

7th NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON 'PRENATAL DIAGNOSIS AND THERAPY (ISPAT)'

The 7th ISPAT conference and workshop for antenatal genetic procedures is planned to provide time and space to the demand of current, past and future of genetic disorders and its management.

The meeting is currently planned to have 20–25 invited lectures, technology sessions, clinical management of genetic disorders and exhibits and posters. We are expecting as many as 500–600 delegates.

- Place : Ahmedabad
Date : 23–25 January 2004
Venue : Sheth V.S.Hospital (for workshop) and FRIGE, Genetic Centre (23 January 2004), Hotel Grand Bhagwati (for Conference: 24–25 January 2004)
Topics of the conference : Chromosomal disorders; Inborn errors of metabolic disorders; Molecular basis of inherited disorders; Molecular cytogenetics; Ethics in genetic/genetic counselling; Preimplantation genetic diagnosis; Imaging techniques in prenatal diagnosis; Cloning and stem cell research; Human genome diversity; Gene therapy.
Registration and Abstract submission: Please contact the Secretariat
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AIBA AWARDS FOR 2002–2003

All India Biotech Association (AIBA), New Delhi instituted during 1997–98 two annual awards – one for an individual scientist and the other for an industrial unit. So far, five awards under both the categories for the years 1997–98, 1998–99, 1999–2000, 2000–2001 and 2001–2002 have been given on the occasion of annual sessions of AIBA.

For Industrial Units, the AIBA awards are considered for Biotechnology innovation including launching of a new product as a result of indigenous Research and Development. It can also be granted for export performance or concept promotion. For individual scientists, the award is given for developing a new product through R&D work, which can be commercially exploited or which has already been commercialized. This can also be considered for the best published paper in a particular year. Up to three Awards for individual scientists in the field of agriculture, industrial products and healthcare are generally considered. The selections for grant of AIBA awards are done by a Selection Committee comprising of eminent scientists/experts in the field of Biotechnology.

Entries for grant of AIBA awards for 2002–03 under the two categories, in prescribed form, may be sent to **Mr U. N. Malik, Secretary, All India Biotech Association, 'VIPPS CENTRE', 2, Local Shopping Centre, Block EFGH, Masjid Moth, Greater Kailash – II, New Delhi 110 048**. Prescribed forms shall be sent on demand – fax no. 011-6469166 or e-mail: unmalik@aibaonline.com.

Individual scientists and industrial units shall be considered for grant of AIBA awards only if they enrol as AIBA members (if not already done). Membership application form shall also be sent along with the prescribed entry forms.

Last date for submission of entries is 31 August 2003.