

## **ASI ACTIVITIES OF SPECIALITY SECTION 2012**

### **1. The Association of Colon and Rectal Surgeons of India (ACRSI):**

1. Basic instructional course in coloproctology was organized in Hotel Savera, Chennai from 19<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> April for 4 days which was attended by around 100 delegates in the month of April 2012. Operative workshop was conducted on 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2012.
2. Fellowship examination in ACRSI (FACRSI) was conducted at Rajiv Gandhi Medical College, Chennai on 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> April 2012. Total number of delegates appeared 15 & 6 were declared successful.
3. Advanced instruction course was organized from 25<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> September 2012 at Dhow Palace, Dubai. Total number of delegates 40. Many international delegates from other countries like Bangladesh, Pakistan & UAE attended the programme.
4. Master class in management of complex fistula – in – ANO was organized at Dhow Palace for more than 50 delegates. International faculties like Professor Stefan Goldberg (USA). Dr. Arun Rojanaskul (Thailand), Professor Mineiro (Italy), Professor Kamal Deen (Srilanka).
5. Annual conference of ACRSI was organized at Hotel Inter Continental & Crown Plaza, Dubai from 27<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> September 2012. More than 35 international & 60 national faculties & 500 delegates from India & neighbouring countries attended the programme.
6. Hon fellowship was awarded to Dr. Arun Rojanasakul (Thailand) & Dr. Adarsh Choudhary (New Delhi) & Ramesh Ardhanari (Madurai).
7. Lifetime achievement award was conferred to:

- i. Dr. R.B. Singh PP of ASI & ACRSI
  - ii. Dr. B.K. RaU PP ASI
  - iii. Dr. Saumitra Banerjee USA &
  - iv. Dr. P. Jagannath Mumbai.
8. Following is the list of Orations & Guest lectures delivered during 2012:
- a. Presidential oration in ACRSICON, Dubai 2012 – Dr. Subodh Varshaney on Colorectal Tuberculosis – Indian Scenario.
  - b. Dr. PN Joshi Oration – Dr. Stefan Goldberg (USA) Fistula in Ano – Current Scenario.
  - c. Presidential oration in ASICON – Kolkata (in offing) Colorectal Trauma – Indian Scenario.
  - d. Dr. R.K. Mendo Oration – Dr. Soumitra Banerjee (USA). Current status of Management of Colorectal Stricture.
  - e. Dr. PN Joshi Guest Lecture – Dr. Abhay Chopra (UK) Coloproctology – 2012.
9. Participation of ACRSI with Asia Pacific Federation of Colproctology – This conference was attended by Hon. Secretary Dr. Shekhar Suradkar Scientific Committee Chairman AFCP 2009 Goa, Dr. Shailesh Shrikhande, Dr. Parveen Shaikh Past President ACRSI was the president of this congress.
10. Travelling fellowship was awarded to:

- a) Zuventus travelling fellowship – to Burmingham Hospital U.K. Dr. Chandramohan (Trivendrum), Dr. Madhura Killedar (Satara) completed the fellowship in the month of May 2012 & September 2012 respectively.
- b) Zydus travelling fellowship to St Fransis Hospital Connecticut (USA) was awarded to Dr. Satish Kamat & Dr. Laxman Salve who completed their fellowship in the month of May 2012.

Each of the candidates would be awarded Rs. 1 lakh for their fellowship.

- 11. Our website [www.acrsi.org](http://www.acrsi.org) was fully loaded with information. Any ASI member can become the member online.
- 12. E-journal has been loaded on website & is available for members.
- 13. Practicing parameter in coloproctology in various disease like fissure in Ano, fistula in Ano, Prolapse rectum, Colorectal Malignancies, IBD, Pilonidal Sinus, Cocks Abdomen is being complied by Professor Raj Mohan & would be available for all members on the website.
- 14. ACRSI textbook is being under preparation would be released next year.
- 15. Operative workshop in ODS & benign Anorectal diseases were organized at Joy Hospital, Chembur.
- 16. Around 100 new members were added during this year.
- 17. In best paper section gold medal was awarded to Dr. Brj Agarwal from New Delhi.
- 18. News letter was printed & circulated to all members in the month of September 2012.

