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FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK



Dear Friends,

Greetings from IACTS!

I am happy to update you on the activities that have taken place so far and other programs planned for the future.

The Midterm Cardiac CME was conducted on 21 & 22 August 2015 at Puttaparthi. The Midterm General Body Meeting of IACTS was held on 21 August 2015. The Thoracic Surgery CME will be organized on 21 & 22 November 2015 at Tirupati.

As you all are aware, our website www.iacts.org is fully functional. However, the online membership registrations are at a very slow pace. I request all members to register online and provide complete and updated information on the profile page. Please double check your contact information and spellings since this information will be used to prepare the photo ID membership card. We request all members to send a high resolution passport picture to iactsgallery@gmail.com that will be used to create the photo ID. The file should be in JPEG format with complete name and without any title. For example: Rajan Sethuratnam

The work on national registry and database is in the final phase. It will be put on a test run shortly. As informed, we will be able to register and retrieve all data from our website. At present, it has been decided to display all the data state-wise instead of using hospital or individual surgeon names. However, individual members can retrieve their hospital data using their login details.

We are currently streamlining and upgrading certain sections on our website. This is an ongoing process to identify gaps, take appropriate measures, apply latest technology, which will enable us to design and maintain a systematic method. We noticed multiple registrations using two or more email IDs. We request members to use just one email account as your user ID to avoid multiple registrations. If members face any difficulty in creating/accessing their accounts or come across other problems, please email us at drrajan1957@gmail.com or secretary@iacts.org

Let's stay connected!

Rajan Sethuratnam

Cardiac CME



Midterm Cardiac CME on

"Surgical Spectrum for Mitral Valve Diseases"

Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Medical Sciences (SSSIHMS), Puttaparthi, Andhra Pradesh, INDIA

21 & 22 August 2015



Dr. Suresh Rao, President, lighting the lamp



Section of the audience

The Midterm Cardiac CME themed "Surgical Spectrum for Mitral Valve Diseases", was organized on 21 & 22 August 2015 at Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Medical Sciences, Puttaparthi, Andhra Pradesh.

128 delegates registered for the CME including 29 national and international faculties, 64 student delegates (cardiac surgical, cardiology and cardiac anaesthesia) and 33 surgeons. The program covered basics of mitral valve (anatomy and echocardiography), practical tips on mitral valve replacement and mitral valve repair, procedures for congenital mitral valve diseases, procedures for ischemic mitral valve diseases.

The program was inaugurated by dignitaries of Sri Sathya Sai Central Trust Sri R.J. Ratnakar and Sri Prasad Rao, Director SSSIHMS, Puttaparthi, Dr. Choudary Voleti and Dr. Suresh Rao, President, IACTS. The additional attraction of the CME was award quiz for the postgraduate students. Dr. Vijay Madhan, 4th year DNB student from The Madras Medical Mission, Chennai, won the first prize and was awarded the trophy and certificate. The second position required a jackpot quiz. This was won by Dr. Sudheer G, 5th year DNB student from SSSIHMS-WFD who was awarded the certificate. Another highlight of the CME was the CD prepared by Dr. Trushar Gajjar titled "Practical Guide for the Student" that includes the entire curriculum for practical examinations with question papers from last 20 years of MCh and DNB courses. It will serve as a comprehensive question bank and help students to prepare efficiently for their academics.

UPCOMING MEETING

Thoracic CME



**Sri Venkateswara Institute of Medical Sciences
Tirupati, Andhra Pradesh, INDIA**

Dr. Abha Chandra, Organizing Secretary

21 & 22 November 2015



✧ ELECTION 2016

Nominations are invited for the following posts:
For qualifications and eligibility, please visit: www.iacts.org

1. Secretary – 1 Post
2. Junior Vice President – 1 Post
3. Executive Committee Member - 2 Posts
4. Editor – 1 Post

The next Editor will be selected at the end of the fourth year to enable apprenticeship for one year before he starts his term.

