

### **JIPMER Participation at Haematocon 2019**

The 60<sup>th</sup> Annual conference of Indian Society of Hematology and blood transfusion (Haematocon 2019), was held at The Taj Palace and organized by AIIMS New Delhi from 7<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> November 2019.

1. Dr. Debdatta Basu, Professor and Head of Pathology, participated in a debate titled “Automated Hemogram is making peripheral smear examination redundant” and spoke against the topic and won the debate. He also chaired a session on Multiple Myeloma.
2. Dr. Rakhee Kar, Additional Professor, Dept. of pathology, gave a lucid lecture on “Diagnosis of ITP: How much to investigate”. She was a judge in an oral presentation session with Dr. Elaine Jaffe, a renowned hematopathologist, who was also the chief speaker at the conference. Dr. Rakhee was awarded the Best Reviewer of the year for the Indian Journal of Hematology and Blood Transfusion (IJHBT). She was also elected as the Vice-President of Indian Society of Hematology and Blood Transfusion (ISHBT). As an associate editor, she participated in the editorial board meeting of IJHBT.
3. Six residents from Dept. of Pathology also attended the conference
  - a. Dr. Subajit Hajra, Post-doctoral fellow in haematopathology presented a poster titled “Aberrant antigenic expression in acute leukaemia: Study from a tertiary care center in Southern India”.
  - b. Dr. Pradeep Arumugam, Senior resident presented an oral paper titled “Dilemma of CD 45 bright expression by flowcytometry in leukemic presentations of lymphoid neoplasms”.
  - c. Dr. Ashwini Prabakaran, final year junior resident presented a poster titled “Acute Promyelocytic Leukaemia, post chemoradiation: Is it therapy-related or de novo second malignancy”.
  - d. Dr. Anandhi A, second year junior resident presented an oral paper titled “E-cadherin, CD71 and Glycophorin A in delineating erythroid lineage in bone marrow trephine biopsy – A study of 111 cases”.
  - e. Dr. Udaya S, second year junior resident presented a poster titled “Dyserythropoiesis in Paroxysmal Nocturnal Hemoglobinuria mimicking congenital dyserythropoietic anemia - a case report”.
  - f. Dr. Sushmitha S, first year junior resident presented a poster titled “Utility of Perls stain on archived bone marrow slide in diagnosing a case of sideroblastic anemia”.
4. Dr. T.K. Dutta, former Professor and Head of Medicine and Clinical Hematology Unit, JIPMER and currently Professor of Medicine at MGMCRI, Puducherry, delivered the prestigious J B Chatterjea Oration on “Factor VIII prophylaxis in India”, based on his vast experience in this field at JIPMER.