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Better a little with righteousness than much gain with injustice. -Proverbs 16:8

STSCON-2018



STSCON- 2018, a national level 'Soft Tissue Sarcoma Conference' was the first of its kind to be held India. CMC, Vellore being a 'High Volume Centre' treating over hundred patients per year, seemed a perfect host for this multidisciplinary learning venture. The conference was well attended with national and international experts from USA, UK, Italy and Singapore.

Sarcoma is a heterogeneous group of rare solid cancers originating in the mesenchyme (connective tissue) cell with more than fifty different known histological subtypes. Some sarcomas are associated with specific gene mutation and syndromes. It accounts for one percent of all adult malignancies. The treatment for sarcoma is by a multidisciplinary team approach, involving surgeons, radiologists, pathologists, radiation oncologists, medical oncologists, palliative care teams and others.

The sessions that followed were focussed on newer modalities like 'Compartment Excision' for retroperitoneal liposarcoma, limb sparing operations in conjunction with advanced radiation therapy and chemotherapy for musculoskeletal sarcomas. A visit to the anatomy dissection hall for insight in to the anatomical basis of treatment for sarcoma was organised for the participants.

The highlight of the conference was the formation of 'The Indian Sarcoma Society' (TISS), with the hope to provide a supportive environment to study this disease entity and to help improve the standards in research and clinical practice. This endeavour will also be an opportunity for international collaborations, which is much required to understand this rare but morbid disease, with poor outcome if not treated appropriately.

Special Prayers : July 15 - 21, 2018

Nuclear Medicine :

Dr. Julie Hephzibah and Staff

Neurological Sciences :

Dr. Baylis Vivek Joseph and Staff

Dr. Mathew Alexander and Staff

Dr. Ari George Chacko and Staff

Dr. Vedantam Rajshekhar and Staff

Ms.Rebecca Sumathi Bai and Staff

Jeypore Evangelical Lutheran Church

Council Members : Rt. Rev. Asish Kumar Palo
Dr. Hemaprabha Mohanty

Hospital : Christian Hospital, Nabarangpur and
Bissamcuttack

Sunday Services : July 22, 2018

6.00 pm : **Scudder Auditorium**

Rev. Raja L.

6.30 pm : **Hospital Chapel**

Rev. Dr. Finney Alexander

5.00 pm : **Friendship Chapel, KPTR Campus**

Dr. Sam David

Memorandum :

Dr. Rajesh G., Professor of Psychiatry is appointed as Head of Psychiatry Unit-I with effect from 17th July, 2018 for a four year term.

Obituary :

Lt. Col. C.G. John (Retired), father of Dr. Judy Ann John, Professor, PMR and father in law of Dr. Kenny David, Professor, Spinal Disorders Surgery on 8th July, 2018.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved members of the family at this time of sorrow and loss.

One day CME and a workshop on 'Cerebral Physiology and its Clinical Applications'



The Department of Anaesthesia conducted a CME and a workshop on 'Cerebral Physiology and its Clinical Applications' on June 16th, 2018 at Jacob Chandy and CK Job hall, Paul Brand building.

The event was made possible by the efforts of Dr. Sajan Philip George, organising chairman, Dr. Ramamani Mariappan, organising secretary, Dr. Karen Jacob, co-organising secretary and

Dr. Georgene Singh, scientific committee chairman. There were eight major lectures, taken by both internal and external faculty on various topics such as cerebral blood flow and autoregulation, cerebral metabolism and protection, intracranial pressure physiology and its clinical relevance, neuromuscular physiology and its clinical applications, brain heart interaction, osmotherapy – its basis and current concepts, sodium imbalances in neurosurgical patients and physiological changes with positioning in neurosurgery. At the end of the sessions a CME manual with detailed write-up on the sessions were distributed to the delegates.

The post lunch workshop had discussions on exposure to invasive and non-invasive cardiac output monitoring, ECG guided central venous cannulation, practical aspects of pulmonary artery catheter placement, newer modes of mechanical ventilation and uses of ultrasound in the neurosurgical intensive care unit.

Following this the post-graduate quiz programme which was conducted as the grand finale of the CME had many enthusiastic participants from various medical colleges. The winning team was Dr. Arlin Baby Thomas and Dr. Steffi Chinnu Johns from Christian Medical College, Vellore, the second place was bagged by Dr. Rakesh Mohanty and Dr. Roshan Kurien from Christian Medical College, and the third place was won by Dr. Dilli Rakesh and Dr. Pranathi from Chengalpattu Medical College.

The Workshop and CME gave an insight into the applications of cerebral physiology in the field of Neuro-anaesthesia and was a great success.

