

September 2013

Department of Microbiology

The Department has achieved another milestone in acquiring capability to do HIV Viral Load Assay by Real Time PCR. The method adopted is NucliSENS Easy-Q method, by bio. Merieux, France. The HIV positive cases can be monitored for the effect of ART and prognosis. Gradually another viral assay can be added as per requirement/ research.

Department of PSM

Papers/posters presented

1. Dr. U. B. Chitnis chaired the session on 'Never Ending Challenges : Vector Borne Diseases'.
2. Dr. J. S. Bhawalkar, Dr. S. L. Jadhav, Dr. A. Banerjee, Dr. U. B. Chitnis, Dr. Vandana Kakrani, Dr. Hetal Rathod, Dr. Anjali Dhone, Dr. Megha Mamulwar, Dr. Kajal Shrivatava, Dr. Sumit Jethani, Dr. Madhur Raimule and Dr. Abhishek Mahajan attended the above National Conference.
3. Dr. V. A. Kakrani invited to Kashibai Navale Medical College to evaluate the research paper in poster presentation in Annual Conference MediACE 2013 on 24th August, 2013 (Invitation letter attached)
4. Dr. J. S. Bhawalkar, Prof & Head has attended the Workshop on Designing M & E Courses for Masters of Public Health Programs in South Asian Countries and also chaired a session on "M&E teaching within global masters level Public Health Programme" on 16th – 17th September 2013 held at Hotel Crowne Plaza Today, New Delhi, Okhla.
5. Medical Officer of RHTC, Alandi (Dr. Preeti Varpe, Dr. S. V. Kulkarni and Dr. Devkate) organized a programme for 'National Nutrition Week' on 17th September 2013. Around 40 mothers of Anganwadi children, Anganwadi workers, 7 Interns and faculty from Dept. of Community Medicine (Dr. D. T. Khedkar, Dr. Megha Mamulwar) were present for the programme. Mothers were explained about a balanced diet, preparation of nutritious food items using locally available fruits, green leafy vegetables and sprouts through demonstration of these things by interns.
6. Dr. (Col.) S. L. Jadhav, Professor chaired the sessions in the "Basic Workshop in Research Methodology" on 'Ethical Issues in Medical Research Groups will present ethical issues in their respective studies' and 'Evaluation of a diagnostic test' from 19th to 21st September, 2013 at MUHS, Pune.
7. Dr. Amitav Banerjee, Professor chaired the sessions in the "Basic Workshop in Research Methodology" on 'Critical Evaluation of Journal Article' and 'Two journal articles (Different study designs) will be presented and discussed by members' from 19th to 21st September, 2013 at MUHS, Pune.
He chaired the session on 'Public Health Preparedness and Response'.

Department of Paediatrics

1. CASPER – Asthma training module held by chest research foundation at Pune. This was attended by Dr. S.R. Agarkhedkar (faculty), Dr. Rajneesh, Dr. Nitin, Dr. Ayesha, Dr. Vikas, Dr. Saurabh, Dr. Navdeep, Dr. Ruchi, Dr. Yojana, Dr. Aditya, Dr. Mohsin, Dr. Harsh, Dr. Raghav, Dr. Sandeep.
2. Human Milk Bank - This was inaugurated by the Mayor and our very own Mrs. Bhagyashree Patil, Vice Chairperson. This event was covered by the Times of India and sponsored by the Rotary club, Nariman Point.
3. They also conducted the division round of the 26th IAP UG quiz which was won by AFMC, Pune. 7 teams had participated.
4. They also gave mass Rubella vaccination to about 900 female school children. Our residents also carried emergency equipment. There were 7 minor adverse events. These children were hospitalized here, treated and discharged.
5. The IMA vaccinology update was convened by Dr. S. R. Agarkhedkar. The speakers included our faculty Dr. Sampada Tambolkar, Dr. Geeta Karambelkar.
6. At the International Conference held at Shanghai, China by the International Pediatric Nephrology association, our Post Graduate Student, Dr. Shruthi Kakarala and our Lecturer Dr. Manoj Matnani had presented a poster on “the retrospective study of steroid-sparing agents in children with Nephrotic Syndrome”.
7. The Department of Paediatrics has brought laurels to our Institute. Twenty-one residents participated in IDCON 2013- held at Dukes Retreat, Lonavala. 9 students did an oral presentation and 11 students did the poster. Their efforts were appreciated by one and all. Hall-B was overfull because all delegates gathered in Hall B.

