

Sri Ramachandra University - Seminar on 'Pharmacy Education and Research in US'

Department of Pharmaceutics, Faculty of Pharmacy, Sri Ramachandra University, organized a Seminar entitled "Pharmacy Education and Research in United States" on 17th February 2010 at Sri Ramachandra University. The Speaker was Dr. Daniel Robinson, Dean, School of Pharmacy, Western University of Health Sciences, California, USA. Dr. Robinson interacted with the Pharm.D. and M. Pharm Post Graduate students and gave insights on career and research opportunities for Pharmacy students in USA.

Amrutvahini College of Pharmacy, Sangamner Organized three day National Conference



Amrutvahini Sheti & Shikshan Vikas Sanstha's Amrutvahini College of Pharmacy, Ahmednagar, Maharashtra has organized a University of Pune sponsored three day national conference 'Advances in Phytochemistry and Phytopharmacology' from 11th-13th February, 2010. The conference was inaugurated by Dr. Sudhirji Tambe, MLC, Graduate Constituency, Maharashtra, Senate Member, University of Pune on 11th February. Some of the important speakers were Dr. M. N. Saraf, Dr. D. B. Shinde, Mr. Rahul Phate, Mrunalini Herbals, Nashik, Dr. A. M. Mujumdar, Ex- Head & Scientist, Plant Science Division, Agharkar Research Institute, Pune. Dr. S. H. Ansari, Dean, Faculty of Pharmacy, Hamdard University, New Delhi and Dr. R. S. H. Ansari, Dean, Pharmaceutical Science, School of Pharmacy & Technology Management, NMIMS, Mumbai.

About 250 delegates participated from different parts of country.

J.K.K. Nataraja college of pharmacy, Komarapalayam seminar on Modern Drug Discovery tools "Challenges & Applications"

A scientific seminar on "Modern Drug Discovery tools- Challenges and applications" was organized by JKK



Nataraja College of Pharmacy, Komarapalayam on 16th February 2010. Dr. Senthil Raju A, Asst. Professor, Department of Pharmaceutics, IT- BHU, Varanasi gave an informative presentation on the above topic. He emphasized the role of six important tools in the modern drug discovery process and demonstrated the applications of molecular modeling and docking methods in the discovery of newer lead compounds and in the structural refinement of leads to convert them into promising clinical candidates. The seminar was useful for UG, PG and Research students as well as to teachers. The Seminar was jointly organized by the JKK Nataraja College of Pharmacy and Indian Pharmaceutical Association, Bhavani Komarapalayam Local Branch.

Maliba Pharmacy College

A Two- Day National Seminar On, 'Research in Experimental Pharmacology-Preclinical and Clinical Aspects'

A two-day national seminar on "Research in Experimental Pharmacology - Preclinical and Clinical Aspects" was held on 27th-28th Feb. 2010 at Maliba Pharmacy College, Gopal Vidyanagar, Bardoli.

On the second day of the seminar, posters were presented by the participants was followed by scientific sessions.

The active participation of delegates, esteemed speakers and efforts & vision of Prof .D.R.Shah and coordinator, Ms Kashmira J Gohil made the two-day national seminar a resounding success.

Annamalai University

National Seminar on Drug Delivery through Nanotechnology

The Department of Pharmacy, Faculty of Engineering and Technology, Annamalai University, Annamalai Nagar, Tamilnadu, India conducted a National Seminar on Drug Delivery through Nanotechnology on 10th & 11th March 2010. The seminar was sponsored by University Grants Commission under Special Assistance Programme (SAP) for Departmental Research Support (DRS_Phase-I). Over 180 delegates belonging to Pharmacy, Biochemistry, Biotechnology, Bioinformatics, Microbiology, Marine biotechnology, Botany, Zoology departments as well as delegates from Industry and research organizations took part in the deliberations.

Dr. Pramod B. Khedekar Visited USA for Scientific Conference



Dr. Pramod B. Khedekar, Associate Professor Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Rashtrasant Tukadoji Maharaj Nagpur University, Nagpur recently visited USA in the University of Central Florida. He participated and presented a research paper in the Pittsburgh PITTCON 2010 International Conference and Expo at Orlando Florida, from 28th February to 5th March, 2010. The topic of his research paper presented was "Application of Liquid Chromatographic Method for Estimation of Repaglinide in Pharmaceutical Formulation". He has numerous research papers and presentations to his credit in National and International Journals. He gives credit for his successful visit to his Professors Dr.N.J.Gaikwad, Head, Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences Rashtrasant Tukadoji Maharaj Nagpur University, Nagpur, Dr.K.P.Bhusari, Principal Sharad Pawar College of Pharmacy, Wanadongri, Nagpur and his colleagues.

Manipal College

Mcops Annual Day Celebrated

The Annual Day of Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Science was held at Fortune Inn Valley View on the evening of 27 February 2010. At the formal function, the president of Indian Hospital Pharmacists'



Association (IHPA) Mr. S.L. Nasa was the chief guest. Mr Atul Kumar Nasa (President, Indian Pharmacy Graduates' Association) and Dr. G N Singh (Chairman, Indian Pharmacopoeia Commission) were the Guests of Honour.

