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FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

It is with great pleasure that we are presenting the Volume 12, No. 2 of the Vallabhbhai Patel Chest Institute (VPCI) Newsletter to you for the period 1" July-31" December, 2024.



VPCI organised, ICAAICON "58" Annual Conference of the Indian College of Allergy, Asthma & Applied Immunology" on 19th to 22th December, 2024 at Paintal Memorial Golden Jubilee Auditorium, Dr. Viiav Chauthaiwale, Chairman Governing Body, VPCI was the Chief Guest of the programme.





The 18th Professor Autar Singh Paintal Memorial Oration was held on 24th September, 2024 and 8th Dr. V.K. Vijayan Oration was organized on 8th October, 2024.

The Institute also organized (I) 48th workshop on Respiratory Allergy: Diagnosis & Management (ii) Vigilance Awareness week, (iii) Felicitation of Housekeeping Staff (iv) Certificate course on Diagnostics of Respiratory Allergy and immunotherapy during this period.

Prof. Raj Kumar, Director congratulates the VPCI faculty, staff and students on their achievements and wishes them all the very best in all their future endeavours.

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Independence Day Celebration-15th August, 2024



The Institute celebrated the 78th Independence Day on 15th August 2024, at VCH Lawn, V.P. Chest Institute. Prof. Raj Kumar, Director of the Institute hoisted the flag. VPCI staff and students were present at the occasion. The program ended with the distribution of sweets among the people present.

Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam, Campaign-17th September, 2024



Vallabhbhai Patel Chest Institute celebrated "EK Ped Maa ke Naam" Campaign on 17th September, 2024. Highlighting the symbolic gesture of planting a tree in the name of one's mother. This simple act served a dual purpose: honoring the role of mothers in nurturing life and contributing to the health of the planet. The faculty, staff and students of VPCI wholeheartedly participated in this campaign with Dr. Raj Kumar, Director, VPCI.

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Inauguration of 'New Toilet Block' & 'May I Help You Desk'-18th September, 2024





The VPCI "New Toilet Block' & 'May I Help You Desk" were Inaugurated near the Registration Counter of Vishwanathan Chest Hospital (VCH) on 18th September, 2024 by Prof. Raj Kumar, Director, VPCI.

18th Prof. Autar Singh Paintal Memorial Oration -24th September, 2024





The VPCI organized the 18th Professor Autar Singh Paintal Memorial Oration on 24th September, 2024 at the Paintal Memorial Golden Jubilee Auditorium. The Oration titled Reflections with gratitude: VPCI, my guiding beacon, was delivered by Prof. Ashok Shah, Former Director-Professor, VPCI. Prof. Balaram Pani, Dean of Colleges, University of Delhi was the Chief Guest and Prof. Anil Agarwal, Medical Director, GIPMER, Delhi was the Guest of Honour, All Faculty, Staff and Students attended the Programme.

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GCLP Workshop- 27th September, 2024





The workshop on Good Clinical laboratory Practices (GCLP) was organized by department of Biochemistry, Vallabhbhai Patel Chest Institute on 27th September, 2024. Prof. Vishwajeet Rohil, Dept. of Biochemistry, was Organizing Secretary and Dr. Jayeeta Bhadra, Dr. Juhi Aggarwal, were Joint Organizing Secretary.

48th Workshop on Respiratory Allergy: Diagnosis & Management -21st - 25th October, 2024

48th workshop on Respiratory Allergy: Diagnosis & Management was organised by Vallabhbhai Patel Chest Institute supported by Society for Tobacco Control from 21th – 25th October, 2024 at V.P Chest Institute, Delhi. Dr. Narendra Singh, Chairman, WCMS, Jhajjar, Haryana was the Chief Guest and Dr. ML Jaipal, Medical Superintendent, WCMS, Jhajjar, Haryana was the Guest of Honour. The workshop was inaugurated by launching the Training manual book. Professor Raj Kumar was the Organizing Chairman.