19. CMEs are been conducted zonal Vice Presidents in their respective near by areas. (So far I have the record of Ten CMEs organized during this year.
20. ACRSI sectional activities in Kochi ASICON was a huge success & the hall was jam packed with many people were standing in lobbies & corridors. We expect the same response in ASICON Calcutta.
21. The accounts for the last year has been audited & would be circulated to all the members in advance & would be presented in AGM Calcutta.
22. Election for the next term has been declared Dr. P.K. Rao & Dr. Gopinath has been nominated as Election Officer & the election process would start from January 2013.
23. Two hour session was conducted on Colorectal diseases during the Maharashtra State Chapter of ASI (MASICON Pune 2012). 2. Indian Association of Endocrine Surgeons (IAES)

**2. Indian Association of Endocrine Surgeons (IAES):**

Total membership strength 327. 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of IAES held at Hotel Kodai International, Kodaikanal from 14<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> October 2011. The CME programme was accredited by Dr. TN Dr. MGR Medical University, Dr. Hisham Abdullah from Malaysia delivered Padmashri Vittal's Oration, Dr. Ranie Fernand from Sri Lanka delivered Guest Lecture.

IAES Journal & Membership directory were released 6 candidates conferred with FAES. We had a wonderful Scientific Programme for one and half a day in ASICON 2011 at Cochin and our Section was given the "BEST SECTION AWARD" for the second time

consecutively. Election for all the posts for the year 2013 – 2014 is called for and President Elect Dr. A. Sankaramahalingam is appointed as Election Officer.

13<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of IAES – IAESCON 2012 to be held at Lucknow between 12<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> October 2012 and four International faculties from Japan, USA & Sri Lanka are going to take part in the scientific feast.

The 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of IAES will be held at Bhubaneswar, Dr. B.N. Mohanty & Dr. KC Mohapatra are the Organizing Chairman and Secretary respectively. Audited Statement of accounts and Scientific Programme of Annual Conference 2012 were sent to ASI Head quarters.

### **3. The Association of Genito Urinary Surgeons of India (AGUSI):**

The main activity of AGUSI is arranging a good scientific programme at ASICON.

At the ASICON 2011, held at Kochi, half day programme was arranged on 29<sup>th</sup> of December 2011 – a past lunch session. Prof. Roy Chelly, Past President of USI from Calicut delivered oration on “Recent advances in management of Renal Carcinoma”. The oration was specifically directed to the general surgeons.

There was a symposium on “Renal Calculous Disease” Dr. Fazil Marickar was the Convener. Six free papers were presented from all over India.

General Body meeting was held after the scientific programme. The new office bearers and the members of the governing council were elected. The term of the team would be for the next three years i.e. 2012 to 2014 as per the constitution of AGUSI already submitted to central office of ASI. It was resolved that a new account should be opened

in a nationalized bank at Pune. It was decided to promote the membership of our section to the persons interested in the Urology.

**4. The Association of Minimal Access Surgeons of India (AMASI):**

- i. The 20<sup>th</sup> AMASI skill course was conducted at Indira Gandhi Institute of Medical Sciences. Patna 9<sup>th</sup> February – 11<sup>th</sup> February 2012. Course convener – Dr. Alok Abhijit 63 delegates appeared in that FMAS examination. 95 delegates attended skill course including FMAS delegates.
- ii. The 21<sup>st</sup> Skill Course was conducted at JIPMER Pondicherry, 24<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> February 2012. Course Convener – Dr. Ranjit Hari, 25 Participants out of which 85 appeared for FMAS examination.
- iii. The 22<sup>nd</sup> Skill Course was conducted at City Hospital Research & Diagnostic Centre. Mangalore 12<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> April 2012. Course Convener – Dr. Roshan Shetty. 45 Participants out of which 24 appeared for FMAS examination.
- iv. The 23<sup>rd</sup> Skill Course was conducted at R.G. Kar Medical College, Kolkata 14<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> June 2012 Course Convener – Dr. Ramanuj Mukherjee. 52 Participants out of which 28 appeared for FMAS examination.
- v. 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of Association of Minimal Access Surgeons of India. AMASICON 2012. Coimbatore from 19<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2012. 2383 participants participated in this mega event.
- vi. AMASE EC meeting held at Mumbai on 19<sup>th</sup> August 2012.
- vii. Next year, the Annual Conference will be organized at Indore. Organized by AMASI Central Zone. Organizing Secretary Dr. Rakesh Shivhare.

viii. Membership strength 4358 (as on 01.10.2012)

**5. Indian Association of Paediatrics Surgeons (IAPS):**

- i. Annual Conference of IAPS held at Mahabalipuram attended by more than 300 delegates.
- ii. Annual Conference of Paediatrics Laparoscopy at Hotel Taj Decan at Hyderabad.
- iii. Annual Conference of Pediatrics Urology at Agra attended by 248 delegates.
- iv. Annual Conference of Sub Chapters of MP, Northeast, West Bengal, Karnataka, Tamilnadu, Delhi in last one year.

