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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The month of August brings the great enthusiasm of the Independence Day and the festive mood of Ganesh Chaturthi throughout the country. At the middle of this, we have lost a legendary pathologist, our beloved Dr. M. Balaraman Nair. His knowledge in the subject of pathology and his familiarity in the rules and regulations of IAPM were unparalleled. We will definitely miss him. During the period of Ganesh festival, we have also lost a remarkable clinical colleague who was the husband of an equally talented pathologist. At the time of writing this message, we are debating who is responsible for this tragic accident.



Does anybody deserve this type of death? Whoever may be responsible for it, a large number of patients will definitely miss the healing touch of a great doctor and we will miss a great orator and a great analyst of a clinical situation. The joy of seeing the celebration of Independence Day by our senior colleagues in our head quarter, Cuttack in a what's APP message, was only short-lived as we are now mourning the death of a senior respected teacher and a beloved clinical colleague. No amount of words will console the relatives of the tragic death of this well know clinician. Only we can pray that God will give the family members of these two gifted doctors enough strength to tide over this crisis but all of us will remember these two excellent doctors forever.

The mega academic event of IAPM (APCON 2017) is only three months away and the organizing committee must be making all efforts to make the event a great success. Our immediate past president Prof. S. Duttagupta has done a great job in making a new look scientific programme of APCON 2017 in which he has introduced several sessions including several morning sessions after a gap of ten years. The afternoon CME programmes will be more extensive covering almost 12 to 15 subspeciality of pathology. The experts in these fields have also been identified to moderate these sessions.

Our honorary secretary Dr. Sharada Rane has taken a special interest in the membership drive and in the society's website management. She is also successful in introducing the online payment facility for the new APCON members and it is extremely laudable. We are in the process of finalizing our membership database. She is also trying to make the election process electronically and I sincerely support for this. I hope that the EC and GB will concur on this.

I must admit that all is not well in the activity of this executive. There is some problem in the treasurer office, which is not at that pace as the office of our dynamic honorary secretary. We should discuss this in the EC and GB to streamline it.





Another aspect that is bothering memost; is that the editor of IJPM journal Dr. Vatsala Misra will relinquish her duty after finishing her 5-year term. The effort of Dr. Vatsala Misra has raised the impact factor of Journal to a new high. Without undermining the capability of our next Editor elect, Dr. Ranjan Agarwal, I feel that the activity of editor's office may lose the momentum. The IJPM is the academic face of the pathology fraternity of India and the quality of IJPM will reflect the standard of pathology in India. It is our duty to improve the standard of our journal to an international level. To achieve this, all the members need to think in a positive way. First of all, we need to increase the number of original articles. This can be possible if all of us send at least a couple of original articles every 3-5 years to our journal for peer-review. We should encourage our juniors to send their thesis in our journal. The second thing should be the induction of some talented pathologist as joint editors to help the new editor in fine-tuning the work of our journal. It requires a detailed discussion in the EC and GB as it may lead into the change of byelaws of our society.

I wish all of you for a happy Durga puja, Dussehra and Diwali, which are coming in the month of September and October and see you in Bhopal, the city holding the mega academic feast for the second time.

Dr Ashim Das

SECRETARY'S MESSAGE

The Dear Members

Happy Ganesh Festival to all of you!

All of us are now gearing up and looking forward to our annual conference APCON 2014 at Gandhi Medical College, Bhopal. With efforts of all the present and past office bearers, we are in a new era of our association.



It is surprising, that despite having tools at our fingertips, many of us do not communicate or respond or communicate with wrong persons. Many of the instructions for the conference were uploaded on our IAPM website, long before they appeared in print. It is unfortunate that there is always a last minute rush for not only registering for the conference or uploading the abstracts, but even for IAPM membership! Each process takes time and takes a toll on the office-bearers' responsibilities. I appeal to all my seniors and friends to urge our postgraduates to become members as they enter their residency program and offer guidance in all aspects.

There has been a change in the APCON program this year and I request all to make a note of it. Will see you all in Bhopal with academic feast.