Following students have won prizes

Prize	Poster Presentation	Oral Presentation
First	Dr Katyayni Singh JRI Dr Swapnil JRI	Dr Nitin Yelikar JR III
Second	Dr Shikha Malik JR II Dr Aditya Aggarwal JRI	Dr Shruti Kakrala JR II
Third	Dr Namrata Saini JR II Dr Ruchi Chiripal JR III	Dr Shraddha Lohia JR III Dr Samir Kanapurkar JR II

Department of General Medicine

Dr. A. L. Kakrani, Prof. and Head

1. Nominated as a member of Research Advisory Committee of Smt. Kashibal Navale Medical College, Pune. The first meeting will be held this month.
2. Nominated by Vice Chancellor of BLDE University Bijapur for Mentorship of Department of Medicine at their Medical College.

3. Invited as member of Selection Committee for the appointment for the post of various faculty positions of Medical Education & Technology Department of Maharashtra University of Health Sciences.
4. Dr. (Mrs.) S. A. Kanitkar participated as faculty in Pune District conference of IMA; IDCON 2013 conducted at Duke's Retreat Lonawala on 21st and 22nd september 2013. She delivered a talk on Dengue.
5. Dr. S. K. Sharma, was felicitated as a "Revered Teacher" by AFMC Pune on 21st september 2013. He also chaired a session in National Medicine Update, AFMC, Pune.
6. Dr. Varsha Dabadghao participated in the same update on 21st & 22nd September 2013 as delegate.

Department of Physiology

Dr. R. S. Sood, Assistant Professor

He has successfully completed with distinction, a certificate course on 'Introduction to Psychology as science'. This twelve-weeks course was offered online by School of Psychology, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia, USA.

Successfully completed a Certificate Course on 'Epigenetic control of gene expression'. This six weeks course was offered online by University of Melbourne, Australia.

MEU Cell

The Medical Education Technology Unit organized a Workshop on "Doctor- Patient Communication Skills for Medical Undergraduates" for 3rd Semester students (2nd MBBS) on 11th Sep 2013 from 2pm - 5 pm in College Auditorium. The Contents of the Workshop were as follows:

Hippocratic Oath :	All students
Welcome address :	Dr. Amarjit Singh, Dean & Chairman, MEU
Overview Doctor Patient Communication skills :	Dr. Kavita Bhatnagar, Coordinator, MEU
Verbal Communication skills :	Dr. S. P. Dubhashi, Director (Academics)
Non- Verbal Communication skills :	Dr. Kavita Bhatnagar
Listening skills :	Dr. S. L. Jadhav, Community Medicine
Interactivity with students :	Dr Amarjit Singh, Chairman, MEU
Panel discussion :	Dr. Kavita Bhatnagar, Dr. S. P. Dubhashi, Dr. S L Jadhav
Feedback :	Pre-test, Post-test, Programme evaluation, & Feedback from students participants for the Role plays was taken.

Department of Ophthalmology

Workshops :-

Dr. O. K. Radhakrishnan (Prof) attended the Occuloplasty Association of India Conference at Bangalore from 6-8th Sept 2013 and presented a poster titled “A case of Lymphangioma” along with Dr Sarika Sethia

Dr. A. Gahlot (Asso Prof) attended the workshop on Scientific Writing and Reviewing as Participant person held under aegis of Medical Journal Armed Forces India from 12-14 Sept 2013 at AFMC, Pune.

Dr (Mrs) Kavita Bhatnagar, Professor has been invited to write a Book - Review of “Parson’s Diseases of Eye”, which is a bible for Ophthalmologists.

