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On behalf of ISPN bulletin editorial board I extend greetings to all of you! We welcome two new editorial board members Dr Aliza Mittal from Jodhpur and Dr Radhika from Thiruvanthapuram. 34th National conference (ISPNCON 2022) of Indian Society of Pediatric Nephrology (ISPN) was held in Mumbai from 2-4 December 2022 and we bring related news in this issue. 1st Postgraduate Quiz of Pediatric Nephrology was held with great participation from medical colleges across the country. The thrilling finale was held during the ISPNCON 2022, we bring you the details in this issue of bulletin.

I thank all the members of the editorial board who have worked hard to bring the issue, and also to all the members of ISPN for writing articles for this issue, all what matters the most is that we work as a **TEAM.**



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In this section we provide you important academic and administrative information from ISPN secretariate. In this issue we have compiled the activities conducted on World Kidney Day around India and important announcements.





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In this section we bring to you the activities conducted across various centres in India and announcement of upcoming events.

ISPNCON 2022, Mumbai 2-4 December 2022

34th National conference (ISPNCON 2022) of Indian Society of Pediatric Nephrology (ISPN) was held in Mumbai from 2-4 December 2022. It was the first physical annual conference of ISPN after 3 years of being restricted to online meetings due to COVID pandemic. There was an overwhelming response from the delegates. We had delegates from all corners of India as well a few from neighboring countries who attended the conference.

Nehru Center, Worli.

The accommodation for our international faculty was arranged at Trident, BKC while the national faculties stayed at MIG club, Bandra and Indie stays, BKC.

We had 8 senior and renowned international faculties from USA, UK, Australia, Switzerland, Singapore and South Africa. We had 80 national faculties. The scientific theme of our main conference was 'Journey of a nephron from embryo to senescence'. It aimed to study the different twists and turns that a nephron experiences in its lifetime.





Organizing Committee

The first day 2 December 2022 had preconference workshops comprising of parallel sessions on Pediatric Renal transplant immunology, chronic ambulatory peritoneal dialysis and an advance CME. The venue for 2 December program was SRCC NH hospital, Haji Ali. Total number of attendances for preconference workshops was 120.



Faculty Dinner

The opening session of main conference was held in second half of 2 December at Nehru Centre, Worli. We were blessed by presence of our senior most members of ISPN; Dr Kumud Mehta (Mumbai), Prof R N Sivastastava (New Delhi) and Dr B R Nammalwar (online participation from Chennai). We showcased the 50 years' journey of Indian Society of Pediatric Nephrology as well as several important works and registries which were carried out under auspices of ISPN over the past few years. We had panels on discussing the ground realities and hurdles in delivering pediatric nephrology care in our country and to devise strategies to improve the care for the children with kidney disease.





Souvenir Release

The main conference was held on 3 and 4 December 2022 at Jio World Convention Centre, BKC, Mumbai. Total number of delegates who attended the main conference was 240. The main conference was supported by Sir H N Reliance Foundation Hospital, Mumbai. Our Guest of Honor was the senior nephrologist and Head of Nephrology at Sir H N Reliance Foundation Hospital, Dr B V Gandhi. Dr Gandhi blessed the delegates and our conference and inspired all of us through his words of encouragement. We were blessed to have Dr Rahul Verma, Head of Pediatrics who graced the occasion and inspired us through his words. He chaired the session on fetal nephrology.



Dr Anil Vasudevan, Dr OP Mishra, Dr Susan Uttap, Dr Aditi Sinha

The venue was grand with all hi-tech facilities and ample wide expansive area to accommodate our delegates, the scientific abstracts poster boards as well as the food counters. We had a mix of physical lectures as well as few online lectures and live interactions with few experts from abroad who could not travel due to some health concerns. The scientific program was highly appreciated by all faculty and delegates. The food at Jio Centre was highly appreciated by all delegates and faculties for its wide variety and exquisite presentation.

We received 100 scientific abstracts of which top 9 papers were shortlisted for oral presentations whereas the rest were chosen for poster presentations.





Dr Kiran P Sathe

There were several new initiatives undertaken in ISPNCON 2022 including a dedicated session for pediatricians and pediatric post graduate students, separate category in posters for post graduate students; ISPN pediatric nephrology post graduate quiz, video logs on few common pediatric kidney diseases for general public awareness; separate training during workshops for nurses and technicians. Our first member directory for ISPN was also released during this conference.



