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## MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT



*Dear friends,*

*Wish you all a very happy, productive & peaceful 2008. With the sweet aftertaste of the very good annual conference of 2007 still lingering in memory, it is time to think of this year's academic activities. Our young & enthusiastic colleagues, Drs. Sujay*

*Prasad & N. Jayaram from Bangalore have offered to conduct our next Mid Year Teaching Programme on "Medical Renal Disease". I am sure all pathologists, junior & senior are looking forward to this intriguing, yet very interesting group of diseases. The exact dates are yet to be finalized, but will be informed to all members by our Secretary, Dr. Couto very soon. I am sure it will be well attended.*

*Our membership is also growing steadily (though slowly). I thank all members who are active in this recruitment.*

With warm wishes,

Dr. K. Uma Chaturvedi.

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## NEW OFFICE BEARERS

*The IAP-ID congratulates and welcomes the new Councilors Dr. K. S. Ratnakar (Hyderabad) and Dr. S. Sankar (Trivandrum), who were elected at the Annual Meeting held at the PGIMER, Chandigarh, on 26<sup>th</sup> November 2007. For the benefit of the members their brief biodata is given below:*



**Dr. K. S. RATNAKAR**

Prof. Dr. K. S. Ratnakar is currently Chairman, Global Medical Education & Research Center, Hyderabad and Chief of Laboratory Sciences, Global Hospitals, Hyderabad. He did his MBBS from Andhra University and M.D (Pathology) from the All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), New Delhi. Dr. Ratnakar is a Fellow of International College of Surgeons, Fellow of International Medical Sciences Academy and Founder Fellow of Indian College of Pathologists

In his long and illustrious career Dr. Ratnakar has held several important positions and was the Head of Pathology, Dr. R. P. Centre, AIIMS, New Delhi (1974 - 1986); Professor & Head, Department of Pathology, M R Medical College, Gulbarga (1980 - 1986); Prof. & Head Dept. of Pathology, NIMS, Hyderabad (1986 – 2004); Dean, NIMS, Hyderabad 1992-1997. He was also the Professor of Pathology, Arabian Gulf University, Bahrain (1999-2003) and Consultant, Department of Pathology, Ministry of Health, Salmaniya Medical Complex, Kingdom of Bahrain (On Sabbatical) from October 1999 to January 2003.

Prof. Ratnakar is the Honorary Director, Yashoda Hospitals, Secunderabad. He is also member of the Scientific Advisory Committee NIN / ICMR; Ethical Committee, Bhagvan Mahaveer Hospital & Research Center; and Ethical Committee, LVPE, Hyderabad. He has been a former member of many national and state bodies like Union Public Service Commission, Selection Committee in Pathology; Governing Council, NIMS, Hyderabad; Hyderabad Eye Research Foundation; Faculty Selection Committee, PGI & AIIMS; Board of Studies, SGPGI, Lucknow; and Board of Studies of Bangalore and Gulbarga Universities.

Prof. K. S. Ratnakar has been the President (1998) and earlier Secretary (1993 – 1995) of the Indian Association of Pathologists & Microbiologists; Former Chairman, Karnataka State Chapter of Indian Association of Pathology & Microbiology (KCIAPM); Former Editor - in -Chief, Indian Journal of Pathology and Microbiology (IJPM); former Assistant Chief Editor, Bahrain Medical Bulletin; and reviewer for Indian Journal of Ophthalmology. He is a member of several professional bodies like International Academy of Pathology- Indian Division (IAP-ID), Indian Association of Pathologists & Microbiologists (IJPM), All India Ophthalmological Society and A. P. Ophthalmic Society.