**6. Association of Surgeons of Rural India (ASRI):**

After the last conference at Ernakulam, our founder president Dr. K. Dakshinamoorthy donated Rs. 1,00,000/- towards orational fund in our section, in the month of February 2012. Prof. Asopa from Agra had already donated Rs. 1,50,000/- for the section towards orational fund.

We decided to combine both the funds and conduct the oration in the name as Prof. Asopa / Dr. Dakshinamoorthy Oration, starting from the 2012 Annual Conference at Calcutta. Our present president Dr. Bora is going to give the first oration at calcutta conference. Every year one member will be chosen from our section to give this oration depending on his Sectional activities. Apart from getting four new members, we participated in the general body meeting at Ernakulam. We are taking care of the rural poor as usual through our skilled surgical service. As our present president Dr. Bora from Nagaon – Assam had finished his service for the past years, our next president Dr. M.

Velusamy, from Sathur, Tamilnadu, has been unanimously chosen and he will take up his position from the Calcutta conference.

**7. Indian Association of Surgical Gastroenterology (IASG):**

This year the activities began with the Sectional program of the IASG during the Annual Conference of ASI at Kochi on 28<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> December 2011. The program on 28<sup>th</sup> December 2011 started with a joint session organized by AMASI and IASG. The AMASI oration was delivered by Dr. H Ramesh, President IASG. This was followed by a free paper session. There was then a session on “Clinical Problems : An algorithmic approach” and “How to get out of tight situations”. The program on 29<sup>th</sup> December 2011 was jointly run by IASG and AMASI and included 2 master class video sessions, a debate on the management of achalasia, a symposium on acute pancreatitis and a panel discussion on acute cholecystitis.

The IASG initiated activity of a special program on GI Clinics for trainees (MCh/DNB) and students including case discussions, interactions with senior faculty at training centers and sessions aimed at discussing the various elements of an end of training qualification examination continued. In the forthcoming year these are planned in January 2013 at Ahmedabad and in February 2013 at Hyderabad.

A district – level CME was held at Kurnool on 18<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> February 2012 and was organized by Dr. K. Ramachandra Naidu. The meeting was organized with a lot of enthusiasm, had a lot of audience participation and was aimed at increasing awareness of the field of surgical gastroenterology in the local region. The sessions were primarily video presentations by experts on a wide variety of procedures.



On the request of the International Association of Surgeons, Gastroenterologists and Oncologists (IASGO), a joint IASGO – IASG Advanced course in HPB and Liver Transplant Surgery for Cancer was organized on 14<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> July 2012 at Gurgaon with Dr. A.S. Soin as the organizing secretary of the meeting. The meeting was attended by over 200 people and had a number of foreign faculty.

The Annual Conference was held at Bengaluru, 13<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> October 2012 organized by Dr. Sanjay Govil, Bengaluru. The venue was Taj Vivanta, Yeshwantpur. Over 400 abstracts – the highest ever – were submitted through an online submission system and were published in a supplement issue of Tropical Gastroenterology, the official journal of IASG. The Bursary program for 50 selected trainees was on 10<sup>th</sup> October 2012. The video workshop was on 11<sup>th</sup> October 2012 with a number of open and minimal access procedures being demonstrated. There were 3 other workshops held simultaneously. These were the hands – on workshop on Intraoperative ultrasound, the liver surgery workshop and the liver transplant workshop. The other highlights were:

- i. CME on 12<sup>th</sup> October
- ii. Chennai oration by Prof. Yang on From Korea
- iii. The first IASG – AIG oration by Prof. Jacques Belghiti
- iv. Video Sessions
- v. Landmark publications in the field
- vi. Special mention poster reviews
- vii. Video session

- viii. Veerabhai JR Das Aggarwal Oration by the Past President, Prof. Adarsh Choudhary
- ix. Debates
- x. Symposia on liver transplant, bariatric surgery and robotic surgery and
- xi. Free papers, posters and award sessions.

## **8. Indian Association of Surgical Oncology (IASO):**

### **Membership and Member Directory:**

IASO have 840 full members and about 60 associate members. A new directory has been published in the year 2011 online application for membership can be submitted on online payment gateway [http://iasoindia.in/\\$page\\_id=586](http://iasoindia.in/$page_id=586).

### **Scientific Programs:**

#### **NATCON 2012:**

NATCON 2012, held at Goa was a thumping success with over 600 registered delegates. The new format of the meeting, the debates and the symposiums were liked by all members and very positive feedback has been received.

