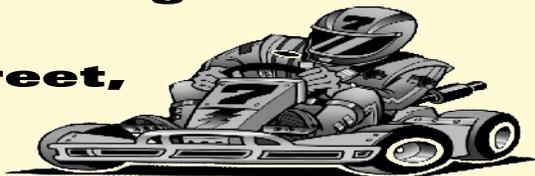
The GT4 will make its first official public appearance at the Geneva International Motor Show in early March.



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Red River Ramblers:

# Paz and Lisa Fernando

Q: PORSCHE(S) OWNED?

A: 2008 911 Carrera 4S Cabriolet (sold after 4 years)  
2012 911 Turbo Cabriolet (lost in garage fire after 2 years)  
2012 Panamera Turbo S (current 1 year)  
2010 Cayenne GTS (current 1 year)

Q: WHAT MADE YOU PICK PORSCHE?

A: We progressed up through the VW family lineup for many years: Jetta, Golf, GTI, Toureg, W8 so where do we go from there? Naturally into Porsche. Also through association with the dealership, we came to understand the passion owners held for the marque and saw and heard so much about the technical excellence behind Porsches.

Q: WHY ARE YOU PASSIONATE ABOUT PORSCHE(S)?

A: As we've immersed ourselves in ownership and enjoyment of the daily drive (and yes, we have always driven our cars all year round) we took up greater challenges like Porsche Travel Club (Alps and Vancouver Island) and Porsche Sport Driving School (Misano, Italy and Camp4, Canada). Not to be excluded is Dobel Driving School at Gimli which we have been supporters since the first of the series. Let's also not forget the great PCA driving events like Run for the Hills, Lutsen and Bemidji. Throughout all such events we've learned to share the infectious passion with like-minded people and organizers that we are also proud to call friends.

Q: WHEN DID YOU FIRST FALL IN LOVE WITH PORSCHE?

A: When Paz was 6 years old, he used to sketch cars, planes, boats like every little boy. One of the favourite silhouettes was that of the mascot for U.K.'s Dunlop Tires, the low, squat, ground-hugging Groundhog. As he grew, he came to realize that the 356 body style was very similar and may indeed have influenced Groundhog. Wind the clock forward and add some cash to the bank account and the favoured shape in the showroom at the beginning of the Millennium is, not surprisingly, the broad hips and squat profile of the 911 and so the love grows!

Q: WHAT IS THE PORSCHE YOU WISH YOU COULD OWN?

A: We are pretty much there! Our eyes are on 3 other models currently. Paz wouldn't mind at some stage replacing the lost 911 Turbo with a Turbo S Cabriolet. Lisa loves her Cayenne but has had an eye on the Macan Turbo. Failing either of these a Boxster GTS would be a nice addition to the garage as a fun sports car. Any or all of these would be acceptable in a plug-in hybrid now that said garage is future-proofed with 3EV plugs of 240 volt 40 amps.

Q: WHAT DO YOU DO FOR A LIVING?

A: Paz's family has had the longest-running Podiatry practice in Manitoba and Lisa is the General Manager.

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(Paz and Lisa continued)

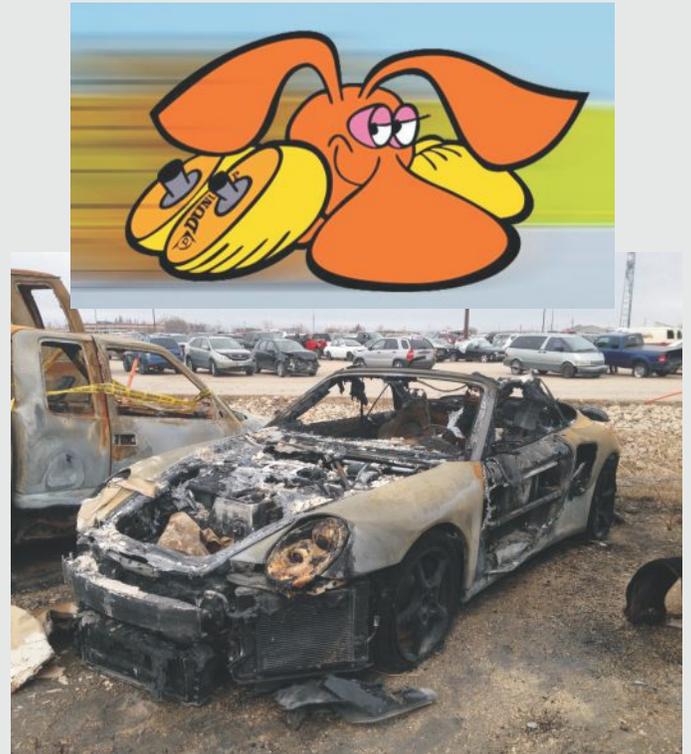
Q: DO YOU HAVE ANY OTHER HOBBIES?

