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INDIAN ACADEMY OF CYTOLOGISTS

29th Annual Conference - MANGALORE • 13th - 16th November 1999

Dear Colleagues,

Greetings from Mangalore ! At the Goa conference in November 1998, we were bestowed upon the onus of conducting this year's conference at Mangalore. "It was a hurried acceptance and a Samaritan's decision" were the remarks made by our peers. The Organising Committee deems it a privilege to invite you to Mangalore - to enjoy the warmth of the people and the place both physically and metaphorically.

The highlights of this year's Scientific Meet shall be the long awaited intellectual bonanza to be delivered by no less a person than Dr. Sudha Kini ("the daughter of the soil !" as someone quipped) from Detroit, U.S.A. Dr. Sudha Kini's august presence in November will be a spectacular event for everyone. She will be there for the pre-conference workshop on thyroid FNA - a subject in which she has attained great heights, she will be there at the CME on thoracic cytology and has been magnanimous enough to accept to deliver Guest Lecture(s) too. To keep company to Dr. Sudha Kini, Dr. Gita Jayaram from Malayasia. There will be a slide seminar (Dr. Nijhawan), Symposium (Dr. Sreedevi Amma & her team) Kodachrome sessions by various Cytopathologists apart from the proffered paper sessions, Award paper sessions and Poster sessions.

In addition to the serene beaches Mangalore and its suburbs can also boast of several interesting places worth visiting. Please don't miss the splendour of Belur Halebeedu (175 kms.), the highlands of Coorg (135 kms.), the divine precincts of Udupi (Lord Krishna Temple - 60 kms.) Kollur (Devi Mookambika Temple - 135 kms.), Dharmasthala (Manjunatheshwara Temple - 75 kms.) Subrahmanya (100 kms.), Kudremukh (the iron ore project - 125 kms.) and the like. Let us meet on friendly platform to exchange our views, share our knowledge, renew our friendships and inculcate the spirit of CYTOLOGY in ourselves.

with warmest regards,

Sincerely,

C. V. Raghuv eer

Organising Secretary

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Mangalore - 575 001.

From the Secretary's Desk

Highlights of the 28th Annual Conference of Indian Academy of Cytologists held at Kala Academy Complex, Panaji, Goa from 19-22 November, 1998.

The conference was hosted by the Goa Medical College, Bambolim and comprised of two days of preconference CME's. The topics in CEM's covered almost all areas which can be penetrated by the fine needle to come to a morphologic diagnosis. A colposcopy session in the afternoon of the second day covered the state of the art from basic technique to diagnosis followed by a panel discussion and quiz.

The inaugural function was held at the Kala Academy Complex and was inaugurated by Dr. B. S. Sand, the Vice Chancellor of Goa University and presided by Dr. M.N. Pal, Dean of Goa Medical College. The P.N. Wahi Oration and Cipla Award was delivered by Dr. Kusum Kapila on "Fine Needle Aspiration Cytology in the next millennium". The Shirin Mehtajee Award was bestowed on

Dr. Lambrecht P Kok of Netherland who beautifully expounded on "Computer for cytology, diagnostics, theory and practice". We had the honour of having Dr. Mathilde E Boon of Netherlands who gave the Goa medical college cytology division oration on "Effects of applying PAPNET in primary cervical screening : less overdiagnosis, less overtreatment and lower costs for patients with mild/moderate dysplasia smears". Others who gave the Goa medical college orations were Dr. Astiva Mondal on "FNAC of vertebral lesions"; Dr. Revathi Ananth on "Free radicals and Antioxidants and their role in cervical lesions" and Dr. U.K. Luthra on "Diagnostic cytology towards the 21st century - the Indian context".

The symposium on central nervous system cytology was a treat for the clinicians, radiologist and cytologists. Dr. Shameem Shariff brilliantly illustrated the diagnostic dilemmas in challenging cases in the diagnostic slide seminar. On both the days a total of 66 oral presentations and 37 posters were presented.

