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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members,

Wish you all a happy and safe season of festivals. The second phase of corona pandemic has been controlled by our hard work and discipline. A lot of academic activities have started though in online/ virtual mode. At some places a hybrid mode is also being followed.



Many state chapters have organized their conferences and many more are in line. APCON 2021 at Raipur will be held from 1-5th December along with IAP-ID. The final program is available on IAPM website also. It will be held in digital mode. Dr. Gahine and her team are working hard to make it successful.

All senior members are invited to attend the APCON and bless us as there will be no problem of travel etc. You are also requested to encourage young faculty members and postgraduates to register and present papers in larger numbers.

The association is changing fast and moving towards digitalization. EC and various other sub committees had regular online meetings to carry forward the work of association. All the members are requested to visit the association website and update their contact details regularly for information regarding conference, awards and elections etc.

With best wishes

**Dr. Vatsala Misra**

## VICE-PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

### **World Federation for Medical Education**

#### **- Are we feeling the pulse at the periphery ?**

The goal of medical education is to improve health of all human kind and is the overall mission of the World Federation for Medical Education (WFME). WFME is the international body representing all medical teaching institutions, medical teachers and students and medical doctors in all aspects of their education, WFME undertakes, in keeping with its constitution, promoting the highest scientific and ethical standards in medical education by encouraging development of new learning techniques and innovative ideas for medical education. In 1984, WFME conducted International Collaborative Programme for Re-orientation of Medical Education. The outcome of this programme was adopted by Edinburgh Declaration (1988), World Health Assembly (WHA) Resolution (1989), World Summit on Medical Education (1993) and Medical Education and Medical Practice for Health for All (1995). Edinburgh Declaration refers to improvement of health care system worldwide for human race and the conclusive remarks made were – i) reform of medical education requires more than agreement; ii) it requires widespread commitment to action, vigorous leadership and political will; iii) in certain situation, requiring inevitable financial support; iv) redefining priorities and also v) re-allocation of what is available.

The Trilogy of WFME programme on global standards in medical education, approved by World Health Organization (WHO) and World Medical Association (WMA) are : i) to stimulate authorities, organisations and institutions having responsibility for medical education to formulate their own plans for change and for quality improvement in accordance with international recommendations; ii) to establish a system of national and/or international evaluation, accreditation and recognition of medical educational institutions and programmes to assure minimum quality standards for the programmes; and iii) to safeguard practice in medicine and medical manpower utilisation, in the context of increasing internationalisation, by well-defined international standards in medical education.





The WFME global standards embrace all phases of medical education, i.e. basic (undergraduate) medical education, postgraduate medical education and continuing professional development of medical doctors. The trilogy of global standards intends to facilitate the relationship between the phases of medical education. In developing the Trilogy, WFME appointed three International Task Forces, each comprising a Working Party meeting on a retreat basis and broader Panel of Experts that communicated electronically. The members of the Task Forces were selected based on their expertise and geographical coverage.

The main aim of WFME is maintenance of global standards for quality Improvement of Medical Education covering all three phases i.e. i) Basic (Undergraduate) Medical Education (BME), ii) Postgraduate Medical Education (PME) and iii) Continuing Professional Development (CPD) of Medical Doctors. In 2000, preliminary results were presented following which the Trilogy was published in 2003. The standard set by the organisation is implemented worldwide by offering medical education and programmes spreading over different stages of development of educational, socio-economic and cultural conditions and disease patterns. One important constant factor was decision not to change the global standards too frequently as it would be associated with the risk of creating unnecessary inconvenience among institutional users. Revision, however, took place in 2012 after the initial publication, as the Executive Council of WFME realised the need, after considering the commentaries received from medical educators, institutions and organisations. It should be noted here that these documents developed by WFME concern mainly professional medical education, but not training for academic degrees like PhD and Master.

**Dr Kim Vaiphei**

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## SECRETARY'S MESSAGE

Dear all,

A very warm welcome to APCON 2021 which is going to be held from 1st to 5th December, after an interval of two years (we didn't have APCON in 2020 as it was declared a null year). The organising committee of APCON, Raipur have decided to have it virtual; if situation permits they might go for a hybrid conference. Registration and abstract submission have started full fledged and abstract submission date has been extended to 15th October to accommodate more young members. I take this opportunity to request all chapter chairpersons to be proactive and initiate awareness among postgraduates and residents to become members, participate in APCON and submit their abstracts in large numbers.

