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President's Message

Dear Colleagues,

The last six months have been exciting and eventful for the IAC. The number of state chapters of IAC have been burgeoning. During my tenure, I had the opportunity to actively participate in the annual meetings of newly formed chapters at several places including New Delhi, as well as few of the well established and flourishing chapters. The enthusiasm of the participants and academic quality of the proceedings is to be seen to be believed. More and more younger colleagues are being involved. It is my suggestion to all the upcoming state / regional chapters of the academy to devote adequate time to focus on and sensitize their members to the concept of quality control as well as to conduct practical hands-on workshops.

A closer working association of IAC with the Association of Indian Pathologists in North America is on the cards hopefully leading to rewards to members of both the bodies.

"If I have seen farther than others, it is because I was standing on the shoulders of giants." Isaac Newton aptly confessed. As Cytopathologists, we see farther, deeper and with more detail than most individuals. Through our special training and vision, we have dramatically improved prevention of cervical cancer and diagnosed common infections like tuberculosis with minimal cost and invasion. We improve lives every day by making diagnoses of disease - including cancers of all type - safer, earlier and more accurate. Our achievements as a profession today are thanks to the giants in our field, both in India and abroad, who preceded us and defined our discipline, educated and mentored the next generation. We recently lost Dr. Leopold G. Koss, whose epic tome "Diagnostic Cytology and It's Histopathologic Bases", many of us read as our first bible of cytology. Words are not enough to express our profound grief.

With the dynamism of Dr. Niranjana Raut and the commitment of the entire organizing team, I am confident the forthcoming annual conference of the Indian Academy of Cytologists at Bhubaneswar will be one to remember for long. The organizers have laid down an academic feast and I look forward to a record attendance.

The Indian Academy of Cytologists has come a long way from the time of its inception. We owe this to the untiring efforts of all its members. Let us keep the good work going and take our Academy to never scaled heights.

Happy Deepavali and Dussehra to one and all.

Jai Hind!

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Dr. Kanwardepp Kaur Jhaji, Ludhiana, Punjab
Dr. Sarita Nibhoria, Faridkot

Submitted by - Dr. Manju Kaushal, Treasurer, IAC

"I'm fascinated by colors, shapes, and textures, which are the basics of art, as well as cytopathology, so cytopathology was a perfect fit."

- Richard M. DeMay, MD, FASCP

Secretary's Message



Dear Members

It will be very soon that I will be completing the three years of my tenure as the Honorary Secretary of the IAC. It was indeed a great satisfaction serving the academy and being so close to its functioning that I could feel the rhythm & pulse of every member whether a part of the executive committee or otherwise. My heart goes out for every difficulty encountered by the functioning body, at the same time I am exalted by the achievements of the IAC at large and also by the success of each and every member in the field of cytology.

You will all agree with me that a very busy lifestyle and personal achievements have taken over the stance of unconditional service to academic organizations and institutions. A laid-back and callous attitude, that somebody else will work or raise voice for the academy matters, is on the rise. And those already holding posts- are they prompt and sincere in their services? I know what efforts I had to take to promote members to file nominations for the vacant posts announced in the news letter. This raises questions like are the youngsters interested in academy matters? Do our 'e-savoir-faire' really visit the IAC website regularly to know the updates? Should we re-start publishing the hard copy of newsletter so that it is scanned by more members? Will the newer generation of life members really read this message of mine? Introspection is the key to both personal and policy reforms.

I am still wondering whether the whole exercise of conducting election is worth the effort, time and money? Just to acquire the votes of a handful members, those really interested in the functioning of the body, is it justified to explore the functioning of the Indian postal system and that too in an era of 'e' services? Don't we need to really decide about an appropriate method to select or elect the members of our Executive body? Are there any guidelines as to who is really an apt person to hold important positions in the executive committee or be an awardee for prestigious orations?

The answers to these questions are easy to acquire provided we make the boundaries of our **ancient rules and regulations** less stringent and **systems for amendments** more simplified - simply because it's need of the hour. Or else the administrative confusion will discourage new members from volunteering for responsible posts.

Friends, I have made successful efforts in directions like increasing the number of fellowships to train pathologists in cytology, promoting and starting State Chapters of IAC, defining criteria of nomination for academic posts and selection criteria of awardees in different categories and taking strong steps in the direction of holding the International Cytology Congress in India. But many more things need to be done on many more fronts. With lot of hopes, I look upon the future capable member elected as the Honorary Secretary to carry the baton with much more enthusiasm and vigor and wish him best luck with the functioning system of IAC!

Dr. Niranjana Rout and his team are working hard, day and night to make the 42nd IAC Conference a grand success at Bhubhaneshwar. Please join in large numbers to have an academic feast and sight seeing tours. I wish him best luck too.

Jai Hind and Jai Maharashtra!

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Editorial...



Attitude of Gratitude

"The unthankful heart... discovers no mercies; but let the thankful heart sweep through the day and, as the magnet finds the iron, so it will find, in every hour, some heavenly blessings.

~Henry Ward Beecher

Giving & receiving are both pleasure- but very few of us mortals realize that giving is a more ethereal experience. It is too painful though, when we receive a blatant in-gratitude in return to the constant & continuous goods you do for somebody. However the reception of in-gratitude even once in life gives you a philosophical vision- the ability to bear the adverse & thinking about the sea of goods we are in. The world is full of gratitude....