The Satya Monga award for 1997 went to Dr. K. Sujathan who presented on "Differential expression of jack fruit lectin specific glycoconjugates in metastatic adenocarcinoma and reactive mesothelial cells - A diagnostic aid in effusion cytology". The Nalini Bai Thakar Award went to Dr. Abha Malik of Delhi who spoke on "Cytopathology of Leprosy reactions". The Jwala Devi award went to Mr. S. Pathuthara who spoke on "Our initial experience with Immunocytochemistry for diagnosis of serous fluids". Two posters shared the best poster award. They were by Dr. V.V. Holla, et al on "Sinus Histiocytosis with Massive Lymphadenopathy of the

Thyroid - a case report" and Dr. Shabnam Roohi, et al on "Cytodiagnosis of placental site trophoblastic tumour by direct endometrial aspirate".

The Banquet was a roaring success. Many members preferred to dance to the lilting goan music provided by the live band. All this was possible due to the untiring efforts of Dr. RGW Pinto and his family members who pitched in full strength to help him. Our sincere thanks to all of them for giving us a rollicking time in Goa.

DR. KUSUM KAPILA

SECRETARY, IAC

The **10th World Congress of Cervical Pathology and Colposcopy** organized by the "Sociedad Argentina de Patologia del Tracto Genital Inferior Colposcopia" sponsored by the International Society of Cervical Pathology and Colposcopy will be held on November 7 - 11, 1999 in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

IAC Fellowship - 1999

This one months training fellowship of Rs. 1000/- is being offered to Medical Doctors by IAC. Those interested may apply to Dr. Kusum Kapila, Secretary IAC along with self addressed stamped envelope latest by 31st August, 1999.

Address : Department of Pathology
All India Institute of Medical Sciences
Ansari Nagar,
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XV ASIA PACIFIC CANCER CONFERENCE 12th - 15th, DECEMBER 1999 CHENNAI (MADRAS), INDIA

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SATYA MONGA AWARD - 1999

Last date for Satya Monga award is 31st August, 1999. It is for the best paper published in the field of immunocytochemistry.

Regulations :

- 1) Publication should be after 1996
- 2) Publication must be in an indexed journal.
- 3) Candidate must be one of the authors or co-authors of the article.
- 4) He/She should submit in writing permission from the other co-authors for entering the paper for the award.
- 5) Reprints of this should be sent to Secretary IAC on or before 31st August, 1999.

NOMINATIONS FOR ELECTION OF IAC OFFICE BEARERS

Nominations on plain typed sheets are invited for the election of one post of President and one post of President elect (one year tenure) of Indian Academy of Cytologists. The eligibility criteria for the post of President/President elect are as follows (i) should be an active member of IAC with no dues for 10 years; (ii) served as an executive member for one term of three years; (iii) should have attended three or more general body meetings in the last 5 years.

Each nomination duly proposed and seconded must be accompanied by signed consent and brief one page (double spaced types) biodata of the nominee. The Nominee, the proposer and the Secunder must be regular members of IAC with no subscription dues. The nominations must be sent by registered post to Dr. Kusum Kapila, Secretary IAC, Department of Pathology, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Ansari Nagar New Delhi - 110029.

TIME TABLE FOR ELECTION

- * Receipt of Nomination paper on or before 15th July, 1999.
- * Information to Contestants about other Contestants for the same post on or before 31st July, 1999.
- * Withdrawal of nomination on or before 15th August, 1999.

*Return of Marked Ballot paper on or before 20th September, 1999.

* Scrutiny of Ballot Papers and Counting on 25th September, 1999.

Biodata of the candidate should include

- 1) Duration and type of IAC Membership
- 2) Contribution to IAC
- 3) Contribution to Cytology

AWARDEES FOR THE YEAR 1998

Nalini Bai Thakar Award - Dr. Abha Malik, New Delhi

Jwaladevi Award - Mr. S. Pathuthara, Mumbai

Susheel Malhotra Award - Dr. Padmaja Sadashiv Naik, Mumbai

Bhaskar Reddy Award - Dr. Koduri Rajashri Mani, Mumbai.

