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ASSOCIATION NEWS

XXVI Annual conference of Indian Association of Veterinary Pathologists & International Symposium Organised at GADVASU, Ludhiana

The Department of Veterinary Pathology, Guru Angad Dev Veterinary and Animal Sciences, University, Ludhiana organized the XXVI Annual conference of Indian Association of Veterinary Pathologists with core theme on 'Diagnostic Pathology' and an International Symposium on 'Philosophy of Disease Diagnosis Thru Morphological to Bimolecular Approaches' and a Satellite Seminar on 'Advanced Descriptive Techniques- Ultrastructure, Cytology and Immuno-histochemistry', from October 28-30th, 2009 at Ludhiana, with Dr. N.K Sood as organizing secretary. The International IAVP conference was hosted for the first time at Ludhiana. In this mega event, over 300 delegates from all over India and 15 delegates from USA, Canada, UK, Italy, Sudan, Iran and Bhutan participated. On the first day of the conference, a day-long satellite seminar was delivered by Dr. Bruce Williams, an eminent pathologist and President of CL DAVIS DVM foundation, USA. The prominent international speakers in the symposium were Dr. Malcom Alison from prestigious medical institute UK; Dr. Suresh Muthupulani, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), USA.; Dr. Leonardi Leonardi and Dr. Monica from Italy; Dr. Pritam Sahota, Head of Pathology, Novartis, USA and Dr. K.S. Pandher, Senior Pathologist from Pfizer, USA.



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Second South Zone Conference of IAVP Organised at Namakkal

Second South Zone conference and National Symposium on "Pathobiology of Poultry and Laboratory Animal Diseases" was organised by Dr.G.A.Balasubramaniam at Veterinary College and Research Institute, Namakkal on 5th & 6th March 2010. The conference was attended by 130 delegates from all southern states besides Punjab and Maharashtra. Dr.R.N.Srinivas Gowda and Dr.K.S.Rao Vice-President, Advinus delivered keynote lectures on poultry diseases and role of veterinary pathologists in toxicological laboratory, respectively. In all 12 invited and 106 contributory papers, (59 oral and 47 posters) were presented in appropriately structured six technical sessions covering all aspects of poultry and laboratory animal diseases. The South Zone General Body Meeting was held on 5th March 2010 under the chairmanship of Dr. C.Balachandran, Zonal Secretary (South). Dr. B. Murali Manohar, Vice-President, Dr. T.V. Anilkumar, Secretary General, Dr. A. Rajan, Former General Secretary, Dr. Amarjit Singh, Web Manager and Dr.M.Gajendragad, Dr.A.Anand Kumar, executive Members, represented Central Executive of IAVP.



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Activities of South Zone-Chapters of IAVP

HYDERABAD : Meeting of Hyderabad City Chapter of IAVP was organized on 30th January 2010. Dr.A.Anand Kumar, Assoc. Prof. & Head, Pathology Department, C.V.Sc. Sri Venkateswara Veterinary University, Hyderabad and Executive Committee Member IAVP, addressed the members and informed members about the IAVP and the purpose of this meeting. He updated the members about the efforts of the IAVP in advancing Veterinary Pathology Education in the country. Dr. Syed S.Y.H. Qadri informed the gathering about the ICVP, its constitution, the certification examination for the Diplomate and also about the continuing education program. It was unanimously decided to hold quarterly meetings with at least one presentation on a topic of general interest to update the knowledge of the members. About 20 members were present in the meeting. The meeting ended with a vote of thanks presented by Dr. H.S. Rajender Kumar.



KARNATAKA: On 02.01.2010, the Karnataka Chapter meeting was held at Bangalore. More than 80 members attended the meeting. Panel discussion on the theme of "Role of Veterinary Pathologists in Academia, Research, Industry and Field-Increasing or Decreasing?" represented, respectively, by Dr.R.N.Sreenivas Gowda, Dr.T.Gopal and Dr.S.K.Vijayarathy. Dr.Harshakumar Shetty represented poultry industry and Dr.Shivarudrappa the field opportunities. Dr.M.S.Mohan presented a talk on "Immunopathogenesis of the carrier status of FMD" in buffaloes. Later, Dr.M.L.Satyanarayana, Dr.M.Gajendragad and Dr.Muniyellappa were unanimously elected as President, Secretary and Treasurer of the chapter, respectively.