When you were born, your mother was full of gratitude. When you are out of womb & breath your first air- you express a cry of gratitude. All religions teach us to be in gratitude to GOD- the Creator, for whatever we receive. Hindus make an offer of food to the lord & later partake of it as "Prasada"- a holy gift from the lord. In our daily ritualistic worship ("Pooja") too, we offer "Naivedyam" (food) to the lord. Muslims recite the name of God (Allah) before eating and thank God after finishing. Christians eat & drink to the Glory of God and say grace before & after meals to thank God for his goodness in providing their daily food. Feasting & Fasting goes together. This is only after purifying your mind with Fast, that you realize the importance of Feast.

The season of Gratitude, of thanksgiving, of fasting & feasting has started.

Jain Community recently celebrated क्षमावाणी पर्व or "Forgiveness Day"- a day of forgiving and seeking forgiveness. People express to each other that I had no bad

intentions and never wanted to hurt you. However, if you ever felt hurt due to my action or inaction, speech or silence, language or tone, looks or behavior, Please forgive me on this auspicious day- UTTAM KSHAMA...

Celebration of Gratitude in harvest time or Thanksgiving is celebrated throughout the world in one form or other. In 1621, the Plymouth colonists and Wampanoag Indians shared an autumn harvest feast that is acknowledged today as one of the first Thanksgiving celebrations in the colonies. It wasn't until 1863, in the midst of the Civil War, that U.S. President Abraham Lincoln proclaimed a national Thanksgiving Day to be held each November. In many American households, the Thanksgiving celebration has lost much of its original religious significance; instead, it now centers on cooking and sharing a bountiful meal with family and friends. Turkey and pumpkin pie are favorite Thanksgiving foods. Volunteering is a common Thanksgiving Day activity, and communities often hold food drives and host free dinners for the less fortunate. Many believe that American Thanksgiving has Indian roots.

In Asia- The Chinese Moon Festival is one of the most widely spread harvest festivals in the world.

Indians have their own Thanksgiving days in different areas. Seventy per cent of India's population lives in villages, and a vast majority of people solely depend on agriculture. As a result, we find that most Hindu festivals are directly or indirectly linked to agriculture and related activities. In India, **Makara Sankranti, Thai Pongal, Uttarayana, Lohri, and Magh Bihu or Bhogali Bihu** in January, **Holi** in February-March, **Vaisakhi** in April and **Onam** in August-September are a few famous harvest festivals.

Pongal is one such big festival, celebrated every year in mid January in the South India - to mark the harvest of crops and a special thanksgiving to God, the sun, the earth and the cattle. During the same time '**Bhogali Bihu**' in the North Eastern State of Assam, **Lohri** in Punjab, '**Bhogi**' in Andhra Pradesh and '**Makar Sankranti**' in the rest of the country are celebrated.

Makar Sankranti is a major harvest festival celebrated in various parts of India. According to the lunar calendar, when the sun moves from the Tropic of Capricorn to the Tropic of Cancer or from Dakshinayana to Uttarayana, in the month of



Summer Solstice Sunrise over Stonehenge 2005



Stonehenge Sunrise 1980s



Indian Swings : Girls enjoy a swing ride in Allahabad



Camp Fire of Happy Lohri

Pausha in mid-January, it commemorates the beginning of the harvest season and cessation of the northeast monsoon in South India. Makar Sankranti is also regarded as the beginning of an auspicious phase in Indian culture. The festival takes place around 21 days after the winter solstice (between December 20 and 23) that marks the starting of the phenomenon of 'northward apparent migration of the sun' or *Uttarayana*.

Teej is another fasting festival for Hindu women. It takes place on the third day of Shukla Paksha (bright moon fortnight) of the Shraavana or Saawan month of Hindu calendar that normally falls from late July to early September. Dedicated to the Goddess Parvati, commemorating her union with Lord Shiva, the festival is celebrated for marital bliss, well-being of spouse and children and purification of own body and soul. Teej also ushers in the advent of the monsoons - the season of rains bringing in a reason to celebrate when people can take a break from the sweltering heat and enjoy the swing of the monsoon - "Sawan ke jhooley."

Onam is a Hindu festival celebrated by the people of Kerala, and commemorates the Vamana avatar of Vishnu and the subsequent homecoming of the legendary Emperor Mahabali. It is the state festival of Kerala and falls during the month of Chingam (August-September), starting from the day of atham in the Malayalam calendar and lasts for ten days. According to the legend, Kerala witnessed its golden era during the reign of King Mahabali. The *Brahma-Vaivarta Puranam* explains that Lord Vishnu wanted to curb the pride of Indra; and therefore positioned Mahabali in great power. Onam is also Kerala's rice harvest festival and the Festival of Rain Flowers.

There are two major religious thanksgiving days in Islam: one following the month of fasting [RamaDân], and the other following the pilgrimage rites in Mecca. Both involve

congregational prayers, sermons, thanksgiving means, and charitable contributions to the poor. Eid-ul-Fitr or "Feast of the Breaking of the Fast," is a time of happy celebration after completing a major pillar of Islamic ritual practice. On that day, Muslims praise God for His guidance and thank Him for giving them the opportunity to witness another Ramadan during which they are showered with enormous reward and blessings. In the holy scripture of Islam, the Qur'ân, God says, "If you are thankful, surely I will increase more (favours) for you."*

Cytopathology has come of age....