A: We are the strangest of married couples who like to do everything together so we do each other's stuff. We both have a great love of food and gastronomy. Many of our best holidays have focussed around cooking schools - sometimes with our daughters (Tuscany, Napa Valley, Andalusia, Paris). In fact the Spanish school was a nice filler between Travel Club, Alps and Sport Driving School, Italy.

The whole family loves scuba-diving and many of our other great memories are of diving trips in some fabulous waters in the best spots on the globe for diving. Clearly, travel is also an ardent love and any excuse is a good one!

Q: WHAT IS ONE THING THAT PEOPLE IN THE CLUB DON'T KNOW?

A: Lisa was training as a pilot with the intent of flying commercially (and not just on the track in a Cayenne GTS) and her favourite exercise was stalling the plane and spinning it (something she hasn't done on the track in a Cayenne GTS!) Paz has had many careers before Podiatry, one of which was as a Procurement Officer with the Department of National Defence retiring with the civilian equivalent rank of Lt.Col. While there he purchased Capital equipment in all elements (Land, Sea and Air) and managed contracts in Aircraft Repair and Overhaul and Ship and Submarine Refitting.



## Did This Porsche Panamera Just Break The Ice Speed Record On Russia's Lake Baikal?



Story and photo courtesy [www.flatsixes.com](http://www.flatsixes.com)

Lake Baikal, the deepest and oldest freshwater lake in the world, sits in the Siberian region of Russia just north of the Mongolian border. Surrounded by mile high mountains, and subject to frequent tectonic movements, the 5000'+ deep lake is covered in ice up to 6.5' thick during the winter months. It was there, last week, that Mobil 1 made an attempt at the Russian Ice Speed record last set by a Nissan GT-R in 2013.

Using a completely stock Porsche Panamera Turbo S, Mobil 1 took part in the "Days of Speed" festival held on Olkhon, the largest island in the lake. With plans to get into the "Russian Book of Records" (Russia's answer to Guinness), Mobil 1 took a factory assembled Panamera Turbo S onto the frozen 10-kilometer track for two days of cold and slippery attempts.

Best as we can tell there are two records at stake:

1. Average Speed Over Time (they need to cover 10km at an average speed over 251.8 km/h)
2. Maximum Achievable Speed (the Nissan set the record in 2013 at 294.8 km/h)

As if driving on ice wasn't dangerous enough, the whole area of Lake Baikal is subject to both frequent earthquakes and temperature changes. Both of which can cause cracks in the ice, as wide as 12' in spots, to suddenly appear. I wouldn't want to be racing a car at any speed knowing that I could get swallowed up by an icy chasm.

Right now, reports are thin as to the results of Mobil 1's attempt. We only have one badly translated report from <http://infobaikal.ru> that suggests the Porsche broke both records with an Averages Speed Over Time of 285 km/h and a Maximum Achievable Speed of 295 km/h. Both, if true, should be enough to set a new Russian Ice Speed record.

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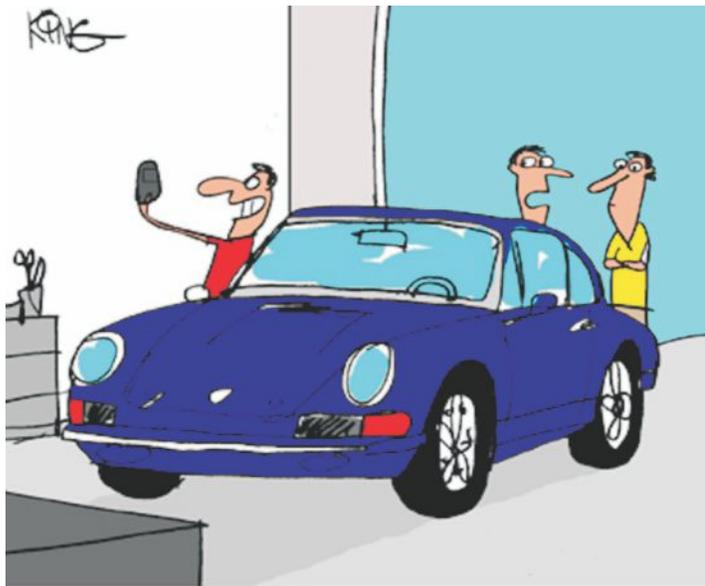
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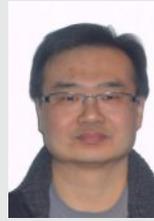
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