

New IAVP-Dr S. K. Nigam Memorial Young Scientist Award



Dr Suresh Kumar Nigam (1936-2015) was an eminent Toxicopathologist, Senior Deputy Director and Emeritus Medical Scientist at National Institute of Occupational Health (NIOH), Ahmedabad, Gujarat. IAVP in its Meeting at SDAU, SK Nagar, Gujarat in October, 2018 approved proposal of Dr Vijay P. Kale, MVSc, PhD, US to start **IAVP-Dr S. K. Nigam Memorial Young Scientist Award for Second Best Oral Presentation** in memory of Dr Suresh Kumar Nigam. Dr Nigam retired as a Senior Deputy Director of National Institute of Occupational Health (NIOH), Ahmedabad, Gujarat in 1997 and then served as Emeritus Medical Scientist at the same Institute from 1997-2001. Since then he served as a Consultant Toxicologic Pathologist at Jai Research Foundation, Vapi and Zydus Research Center, Ahmedabad, Gujarat. His pioneering work on toxicity of DDT and BHC provided convincing scientific data which led to ban on use of BHC and DDT in agricultural practices. Furthermore, Dr Nigam's pioneering work established scientific evidences for toxicity of different *pan-masalas* in laboratory animals. He was an inspiring mentor to many young Veterinary Pathologists. Dr Nigam earned his BVSc degree from Osmania University, Hyderabad, AP in 1958, MVSc. (Vety. Pathology) from Agra University in 1965 and PhD (Pathology) from Post-Graduate Institute of Medical Education and Research, Chandigarh in 1970.

The Annual Young Scientist Award contains certificate (to all authors) and memento (to young author). First award will be given in Veterinary Pathology Congress to be held at Veterinary College, CAU, Selesih, Aizawl, Mizoram during November 6 to 8, 2019. IAVP is grateful to Dr Kale for sponsorship of this coveted award.