Today we learn, teach & practice Cytopathology because of our fore-fathers like **Georgios Nikolaou Papanikolaou** (13 May 1883 - 19 February 1962) & **Leopold G. Koss** who passed away recently on Sept. 11, in New York. Let us say Thanks to the pioneers. And let us say thanks to each & every patient we touch- as they are our best Teachers.

"Every person has the power to make others happy.

Some do it simply by entering a room --

others by leaving the room.

Some individuals leave trails of gloom;

others, trails of joy.

Some leave trails of hate and bitterness;

others, trails of love and harmony.

Some leave trails of cynicism and pessimism;

others trails of faith and optimism.

Some leave trails of criticism and resignation;

others trails of gratitude and hope.

What kind of trails do you leave?"

- William Arthur Ward

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Brief Research Communication :

Molecular Testing for Mutations to Improve Pre-operative Management of Patients presenting with Thyroid Nodules.

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Introduction:

Data accumulated in the last 10-20 years has shown a significant correlation between some molecular alterations and clinicopathological features of thyroid cancer. In particular one of a few mutations along the MAPK pathway (BRAF, RET/PTC, RAS) can be identified on over 70% of all papillary carcinomas. Similarly, although not entirely specific, a few mutations have been associated with Follicular carcinoma (N-RAS, PAX8/PPRg). Several recent reports have shown solid evidence that molecular diagnosis can effectively improve the pre-operative diagnosis of thyroid nodules indicating the need for large prospective studies.

Aim of the study:

To prospectively evaluate the reliability of molecular diagnosis in the pre-operative management of thyroid nodules.

Materials & Method:

109 consecutive cases reported at our institution using the RCP Thy1-5 classification were collected. Following the cytology report, the residual of liquid base cytology samples were stored and processed for molecular analysis at the Diagnostic Pathology Laboratory for PCR- BRAF V600E mutation testing.

Results:

17 cases were classified as Thy4 and Thy 5 (suspicious or diagnostic of papillary carcinoma), 90 as Thy 2 and two as Thy 3 at cytology. Out of the 109 cases 34 did contain evidence of BRAF V600E mutation (1 Thy1, 21 Thy2, 4 Thy3 and 8 Thy5). All Thy 4 and Thy 5 cases were confirmed at histology as papillary carcinomas. Only two cases of Thy 2 had surgery, in both cases benign. All remaining Thy 2 cases with evidence of BRAF V600E mutation in a proportion of cells varying from 1% to 12.5% are being followed up with U/S and FNA cytology without evidence of cancer after 15 months.

Conclusion:

Cases which on cytology are classified as Thy2 may harbour a proportion of cells with BRAF V600E mutation. Further follow up and histological correlation is necessary to understand whether molecular analysis in the individual case is clinically relevant.



Just Purani Yaad-
Dr. Laxmi Batav at
Cytocon2011, Dharwad

Updating of Affiliation :

Dr. Prakash V. Patil

Has left JN medical college, Belgaum after 38 years of service & has and joined Navodaya Medical college, Raichur (Karnataka) as Principal from 1st Oct 2012. Raichur is 370 Km from Belgaum & 200 km from Hyderabad.

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Dr Geeta Vemuganti joined to lead and develop the fledgling School of Medical Sciences at the University of Hyderabad in November 2010 after a long stint as Head of Ophthalmic Pathology Laboratory and Sudhaker and Sreekant Ravi Stem Cell Biology Laboratory at the renowned LV Prasad Eye Institute, Hyderabad.

Her recent work has been in the area of ocular tumors and stem cell biology, where she has contributed to the cutting edge translational research that has led to bench-to bedside applications. This has won her many national and international awards including media coverage in Fortune, CNN, BBC radio, Outlook and India Today magazines. She holds several honorary positions, including an adjunct professorship of Ophthalmology in the School of Medicine and Dentistry, University of Rochester, USA. Vemuganti earned her basic medical degree at the JLN Medical College, Ajmer before completing her MD in Pathology at the Nizam's Institute of Medical Sciences. She has had advanced training in ocular pathology at the Doheny Eye Institute, Los Angeles, USA and has been a visiting pathologist at the Eye and Ear Infirmary and Department of Pathology, University of Illinois, Chicago. She has published widely, authoring more than 150 papers in journals of international repute with a Citation Index of 1186 and H Index of 19 (Citation Gadget).

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FEEDBACK FOR MARCH-APRIL 2012 ISSUE

("The biggest room in the world is the room for improvement.")

Dear Dr Naresh Rai,

Your bulletin is good. Please try to proof read before you put it up for viewers. There are a few spelling mistakes like the word "procrastination" is wrongly spelt. Similarly at one place "membership" is also wrongly spelt. All the best.

Dr. CV Raghuvver

Dear Dr Naresh Rai

Congratulations ! Excellent News Bulletin . You have indeed covered lot of matter , events , news etc

Keep up the good work in the IAC . Regards

Dr RGW Pinto Goa 20.05.2012

Dear Dr. Rai,

Thanks for forwarding IAC news bulletin. It was very interesting to read and you have worked very hard to prepare it. With regards.

Dr. NARENDRA MOGRA 20.05.2010

Nice Editorial Dr. Naresh, the theme of Procrastination applies perfectly to me. Wish you all the best.

Dr. Ravindra Shinde, Aditya Lab. Kolhapur, Maharashtra. by SMS; Mobile : 09371107555

Dear Dr Rai,

Thanks for sending the IAC News bulletin.

