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Dear esteemed members,
Season's greetings!

The 43rd annual conference of the Association of Plastic Surgeons of India was held from 11th to 15th November 2008, in the sprawling campus of Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi. It was inaugurated by the illustrious Plastic Surgeon Dr. Joseph McCarthy. Dr. J. K. Sinha was the guest of honour. Hon'ble Vice Chancellor of Banaras Hindu University, Dr. D. P. Singh presided over



the function.. The conference was preceded by an operative workshop on 10th November 2008. Live surgeries were demonstrated by Dr. Sampath Kumar, Dr. Thulasidas, Dr Ashok Koul, Dr. Ramesh Sharma and Dr. Bhangoo. Besides Dr. Joseph McCarthy, the international faculty consisted of Dr. I.T. Jackson, Dr. K.S. Bhangoo Dr. David Elliot, Dr. Niri Niranjana, Dr. M. Rangaswamy. The academic content, choice of faculty, speakers for the conference was appreciated by all.

The organizers under the able guidance of Prof. V. Bhattacharya and with the organizing skills of Dr. Subodh Kumar Singh and their team had left no stone unturned in making the stay of the delegates enjoyable and memorable. The food arrangements were excellent. The social evening events, be it boat cruise in Ganges river, (with lighted ghats, on

Dev Deepawali day) or the imaginative and figurative use of hand (by shadow play representing various forms and story telling) left the delegates spell bound, They would cherish the memories of the events for their lifetime.

Our Association of Plastic Surgeons of India is a dynamic organization. 50 new members joined it this year. The association supports a number of scientific activities every year. It also provides for a number of fellowships to promote academic exchange and social interaction.

Our election process is under review. Dr. V. Bhattacharya has constituted a committee with Dr. K.S. Goleria, Dr. K.S. Shekhar, Dr. K. Sridhar, Dr. Karoon Agarwal, and Dr. Atul Shah as its members. The recommendations have been given by the committee. They will be deliberated upon by the executive during its midterm meeting on 10th May 2009, at Delhi.

Dr. A. K. Singh
Hon. Secretary

Communication from the legal cell - Dr. Atul Shah :

- In 2011 India will have its census. We do not have any authoritative data regarding deformity

prevalence. Please write to The Registrar General of India, 2A, Mansingh Road, New Delhi-110 011, India on your letter head and preferably by speed post requesting him to include following questions during door to door questioning.

1. Is there anyone in the house having any type of long term physical disability following any accident?
2. Is there anyone in the house having contractures due to Burns?
3. Is there anyone in the house born with some deformity?

You may add any more questions that you wish may be relevant. If our collective efforts evolve into deformity related statistics derived during census, many preventive as well as surgical activities can be planned. You may also write to respective State Registrars, and the addresses are available on the web.

- The Legal Cell has obtained primary offer from General Insurance Company for Professional Indemnity Insurance covering; Cosmetic Surgeries, The proposal has been sent to the EC for deliberation in their mid term meeting and will be put before the General Body during Mahabalipuram APSICON 2009.
- Legal Cell has been helping individual members in their medico-legal situations. Legal Cell has helped in drafting the model clause along with the committee appointed to review election process. The cell has also suggested modifications in some obsolete clauses of the existing constitution.

Applications are invited on plain paper for the following awards and fellowships of the association:

KILNER ESSAY AWARD

1. On any topic
2. Open to all full or associate members of the association of less than 10 years standing after post-graduation.
3. Four copies of the essay to be sent to the Secretary, APSI before **15th May'09**.
4. It should not be more than 5000 words, excluding references, charts, tables and photographs, etc.
5. It should include author's original work in sequence, introduction, material and methods,

review of literature, observations, discussion, summary and conclusions. Photographic representation of quality is essential to substantiate the original work.

PEET PRIZE

Eligibility: All full / life members of APSI

Submission of papers: The paper should be of high standard and should have originality. It should be relevant to the Indian context. If experience of a long series of cases is being presented, it is preferable to include a statistical analysis also. New ideas and innovation /new achievements and feats can be presented. Modification of techniques, highlighting cost-effectiveness and superiority of results, development of newer instruments, etc.

The papers to be presented in "Peet Prize Session" should be marked on the envelope. Each participant should send 4 copies of the **full text of the paper** along with photographs and illustrations etc. to Secretary, APSI. The last date for sending the paper is **15th May'2009**. The author also needs to submit an undertaking that the same work has not been published earlier.

Acceptance: The final acceptance of the paper will be communicated to the participants by the Secretary, APSI.

Authors who still wish to present their papers in APSICON for the year if their paper is not accepted for the Peet Prize Session will have to themselves submit the same to the organising secretary of the conference.