In the meanwhile, the academic committee has finalised the scientific program which has been designed looking after interest and priorities of young pathologists and also topics already covered in recent past APCONs. I'm sure it'll be a highly beneficial teaching session for all and the lectures delivered and discussed here will be much sought after even after the conference is over. The moderators of different parallel CMEs and PG sessions are already finalised and informed. They should follow strict criteria in choosing the speakers; ideally it must include members from all corners of country and care should be taken to give chance to the new-comers. All moderators are requested to strictly maintain the timing and finish in the time slot provided to them. All the speakers must be life members of IAPM and should have experience/expertise in the given topic/ subject matter.

As you are aware, since 2019, we are having electronic voting to make the elections paper less and it was smoothly conducted by the webmaster. This year also we are going to have elections for all three posts, namely: President, Vice-President and Editor-in-Chief (Elect). The biodata of all the

contestants are provided in this news bulletin for the knowledge of all the members; so that they can choose the eligible and suitable candidates. The dates for voting will be in last week of October and counting will be electronic and immediately done. The results will be announced during APCON, 2021. We take this opportunity to request all life members of IAPM to update their phone number and email id in IAPM website home page: [iapm.org.in](http://iapm.org.in) in the link "Request for change corresponding address". The members are to furnish their details in the provided column and it'll be automatically updated. In case of any difficulties, please contact Hon. Secretary/ treasurer/ webmaster. The chapter chairpersons and secretary are to take extra efforts to update details of the members of respective chapters.



**For electronic voting, there is no need to register or log in the members section of website. It is necessary only for the newly applied membership or upgradation of membership; not for old members. The online election link will be provided to all updated life members via updated email ids where they will cast their votes.**

Notification was given in different social platforms, to chairpersons and also by personal mails regarding different awards in 2021. We have received few entries in different categories this year which are being evaluated and the results will be declared in due time. Since we couldn't have the competition last year, the presentation for Best paper award will be held this year during plenary session to be held on 3rd December from 6.30 to 8.30PM. The contestants are already informed regarding their presentation.



Proposals are invited from members for Gaya Prasad Memorial Symposium, parallel CMEs and breakfast PG sessions for APCON 2022 on or before 15th November in proper format. The proposer/moderator must be life member of IAPM for at least 5 years, have expertise in the proposed topic and should give a layout of the different parts to be included.

I wish everyone a life time experience of a real big online academic extravaganza which you can experience sitting at your home. Best wishes to all members, moderators, speakers, contestants and the participants of different awards and of course to the organising team of APCON, 2021.

Till then...stay safe & stay healthy. Take care.

Jai IAPM

Dr. Asaranti Kar

## IAPM ELECTION - 2021

### NOTICE REGARDING ONLINE ELECTION 2021

1. Only life members are eligible for online voting.
2. There is no need to Register or Log in for online voting.
3. The online voting link will be intimated to all updated life members via Email.
4. Same will be updated in the website for online voting.
5. For online voting life members must have their updated Email and Mobile Number.
6. You can check the membership status and your data from <https://iapm.org.in/memberlist.aspx>
7. If you will not find your updated email or Mobile number in the Member List then you can submit your data by click on "**Request for Change of Corresponding Address**". button in the website.
8. All the information regarding election will be updated in the IAPM website.

### CANDIDATES CONTESTING ELECTION -2021

#### **President-**

Dr. Kim Vaiphei, Dr. Dilip Ramrakhiani

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Dr. Sharada Rane, Dr. Kanaklata Dei

#### **Editor-in-Chief (Elect)-**

Dr. Bharat Rekhi, Dr. Amanjit bal

## JOINT SECRETARY'S STATE CHAPTER REPORT

As Covid situations are improving with effective vaccination and other control measures, some state chapters have started offline activities along with continuing online CMEs/ academic activities. Summary of academic programmes of various state chapters of IAPM, held in the months of July, August & September' 2021:



### ANDHRA PRADESH CHAPTER

Mid-term online CME was conducted on 19th Sept'2021 at PES Institute of Medical Sciences and Research (PESIMSR), Kuppam. The event was organized by Dr.Ramaswamy.A.S (Organizing Chairman), Dr.Kumarguru.B.N. (Organizing Secretary) with the support and active involvement of faculty of the Pathology Department, and coordination with Dr E Kiran Kumar, Secretary, IAPM- AP Chapter. The CME was inaugurated by Dr.M.R. Doreswam,Honorable Chancellor of PES University. Eminent speakers included Dr.UshaKini, Dr.Sudheer, Dr. C.N. Srinivas, Dr. Hephzibah Rani. The virtual CME was attended by 433 registrants from across the country and abroad. The postgraduates and faculty from different colleges presented 89 posters on virtual basis before the academic event.

### KARNATAKA CHAPTER

48th state conference, KAPCON 2021 is scheduled from 1-3 October, 2021. Preconference activities including: Paper presentations were simultaneously conducted virtually across to complete 300 and odd papers. A total of 9 institutions participated and successfully completed the preliminary presentations on 24th and 25th Sept'2021. The finalround was conducted on 30th September 2021. A total of 8 workshops were conducted across the state in the virtual mode on 29th and 30th Sept'2021. Many competitions were organized to engage the audience. In addition to Paper and Poster Presentations and PathQuiz, competitions like PathSketch, PathTweet, PathKalakar PathBlogs,Path Memes and PathInnovate were included and been displayed in the website and on social media platforms.

### KERALA CHAPTER:

On 1st August'2021, a guest lecture "Approach to the diagnosis of soft tissue tumors with current evidence" was delivered by Dr. BharathRekhi of, TMH Mumbai, followed by an interesting slide seminar session. On 27th, 28th and 29th August' 2021, an international webinar on lymphoma - Diagnosis of lymphoma - hear it from Experts was conducted. More than 1400 registered (free of cost) for the event. Members across states and pathologists across world witnessed this event. The feedback was excellent. On 5th Sept'2021, a cultural fest was organized in association with Onam Festival. More than 40 institutions participated. Title was- AthamPathonam - Videos were recorded, which are available on IAPM, Kerala chapter YouTube channel.

Maharashtra Chapter: The Annual Conference of the Maharashtra Chapter (MAPCON 2021) was held from 24th to 26th September, 2021 at Krishna Institute of Medical Sciences, Karad. The pre-conference CME was conducted on 24th September, 2021. Varied topics pertaining to Clinical Pathology, laboratory management and histopathology were covered at the CME. The main



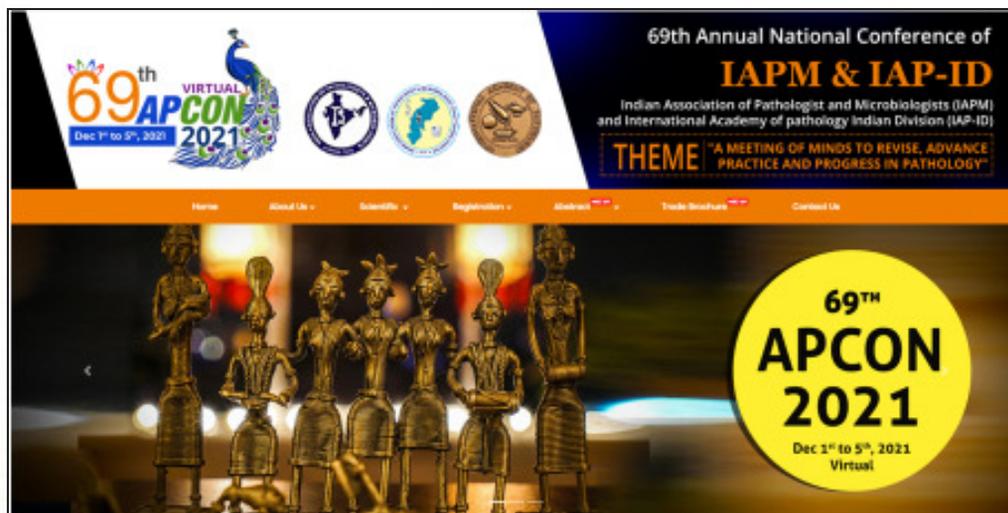
conference was conducted on 25th and 26th September, 2021. Quiz on interesting lesions was conducted by Dr. Anupama Gupta for the postgraduates. Key note address was delivered on 'How to write a scientific article' by Dr. Vatsala Mishra. Dr. Meenal Hastak delivered a talk on 'Endometrial carcinoma- Morphology to PROMISE algorithm and beyond'. Chairperson of Maharashtra Chapter, Dr. Shubhangi V. Agale, gave a talk on 'Primary splenic lymphomas.' This was followed by oral paper presentations for 'Dr. B S Raichur prize'. A symposium on 'Lymphomas' was conducted by Dr. Sumeet Gujral, Dr. Pravin Mahajan and Dr. Jay Mehta. The session was moderated by Dr. Anita Borges. The last academic activity was a slide seminar conducted by Dr. Ritu Mehta. It was a very successful academic event which attended by 900 delegates from all over the state. A total of 102 papers and 182 posters were presented at the conference. The annual general body meeting was also held.

### NORTH-EAST CHAPTER

The 1st webinar on Interesting Cases was conducted on 24th September 2021. Prof (Dr) J D Sharma of BCCI, Guwahati presented interesting cases of high-grade B-Cell Lymphoma, Prof (Dr) V. Ralrael of NEIGRIHMS, Shillong spoke on Pediatric Round cell tumours and Dr. Z. Chowdhury of MPMCC & HBCH, Varanashi delivered his presentation on Hodgkin's Disease. A total of 150 participants attended this webinar. The webinar started with an welcome address from Prof (Dr) Usha Sarma, the Secretary, North East Regional Chapter IAPM and vote of thanks was delivered by Prof (Dr) Anupam Sarma, Secretary of Guwahati Forum of NERC-IAPM

In my opinion, as covid situations are getting congenial at most of the places/states, so we should start offline academic programmes along with continuing online CMEs/ Conferences for the benefit of post-graduates and young Pathologists.

Dr. Harendra Kumar



**APCON 2021-RAIPUR, CHATTISGARH****SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM**

<b>Day 1</b>		<b>1<sup>st</sup> December, 2021 – Pre-conference CMEs</b>	
2.30 PM- 6.30 PM	<u>Topic</u>		<u>Moderator</u>
	1. Digital Pathology-		<b>Dr. Mithilesh Chandra</b>
	2. Application and integration of Genomics in current Pathology practice-		<b>Dr. Mayur Parihar</b>
	3. Recent updates in WHO diagnosis and prognosis of tumours & its challenges in resource poor setting-		<b>Dr. Amit Chouhan</b>
	4. Orbital Neoplasm -		<b>Dr. Dilip Mishra</b>
<b>Day 2</b>		<b>2<sup>nd</sup> December, 2021 IAP –ID</b>	
2.00 PM - 2.15 PM	<b>Inauguration</b>		
2.15 PM - 3.15 PM	Guest Lecture by Invited Foreign Guest Speaker		
3.15 PM - 5.00 PM	Slide Seminar		
	Topic: <i>“VISA [Variable Interpretation of Similar Appearances] of tumors of Accessory cells”</i>		
	Moderator: <b>Dr Faiq Ahmed</b>		
	Department of Pathology, Basavatarakam Indo-American Cancer Hospital & Research Institute Hyderabad		
5.00 PM- 5.10 PM	Break		
5.10 PM- 6.10 PM	Slide Seminar by Invited Foreign Guest Speaker		
6.10 PM- 7.55 PM	Symposium		
	Topic: <i>“Quality Assurance in Anatomic Pathology”</i>		
	Moderator: <b>Dr. Jayaram N. Iyengar</b>		
	Managing Director, Neuberger Anand Academy of Laboratory Medicine, Bengaluru		
7.55 PM -8.00 PM	Concluding Session		
8.00 PM	Meeting concludes		
<b>Day 3</b>		<b>3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2021</b>	
10.00 AM-11.30 AM	Poster review		
11.30 AM-2 00 PM	Free papers session		
2.00 PM - 3.00 PM	Parallel PG sessions		
	<u>Topic</u>		<u>Moderator</u>
	1. Milan system of salivary gland cytology reporting		<b>Dr. Bidyut Goswami</b>
	2. New Gleason’s grading system-		<b>Dr. Prateek Kinra</b>
	3. Cell block –Getting maximum from minimum-		<b>Dr. Indranil Chakraborty</b>
	4. WHO classification 2020 of Endometrial Neoplasm-		<b>Dr. Nalini Gupta</b>
3.00 PM - 4.30 PM	Parallel CMEs		
	<u>Topic</u>		<u>Moderator</u>
	1. Placenta- Best out of the waste-		<b>Dr. Asaranti Kar</b>
	2. Flow cytometry interpretation -		<b>Dr. Gurmeet Singh</b>
	3. Role of Laboratory in critical care management-		<b>Dr. N. Jayaram</b>



4.30 PM - 5.30 PM	4 Coagulation profile –Analysis ,interpretation& pitfalls –	<b>Dr. Sukesh Chandran Nair</b>
5.30 PM - 6.30 PM	<b>Inauguration</b> Dr. B.K. Aikat Memorial Presidential Oration	
6.30 PM - 8.30 PM	Plenary Paper Sessions-	<b>Prof. K. C. Basu Mallick &amp; Best Paper Award</b>

#### Day 4 4<sup>th</sup> December, 2021

10.00 AM- 11.30 AM	Poster review	
11.30 AM- 2.00 PM	Free paper sessions	
2.00 PM- 3.00 PM	Parallel PG sessions <u>Topic</u>	<b>Moderator</b> <b>Dr. Vatsala Misra</b>
	1. How to prepare for MD Pathology Exam- (Writing Thesis, Publishing paper, facing Practicals)	
	2. Urinalysis –	<b>Dr. Sidhartha Datta Gupta</b>
	3. Rapid tests- How to report & be safe-	<b>Dr. Sachin Kale</b>
	4 .Trouble shootings in cervical cytology-	<b>Dr M. M. Kamal</b>
3.00 PM- 4 .30 PM	Parallel CMEs <u>Topic</u>	<b>Moderator</b>
	Recent classification of hepatobiliary pancreatic tumors-	<b>Dr. Leena Dennis</b>
	Adrenal tumors & tumor like lesions-	<b>Dr. Uttara Chaterjee</b>
	Quality assurance in Hematology-	<b>Dr. Neeraj Jain</b>
	Colorectal carcinoma: The emerging menace-	<b>Dr Prasanjit Das</b>
4.30 PM- 5.30 PM	ICP Oration <u>Topic</u>	
	<i>Diagnosis of tissue invasive parasites</i>	
	<u>Speaker</u> <b>Dr. Sudha Sane</b>	
5.30 PM - 6.30 PM	Gaya Prasad Memorial Symposium <u>Topic</u>	
	<i>Social networking in Today's era of medical writing &amp; publishing</i>	
	<u>Mooderator</u> <b>Dr. Ranjan Agarwal</b>	
6.30 PM - 7.30 PM	Guest lecture <u>Topic</u>	
	<i>SARS - CoVid-2 infection and Hematology laboratory</i>	
	<u>Speaker</u> <b>Prof. Gina Zini, Italy</b>	
7.30 PM - 8.30 PM	Symposium on COVID 19 experience	
	1. Autopsy experience in CoVid-19-	<b>Dr . Ashwani Tandon</b>
	2. Biomarkers in Covid 19-	<b>Dr. Jyoti Priyadarshini Shrivastava</b>
	3. Pathology of Mucormycosis in pre and post covid era-	<b>Dr. Sharada Rane</b>

#### Day 5 5<sup>th</sup> December, 2021

10 AM - 11 AM	Selected poster presentation	
11 AM - 12 Noon	Dr. CI Jhala Oration <u>Topic</u>	
	<i>Upgrading renal diagnostic to research laboratories: A comprehensive approach to serve humanity better</i>	
	<u>Speaker</u> <b>Dr. ArunaVaniker</b>	
12 Noon- 1 PM	Tamilnadu Puducherry Oration <u>Topic</u>	
	<i>Medical ethics in Pathology : Current scenario</i>	
	<u>Speaker -</u> <b>Dr. V. Rajalakshmi</b>	
1.00 PM -.1.30 PM	Valedictory session	