Dedication of Housing and Accommodation Services at CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus

The dedication of the foundation of the middle level and senior doctors' quarters and the working women's hostel at the CMC, Vellore Chittoor campus, took place on 29th June, 2018. The programme began with prayer followed by the unveiling of the plaques of the buildings by the council chairman, Bishop Sahu. The buildings will accommodate clinicians towards the end of this year; and nursing and technical lady staff towards the beginning of the coming year. This first major housing project is located on a hill three hundred feet above surrounding plains of the North campus. Much care has been taken during the process so as to not disturb the biodiversity, flora and the fauna of the surrounding area and the opposite side of the hill which is the home for deer, rabbits and multiple species of birds. The master planners and the biodiversity teams were appreciated for their meticulous inputs in preserving the environment.



The felicitations for the event were given by the former directors, Professor Joyce Ponniah, Professor Suranjan Bhattacharji and Professor J.V. Peter, Director. The Associate Director for the Chittoor campus extended special thanks to former directors, Dr. Suranjan and Dr. Sunil Chandy and the former Associate directors Dr. Raju Titus and Dr. John Muthusamy for passing on a legacy that has borne fruit.

The programme ended with a tree planting ceremony followed by hoisting of the flag and the singing of the college song. The video of the dedication can be accessed at <https://youtu.be/v1SPmzKFbfi> and photographs can be viewed at the following link https://drive.google.com/open?id=1_0RwVOG17VOkIkW8F-juJR0ui60Yuixp

Developments from the Missions Department: Formation of the Missions Desk

Mission hospitals and Mission Organizations, find CMC, Vellore as the final destination to refer their staff or patients. The medical care here being one of utmost excellence, most of the referrals return home with a positive feedback. But to make the journey a smoother experience, most people have suggested a system which will streamline the process, to help the patients in an even better way. This is an added benefit for their existence within our network and will help the hospitals to develop good relations in their respective regions. The solution put forward after various discussions is the formation of a MISSIONS DESK at the Mission Department, Directorate. This is in a nascent stage and is evolving. MUT Vellore has come forward to make one of the missionaries to be available at the desk, for this task.

The Desk is located at the Missions Department, Directorate Extension, 1st Floor, Main Building and can be contacted by Email: missiondesk@cmcvellore.ac.in or 0416-2286229 during the office hours. It is a humble request that the good work which is already being done by many be continued and extended through the Mission Desk, for those working in difficult regions and needing tertiary care.

A glimpse into the CMC Coffee Table Book: *Healing for the Nations*



Swimming Against the Tide.... (Page 72)

CMC Vellore has a history of swimming against the tide and avoiding competition with private, corporate entities. As an institution and a community, CMC has never been concerned about maintaining a 'market position', a business parameter determined by profit statements and media ratings which are relevant, but only up to a point.



CMC considers itself a missionary organisation with a mandate for service to the needy, disadvantaged and downtrodden. CMC, which has seen spectacular growth in the recent past, does not foster self-promotion but stands for the propagation of the core values of its health mission which it zealously seeks to nurture, protect and propagate through action...CMC seeks to stand in the gap in the face of increasing lacunae in the national health care strategy to meet such contemporary crises.



Subsidised Medical Education... (Page 98)

In 2018, CMC celebrates 100 years of its experience in medical education. This is the only institution, apart from Christian Medical College, Ludhiana and Kolkata Medical College, that has such long years of experience in medical education.



CMC'S ethos and approach to medical education is at variance with the existing and upcoming models in India... A culture has been created among doctors to use their skills to earn money for their own survival, leave alone well-being. CMC takes an alternative approach, that of subsidising medical education so that students are released from the burden of fees but trained rigorously and conscientised to have social obligations to provide healthcare to the poor and marginalised.

Students are empowered and released to choose an altruistic practice of medicine, often in the neglected regions from which they themselves came... Any medical student who has studied in CMC, rich or poor, who is a beneficiary of this low-fees' privilege, realises that some poor patients have a role to play in his education... A spirit of service emerges and grows which may be profound enough to make him a lifelong



missionary who seeks to help the poor. When an entire institution is full of such inspired workers, it converts into the 'service before profit' financial model that CMC swears by.

The copies of the book are available at the Directorate. Contact : 0416 - 2286103.



Congratulations !