Having a teaching and research experience of more than 30 years (Post M.D), Prof. Ratnakar is a visiting Professor to several prestigious Institutions like University of Illinois, Chicago; New England Medical Center, Boston; Sankara Nethralaya Medical Research Foundation, Madras; Shivaji University, Sholapur; Sri Krishnadevaraya University, Ananthapur; and Sri Satya Sai Institute Of Medical Sciences University, Prashantigram. He has also been a speaker at several prestigious Institutions of India. He has been an Examiner for Undergraduate & Post Graduate Medical Examinations of Bangalore, Mysore, Pune, Calcutta, Berhampur, Kakatiya, Nagarjuna, Venkateswara and MGR Universities, AIIMS, NIMS, etc. Dr. Ratnakar has conducted over 12 CMEs & Workshops, has more than 220 publications in national & international Journals and around 120 presentations in national and international fora. He has also delivered several talks on All India Radio (AIR), several lectures on “Science and Spirituality”, “Human values”, in Colleges etc.

Prof. K. S. Ratnakar has been the proud recipient of several prestigious awards like Padmabhushan Dr.P.Siva Reddy Gold Medal Oration Award; Dr. S. Mungekar’s IMA Award; Justice Umamaheswaram Oration Award; Outstanding Young Person Karnataka State Jaycees Award 1983; “Guest of Honour” Verheoff Society, USA, 1993; International Scholar Award, RPB, USA, 1993; “Vijay Shree” Award 1997 of India International Friendship Society; Prof. Subramanyam Gold Medal Oration 1999; Narendra Dutta Prize 2001; Dr. M. M. Joshi Oration 2005; and, Dr.Sankar Benerjea Memorial Award 2006.



**Dr. S. SANKAR**

Aged 45 years, Dr. S. Sankar is currently working as Associate professor of Pathology at Medical College, Kottayam, Kerala. He graduated from Government Tirunelveli Medical College, Tamil Nadu in 1986. Dr. Sankar completed MD (Pathology) from Medical College, Trivandrum in 1990. He has been working in Medical Education Service of Kerala since 1989 for the past 18 years mostly in Medical College, Trivandrum. Dr. S. Sankar is a Faculty member of Centre for Health Professions’ Education (Teacher Training Centre) in Trivandrum Medical College since 1994. He has worked in Ocular Pathology in Regional Institute of Ophthalmology, Trivandrum for 3 years.

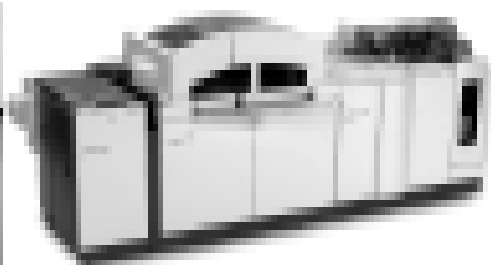
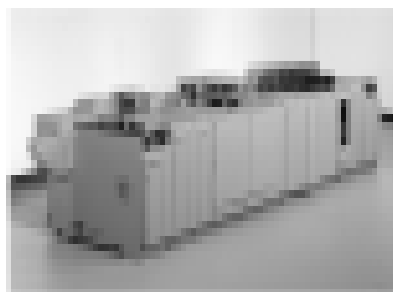
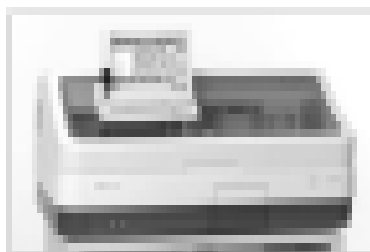
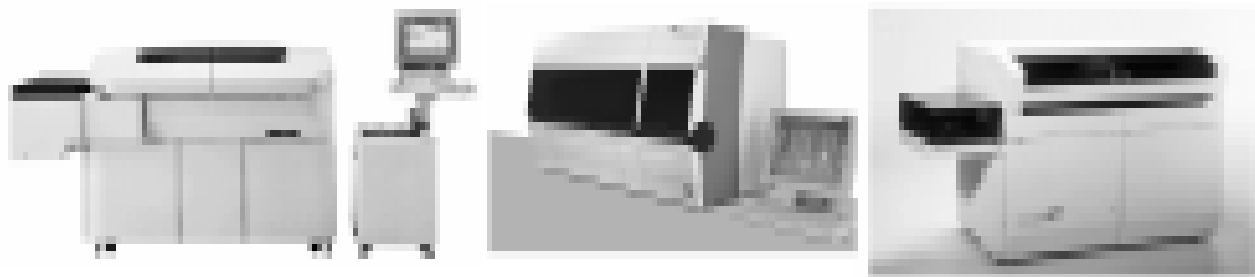
Dr. S. Sankar has been Secretary / Treasurer of IAPM Kerala Chapter from 1996-1998. He is a Life member of IAPM and a member of the IAP-ID. A dynamic personality, Dr. S. Sankar has organized several CME programmes and Conferences in Kerala including IAP-ID programmes. He has helped organize and actively participated in 3 National seminars of IAP-ID and organized the Mid Year Teaching Programme workshop and Annual CME of IAP-ID. Dr. S. Sankar’s special fields of interest are Medical Education, Dermatopathology, Bioethics and event management. He has published 11 research papers and has been a regular Under Graduate and Post Graduate examiner to all south Indian Universities.