#### **IASO Mid – Term Conference:**

IASO Mid – Term conference was held at Dehradun. Over 100 students participated in the conference. The mock examination section that has been started in the mid – term meeting has been appreciated by all the members.

#### **CME Programs:**

A CME was held in Kolkata in June and was also attended by over 200 delegates.

### **ASICON 2011:**

The IASO sectional meeting of ASICON 2011 in Kochi was well attended. The response that IASO section received was tremendous with a full hall. The case capsule format was found much useful by the general surgeons. An interesting program has been put up for ASICON 2012 to be held in Kolkata.

### **Forthcoming meetings:**

NATCON IASO 2013 and Indian Cancer Congress 2013 is in Delhi NCR next year, the conference is being organized by the dynamic team of Harit Chaturvedi and is organized jointly by AORI, ISMPO and ISO. The conference dates are November 20<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> 2013.

### **BASO – IASO – Hyderabad Fellowship:**

The Association successfully started the BASO fellowship last year. The fellowship was awarded to Dr. Ashutosh Chauhan, Lucknow, Dr. Chandramohan successfully completed the fellowship in June 2012.

### **Indian Journal of Surgical Oncology:**

Indian Journal of Surgical Oncology, the official journal of the association is making rapid progress, taking giant strides forward under the leadership of Dr. Gopinath. The journal has now been indexed in Google scholar, OCLC and summons. The journal has been accepted for archiving in pubmed central with a 12 month embargo.

### **Website:**

The IASO website <http://www.iasoindia.in> has been updated and the new online membership and abstract submission system are up.

### **Fellowships:**

The Detroit fellowship has been awarded to Dr. Sandeep Naik, Bengaluru and the IASO GCRI MIS fellowship to Dr. Narendra Hullikal, Tirupati.

IASO has the distinction of being one of the best sections of ASI and I sincerely hope that it will remain that way for the years to come.

**9. The Association of Thoracic and Cardio Vascular Surgeons of India (ATCVSI):**

1. ATCVSI scientific program of ASICON 2011 conference at Kochi was very well attended. The scientific content was rich and it was appreciated by one and all. At any one time, about 70 delegates were in attendance.
2. Dr. NL Bordia Oration was delivered by Dr. Rama Kant Lucknow. Topic was Past President & Future of Empyema Thoracis – An experience of 4,600 cases.
3. GBM was held at Kochi and new office bearers were elected unanimously.
4. Dr. SK Jain Hony. Secretrary, ATCVSI attended a meeting of the “Confederation of Associations of Medical Specialties of India” held on Saturday, the 9<sup>th</sup> June 2012 of IMA House, Indraprastha Marg, New Delhi, to discuss and evolve a consensus on the following burning issues confronting the medical profession in the country today.
  - i. Introduction of National Council for Human Resources in Health (NCHRH) Bill 2011 with an aim to create a super arching body over Medical Council of India: Paramedical Councils.
  - ii. Implementation of Clinical Establishment (Registration & Regulation) Act.
  - iii. The episode telecasted on 27<sup>th</sup> May 2012 called “Satyamev Jayate” by a well known cine celebrity, who defamed the medical profession and has portrayed the bad image of the medical profession.

5. A National Update on Venous Disorders & The Mid – Term CME of the ATCVSI section was successfully organized by Prof. MG Vasisth on 26<sup>th</sup> August 2012 at Pt. BD Sharma PGIMS, Rohtak. Theme wa Thoracic and Vascular Injuries. It It was inaugrated by Prof. SS Sangwan, Vice Chancellor, University of Medical Sciences, Rohtak. A galaxy of experts shared their experience on varied topics to the benefit of about 100 delegates. A few photographs of the event are sent for the record.
6. 4 new members were inducted during the period of the year so far taking the strength of the Section to 127.
7. Executive Committee meeting was held on 24<sup>th</sup> June 2012 at New Delhi to discuss and finalize the Oration, roadmap for scientific program at ASICON 2012 and other issues.
8. Efforts are on to compile a directory of the members to facilitate more thorough communication and interaction.
9. The news letter of the section is under preparation and would be in print by end of November.
10. Scientific program including Dr. NL Bordia Oration for the ensuing ASICON 2012 at Kolkatta is being carefully completed so as to be of interest to general surgical colleagues.

**10. Indian Association of Traumatology and Critical Care (IATCC):**

**1. Membership:**

40 members have been added in 2011. This year till date 10 members have been added. Total strength is now 210.

**2. Programmes conducted:**

- a. 1<sup>st</sup> Mid – Term Conference conducted at Mumbai from September 16<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup>.  
One day workshop on 16<sup>th</sup> with 5 workshops (prehospital trauma skills, trauma resuscitation skills, trauma radiology skills, mass casualty management skills and surgical trauma skills) conducted and 2 days Conference attended by 250 delegates. Organising Secretary was Dr. Satish Dharap and Organising Chairman Dr. Meena Kumar.
- b. 2<sup>nd</sup> Mid – Term Conference conducted at Ahmedabad on September 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> with half day workshops and 1 and ½ days program attended by 350 delegates. Organizing Secretary by Dr. Sanjay Shah and Organising Chairman Dr. Keyur Parikh.
- c. Basic and Advanced Trauma Course conducted at Lokmanya Tilak Municipal Medical College and General Hospital since 2001.
- d. Over 200 district health officers trained in trauma and burns management under Maharashtra Health System Development Project (MHDSP) in 2005.
- e. Website started [www.iatcc.org](http://www.iatcc.org) is functional since September 15, 2012.

**3. Future Plans:**

- a. Fellowship in Trauma : Proposal attached. Proposal has been pending decision with the ASI GC since 2008.
- b. Definitive Trauma Management Courses to be started wherein Surgeons will be trained in Definitive Surgical Management of Trauma Victims.
- c. Publishing Practice Parameters in Trauma for Surgeons in India.
- d. To improvise website and start on online interactive bulletin.

**11. Association of Armed Forces Surgeons (AAFS):**

- a. Late Capt. Aditya Mishra Seminar was conducted on 2<sup>nd</sup> April at AFMC auditorium for best seminar by Surgery resident of AFMC, Pune. The award was instituted by Lt. Gen. (Dr.) GS Mishra (Retd.) Past President AAFS in memory of his son. 9 residents competed and about 50 AAFS members participated.
- b. A two day conference on "Surgery in War" was organized at Command Hospital Udhampur, J&K on 8<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> September 2012. A Large gathering of about 50 AAFS members apart from civilian surgeons and residents attended.
- c. Annual Conference of the AAFS will be held at ASICON 2012, Kolkata on 28<sup>th</sup> December 2012. The events include on Oration, a guest lecture – A Symposium and three free paper sessions.
- d. Four Volumes of quarterly News Letter will be brought out by AAFS this year also.

**12. Association of Breast Surgeons of India (ABSI):**

ABSI is fast emerging as one of the most popular Sections of ASI. It represents General Surgeons, Surgical Oncologists and Plastic Surgeons practicing the art & science of Breast Surgery in India. The First Annual Conference of ABSI (ABSICON 2012) was an International Congress, held in association with European Society of Breast Cancer Specialists (EUSOMA) at the Hyderabad Marriott Hotel. The event attended by some 400 delegates from India and abroad was held from 18<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> May 2012. The theme of the Conference was “East meets West”. The ABSI website is [www.asbsi.in](http://www.asbsi.in).

The conference was preceded by the renowned Laszio Tabar’s Course on “Multimodality Detection and diagnosis of Breast disease’ held from 16<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> May 2012 at the same venue. The course was attended by Radiologists, Pathologists and Surgeons from all over India. The course empowered participants about the importance of multimodality approach to the management of Breast disease with a focus on Breast Radiology. Interpretation & reporting of the Mammogram, Ultrasound and Breast MRI in a standard format was taught by Prof. Tabar, widely considered to be the “God Father” of Breast Radiology. This hugely popular course was held for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Time in the Indian Subcontinent. All the three courses were held in Hyderabad. The course fee was heavily subsidized for the benefit of delegates.

The Scientific deliberations of ABSICON 2012 focused on ‘what one could learn over the weekend that could be applied straight away into practice the following week’. One of the most popular sessions during the Congress was ‘Finding Indian Solutions to Indian problems’ as many of the Guidelines that apply to the Western world cannot be applied in developing Countries like India.



The First East Zone CME Programme of ABSI for 2012 was held in Patna under the dynamic leadership of Prof. Khandelwal and Dr. VP Singh on 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> August 2012. The fact that more than 200 Surgeons attended the CME Programme with the Hall being packed until the last Session on the last day speaks volumes about the growing interest in this newly formed Section of ASI and indeed the hard work of the organising team at Patna. The CME focused on the very basics of breast health care and was aimed at the practicing General Surgeon. Evidence based approaches to the management of benign Breast disease and breast cancer was discussed. The 'How I do it' Session focused upon basic techniques of commonly performed breast surgeries.