KERALA: A meeting of the members of the IAVP Kerala Chapter was convened on 21 November 2009 in the Hotel Pearl Regency, Thrissur to welcome and orient the newly joined pathologists to the IAVP Kerala chapter. Dr A.Rajan spoke at length about his experiences in teaching, research and extension activities in Veterinary Pathology that gave an impetus and guidance to the junior pathologists. Dr.Rajan was also felicitated for Dr. Nemi Chand Life-Time Achievement award of IAVP for the year 2008. The other retired teachers of the Department of Pathology; Dr.K.I.Maryamma, Dr.K.V.Valsala, Dr.T.Sreekumaran, Dr.Ismail were also honoured on this occasion. The meeting was chaired by Dr.C.R.Lalitha, the President of the Chapter. Dr.N.Vijayan, Secretary welcomed the dignitaries and the members. Dr.T.V.Anilkumar Secretary general of the IAVP also addressed the members



TAMILNADU: The Tamilnadu Chapter of IAVP organized a guest lecture on "Trichomonosis in cattle" on 06.02.2010. The lecture was delivered by Dr. Dalen W. Agnew, Reproductive Pathologist, Michigan State University, USA. Eighteen members including faculty, research fellows, students and industry people participated and interacted.

First Central Zone Meeting of IAVP Organized at Anjora, Durg

First Central Zone meeting of IAVP and a Seminar on "Role of Veterinary Pathology in Improving Animal Health" was organized at College of Veterinary Science & A.H., Anjora, Durg, C.G. on 18th February 2010 by Dr. R. C. Ghosh, Professor & Head, Deptt. of Veterinary Pathology and Zonal Secretary (IAVP). The chief guest, Dr. D. N. Tewari, Vice Chairman, State Planning Board, Govt. of Chhattisgarh in his inaugural address emphasised the importance of preservation of Indian breeds and protection of native animals from exotic diseases. He also emphasised the need for carrying out need based research. He justified the necessity of opening of a separate Veterinary and Animal Science University for overall improvement of livestock sector in the Chhattisgarh state. The scientific interactions focused on proper disease diagnosis, treatment and control regimen for the emerging and re-emerging diseases of animals and birds which cause significant economic losses to the livestock industry. More than 80 delegates attended the conference. Amongst the dignitaries who graced the occasion included Dr. M.P. Pandey, Dr. J.L. Vegad, Dr. S.S. Shaw, Dr. U.K. Mishra and Dr. S.S. Gaharwar.



AWARDS/HONOURS/RECOGNITION

Dr. Nemichand Jain Life- Time Achievement Award (2008) for Dr. A. Rajan

Dr. A. Rajan, a nationally and internationally renowned pathologist served the profession in different capacities as Professor & Head, Dept of Pathology, Director Centre of Excellence in Pathology (ICAR and KAU) and Dean, College of Veterinary & Animal Sciences, Mannuthy. He has guided several postgraduate students. Dr Rajan, an accomplished teacher and outstanding research pathologist, recipient of several awards, has published over 315 research papers in national and international journals in the fields of ethmoid carcinoma, mycotoxicosis, toxicopathology, etc, through a number of externally funded projects. He worked as a post-doctoral scientist at the North Western University, Chicago and visited UK, USSR, Denmark, Sweden, etc, for various scientific programs. He was Editor of the Kerala Journal of Veterinary science. As the Secretary of the IAVP, his contribution in strengthening the IAVP and establishing the Veterinary Pathologists in high esteem in the country is well known to each and every one of us.



Dr. Lal Krishna, ADG (AH) & AHC, Ministry of Agriculture GOI, and President, IAVP and ICVP, was conferred with Distinguished Veterinarian Award of Indian Association for Advancement of Veterinary Research (IAAVR) at Jabalpur during Dec., 2009. He also received Excellence in Veterinary Profession Award from Maharashtra Veterinary Association at Pune. IAVP family is proud of its president's achievements.

Dr. R. Somvanshi has been conferred with **Vigyan Ratna Award** by UP Council of Science and Technology, Lucknow, for his outstanding research contribution in Veterinary Science with special reference to Bovine Papillomatosis (Cutaneous Warts/Enzootic Bovine Haematuria). The award consisted of a cash of Rs. 50,000/-, a certificate, memento and shawl. This award was given by Minister of Science and Technology, Government of U.P. at Lucknow on 27.03.2010.



Dr. B. Murali Manohar, Vice-President, IAVP, received the American Society for Microbiology International Professorship Award for the year 2010 for his work on "Testing of nanoplexes containing gentamicin to treat chronic/persistent brucellosis in *in-vitro* and *in-vivo* systems" carried out at the Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine. Dr Murali Manohar also received **Dr. Vaithilingam Rathinasabapathy Innovation Award of TANUVAS (2008)** at the XIII Convocation of TANUVAS held on 20.11.2009. The award consisted of a certificate and cash of Rs. 10,000/.