Dr. N Udupa presented the annual report of the college, which gave the audience a glimpse of the activities of the institution in the last one-year.

A variety entertainment programme by staff and students, before and after the formal function, enthralled the audience. Songs, dance and skits were performed with verve and vigour.

MCOPS' Alumni Meet 2020

The annual Alumni meet of Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences was held in MCOPS on 27 February 2010. About forty alumni including ten Distinguished



Alumni were present on the occasion. The meeting, which started at 11.15 in the morning, lasted for over 2 hours. The alumni recalled their life at Manipal with a lot of nostalgia.

Industry-Institute Interaction at MCOPS

Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences (MCOPS) has a cell for interaction between academia and Pharmaceutical industry. This is the Industry-Institute Partnership Cell, which was started in 1998. The aim of the cell is to have mutually beneficial interaction between pharmaceutical industry and MCOPS. This time it was on 26th February 2010.

The programme was inaugurated in the morning in the presence of eminent resource persons like Dr. Shibu Chakrabarty (Consultant for formulation R&D), Dr. K.G Rajendran (Adjunct Professor, MCOPS), Dr.

George Patani (Research Director, INGA Laboratory, Mumbai), Dr. Sunil Kumar Agarwal (Sandoz) and Mr. Dhiraj Chopra (Milipore).

There was a panel discussion in the afternoon.

42nd IPC Commemoration Lecture Delivered

The 42nd IPC Commemoration Lecture for the year 2009-10 was delivered on 27 February 2010. Dr. G N Singh, Director, Indian Pharmacopoeial Commission (IPC) was the speaker. Mr. S.L. Nasa (President, Indian Hospital Pharmacists' Association) was the Chairman and DR. Ajit Shirodkar was the Co-Chairman for the session

IPC has plans for enhancing its infrastructure and facilities- both man and material. Existing laboratories are being modernised. Online document management and creating an eco-friendly campus with new facilities and complying with the requirement of ISO:17025 are given priority. Both USP and BP have shown interest in the activities of IPC and standards of herbal drugs in IP. European Pharmacopoeia has given observer status to IPC.

Srinivas college of pharmacy

Report on blood donation camp

NSS unit of Srinivas College of Pharmacy & South Canara District Chemists & Druggists Association Organised Blood donation camp in association with KMC Hospital, Mangalore & District Wenlock Hospital, Mangalore on 31st March 2010. Chief Guest Sri. V. V. Prasad I.R.S., Commissioner of Income Tax, Mangalore, inaugurated the function by lighting the lamp and called to serve the humanity by blood donation and also highlighted some of the benefits of blood donation to the students.

K.T. Patil College of Pharmacy

One Day National Seminar

Adarsh Shikshan Prasarak Mandal's K.T. Patil College of Pharmacy, Osmanabad (Maharashtra), organized a One Day National Seminar on 21st March "Emerging Trends in Health Care Services, Clinical Research and Regulatory Affairs" sponsored by Asian Institute of Health Science, Aurangabad (Maharashtra). About 165 delegates from different parts of the State of Maharashtra participated in the seminar. The seminar provided a platform for the faculty members and postgraduate students to enhance their knowledge and skills.

PhD. Awards

Name of the Awardee:

Mr. Dhiren P Shah

Title of the thesis:

Exploitation of Natural Product in Formulation Design of a Model Drug.

University : Gujarat University, Ahmedabad, Gujarat, India.

Designation of Research Guide :

Dr. Girish K Jani.

Principal.

S S R College of Pharmacy, Silvassa.



Name of the Awardee:

Dr. Hitesh R. Patel

Title of the thesis :

Studies on various approaches in design and development of oral mucosal drug delivery systems"

University : S.K Patel College of Pharmaceutical Education and Research, Ganpat University, Gujarat, Kherva.

Designation of Research Guide: Prof. Madhabhai M. Patel, Principal, Kalol Institute of Pharmacy, Patan, Gujarat.

Name of the Awardee:

Mr. S.

Parimalakrishnan, Lecturer, Department of Pharmacy,

Title of the thesis:

"Phytochemical and Pharmacological Evaluation of Entire Plants of *Bidens pilosa* and *Cleome chelidoni*"

University : Annamalai University.

Designation of Research Guide : Dr. Akalanka Dey, Professor, Department of Pharmacy.



Awards & Honors

Best Paper Award

Mr. S. Gopinath, Assistant Professor, Department of Pharmaceutics, Faculty of Pharmacy, Sri Ramachandra University, received best paper award for paper entitled "A factorial study on the evaluation of formulation variables on the dissolution rate of etoricoxib tablets " in the poster session, presented at the "Indian Congress of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences- 2010 and Indian Pharmaceutical Association Convention- 2010", held on 14th March 2010 at Sri Ramachandra University, Chennai. The paper was authored by Mr. S. Gopinath, Dr. K.P.R. Chowdary, Dr. C. Uma Maheswara Reddy and Dr. J.S.N. Murthy.