



APCRICON 2022

22nd Annual National Conference of Association for Prevention and Control of Rabies in India
Theme: **Marching towards Zero Dog Mediated Human Rabies Death by 2030**

Preconference Workshop

Scientific Program

Day & Date: Friday, 16th September 2022

Venue : AIIMS Kalyani, NH-34 connector, Basantapur, Nadia, West Bengal, PIN 741245

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Time	Topic	Resource Person	Description
9:00-9:20 AM	Inauguration & Welcome address	1. Prof. (Dr.) Ramji Singh , Executive Director, AIIMS Kalyani 2. Prof. (Dr.) Asis Manna , Medical Superintendent, ID&BG Hospital, Belegkata, Kolkata 3. Dr. Sumit Poddar , Organizing President, APCRICON 2022 4. Dr. Sayantan Banerjee , Head of Department, Microbiology, AIIMS Kalyani	
9:20 – 9:30 AM	Brief Walk- through of Workshop	Dr. Sayantan Banerjee , AIIMS Kalyani	Description and theoretical basis of all the procedures that are to be shown
9:30 – 9:45 AM	Introduction of Participants		
9:50 – 1:30 PM AM	KVAFSU-CVA Rabies Diagnostic Lab. Designated as the 12 th WOA (Founded as OIE) Reference Lab for Rabies: Responsibilities & Expectations	1. Dr. Shrikishnalsloor and team, Department of Veterinary Microbiology Veterinary College, Bangalore 2. Dr. A Premkumar and team, Pasteur Institute of India, Coonoor 3. Dr. Samiran Mandal and team, Department of Veterinary Pathology, West Bengal University of Animal & Fishery Sciences, Belgachhia, Kolkata	Dissection of dog carcass, maintaining proper biosafety level precautions, dissection and sampling of Brain tissue, packing and shipping of brain tissue, extraction of RNA from dog brain tissue, Performance of impression for DFA from dog brain tissue, Lateral flow assay from dog brain tissue, Performance of RFFIT
	Human sampling and lecture on animal bite management	1. Dr Reeta S Mani , NIMHANS, Bangalore 2. Dr. Mugunthan M , AIIMS Kalyani 3. Dr. Sayantan Banerjee , AIIMS Kalyani	CSF and Skin Biopsy sampling from Human cadaver, RNA extraction steps from human Saliva, CSF, skin tissue
	Molecular and Serology testing Steps – Divided into two teams as before	AIIMS Kalyani VRDL team	Stepwise demonstration and interpretation of ELISA and RT PCR for Rabies
1:30 PM	LUNCH & End of the programme		



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Conference - Day 1:

Saturday, 17th September, 2022

8.30 – 9.30 AM	Conference Registration	
Scientific session I: Orations (Main Hall) Chair Persons: Dr. M.K. Sudarshan, Dr. M. K. Jhala		
9.30 - 9.50 am	Louis Pasteur Oration National strategic plans and progress for rabies prevention and control	Dr. Simmi Tiwari Joint Director & Head of the Division Division of Zoonotic Disease Programme, National Centre for Disease Control (NCDC), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India, Delhi
9.50 - 10.10 am	Dr. S.N. Madhusudana Oration	Dr. Gowri Yale Scientific and Technical Manager Mission Rabies, Goa
10.10 - 11.10 am	INAUGURAL FUNCTION <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Welcome address: Dr. D.H. Ashwath Narayana, President, APCRI (5 minutes)▪ Lighting the lamp: All Dignitaries (5 Minutes).▪ Keynote address: Dr. Bernadette Abela-Ridder, WHO, Geneva (15 Minutes)▪ Release of Conference Souvenir, APCRI Journal & RIG / RMAb Manual (5 min)▪ Felicitation of Awardees: Lifetime achievement award, Louis Pasteur Oration Award, Dr. S.N. Madhusudana Oration Award & Young Scientist award Outstanding achievement award (10 Minutes)<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Dr. Sayantan Banerjee, Chairperson Scientific Committee▪ Address by Guest of Honour: Dr. Shidhartha Neogi, DHS, Govt. of WB,<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Dr. Amiya Bhowmik, President, Lincoln University College, Malaysia, (5 minutes)▪ Dr. Debasish Bhattacharya, DME, Govt. of WB, Janab Firhad Hakim, Hon'ble Mayor, KMC, Dr. Sudipto Roy, Chairman, HRB, Govt. of WB, Sri Swapan Debnath, MIC, Dept of ARD, Govt. of WB (5 minutes), Prof. Chanchal Guha, VC, WBUAFS▪ Address by the Chief Guest: Dr. Shashi Panja, MIC, Dept of WCD&SW (5 minutes)▪ Address by the Special Guest: Yograj Tamang, Director, AH&VS, Govt. of WB▪ Vote of Thanks: Dr Sumit Poddar, Secretary General, APCRI (2 minutes)	

