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## Editorial

Dear Friends,

How I wish I was relieved from the editors post after I released the last issue. Due to your encouragement especially of Dr. Usha Luthra I could not say 'no', to edit the IAC Newsletter for one more year.

In this issue, the volume of the Newsletter is reduced to make you feel that the text is less. In reality it is not so. Thanks to the Photo typesetting for giving this pseudo effect.

Well, Dr. Usha Saraiya's letter is really thought provoking. She means what she says. Probably, the fact that papers on Gynec Cytology are scanty does not mean that work in this sphere is neglected. I feel we have to give a serious thought and see that Pap smear doesn't make an exit now, when we need it most.

Yours sincerely,

DR. PRAKASH PATIL.

## HIGHLIGHTS OF XVII ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF I. A. C.

Dr. Darshana Daftary, Secretary, I. A. C.

As we streamed into Bangalore, full of anticipation of meeting all our colleagues once again and to exchange information of the activities done over the past one year, the delightful weather and blooming flowers welcomed us into the city.

The pre-conference workshop on CNS Cytology was conducted with painstaking efforts by Dr. Sarla Das and her colleagues at NIMHAS and other centres in India. The quality of material and presentation left little doubt for the success of the workshop, which was well attended as expected.

The conference began with an inauguration in style. The Minister of Health, Shri. B. Rachaiya came despite his obvious

ill-health. Luminaries like the Mayor, Director of Medical Education and Research as well as Director of Education also made it a point to attend, making the function a great success.

The oration by Dr. Dilip Das showed clearly the tremendous efforts put in by Dr. Das over so many years of practice of Cytology.

Our Guest speaker, Dr. Bjorn Stenkvist, Head of Cytology Division, at the famous Karolinska Institute of Stockholm, Sweden, delivered an informative and enthralling lecture on 'Imaging Technology in Clinical Cytology'. Though we are way behind these developments, and it may take years

before this modality filters down to us, the sheer possibility of knowing what lay ahead was so absorbing that I am sure most of us slept that night dreaming of a computer image.

Papers for the Nalinibai Thakar Prize and Jwaladevi Award were of high standard. Dr. Raja Shekhar's paper on "Role of Immunohistochemical staining for cytokeratin and leukocyte common antigen in FNA from poorly differentiated malignant tumour" and Mrs Kalavathi's paper on "Parasites and Fungus in Cytodiagnosis" won the Nalinibai Thakar and Jwaladevi Awards respectively.

The Conference dinner held on the luxurious premises of Taj Palace Hotel with

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dances not only of South India but of all parts of the country, truly representing National integration, was an event to remember.

Dr. Kusum Kapila's slide seminar was breath-taking not only in the quality of slides but also for the excellence in material

and presentation. It will be a long time before we may have such an academic feast of this standard and quality. The session of proffered papers where a total of 26 papers were presented, covered almost all systems of body with many interesting and well presented data.

As we bid farewell to Bangalore, with Dr. Bhargava, Dr. Hazarika and their team's warm hospitality in our hearts, Dr. & Dr. (Mrs.) Stenkvis's gentle and pleasant presence with us and the treasures of Cytology in our minds, it was with tinge of regret that one feels, when good things come to an end.

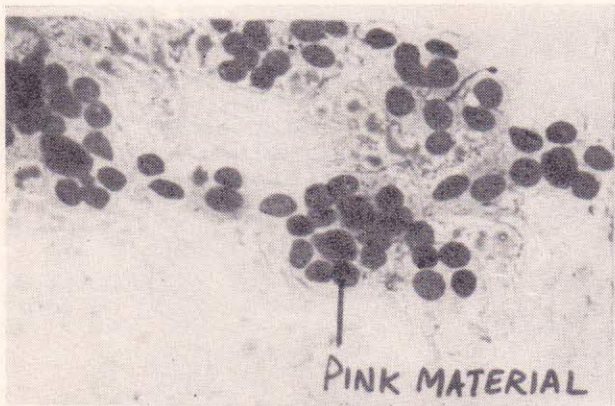


Mrs. Kalavathi Ravi

### 'JWALADEVI AWARD' WINNER, 1987

- Obtained Diploma in laboratory Technology in 1982 from J. N. Medical College, Belgaum.
- Passed Cytotechnician Exam conducted by I. A. C. in first class in 1984.
- Working in Kidwai Memorial Institute of Oncology, Bangalore, as Cytotechnician from 1983.
- Awarded 'Jwaladevi Award' for best paper presentation on 'Parasites and Fungus in Cytodiagnosis'.

### SPOT THE DIAGNOSIS



#### Short History of case :

38 years female c/o. Right Parotid swelling with pain.  
F. N. A. B. smear from parotid region.

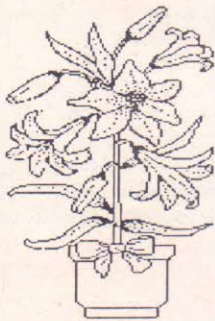
#### Can you spot the diagnosis ?

Send your answer to Dr. P. V. Patil, Editor, I. A. C. Newsletter, 'Shanti', 8th Cross, Dr. Radhakrishnan Road, Hindwadi, Belgaum - 590 011. Write on envelope 'Spot the Diagnosis'. Answers should reach not later than 30th June 1988.

The first five correct entries opened on 1st July 1988 will be announced in the next issue (October 1988).

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### Previous Case Diagnosis :

**Adenocarcinoma, Renal ( Small cell variant )**

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LUCKNOW.