It has come out well covering all the news. Good job done. Hearty congratulations. Regards,

Dr Prakash Patil. 09.06.2012

Dear Naresh,

Your Editorial on Procrastination was a Nicely written piece. You are speaking for most of us, if not all of us. In one way or the other, we have all done it and keep doing it. After reading this, I will try to do better too. Thanks.

Pradeep Kumar, Consultant Gastroenterologist

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Happy Dusshera, Diwali & Eid

NOTICE FOR VARIOUS MEETINGS

Journal Committee Meeting : 4.30 P.M. on 30th November, 2012

Executive Body Meeting : 6.00 P.M. on 30th November, 2012

General Body Meeting : 5.00 P.M. on 1st December, 2012

in KIMS, KIIT Campus Bhubaneswar; during CYTOCON 2012; 42nd Annual Conference of Indian Academy of Cytology.

Agenda for General Body Meeting

1. Opening remarks by President
2. Approval of Minutes of last General Body meeting held at Dr. D. Veerendra Heggade Kalakshetra in S.D.M. College of Medical Sciences & Hospital, Dharwad; during CYTOCON 2011; 41st Annual Conference of Indian Academy of Cytology.
3. Report of Secretary
4. Report of Treasurer
5. Report of Chairperson, A&E Committee.
6. Report of Editor, Journal of Cytology.
7. Report of Editor, News letter.
8. Report of Chairperson, EQA Committee.
9. To declare the results of nominations invited for the posts of President Elect- 2013, Honorary Secretary 2013-15, Editor News Letter : 2013-15, Executive Committee Member 1 posts 2013-15
10. Confirmation of venues for 3 subsequent conferences
11. Confirmation of recipients of P. N. Wahi Oration
12. To discuss topics of CME and workshop for the next conference at Pondicherry.
13. Suggestions regarding foreign faculties for next conference.
14. Bid for International Conference for the year 2016
15. Any other matter with the permission of the President.

Dr. Meharbano M. Kamal
Secretary IAC



Awardees for the year 2012

IAC Oration Award:

Dr. Vinod Shidham, MD, FRCPath,
FIAC; Director of Cytopathology,
Wayne State University .

Dr PN Wahi Academy Oration:

Dr. Manjula Jain, New Delhi

Ernest Fernandes Award:

Col. (Dr.) U. S. Dinesh, Dharwar

Dr. Subhash Kumari Gupta memorial Lecture :

Dr Padam K. Agarwal, Lucknow.

Nalini Bai Thakkar Award:

Dr. Prabhu M, JIPMER, Pondicherry
for 2011

Jwala Devi Award:

Mrs. Swati Dighe, Tata Memorial
Hospital, Mumbai

Sushil Malhotra Award for Cytotechnologists

Jagruti Patel- Gujrat for 2011 for
scoring highest marks in
Cytotechnologist Exam.

Bhasker Reddy Award for Cytotechnicians:

Suvarna S Chavhan, Delhi for the
year 2011.



**Dr. Bonfiglio accepting Educator of the
Year Award of the Papanicolaou
Society of Cytopathology**

FORTHCOMING EVENTS :



International Anatomical Pathology Update 2012, MALAYSIA

Dear colleagues, I would like to welcome you to attend the International Anatomical Pathology (IAP) Update 2012 which is jointly organised with the World Association of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine (WASPaLM) and World Pathology Foundation (WPF). This conference will be held from 23-25 November, 2012 at Swan Convention Centre, Sunway Medical Centre, Bandar Sunway, Selangor, Malaysia. Speakers from United Kingdom include Professor Simon Herrington from University of Dundee; Dr Eduardo Calonje from St John s Institute of Dermatology, London; Dr Amanda Herbert from Guy s & St Thomas Hospital and also speaker from University of Calgary, Canada, Professor Kiril Trpkov. This conference focus on four sub-specialties- Dermatopathology, Uropathology, Gynaecological pathology and Cytopathology, with the theme

Take challenges, keep abreast and elevate Pathology.

For further details, please refer to the website:

<http://www.iapupdate2012msia.com>

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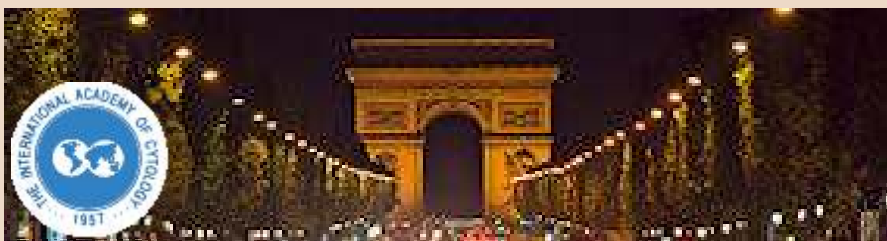
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The **18th International Congress of Cytology (ICC 2013)** will be held in *Paris, Palais des Congrès* from 26 to 30 May 2013. Organised by the French Society of Clinical Cytology (SFCC) on behalf of the International Academy of Cytology (IAC), The congress program and general information will be regularly updated and added on web site **www.cytologyparis2013.co**. Registration and abstract submission will open on autumn 2012.

