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**Dr. AKOIJAM BROGEN**



He is currently working as Associate Professor in the Community Medicine Department, Regional Institute of Medical Sciences (RIMS), Imphal. He is involved in undergraduate and post-graduate teachings. His special interest is in research methods, research ethics and epidemiology. Before joining the medical institute he worked as a medical officer in a rural area under Manipur Health Services for 10 years. He had attended two workshops on teaching methodology at the Institute of Medical Sciences, Banaras Hindu University, and AIIMS, New Delhi. He has authored and co-authored around 37 publications in the national and few international medical journals. He has been involving in research related to IDU's in Manipur. He has been also involving in various activities of the NGO's in different capacities. He has interest in most of the games and sports, literary and cultural events. He has been closely associated with students' extracurricular activities.

**Dr. ANAND KUKKAMALLA**



He is at present working as a Selection Grade Lecturer in Microbiology; Department of Microbiology, Melaka Manipal Medical College (Manipal Campus), Manipal. Prior to joining MMMC, He was working as a lecturer in Oxford Dental College, Bangalore. He have been actively involved in teaching Medical Microbiology for the past 12 years, administrative responsibilities pertaining to student affairs, faculty advisor of Magazine committee. He has been involved with the activities of the Department of Medical Education at K.M.C, Manipal. He has attended an elaborate five day workshop on Pedogogy & Personal development and also Student evaluation workshop (5 day) organized by the Department of Medical Education, K.M.C, Manipal. He has also participated in a training program" FEEL TEACHER" conducted by the CLHRD, AIM INSIGHTS group, Mangalore.

He has published an article on Self Directed Learning (SDL) strategies in Microbiology and submitted an article on Pathway MCQs in Microbiology as an effective learning strategy for review. I am involved in a study analyzing the study habits of pre and para clinical students of MMMC. He is an ardent lover of music, interested in playing games, watching movies, reading books (novels), making new friends and travelling and visiting different places of the world.

## Dr. BHADRESH VYAS



He is in medical teaching and training and in research field since 18 years He completed graduation and post graduation from M.P.Shah Medical college and 1200 bedded G.G.Hospital under Saurashtra University. Institute is one of the biggest institute of India .He is master trainer in the field of preventive pediatrics, Neonatology, HIV/AIDS, Adolescent Health, IMNCI etc. Involved in Research as senior investigator with INCLEN(International clinice Epidemiology Network),John Hopkins, Unicef, WHO, SAVI, USAID, SIDA, etc We did study "Universal Immunization Programme in India" , "Assessment of safe injection and Immunization in India" , " Integrated management of Neonatal and childhood illness(IMNCI). "Anti Microbial Resistance" as Regional coordinator, Report has make very good impact on national policy , In the field of immunization participate in international meet for Dengue vaccine initiative by GAVI, International round table meet on H Influenza and pneumococcal vaccine availability in India by GAVI , John Hopkins, INCLEN , presented "Strengths and potential problems for polio free state at national eradication committee for making country polio eradication. Recently participated in youth Friendly health services in Sweden and Delhi by SIDA and established Adolescent Friendly health center in India & Adolescent Immunization MMR, HPV etc highlighted much. He is central co ordinating team member for INCLEN. And core tem member for IMNCI, Neonatal core etc in the state Apart from UG & PG teaching and training taking keen interest for paramedical and grass root worker and community training and awareness. Organized many workshops (IAP,NNF,IMA) and conference as well published articles in textbook and journals.

## Dr. CHETNA MALIYE



I am presently working as Associate professor in the Department of Community Medicine, Mahatma Gandhi Institute of Medical Sciences (MGIMS), Sewagram. Primarily involved in Community based teaching of undergraduates, post-graduates and Interns. I am also working in the capacity of In-charge of Rural Health Training Centre and providing technical control to Government Rural Hospital. I have attended a teaching methodology workshop organized by Medical Education Technology (MET) Cell of MGIMS,

## Dr. LATHA RAVICHANDRAN



She is a Professor of Pediatrics, at Sri Ramachandra Medical College and Research Institute. She at Joined SRMC as Tutor in Pediatrics and has been in the Institution for the past 16 Years. Currently, the Professor of Pediatrics involved in Undergraduate and Post Graduate Teaching. In **Medical Education** she has been involved in the process of curriculum and Faculty development for the past 7 years. Appointed as, the Chair-person of **Clinical Curriculum Committee** in 2003, and then as Chairperson of **Curriculum Committee** in 2005. Recently been elevated as the Secretary of the Medical education Unit Area of Interest is in Curriculum development and designing. Undertook the responsibility of implementing reforms in undergraduate medical curriculum, including introduction of an integrated Pre and Para- clinical Curriculum, Professional development course for undergraduate students, PRODEV and PBL. At present, working on standardization of teaching clinical skills. Actively involved in organizing and participating in all the three levels of Faculty Development workshop conducted in the organization since 2003. Resource person and organizing secretary for the MCI Regional centre workshop on Medical education technologies. Her hobbies are Painting and carving.