*Time for Presentation: **10 minutes will be allowed for presentation**, to be followed by 3 minutes discussion. Anybody from the audience is free to ask questions on the presentation.*

APSI JUNIOR BEST PAPER AWARD

Eligibility: Junior Plastic Surgeon undergoing post doctoral training, or not more than one year after training. The paper **should not have any co-author.**

Submission:

1. While submitting the abstract of the paper please indicate on top that the paper be considered for this particular session.

2. The abstract should be accompanied by a certificate from the Head of the department where the participant is undergoing training.
3. The abstract should be **submitted to the Organising Secretary** of the conference where it is supposed to be presented, (at Chennai this year) by the due date announced. (15th April 2009)

Presentation:

1. The title slide should **NOT indicate** the name of the institution.
2. The work should reflect that it has been carried out by the junior plastic surgeon.
3. **Ten minutes will be allowed for presentation**, to be followed by 3 minutes for discussion.
4. Anybody from the audience is free to ask questions on the presentation.

Applications are invited for the following Training Fellowships and activities for the year 2010.

- Ethicon Training Fellowship in Plastic Surgery- One
- Ethicon Training Fellowship in Cosmetic Surgery - One
- Ethicon Training Fellowship in Microsurgery - One
- R.G. Saraiya International Training Fellowship - One
- Myovatec Training Fellowship in Plastic Surgery - One
- Vasudhan Arjin Fellowship in Laser Surgery- One
- Brig Kathpalia fellowship in Hand Surgery – One
- Gen. N. C. Sanyal Fellowship - One
- APSI sponsorship for PG trainee to attend APSICON 2009 – Two
- Promotion of Scientific Activity (Plastic Surgery) at Mumbai fund – One
- Maharashtra Chapter Fund For CME program / workshop in Mumbai (Proposal to have prior approval of Executive Committee of Maharashtra Chapter) - One
- Promotion of Scientific Activity in Gujarat Fund - One
- Plastic Surgery Venture Fund – One
- KEM Microsurgery fellowship- one
- IX IPRAS Awards (*subject to availability*) For CME/Workshop - One

- International Travelling Fellowship - One
- National Travelling Fellowship - One
- Chennai Fellowship in Tamil Nadu – to be given to any junior plastic surgeon (within 5 years of M.Ch./DNB) or plastic surgery trainee from anywhere in the country - to visit one centre for training in Tamil Nadu.
- Chennai Fellowship outside Tamil Nadu – to be given to a junior plastic surgeon (within 5 years of M.Ch./DNB) or plastic surgery trainee from Tamil Nadu to visit a centre outside Tamil Nadu for training.
- N.H. Antia Best Article – Publication in any indexed Journal (Indian or Foreign) including IJPS during the year 2008. Kindly send six reprints of the article to the secretary **latest by 15th May 2009**.
- Gen. L.P. Sadhotra endowment best case report / ideas and innovation award published in IJPS. Kindly send six copies of reprints of the article **latest by 15th May 2009**.

Applications along with short CVs in triplicate should reach the Secretary, APSI by **15th June'09** (except for those specifically mentioned in the award). The Training fellowships are for a period of 4 weeks. Applicants should submit their applications with the approval of the consultants under whom they wish to train. Applications received after the due date will not be entertained. Successful applicants are required to maintain a daily diary during the period and obtain a certificate of attendance from the consultant. Application from PG trainees to attend APSICON should include acceptance letter for their presentation, a short CV and a forwarding letter from Head of the department.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

• **APSI-Ethicon accredited Courses :**

APSI has developed and planned CME courses spread over three years to complement the training of postgraduate students of plastic surgery and qualified plastic surgeons. This course would provide holistic approach to the management of problems and will provide time for academic discussion. A certificate of CME credits will be provided to all participants.

The course is limited to 40 participants and request you to register at the earliest. The course fee is Rs. 2,500 per course. ***This is fully refundable to all APSI members and bonafide plastic surgery students who attend the course.***

Application should include Name, correspondence address, mobile phone number or contact number and email. Application should be accompanied by draft / on par cheque of Rs. 2,500 payable at the relevant city. PG's should include certificate from the head of the department.

a) Breast reconstruction: 3rd and 4th Aug. 2009 at Auditorium, Tower block II, Government General Hospital, Madras Medical College, Chennai, Course convener Dr. Alesunderan / Dr. V. Jayaraman. Course Director Dr. Murugesan / Dr. Ramachandran. Please send your registration to, Organising Chairman, Right Hospitals, 1 Prof. Subramaniam Street, Kilpauk. Chennai- 600010

b) Head and neck reconstruction: APSI- 22nd and 23rd October 2009. Dr. Prabha Yadav, Dr. Shivram Bhardwaj and Dr. Qazi are the national faculty. For details please contact Dr. Subramania Iyer or subu@aims.amrita.edu.