11.10 – 11.30 Noon	<i>Press Meet & Group Photo + High-Tea</i>	
Chair Persons: Dr. Rashmi Shukla, Dr. Darryn Knobel		
Scientific session II: Towards Rabies Elimination: Global, Regional and Local Perspectives (Main Hall)		
11.30 -11.45 pm	Tripartite strategies and collaboration for elimination of dog mediated human rabies by 2030 in the Asia-Pacific	Dr. Aya Yajima Regional Adviser - Neglected Tropical Disease Control, Department of Communicable Diseases, WHO Regional Office for South-East Asia (SEARO), New Delhi
11.45 - 12.00 noon	Addressing rabies at the source – WOAHP's activities on animal rabies control in South Asia	Dr Kinzang Dukpa Regional Project Coordinator (One Health) WOAHP Regional Representation for Asia and the Pacific, Tokyo, Japan
12.00 – 12.15 pm	Rabies situation in COVID era and its impact on PEP and rabies incidence	Dr. Gyanendra Gongal Honorary Member, APCRI
Scientific session III:		
12.15 – 12.30 pm	Laboratory diagnostic network under National Action Plan for Rabies Elimination (NAPRE)	Dr. Monil Singhai Joint Director, Centre for Arboviral and Zoonotic Diseases (CAZD), National Centre for Disease Control, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare Government of India, Delhi
12.30 – 12.45 pm	Rabies surveillance – Status and way forward	Dr. Tushar Nale Deputy Director, Division of Zoonotic Disease Programme, National Centre for Disease Control, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare Government of India, Delhi
12.45 – 1.00 pm	State Strategic Plan – Best Practice from West Bengal	Dr Dipankar Maji , Jt DHS, H&FW, Govt. of WB Dr Pritam Roy , WHO, West Bengal
01.00 - 2.00 pm	<i>Lunch</i>	
2.00 – 3.00 pm	Panel Discussion: “Road map towards elimination of dog mediated human rabies by 2030” (Main Hall) Representatives of WHO Hqrs, WHO-SEARO, WHO-India, WOAHP, NCDC, APCRI, Representatives from neighboring countries.	
Scientific session IV: Role of Pharmaceutical industries towards elimination of rabies (Main Hall) Chair Persons: Dr. Reeta S Mani & Dr. D. M. Satapathy		
3.00 - 3.15 pm	Dose reduction of rabies vaccine	Dr. Sumit Poddar Secretary General, APCRI

3.15 - 3.30 pm	Journey of PCECV	Dr. Ranjit Mankeshwar Professor & Head of Community Medicine, Grant Medical College, Mumbai
Scientific session V: Chair Persons: Dr. Neelanjana Ghosh, Dr. Mallika Sengupta, Dr. Jairaj S. Hanspal		
3.30 - 3.45 pm	Post marketing experience with Rabishield (PMS and Phase IV study)	Dr. Anand Lakhkar Serum Institute of India, Pune
3.45 - 4.00 pm	Rabies post exposure prophylaxis by intramuscular route – Are 3 doses sufficient?	Dr. Priyabrata Pattnaik, Deputy Managing Director, IIL & Dr. S. Sai Krishna General Manager; Medical & Veterinary Services, Indian Immunologicals Limited
Scientific session VI: Chair Persons: Dr. M. N. Siddique, Dr. Sheela P. Haveri		
4.00 - 4.15 pm	Safety and clinical experience of ERIG (Equirab) for last two decades	Dr. Aldan Fernandes Vice President, BSV
4.15 – 4.30pm	New generation Cocktail RMAb for passive immunization	Dr Trayambak Dutta Zydus Life Sciences
4.30 – 5.00 pm	Kid’s session by School Children on awareness of Rabies: Dr. Tapas Ghosh (Moderator)	
5.00 - 6.00 pm	APCRI: Annual General Body Meeting	
6.00 - 7.00 pm	Election to Executive Committee of APCRI & Announcement of Results	
7.00 - 10.00 pm	Gala Dinner at ITC Sonar, Kolkata	