Dr Sharada Rane

NORTH-WEST CHAPTER IAPM

Chairperson: Prof R K Vasishtha

1. A conference of the north-west chapter of IAPM was hosted by the Department of Histopathology, PGIMER, Chandigarh on 27th November 2016. Prof B D Radotra and Nandita Kakkar were the chairperson and organising secretary respectively. Prof B N Datta, Prof A K Banerjee and Prof K Joshi, all Ex-HODs of Histopathology graced the occasion with their presence. The conference was attended by about 120 delegates from Punjab, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh and J & K besides Chandigarh. The academic session commenced with a lecture on "Gleason's grading: a systemic approach by Dr Murali Varma FRCPath (London), FACP (USA), Senior Consultant Histopathologist, The University Hospital of Wales, Cardiff, UK. This was followed by a lecture on "Issues on breast screening pathology" by Dr. Varsha Shah, Senior Consultant Histopathologist, Royal Gwent Hospital, Newport, UK. Dr Murali Varma also delivered a lecture on "Bladder cancer grading: WHO1973 or 2004". In the afternoon, there were two lectures 1) "papillary breast lesions- an update" and 2) "Immunohistochemistry: pitfalls and precautions" by Dr Varsha Shah and Dr. Murali Varma respectively.

2. The Postgraduate Department of Pathology, Government Medical College, Jammu, J&K hosted the North West Chapter, IAPM conference on 22nd April 2017. It was organised by Prof K KKoul, HOD department of Pathology at GMC Jammu and was attended by more than 500 delegates.

The conference programme included a variety of lectures. Prof R K Vasishtha, HOD of Histopathology, PGIMER, Chandigarh and President NW Chapter deliberated on the "Ethics in Histopathology Practices" which generated a widespread discussion among participants. Prof Harsh Mohan, Ex_HOD of Pathology, GMCH, Chandigarh and past-president IAPM gave a talk on "Biomedical Writing --Art & Science". Dr. KavitaMard, Professor Pathology IGMC Shimla talked about WHO Update on CNS Tumours.

A wide range of haematology topics were covered by eminent and reputed pathologists.

MAHARASHTRA CHAPTER IAPM

The Maharashtra Chapter of IAPM organized its annual conference between 8th to 10th September at Solapur. It was hosted by Dr G A Pandit Head of the department of Pathology, Dr V M Government Medical college Solapur. It was inaugurated By Hon. Dr Subhash Bhamre Minister of State for Defence in the presence of Dr Asim Das, President IAPM, Dr Sharade Rane, Secretary IAPM and Dr A T Deshmukh President, Maharashtra Chapter IAPM. Nearly 700 delegates attended the conference which was held at Balaji Sarovar".



KARNATAKA CHAPTER

LIST OF ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES IN THE YEAR 2017 (JUNE-SEPT 2017)

- 1. JUNE 2017: REPORT OF KCIAPM INTERACTIVE SLIDE SEMINAR:** Columbia Asia Referral Hospital, Bangalore organised a CME on Saturday, 17th June 2017. It was a 4 hour programme and 77 postgraduates / consultants turned up from across the state. There were interactive lectures on biochemistry (Liver function tests – A case based approach, by Dr Sweta Shivashanker), microbiology (Hepatitis viruses – A case based approach, by Drs Angelina Mendos and Anisha M Fernandes) and, 'How to write a paper' by Dr Sanjay A Pai.
- 2. 2nd International Multi-Disciplinary Breast Cancer Conference and Updates.** Organized by : Department of Pathology, Bangalore Medical College & Research Institute, Bangalore. Date: 14th & 15th July, 2017 Venue:

Dr. Basavarajendra Auditorium, Bangalore Medical College & Research Institute.

The conference was designed to provide an update on current screening guidelines, ER, PR, HER 2 testing, CAP-ASCO guidelines, new tests OncotypeDx. Internationally renowned experts were invited to provide knowledge about the pursuance of molecular aspects of breast cancer.

3. KAPCON 2017 at SSIMS & RC DAVANAGERE : The 44rd Annual Conference of Karnataka Chapter of Indian Association of Pathologists and Microbiologists was organized by the Dept of Pathology, SSIMS & RC Davanagere. The number of registered delegates for the CME and Conference was 380.

Renowned experts were invited across the state to share their knowledge and experience. Wide range of topics ranging from diagnostics to medical education including ethics in pathology, were selected.