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Dr. VK Vijayan Oration-28th October, 2024





VP Chest Institute organized "8" Dr. VK Vijayan Oration" on 28th October, 2024 in the Paintal Memorial Golden Jubilee Auditorium, VPCI. The Oration was delivered by Dr. Radha P. Munje, Professor and Head, Dept. of Pulmonary Medicine, Indira Gandhi Govt. Medical College and Hospital, Nagpur on the topic "Role of Preventive Therapy in National TB Elimination Program". Prof. Anu Singh Lather, Vice Chancellor, Dr. BR Ambedker University, Delhi was the Chief Guest and Dr. Manashvi Kumar, Joint Secretary, Government of India, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, New Delhi, was the Guest of Honour for the Programme.

Vigilance Awareness Week -28th October to 3rd November, 2024





VP Chest Institute Observed the Vigilance Awareness Week – 2024 from 28th October to 3th November, 2024 with the theme – Culture of Integrity for Nation's Prosperity in Compliance. The week commenced with the pledge by the Faculty, Staff & Students of the Institute on 28th October, 2024.

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Felicitation of Housekeeping Staff- 20th November, 2024





Vallabhbhai Patel Chest Institute felicitated Housekeeping Staff on the occasion of Special Campaign 4.0 at Paintal Memorial Golden Jubilee Auditorium, VP Chest Institute, University of Delhi, Delhi.

Certificate Course on Diagnosis of Respiratory Allergy and Immunotherapy (29th – 1st December, 2024)





Vallabhbhai Patel Chest Institute- National Centre of Respiratory Allergy, Asthma & Immunology supported by Allergy & Asthma Forum & Society for Tobacco Control organized "Certificate Course on Diagnosis of Respiratory Allergy and Immunotherapy" on 29th – 1th December, 2024 at Paintal Memorial Golden Jubilee Auditorium, Vallabhbhai Patel Chest Institute, Delhi. Prof. Raj Kumar was the Chairman of the Organizing Committee.

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ICAAICON 58th Annual Conference of the Indian College of Allergy, Asthma & Applied Immunology, 19th – 22nd December, 2024



ICAAICON "58" Annual Conference of the Indian College of Allergy, Asthma & Applied Immunology" was Organized by Vallabhbhai Patel Chest Institute, University of Delhi, Delhi – 110007 endorsed by NCCP, STC, AAF & SAAAACI at Paintal Memorial Golden Jubilee Auditorium, University of Delhi from 19" to 22" December, 2024. Dr. Vijay Chauthaiwale, Chairman Governing Body, VPCI was the Chief Guest of the Programme, International & National Faculty and Delegates Participated in the Conference.

National Pharmacovigilance Week - 17th-23rd September, 2024



The Adverse Drug Reaction Monitoring Centre (AMC) and Medical Device adverse events Monitoring Center (MDMC) at VPCI under Pharmacovigilance programme of India (PvPI) celebrated the National Pharmacovigilance Week from 17th-23th September, 2024. Sensitization of the OPD Block of VPCI and W.U.S. Healthcare centre was conducted on 17th and 18th September. A Sensitization seminar entitled "Pharmacovigilance Concepts and applications" was organized for Nurses on 19th September. Sensitization cum awareness programme was organized for counsellors of National Tobacco Quit-Line Services (NTQLS) on 20th September. Essay Writing and E-poster competitions were held on 20th and 23th September, 2024.

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Awards & Honors



Prof. Raj Kumar, Director VPCI, received Late Dr. Ramkrishna Modi Samriti Samman-2024 for his Contribution in the field of Allergy from Modi Allergy Clinic, Patna, 18th September, 2024

Prof. Raj Kumar, Director VPCI, received ESDA National Pride Award 2024 for Outstanding Achievement and Remarkable Contributions in the Field of Tobacco Cessation from Environmental and Social Development Association, 17th November, 2024

Prof. Raj Kumar, Director VPCI, participated in NAPCON 2024, the 26th Joint National Conference on Pulmonary Diseases of the National College of Chest Physicians (India) and Indian Chest Society organized jointly by the PSG Institute of Medical Sciences and Research, Coimbatore, 21th to 24th November, 2024.



