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*Let's welcome the fresh
new year with fresh new
hopes and aspirations for
all of us.*

"MERRY X-MAS"

&

"HAPPY NEW YEAR"



Heartiest Congratulations to Prof. Chetana Vaishnavi!!!!

During the inaugural function of 53rd ISGCON-2012 held on 28th November 2012 at Birla auditorium, Jaipur, Sh. Tapesh Pawar, Principal Secretary, Medical Education released the book titled 'Infections of the



Gastrointestinal System' edited by Dr. Chetana Vaishnavi, Professor, Department of Gastroenterology, PGIMER, Chandigarh. The dignitaries on the dias were Dr. B.S. Ramakrishna, President, ISG, Dr. S.P. Misra, Hon. Secretary ISG, along with Dr. Raja Babu Panwar, Hon. Vice Chancellor, Rajasthan Medical University, Dr. Manu Tandon, President SGEI, Dr. D. S. Pokhama and Dr. Ramesh Roop Rai, Patron and Organising Chairman of the conference.

The book with its unique presentation is related to infections of the gastrointestinal system caused by various micro-organisms. It is a multi-disciplinary book beneficial to consultants, physicians, surgeons, microbiologists, gastroenterologists, private practitioners and postgraduate students. This type of book has come for the first time in India and has comprehensive updated knowledge of gastrointestinal infections for day to day reference

With best wishes

GISI Team

Achievements by GISI Members

Dr. K. K. Prasad, Additional Professor & Chief, Division of GE Histopathology, Department of Superspeciality of Gastroenterology, PGIMER, Chandigarh,

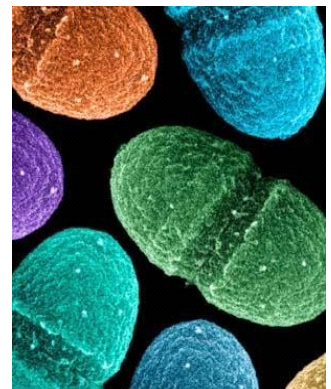


- Was invited by Finnish Coeliac Society to present the work on coeliac disease in 26th AO ECS General Assembly & International Coeliac Disease Scientific Conference at Helsinki, Finland in Sept 2012.
- Was awarded “International Academy of Pathology (IAP) Bursary” to attend 29th IAP International Congress (IAP 2012) at Cape Town, South Africa in Sept-Oct 2012.
- Delivered a talk on Gastrointestinal tract alterations in celiac disease, and Eosinophilic esophagitis: An enigmatic, emerging inflammatory disease; and moderated a quiz on GI Pathology in 1st International CMC-Path-CME on Cytopathology & Histopathology at Chittagong, Bangladesh in Oct 2012.

Science News

My Microbes: New Genetic Fingerprint Lives in Your Gut

Our bodies contain far more microbial genes than human genes. And a new study suggests that just as human DNA varies from person to person, so too does the massive collection of microbial DNA in the intestine.



The research is the first to catalog the genetic variation of microbes that live in the gut, where they extract nutrients from food, synthesize vitamins, protect against infections, and produce compounds that naturally reduce inflammation. The widespread genetic diversity uncovered by the scientists can help them understand how our microbial genes work together with our human genes to keep us healthy or, in some cases, to cause disease.

A new study suggests that the collection of microbial DNA in the gut is just as individualized as our own human DNA.

*(Credit: U.S. Department of Agriculture/
Washington University)*

The study, by researchers at Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis and the European Molecular Biology Laboratory in Heidelberg, Germany, is published online Dec. 5 in *Nature*.

National conference on Diarrheal Diseases organized by the Department of Microbiology at GMC Amritsar

The Department of Microbiology Govt., Medical College, Amritsar organized NATIONAL CME CUM MICROCON (NW)-2012 on 6th Oct 2012 (Saturday) with the central theme "Diarrheal Diseases- A GLOBAL CHALLENGE". Four CME hours were accredited by the Punjab Medical Council. Eminent Internationally renowned speakers like Dr.T.D Chugh (Prof. Emeritus NAMS) , Dr. Shobha Broor (Prof, Dept of Virology AIIMS, New Delhi.) , Dr. B.R Mirdha (Prof, Department of Parasitology AIIMS, New Delhi.) , Dr. Jaipal Singh (Prof & Head, Dept of Medicine, GMC, Jammu) and Dr. Daljit Singh (Director Principal and Head, Dept of Paediatrics DMC, LDH) gave guest lectures. Renowned clinicians and microbiologists inclusive of Dr. Rajoo Singh and Dr. Chetana Vaishnavi took part in panel discussion where they reviewed situation of burden of diarrheal diseases both at policy and implementation level. There is a need to introduce new policy guidelines like introduction of rota virus vaccine in the immunization schedule after vaccination trials (in India) as well as incorporating policy guidelines on hand washing and access to improved water supply and sanitation of water. More than 300 delegates and faculty from various parts of the country in the field of Microbiology/Gastroenterology/Medicine/Pediatrics and Preventive medicine took part in various scientific deliberations. The keynote address was given by Prof Dr. S.S. Gill, Vice- Chancellor, Baba Farid Medical University, Faridkot. He emphasized on the early diagnosis and treatment of this preventable and easily treatable disease. Shri Chhuni Lal Bhagat Ji, Honourable Minister of Medical Education, Research and Local bodies Department, Punjab, inaugurated the function and promised to implement diarrhea prevention and control programme and policy decisions at the government level.

ANNOUNCEMENT

1. A directory of Life Members of GISI is proposed to be printed along with a brief Curriculum Vitae. Therefore you are requested to send in your complete personal details along with your Qualifications, Positions, Achievements, Awards and photographs which can be updated on the GISI website under your page.
2. Indian Life Members desirous of receiving Certificate Membership may send a Demand Draft of INR 250/- in advance/Foreign Members may send USD 25/- in favour of "Gastrointestinal Infection Society of India", payable at Chandigarh, addressed to Prof.C. Vaishnavi, Dept. of Gastroenterology, PGIMER, Chandigarh-160012, India. Kindly quote your LM No. along with the request.

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