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## IAP – ID Academic Activities 2009

The IAP-ID has the following programmes during the course of the year :

- Mid Year Teaching Programme (usually a Workshop)
- IAP-ID Annual CME
- Annual Meeting (usually held in conjunction with IAPM Meeting) having a Symposium and Slide Seminar.

Those members desirous of organizing and hosting the Mid Year Teaching Programme 2009 or the 12<sup>th</sup> IAP-ID Annual CME 2009 should send their concrete proposals with the theme of the meeting to the Secretary & Treasurer, Dr. Francisco Couto.

For the Annual Meeting 2009 (held along with the IAPM Conference), those desirous of being Moderators for the Symposium or Slide Seminar should send in their names along with the proposed title of the Symposium and Slide Seminar to the Secretary & Treasurer, IAP-ID. Also as per the decision of the General Body of the IAP-ID certain topics have been suggested as possible subjects for the Slide Seminar and Symposium. Members desirous of being Moderators for any of these topics should send their names to the Secretary & Treasurer, IAP-ID. However, as per the decision of the Council and General Body of the IAP-ID, the person selected as the moderator shall be the one who is felt to be best suited to be for the particular topic of the Symposium or Slide Seminar.

All proposals should reach the Secretary & Treasurer, IAP-ID, by 15<sup>th</sup> October 2008, so as the same proposals could be discussed and approved by the Council and General Body of the IAP-ID.

The proposals should be sent to: Dr. Francisco Couto, Secretary & Treasurer, IAP - Indian Division, 714, La Campala Colony, Behind Ketan Apartments, Panaji - 403001, Goa.

## 6th Asia Pacific IAP Congress Kochi, Kerala 2009

The 6th Asia Pacific IAP Congress under the auspicious of the IAP-ID will be held in Kochi, Kerala in 2009. Details of the Congress will be intimated to the members in due course.

*For further details contact:*

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## SLIDE SETS on “Melanotic Lesions of the Skin”

Few Slide Sets on “Melanotic Lesions of the Skin” of the Slide Seminar moderated by Dr. Manoj Singh at the IAP-ID Annual Conference at Chandigarh on 26<sup>th</sup> November 2007 are still available for sale

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## CD on “Interstitial Lung Diseases”

A CD with the proceedings and discussion of the IAP-ID Symposium on “Interstitial Lung Diseases”, moderated by Dr. Kusum Joshi (PGIMER, Chandigarh), is available for a fee of Rs. 200 paid by Demand Draft in favour of “Secretary / Treasurer, IAP - Indian Division” payable at “Panaji (Goa)”.

## CD on “Neuromuscular Disorders”

A CD with the proceedings and discussion of the IAP-ID Symposium on “Neuromuscular Disorders”, moderated by Dr. C. Sundaram (NIMS, Hyderabad), is available for a fee of Rs. 200 paid by Demand Draft in favour of “Secretary / Treasurer, IAP - Indian Division” payable at “Panaji (Goa)”.

**Both CDs together** fee is Rs. 350 paid by Demand Draft in favour of “Secretary / Treasurer, IAP - Indian Division” payable at “Panaji (Goa)”.

