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Dr. Malti Gupta
President - 2004

Dear Colleagues,

I wish you all a very happy 'Samvatsari', a very happy New Year with special greetings from the 'Pink City'.

My heartfelt thanks to all of you for reposing faith in simplicity by electing a representative, for the first time, from Rajasthan, the desert State of India, to the prestigious position of the President of our Association.

I am overwhelmed with emotions.

Friends, Rajasthan may be poverty and famine stricken, but here emanates, from the heart of the unbelievably beautiful sand dunes, a surge of never ending, ever growing warmth of affection and hospitality wrapped up in rich, rhythmic folk lore. Come with friends and families and experience it live in person.

We are planning to incorporate many new ideas in APSICON this time in our efforts to make it more interesting and more educative; dynamic CME, plenary lectures, debates, intensive interactive sessions, 'hands - on', workshops are in the offing. Special APSICON awards and offers are on the anvil.

The conference has been dedicated to Prof. C. Balakrishnan as a mark of respect to our eminent teachers and also to remind the youngsters of this fast disappearing trait.

The conference brochure is under preparation. Latest updates will be available on the conference web site regularly.

Having 'innovated, educated, and propagated' at Ooty I invite you, one and all, dear colleagues to join us in large numbers for APSICON 2004, to 'March Forward' in our never quenching thirst to 'Achieve Excellence' and to enjoy this once in a life time experience of an amalgam of rich academic content and traditional hospitality surrounded by the heritage environment.

In addition to the Conference, which is the most prestigious event of our Association, I plan to focus on, and also draw your attention to, the following aspects:

- Moot the concept of an 'Indian Smile Train'; it is essential to bring back the volumes to the teaching institutions,

- Look into the situation of Funds for scientific activities to be conducted in peripheral areas in particular, under the banner of APSI
- To take up the matter of Aesthetic/Cosmetic Surgery teaching and practice with the Medical Council of India.
- To follow up on the actions taken by our worthy past president, Dr. K.S.Sridhar so that the State Govt. of other States also implement similar recommendations as were implemented by T.N. Govt. through the efforts of Dr. Sridhar.

I also request members to send in their suggestions about any aspect of the Association for its betterment.

With Regards,
Dr. Malti Gupta

APSICON - 2004

39th National Conference of the Association of Plastic Surgeons of India, Jaipur 23rd -29th November, '04. Dedicated to Late Prof. C. Balakrishnan.

Workshop : 23rd November, '04 - Orthognathic Surgery, Aesthetic Surgery

CME : 24th November, '04 - Recent Advances in Plastic Surgery

Conference : 25th - 27th November, '04

Last date for abstract submission: 1st July, '04

Orations:

Gillies Memorial: Dr. Sada Shiv Murthy

Godrej Oration: Dr. Edgar Biemer

MM Mukerjee: Dr. N. Pandya

Sushruta: Dr. Dimitri Panfilov

Symposium: Lasers in Plastic Surgery

Convener- Dr. Ashok Gupta

Panel: Resurfacing of Extensive Facial Defects

Moderator- Dr. C.P. Sawhney

CBK Oration: Dr. Ashok Govila

Conference Secretariat:

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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 31st July, 2004.
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 alongwith photographs and illustrations etc. to Secretary, APSI. The last date for sending the paper is 31st July, 2004 for the year. 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. The screening committee for such acceptance will consist of: Dr. Mukund Reddy, Dr. A.K. Singh and Dr. P.S. Bhandari for the years 2003-2005. Secretary APSI will also inform the Organising Secretary of APSICON for that year about the acceptance of such papers. Authors who still wish to present their papers in APSICON for the year if their papers are not accepted for the Peet Prize Session will have to themselves submit the same to the organising secretary of the conference.

Time of Presentation: Ten 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.

Judges: Dr. B.M. Daver, Dr. Suresh Gupta and Dr. James Pandian will be Judges for the years 2003-2005. However, if they are not attending APSICON that year other senior persons may be appointed as judges.

The judges will mark the individual participant's performance by allocating marks to them for presentation, content, quality of slides, clinical importance of work, acquisition of technical skills and overall performance. Assessment sheets will be handed over to the Secretary, APSI immediately after the end of the Peet Prize Session.

It stands confirmed that Peet Prize is for oral presentation, and even if there is a single paper approved by the selection committee, it would not qualify for an award till the paper is presented and adjudged to be award winning by the Judges.

APSI 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 Deptt. 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, by the due date announced.

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 discussion.
4. Anybody from the audience is free to ask questions on the presentation.
5. Judges: Dr. Benoy Verghese, Brig. L.P. Sadhotra and Dr. Ramesh Sharma for years 2003-2005.

Fellowships/Training/Funds etc.

Applications are invited for the following Training Fellowships and activities for the year 2005.