Dr. B.N. Tripathi, Head, Division of Animal Health, Central Sheep and Wool Research Institute, Avikanagar and Chief Editor, Indian Journal of Veterinary Pathology, was conferred with the **IAVP Fellowship** during 26th Annual conference of IAVP at Ludhiana. Dr Tripathi also received the **Best Teacher Award** of IVRI deemed university for the year 2008-09. The award carries a certificate, a plaque and cash of Rs 10,000.



Dr. S.K. Panda was conferred with **Best Teacher Award** of College of Veterinary Science & Animal Husbandry, Orissa University of Agriculture and technology, Bhubaneswar for the academic year 2008-09.

NEW ASSIGNMENT



Dr. R.S. Chauhan, former Joint Director, CADRAD, IVRI, Izatnagar and Vice President, IAVP joined as Director of the Institute of Biotechnology, Patwa Dangar, Nainital under Pant Nagar Agriculture University. Dr. Chauhan is also the Founder President of Dr. J.L. Vegad Foundation of Indian Association of Veterinary Pathologists. The IAVP fraternity wishes Dr. Chauhan all the best for the new assignment.



Dr. D.V. Joshi, Professor & Head, and **Dr. B.J. Patel**, Professor of Department of Pathology, College of Veterinary Science and Animal Husbandry, Sardarkrushinagar, Gujarat received **Best Teacher Award** for the year 2006-2007 and 2007-2008, respectively. The award consists of a citation, certificate and cash prize of Rs. 10,000/ to each. The awards were given by Dr (Mrs). Kamala Benival, Governor of Gujarat on the University Convocation held on 9th March, 2010.

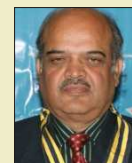
Dr. Jasmi Patel, Veterinary Officer, FMD lab, Ahmedabad has won the "**Chancellor's Gold Medal**" for the best P.G. Research Work in the faculty of Veterinary Science carried out during the year 2008-2009. Dr. Jasmi has done her M.V.Sc in pathology under the able guidance of Dr. D.V. Joshi.

Dr. N. V. Kurkure, Associate Professor, Department of Veterinary Pathology, Nagpur Veterinary College, Maharashtra Animal & Fishery Sciences University received **Best Teacher Award** on University Foundation Day i.e. 3rd December, 2009. Recently, Dr. Kurkure had been to Chonnam National University, South Korea as visiting professor for one year.



Dr. T.V. Anil Kumar, Secretary General IAVP was elected as Fellow of the Society of the Biology by the Council on 10th December 2009. The Society of Biology is a single unified voice for biology: advising government and influencing policy; advancing education and professional development, supporting their members and engaging and encouraging public interest in the life sciences. As a member of the Society he enjoys professional status and is entitled to use the letters CBiol FSB after his name.

Dr. U.K. Garg, Prof & Head Department of Pathology Veterinary College, Mhow received a **Certificate of Commendation by District Administration Indore** for his excellent work in the disease investigation and conservation of National Bird Peacock in Indore Division of Madhya Pradesh.



ICVP ORGANIZED FIRST COURSE ON 'DESCRIPTIVE VETERINARY PATHOLOGY OF THE ARMED FORCES INSTITUTE OF PATHOLOGY' IN INDIA

Indian College of Veterinary Pathologists (ICVP) conducted FIRST International Course on 'Descriptive Veterinary Pathology' in India (in fact in Asia) held from 2-6 April 2010 jointly with Vimta Laboratories at their Life Sciences Facility, Genome Valley, Hyderabad.

The course was jointly sponsored by Armed Forces Institute of Pathology, Washington DC USA and Charles Louis Davis DVM Foundation of USA. Bruce H. Williams, DVM, DACVP, President of the Foundation, directed the course along with Paul Stromberg, Professor of Pathology, Ohio State University. The same faculty also conducts courses in US & Europe for over a decade. The course was attended by 57 Veterinary Pathologists from diverse areas of practice including universities, institutions and industry. The 40 hours course spread over five days included descriptive veterinary pathology training on gross pathology, macro-micro correlation, histopathology, electron microscopy; cytology, immunohistochemistry, clinical biochemistry, clinical pathology, blood gas analysis with clinical & pathologic correlation.

The course was inaugurated by Dr Amir Hamza, Associate Dean, College of Veterinary Sciences at Secunderabad whereas Dr AN Ramaswami, President Life Sciences Division of Vimta Labs was the Guest of Honour. Dr Lal Krishna, President ICVP & IAVP, Animal Husbandry Commissioner GOI, and ADG (AH) ICAR, and Dr S.P. Vasireddi, Chairman & Managing Director of VIMTA Labs graced the closing ceremony. The course was coordinated by Prof. Vipan K Gupta, CL Davis Liaison in India, and organized by Dr SSY Qadri, DICVP.