Prof. Raj Kumar, Director VPCI, received Lifetime Achievement Award for in the Respiratory Allergy, Asthma and Immunology during ICAAICON-2024 Conference from Indian College of Allergy Asthma and Applied Immunology at VP Chest Institute, University of Delhi, 19th—22nd December, 2024

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Prof. Madhu Khanna, Dept. of Virology, Presented paper entitled "Development of a Polyepitope-Based Immunogen for inducing cellular immunity against all Dengue virus serotypes" at the 4th Edition of International Vaccine Congress, Baltimore, USA, 24th-26th October, 2024

Prof. Madhu Khanna, Dept. of Virology, invited lecture on "Unfolded Protein response pathways and Chikungunya virus replication: A potential antiviral strategy" in the International VIROCON-2024 Conference on Emerging viruses: Pandemic Biosecurity Perspectives, Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh, 11th - 13th November 2024

Prof. Madhu Khanna, Dept. of Virology, participated in review meeting of VRDL scheme, organized by the Dept of Health Research, New Delhi, 13th December, 2024

Prof. Kavita Gulati, Dept. of Pharmacology, participated in Workshop on Mass Spectroscopy on clinical Diagnostics and applications, organized by Shimadzu and Spinco Biotech Pvt Ltd., Delhi, on 25th July, 2024

Prof. Kavita Gulati, Dept. of Pharmacology, participated as Coordinator in 12th Induction-cum-Training Programme organized by Indian Pharmacopoeia Commission, Ghaziabad, 30th July, 2024

Prof. Kavita Gulati, Dept. of Pharmacology, was Subject Expert of SARC, Department of Biotechnology School of Chemical and Life Sciences, Jamia Hamdard, on 19th August, 2024

Prof. Kavita Gulati, Dept. of Pharmacology, participated in National Seminar on Clinical research Awareness, Sharda University, Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh, on 30th August, 2024

Prof. Kavita Gulati, Dept. of Pharmacology, was Chairperson for the Plenary talk and also delivered an invited lecture - "Nitric oxide and bronchial asthma: newer perspectives" at National Conference Society for Nitric Oxide And Allied Radicals (SNOAR), Hamdard Institute of Medical Sciences and Research (HIMSR) on 26th & 27th September, 2024

Prof. Kavita Gulati, Dept. of Pharmacology, was Expert in Final DSRC at Delhi Pharmaceutical Science Research University (DPSRU), on 14th October, 2024

Prof. Kavita Gulati, Dept. of Pharmacology, was Subject Expert in Meeting of the Board of Studies, School of Pharmaceutical Education, Research (SPER), Department of Pharmacology, Jamia Hamdard; on 15th October, 2024

Prof. Kavita Gulati, Dept. of Pharmacology, was an Expert member in IHEC of PGIMER, RML Hospital during meetings held on 24th October and 5th December, 2024

Prof. Kavita Gulati, Dept. of Pharmacology, delivered Keynote address entitled Integration of Modern Medicine with traditional systems of medicine in bronchial asthma during 6th International Hybrid Conference on Traditional, Alternative Medicine, organized by Conference Mind, on 22-23rd November, 2024

Prof. Kavita Gulati, Dept. of Pharmacology, delivered Invited talk entitled, Experimental and clinical studies on the role of nitric oxide (NO) in bronchial asthma' at International Pharmacology Conference, 54th Annual Conference of Indian Pharmacological Society (IPS-IPSCON), AIIMS, Delhi, on 28-30th November, 2024

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Prof. Ritu Kulshrestha, Dept. of Pathology, was nominated Member to Indian National Science Academy-National Centre for Good Governance (INSA-NCGG-LEADS) Leadership Training programme, INSA, New Delhi, 8-14th July, 2024



Prof. Ritu Kulshrestha, Dept. of Pathology, was Invited Faculty and gave Lecture titled, at workshop on Good Clinical laboratory Practices (GCLP) organized by department of Biochemistry, Vallabhbhai Patel Chest Institute on 27th September, 2024.

