

ASSOCIATION NEWS



Association of Pharmacy Professionals (APP) Andhra Pradesh State Branch organized two-days **7th Indo-Gulf International Conference on "Worldwide Scenario of Artificial Intelligence and Pharmaceutical Sciences"** on August 13-14, 2024 at Vijaya Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences for Women (VIPSW), Enikepadu, Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh, in collaboration with APP Gulf International Branch and APP AnalChem Division, in the commemoration of "International Youth Day 2024", the purpose of which is to bring youth issues to the attention of the international community and celebrating the potential of youth as partners in today's global society. During this scientific conference, **Sri. B. S. Sri Krishna**, Secretary, SRK Foundation, Vijayawada, acted as '*Patron*'; **Dr. Sunita Dahiya**, General Secretary APP from School of Pharmacy, University of Puerto Rico, San Juan, Puerto Rico, United States as '*Organizing Chairman*'; **Prof. Suresh V. Chennupati**, Vice President, APP Telangana State Branch and HOD, Department of Pharmaceutical Analysis, Nalanda College of Pharmacy, Nalgonda, Telangana, as '*Guest of Honor*'; **Prof. K. Padmalatha**, Principal, VIPSW, Enikepadu, Vijayawada as '*Convener*'; **Dr. Anil K. Philip**, Vice President, APP Gulf International Branch & Associate Dean, School of Pharmacy, University of Nizwa, Sultanate of Oman as '*Co-Convener*' and **Dr. Ganadhamu Samanthula**, National Head, APP AnalChem Division from National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education & Research (NIPER), Balanagar, Hyderabad, Telangana as '*Scientific Committee Co-Chairman*'.

The programme started with 'welcome speech' by the Convener and Guest of Honor. Scientific session of the conference was initiated with online keynote lecture of **Prof. Gaurav Gupta**, President, APP Gulf International Branch & Adjunct Research Professor, Centre of Medical and Bio-allied Health Sciences

Research, Ajman University, Ajman, United Arab Emirates who addressed the gathering on the topic "Artificial Intelligence: A New Frontier in Diabetes Management and Prognosis". The virtual session was chaired by **Prof. Ronald Darwin C.**, Head, Department of Pharmacology, School of Pharmaceutical Sciences, VISTAS, Pallavaram, Chennai, Tamil Nadu and **Prof. Mehul N. Patel**, President, APP Gujarat State Branch from Department of Pharmaceutics, Dharamsinh Desai University, Nadiad, Gujarat. Remaining lectures were delivered by **Prof. Kuntal Das**, Research Director, Mallige College of Pharmacy, Silvepura, Bangalore, Karnataka; **Prof. Amiyakanta Mishra**, Principal, College of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Puri, Odisha; **Prof. Murali Krishna**, HOD, Mechatronics, MSME Technology Centre, Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh and **Prof. S. Venkateswara Rao**, Vice Principal, VIPSW, Enikepadu, Vijayawada, NTR District, Andhra Pradesh on topics 'Discovery of Plant Secondary Metabolites from In Vitro Cultivated Red Labelled Medicinal Plants collected from Western Ghats Region'; 'Industry-Academic Interaction: Necessary Tool for Pharmaceutical Skills'; 'Harnessing Artificial Intelligence for Drug Discovery' and 'The Future of Pharmacy: AI Innovations and their Impact on Healthcare'. Scientific sessions were chaired by **Prof. S. Sundar**, **Prof. M. Vani** and **Prof. Purushothama Reddy K.** HODs, Enikepadu, VIPSW, Vijayawada



During the valedictory function, the secretary, SRK Foundation; principal of the hosting institution & speakers were felicitated with 'APP Appreciation Awards'. Scientific papers were presented and best poster/oration winners were awarded. The event concluded with 'Vote of thanks' by **Prof. K. Padmalatha**, Convener & Principal, Vijaya Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences for Women, Enikepadu, Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh.

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