## Dr. MAHALAKSHMY



Her undergraduate study at JIPMER was with five certificate of honors and best intern award for the year of 2004. She completed postgraduate study at JIPMER in the year 2008. She has published 4 articles in indexed and peer reviewed journals and have won a quiz competition in the IAPSM national conference. She is currently working as Assistant Professor in the department of Community Medicine, Sri Manakula Vinayagar Medical College and Hospital, Puducherry. She is involved in teaching medical undergraduate students and skill development of the staff of the department. She is one of the co-ordinator for the modular teaching session undertaken in our college. She has attended workshops on research methodology and statistics workshops at CMC, Vellore. She has been a resource person in research methodology/statistics workshops conducted at JIPMER. She has a guide for ICMR short term students project in 2009. Her special interests are towards medical education, epidemiology, biostatistics and school health. She is a life member of Indian Public Health Association and Indian Association of Preventive and Social Medicine and has presented papers in these national conferences.

### **Dr. NANDITA RAO HAZRA**



She is currently in charge undergraduate practical training and training of paramedical staff. She is presently an active member of the Department of Medical Education at Armed Forces Medical College, Pune and is a resource person for the Basic course in Medical Education conducted by the MUHS Regional centre for Medical Education at Aundh, Pune. She has written an article on innovative lecture techniques for the compendium under publication by Department of Medical Education, AFMC, Pune and her areas of interest include innovations in teaching learning techniques . Her present areas of professional research include keratomycosis, onychomycosis, cryptosporidiosis in the immunocompetent and immunocompromised host, central venous catheter related blood stream infections (CRBSI) and ESBL producing *Klebsiella* species and *E. coli* as a cause of nosocomial infection. Her key areas of interest include Clinical Mycology and Infectious Disease and she has a special interest in attempting innovative techniques while teaching undergraduates which draws her towards medical education. Her hobbies include oil painting, sketching and travel

### **Dr. NARASIMMAN SWAMINATHAN**



He is currently working as an Associate Professor and Course Coordinator of the department of Physiotherapy father Muller Medical College, Mangalore, Karnataka, India. He is involved in teaching under graduate and Post graduate Physiotherapy students. He has been appointed as a member of steering group formed by Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences, Karnataka, in implementing OSPE/OSCE in physiotherapy examination and attended various training programme regarding OSPE/ OSCE. He was also a resource person for the workshops organized by RGUHS in OSCE/OSPE. He has recently participated in a Faculty Development programme Organised by the Medical Education Cell of Father Muller Medical College, in association with St. Johns Medical College, Bangalore. Implemented Problem Based Learning in physiotherapy teaching from last year and OSCE/OSPE has been introduced to conduct internal examination. He has been appointed as editorial member of various International and National Physiotherapy journals. He has been awarded a grant by the RGUHS Karnataka, for his Curriculum development project recently.

### **Dr. G V NIRANJAN**



He is currently working as Director of Curriculum Development Cell of Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences, Bangalore. Apart from this he is working as Head of Research and Development Section in Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences, Karnataka,

Bangalore which mainly deals with conducting of research activities, monitoring the progress of Researchers, sanction of research grants, etc. As a resource persons he is actively engaged in conduct of TOT programmes in various health sciences faculties in different institutions. He is the member of different expert committees constituted to assist the University on different academic issues. He played important role in the successful introduction of Bar Coding of answer books and online transmission of Question papers in the examination system which is an unique feature of Rajiv Gandhi Unviersity of Health Sciences, Karnataka, Bangalore. He is one of the teaching faculty for PGDHL in Rajiv Gandhi Unviersity of Health Sciences, Karnataka, Bangalore.. He is playing key role in the introduction of OSCE/OSPE in BPT examination system. His favourite habbies are playing Cricket, Volleyball, Table Tennis, Shuttle Badminton, reading books, hearing music.

### **Dr PRASHANT VISHWANATH**



He is currently working as Assistant Professor in the Department of Biochemistry, JSS Medical College, Mysore. He has been actively involved in activities of the institution at all levels. He has 8 Publications in National and International Journals. He has had the experience of teaching Biochemistry at 3 different Universities (National & International) and he has been actively involved in designing the Curriculum of Biochemistry for 1<sup>st</sup> MBBS Students of JSS University. He has been experimenting with innovative teaching methodologies for Undergraduates and has been very popular among students for his approach to teaching.

Apart from this, he also holds additional positions like being member of Medical Education Unit, JSS Medical College, Mysore, Member of Center for Continuous Learning for Professional Excellence (CCLPE), JSS University, Mysore, Co-Editor of Magazine Committee and Member of Cultural Committee of JSS Medical College, Mysore.

