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President’s Message

Dear Members,

Trust all of you are doing well. The IAC has been actively organizing scientific and academic programs all over India. Cancer awareness and cancer detection camps are also being held. We are all preparing for the 38th conference of IAC, CYTOCON 2008, to be held at BJ Medical College, Ahmedabad, 13-16th Nov 2008. Dr. Chetan Dhariaiya is working overtime to make it memorable. I do hope all of you come in large numbers to Ahmedabad. Moreover for the first time in history of IAC, the president of International Academy of Cytology, Dr. Alain Verhest (Belgium) will be attending and addressing the delegates at CYTOCON 2008. IAC is growing at every level. The state chapters of IAC are being launched; after the Orissa chapter (Dr. N Rout), the Rajasthan chapter (Dr D. Mathur, Dr. SN Chawla, Dr. Prasad), I had the opportunity to inaugurate the WB chapter with Dr Asitava Mondal (President), Dr Rajat Mukherji (Secretary) on 28th June 2008 in Kolkata.

In Goa, we organized 3 CMEs this year; faculties from USA, Canada, Hungary, Hong Kong, Germany, India delivered lectures and conducted slide seminars. We also organized large numbers of CMEs, updates, seminars, workshops by eminent national faculties; and cancer awareness and cancer detection camps in different parts of Goa. As a member of the Government of Goa delegation, I visited Dubai and interacted with pathologists and cytologists there. Due to my personal efforts, 2 pathologists (IAC members) from Rajasthan were trained in Tata Memorial Hospital, Mumbai. I have seen cytology & histopathology in India, Germany, Portugal, Spain, Italy, France, Netherlands, Belgium, Canada, Singapore, Thailand, Japan and Hong Kong. We need to network cytology and histology with our neighboring Asian countries and, need to encourage research in cytology and take technology to different parts of India. We need to guide our young cytologists with good medical ethical practices, discipline, sincerity, honesty, hard work and professionalism. We are in a process of launching the Indian College of Cytologists. We must also prepare ourselves to attend the next International Academy of Cytology Conference in Edinburgh, UK from 16-20th May 2010.

Thanking you and Greetings from Goa

Dr. R G W Pinto, Goa

From The Desk of Secretary

Dear Friends,

By the time this Newsletter reaches you, you will be preparing for the Annual Conference in Ahmedabad, Gujarat, is known for its rich culture and hospitality. The academic events planned are also of great interest to all the cytologists including the ones in practice. Though ours is one of the largest societies in the world, our representation at international events is negligible. If planned well in advance and plan to attend as a group, the event can be affordable. Those cytopathologists in the institutions and in practice can always get travel sponsorships. There are governmental and non governmental agencies that can sponsor if the paper is accepted. I wish a reasonable number of us attend the 2010 Congress of International Academy of Cytology in Edinburgh.

Dr. S. Satyanarayana, Rajahmundry
**Editorial**

*Dear Friends,*

The Annual IAC conference ‘CYTOCON 2008’ is organized in Ahmedabad, the historical city of Gujarat. The organizing committee is doing their best to make the conference a grand success. All members of IAC are therefore requested for early registration and can look forward for an academic feast.

*With Best wishes.*

**Dr. Shyama Jain, New Delhi**

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**Honour**

Dr. M. Choudhury was awarded the International ICMR Fellowship, 2007-2008 to Harvard, for Liquid based Cytology and HPV in cervical cancer.

Dr. M. Choudhury with Prof. Christopher Crum, HOD Pathology, Harvard Medical School, Brigham & Women Hospital, Boston, USA.

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**Awards and Orations for CYTOCON 2008**

**IAC oration:**

: Dr Mena Xi Desai, UK

**Dr PN Wahi Academy Oration:** Dr RGW Pinto, Goa

**Ernest Fernandes Diagnostic Slide Seminar :**

Dr S. Satyanarayana, Rajamundhary, AP

**NaliniBai Thakkar Award Papers:** For medical doctors, < 35 years of age

**Jwaladevi Award papers:** For cytotechnicians and cytotechnologists

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**Reminder IAC Logo**

In the General body meeting held in Allahabad in Nov 2008, it was decided to change the logo of our Academy. Designer of the selected logo will get an attractive prize during the next annual conference of IAC, CYTOCON 2008 in Ahmedabad. Members are requested to design new logo and send to the Secretary, Dr S Satyanarayana, (secretary@cytoindia.com) or webmaster@cytoindia.com

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**Agenda for General Body Meeting On 15th NOV, 2008, at 5.00 PM, BJ MEDICAL COLLEGE, AHMEDABAD**

1. Opening remarks by President
2. Approval of last General Body meeting held at Allahabad (minutes sent to all members by secretary)
3. Report of Secretary
4. Report of Treasurer
5. Report of Chairperson, A&E Committee
7. Report of Editor, News Letter
8. Report of Chairperson EQA committee
9. Report of Webmaster
10. To elect the president for 2009
11. To elect president elect for 2009
12. To elect Treasurer for the years 2009 - 2011
13. To select IAC Fellowship nominee for 2009
14. To select Guest Faculty for the year 2009
15. To select Academy Oration Awardee for 2009
16. To select Ernest Fernandes Slide Seminar Awardee for 2009
17. To discuss scientific program for 2009 conference.
18. To approve venues for annual conferences for years 2011 and 2012. Proposals by Dr A Rajwanshi for the year 2009 in Chandigarh and, Dr Rajat Mukherjee for the year 2010 in Kolkata were approved in the GBM of 2007.
19. Dr RGW Pinto proposed to start Indian College of Cytologists.
20. Additional affiliation of the academy to European Federation of Cytology societies and to the journal Cytopathology.
21. Any other matter with the permission of the President
Highlights of 'CYTOCON 2008', 38th Annual Conference of IAC, 13-16 November, 2008, BJ Medical College, Ahmedabad, Gujrat

13th November (Workshops)
- Workshop I: Gynae Cytology: ASCUS, SIL, Moderator: Dr. S. Radhika Chandigarh
- Workshop II: Grey Zone lesions of Breast, Moderator: Dr. Roshan F Chinoy, Mumbai

14th November (CME)
- CME I: Thyroid Cytology, Moderator: Dr. Shyama Jain, Delhi
- CME II: Mini CME on Lymphadenopathy in HIV

15th-16th November (Conference)
- Symposium: Pulmonary Cytology, Moderator: Dr Arvind Rajwanshi, Chandigarh
- Presentation of EQA program, : Dr. S. Radhika, Chandigarh

Last Date for submission of abstracts for oral/poster presentation: 31st August 2008

For Conference Detail: Dr Chetan Dhariya, organizing secretary, Dept of Pathology, B. J. Medical College, Ahmedabad-380016, Gujrat. Email ID: dr_chetandhariya @ yahoo.com, (M) No.+91 99099 11205, +91 942 64 42214

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News from Different Parts of the Country

1. Dr. RGW Pinto organized many CMEs in Goa Medical College. The topics and faculties were: H.pylori (Dr. J. Alvares), Nosocomial infections (Dr. S Belwadi, Banglore), Preoperative assessment (Dr. K Dhulked, Belgaum), Hazards of Tobacco, Seminar on Medical Ethics and Doctor-Patient relationship (Dr. G. Chinoy, Mumbai, Dr. I Ray Kolkata, Dr. DJ Borah, Guwahati, Dr. S. Pandya, Mumbai), Thyroid tumours, Salivary Gland tumours, Neuroendocrine tumours, Walking with surgeons and slide seminar (Dr. A Borges, Mumbai), Recent Advances in Chest Imaging (Dr. B. Jankaria, Mumbai), Rights of the Patients (Dr. Gladstone D’Costa), Nephrotoxicity and drugs (Dr. J P Tewari, Dr S. Lengade), ART in HIV /AIDS, Advanced Laparoscopy (Dr. P Rajkumar), Mechanical Ventilators (Dr. Vijay Deshpande, USA), World Kidney Day seminar, Acute Leukemia, MDS (Dr. Vijay Ramanan, Pune), Breast Cancer (DR. RF Chinoy, Mumbai), Perinatal Autopsy, Cystic Lesions in Lungs in Children (Dr. Grace D’Costa, Mumbai), Preoperative Assessment (Dr. F. Colaco), Hepatocellular Carcinoma and GIST (Dr. Ajita Narayanan, USA), Autonomic Nervous System (Dr. KK Deepak, New Delhi), Resistant Malaria and Pharmacovigilance (Dr. Nilima Kshirsagar, Mumbai).

2. Dr. RGW Pinto organized an International CME in Goa; the faculty was Dr Ralf Paschke, Professor & Head of Endocrinology, Germany. The topics were Recent Advances in Thyroid Tumour Diagnosis & its subtypes.

3. Dr RGW Pinto visited Dubai in January 2008 as a part of Govt. of Goa delegation and interacted with pathologists and cytologists in Dubai.

4. Asitava Mondal, President of W.B. Chapter of IAC delivered the prestigious Chattisgarh Chapter of IAPM Oration on Head and Neck Tumours.

Overseas News

1. 34th European Congress of Cytology was held at Rovaniem i, Finland in Arctic Circle from 15-18 June 2008. Dr. S Satyanarayana attended the Congress and presented two papers. Dr K Kapila from Kuwait attended the congress and was a faculty in symposium and presented an award winning poster.

2. Announcement of 35th European Congress at Lisbon, Portugal was made. It will be a great opportunity for residents to contribute cases for the slide seminar. If a case is selected, an award of 1000 Euros will be given. Details are available in the website: www.cytologylisboa2009.com

3. The next Congress of International Academy of Cytology is being held in Edinburgh, Scotland in 2010 (www.cytology2010.com) If a fair number of delegates attend, concessional accommodation and facility for Indian meal can be arranged. Fellowships or sponsor of the attendance can be available through WHO, DBT, State/ Central Governments and Industry. Those who are interested may contact Dr S Satyanarayana, secretary of IAC (secretary@cytoindia.com).

Thought of the Letter

• “Success means doing the best we can with what we have. Success is the doing, not the getting; in the trying, not the triumph. Success is a personal standard, reaching for the highest that is in us, becoming all that we can be.”

• “Life’s real failure is when you do not realize how close you were to success when you gave up.”

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