**Inauguration of the KAPCON-2017:
44th Annual state conference of KCIAPM.**

APCON PROGRAM 2017, GANDHI MEDICAL COLLEGE, BHOPAL

INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY OF PATHOLOGY - INDIAN DIVISION

7TH DECEMBER 2017

8.30 am – 9.00 am	Inauguration
9.00 am – 10.00 am	Guest Lecture by Dr Anais Malpica, M.D. Anderson Cancer Centre, Houston, Texas, USA
10.30 am – 12.30 pm	Slide Seminar on "Breast core Biopsy" Moderator : Dr Amanjit Bal, PGIMER, Chandigarh
12.30 pm – 1.30 pm	Lunch
1.30 pm – 2.30 pm	Slide Seminar by Dr Anais Malpica
2.30 pm – 4.30 pm	Symposium on "Pathology of Sudden Death" Moderator : Dr. Pradeep Vaideshwar, Seth G.S. Medical College & KEM Hospital, Mumbai
4.30 pm – 5.30 pm	General body meeting of IAP-ID
8.00 pm onwards	Dinner.



APCON 2017 SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

8TH DECEMBER 2017

8.30 am to 9.30 am

Parallel Breakfast Sessions

- 1: Students corner (Hall A)
- 2: Research Methodology (For 1st Yr.PG) (Hall B)
Topic : How to present a paper and Data
Speaker : Professor Pallab Roy
- 3: Research Methodology (For 3rd Yr PG) (Hall C)
Topic : Career options after PG
Speaker : Dr D.N. Lanjewar
- 4: **Topic** : Basic molecular biology for pathologist (Hall D)
Speaker : Professor K.P. Aravindan

10.00 am to 10.45 am

Dr BK Aikat Oration: Prof Ashim Das

10.45 pm to 12.15 pm

Plenary paper session:

Dr KC Basu Malick & Best paper Award session

12.15 pm to 1.00 pm

Inauguration of APCON

1.00 pm to 2.00 pm

Poster viewing and Lunch

2.00 pm to 3.30 pm

Parallel CMEs / Symposia / Slide seminar

- 1: Slide Seminar (Hall A)
Topic : Rare Paediatric Tumours
Moderator : Dr Kirti Gupta
Detail programme not available
- 2: Liver Pathology+ 3 papers (Hall B)
Topic: Liver Bx Pathology
Moderator : Dr Nalini Bansal
Algorithmic Approach to Interpretation of Liver Biopsies
 1. Dr Nalini Bansal Gupta (SRL, Fortis OKhla, New Delhi) Pattern based approach to interpretation of Liver Biopsies
 2. Dr Deepak Burad (CMC Vellore) Cholestatic Liver Disease
 3. Dr Dilip Ramrakhiani (SMS Jaipur) Nodular Lesions of Liver
- 3: Hematology Symposium+ 3 papers (Hall C)
Topic : Myelodysplastic Syndromes
Moderator: Dr Seema Tyagi
Dr Seema Tyagi (AIIMS Delhi) Introduction & Diagnosis of MDS
Dr Tejinder Singh (MAMC, Delhi) Biology and Pathogenesis
Dr Reena Dass Classification, What is new?
Dr Deepak Mishra (TMC, Kolkata) Genetics & Prognosis
- 4: Renal Pathology (Hall D)
Topic : Renal Tumour Pathology slide seminar +3 papers
Moderator: Dr Sandhya Sunderam
Dr. Sandhya Sundaram (SRMC, Chennai): Case discussion
Dr. Santhosh Menon (TMH, Mumbai)
Dr. BH Srinivas

3.30 pm to 4.00 pm

Buffer Time / Tea Time

4.00 pm to 5.30 pm

Parallel CMEs / Symposia / Slide Seminar

1. Cytology (Hall A)

Topic: Cytology with case based Discussion

Moderator: Dr Rashmi Nichlani

Dr. Rashmi Nichlani (Bhopal)

Dr Rini Malik (Bhopal)

Dr. Vinita Kothari (Indore)

Overview

Case Based Discussion

Exfoliative Cytology and LBC

2. Gynecology Pathology + 3 papers (Hall B)

Topic : Borderline Surface Epithelial Tumors

Moderator: Dr Radhika Srinivasan

Speaker: Dr. Bharat Rekhi,
TMH, Mumbai

Classification, Grossing, importance of intraoperativestaging and Molecular aspects of epithelial ovarian neoplasms with special ref to Borderline tumours.

Speaker : Dr. Radhika S,
PGI, Chandigarh

Borderline serous tumours- gross/
microscopic features, microinvasion, implants and
d/d- low grade serous ca, micropapillary serous ca.

