ISCCM NewsHeadlines

- Highly successful Criticare 2012
- New editorial board for “Critical Care Communications” pledges to have greater scientific content and more participation from members
- President promises to take “Critical Care to Places”
- Education set to improve rapidly – Indian College of Critical Care Medicine
- Drive to ensure completeness of members database for ISCCM elections
- Call to IDCCM, IFCCM alumni
- Call to members for updating their profile

ISCCM Elections 2012
Appeal Please update your Email ID and Register your mobile phone no with ISCCM

Dear members

Free and fair elections are the foundation of any democratic society. ISCCM elections are now held online only. It is, therefore, imperative that ISCCM has email ids and mobile phone nos. of all its members for registering them on the electoral rolls, you are therefore, requested to please update your email ids and mobile numbers before 30th June 2012. Please visit our website www.isccm.org for downloading the membership update form. All branches have special duty for following this task. I will be in touch with all branch secretaries for this important work.

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Members Election Commission
Dear Reader,

I would like to thank all of you for having given me the opportunity to serve our society. I hope I will be able to work with all of you to uphold the objectives of our society.

As Editor, of Critical care Communications (CCC) it is my duty along with members of the editorial board to take "Critical Care Communications" to greater heights. I urge you to contribute actively.

CCC is now in its fifth year and I hope to introduce changes that will enable greater participation from readers, allow ISCCM members and college alumni to reach out to each other and build a forum not only for sharing news but also for academic discussion.

Elections are round the corner. All communication with ISCCM members will now be electronic. Members who have not yet updated their contact details (email id & mobile number) are earnestly requested to do so as soon as possible. Branch Chairpersons & Secretaries are requested to contact their local members and help in the process of completing our database. The current CCC carries a list of members whose contact details are missing.

Education is at the forefront in ISCCM and with the recently formed Indian College of Critical Care Medicine (ICCM) students & members can look forward to streamlining of our courses, workshops and educational programs. A new initiative, web-based seminar promises to improve teaching for our students. All teachers & students are invited to actively participate.

IDCCM is in its 13th year & IFCCM in its fourth year. This issue carries a list of successful alumni that may not be complete. All successful IDCCM, IFCCM candidates are requested to help us complete this database.

This issue, I hope, will bring back fond memories of the recently concluded Criticare 2012.

Do write to us, your participation & feedback is invaluable and will go a long way in making ISCCM one of the best professional societies in our country.

Critical Care Communications – Future Plans

- **Correspondence Section** – Members can share their experiences, be it a case report, interesting lab or radiological finding, any research they maybe doing or have already done or simply interesting feedback from patients.
- **Student Section** – Guidance from teachers & examiners for approaching various aspects of the IDCCM, IFCCM, FNB and EDIC exams.
- **Advertisement section** – Hospitals can advertise job opportunities to reach out to our members, equipment & pharma industry can advertise their products.
- **Electronic discussion forum** – Changes are planned to make the electronic version of our CCC more interactive in order to facilitate members’ participation.

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Dear Friends,

I must express my gratitude to members of ISCCM for electing me to this coveted position of the President of Indian Society of Critical Care Medicine. I feel extremely honoured and humbled. The society is moving soon into its 3rd decade of existence and it has grown by leaps and bounds during the last two decades. This has been possible by some wonderful planning and execution of plans by founders and past presidents, secretaries and other leaders of the society. This has been a stupendous march of success, growth, and attaining excellence. The democratic structure, traditions and principles have formed the foundation of ISCCM. I take this opportunity to say thanks to them. The society is set for taking a lead at the world fora. While talking of the world, it is important that we continue to strengthen our domestic Critical Care infrastructure be it training and teaching of doctors or nurses, be it promoting Critical Care medicine at all levels or be it research. Thus, the society is moving forward in the next two years with the theme “Taking Critical Care to places”.

Some of the programs that we have planned for the next 2 years include:

To continue to stress on strengthening the ISCCM in terms of constitution, finances, statutory requirements, legal obligations and growth year after year.

Strengthening the ISCCM branches by making a branch constitution and encouraging them to register themselves as branches of ISCCM

Strengthening the Central EC – ISCCM branch relationship,

Regularising all branch election, accounts and auditing processes

Starting MBBS training program

Introducing a formal Nursing Training program by ISCCM

Giving impetus to research initiatives of ISCCM and collaborating with international agencies.

Strengthening Indian college of Critical Care Medicine

Increasing frequency of IJCCM

To establish a SAARC group of Critical Care society.

To establishing more fruitful relationship at international fora, other societies and develop programs of mutual interests and benefit. NRI ISCCM members’ services may be utilized to accomplish this

Constructing a “Standard Operating Procedure book of ISCCM” (The SOP Book) which can be followed in coming times for decision making in ISCCM

Selecting and awarding the best branch, best President and Secretary thorough a structured objective process.

Making at least four new guidelines and reviewing the older ones.

Strengthen the Critical Care Communications - the mouthpiece bulletin of the society

Providing more room for younger Intensivists to present their work in the Annual conference of ISCCM

Assisting weaker branches liberally to organise teaching and training programs.