- **Dr. V. Balaji**, Professor, Department of Clinical Microbiology has been awarded the “Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians (London)”.
- **Ms. Yamuna Devi Bakthavatchalam**, PhD scholar, Department of Clinical Microbiology has been awarded the Royal Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene (RSTMH) grant for her research project titled “In-vitro activity and pharmacodynamic interaction of Cefixime-Azithromycin and Ceftriaxone-Azithromycin against Salmonella Typhi”. She has won this prestigious early career award from among 624 applicants from 52 countries.
- **Dr. Anika Amritanand** presented her study on ‘Validity of trained community health volunteers in identification and appropriate referral of persons with ocular morbidity’ done with the partnership of ChristoffelBlinden Mission at the 14 th Annual Conference of the ‘Vision 2020, The Right to Sight, India’ held in Guwahati on the 9th and 10th of June 2018. This year’s theme was ‘Advocacy and Inclusive partnership for eye health’. She received the best paper award for the session on ‘Sharing Knowledge Repository: towards organisation’s sustainability and growth’.
- **Dr. Albert Abhinay Kota**, Senior Registrar (Final Year M.Ch. Vascular Surgery) won the “Excellent Abstract Presentation Award” at Charring Cross International Symposium 2018, held at London from 24th – 27th April, 2018.
- **Dr. Preyander Thakur**, Senior Registrar was awarded 1st Prize in Oral Presentation for the Topic-'Bone health in elderly men from rural southern India -A cross sectional study' at the 5th Annual Conference of Endocrine Society of Tamil Nadu and Puducherry (TREND-2018).
- The following students were awarded prizes / medals at the University Convocation held on 8th July 2018.
Dr. Shaikh Atif Ibal Ahmed The T.N.Dr.M.G.R. Medical University Medal – **DM Neurology**
Dr. Kalra Parika Amar Dev The T.N.Dr.M.G.R. Medical University Medal – **DM Gastroenterology**
Dr. Benjamin Jeyanth Ross The T.N.Dr.M.G.R. Medical University Medal – **DM Neonatology**
Dr. Bankar Aniket Rajiv The T.N.Dr.M.G.R. Medical University Medal – **DM Clinical Haematology**
Dr. Anil Satyaraddi The T.N.Dr.M.G.R. Medical University Medal – **DM Endocrinology**
Dr. Saurabh Jaisawal The T.N.Dr.M.G.R. Medical University Medal – **DM Hepatology**
Dr. Aureen Ruby D’ Cunha The T.N.Dr.M.G.R. Medical University Medal – **MCh. Paediatric Surgery**

To be continued...

Retirements

Mr. T. Ebinezer, Sr. Secretary, General Pathology retired on 15th June, 2018 after 37 years of dedicated service to the institution. His wife, Mrs. Clara Swarnalatha is a teacher in Government School, Vellore. They have two sons. Their elder son, Mr. Christopher Immanuel is doing 2nd year M.B.A. in Anna University and the youngest son, Mr. Christopher Daniel is a second year B.O.T student.



Mr. Immanuel Susikaran, Senior Hospital Attendant, Department of Pharmacy Services retired on 16th June, 2018 after 35 years of dedicated service to the institution. He worked in OP Pharmacy, M-stores, Pharmacy Office and in Manufacturing Division. He has two daughters and a son. His elder daughter, Mrs. Rosy Esther Rani is a staff nurse in MICU and younger daughter, Ms. I. Ambiga is undergoing training in PM office and his son, Mr. Isaac is working in a private firm in Vellore.



Mr. R. Kirubakaran, Senior Hospital Attendant, Department of RUHSA retired on 7th July, 2018 after 37 years of dedicated service to the institution. He has two sons. His elder son, Mr. Sanjeevi Kumar is a Hospital Attendant at SICU and youngest son, Mr. Santhosh Kumar is a Hospital Attendant at A Block.

CMC community is thankful for their significant years of service to the institution and wishes them God’s blessings in their retired life.

Obituary : Miss. Thomson Erna Marlienne



• **Miss. Thomson Erna Marlienne** has gone to be with the Lord on July 09, 2018, in Adelaide, South Australia at the age of 84. A trained nurse from Royal Adelaide Hospital, Adelaide. Miss. Thomson joined the Christian Medical College and Hospital as a Missionary in 1964 through Friends of Vellore, Australian Board. She was appointed as Ward Sister on October 4, 1964 in Women's surgical ward; in 1965 she was posted in M ward and in the year 1969 was promoted as Department Sister. She completed Diploma in Nursing Administration in College of Nursing, Melbourne in 1974 and was appointed as Assistant Nursing Superintendent and In-service Education Coordinator in 1976.

Apart from her skills as an excellent nurse, she was also a good teacher. She took classes in administration, time management and work simplification from 1976 to 1992. She helped in organizing a new CSSD at CMC and in St. Stephen's Hospital, New Delhi. She took care of Neurological wards along with R,U, Q1 west and W wards and voluntarily took over AIDS nursing care programme in our hospital.

Miss. Thomson along with Miss. Ann Bothamly started Balanilayam Hostel in 1981 to house the children of Christian mission workers who were serving in parts of India with no education system.

Looking back over the years, one can say that she was faithful to the call she answered many years ago. A soul that brought joy and fulfillment to many, and whose legacy will live on forever.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved members of the family at this time of sorrow and loss.

