

**Minutes of JIPMER Scientific Advisory Sub-Committee  
(Held on 27<sup>th</sup> January, 2014)**

The First Meeting of JIPMER Scientific Advisory Sub-Committee (JSASC) for the year 2014 was held in the Seminar Room, Dept. of Medical Education, JIPMER Academic Center, **on 27<sup>th</sup> January** at 9.30 AM, under the Chairmanship of Dr. S. C. Parija, Dean (Research), JIPMER.

The following members attended the meeting:

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| 1. Dr. S.C. Parija, Dean (Research)  | Chairman         |
| 2. Dr. G. K. Pal, Professor & Head, Department of Physiology                     | Member Secretary |
| 3. Dr. Santosh Kumar, Professor & Head, Department of Urology                    | Member           |
| 4. Dr. Ajit Sahai, , Professor & Head, Dept. of Biometrics & Medical Informatics | Member           |
| 5. Dr. D. M. Thappa, Professor of Dermatology                                    | Member           |
| 6. Dr. Dr. Gautam Roy, Professor & Head, Dept. of PSM                            | Member           |
| 7. Dr. T.K. Dutta , Professor & Head, Dept. of Clinical Hematology               | Special Invitee  |

The following agenda-items were discussed.

1. Dr. S. C. Parija, Chairman of JSASC, welcomed the members of JIPMER Scientific Advisory Sub-Committee
2. Dr. G. K. Pal, Member Secretary, presented the minutes of the last meeting, which was approved by the members.
3. Seven proposals were presented and discussed (Details attached herewith, Annexure-I).
4. It was pointed out that, as per earlier discussion, all PhD proposals except the ones meant for extramural funding, should be presented in the JIPMER Scientific Advisory Sub-Committee and this information should be intimated to all guides. The members of the committee felt that for PhD proposals, the student should present the proposal instead of the guide.
5. The discussion on proposals continued up to 11.30 AM. Meeting ended with Vote of thanks proposed by Dr. G. K. Pal.

Dr. S. C. Parija  
Chairman, JSASC

Dr. G. K. Pal,  
Member Secretary, JSASC

To:

- All Principal Investigators of the Project
- Members of JIPMER Scientific Advisory Sub-Committee

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- Director, JIPMER, for information
- P. S. to Dean (Research), for information

## **ANNEXURE- I**

### **Details of Decision on 07 Proposals Presented in JIPMER Scientific Advisory Sub-Committee Meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> January, 2014**

#### **Proposal No. 1**

Title: "Antimicrobial resistance and molecular epidemiology of clinical and carrier isolates of Group A beta hemolytic streptococci"

Principal Investigator: Dr. S. Sujatha, Professor, Dept. of Microbiology

Co-Investigators: 1. Tintu Abraham, PhD Scholar, Dept. of Microbiology

The proposal was approved, subject to following minor modifications:

1. The word ' molecular epidemiology' in the title and objectives of the proposal should be changed to 'molecular characterization'.

The changed title of the proposal as recommended by DC, was accepted by the JSASC.

For the final approval to be accorded, the PI is advised to resubmit two copies of the revised proposal within a week to Dr. G. K. Pal, Member Secretary, incorporating the suggestions as given above.

#### **Proposal No. 2**

Title: "Determination of serum antibody titers against influenza viruses among patients with chronic respiratory diseases"

Principal Investigator: Dr. S. Sujatha, Professor, Dept. of Microbiology

Co-Investigators: 1. Dr. T. Kadiravan, Asst. Professor, Dept of Medicine  
2. Mrs. Nandhini, PhD Scholar, Dept. of Microbiology

The proposal was **approved**

#### **Proposal No. 3**

Title: "Maternal ascites and pregnancy outcome in Pre-eclampsia – A prospective cohort study"

Principal Investigator: Dr.J.Yavana Suriya, S/R, Dept. of Obstetrics & Gynecology

Co-Investigators: 1. Dr. Anish Keepanasseril, Asst Professor, Dept. of OG  
2. Dr. Manikandan. K, Asst Professor, Dept. of Obstetrics & Gynecology  
3. Dr. Dileep Kumar Maurya, Asst Professor, Dept. of OG  
4. Dr. Veena, Asst Professor, Dept. of Obstetrics & Gynecology  
5. Dr. Soundara Raghavan S, Professor & Head, Dept. of OG

The proposal was approved, subject to following modifications:

1. Selection of cases should be done by the randomization from the eligible population.
2. The type of study should be changed to 'follow-up study' instead of 'Prospective cohort study'.
3. As the type of study is changed to follow up study, the title should accordingly be changed.