1st Postgraduate Quiz in Pediatric Nephrology

Our entire organizing team worked tirelessly over past one year in order to make sure that this conference was a success. As a testimony to its success, we received several congratulatory calls and messages from all faculties and delegates who thoroughly enjoyed their stay in Mumbai and ISPNCON 2022.

Our faculty dinner was hosted by Dr Kumud Mehta at Copper Chimney, Worli and our banquet was held at MIG club. Following the faculty dinner, the



delegates and faculties enjoyed an open bus ride via the sea link at night. There was a cultural musical program arranged during the banquet which enthralled the delegates.

The delegates and faculties highly appreciated the warm Mumbai hospitality. Overall, ISPNCON 2022 was a very successful conference.



Prof RN Srivastav, Dr Kumud Mehta, Prof Susan Uttap, Prof Apana Iyengar, Dr Sudha Ekambaram

We thank Sir H N Reliance Foundation Hospital for the invaluable support provided to us in organizing this national conference. We also thank SRCC Hospital Kidney foundation for children (KFC), international Pediatric Nephrology Association (IPNA), International Society of Nephrology (ISN), Indian Society of Pediatric Nephrology (ISPN) and our pharma sponsors (Steadfast Medishield; Life Cell International Pvt Ltd; La Renon Healthcare Pvt Ltd; Concorde Biotech; Ferring Pharmaceuticals;



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Dr Kiran P Sathe; Organizing Secretary, ISPNCON 2022, Dr Shashank Parekhji; Organizing Chairperson; ISPNCON 2022 Dr Uma Ali, In charge- Scientific Committee, ISPNCON 2022, Dr Kumud Mehta, Patron, ISPNCON 2022

First National quiz for post-graduates by Indian Society of Pediatric Nephrology

The Indian Society of Pediatric Nephrology organized its first ever national quiz for postgraduates in paediatrics. The intent was to increase knowledge and awareness about pediatric nephrology with the aim of inspiring more postgraduates to take up the specialty. The quiz conducted in four rounds over 5 months during August 2022 to December 2022 and comprised of 5-7 rounds of questions on topics ranging from basic sciences related to pediatric



nephrology, to glomerular and tubular disorder, acute kidney injury, chronic kidney disease, related imaging and pathology, and recent advances in pediatric nephrology.



Dr Sai Charan and Dr Suchismita Saha from LHMC & KSCH, New Delhi won the First ISPN Quiz for Postgraduates.

We received nominations of students, based on either a college level quiz or direct nominations, from 119 medical colleges or institutes. The next round of the quiz was conducted through an online platform to convene one common quiz simultaneously for 4-5 teams per quiz, in each of 23 meetings rooms, for these 119 teams across India. This unique feat was enabled by our five zonal coordinators, supported by 46 quiz masters, 23 judges, and senior ISPN faculty mentors, along



with robust support from the faculty and IT team at St. John's Medical College, Bengaluru. Th winners of the 23 quizzes participated in respective zonal rounds, to find five zonal winning teams. The final round of the national postgraduate quiz in Pediatric Nephrology was organised in Mumbai during the Annual conference of ISPN (ISPNCON 2022) on 3 December 2022. The winners of the final quiz were Dr Sai Charan and Dr Suchismita from Lady Hardinge Medical College and Kalawati Saran Children Hospital, New Delhi, representing the north zone. The runners up were Dr. Akash Nair and Dr. Ajeesh from SAT Hospital, Government Medical College, Thiruvananthapuram, representing the South zone.

Dr. Akash Nair and Dr. Ajeesh from SAT Hospital, Government Medical College, Thiruvananthapuram, Runner's Up



The quiz was made possible by coordinated efforts of a large team of ISPN faculty, comprising of the ISPN executive committee, senior advisors, chair and members of the academic committee, the five zonal representatives and nationwide colleagues who enthusiastically supported the quiz conduct. We hope that this academic activity inspired many postgraduates from all over the country to pursue future training in pediatric nephrology. We plan to conduct this quiz annually and augment it with webinars and other events to support postgraduate education in pediatric nephrology.





Dr Jitendra Meena, national quiz coordinator Dr Aditi Sinha, secretary, ISPN