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Second conference of the Society for Toxicologic Pathology in India in collaboration with the Society of Toxicologic Pathology, USA

The second conference of Society for Toxicologic Pathology in India "Current concepts in Toxicologic Pathology" was organized in association with Society of Toxicologic Pathology, USA. The conference was held at Hotel Atria, Bangalore during October 23-25, 2008.

The proceedings of the conference:

The program started with invocation followed by welcome address by Dr. Geeta Nirody, Vice President, STPI. Dr. S.K. Vijayasarithi, President of STPI delivered the presidential address briefing the audience about the society and its activities.



Dr. Ashwani Kumar, Director, Indian Institute of Toxicology Research, Lucknow and Dr. Suresh Honnappagol, Vice Chancellor, Karnataka Veterinary, Animal and Fisheries Sciences University, Bidar inaugurated the conference by traditional lighting of lamp. This was followed by inaugural address by the distinguished guests. Dr. Shekar C.S, General Secretary, STPI delivered the vote of thanks.

The technical session began with introduction and symposium overview by Dr. Shashi Ramaiah. The lectures in this three day conference covered in detail

1. Immunotoxicopathology (Dr. Paul Snyder, Professor of Toxicologic Pathology, Comparative Pathobiology Department, Purdue University and Dr. Dana Walker, Principal Veterinary Pathologist, Director of Clinical Pathology-Syracuse Site, Bristol-Myers Squibb)
2. Toxicology of the blood and bone marrow (Dr. Nancy Everds, Amgen and Dr. Shashi Ramaiah, Senior Principal Scientist, Clinical Pathologist & Biomarker Lead, Pfizer)
3. Toxicologic Pathology of Urinary system (Dr. Brian Short, Sr Director of Pathology, Allergan and Dr. Vishal Vaidya, Brigham and Women's Hospital, Harvard Medical School)

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The other lectures delivered at the conference were

1. "Bone marrow differentiation in Toxicology studies - Sense and non-sense" by Dr. Klaus Webber, CSO, RCC Ltd, Switzerland
2. "Safety assessment of monoclonal antibodies" by Dr. K. S. Rao, Senior Director and Head of Toxicology, Advinus Therapeutics Pvt. Ltd
3. "Design, conduct and interpretation of Safety Pharmacology studies in support of IND application for Biologicals" by Dr. Noël Dybdal, Associate Director of Safety Assessment, Genentech Inc.
4. "Phospholipidosis and its impact on risk assessment of pharmaceuticals" by Dr. Venkatesh Udupa, Associate Director, Ranbaxy Laboratories
5. "Comparative Pathology of Tuberculosis following infection from mice to man" by Dr. Sowmya Bharath, Scientist, Infective Pharmacology Department, AstraZeneca India Pvt. Ltd
6. "Rodent models of metabolic disorders and their use in safety assessment". By Dr. S. K Vijayasarithi, Head of Pathology, Advinus Therapeutics Pvt. Ltd
7. "Impact of Laboratory animal diseases on Toxicologic Pathology." by Dr. Srinivas Rao's (Chief, Laboratory Animal Medicine, Vaccine Research Center, NIAID/NIH)
8. "Preparing protocols for safety assessment of recombinant DNA products". By Dr. B. Sesikeran, Director of NIN, Hyderabad
9. Professor V. M. Shingetgeri memorial young scientist award was presented to Dr. Pankaj Shelar of Ranbaxy Research laboratories and best poster award was presented to Dr. Dayanand T. S of Aurigene Discovery Technologies Ltd.



The conference also had sponsors lectures- a. Dr. Roli Khattri, CSO, Agility Bio, affiliate of Bioimagine delivered lecture on digital pathology solutions with brief introduction of the new CRO "AgilityBio", b. Dr. Thomas Budiman of TSE systems, Germany on Inhalation exposure systems and Lab master system and c. Mr. Leonhard Heidingsfelder - Meta Systems Asia Co. Ltd., Hong Kong on Image analysis for Toxicology.



Dr. Shashi Ramaiah and Dr. Srinivas Rao were elected as liaison officers for offshore out reach of STPI and its activities.

New office bearers elected for 2 years term are

President: Dr. S.K. Vijayasarithi, Bangalore

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All members of society were provided access to GoReni website. goRENI is the standard reference for nomenclature and diagnostic criteria in toxicologic pathology and at the same time the Internet discussion platform for the global initiative "INHAND" - the International Harmonization of Nomenclature and Diagnostic criteria.

Society for Toxicologic pathology in India formally became member of International Federation of Society of Toxicologic Pathologists (IFSTP) in November 2008. Society is regularly sending report of activities to IFSTP.