ICVP Council Representatives Invited by the ACVP : American College of Veterinary Pathologists extended official invitation to Indian College of Veterinary Pathologists (ICVP) representatives Prof. Vipan K Gupta, Secretary ICVP & Dr T.V. Anilkumar, Chairman Examination Committee of ICVP, to deliberate with ACVP Council & attend their Annual meeting in October 2010 at Baltimore, USA.

National Accreditation of CMVL, Meerut

The prestigious Central Military Veterinary Laboratory (CMVL), Meerut Cantt became the first Veterinary laboratory in India to be accredited by National Accreditation Board for Testing and Calibration Laboratories (NABL) as per ISO/IEC 17025:2005. This could be possible under the leadership of Brigadier P.S.Narwal, Commandant, CMVL and Fellow of National Academy of Veterinary Sciences (NAVS). The other Veterinary laboratories, which are ISO certified include the Centre for Animal Disease Research and Diagnosis (CADRAD), IVRI, Izatnagar and TANUVAS, Chennai.

List of IAVP Award Winners during the Annual Conference-2009

Name of the Award

Fellow of the Indian Association of Veterinary Pathologists: 2009 (FIAVP)

Dr. Nemi Chand Jain Lifetime Achievement Award: 2008

Young Scientist Award (2009) for the best oral presentation sponsored by SKMFeed and Food India Ltd

Savithree Jibachch Sinha Award (2009) for the presentation of the best poster

Organizing Secretaries Award (2009) for the presentation of the second best poster

Dr. Patri Rama Rao Award (2009) for the best PhD Thesis

Ram Raksha Kiran Shukla Award (2009) for the best MVSc thesis

Varsha Award (Poultry) for outstanding contributions in the field of Avian Pathology

Dr. CM Singh Award: 2007 for the best research article published in the Indian Journal of Veterinary Pathology Vol No. 31

Dr. CM Singh Award: 2008 for the best research article published in the Indian Journal of Veterinary Pathology Vol No. 32

President's Special Awards

President's special prizes for excellence in poster presentation (for non-IAVP members): 2009

President's special prizes for excellence in poster presentation (for IAVP members): 2009

Name of the Award Winner

1. Dr. C. Balachandran (Chennai)

2. Dr. V.K. Gupta (Palampur)

Dr. A. Rajan

Dr. Anoop Raj

Dr. C.K. Singh

Dr. B.S. Sandhu

Dr. Tridib Kumar Rajkhowa

Dr. V. Gowthaman

Dr. H. K. Muniyellappa

Dr. T.V. Anilkumar

Dr. M.S. Mohan

Dr. L.D. Singla (Ludhiana)

Dr. T.K. Rajkhowa (Assam)

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. 27th Annual Conference of IAVP and National Seminar on 'Recent Trend in Diagnosis and Pathology of Emerging and Reemerging Diseases of Livestock and Poultry' and Charles Davis Foundation Satellite Seminar is going to be held at Department of Pathology, College of Veterinary Science, AAU, Khanapara, Guwahati-22 (Assam) from 25th to 27th November, 2010. Dr. G.K. Baruah, Ph.D., Professor & Head, Department of Pathology is the Organising Secretary of the conference and may be contacted for further details (Phones: 03612331769 (O); 2336755 (R) & 9435014265 (Mobile); Email: gkbaruah53@gmail.com).
2. The IVRI Chapter of IAVP in collaboration with Dr. C.M. Singh Endowment Trust is organizing a National Seminar on "Advances in Animal Cancer Research in India: Diagnosis, Treatment and Clinical Management" w.e.f. 15-16 June, 2010 at the Division of Pathology, IVRI, Izatnagar, U.P.
3. An ICAR Winter School on "Newer Concepts and Techniques in Molecular and Pathoanatomical Diagnosis of Farm Animals, Poultry, Wildlife and Laboratory Animal Diseases" is going to be organised by the Division of Pathology, IVRI Izatnagar w.e.f. 01.10-2010 to 21.10.2010. The Winter School Director Dr. R. Somvanshi, Head, Division of Pathology (somvanshi@ivri.up.nic.in) may be contacted.
4. The Department of Veterinary Pathology, GADVASU, Ludhiana is going to organize a 21 -Day Winter School entitled "Recent Concepts in Veterinary Laboratory Diagnostics" w. e. f. 12-10-2010 to 1-11-2010. For further details, the interested candidates may contact Dr. N.K. Sood, the Course Director (nareshsood47@gmail.com; 09888130417).