- Short term course for speech language pathologist Sri Ram Chandra University, Smile train, training initiative 16th - 28th March 2009 For details please contact sruspeech@gmail.com
- CME on Hypospadias- 28th March 2009, at Dayanand Medical College and Hospital, Ludhiana. For details please contact Dr. Ramneesh Garg drramneeshgarg@rediffmail.com, mobile 09876731973 or Dr. Ashok K. Gupta, 0985560847
- 10th British health 2009 exhibition and conference – 5th - 10th April, 2009 at Birmingham, U.K. details can be had from british@britishhealth.com or bh_secretarygeneral@live.com.
- 22nd SOFCEP congress 17th -19th April 2009 at Cannes, France. For details please contact imcas10@wandoo.fr for visit www.sofcep2009.1300int.com
- Aesthetic surgery meeting, 2nd – 7th May 2009. at Las Vegas, USA. For details please contact Dr. Foad Nahai at nahaimed@gol.com. The registration fee has been reduced by \$100 for Indian delegates.
- 3rd Asia Pacific super microsurgery course - 4th - 6th May 2009. National University Hospital , Singapore,. For details please contact Dr. Jane kim at host@aestheticplasticsurgery.com. or visit www.aestheticplasticsurgery.com.sg
- International meeting on Hypospadias Surgery, 28th-29th May 09 at Coventry . U.K. Dr. Snodgras, Dr. Bracka Dr. Pippinsella, Dr. Amilal Bhatt, and Dr. Timans are the faculty. For APSI

members the fee is £250 (regular £395). For details please email unhs@uhew.nbs.uk or visit www.uhew.ngs.uk.

- AO Craniomaxillofacial principles course – 29th – 31st May 2009, Mumbai. For details please contact inquire@goim.org. or visit www.synthes.com. Dr. Samir Kumta, National Advisor can be contacted at samirkumta@gmail.com.
 - Symposium on Microvascular surgery - 4th -7th June 2009, at Mayo, Minnesota, USA. For details please contact mardinis@aol.com. (Dr. Nischal Naik at nischalnaik@rediffmail.com)
 - IPRAS postgraduate course: 19th -22nd June 2009. Istanbul, Turkey. For details please contact isaps@conmx.net or visit www.isapscourse2009.org.
 - CME on Cleft Lip Nose deformity – 4th July 2009 conducted by dept of Plastic Surgery, C S M Medical University, Lucknow. For details please contact Dr R Agarwal at ragarwal@sancharnet.in
 - IMCAS Asia -2009 International Masters Course on skin Aging – 12th to 14th July 2009, Bangkok. Thailand. For details please contact imcascongress@wandoo.fr or visit the web site www.lmcas.com.
- APSICON 2009 – 44th Annual conference of the Association of Plastic Surgeons of India at GRT Temple Bay resort, Mahabalipuram Secretariat: Right Hospitals, 1, Prof. Subramaniam St. (behind Ego theatre), Kilpauk, Chennai 600010, Ph. 044-26403939, 26423939, www.apsicon.com. The conference is going to be an excellent one. Please register in large numbers.**
- Wound care Con-2009 - 3rd Annual meeting of the Society for Wound care and research (SWCR). 4th – 6th Sept 2009, at New Delhi.– for details please contact Dr. V.K.Tiwari at vinaytiwari@hotmail.com.
 - 3rd National Conference on female genital reconstruction – 13th Sept 2009 New Delhi . For details please contact Dr. Vishwa Prakash at vpagarwal@gmail.com
 - 8th World symposium on congenital malformation of the hand and upper limb – 12th-14th Sept 09. Hamburg, Germany. For details please visit www.Worldcongenital2009.info
 - CME & workshop on Hypospadias 3rd- 4th October 2009, Agra, Dr. Snodgras, Dr. Bracka,

Dr. Asopa and other faculty participating. For details please contact Dr. Sanjeev Sharma at sanjiv_plsurg@yahoo.com.

- 10th Congress of the international confederation for Plastic Reconstructive and Aesthetic Surgery/ Asian Pacific section (IPRAS/APS) – 8th – 10th October 09. Tokyo. For details please contact ipras@conmx.net or visit www.iprasapx.umin.jp
- 8th Congress of Asia Pacific Federation of Societies for surgery of the hand (APFSSH) Nov 13th – 15th 2009. Kaoshing, [Taiwan.ed 100130@edoh.org.tw](mailto:100130@edoh.org.tw) or Visit www.opfssh2009.org.

IPRAS 2009 – The 15th World Congress of International Confederation for Plastic, Reconstructive and Aesthetic Surgery. 29th Nov. to 3rd Dec, 2009 New Delhi, India

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The event is occurring in India after a gap of 22 years. An unique opportunity to listen to, meet and interact with the authorities in different aspects of Plastic Surgery. Do not let this opportunity go by.