Prof. Ritu Kulshrestha, Dept. of Pathology, was Invited Faculty and gave Lecture titled, Interpretation of lung biopsies in Interstitial Lung diseases at the UP PATHCON 2024 organised by Department of Pathology, Subharti Medical College, SVSU, Meerut on 28-29th September, 2024

Prof. Ritu Kulshrestha, Dept. of Pathology, was Co-Chairperson of the Research Advisory Group (LRAC) meeting for the MRHRU at Khotpura, Panipat, Haryana, held at ICMR-NICPR, Noida on 7th October, 2024

Prof. Ritu Kulshrestha, Dept. of Pathology, was Co-chairperson of the Research Advisory Group (LRAC) meeting for the MRHRU at Dhadha, Gautam Buddha Nagar, held at ICMR-NICPR, Noida on 7th October, 2024

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Prof. Ritu Kulshrestha and Staff of Dept. of Pathology, conducted Educational Laboratory visit to the Dept of Pathology, of UG students and Faculty of Miranda House, University of Delhi on 17th October 2024





Prof. Ritu Kulshrestha, Dept. of Pathology, was Invited Faculty and gave Lecture titled, Non-neoplastic Disease Mimicking Lung Tumor in the Session on Diagnostic Difficulties in Lung Tumor during the 76th Annual Fall Meeting and International congress of Korean Society of Pathologists at Lotte Hotel Seoul, Korea from 31" October to 1 November 2024





Prof. Ritu Kulshrestha, Dept. of Pathology, was Invited Faculty and gave Lecture titled, Advances in Lung pathology and cytology at WASOG 2024, World Association Sarcoidosis and Granulomatosis Bridging Continents Uniting Against ILD conference- held at Agra, India from the 14th-17th November 2024.

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Prof. Ritu Kulshrestha, Dept. of Pathology, was Invited Faculty and gave Lecture titled, Advancing Technologies in Medical Education and Healthcare at India-Australia cooperation in biomedical education and medical technology research meeting organised by Gangwal School of Medical Sciences and Technology, IIT Kanpur, and Faculty of Medicine, Dentistry, and Health Sciences, University of Melbourne, at Melbourne Global Centre, New Delhi on 29th November, 2024

Prof. Ritu Kulshrestha, Dept. of Pathology, was Member of Board of Studies meeting of faculty of Allied Medical Sciences and Health Care Sciences, Delhi Skill and Entrepreneurship University, Government of NCT of Delhi, held on 21st November, 2024

Prof. Ritu Kulshrestha, Dept. of Pathology, was External Member of the 29th 'Soldier Health & Drug Development' specialist panel meeting at INMAS, DRDO held on 5th December, 2024

Prof. Ritu Kulshrestha, Dept. of Pathology, was Member, Institution Biosafety committee (IBSC) of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Center for Biomedical Research (ACBR), University of Delhi, meeting held at ACBR on 10th December, 2024





Prof. Vishal Bansal, Dept. of Physiology, Delivered invited lecture entitled, "Interventions to Improve Hypoxia Tolerance" in 7th International Leh Symposium-2024 held at Leh, Ladakh, 4th-7th August, 2024.

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Prof. Vishal Bansal, Dept. of Physiology, Delivered an invited lecture entitled, "Physiology of Heart Lung Interaction and Haemodynamics" in "63nd Annual Conference of Indian Society of Anaesthesiologists: ISACON Delhi-2024". Organized at Sir Ganga Ram Hospital, New Delhi, on 27th September, 2024

Prof. Vishal Bansal, Dept. of Physiology, Delivered invited lecture entitled, "Rehabilitation in Pulmonary Diseases" in conference entitled, "58" Annual Conference of the Indian College of Allergy, Asthma & Applied Immunology, ICAAICON 2024" on 19th-22th December, 2024.

Prof. Vishwajeet Rohil, Dept. of Biochemistry, was Chairperson at the ACBICON 2024 Conference, organized by Dept. of Biochemistry, PGMIR, Chandigarh. Theme: From Laboratory to Life: Recent Advances in Basic and Medical Research for Global Healthcare Venue: Hotel Mountview, Chandigarh on 5th – 7th December 2024.