- * 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
 - * Brig. Kathpalia's Fellowship in Hand Surgery-One
 - * Vasudhan Arjun Fellowship in Laser Surgery-One (3 days training)
 - * APSI sponsorship for PG trainee to attend APSICON 2003-One/Two
 - * Prof. C.R. Sunderrajan CME Program
 - * 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)
 - * Promotion of Scientific Activity in Gujarat Fund
 - * Plastic Surgery Venture Fund (Rs. 20,000/-) - One
- Applications along with short CVs should reach the Secretary, APSI by 30th August, 2004 in triplicate. The Training fellowships are for a period of 4-6 weeks training. Applicants should submit their applications with the approval of the Consultants under whom they wish to train. Application 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 HOD.
- The president, Dr. Malti Gupta has announced that the following IX IPRAS fellowships are available this year. Applications for the same may be also be sent in triplicate to the secretary APSI by 30th August 04
- * IX IPRAS International Travelling Fellowship - One
 - * Workshop/CME Program - Two
 - * IX IPRAS National Travelling Fellowship-One

New Executive Members



DR. MALTI GUPTA
President-2004

Dr. Malti Gupta obtained M.Ch. degree in Plastic Surgery from PGIMER, Chandigarh in the year 1973. She started, developed and nourished the Department of Plastic Surgery at SMS Medical College, Jaipur. She has organised numerous academic activities (conferences, workshops, training programmes etc). She has also participated in similar activities, in various capacities, in India and abroad over 25 years. She is known as the "Honey Girl" for the innovative techniques she developed in the seventies for the preservation of skin grafts in honey. She was the first woman surgeon of Rajasthan and the first person from the State to have practiced in a super specialty. She holds the distinction of being the first woman President of the International College of Surgeons.-Indian Section in 1997. She has done a great deal to popularize the concept of Microsurgery. Apart from this Dr. Malti has a passion for languages and has been a student of advanced diploma courses, topping her class in German, French and Russian



DR. R.B. AHUJA
President Elect-2004

Dr. Ahuja is Head of the Department of Burns and Plastic Surgery at Lok Nayak Hospital and Maulana Azad Medical College, New Delhi. He did his M.Ch. in 1983 from PGIMER Chandigarh and later had a 2 year training (1986-1988) in Microvascular Surgery and Head and Neck Cancer treatment at Canniesburn Hospital, Mount Vernon Hospital and Royal Marsden Hospital in U.K. He is the founder Editor of Indian Journal of Burns. He has presented and published extensively in National and International Conferences and Journals, respectively. Currently, Dr. Ahuja is the President of National Academy of Burns-India, and the Vice President of the International College of Surgeons (Indian Section) for a second term. He has served as a Secretary for both APSI and NABI for two terms each. He is the Past President of APSI (Delhi Chapter) and of IMA (Central Delhi). He has received the 'State Award' for excellence in service from the Government of NCT of Delhi.



DR. ARUN .K. SINGH
Secretary-2004-2006

Dr. Arun Kumar Singh, is currently working as Prof. and Head, Postgraduate Department of Plastic Surgery (PGDPS) at King George's Medical University, Lucknow. He did his graduation and postgraduation from M.L.N. Medical College, Allahabad, and M.Ch. in 1984 from K.G's Medical College, Lucknow. He has number of national and international publications and has delivered lectures and presented papers in many national and international conferences.

Dr. Singh has widely traveled, and visited a number of centers in country and abroad. He was awarded the Ethicon international travelling fellowship where he went to U.K. He was awarded PSEF fellowship of American Association of Plastic Surgeons, where he concentrated on craniofacial surgery. Subsequently he was awarded UICC fellowship on head and neck reconstruction. He has been intimately associated with the Association of Plastic Surgeons of India. He was founder secretary of Uttar Pradesh Chapter. He is the President for IMA Lucknow and Project Director of Smile Train.



DR. R.K. KHAZANCHI
Executive Member-2004-2005

He is senior consultant and chairman of Department of Plastic Surgery at Sir Ganga Ram Hospital, New Delhi. He completed his medical training from CMC, Ludhiana with gold medal in MBBS and distinction in MS Surgery. He started his career from CMC, Ludhiana and then was appointed Assistant Professor at AIIMS in 1985. Gradually rose to become the Professor, which he quit in 1999 to join to present assignment. He has a number of publications to his credit, and has contributed 4 chapters in text books, and authored a book. He received the Peet prize in 1999. He has been the clinical research fellow for microsurgery to St. Vincints Hospital, Malbourne (1985-1986), WHO fellow to Manchester Royal Infirmary 1994 and visiting fellow at craniofacial unit, women and children hospital, Adelaid, Australia 2001. He is a member of many national societies and has been the president of Delhi state chapter of APSI (2001-03) and is currently the secretary of Indian Society of Reconstructive Microsurgery (2003-05)



DR. K. RAMCHANDRAN
Executive Member (2004-05)

Passed the MBBS and MS exams from Kastubra Medical College, Mangalore. He subsequently obtained the M.Ch. in Plastic Surgery from Kilpauk Medical College, Madras under Prof. K. Mathangi Ramakrishnan in 1984. He underwent training in Aesthetic Surgery in 1986 in USA and Europe and became a consultant cosmetic surgeon at Apollo Hospitals, Chennai. He was the recipient of the Kilner award in 1987 and the international travelling fellowship of APSI in 1988.