Applications should be in the prescribed form. A brief write-up (in 100 words) of the candidate should be sent along with the nomination form that can be downloaded from our website: www.iacts.org

Last date for submission of nominations – 31 December 2015
Withdrawal of nominations – 31 January 2016

✧ FELLOWSHIPS & ORATIONS

Nominations and applications are invited for Fellowships and Orations for the year 2015 and 2016



FELLOWSHIPS



1. AK Basu visiting Professorship
2. GC Sharma Fellowship
3. Reeve H Betts Fellowship
4. SS Anand Fellowship

ORATIONS



1. CS Sadasivan Memorial Oration
2. Godrej S Karai Memorial Oration
3. KN Dastur Memorial Lecture
4. Meherji Mehta Memorial Lecture
5. PK Sen Memorial Lecture
6. Solomon Victor Memorial Oration



✧ SYMPOSIA 2016 & 2017

Nominations for topics are invited for Cardiac and Thoracic symposia.

IACS MEMBERSHIP - August 2015

Membership applications of the following members were approved in the Midterm General Body meeting held during the Cardiac CME at Puttapparthi on 21 August 2015:

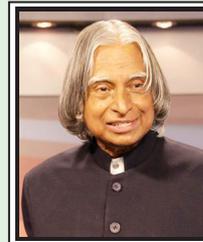
✧ Life Membership

Sl. No.	Name	Place	Membership No.
1	Dr. Mohit Arora	Srinagar	L 20152083
2	Dr. Nishant S Chandel	Raipur	L 20152084
3	Dr. (Lt. Col.) Mrithyunjaya V Kalmath	New Delhi	L 20152085
4	Dr. Siddharth Pahwa	Kolkata	L 20152086
5	Dr. Rupesh Kumar	Kolkata	L 20152087
6	Dr. Prasanth Sadasivan	Chandigarh	L 20152088
7	Dr. Ashwini Kumar Pasarad	Bangalore	L 20152089

✧ Associate Membership

Sl.No.	Name	Place	Membership No.
1	Dr. Krithika Ramaprabhu	Chennai	A 20155080

OBITUARY



We are all born with a divine fire in us. Our efforts should be to give wings to this fire and fill the world with the glow of its goodness

(Abdul Kalam)

Dr. Avul Pakir Jainulabdeen Abdul Kalam

15 October 1931 – 27 July 2015

This section is dedicated to Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam—as a mark of respect and celebration of his inspiring life.

His speeches were inspirational to all of us, particularly to the children and youth. We are sure his motivation for a better India will have good effect. His simplicity, honesty and earnest leadership will stay on in our hearts.

Dr. Sanjay Desai

6 September 1960 – 18 April 2015



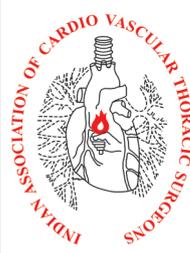
Dr. Sanjay Desai was the Chief Cardiac Surgeon at SR Mehta Hospital and Cardiac Centre, Sion, Mumbai. He was a very hardworking surgeon and had a passion for adult cardiac surgery.

Liked by host of grateful patients and relatives, he was the pride of Cardiac Surgical Group in Mumbai. Dr. Sanjay Desai was a keen participant in many regional and national academic programs, and was also seen in regular international meetings. A very sociable person, his friends, family and the cardiac fraternity will miss this energetic, positive and accomplished cardiac surgeon.



62nd Annual Meeting of IACTS

IACTSCON 2016, 18 – 21 February 2016, Lucknow



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To know more about IACTSCON2016,
please visit: www.iactskonlucknow2016.org

AWARD PAPER SESSION



Abstracts are invited for the award paper session of IACTSCON 2016 at Lucknow. The abstract should be submitted with full manuscript. The accepted papers will be published in our Indian Journal of Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgery (IJTCVS).

Please log on to www.iactskonlucknow2016.org for more details



The winner of the award paper session will be sponsored by IACTS to participate in an overseas conference.



The second and third runners up will be sponsored to participate in the next annual conference of IACTS.

Book - Post

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