

**INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON “EMERGING ROLE OF VITAMIN D IN HUMAN HEALTH”
October 4-5, 2011**

Jointly organised by: Institute of Home Economics, Delhi University, New Delhi; National Institute of Nutrition, Hyderabad and Sitaram Bhartia Institute of Science and Research, New Delhi

Venue: Delhi University Conference Centre, University of Delhi North Campus

PROGRAMME

4th Oct 2011

- 09.00 a.m. – 10.00 a.m. Registration
- 10.00 a.m. – 11.00 a.m. **INAUGURAL SESSION**
Inauguration of the conference by Prof Vivek Suneja, Pro Vice Chancellor, Delhi University
- Opening remarks by Dr Kumud Khanna, Director, Institute of Home Economics, University of Delhi
- Keynote address
Epidemiology of Vitamin D Deficiency
Dr B Sesikeren, Director, National Institute of Nutrition, Hyderabad
- 11.00 a.m. - 11.30 a.m. **Tea**
- 11.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. **TECHNICAL SESSION I: Vitamin D Status across All Ages: Global and Indian Scenario**
Chair: Rajesh Kapur, Adviser, Department of Biotechnology and Dr Umesh Kapil, Professor, Human Nutrition Unit, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi.
- Vitamin D Deficiency -Global Scenario***
Dr Manfred Eggersdorfer, Nutrition Science and Advocacy, DSM, Switzerland
- Vitamin D status in Children, Adolescents, Elderly***
Dr RK Marwaha, Institute of Nuclear Medicine and Allied Sciences, Delhi
- Vitamin D in Pregnancy and Lactation***
Dr V Bhatia, Sanjay Gandhi PGI, Lucknow
- 12.45 p.m. – 1.00 p.m. Discussion
- 1.00 p.m. – 1.45 p.m. **Lunch**
- 1.45 p.m. – 3.15 p.m. **TECHNICAL SESSION II: Non Classical Functions of Vitamin D**
Chair: Dr Kumud Khanna, Director, Institute of Home Economics, University of Delhi and Dr GS Toteja, Deputy Director General, Indian Council of Medical Research.

Vitamin D Supplementation in Infancy and Health Outcomes

Dr Geeta Trilok-Kumar, Institute of Home Economics, University of Delhi and Dr Suzanne Filteau, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine.

Vitamin D in the Prevention and Treatment of Tuberculosis

Dr Adrian Martineau, Institute of Health Sciences Education, Barts and London School of Medicine and Dentistry.

Role of vitamin D in Muscular Health and Non Communicable Diseases.

Dr Nikhil Tandon, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi.

3.00 p.m. – 3.15 p.m.

Discussion

3.15 p.m. – 3.30 p.m.

Tea

3.30 p.m. – 5.00 p.m. **TECHNICAL SESSION III: Current Issues in Vitamin Nutrition-Defining Vitamin D Deficiency/Sufficiency**

Chair: Dr Prema Ramachandran, Director, Nutrition Foundation of India, New Delhi and Dr R Goswami, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi.

Defining Vitamin D Sufficiency/ Insufficiency/Deficiency Requirements, Dosage and Safety of Vitamin D

Dr Gail Goldberg, MRC Human Nutrition Unit, Cambridge, UK

Vitamin D supplementation, fortification

Dr Ambrish Mithal, Medanta, Gurgaon

5th Oct 2011

9.00 a.m. - 9.30 a.m.

Introduction and summing up of the previous day's presentations

9.30 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.

Research Thrust and Setting Priorities in the Area of Vitamin D Research

9.30 a.m. -11.00 a.m.

Panel discussion I: Improving Vitamin D status in At Risk Populations- Research Needs

Chair: Dr HPS Sachdev, Sitaram Bhartia Institute of Science and Research, New Delhi and Dr Suzanne Filteau, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, London

Rapporteur: Dr Shipra Gupta and Dr Aparna Khara

Panelists: Dr Radha Krishna, Dr RK Marwaha, Dr Nikhil Tandon, Dr Manfred Eggersdorfer

11.00 a.m. -11.30 a.m.

Tea

11.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m.

Panel discussion II: Defining Vitamin D requirements in the Indian Context

Chair: Dr VM Katoch, Director General, Indian Council of Medical Research and Secretary DHR

Rapporteur: Dr Meenakshi Vachher and Ms Neeti Vaid

Panelists: Dr Sesikeren, Dr. Bharati Kulkarni, Dr Gail Goldberg,

Dr Ambrish Mittal, Dr R Goswami.

1.00 p.m. -1.30 p.m.

Valedictory Session

Valedictory address - ***Vitamin D Research: Priorities and Future Direction***

Dr VM Katoch, Director General, Indian Council of Medical Research and Secretary DHR

1.30 p.m. - 2.00 p.m.

Summary and Recommendations of the Workshop

Vote of thanks

2.00 pm onwards

Lunch