Upcoming Event:

The **Department of Emergency Medicine** is happy to announce the 53rd Early Management of Trauma Course (EMTC) training programme for CMC candidates (Doctors & Nurses) which is to be held on 9th, 10th and 11th, August 2018. As there has been a great demand for the same, seats are restricted to 35 on a first-come-first-serve basis. Registration fee is Rs.5250/-. For further details contact. Mr. Senthil Kumar, Secretary, Department of Emergency Medicine - Phone No. 2225.

Note: Registration will not be entertained after 31st July, 2018.

Situations Vacant

1. Senior Resident with MS (Orthopaedics) for the Department of Orthopaedics Unit-III

Salary scale : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

2. Senior Resident with MD (Pharmacology) for the Department of Pharmacology and Clinical Pharmacology Unit

Salary scale : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

Apply with bio-data, certificates and testimonial copies with contact phone number, e-mail ID and address to the Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore – 632 002, email : princi@cmcvellore.ac.in on or before **July 20, 2018** for Item 1 and **July 28, 2018** for Item 2.

3. One year Clinical Physiotherapy Therapist for the Department of PMR (PT)

Eligibility : BPT Graduate from IAP recognized College/ University. Should have completed six months of rotatory internship.

Experience : Less than 4 years after completion of internship.

Age limit : Less than 30 years.

Monthly stipend : Rs.9,620/-. Accommodation not provided.

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Apply with resume, including dates of work experience, contact numbers, postal address and email ID, photocopies of work experience and other relevant certificates to the Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore – 632 002. Last date for submission of applications is **July 21, 2018** for item 3.

4. Senior Research Fellow for the Department of Medical Oncology **Job Code: 1250**

Qualification : GATE / NET qualified M.Sc. in life sciences (preferably Biotechnology) or M.Sc. in life sciences with two years of research experience in a Government of India funded project.

Mode of appointment : Project mode. Age : Below 40 years.

Salary: As per norms of the DST. Accommodation not provided.

5. Research Assistant for the Department of Clinical Microbiology **Job Code: 1258**

Qualification : M.Sc. Biotechnology - Preferably experience with typing in Tamil and English.

Mode of appointment : Project mode. Salary: As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

Download application from this link: <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu/> → General → Vacancies → Application Form for Project Staff. The print out of the application with certificates and testimonial copies should be sent to either by soft copy (Email: princi.hr@cmcvellore.ac.in) or by hard copy to the Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore - 632 002 on or before **July 20, 2018** for Items 4 and 5.

Note: Please mention the Job Code in the application form. The application without Job Code will not be accepted.

6. Senior Resident / Assistant Professor / Assistant Physician / Associate Professor/ Associate Physician with MD Pathology or MD Transfusion Medicine with Diploma in Clinical Pathology (DCP) from a recognized university for CMC Vellore Chittoor Campus

Remuneration and accommodation will be provided as per the rules.

The CMC Vellore Chittoor laboratory is in need of consultants who will be responsible for the laboratory operations functioning under the Department of Transfusion Medicine, CMC Vellore. The lab functions as a core lab providing 24 x 7 services to the patients at CMCV Chittoor Hospital and performs a wide variety of Clinical Pathology, Haematology and basic microbiological and virology tests. There is also a Technician Training programme being offered from this laboratory.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on the <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> link “Vacancies” or email to dir.chittoor@cmcvellore.ac.in with all testimonials and certificates on or before **July 31, 2018** for Item 6.

7. Manager Gr.I (Finance & Accounts) for the Department of Accounts

Qualification : ACA/ ACMA with 12 years post qualification experience in a senior position.

Salary: As per institutional rules.

Apply with bio-data, certificates and testimonial copies with contact phone number, e-mail ID and address to the Director on or before **July 25, 2018** for Item 7.

8. Schieffelin Institute of Health - Research & Leprosy Centre, Karigiri invites applications for the following posts :

(a) **Paediatrician** - Qualifications : MD / DCH (Paediatrics)

(b) **Orthopaedic Surgeon** - Qualifications : MS (Ortho.) or D.Ortho.

(c) **Pathologist (Full time / Part time)** - Qualifications : MD Pathology

(d) **Medical Officer** - Qualifications : MBBS.

(e) **Assistant Professor** - Qualifications : Master of Prosthetics & Orthotics with 2 years experience or Bachelor of Prosthetics & Orthotics with 10 years experience.

Apply with bio-data along with photocopies of certificates and a demand draft for Rs.50/- in favour of “SIH-R&LC., Karigiri” addressed to the Director, SIH-R&LC., Karigiri, Pin - 632 106. Email : director@karigiri.org Website : www.karigiri.org

Last date for receipt of applications is **June 21, 2018** for items 8(a), 8(b), 8(c), 8(d) and 8(e).