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Academic Year: 2023-2024

Sl.	Event Report- Department of Pharmacology
No. 1	Name & Level of Event:
	Guest Lecture on "Alternatives to Animal Experiments"
	National Level
2	Background / Introduction
	National Pharmacology Day was celebrated on 17-8-2023 the birth anniversary of Dr Ram Nath Chopra to honor his achievements and contributions to the field of Pharmacology. A Guest Lecture on "Alternatives to Animal Experiments" was organised on this day and hosted on Microsoft teams platform from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. The program started with a brief introduction regarding the current status of Animal Experiments by Dr. Arun Hebbar J N, Assistant Professor. Dr Raghu M N, Associate Professor, welcomed patrons, resource person, all faculty and delegates.
	Dr Bhuvana, Professor and HoD, introduced Dr. Sharath B, Deputy Director, Internal Quality Assurance Cell Yenepoya (Deemed to be University) Mangalore. The session began by exemplifying the three R's (Reduce, Replace and Refine), which are guiding principles for the ethical usage of animals for research. He elaborated on animal studies' justification, purpose, strengths and weaknesses. The scope of toxicity testing in Drugs, Food additives, Cosmetics, Industrial chemicals. and any chemical substance that comes into contact with humans were explained. The example of Cough syrup poisoning, which led to the death of > 100 children in the USA in 1936 by the inappropriate solvent (glycol), was highlighted. The list of common toxicity tests used were enumerated.
	The various alternatives to animal experiments were explained. Reconstructed human epidermis (artificial skin) and its usage to test strong irritants was elaborated. The procedure of using Balb/c 3T3 cells to test photo toxicity and the chemical method using Direct Peptide Reactivity Assay was highlighted. The Ocular irritation: In vitro using In vitro Macromolecular Degradation Test and Reconstructed human Cornea-like Epithelium was described. Testing for chromosomal damage (genotoxic agent) using the Mammalian Cell Micronucleus Test and Test for gene mutation (mutagen) Ames test was explained. The usage of



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	BALB/c 3T3 cells and Cell transformation assay to measure carcinogenicity was
	described. The limitations of alternatives to animal experiments were highlighted.
	The presentation was concluded by summarizing the topic and stressing the fact
	that, at present, some alternatives to animal experiments are available, but they do
	not support total replacement. However, its scope will expand with future
	validation. The presentation was followed by Vote of thanks by Dr Arun Hebbar JN.
3	Venue
	Department of Pharmacology, Sri Devaraj Urs Medical College, Kolar
4	Sponsors
	Sri Devaraj Urs Academy of Higher Education and Research, Kolar
5	Inauguration
	The Guest lecture started with the welcome address by Dr Raghu MN, Associate
	Professor, Department of Pharmacology
6	Speakers / Judges / Chairman / Panel Team
	Speakers
	1. Dr. Sharath B. M.Sc. Ph.D. Deputy Director Internal Quality Assurance Cell
	Yenepoya (Deemed to be University) Mangalore.
7	Participants & Delegates in Number
	95 participants
8	Awards / Prizes
	Nil
9	Valedictory
	Dr Arun Hebbar J N delivered the vote of thanks. He thanked the Patrons and
	Administrative Officers for their support in conducting this event, resource persons
	for their interactive session and the participants for their active involvement and
	queries which made the session interesting.
10	Any Other Information
	Nil

Organizing secretary Dr. Bhuvana K Professor and Head of Pharmacology

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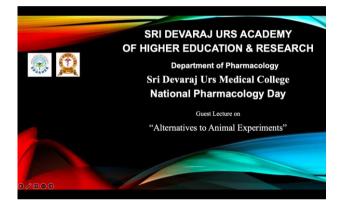
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Photos of Alternatives to Animal Experiments.





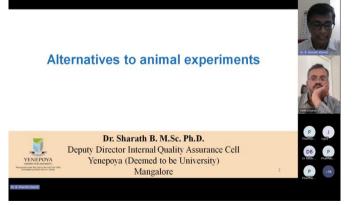
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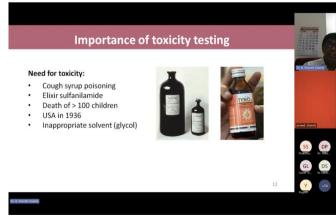
Dr. Sharath B. pursued his Ph.D. from National Chemical Laboratory, Pune with a research fellowship rom the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research

He received Commonwealth Split-Site Ph.D. Scholarship to continue his work at the University of York Structural Biology Laboratory in the United Kingdom

 He continued as a postdoctoral fellow in the Department of Pathology at the University o Washington in the United States









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