Best regards,

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Flow Cytometry Workshop and CME in Pathology:

Held on 12th Oct 2012 (Workshop) & 13th Oct 2012 (CME)
 Venue: Maulana Azad Medical College, New Delhi 110002

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International CMC-Path-CME On Cytopathology & Histopathology 2012

The 1st International CMC-Path-CME on Cytopathology & Histopathology 2012 will be held in Seminar Hall of Chittagong Medical College, Chittagong, Bangladesh on 20th & 21st October 2012, in Chittagong Seniors Club, Jamal Khan Road, Chittagong. Organized jointly By

1. Department of Pathology Chittagong Medical College Chittagong, Bangladesh
2. Bangladesh Academy of Pathology (BAP), Bangladesh
3. Chittagong Medical College Teachers Association (CMCTA)

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First Emirates Surgical Pathology Conference (ESPC2013)

7 to 9 February, 2013, Beach Rotana Hotel, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates

Visit Website: www.espc2013.com

Topics include Breast pathology, Gastrointestinal pathology, Soft tissue

Gynecological pathology and Cytopathology.

First Early Bird registration deadline: 15-Nov-12

For inquiries contact: The Conference Secretariat
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International CME in Pathology Histopathology and Cytopathology

Dates:- 7th, 8th and 9th February 2013

Venue :- **Goa Medical College**, Bambolim, Goa.

Organized by : **IAC, EFCS and International Academy of Cytology**

Faculty : Dr. Carlos Bedrossian (USA), Dr. Syed Ali (USA), Dr. Luigi Bonito (Italy), Dr. Bernard Majak (Norway), Dr. Anil Amin (Norway), Dr. N. A. Jambhekar (India), Dr. R. G. Wiseman Pinto (India)

Topics :- Malignant Mesothelioma, Lung Cancer, GIST, Thyroid, Pancreas, Salivary Glands, Gynec Cytology, Breast Cytopathology, Urinary Cytopathology, Bone Tumors, Ascitic, pleural fluid, Skin Scrappings, Urology and Slide Seminars.

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There will also be a session on free oral papers and posters. Goa Medical Council has given 12 CME credit hours for this CME

First Workshop Cum CME - "CYTOCON 2012"

Organised by Dept. of Pathology, R.D. Gardi Medical college, Ujjain under the aegis of Indian Academy of Cytology (IAC)

Date: 2nd, 3rd & 4th November 2012

Venue : R.D. Gardi Medical college, Ujjain and Kalidas Academy, Ujjain

The event is organized with aim of providing Basic knowledge in field of Cytology with its present scenario, updates and ways to overcome the challenging tasks of the subject faced by the Cytologists in day to day practice. Faculty: Stalwarts of the subject of National & International repute.

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CYTOCON 2012

The 42nd Annual Conference of Indian Academy of Cytologist



SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

Venue : KIMS, KIIT Campus, Bhubaneswar 30th Nov. - 3rd Dec. 2012

DATE	PROGRAMME
30th November 2012, Friday (09.00 am - 05.00 pm)	CME on Pediatric Solid Tumours Moderator : Dr. Naresh N. Rai, Kota Inauguration of CYTOCON 2012 (05.30 pm)
1st December 2012, Saturday (09.00 am to 05.00 pm)	P.N. Wahi Oration: Dr. Manjula Jain, Delhi IAC Academy Oration Nalini Bai Thakkar award paper Jwala Devi award paper presentations Guest Lecture Free paper and poster presentations General Body Meeting (05.00 pm)
2nd December 2012, Sunday (09.00 am - 05.00 pm)	Ernest Fernandes Slide Seminar: Dr. U.S. Dinesh, Dharwad Dr. Subhas Gupta Memorial Lecture Symposium "Hepatobiliary Pancreatic Lesions" Moderator: Dr. Archana Deshpande, Nagpur EQA Programme: Dr. S. Radhika, Chandigarh Guest Lecture Free paper and poster presentations Valedictory Function (05.00 pm)
3rd December 2012, Monday (08.00 pm - 04.00 pm)	Workshop (Two Parallel Sessions) Urine Cytology Dr. Niranjana Rout, Cuttack. Cervical Cytology Dr. Subhada Kane, TMH, Mumbai



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ODISHA CHAPTER OF IAC

Prof. N.C. Parija

Organising Chairperson

Prof. Niranjana Rout

Organising Secretary

Prof. (Mrs) Urmila Senapati

Jt. Organising Secretary

REGISTRATION DETAILS:

CONFERENCE DELEGATE REGISTRATION FEES

	Upto 31st July.	Upto 30th Sept.	Upto spot
Delegates			
IAC Members	3000/-	3500/-	4000/-
Non-IAC Members	3250/-	3750/-	4250/-
P.G. students	2500/-	2500/-	3000/-
Associate	1500/-	1500/-	2000/-
Overseas	\$ 200	\$ 300	\$ 400
CME/Workshop Registration fee (each) - Rs.500.00			

TRIBUTARIES : News from around

Activities in different regions as per the input received by members

CHANDIGARH : A CME cum Workshop 2012 was Organized by Department of Cytology and Gynaecological Pathology, PGIMER, Chandigarh on September 15-16, 2012. This CME on Recent advances in Cytology and Gynaecological Pathology and workshop on Liquid Based Cytology was a part of Golden Jubilee Celebrations of PGIMER, Chandigarh. This year when the institute has entered the Golden Jubilee celebration, the department has entered its 34th year of its existence. The department is pioneer centre to first start Fine needle Aspiration Cytology in the country and was also the First to introduce cytology as part of MD Pathology training programme at. The first Post MD specialization certificate course in Cytology also started here. The Departmental faculty have constantly strived to uphold the high standards by introducing many new tests and techniques like HPV DNA testing, Flow Cytometric Immunophenotyping and Molecular Diagnostics.

