

NATIONAL PHARMACY WEEK CELEBRATION
IPGA WELFARE TRUST SPONSORED SEMINAR ON
“ADVANCES IN CLINICAL RESEARCH & DRUG DISCOVERY”

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P.D.M. College of Pharmacy organized a seminar on “*Advances in Clinical Research & Drug Discovery*”, on 22nd November 2010. The said seminar was attended by 250 delegates from the Haryana and Uttaranchal, U.P. and other states. The various resource persons in the seminar were Mr. Atul Kumar Nasa (Chief Guest) President of Indian Pharmacy Graduates' Association (IPGA), Mr. S. L. Nasa, (Guest of Honour) Registrar, Delhi Pharmacy Council, Mr. Sanjay Gupta, Managing Director, Catalyst Clinical Services Ltd., Mrs. Jaspreet Kaur, Head- Quality Assurance, Fortis Clinical Research Ltd., Faridabad,

The programme was started with Saraswati Vandana and lightning of lamp by Mr. R. P. Rawat, Joint Secretary, PDMREA, and other dignitaries.

Dr. Arun Garg, Director, PDM College of Pharmacy, induced energetic clinical fundamentals regarding the objectives of the seminar and sparkled the programme by the warm welcome of all the dignitaries of the seminar. He emphasized that the seminar is aimed at providing updated knowledge on clinical research, which is an upcoming profession with lot of job opportunities for the pharmacy graduates.

Mr. Atul Kumar Nasa, appreciated the efforts of the college and gave a detailed presentation on quality of drugs. He said that positive thinking, good communication skills are essential for pharmacy graduates. During his presentation he also spoke about counterfeit medicines and also suggested the ways to **prevent the menace of counterfeit drugs by establishing an independent intelligence wing** and empowered drug control departments in all the states.

During the inauguration Mr. S. L. Nasa, President 62nd IPC to be held in Manipal was felicitated by shawl, memento and citation. During his presentation he stressed that efforts

are on to improve the career prospects and image of pharmacist in the country. Pharm. D. course started by the PCI is an effort in this direction. He also said that the minimum qualification for registration as pharmacist should be upgraded from diploma to B. Pharmacy. PCI is going to start bridge course for upgrading the qualification of diploma pharmacist in due course.

Mrs. Jaspreet Kaur detailed the emphasis of audits and quality assurance in clinical research and explained that clinical research studies are highly regulated studies and must be done with proper and right documentation as per the GCP norms. She explained that in clinical research studies, one must do it right at the first time, at right time and in right manner. She also delivered detailed presentation of USFDA audit procedures, do's and don't's of a clinical study, exit interview and details about form 482 & 483 of USFDA.

Mr. Sanjay Gupta presented the avenues / careers in clinical research. He also delivered that the promotions & career enhancement in the area of clinical research is tremendous. Pharmacy graduates and Post Graduates can chose their careers in clinical research by undertaking a structured course and training in clinical research. He also presented an exhaustive interactive session on the various stages in clinical research i.e. Phase I, Phase II, Phase III, Phase IV clinical trials. During the programme various meritorious student of PDM College of Pharmacy were awarded with the trophies and certificates. Around 100 alumni of PDM College of Pharmacy participated in the seminar and presented their scientific posters. The seminar ended with vote of thanks proposed by Dr. Suresh Purohit, HOD, Pharmaceutics department.