He was also awarded the "Ethicon Travelling Professor in Cosmetic Surgery" in 1998. He was also nominated as member of national academy of medical sciences in 1999. He has presented many papers in national and international conferences. He has many publications including 2 chapters in "Hand Book on Burn Management" and also a chapter in "Text Book of Surgery". He has been in private practice since 1984 and is confined to aesthetic surgery his special field of interests is hair transplant follicular grafts and body contouring surgery.

Achievements By Members

* **Dr. R.B. Ahuja** – Awarded FAMS - congratulations

- * **Dr. A.S. Bath** – Awarded Sena Medal congratulations
- * **Dr. Atul Shah** – P.G. Diploma in Medical Law and Ethics from National Law School of India University.
- * **Dr. R.J. Rajput** – Membership of ISHRS (International Society of Hair Restoration Surgeons). He was invited for guest lecture to Indian Association of Dermatologists, Venereologists and Leprologists, and also to Lucknow Cosmetologists and Beauticians Associations (LCBA).
- * **Dr. M. Thatte**- Invited as Panelist on Brachial Plexus Symposium of IFSSSH Budapest. He is also elected President of Indian Association of Cleft Lip and Palate and Craniofacial Anomalies.
- * **Dr. Roderick Dunn** a British trainee to Dr. Raja Sabapathy, Ganga Hospital, Coimbatore received the Lester Surgical - Heinz Woldrich Prize at BAPS meeting on his paper "Passage to India". Bruce Bailey fellowship in hand and microsurgery at Coimbatore.
- * **Dr. B.M. Daver** – Elected in IPRAS Executive Committee for 2004-07 and Chairman on subcommittee to prepare document on policy and procedure.

Information

- * Rotaplast International Inc. Rotary Club of San Francisco Cleft Camp at Vinayak Mission Medical College and Hospital, Karcika..., January 21 February.
- * Aesthetic Surgery – How to Do – 13th and 14th March, '04, Ahmedabad sponsored by APSI
- * Brian Somerlad – Operative Workshop on Cleft and Palate at IPGME&R, Kolkatta, 27th Feb. '04.

Forthcoming Events

- * CME on Plastic Surgery and Reconstructive Surgery at AFMC, Pune – 10-11 April, '04. Contact-Dr. B. Dogra, barat-dogra@hotmail.com
- * The aesthetic meeting 2004 (ASAPS and ASERF) Vancouver Canada, 15-21 April, '04. Online registration – www.surgery.org meeting 2004
- * 17th annual meeting of Kerala Plastic Surgeons Association – Medical Trust Hospital – 17-18 April, '04, Cochin – 682016 – Dr. Ashok Raj Koul KPSALCON – 2004, Ph. 0484-2315627 drashokkoul8@yahoo.com
- * Modality Update and Operative Workshop in Head and Neck Oncology under UICC and Association with FHNO and ISHNO at Kailash Cancer Hospital and Research Center, Goraj Baroda – 28-30 May, '04, Organising Secretary Dr. Atul Shah workshop@kchrc.org; atulbda@hotmail.com
- * International symposium on hand surgery and advances in hand therapy – 19-21 August, '04, Jakarta, Ph. 62-31-319-09115-F-62-21-319-09115, handsymp@pharma_procom
- * Workshop on secondary cleft lip and palate and hair transplantation NSCB Medical College, Jabalpur, 21 and 22 August, '04. Contact – Dr. V.B. Tamraker, Mahakoshal Hospital, Wright Town, Jabalpur-482002. vbtamraker@yahoo.com
- * 17th Congress of the International Society of Aesthetic Plastic Surgery, Houston Texas, USA, August 28-31, 2004 – International Meeting Managers Inc., 4550 Post Oak Palace, Section 342, Houston, Tx. 77027, USA

isaps@meetingmanagers.com,
www.meetingmanagers.com

- * India ISAPS Course 2004
28th – 30th November, Ram Bagh Palace, Jaipur. Contact – Dr. Ashok Gupta, Suite No. 16, IInd Floor, Laud Mansion, Maharashtra, Mumbai-400004. aesthakg@bom5vsnl.net.in
A galaxy of foreign faculty is visiting
- * Laser Update – 17th October, '04 – Regent Park, Jalandhar, Dr. Puneet Pasricha, Pasricha Hospital, Adarsh Nagar, Mahavir Marg, Jalandhar –0154-2621396/400/470, puneetp@satyma.net.in
- * Health Care India 2005 – 9-12 February, '05 – Pragati Maidan, New Delhi, by CII International Exhibition on Health Care Industry, Contact: Sukvinder Singh, sukvindersingh@ciionline.org
- * 9th Congress of the Asian Pacific Section of IPRAS – Taj Mahal Hotel from 19- 23rd March, '05
Organising Secretary Dr. M.R. Thatte mthattel@vsnl.com

Change of Address

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- * **Dr. Devesh Mehta** – www.indiacosmeticsurgery.com, New Phone Nos.: 079-26731797 (R), 079-26406907 (O)
- * **Dr. Rajan Arora** - Anand Niket, E-5/60, Sector 16, Rohni, Delhi – 85