Cytology and Gynaecological Pathology is a unique combination covering about 40-50% of work load in our day to day routine practice of pathology. Tremendous advances have been made over the last few years such as Liquid based cytology, artificial neural network and molecular pathology to name a few. Liquid-based Cytology, HPV typing and changing concepts of pelvic serous carcinogenesis is very important developments in this area. Many lectures in the scientific program covered these recent developments in this field. Dr Naveena Singh and Dr Durgesh N Rana were invited from U.K. to share their vast experience. Faculty members from various premier institutes and medical colleges across country included Dr Manoj Choudhuri, Dr S K Verma, Dr A Rajwanshi, Dr R Nijahwan, Dr. Radhika Srinivasan, Dr V Malhotra, Dr V Iyer, Dr R K Saran, Dr P Dey, Dr Santosh Menon, Dr Munita Bal and Dr Nalini Gupta. Dr A Rajwanshi discussed the utility of cell block in cytology.

The workshop on "Liquid Based Cytology" covered technical and morphological aspects of LBC techniques in



gynaec and non-gynaec samples. Hands-on workshop included training of technical aspects of LBC by Mr.Sachin Rana, Cytomorphological aspects of various lesions in LBC cervical pap smears were demonstrated by Dr.Durgesh Rana, Dr.Nalini and Dr. Iyer, cytomorphology of non-gynecological samples including effusions and respiratory cytology were demonstrated by Dr.Radhika. The delegates were also treated to a vast number of cases through the self-viewing slide session. The LBC workshop, first of its kind in the country was highly successful with participation of delegates from across the

DELHI

Delhi Regional chapter of IAC was founded on 16th November 2011 at Lady Harding Medical College, New Delhi. In the meeting, Dr. (Prof.) Kusum Verma was nominated as chairperson; Dr. Sandeep Mathur as Secretary and Treasurer; and the other executive members were Dr. (Prof.) Shyama Jain, Dr. V. K. Iyer and Dr. Reena Bharadwaj. It was decided to hold two meetings in a year in the month of March and October. The meeting that would be held in October would be the annual conference of the chapter.

The first meeting of Delhi Regional Chapter of Indian Academy of Cytologists was inaugurated on 24th March 2012 at Dr. R.M.L. Hospital and PGIMER, New Delhi. The meeting took place under the vision and guidance of Dr. (Prof.) N. K. Chaturvedi, Advisor, PGIMER & Dr. R.M.L. Hospital, New Delhi.

The meeting was organised by Dr. Manju Kaushal, Head of Cytology unit, Department of Pathology. The inauguration was held in the presence of the chairperson of Delhi Chapter of IAC - Dr. (Prof.) Kusum Verma, Dr. (Prof.) Manjula Jain, (Head, Department of Pathology, LHMC, and ex-president IAC), Dr. T. S. Sidhu (M.S. & Director PGIMER & Dr. R.M.L. Hospital) and Dr. A. K. Sen (Head, Department of Pathology, Dr. R.M.L. Hospital & PGIMER). The scientific meeting constituted of an Interesting case presentation, Cytology Quiz for postgraduate students and a Guest Lecture by the esteemed speaker Dr. (Prof.) Ravi Mehrotra (President, IAC).

Dr. Ravi Mehrotra spoke on recent developments in the diagnosis of oral lesions using cytology and adjunctive techniques. The meeting was attended by about 100 cytopathologists from Delhi and NCR region.

Dr. Manju Kaushal; Consultant & Associate Professor,
Dept. of Pathology, Dr. R.M.L. Hospital & PGIMER, New Delhi



GOA

Dr. R.G. W. Pinto organized several CMEs in Goa on various topics- Germ Cell Tumors, Carcinoma of penis, Chondroblastoma, Fungal lesions of lung, Meningioma, Wilms Tumor, Extranodal Lymphoma, Leiomyomas & Leiomyosarcoma, Breast Diseases, Pulmonary Pathology, Fibrous Dysplasia, TB Spleen, Cutaneous Lymphoma, Ameloblastoma

Dr. R.G. Wiseman Pinto was invited as a Faculty by the College of Pathologists of Srilanka for the Annual Academic meeting in Colombo, Srilanka on 18th and 19th August 2012. He delivered talks on FNAC in Clinical Practice,



Congenital Anomalies, Pediatric Tumors and conducted a workshop on FNAC in day to day practice with glass slides. Dr. Pinto was also the Guest of Honour at the Inauguration Ceremony of the Conference, held at Ramada Hotel, Colombo. The other Faculty were Dr. Jane Dahlstrom (Australia), Dr. P.A.M. Saparamadu (Oman), Dr. M.V. C. de Silva (Oman), Dr. M.D. S. Lokuhetty (Srilanka), Dr. A. L. M. Nazar (Srilanka), Dr. A.A. H. Priyani (Srilanka), Dr. P. Angernawela (Srilanka), Dr. S.J. Hewavisenthi (Srilanka) and Dr. L. Paranehewa (Srilanka). Around 150 Pathologists from all over Srilanka attended the conference, which was organized by **Dr. Janaki Fernando and Dr. A.A. H. Priyani.**