Speaker : Dr. Sandeep Mathur,
AIIMS, New Delhi

Borderline Mucinous (and PMP), Seromucinous
and endometrioid Tumors

Speaker :Dr. Indu Nair,
AIMS, Kochi

Challenging Case Demonstration

TBL Free paper in Gynec. Pathology (3x7 minutes)

3: Pulmonary Pathology + 3 papers(Hall C)

Topic : Integrated diagnosis in small Lung biopsies.

Moderator: Dr Chandralekha Tampi

Details not available

4: Ophthalmic Pathology + 3 papers (Hall C)

Topic : Intraocular Tumors

Moderator: Dr Geetha Venuganthi

1) Dr. Geeta K Vemuganti
Prof. & Dean, School of Medical
Sciences, Unv of Hyderabad

Handling of Eyeball Specimens and
Classification of Intraocular tumors.

2) Dr. Ruchi Mittal
Ophthalmic Pathologist,
LV Prasad Eye Institute, Bhubaneswar

Retinoblastoma & AJCC classification.

3) Dr. Seema Sen / KK
Head, Ophthalmic Pathology,
R P Centre, AIIMS

Mimics of Retinoblastoma

4) Dr. K Krishnakumar / SS
Deputy Director,
Vision Research Foundation

Overview of Uveal Tumors and recent advances

5) Dr. R Santhi
Chief Pathologist,
Aravind Medical Research Foundation

Intraocular tumor Suprises



- 5: Molecular pathology+ 3 papers (Hall D)
Topic : Application of Protein IHC to Genes

Moderator: Dr Sangeeta Desai

Introductory remarks:

Dr. Mayur Parihar (TMC, Kolkata) :

Dr. Mukta Ramadwar (TMC, Mumbai)

Dr. Rajiv Kumar (TMC, Mumbai):

Dr. Sangeeta Desai (10 min), TMC, Mumbai

Breast cancer

Colorectal cancer:

Lung Cancer

5.00 pm to 5.30 pm

Buffer Time

5.00 pm to 6.00 pm

Editorial Board Meeting

6.00 pm to 8.00 pm

Executive Council Meeting

8.00 pm Onward

Dinner

9TH DECEMBER 2017

8.00 am to 9.00 am

Breakfast Sessions

- 1: LN Pathology Case based Discussion (Hall A)

Speaker : Dr Anita Borges

- 2: G.I.Pathology Case based Discussion (Hall B)

Speaker : Prof. Anna Pullimud

- 3: CNS Pathology Case Based Discussion (Hall C)

Speaker : Dr Chitra Sarkar

9.00 am to 9.30 am

Buffer Time

9.30 am to 10.30 am

Dr Gaya Prasad Memorial Symposium

Topic : Gestational Trophoblastic Disease

Moderator : Asaranti Kar

Dr. Asaranti Kar

Introduction of topic and speakers

Dr. Geetashree Mukherjee,
TMC, Kolkata

Lesions of villous trophoblastic origin with extrauterine lesions

Prof. Nalini Gupta, PGI, Chandigarh

Lesions of extravillous trophoblastic origin.

Dr. Asaranti Kar,

S.C.B.Medical College, Cuttack

Assessment of diagnosis and prognosis with role of IHC

Prof. Tushar Kar, VIMSAR, Burla

Management protocol in reference to New FIGO staging and modified WHO risk factor scoring system.

10.45 am to 11.30 am

ICP Oration in the memory of

Dr S.M. Shirsat by Dr Jaya Deshpande

Topic : Traffic Stoppers in the Heart

11.30 am to 11.45 am

Buffer Time/Tea Time

11.45 am to 12.30 pm

Guest Lecture By Prof.(Dr) K. Ranganathan

Prof & Head, Dept. of Oral & Maxillofacial Pathology

Ragas Dental College & Hospital, Chennai

Topic : Odontogenic Tumors

11.30 am to 1.00 pm

ICP Executive Meeting

12.30 pm to 2.00 pm

Poster Viewing And Lunch

2.00 pm to 3.00 pm

ICP GBM

2.00 pm to 5.30 pm

1: Preferred Papers (Hall A)

2.00 pm to 3.30 pm

Parallel CMEs / Symposia / Slide Seminar



2: Pediatric Pathology (Hall B)

Topic : Foetal Autopsy Pathology

Moderator : Dr Sunil Jaiman

1. Dr C. N. Sai Shalini
Associate Professor,
Department of Pathology,
Sri Ramachandra Medical College
and Research Institute, Chennai. Fetal Renal Anomalies.
2. Dr Shalini, Senior Research Fellow,
Department of Medical Genetics
Kasturba Medical College,
Manipal University, Manipal. Perinatal autopsy: A valuable tool for
diagnosis of genetic disorders.
3. Dr Sunil Jaiman, Assistant Professor
Wayne State University
School of Medicine
Hutzel Women's Hospital, Perinatology
Research Branch (NICHD/NIH),
Michigan, USA. Live (video recorded) session on Performing a
Perinatal Autopsy and Placenta grossing.

