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## GISICON 2015 REPORT & REFLECTIONS

Fifth Biennial Conference of Gastrointestinal Infection Society of India – GISICON 2015 was organized from 6-7 November, 2015 by Departments of Microbiology & Medicine, Govt. Medical College & Hospital, Jammu under the aegis of Gastrointestinal Infection Society of India (GISI) commenced here from today.



This two day National Conference focused on the recent advances in the diagnosis and management of Gastrointestinal (GI) infections. Hon'ble Minister for Health & Medical Education, Choudhary Lal Singh inaugurated the conference in the presence of GMC faculty, doctors from J&K Health Services, members of Administration and medical as well as paramedical students. Organizing Secretary Dr Sandeep Dogra in his Welcome address emphasized the GISI's novel initiative of horizontal integration between the specialties of microbiology, medicine, gastroenterology and pediatrics where experts from all over India meet, network and interact to exchange and update themselves in the area of GI infections. Organizing Chairperson, Dr Bella Mahajan took the delegates down the memory lane and spoke about the genesis and evolution of GISI as a Society and beyond.





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Eminent speakers from different parts of country enlightened the audience with their expertise and experience. In his welcome address, Dr M. S. Khuru who discovered the Hepatitis E virus spoke on its discovery, cure and control. Prof. Atul Sachdev, Director Principal, GMCH, Chandigarh spoke on Hepatitis C virus prophylaxis and therapy. Prof. S. K. Sinha from PGIMER spoke on GI Bleed etiology and management. Dr. Neelam Kler updated delegates on prevention of necrotising enterocolitis and sepsis. Prof. Chand Wattal from Sir Ganga Ram Hospital impressed upon the need of stepping out of laboratory.



A constructive debate between Prof. Rajoo Singh and Dr. Mohit Sharma on perspective of a surgeon and physician was centre point. GI fungal infection was dealt by Dr Jagdish Chander and Fecal transplants were discussed by Dr Chetana Vaishnavi. Genetically modified food and altered gut microbiota was presented by Dr Rekha Harish. Dr Richard and Dr Anil Tarigopula presented the latest diagnostic modalities available in GI diseases.



There were free paper sessions (Oral and posters) wherein a total of 20 postgraduates and faculty researchers presented their research work. A PG Quiz was also organized where PGs from 6 medical institutes participated. More than 300 delegates, and renowned faculty and speakers from J&K and neighboring states of Chandigarh, Delhi, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh and Punjab participated in the event. The conference was accredited by J&K state Medical Council for eight credit points for delegates. The academic event was followed by banquet dinner and valedictory ceremony.



*Season's greetings and best wishes for 2016 from GISI Executive Committee*

**A NEW YEAR, A NEW START, AND WAY TO GO...**

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

1. Bidding for GISICON 2019 and 2021 are invited from all the GISI members and shall be accepted on first-come first-served basis.
2. Life Membership fees of GISI are INR 3000.00 payable by bank draft or cheque at par in favour of "Gastrointestinal Infection Society of India" payable at Chandigarh, INDIA.
3. Manuscripts for Journal of Gastrointestinal Infections should be typed in MS-Word and Figures/Photographs in JPEG format and submitted by e-mail to the Editor-in-Chief only at [jgi.gisi@gmail.com](mailto:jgi.gisi@gmail.com) or [gisi2007@rediffmail.com](mailto:gisi2007@rediffmail.com) so that the papers are not lost. Authors are also encouraged to submit the manuscript online at the website [www.gisi.in](http://www.gisi.in) for rapid processing. Instructions to authors are also available under GISI Journal action link in the website.
4. All GISI members are requested to pass on any news that they desire to be published in the newsletter. This will include information of awards received, fellowships obtained or travel abroad for academic purposes and any other information that may be of interest to the members.
5. Indian Life Members desirous of receiving Certificate of Membership may send a Demand Draft of INR 250.00 in advance. Foreign Members may send USD 25.00 in favour of 'Gastrointestinal Infection Society of India', payable at Chandigarh, addressed to Prof. C. Vaishnavi, Dept. of Gastroenterology, Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education and Research, Chandigarh-160012, India. Kindly quote your Life Membership No. along with the request.

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Note: GISI Life Membership is open to Clinical Microbiologists/Gastroenterologists/Clinicians and Health Care Workers involved in the speciality of gastrointestinal infections.

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Membership form and the cheque/draft should be mailed to Dr. Chetana Vaishnavi, Professor, Division of Microbiology, Department of Gastroenterology, PGIMER, Chandigarh. Mobile No. 09417002682, E-mail: c.vaishnavi@rediffmail.com