Dr. R. G. Wiseman Pinto has been invited as Chairperson and Speaker at the 37th European Congress of Cytology at Dubrovnik Cavtat, Croatia, between 30th September to 3rd October 2012, organized by European Federation of Cytology Societies, Croatian Society for Clinical Cytology of Croatian Medical Association. Dr. Pinto has been invited as Chairperson and Speaker for the Symposium on Infectious Diseases, Co- Chairperson and Speaker for the Slide Seminar on GI, Liver and Pancreas and Moderator and Faculty for the workshop on Infectious Diseases. Dr. R. G. Wiseman Pinto has also been invited as a Faculty for the 1st International CMC Pathology CME on



Cytopathology and Histopathology 2012, organized by the Department of Pathology, Chittagong Medical College, Chittagong, Bangladesh in association with the Bangladesh Academy of Pathology on 20th and 21st October 2012. He will speak on FNAC and Testicular Tumors. The other Faculty includes Dr. Asitava Mondal, Dr. Shahid Parvez, Dr. K.K. Prasad, Dr. Tarek Al Naser & Dr. Mohammad Kamal.

Dr. R. G. Wiseman Pinto is also an invited Faculty for the CME on “ Diagnostic Cytology of Head and Neck at the Maratha Mandal's N.G. Halgekar Institute of Dental Sciences and Research Centre, Belgaum on 26th May 2012. he spoke on FNAC in Salivary gland lesions and conducted a Slide Seminar.

The other Faculty were: Dr. N.A. Jambhekar, Dr. P. V. Patil, Dr. Ramakant Naik & Dr. Bhat.

DVDs on Recent Advances

A DVD on Recent Advances in Medicine will be released at CYTOCON 2012, at Bhubaneswar, Odisha (Orissa). The DVD is produced and edited by Dr. R. G. Wiseman Pinto. The DVD contains articles on FNAC of Liver, Colorectal Cancer Cell Block, Angiogenesis in Cancer Cervix, FISH, Advanced Breast cancer Predictors. Surgical Advances, Extranodal Lymphoma, Ethics in Elderly, Parasitology, pap smears, etc. The authors include Dr. Aileen Wee (Singapore), Dr. Alain Verhest (Belgium), Dr. Eric Suba (USA), Dr. Anil Amin (Norway), Dr. A.R. Chitale (Mumbai), Dr. Arvind Rajwaushi (Chandigarh), Dr. Asitava Mondal (Kolkatta), Dr. Mahesh Goel (Mumbai), Dr. Reena Engineer (Mumbai), Dr. Usha Saraiya (Mumbai), Dr. Ramaa Manchanda (Pune), Dr. Sanjay Oak (Mumbai) Dr. Savio Rodrigues & Dr. R. G. Wiseman Pinto (Goa) Those interested in getting copies during the CYTOCON 2012 must contact : Dr. R. G. Wiseman Pinto on Email: wisemanpinto@gmail.com Or Tel :- 09422641170 Latest by 1st Nov 2012.

WEST BENGAL

1. Dr Asitava Mondal has been invited at Wardha (Maharashtra), Devangere (Karnataka), Mysore (Karnataka) to deliver Guest Lectures on Cytology of Head and Neck Tumours.
2. Dr. Asitava Mondal has been invited to deliver ORATION in International CME on "Cytology of Mediastinal Tumours" in Bangladesh.
3. Dr. Asitava Mondal has been invited to deliver ORATION in West Bengal.



The Evolution of Cytotechnologist

The cytotechnologist is one of the newer allied health professionals in medicine, far younger than either the medical technologist or histotechnologist. In the early 1950s, Dr. George Papanicolaou made a discovery that would change the face of cervical cancer detection. As with many ground-breaking discoveries, it was made by accident. Dr. “Pap” was studying the estrous cycle of the female when he noticed abnormally sized and shaped cells which he had scraped from the Cervixes of some of his subjects. These patients either currently had, or soon developed squamous carcinoma of the cervix. By convincing the medical community of the importance of his discovery, the “Pap smear” was born. Cytotechnology screen Pap Smears & final interpretations are made by Cytopathologists. FNA Smears are directly read by Cytopathologist.

OUR IAC

IAC Kal Aaj Aur Kal : Send your inputs regarding History, interesting or inspiring anecdotes from your memory- from any of conference you have attended in past. In Words or in pictures.



IAC Conference in Paris in May 2013



MCI sponsored Cytology CME at Cuttack in 2006 .
Dr Asitava Mondal and Dr RGW Pinto



Cytologists in Goa Conference in 1998
Dr RGW Pinto ,Dr Chandralekha Shroff ,Dr CV Raghuvver and
Dr N. Jayaram

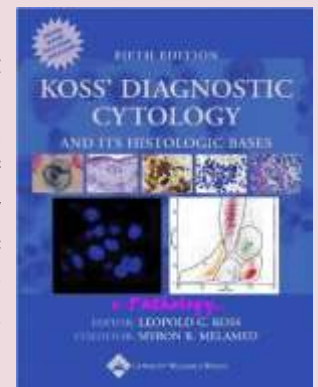


Indian Academy of Cytologists Conference at
Bhopal Dr NK Chaturvedi , Dr RGW Pinto,
Dr Reeni Malik & Dr H. Bhardwaj with Dr. Gouri Shankar Shejwar
, erstwhile H.M. of M.P.