Date of examinations of Cytotechnicians/ Cytotechnologists for this year.

1. The dates for the above examination have been fixed as follows

Theory : 13.9.99

Practical and Oral 14.9.99

2. The Convenor and Venue of examinations will be :
Dr. Kusum Verma
Professor of Cytopathology and Head,
Department of Pathology,
All India Institute of Medical Sciences,
Ansari Nagar, New Delhi - 110 029.
3. Please circulate the information for the same through the next forthcoming issue of News Letter.
4. The application forms for the same can be obtained from Prof. Subhash K. Gupta, Chairperson, Accreditation and Examination Committee, Professor and Head, Department of Cytology, P.G.I.M.E.R., Chandigarh - 160012.
5. Last date for receipt of applications will be 31st July, 1999

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

13th November 99 - Workshop on FNAC Thyroid
Venue : KASTURBA MEDICAL COLLEGE,
LIGHT HOUSE HILL ROAD,
MANGALORE - 575 001

Topics proposed :

- * Procedure for FNAC sampling of thyroid lesions.
- * FNAC of Non-neoplastic goitres and hyperplasias.
- * FNAC of thyroiditis.
- * FNAC of usual and unusual tumours of thyroid.
- * Pitfalls in FNAC of thyroid.
- * Practicals : Veiving of glass slides. Kodachrome sessions.

14th November 99 - CME on cytology of thoracic cavity
Venue : KASTURBA MEDICAL COLLEGE,
LIGHT HOUSE HILL ROAD,
MANGALORE - 575 001

Topics proposed :

- * Role of sputum cytology in diagnosis.
- * Cytopathology of pleural effusion.
- * Bronchial brush cytology and Bronchioloalveolar lavage.
- * FNAC of lung.
- * FNAC of mediastinum.
- * FNAC of chest wall.

Case discussions - Kodachrome sessions.

15th November 99 - 29th IAC CONFERENCE (DAY 1)
Venue : P.V.S. KALAKUNJA, KODIALBAIL,
MANGALORE - 575 003.

8:00 - 9:00 AM Registration
9:00-10:00 AM Inauguration
10:00-10:30 AM Tea
10:30-11:30 AM Academy Oration :
P.N. Wahi Oration Cipla Award

11:30-12:00 noon Guest Lecture :
Shirin Mehtaji Award
12:00-1:00 PM Nalini Bai Thakar
Award Papers.
1:00-2:00 PM LUNCH
2:00-3:00 PM Jwala Devi Award Papers
3:00-4:00 PM Proferred Papers & posters
4:00-4:30 PM TEA
4:30-5:30 PM Proferred Papers & Posters
5:30-7:00 PM General Body Meeting.
8:00 PM Banquet

VENUE FOR POSTERS -K.B.E.A. AUDITORIUM
Dr. Giridhara Rao Road,
Kodialbail, Mangalore - 01.
This Auditorium is very near the main Conference Hall
- The PVS Kalakunja.

16th November 99 - CONFERENCE (DAY 2)

8:00-9:00 AM Proferred Papers & Posters
9:00-9:30 AM Guest Lecture
9:30-11:00 AM Symposium : Quality Control
11:00-11:30 AM TEA
11:30-1:00 PM Diagnostic Slide Seminar. Ernest
Fernandez Award
1:00 PM Valedictory, Presentation of Prizes.
1:30 PM LUNCH

FROM THE EDITOR

Dear Members,
Namaskar ! Please accept my apologies for the delay
in the previous edition (November' 98)
Are'nt we looking forward to meeting at Mangalore.
Where Dr. Raghuvver and his staff are toiling hard
for the 29th IAC. So till then Goodbye !

Anjali Joshi

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