Dr. Jayeeta Bhadra, Dept. of Biochemistry, was Guide in National PG seminar competition organized by Association of Clinical Chemistry Lab Medicine Practitioners (ACCLMP) on 18th October, 2024

Dr. Ankit Arora, Dept. of Pharmacology, participated in the training course on 'MS Workshop on Clinical Diagnostics Applications' at Shimadzu Analytical Pvt. LTD, New Delhi on 25th July, 2024

Dr. Ankit Arora, Dept. of Pharmacology participated in the Basic Course in Medical Education at MAMC, New Delhi conducted by NMC on 27th September, 2024

Dr. Juhi Aggarwal, Dept. of Biochemistry participated in CME Event of 6th Pre-Conference CME Workshop under the Aegis of AccImpcon 2025 organized by the Department Of Biochemistry, LHMC, New Delhi on 15th October, 2024



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Dr. Juhi Aggarwal, Dept. of Biochemistry participated in the International Symposium on Nanomedicine organized by Institute of Nano Medical Sciences (INMS), University Of Delhi and Maharaja Surajmal Brij University (MSBU), Bharatpur, Rajasthan on 27th November, 2024

Ms. Meenu Rani, Ph.D student, Dept. of Pathology, Presented Paper-titled, Pathological differential diagnosis of lung granulomatosis: A two year study from a Tertiary Centre in North India. at WASOG 2024, World Association Sarcoidosis and Granulomatosis Bridging Continents Uniting Against ILD conference- Agra, India, 14th-17th November 2024

Dr Navnika Kapoor, MD student, Dept. of Pharmacology, presented a paper entitled "Effects of Nitric oxide modulators on airway inflammation and remodeling in an experimental model of bronchial asthma in rats" Goacon 2024, Goa Medical College Bambilim, Goa, 22th September, 2024



Dr. Rashmi Dhir, MD student, Dept. of Pharmacology, presented a paper entitled as "Effects of nitric oxide donors and arginase inhibitor on inflammation and oxidative stress in an experimental model of asthma in rats and the possible mechanisms" IPSCON 2024 AIIMS, Indian Pharmacological Society, AIIMS, New Delhi, 28th November, 2024.

Dr. Akhil Sathyanathan, MD student, Dept. of Pharmacology, presented a poster titled "A clinical study to monitor adverse drug reactions in elderly and non-elderly patients of COPD" IPSCON 2024 AIIMS by Indian Pharmacological Society, AIIMS, New Delhi, 29th November, 2024



Dr. Roopali Rajput, Research Associate-II, Virology Unit, Dept. of Microbiology

presented Paper and received IVS-Young Scientist Award for paper "Potential of engineered phage display antibodies in epitope mapping of influenza A virus antigens" in the International VIROCON-2024 organized by DRDO-Defence Research, Development Establishment (DRDE), at Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh, 11th to 13th November 2024

Visitor

Professor Hardeep Kaur, Vice Principal, Ramjas College, University of Delhi, visited the Virology Unit, Department of Microbiology, VPCI on 5th December, 2024.

Retirements/VRS

Sh. Sheshar Singh, Cook, Department of Administration, superannuated from his services, retired on 31" July, 24 after completion of almost 37 years of service in

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New Appointments:



Dr. Tanuja Trivedi

Joined as an Associate Professor in the
Department of Anesthesiology, VPCI
on 05th September, 2024



Dr. Swati Mittal

Joined as an Associate Professor in the
Department of Physiology, VPCI on
19th July, 2024

Dr. Pallavi Sinha, Joined as an Assistant Professor in the Department of Radio-diagnosis, VPCI on 01st July, 2024



Vallabhbhai Patel Chest Institute Celebrates 75 Years of Excellence in Chest Medicine

The Vallabhbhai Patel Chest Institute (VPCI) commemorated its 75th anniversary with a grand celebration that reflected on its remarkable legacy and contributions to pulmonary medicine and chest diseases. Speaking at the event, Prof. Raj Kumar, Director of VPCI, expressed immense pride in the institute's achievements and its ongoing dedication to advancing healthcare. "As we celebrate 75 years of service to the nation, we look back at our accomplishments in chest medicine while maintaining our commitment to innovation, education, and patient care," Prof. Kumar stated. He also extended gratitude to the dignitaries and attendees for being part of VPCI's journey, which began with its foundation in 1949.

24th September, 2024



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