### **Dr. RENU G'BOY VARGHESE**



At present working as Professor and Head, Department of Pathology and also have an additional responsibility of Deputy Medical Superintendent of Laboratory Services. Previous she worked as an Asst Prof since 1994 to 2001 at Sri Ramachandra Medical College, Porur, Chennai. Got Promoted to Assoc Prof. in Dec. 2001. Moved to Pondicherry Institute of Medical Sciences in March 2002. Have attended workshops on medical education conducted by Harvard Medical School, at Sri Rmachandra Medical College, Chennai; NTTC course conducted by JIPMER. Have introduced Problem based learning for UGs. Hobbies: Reading, networking, cooking and of course eating.

### **Dr. SAMUEL GEORGE HANSDAK**



He is currently working as a Professor in the Department of General Medicine, Christian Medical College, Vellore (CMC, Vellore). He also holds an administrative responsibility as Deputy Registrar in the institution. He has an interest in "Lifestyle Medicine" and has started a "Wellness clinic" in the hospital campus. He is in the process of developing a Lifestyle center and a training program in the practice of lifestyle medicine at CMC, Vellore. He is a graduate and post-graduate from AIIMS, New Delhi and worked as Senior Resident and Assistant Professor at BPKIHS, Dharan, Nepal. There he was involved in the development of "Problem based" and "intergraded" curriculum for the newly built medical school, a collaborative effort by the Government of India and Nepal. He is involved in the PBL and Clerkship Program for undergraduates and Fellowship in Secondary Hospital Medicine and PG Diploma in Family Medicine at CMC, Vellore. His wife Hema is a microbiologist and has two daughters Arpita (13) and Aradhana (3). He has interest in sports, music and computers.

### **Dr. SARALA**



She has joined Sri Devaraj Urs Medical College, Kolar in 1999 May as Lecturer in Pharmacology. Currently she is the professor at the same institute. She is also Co-ordinator of Peripheral National Pharmacovigilance Centre. Since January 2009, she is the convenor of Medical Education Unit. Has undergone NTTC training at JIPMER, Puducherry, attended orientation program on OSPE at MS Ramaiah Medical College. Trained in clinical pharmacology at KEM & Seth GS Medical College, Mumbai, trained in Health Research Methodology Course at St.John's Medical College Bangalore. Resource person during training of trainers' workshop. In the last one year she has organized 2 TOT workshops, orientation course for UGs, Interns and PGs. Microteaching sessions for PGs, initiated mentorship programme for UGs. Sewagram. As a facilitator, she involved in conducting continuing medical education for all cadres of health professionals, NGO partners and ICDS functionaries.

### **Dr. SMITHA BHAT**



Dr. Smitha Bhat is Associate Professor of Medicine in Father Muller Medical College, Mangalore. She has recently completed her MRCP and is currently pursuing a fellowship in palliative care medicine from Cardiff University, United Kingdom.

She is the convenor of the Medical Education Unit Father Muller Medical College and is actively involved in organizing and conducting Faculty Development Programs.

## **Dr SUDHA RAMALINGAM**



She is currently an Assistant Professor in the Department of Community Medicine. She holds adjunct Faculty positions at PSG Center for Molecular Medicine and Therapeutics at PSG Institute of Medical Sciences and Research, Coimbatore. Her professional training and experience include pediatrics and an MD in Community Medicine with a university gold medal. She has completed two postdoctoral fellowships in Molecular genetics and Genetic Epidemiology at Stanford Medical School and Pritzker School of Medicine, University of Chicago, USA respectively. She is a principal investigator for a project on cardiac failure under the 'Rapid grant for Young Investigators' scheme by the Department of Biotechnology. She has also been selected for the WHO-IARC summer school at Lyon, France for advanced training in epidemiology with scholarship. Having undergone the National Teachers Training course at JIPMER, her main areas of interests in medical education include problem based learning and strengthening undergraduate students research.

## **Dr. THOMAS MATHEW**



He is currently working as Professor of Community Medicine, Medical College, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala. Apart from this he is holding many state level posts including the post of Nodal Officer, State Disease Control & Monitoring Cell, Kerala. (01.01.2007 onwards); Nodal Officer, National Institute of Virology, Alappuzha Unit, Kerala. (31.10.2008 onwards); Nodal Officer, Intra Dermal Rabies Vaccination Initiative, Kerala (03.02.2008 onwards) and Project Director PAL, Kerala (21.10.2009 onwards). He is the secretary General of Association for Prevention and Control of Rabies in India (APCRI, 2009 - 2011) and the Central Council Member of Indian Public Health Association (IPHA, 2010 - 2013). He has 22 years of experience as Teacher / Trainer in Public Health and 6 years of experience as Professor of Community Medicine. For his excellence in service he received many awards including the Best Doctor- Special Award from the Govt. of Kerala, (2007). He has also served as Health consultant and Master Trainer to the Ministry of Health, Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia, Africa. Since last few years, he has been seriously involved in imparting managerial skills to medical students, interns and doctors especially in the field of disease surveillance.