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# MEETINGS

## United States Canadian Academy of Pathology (USCAP)

97<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting  
Hyatt Regency Hotel and Denver Convention Center  
Denver, Colorado  
March 1 - 7, 2008  
Website: [www.uscap.org](http://www.uscap.org)

## XVII Porto Cancer Meeting "Pathology of the Digestive System"

Porto, Portugal  
April 11 - 13, 2008  
*Contact:* Prof. Manuel Sobrinho Simões  
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## 3<sup>rd</sup> Intercontinental Congress of Pathology

Barcelona  
May 17- 22, 2008  
*Contact:* Prof. Josep Antoni Bombi  
President, 3<sup>rd</sup> Intercontinental Congress, Barcelona 2008  
Website: [www.3rdintercontinentalcongresspathology.org](http://www.3rdintercontinentalcongresspathology.org)

## Australasian Division of IAP

33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting  
Sydney Convention & Exhibition Centre  
Darling Harbour, Sydney  
May 30 - June 1, 2008  
Website: [www.iap-aus.org.au](http://www.iap-aus.org.au)

## 14<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Plastination

Heidelberg and Guben, Germany  
July 20 - 26, 2008  
Website: [www.plastination2008.com](http://www.plastination2008.com)

## British Division of the International Academy of Pathology

*Meetings Secretary:* Dr B Warren  
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## Forthcoming Meetings

### Seminar for Trainees in Histopathology Pathology

London  
April 8, 2008

### Gynaecological Pathology

Manchester  
April 18 - 29, 2008

### Hepatic and Pancreato-Biliary Pathology

London  
November 28-29, 2008

## XXVII International Congress of International Academy of Pathology

Athens, Greece  
12 - 17 October 2008  
Contact: Congress Organiser Era Ltd.  
E mail: [info@era.gr](mailto:info@era.gr)  
Website: [www.iap2008.com](http://www.iap2008.com)

## IAP-ID Associate Members

Membership of IAP-ID as Associate Members has been started from this year for Post Graduate Students in Pathology and others. These Associate members would have no voting rights or other statutory rights of full members and would have to become full members of the IAP-ID on attaining their post graduate qualification. The Annual Membership fee for Associate member is Rs. 250.

*For further details*

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## MEMBERSHIP FEES 2008

Please send your Annual Membership Fees of Rs. 400/- by Demand Draft payable at "Panaji (Goa)" or Rs. 430/- if by cheque

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## 5 YEARS MEMBERSHIP FEES

Membership fees for 5 years are now being accepted. The fees are Rs. 2000/- by Demand Draft payable at "Panaji (Goa)" or Rs. 2075/- if by cheque.

## Editor's Column

It is with great happiness that I present to you the current issue of the IAP-ID Newsletter (Vol 11, No 1, January 2008) providing a vista into the recent and forth coming activities of the Indian Division of the IAP.

Since its inception I have always striven to constantly improve the form and content of the Newsletter so as it is not only informative to the members but also makes attractive reading. I would appreciate if all those members involved in various activities of the IAP and the IAP-ID can send in their inputs to me so as the relevant material may be incorporated in the Divisional Newsletter.

In order that it does not drain the corpus of the IAP-ID the Newsletter needs to be self financing. I once again earnestly appeal to all members to use your good offices to arrange sponsors and advertisers for the IAP-ID Newsletter. The sponsors / advertisers should send their advertisement material and Demand Drafts in favour of "Secretary & Treasurer, IAP- Indian Division" payable at "Panaji (Goa)" and send it to the following address: Dr. Francisco Couto, Secretary & Treasurer, IAP-Indian Division, 714, La Campala Colony, Panaji – 403001, Goa.

I wish you a fruitful and pleasant reading.



*Dr. Francisco Couto*  
Editor, IAP-ID Newsletter

## Thank You

**Dr. C. Sundaram**  
&  
**Dr. Sujay Prasad**

The IAP-ID expresses its gratitude and thanks to Dr. C. Sundaram (Hyderabad) and Dr. Sujay Prasad (Bangalore) for their sterling contribution and dedicated service as Councilors of the IAP-ID.

## MID YEAR TEACHING PROGRAMME 2008

**Bangalore**

The Mid Year Teaching Programme will be held in Bangalore in June 2008 organized by Dr. N. Jayaram on the topic "Medical Renal Diseases". The CME brochures will be mailed to all the IAP-ID members by the Organizers in due time.

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## IAP-ID 11<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CME 2008

**Mumbai**

The IAP-ID 11<sup>th</sup> Annual CME will be held in September 2008 at the P. D. Hinduja National Hospital, Mumbai, on the topic "Newer Perspectives on Gynecologic Pathology" and will be organized by Dr. Anita Bhaduri. The CME brochures will be mailed to all the IAP-ID members by the Organizers in due time.

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## US Canadian Academy of Pathology (USCAP)

Extensive Educational material, proceedings of scientific meetings, etc., are made available on the USCAP website for members of the Indian Division of IAP. The IAP-ID Newsletter is also featured on this site as well as the Newsletters of several other IAP Divisions. Material from Long and Short Courses and Symposia of various USCAP and IAP meetings are available on the site. Members are urged to explore the "**Pathology Hub**" on the site which a treasure trove of educational and scientific material.

The website address is: [www.uscap.org](http://www.uscap.org)



# IAP-ID ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2007

## CHANDIGARH

The Annual Conference of the International Academy of Pathology – Indian Division was held on 26<sup>th</sup> November 2007 at PGIMER, Chandigarh, and delegates from all parts of India and some overseas countries were in attendance.

The Conference began with a short Inaugural function at which the Chief Guest was Dr. K. K. Talwar, Director, Post Graduate Institute of Medical Sciences & Research (PGIMER), Chandigarh, who inaugurated the meeting by lighting the traditional lamp in the distinguished presence Dr. B. N. Datta (the Guest of Honour), Dr. K. Uma Chaturvedi (President IAP-ID), Dr. Francisco Couto (Secretary & Treasurer IAP-ID), Dr. Kusum Joshi (Chairperson) and Dr. Rakesh Kumar Vasishtha (Organizing Secretary). The Proceedings Booklet of the Meeting was released by Prof. B. N. Dutta.



*Inauguration of the Annual Conference 2007*

The Scientific Programme followed immediately after the Inaugural function with the Guest lecture delivered by Dr. Jaime Prat, Chairman and Professor of Pathology, Barcelona, Spain, on “Endometrial Carcinoma: Conventional Pathology, Molecular Genetics, and Prognostic Factors”. Later, Prof. Prat also conducted an excellent slide seminar on “Gynaecological Pathology” wherein he discussed some interesting cases. Both the presentations of Dr. Prat were highly appreciated by all the delegates present. The IAP-ID expresses its gratitude and thanks to Dr. Jaime Prat.

Following the Guest Lecture was the excellent Slide Seminar on “Melanotic Lesions of the Skin” ably moderated by Dr. Manoj K. Singh (New Delhi). The various cases were beautifully presented and discussed by Dr. Manoj Singh and his panelists Dr. Asha Kubba (New Delhi), Dr. S. V. Kane (Mumbai), Dr. Sumeet Gujral (Mumbai), Dr. Asaranti Kar (Cuttack), Dr. Shipra Agarwal (New Delhi) and Dr. Ruchika Gupta (New Delhi). Slide boxes had been provided earlier, at cost, by Dr. Manoj Singh to those desirous of pre viewing the slides.

This was followed by a very interesting lecture on “Immune Restoration Inflammatory Syndrome” delivered by the special invitee Prof. Ann Marie Nelson, Chief of AIDS Pathology and Emerging Infections, AFIP, Washington, USA. Delegates were very appreciative of the lecture. The IAP-ID expresses its gratitude and thanks to Dr. Ann Marie Nelson.

In the post lunch session there was the Symposium on “Interstitial Lung Diseases” moderated very well by Dr. Kusum Joshi (New Delhi). The topic was beautifully discussed by Prof. Kusum Joshi and her panelists Dr. Dheeraj Gupta, Dr. Ashim Das, Dr. Amanjit Bal (all from Chandigarh) and Dr. Ritu Kulsreshtha (New Delhi) and was much appreciated by the audience. Dr. Kusum Joshi also prepared a CD of the Symposium which was provided at cost to those delegates who wished to have it.

The Scientific Programme of the Annual Meeting was brought out in the form of a Proceedings Booklet, edited by Dr. Francisco Couto, the Secretary & Treasurer of the IAP-ID, and was distributed to the delegates by the Organizers.

The Scientific Programme was followed by the General Body Meeting of the IAP-ID. The President of the IAP-ID Dr. Uma Chaturvedi chaired the Meeting and called the Meeting to order. The Secretary & Treasurer Dr. Francisco Couto read out the Minutes of the last General Body Meeting held at NIMHANS Auditorium, Bangalore on 6<sup>th</sup> December 2006, the Annual Report for 2007, as well as the audited statement of accounts for 2006 -2007, and these were duly approved by the members. Dr. C. Sundaram and Dr. Sujay Prasad, Councilors, having finished their 2 year term elections were held for these posts. Dr. K. S. Ratnakar (Hyderabad) and Dr. S. Sankar (Trivandrum) was elected as the new Councilors. Dr. K. S. Ratnakar and Dr. S. Sankar were warmly congratulated by Dr. K. Uma Chaturvedi, Dr. Francisco Couto and other members present. Dr. Couto also thanked the outgoing Councilors Dr. C. Sundaram and Dr. Sujay Prasad for their dedicated services to the IAP-ID. It was decided that the IAP-ID Annual Meeting 2008 would be held, as usual, at venue of the IAPM Conference and

would be held in Chennai and organized by Dr. V. V. Taralaksmi. Besides the Guest Lecture and a Slide Seminar by the invited foreign speaker it was decided that the Slide Seminar would be on “Non Neoplastic Paediatric Pathology” to be moderated by Dr. B. M. Kandalkar (Mumbai) and the Symposium on “Pathology of Aging” to be moderated by Dr. Medha Tatke (New Delhi). The Mid Year Teaching Programme 2008 was allotted to Dr. N. Jayaram (Bangalore) and will be a Workshop on “Medical Renal Diseases”. The IAP-ID 11<sup>th</sup> Annual CME 2008 was allotted to Dr. Anita Bhaduri, P. D. Hinduja National Hospital, Mumbai, on the topic “Newer Perspectives in Gynecologic Pathology”.

Various matters were discussed starting with the IAP Asia Pacific Congress 2009 at Kochi. Dr. K. R. Harilal presented a brief report on the ongoing preparations for the meeting of the Asia & Pacific Divisions of the IAP to be held in 2009 being hosted under the auspices of the IAP – Indian Division and organized by the Kerala Pathologists at Kochi, Kerala. Dr. Harilal sought the help and support of the members to make the meeting a grand success. The General Body impressed upon Dr. Harilal the need for urgency in finalizing the arrangements of the meeting. In other matters discussed with permission from the Chair the proposal for reducing the term of the President was not accepted as it was not in keeping with the constitution of the IAP and Dr. Couto, Secretary & Treasurer IAP-ID, was asked to examine other proposals like President Elect. Secretary & Treasurer Dr. Couto proposed that the IAP-ID membership Fees for foreign members from neighbouring poor countries should be fixed at a lower rate than at present which was agreed to and a rate of Rs. 600 was approved the General Body. The General Body felt that for the other foreign members the fees should be increased from the current fee to a fee of US \$ 30 per year which was approved. Dr. Francisco Couto, Secretary & Treasurer, informed the General Body of the proposal and discussions held with Prof. V. V. Joshi (representing AIPNA) with Dr. Couto (representing IAP-ID) regarding co-operation between AIPNA and IAP-ID wherein it was agreed that AIPNA would help in providing resource persons for academic programmes only if there was a specific need for such by the IAP-ID on particular occasions and IAP-ID would not be providing a fixed slot for speaker from AIPNA. This was approved by the General Body. The General Body also approved the proposal made by Dr. Couto that the Annual Meeting of IAP-ID be renamed as the Annual Conference of the IAP-ID and also that it should be highlighted that APCON is the joint meeting of IAP-ID and IAPM. Dr. Francisco Couto, Secretary & Treasurer, also proposed the creation of a new category of Associate Members consisting of Post Graduate students and others in keeping with the provisions of the constitution. These Associate members would have no voting rights or other statutory rights of full members and would have to become full members of the IAP-ID on attaining their post graduate qualification. This was approved by the General Body and a fee of Rs. 250 was fixed for these Associate Members and Dr. Couto was asked to formulate the rules for the same.

Dr. Francisco Couto, Secretary & Treasurer, on behalf of the IAP-ID, thanked



*Dr. Francisco Couto, Dr. Ann Marie Nelson and Dr. Jaime Prat at the Conference*

Dr. Jaime Prat, Dr. Ann Marie Nelson, Dr. Manoj Singh and his team and Dr. Kusum Joshi and her panelists for their contribution to the success of the scientific programme. The Secretary & Treasurer Dr. Couto expressed gratitude and thanks to Dr. S. Datta Gupta, Secretary IAPM, for so graciously consenting to having the Annual Meeting of the IAP-ID in conjunction with the IAPM Conference. On behalf of the IAP-ID, Dr. Couto expressed deep appreciation and thanks to Dr. Kusum Joshi, Chairperson, and Dr. Rakesh Kumar Vasishtha, Organizing Secretary, for hosting the Meeting and for the excellent arrangements. The Meeting was then concluded and declared closed by the President.

## Secretary & Treasurer's Column



At the outset I would like to wish you and your families a very Happy and Prosperous New Year 2008. I also extend a warm welcome to all the new members who have joined the IAP-ID in 2008. Due to its very active and dynamic academic programmes we continue to see the happy trend of more and more Pathologists wanting to join the IAP-ID and I hope these new members will actively participate and contribute to the activities of the Division.

On November 26th, 2007 we had the highly successful IAP-ID Annual Conference held as usual in conjunction with the IAPM national Conference as part of the conjoint APCON 2007 Conference held at PGIMER, Chandigarh. On behalf of the IAP-ID I would like to express our gratitude and thanks to Dr. Kusum Joshi (Chairperson), Dr. Rakesh Kumar Vasishtha and the Organizing Committee of APCON 2007 Chandigarh for the wonderful arrangements in hosting the IAP-ID Annual Meeting held on the 26th November 2007 at Chandigarh. The arrangements were excellent and the meeting was a grand success. Our profuse thanks are also due to the Guest Speaker Prof. Jaime Prat from Spain for his wonderful lecture and slide seminar and to the Special Invitee Prof. Ann Marie Nelson for her wonderful lecture. The IAP-ID would also like to thank Prof. Manoj K. Singh and his team (Slide Seminar on "Melanotic Lesions of the Skin") and to Prof. Kusum Joshi and her team (Symposium on "Interstitial Lung Diseases") for their wonderful scientific presentations.

As usual, this year too we have very interesting academic programmes in store. The Mid Year Teaching Programme will be held around June 2008 at Bangalore on the important topic of "Medical Renal Diseases" and will be organized by Dr. N. Jayaram and his team. I am sure that the Programme will be a very fruitful and interesting experience for all the participants. Later, in September, we will have the IAP-ID 11th Annual CME on the very current topic of "Newer Perspectives in Gynecologic Pathology" to be conducted by Dr. Anita Bhaduri and her team at the P. D. Hinduja National Hospital, Mumbai. In December, we will have the IAP-ID Annual Conference along with the IAPM National Conference (APCON 2008) at Chennai. Besides the Guest Lecture and a Slide Seminar by the invited foreign speaker, the scientific programme includes a Slide Seminar on "Non Neoplastic Paediatric Pathology" to be moderated by Dr. B. M. Kandalkar (Mumbai) and the Symposium on "Pathology of Aging" to be moderated by Dr. Medha Tatke (New Delhi). I urge the members to attend these academic programmes of the IAP-ID in large numbers and actively participate in them.

On behalf of the IAP-ID I would also express our gratitude and thanks to Dr. C. Sundaram, Dr. Shantveer Uppin and the Organizing Committee from Department of Pathology, Nizam's Institute of Medical Sciences, Hyderabad, for their very generous contribution of Rs. 10,000/- to the IAP-ID. I would also like to thank Dr. Kusum Joshi, Chandigarh, and her team for contribution of their CD on "Interstitial Lung Diseases" to the IAP-ID for sale proceeds of which are to be contributed to the IAP-ID.

The IAP-ID would also like to thank M/s Roche Diagnostics India Pvt Ltd, Chennai, for their advertisements in publications of the IAP-ID for this year. This was arranged through the good offices of Dr. Sujay Prasad, Bangalore, for which the IAP-ID expresses its gratitude and thanks.

Before I end, I earnestly appeal to all the members who have not yet paid their membership fees for this year, or are in arrears, to kindly pay their dues immediately.

I end by sending my warmest good wishes to you and your families.

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## IAP-ID 10TH ANNUAL CME 2007

Hyderabad



Inauguration of the CME

The IAP-ID 10th Annual CME was held on the 28th and 29th July 2007 at the Katriya Hotel and Towers, Hyderabad, and organized by the Department of Pathology, Nizam's Institute of Medical Sciences, Hyderabad on the theme "Tumour and Tumour like lesions of the Soft Tissues". The Chairperson of the CME was Dr. C. Sundaram and the Organizing Secretary was Dr. Shantveer G. Uppin. The Scientific programme of the CME was designed to present an

overview of the diagnostic approach to these lesions with emphasis on recent classification schemes. The CME was inaugurated by Dr. D. Prasada Rao (Director, NIMS) in the distinguished presence of Dr. M. U. K. Naidu (Dean, NIMS), Dr. K. Uma Chaturvedi (President IAP-ID), Dr. Francisco Couto (Secretary & Treasurer IAP-ID), Dr. C. Sundaram (Chairperson), Dr. Shantveer G. Uppin (Organizing Secretary) and other dignitaries. The Proceedings of the CME was released by the Secretary & Treasurer IAP-ID Dr. F. Couto. The CME was extremely well attended with more than 250 delegates from all parts of the country. The deliberations of the CME were relevant to Pathologists, Radiologists, Medical and Surgical Oncologists and invoked keen interest in Pathologists and Clinicians alike. The CME included didactic lectures, interesting case discussions, slide seminars and Panel discussion. The lectures included "Approach to Soft Tissue Tumours", "Classification and Grading of Soft Tissue Tumours", "Cytology of Soft Tissue Tumours", "Development of Diagnostics for Small Round Cell Tumours", "Role of IHC IHC in Soft Tissue Tumours", "Pleomorphic Sarcomas - Current Status", "Tissue Microassay", and "Uncommon sites, Unusual presentations and Uncertain entities". Besides this there were two slide seminars, a very interesting Quiz and a Panel Discussion on "Key issues in the Diagnosis and Management of Soft Tissue Tumours" in which Pathologists and Clinicians participated. The distinguished Faculty included Dr. K. Uma Chaturvedi, Dr. Roshan Chinoy, Dr. Aruna K. Prayaga, Dr. Tithi Parija, Dr. Sachin Johari, Dr. K. Radhika, Dr. Megha S. Uppin, Dr. D. Snehalata, Dr. Shantveer G. Uppin, Dr. T. Roshini Paul, Dr. Anita Mahadevan, Dr. S. V. N. Anuradha, Dr. D. Raghunadharao, Dr. G. Suryanarayan Raju, Dr. Y. Jyostna Rani, Dr. C. Sundaram, Dr. F. Couto and Dr. Sujay Prasad. The Proceedings of the CME, in the form of a CD, was produced and distributed by the Organizers to the delegates. The CME was excellent and extremely well organized and the delegates found the CME very useful. At the short Valedictory function the Secretary & Treasurer Dr. Francisco Couto, on behalf of the IAP-ID, thanked Dr. C. Sundaram, Dr. Shantveer G. Uppin, and their team for organizing the excellent CME.

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