Celebrating the ISCCM day with slogan Hand Hygiene and Prevent infection

The above are a few programs which we wish to take forward during the coming months and year. There will be many many more ideas which will be considered by EC of the society. Inputs from the members will go a long way in decision making. Encouraged by the feed back and bridging of lot of gap, we will organise a meeting with branch office bearers during Criticare 2013. All Branches must therefore start preparing for this.

Branch constitution may be already in your hands before this bulletin reaches you. You are all requested to hold the sanctity of the same. Thoughtfulness, hardwork, inputs from branch office bearers and EC members have helped draft this document. All branches should hold their elections if they have not done so and register their branches with appropriate authority in their respective states. They must get their accounts audited annually.

Please feel free to communicate with us and we are there to do our very best.

Let us “Take Critical Care to Places” in our country.

Dr. Sandeep Kantor has been appointed ambassador of ISCCM to Oman and will represent interests of ISCCM in Oman as per decision of National Executive of ISCCM on 13th April at Jaipur.
Greetings to all new and old members of ISCCM! Hope many of you avail yourselves of the exciting scientific feast at the 18th annual conference held at Pune. As usual the Pune team did a marvelous job under the leadership of Dr Prayag. There were many firsts at the Pune conference. The organizers had to stop registrations for the conference almost three weeks beforehand and no spot registrations were accepted. An excellent feature film was screened during the inauguration ceremony on the life of the intensivists.

The Pune branch has always set very high standards of hospitality and their organizational skills were evident this time as well.

The first convocation of the Indian College of Critical Care Medicine took place during the Criticare 2012 on the 17th February 2012. Fellows of the college were inducted during this ceremony and our future laureates; the new generation of intensivists - the candidates successful at their IDCCM and IFCCM examinations were awarded their degrees.

This year should also see the first-ever MCI-recognized DM (Critical Care) being offered by several universities, something for which our society has strived for years. This will set our people on equal footing with other specialties in the coming years.

As you are aware the last elections for ISCCM executive body were conducted electronically for the first time last year. The unfortunate thing was that we had correct contact data (e-mail addresses and mobile nos.) only for about 3000 members. I urge all those members whose contact data is incorrect to rectify this, so as to participate in the coming elections in August and also receive other communications from the center.

ISCCM will launch it’s Post MBBS course this July in the centers which have been accredited for more than three years for IDCCM and hopefully this will rectify the woeful shortage of trained manpower for Critical Care in India.

With warm regards
Dr. Atul Kulkarni

ISCCM New Branches Approved

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In Indian College of Critical Care Medicine and the duly constituted board formed under the aegis of ISCCM conducted the first convocation at the ISCCM annual conference held at Pune. On behalf of the College Board, we congratulate all the honorary members who have been awarded fellowship of college of Critical Care Medicine.

The college will now streamline all the educational activities of all the courses being run by ISCCM. Our country needs a large no of physicians trained in Critical Care. Hence the society has taken a decision to start a post MBBS certificate course in Critical Care in addition to other courses. The first batch of students will be taken for training in the month of July.

The first educational activity planned by the college is, a webinar (web-based teaching program) every month starting this month from five centres. The webinar activity will be held on 3rd or 4th Saturday every month from 2 to 5 pm. This will be mandatory for all students to attend. The details of the programme and link will be sent all the students and members. The details are given below.

**Calender of Events**

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The dates of the entire programme will be intimated shortly. If any member has any idea or suggestion to improve education in Critical Care, please write to us.
Dr. N. Ramakrishnan
AB (Int Med), AB (Crit Care), MMM, FACP, FCCP, FICCM, FIICCM
Vice President, ISCCM & Secretary, Indian College of Critical Care Medicine

The Indian College of Critical Care Medicine (ICCCM) has been created to stream line the educational activities of the Indian Society of Critical Care Medicine (ISCCM). All the educational activities including Indian Diploma in Critical Care Medicine (IDCCM) Indian Fellowship in Critical Care Medicine (IFCCM) & the Post-MBBS certificate course will be developed and conducted under auspices of the Indian College of Critical Care Medicine. It will also provide a forum for the development of collaborative practice among the professionals providing Critical Care.

Board
The Board of the College was formed in February 2012 and the charter leadership team whose term would be for two years includes:

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Dr. J. V. Divatia, Mumbai

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Honorary Fellowship (FICCM)
The Indian College of Critical Care Medicine will award honorary fellowship to practitioners, researchers and educators who have made outstanding contributions to the field of Critical Care Medicine based on objective criteria laid down by the college. The college is determined to develop the highest standards of multi-professional education in Critical Care Medicine and also honour individuals whose achievements and contributions have helped to achieve these goals.

The Credentials Committee which was chaired by Dr. G. C. Khilnani reviewed nominations for the honorary fellowship and recognized the contributions of the following members during the first convocation ceremony, that was held in Pune on February 17, 2012:

- Dr. Babu. K. Abraham, FICCM
- Dr. Syed Moed Ahmed, FICCM
- Dr. B. D. Bande, FICCM
- Dr. A. M. Bhagwati, FICCM
- Dr. Dhruba Chaudhry, FICCM
- Dr. Rajesh Chawla, FICCM
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- Dr. Shivakumar. S. Iyer, FICCM
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- