



SECRETARY'S MESSAGE

Dear members,

Greetings to all and heartfelt congratulations for coming out winners amidst the devastating effect of Covid-19. Now the vaccine has come up and many of us have already taken two jabs of the vaccine. I am sure this will boost our immunity and make us victorious in the war against Corona.

APCON 2020 was postponed to 2021 and will be held in the same venue i.e. Raipur. The organising committee of Raipur have already started working on it. The probable dates proposed by the organisers for the conference are during 2nd week of December: the tentative dates are 6th & 7th December for preconference workshop & CMEs, 8th Dec for IAP-ID, 9th - 11th Dec for IAPM conference. However, now also they have some apprehension about registration and financial support among members. But we are hopeful that we will be able to have our national conference onsite along with online platforms and are waiting for a large gathering of enthusiastic and dynamic pathologists and postgraduates.

Accounts of our association has been created in facebook, telegram and YouTube. IAPM facebook page link is- [https://www.facebook.com/Indian-Association-of-Pathologists-and-Microbiologists-](https://www.facebook.com/Indian-Association-of-Pathologists-and-Microbiologists-799868416836816)

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the webinars are uploaded and are easily accessible during and even after the completion of sessions; these can be downloaded also.

Following is the invitation link to join IAPM account in telegram:

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Members are requested to download telegram and join the group via this invitation link. It can be widely shared among all the members and the state chairpersons are requested to share this among their chapter members so that they can join in large numbers which will help in wide circulation of any message/ news in the association. Also I take this opportunity to request the state chairpersons to complete updating of members in website as soon as possible which will help us to conduct online elections smoothly. The state activities were interrupted due to Covid-19 and recently



getting activated. Thanks to all the chapter chairpersons for introduction of digitalisation in state conferences and holding several academic activities in spite of the grim situation of Corona pandemic.

As per our online EC meeting held on 16.8.20, we had decided to get entries for the IAPM awards for 2020. Invitations were asked through different platforms and due to less number of participants date was extended one month more. After the last date, we have received 4 entries for Best paper award and one for Prof. KC Basu Mallick award which are being scrutinised for selection and presentation during APCON 2021. However, there are no contributions for other awards like Dr.V.R.Khanolkar and Smt. Kunti Devi Mehrotra and will be declared cancelled for the

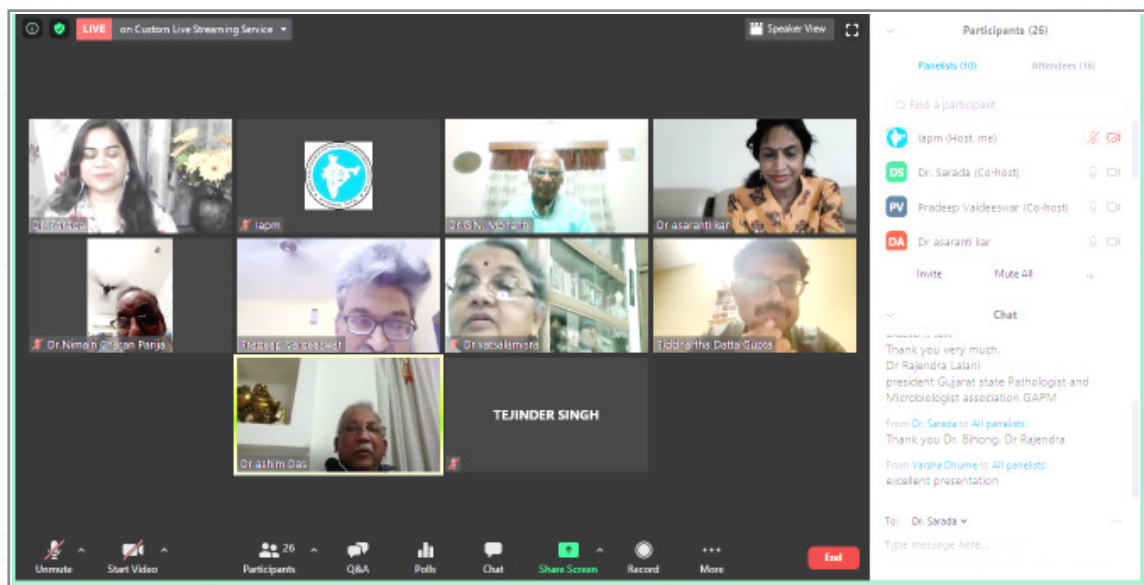
year 2020.

Academic committee has been constructed following the resolution of agenda of Oct-Dec newsletter of 2019 and includes two past presidents Dr. Pradeep Vaideeswar, Dr. Sidhartha Datta Gupta, and current organising secretary Dr. Renuka Gahine. Recently, we have started IAPM webinars for postgraduates and faculty of Pathology. The topics are carefully chosen addressing the basic needs of students inclusive of symposium on general or basic pathology topics with slide seminars on commonly encountered issues along with histomorphological approach to diagnosis

Last but not the least, I request all the members to take care and stay safe and keep working for the betterment of our association.

Jai IAPM.

Dr. Asaranti Kar



IAPM WEBINAR



STATE CHAPTERS' REPORT

As we are aware that, in view of Covid-19 pandemic; all National & State chapter conferences/ CMEs were postponed/ cancelled. Few chapters used online platforms to conduct conferences/CMEs/ academic activities:

1. Andhra Pradesh Chapter: Conducted 4 online scientific sessions in this last quarter of 2020. First one is on Cutaneous melanocytic lesions by Dr.T. Santosh of AIIMS, Mangalagiri. 2nd and 3rd were; Role of publications in PG teaching, and What next after M.D (Pathology): Career guidance and opportunities, by Dr.Upendra Srinivas from Visakhapatnam and 4th topic was Rational use of blood and components by Dr.Asitava Debroy of Kishanganj. All sessions were uploaded in youtube page of IAPM AP Chapter.

2. Karnataka Chapter: The 47th state conference "KAPCON 2020" was conducted from 2nd to 4th October 2020. It was virtual event. The conference was organized under the chairmanship of Hon. President KCIAPM Dr.Usha Kini and Hon. Secretary Dr.Vijay Shankar S and Dr. Aditya Agnihotri as Organizing Secretary. The conference had 1354 registered delegates from all states of country with 12 International Registrations. The conference had 40 Faculty of National and International repute who participated in 15 different sessions on various sub-specialities. Three Panel discussions on relevant topics were also held, including one on Immunohistochemistry was Moderated by Dr.

Parinitha S S.. 213 papers were presented virtually by the delegates along with 300 posters which were uploaded to the website.

3. Tamil Nadu and Pondicherry chapter:



Virtual Interesting slide seminar was conducted on Oct 17 2020, in which 17 cases were discussed & attended by 150 delegates. An Online CME from November 16th to 21st, 2020, was conducted by MGMCRI, Pondicherry, on Zoom platform under the auspices of TNPC-IAPM. Delegates were welcomed by Dr. S. Sowmya, Lectures included; Dr. Shruti Mishra of BHU on "Rendezvous with HPLC". Dr. Siddaraju. N of JIPMER, on "Cytomorphologic approach to hematomatous neoplasms.. Approach to Lichenoid dermatitis by Dr. Sasi Kiran Attili from Vishakapattinam. Dr. Shubhangi V Agale from Mumbai on Histiocytic disorders of Bone marrow. Dr. Ravichandran, from Chennai and Dr. Marie Therese Manipadam from Vellore discussed "An approach to a child with Leukemia" and "Approach to intra-ductal proliferations of breast" respectively. Dr. Ravichandran discussed necessity of clinico-pathological synergy in childhood leukemia diagnosis & management. Dr. Marie Therese Manipadam discussed the intra-ductal proliferations of breast. Dr. Elanthendral from Vellore and Dr. S. Sowmya, Dr. Elanthendral explained the



approach to lymphoma and interpretation of synovial biopsies. Pathology of Bladder tumors by Dr Santhosh Menon, from TMH, Mumbai and “Interpretation of small bowel pathologies and Malabsorption” by Dr.Prasenjit Das from AIIMS, New Delhi. Nearly 293 delegates attended the session. Total 43 postgraduate students presented e-posters. Vote of thanks was proposed by Dr. K.R. Umadevi. In virtual slide seminar on 28th Nov’2020 interesting cases were presented by faculty and postgraduates. A guest lecture cum virtual slide seminar on “renal tumors “ by Dr.Karthik Kalyanasundaram from North Midlands on 12th Dec’2020 which was attended by 120 delegates.

4. Uttar Pradesh Chapter: An “Online 2020 Path CME on Bone & soft tissue tumors” was conducted on 25th & 26th Dec’20 by Department of Pathology, Sarojini Naidu Medical College, Agra. The invited speakers were Dr. Bharat Rekhi, Professor, Pathology from Tata Memorial Hospital, Mumbai and Dr. Pradyumn Singh, Professor, Pathology, Dr. Ram Monohar Lohia Institute of Medical sciences, Lucknow who delivered lecture on ‘Role of immunohistochemistry in diagnosis of Soft tissue tumors’ & Challenges and pitfalls in histological diagnosis of bone tumors’ respectively. CME was inaugurated by Prof. Sanjay Kala, Principal & Dean, S. N. Medical College, Agra and by Prof. S.H. Arif, President, UP Chapter of IAPM. Total 424 delegates from all over India as well as from Nepal were registered. 70 oral papers and 46 e-posters were presented online on 25th & 26th Dec’20 using

Zoom platform with youtube streaming as well. Interesting cases were presented by Dr. Harendra Kumar, Dr. Deepa Rani, Dr. Roopak Agrawal & Dr. Savita Agrawal. The academic sessions were chaired by Prof. Vatsala Misra, Prof. Atul Gupta, Prof. Nuzhat Hussein, Prof. Suresh Babu, Prof. Rani Bansal, Prof. Kalplana Singh, Prof. Mahendra Singh & Prof. Ranjan Agrawal. The organizing team was led by Prof. Rajni Bharti, Organizing chairperson & Dr. Harendra Kumar along with Dr. Pooja Agrawal, Dr. Deepa Rani, Dr. Garima Dundy, Dr Chandrakanta, Dr. Aprajita Goel, Dr. Taun Mishra, Dr. Prashant Singh, Dr. Pooja Nagayach, Dr. Shikha Prakash & Dr. Neha Azad.

5. West Bengal Chapter (WB-IAPM): Organized the Dr. RN Ghosh Memorial CME on virtual platform on 28th November 2020, including the E-poster presentation by the post graduate students. 13 selected posters were presented out of total 72 e-posters. Speaker included stalwarts including Prof. Anita Borges, Prof. Tejindar Singh, Prof. Pranab Dey, Dr. Sambit Mohanty and Dr Bhaskar Narayan Chodhury, shared their experiences with delegates.

I think such online academic activities should be continued for the benefit of post-graduates and young Pathologists till this Covid-19 pandemic gets over.

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IAPM WEBINARS

TENTATIVE LIST OF TOPICS WITH SPEAKERS

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| 1. Molecular mechanism of cancer | - Dr. Sambit Mohanty |
| 2. Newer concepts of cell injury | - Dr. Venkat Iyer |
| 3. Tumors with epithelioid morphology | - Prof. Bharat Rekhi |
| 4. A to Z of Cell kinetics - Dr. Sudip Sen | |
| 5. Granulomas: How much do we know ? | - Dr. Sharada Nigoti |
| 6. Resolution of Inflammation: Mechanism, mediators & markers | - Dr. Harendra Kumar |
| 7. Clear cells in Pathology: Histomorphologic approach | - Dr. Asaranti Kar |
| 8. Hemodynamic parameters & their monitoring: Role in critical care | - Dr. Rajeev Puri |
| 9. Bodies in human bodies: Pathological & Non-pathological | - Dr. Ranjan Agarwal |
| 10. Pigments and minerals: Histomorphologic distinction with special stains | - Dr. Debahuti Mohapatra |
| 11. Cancer & Hypercoagulability | - Dr. Smita Divate |
| 12. Cystic tumors in histopathology : Can we approach ? | - Dr. Pradeep Vaideeswar |
| 13. Approach to anemia with case discussion | - Dr. Dipak Mishra |
| 14. Tumefactive infections & pseudotumors | - Dr. Uttara Chatterjee |
| 15. Eosinophil-rich non-parasitic lesions | - Dr. Debasis Gochhait |
| 16. Art of algorithmic Approach to histomorphology | - Dr. Pranab Patwardhan |
| 17. Interpretation of bone marrow aspiration & biopsy with case discussion | - Dr. Tejinder Singh |
| 18. Art of algorithmic approach to Immunohistochemistry | - Dr. Sanjaya Navani |