3: Laboratory Medicine (Hall C)

Topic : Survival of clinical pathology in the era of Automation.

Moderator : Dr Ranjan Agarwal

1. Dr Ranjan Agrawal Introduction to the topic and Speakers
2. Dr Mukesh Agrawal System of Corporate labs in regard to
automation in their set-ups.
3. Dr Tapadia Debate in favour of Manual system
4. Dr Nitesh Mohan Debate in favour of Automation
5. Panel Discussion with Q & A session

4: Endocrine Pathology (Hall D)

Topic : Slide Seminar

Moderator : Col. Ramanan

Details not available

5: Dermatopathology (Hall D)

Topic : Vesiculobulbous lesions

Moderator : Dr Leena Dennis

Dr Leena Denis (SRMC, Chennai)

Dr Meera Thomas (CMC, Vellore)

Dr Gundala Ishitha (CME, Vellore)

Moderator :

Intraepidermal bulla/vesicle due to spongiolysis and ballooning

Intraepidermal bulla /vesicle due to acantholytic dyskeratosis

Subepidermal bulla /vesicle Cases

Wrap up with algorithmic approach to diagnosis

Oral presentations(dermatopathology papers)

Buffer Time

Proffered Papers in Hall B,C, D and E

IAPM GBM (Hall A)

Banquet Dinner.

3.30 pm to 4.00 pm

4.00 pm to 5.30 pm

6.00 pm to 8.00 pm

8.00 pm onwards

10TH DECEMBER 2017

8.30 am to 9.30 am

Poster Award Session (Hall A)

9.45 am to 10.30 am

Guest Lecture by Dr Anand Lagoo (USA) Hall A
Professor of Pathology,
Duke University Medical Centre, Durham, USA
Topic : Update on WHO 2016 Lymphoma Classification

10.30 am to 11.00 am

Education Discussion (Hall A)
Topic : MCI UG Curriculum in Pathology

11.00 am to 11.30 am

Buffer Time/Tea Time

11.30 am to 1.00 pm

APCON Online Quiz (Hall A) Dr Sharada Rane

1.00 pm to 1.30 pm

Valedictory Function and (Hall A)
Installation of New President.



OBITUARY



Dr M Balaraman Nair (MBBS, MD {Pathology}, DPB, FIC, FIMSA, FAMS), 85, the doyen of Pathology in Kerala, passed away on 13th August, 2017. He was serving as the Chief Consultant Pathologist, Medical Director and Chief Executive Officer of DDRCSRL in Trivandrum.

Dr Balaraman Nair completed his MBBS at Trivandrum Medical College in 1956, and MD (Path and Bact) in JJ Hospital and Grant Medical College, Bombay in 1961. In a long and illustrious career, he has donned many roles, including-

Professor – Department of Pathology, Medical Colleges Kottayam, Calicut and Trivandrum, and PSGIMS Coimbatore.

Professor – Department of Forensic Medicine, Kottayam Medical College.

WHO Fellow in Cancer Cytology in UK.

Principal – Kottayam, Calicut and Trivandrum Medical Colleges.

Director of Medical Education, Government of Kerala.

Dean, Faculty of Medicine, University of Kerala and University of Calicut.

Vice President of IMA Kerala State Branch.

Chairman, State Medical Research Board.

President, Indian Association of Pathologists and Microbiologists.

President, International Academy of Pathologists, Indian Division.

Chairman, Indian College of Pathologists.

President, State Medical Council (Kerala).

Thirty two publications in National and International Journals.

Nine contributions to Books and Proceedings.

Lifetime Achievement Award of the IAPM Kerala Chapter, 2017.

Best Doctor Award, 2006.

A mentor to many generations of Pathologists in Kerala and one of the stalwarts of Pathology in the country, he will be deeply missed. It is great loss to IAPM. Prayers for the departed soul.