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**Wishing all the GISI members a very Happy
NEW YEAR**



GISI team welcomes the following new Life Members

Prof. Sahil Khanna	Dr. Kulvinder Singh
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Message from the Chairperson

Dear GISI members,

Wishing you all a very happy and prosperous New Year! The Gastrointestinal Infection Society of India was conceived with an idea to promote the advancement of basic and clinical research on prevalent and emerging gastrointestinal infections; to provide a platform for discussion and deliberations on various modalities for the diagnosis and treatment of gastrointestinal infections and to disseminate the information to the society members and the general public from time to time. The GISI journey, during the past fifteen years since its inception from the Department of Gastroenterology, PGI, Chandigarh, was quite arduous and I was looking out for a young person to shoulder its responsibilities.

Dr. Vishal Sharma, again from the Department of Gastroenterology, PGI, Chandigarh, has come forward to manage all the affairs of GISI. He has already taken charge of various issues associated with GISI devotedly. He has started holding regular webinars under the auspices of GISI, roping in various experts from the field of gastrointestinal infections. I am sure that with his sincere effort he will provide a new horizon to the welfare of GISI and take it to greater heights.

Prof Chetana Vaishnavi

Founder and Chairperson

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Report of GISI webinar on Infections in IBD

The second GISI Webinar on “Infections in IBD” was a huge success with >500 participants and >200 live attendees. The webinar was also supported by the South Asian IBD Alliance. The webinar began with a talk on “Flares in mild to moderate UC: What’s new?” by Dr Sumit Bhatia. This was followed by a talk on “Managing IBD associated opportunistic infections and cardiovascular risk” by Dr KT Shenoy.

Prof Bincy Abraham, from Houston Methodist, spoke on “Antibiotics for IBD.” She mentioned the use of antibiotics in Crohn’s disease, ulcerative colitis and pouchitis. The second talk was on “Assessing and managing risk of tuberculosis with biologics and small molecules” by Prof Vineet Ahuja from AIIMS, Delhi. He elaborated on evidence-based approach to latent tuberculosis in IBD patients planned for various IBD therapies. Dr Deepak Parakkal from Washington University of St Louis, spoke on “COVID vaccination in IBD” based on his experience gained from COVaRiPAD (COVID-19 Vaccine Responses in Patients with Autoimmune Disease) study. Prof Francis Farraye from Mayo Clinic Florida, spoke on “Routine vaccination in IBD” based on his long practical experience and provided insights on how vaccinations could be organized for patients in India.

Society News

Prof Sahil Khanna, co-editor-in-chief for JGI informed about the exciting changes forthcoming at the journal. Prof Chetana Vaishnavi informed that the webinars will be continued and the society will further increase its educational activities. In the meeting a guideline on “Vaccination in IBD for resource limited settings, including India” was announced which would be led by Dr Vishal Sharma. Prof Francis A Farraye agreed to provide help in organizing the guidelines with his extensive experience.

3rd GISI webinar

The third GISI webinar on “Infected Pancreatic Necrosis” will be held on 5th March 2022. Dr Jimil Shah will be the organizing secretary for this webinar. Registrations can be done at <https://forms.gle/yi78BVEd4L6kgrYG9>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Life Membership fees of GISI are INR 3000.00 payable by bank draft or cheque at par in favour of “Gastrointestinal Infection Society of India” payable at Chandigarh, INDIA. Membership forms are enclosed with this newsletter
2. Manuscripts for Journal of Gastrointestinal Infections should be typed in MS-Word and Figures/Photographs in JPEG format and submitted at the website of the journal. Authors are also encouraged to submit the manuscript online at the website www.gisionline.org for rapid processing. Instructions to authors are also available under GISI Journal action link in the website.
3. All GISI members are requested to pass on any news that they desire to be published in the newsletter. This will include information of awards received, fellowships obtained or travel abroad for academic purposes and any other information that may be of interest to the members.

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