General Surgery

Dr. S. P. Dubhashi, Director (Academics)

He attended the 36th National Congress of Association of Colon & Rectal Surgeons of India (ACRSICON), which was held at Khajuraho (Madhya Pradesh) from 20th 22nd September, 2013 and participated in the following:-

1. Delivered a lecture on “Carcinoma Colon: Pathology and Investigations”.
2. Judge for the Award Paper Session

The National Conference of the India Association of Traumatology and Critical Care (IATCC) was held at Dharwad (Karnataka) from 27th 29th September, 2013.

He was invited as a Faculty at the said event and participated in the scientific programme as follows:-

1. Delivered a lecture on “Crush Injury and Extremity Compartment Syndrome”.
2. Judge for the Award Paper Session

The Karnataka Medical Council has granted him six credit hours for the said event.

Department of Respiratory Medicine

1. A Conference “Medanta Summit - II Recent advances in Respiratory and Sleep Medicine” from 20th September to 22nd September 2013 conducted by Medanta, Department of Respiratory and sleep Medicine.

Following PG students from the department had attended the same:

- i) Dr. Ashish Gupta
- ii) Dr. Amit Dave

They were also awarded 18 HMC (Haryana Medical Council) hours. Their attendance certificate with HMC hours is attached herewith.

2. “Interventional Pulmonology and Sleep technology workshop – Hands on Training” was conducted by department of Respiratory and sleep medicine, Medanta – The Medicity, Gurgaon, on 20th September 2013.

Following PG students from the department had attended the same:

- i) Dr. Ashish Gupta

ii) Dr. Amit Dave

They were also awarded 6 HMC (Haryana Medical Council) hours. Their attendance certificate with HMC hours is attached herewith.

3. European Respiratory Society Conference 2013 was conducted at Barcelona, Spain from 7th to 11th September 2013. Dr. Ajit Kulkarni, Senior Resident and Dr. Gauri Gadge, Junior Resident - III from the department attended this conference. Dr. Gauri Gadge presented one research poster at the conference. Both the participants were awarded 26 International CME credit points.

Department of Orthopaedics

Dr. Ajit Swamy attended 'International Congress of Indian Arthroscopy Society, Mumbai 2013.

Dr. Rahul Bagul has completed his fellowship in Arthroplasty and Arthroscopy in International Society of Arthroscopy, Knee Surgery and Orthopaedics Sports Medicine (ISAKOS) Teaching Institute, Italy.

Department of Pathology

Following students attended the CME and Maharashtra Chapter Conference 2013 [MAPCON] held at Dr. Ulhas Patil Medical College and Hospital Jalgaon from 27th September to 29th September. They presented posters of various interesting cases as listed below.

Name of the PG Student	Poster Title
Dr Anand Patel	Waldenstrom Macroglobulinemia – A Rare Disorder
Dr Sangeeta Choudhary	Carcinoma of the Cystic Duct presenting as obstructive jaundice
Dr Sukanya pal	Solid variant of Alveolar Rhabdomyosarcoma with Patent Ductus Arteriosus
Dr Parveen Kaur	Unicentric castleman disease at an unusual site- a Rare entity
Dr Kanika Gupta	Kimura disease – A Rare Presentation
Dr Mohit Rajpal	Breast tuberculosis- A Rare entity

Student's achievement

Dr. N. R. Mutha, Student (Intern) of the College, was invited to OSMECON -201 at Osmania Medical College, Hyderabad from 27th August 2013 to present Paper titled "A Study of corneal endothelial change in soft contact lens wearers using non-contact specular microscopy", in the presence of His Excellency Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam and a medical faculty. A total of 45 papers from the Country were presented at the conference.

She was bestowed with following prizes:-

1. 1st Best paper with a cash prize of 5000/-
2. 1st Best Speaker for paper presentation.
3. Best Audience for asking the most Relevant Questions.
4. 1st Best Participant in the Basic surgical Skill Workshop.
5. 1st Participant in the National Resuscitation Workshop.

The team qualified for the final round.