4. It should be mentioned that the sample size will be recalculated based on the interim analysis of relative risk.

For the final approval to be accorded, the PI is advised to resubmit two copies of the revised proposal within one week to Dr. G. K. Pal, Member Secretary, incorporating the suggestions as given above.

#### **Proposal No 4**

Title: "Coverage and Adherence to weekly iron folic acid supplementation (WIFS) among adolescents in urban and rural field practice areas of JIPMER, Puducherry"

Principal Investigator: Dr. S. Kalaiselvi, S/R, Dept. Of Preventive and Social Medicine

Co-Investigators: 1. Dr. C. Palnival, Asst. Professor, Dept. of PSM

2. Dr. Subitha Lakshmi Narayanan, Asst. Professor, Dept. of PSM

3. Dr. Gautam Roy, Professor & Head, Dept. of PSM

The proposal was approved, subject to following minor modification:

1. The study should be conducted from the month of May to November, instead of starting from March as this may affect the study of the students who will be writing final examination. It should be mentioned in the study protocol.

For the final approval to be accorded, the PI is advised to resubmit two copies of the revised proposal within one week to Dr. G. K. Pal, Member Secretary, incorporating the suggestions as given above.

#### **Proposal No 5**

Title: "Evaluation of Health status and occupational health hazards amongst the workers engaged in salt production in Vedaranyam, India."

Principal Investigator: Dr. C. Palnival, Asst. Professor, Dept. of PSM.

Co-Investigators:

1. Dr. M. S. Rajan, Medical Advisor, M. S. Swaminathan Research Foundation, Vedaranyam.

2. Dr. Gautam Roy, Professor & Head, Dept. of PSM

3. Dr. Kapil Yadav, Asst. Professor, Center for Community Medicine, AIIMS, New Delhi.

4. Dr. P. Chandrakanth S. Pandav, Professor & Head, Center for Community Medicine, AIIMS, New Delhi.

5. Dr. Soumya Swaminathan, Director, National Institute for Research in Tuberculosis, Chennai.

The proposal has to be submitted to full JSAC as this is a multi-centric study of collaborative research having co-investigators from other institutes.

#### **Proposal No. 6**

Title: "Prevalence of Catatonia in General inpatient Psychiatry Services"

Principal Investigator: Dr. Siddharth Sarkar, S/R, Dept. of Psychiatry

Co-Investigators: 1. Dr. Sreekanth Sakay S/R, Dept. of Psychiatry  
2. Dr. Shivanand Kattimani, Associate Professor, Dept. of Psychiatry  
3. Dr. Ravi Philip Rajkumar, Associate Prof., Dept. of Psychiatry

The proposal was **approved**

**Proposal No. 7**

Title: "Assessing risk factors for the development of Venous Thromboembolism (VTE) in surgical patients using Adapted Carpini Scoring System"

Principal Investigator: Dr. Vikram Kate, Professor, Dept. of Surgery

Co-Investigators: 1. Dr. Pankaj Kundra, Professor & Head, Dept of Anaesthesiology  
2. Dr. Suresh Kumar S, Asst. Professor, Dept. of Surgery  
3. Dr. Mahalakshmiy T, Asst. Professor, Dept. of P&SM  
4. Dr. Kancham Bilgi, J/R, Dept of Anaesthesiology  
5. Dr. Arun Kumar, J/R, Dept. of Surgery

The proposal was approved with the suggestion that the investigators should do the interim assessment of the reliability of adapted Caprini scoring. This should be mentioned in the study protocol.

For the final approval to be accorded, the PI is advised to resubmit two copies of the revised proposal within one week to Dr. G. K. Pal, Member Secretary, incorporating the suggestions as given above.

Dr. G. K. Pal,  
Member-Secretary, JSASC