- HAIRCON 2009.- 1st Annual meeting of Association of Hair restoration surgeons (AHRs) – 19th -20th December 2009 at Ahmedabad. For details please contact Dr. Tejinder S. Bhatti at dearbhatti@gmail.com.

ACHIEVEMENTS OF MEMBERS

Dr. Subodh K. Singh – For bringing glory to all Plastic Surgeons pertaining to treatment of Pinki, who was suffering from cleft lip. The documentary based on her life ‘Smile Pinki’ won the Oscar this year. Congratulations!

- **Dr. Kalpesh Gajiwala** – For the performance of his son Ashutosh in the multiple Oscar winning movie ‘Slum Dog Millionaire’.
- **Dr. S.N.Sharma** for winning the half marathon in senior citizens category at Baroda, and for standing 7th at the Mumbai marathon in the senior category.
- **Dr . Anirudh Bose** – On his 2nd Novel ‘Nishabd’
- **Dr. R.B.Ahuja** – Elected founder **President of Asia Pacific Burns Association**. He has also been invited to deliver keynote speech of Asia

Pacific Congress of IJPRAS being held in Tokyo.

- **Dr Atul Shah** - M.phil in Cosmetology.
- **Dr. A. K. Singh**- for PG Diploma in health and hospital administration.
- **Dr. Lokesh Kumar**- National Secretary for the international association of Aesthetic plastic Surgeons.
- **Dr. A. Gopalkrishna** – Guide for Ph.D. at NTR University of Health Sciences.

OBITUARY



• Prof. Cheyar Ramaswamy Sunderarajan : A teacher of teachers, Prof. C.R.S. was the first student of late Prof. G. Balakrishnan. He was the head of the department of Plastic Surgery at Madras Medical College, Chennai. He was past president of the Association of Plastic Surgeons of India and past president of Association of Surgeons of India. A person with integrity and dignity , We lost him to the cruel hands of destiny on 26th December 2008.



Dr. V. Setu: He had recently retired as Prof and Head , Department of Plastic Surgery, Madras Medical College, Chennai. He was a lively disciplinarian. His presence was felt in all conferences. A friend of friends. We lost him prematurely in a road accident on 7th January 08,

Both were with us during the previous APSICON at Varanasi, We will miss them. All the members pray to the Almighty that their soul rests in peace and may He, provide their families the courage to bear the loss.

NEW COURSES

- MCh course at Guwahati medical College , Guwahati.- Dr. B. Deka at drbdeka@yahoo.com
- MCh course – at Government Medical College, Baroda ,For details please contact Dr. kinnari Vyas at drkinnarivyas@yahoo.co.in
- MCh course at Sher-e-Kashmir Institute of Medical Sciences, Srinagar. For details please contact the Director.
- DNB course at Right Hospitals Chennai, For details please contact : Director, Right Hospital righthospitals@yahoo.co.in.

- DNB course at Deccan college of Medical Sciences, Hyderabad . For details please contact Dr. Gopal Krishnan at gops15@gmail.com
- DNB course at Vivekanand Hospital, Lucknow . For details please contact Dr. V. Khanna at vai_mil@rediffmail.com
- DNB course at specialist hospital, Ernakulam, Kochi. For details please contact Dr. Senthil Kumar at drsenthilkumar1974@yahoo.com

TEACHING COURSES UPDATION

The APSI is in the process of updating the information on the website, regarding the teaching facilities in plastic Surgery in the our country. **All teaching institutes are requested to send information in this format to the Secretary, by 15th May 09, by surface or email.**

1. Name of the course- MCh / DNB
2. Course recognized by - MCI/ National Board- Yes /No / Under consideration.
3. Name of the institution-
4. Number of Seats available each year-
5. Course starts in (Month)-
6. Application for admission are normally invited in month of-
7. Contact Address-
8. Contact email address-
9. Website if any-
10. Head/ Chair (Name)-
11. Names of other teaching faculty-
12. Thurst area - General Plastic , Hand , Burns
Cranio maxillofacial, Micro, Aesthetic,
Any Other specific field/area.-
13. Any Remark- e.g. DNB 5/6 year direct course / availability of sponsored seats, etc.

ASSOCIATION IDENTITY CARDS

The association is in the process of issuing identity cards for its life members :

Kindly furnish the following information, precisely and latest by **15th May 2009** to the Secretary by surface mail or email.:

Name (as you would like it to be printed): *please write very clearly and legibly.*

Father's Name/ Husband's Name :

Date of Birth:

Membership Number:

Contact Address:

Contact Phone Nos.:

Blood group:
Attach Your Photo:

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

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