Conference - Day 2

Sunday, 18th September, 2022

Scientific session VII: Oral and Poster presentations (Parallel Sessions)

Time	Hall-1 Oral presentations (Medical)	Hall-2 Oral presentations (Veterinary)	Hall Poster Presentation
9.30 – 11.00 am	Judge: Dr. Sonakshi Srivastava, Dr. Abhik Sinha	Judge: Dr. Shivaji Bhattacharya, Dr. Sunit Mukhopadhyay, Dr. Sourav Chandra	Judge: Dr. Gautam Sarkhel, Dr. Baisakhi Maji, Dr. Amrita Bhattacharyya

Scientific session VIII: Research towards Rabies elimination

Chair Persons: Dr. Sukumar Das, Dr Pradip Kumar Mitra

11.00 – 11.15 am	Recommending infiltration of category III wounds with rabies immunoglobulin/ rabies monoclonal antibody following re exposure to rabies in previously vaccinated individuals	Dr. M. K. Sudarshan Ex. Director, Retd. Dean/Principal & Professor and HoD of Community Medicine, Kempegowda Institute of Medical Sciences, Bangalore
11.15 - 11.30 am	A proposed clinical trial protocol for investigational rabies treatments in naturally infected dogs	Dr. Darryn Knobel Professor of Epidemiology & Population Health; Director, Centre for Conservation Medicine & Ecosystem Health, ROSS University, St. Kitts, West Indies

Scientific session IX:

Chair Persons: Dr. Kunal Kanti Majumdar, Dr. Kishore P. Madhwani

11.30 – 11.45 pm	Safety & clinical efficacy of RMABs in post exposure prophylaxis	Dr H S Ravish Professor of Community Medicine, KIMS, Bangalore
11.45 – 12.00 Noon	Establishing the case for Pre-exposure Prophylaxis and access to quality biologics in the Global South	Dr. Sayantan Banerjee, AIIMS, Kalyani, West Bengal

Scientific session X: Challenges towards rabies elimination by 2030

Chair Persons: Dr. H. K. Gohil, Dr. Jugal Kishore

12.00 – 12.15 pm	Research Presentation	Young Scientist awardee Dr Nitu Kumari, Senior Resident, Department of Community Medicine, UCMS & GTB Hospital, New Delhi
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12.15 – 12.30 pm	The role of a diagnostic laboratory in rabies elimination and the challenges encountered	Dr. Reeta S Mani Professor of Neuro Virology & Director, WHO collaborating centre for Reference & Research on Rabies, NIMHANS, Bangalore
Scientific session XI: Chair Persons: Dr B.J. Mahendra, Dr. Sukanta Chaudhuri		
12.30 - 12.45 pm	Curing Rabies- Past and future Prospects	Dr. Omesh Kumar Bharti Padmashree Awardee, State epidemiologist State Institute of Health & Family Welfare, Government of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla
Corporate Sessions : Chair Persons: Dr. Tapan Kumar Mondal, Dr. Snehamay Chaudhuri		
12.45 – 1.00 pm	Importance of owned dog vaccination	Dr. Ilona Otter Director of International Veterinary Training World Wide Veterinary Service
01.00 – 1.15 pm	Bengaluru enhances Rabies Control- A strategy for state scale-up	Dr. Balaji Chandrashekar Mission Rabies India
01.15 – 02.00 pm	Drafting & Signing of the Kolkata Declaration Conclusions & Recommendations; Drafting & Signing of the Kolkata Declaration Dr. Sumit Poddar, Dr. Saurabh Kole, Dr Sayantan Banerjee and Dr. D.H. Ashwath Narayana	
	VALEDICTORY FUNCTION (Main Hall): Presentation of Best Oral & Poster Award	
02.00 pm – 3.00 pm	Lunch	