

## ASSOCIATION NEWS



Association of Pharmacy Professionals (APP) Andhra Pradesh State Branch organized **3rd Indo-Australian Conference on "Pharmaceutical Technology: Past, Present and Future Perspectives"** on 29th December 2017 at V.V. Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Gudlavalleru, Krishna District, Andhra Pradesh in collaboration with APP Australian International Branch.

The inauguration ceremony commenced with lighting of lamp by the Chief Guest Dr. Kamal Dua from Discipline of Pharmacy, University of Technology Sydney, New South Wales, Australia and the Guest of Honor Dr. B. Chandra Shekhar Reddy, Principal, Jayamukhi Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Warangal, Andhra Pradesh. Prof. R. Govinda Rajan, Secretary, APP Andhra Pradesh State Branch and Research Director, Hindu College of Pharmacy, Guntur and Dr. S.R.K. Reddy, Advisor to Management, V.V. Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Gudlavalleru graced the occasion by sharing the dais. For this scientific conference, Dr. Rajiv Dahiya, Founder President APP and Director, School of Pharmacy, Faculty of Medical Sciences, The University of the West Indies, St. Augustine, Trinidad & Tobago acted as 'Organizing Chairman'; Dr. Sunita Dahiya, General Secretary APP from School of Pharmacy, University of Puerto Rico, San Juan, PR, USA acted as 'Convener' and Dr. Suresh V. Chennupati, Vice President, APP Ethiopian International Branch from School of Pharmacy, Wollega University, Nekemte, Ethiopia acted as 'Scientific Committee Chairman'.

The Convener and Principal of the college Dr. A. Lakshmana Rao welcomed the resource persons and delegates. Later, the CD containing scientific abstracts was released by the Chief Guest from University of Technology Sydney, Australia.

The scientific session of the conference was enriched with plenary lectures of Dr. Kamal Dua and Dr. B. Chandra Shekhar Reddy on topics of pharmaceutical interest like "Various Hydrophilic Carriers: Catalyst for Solubility Enhancement of Poorly Water Soluble Drugs" and "Understanding the Role of Preformulation in Drug Development".

In the afternoon scientific session, about 100 research and review papers were presented in several sections. Dr. P. Naga Raju, Dr. G. Vijay Kumar, Dr. T. P. Rao and Dr. A. Ajay Babu were the judges for the scientific session. In pharmacology section, Ms. Aishwarya and Finian from Adithya College of Pharmacy, Surampalem won first prize in oral presentations and second prize in poster presentations. In pharmaceutical analysis section, Ms. K. Jyothi from Hindu College of Pharmacy, Guntur and Mr. S. Shakir Basha from Sri Vidhyanikethan, Tirupati won first prize in oral and second prize in poster presentations. In pharmaceuticals section, Ms. Nihitha Sanka from Chalapathi Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Guntur and Ms. D. Dharani Srividya from Vijaya Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences for Women, Vijayawada won first prize in poster and oral presentations and Mr. Ch. Shiva Gopal from V. V. Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Gudlavalleru won second prize in poster presentations. In pharmaceutical chemistry section, Mr. Vikram Choudhary from Srinathji Institute of Pharmacy, Rajasthan and Ms. V. Dhilekha from VJ's College of Pharmacy, Rajahmundry won second prize in oral presentations.

During the valedictory function, 'APP Best Faculty Award' was provided to Dr. Sk. Amina Bee, Associate Professor, Department of Pharmacology, VVIPS, Gudlavalleru; 'APP Best Researcher Award' to Dr. P. Bharghva Bhushan Rao, Associate Professor, Department of Pharmaceutics, VVIPS, Gudlavalleru; 'APP Best Student Award' to Ms. Lakshmi Sindhu Atluri, B.Pharm Student, VVIPS, Gudlavalleru; 'APP Appreciation Award' to Dr. V. Nageswara Rao, Chairman, VVIPS, Gudlavalleru and 'APP Recognition Award' to Dr. A. Lakshmana Rao, Principal, V.V. Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Gudlavalleru, Andhra Pradesh. The program ended with vote of thanks and concluded with the national anthem.

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