OBITUARY : Dr. Leopold G. Koss (1920- September 11, 2012)



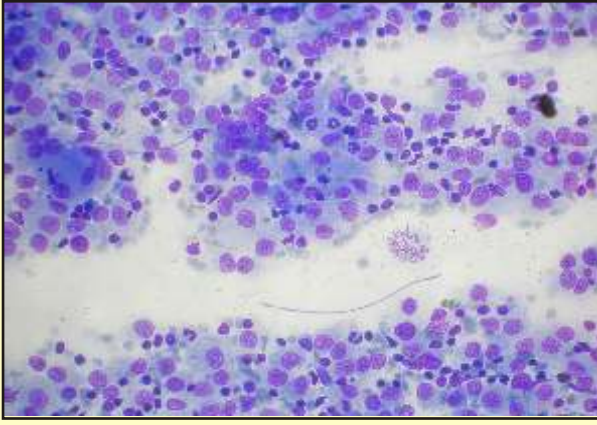
A founding father of cytology and a leader in several prominent medical societies, Leopold G. Koss, MD, FASCP, passed away on Sept. 11, 2012 in New York. He was 92 and worked until the end of his life at Montefiore Medical Center and Albert Einstein College of Medicine, Bronx, N.Y. He was a pioneer in the field of Cytopathology and was the author of the seminal book on the subject, "Diagnostic Cytology and It's Histopathologic Bases," which appeared in five editions and was recently translated into Chinese. He was a professor at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine. He was born in



Poland and studied at the University of Bern in Switzerland before moving to the United States. He received the Papanicolaou, Goldblatt, Masubuchi Awards, the Sloan Award in Cancer Research and the Gold-headed Cane Award from the American Society for Investigative Pathology. He was a distinguished member of the American Society of Cytopathology (ASC).

Answer to Cytostat Quiz IAC News Bulletin March-April 2012

1. Dr. Kishore Khatri, Govt. Medical College, Kota
Histiocytosis X (Eosinophilic Granuloma)
by Mobile No. : 9414269058; on 18.05.12
2. Dr. Palash Kumar Mandal, Secretary , West Bengal Chapter of IAC.
Langerhans Cell Histiocytosis, by Mobile : 09433975796; on 08.06.2012
3. Dr Deepti Sukheeja, JAIPUR
Langerhan cell Histiocytosis. 08.06.12
4. Dr. Kishore Kumar, MD PGIMER, Chandigarh
now pursuing D.M. Clinical Haematology in Kolkata.
Langerhans Cell Histiocytosis; by Mobile : 09903790670 On 09.06.12



CYTOSTAT QUIZ

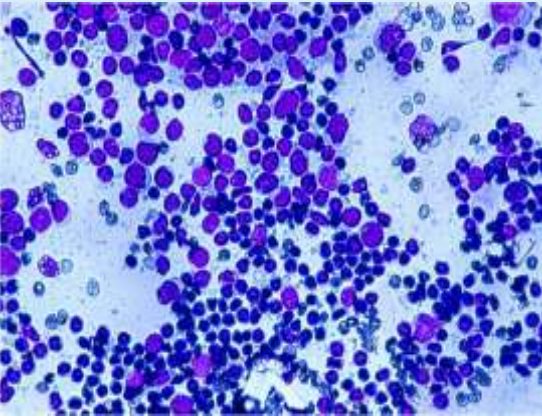
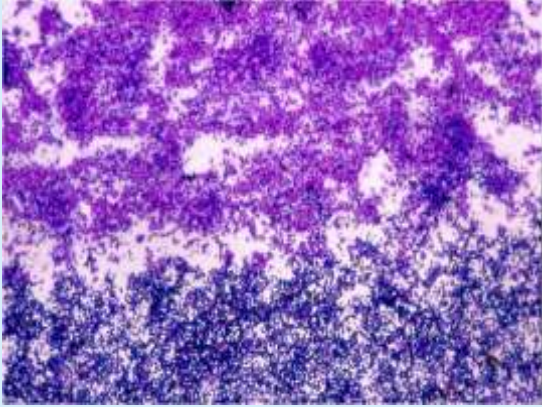
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A 17 year Male presented with Left Cervical Lymphadenopathy.
2 micro-photographs are given here- scanning (4X) & 20X. Guess the diagnosis. These photographs also depict a novel idea of Histology.

Send your answer to :

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The Editor Newsletter wishes all IAC members a happy web-surfing.

This is the Last Newsletter edited by me.

I wish your participation & involvement would further increase in subsequent issues.

- Dr. Naresh N. Rai

Medical Philately



Dr. Balazs (Ernie) Bodai's proposal to publish a fund-raising stamp on Breast Cancer faced initial rejection from US Postal services & resistance from various quarters. It was ultimately released by Hillary Clinton in a White House Function on July 29, 1998. 829.12 million stamps have been sold till October 2010 raising 567.4 million Dollars for Breast Cancer Research.

The design of stamp is rife with symbolism- it shows a line drawing against a rainbow-hued background that shows the upper half of the body of Artemis, Greek goddess of the hunt and protector of young women. The stamp bears the legend, "BREAST CANCER" and is the work of Maryland designer (and breast cancer survivor) Ethel Kessler and of illustrator Whitney Sherman. The words "FUND THE FIGHT. FIND A CURE." encircle the woman's missing breast, and her right arm is raised in the correct position for examining one's own breast. Another . She carries a bow and a quiver of arrows: her reach for an arrow suggests her intention to do battle, and there is no mistaking the enemy.

Another stamp is a Pink Ribbon stamp on Breast Cancer Awareness, stating the fact that October is the Breast Cancer Awareness month.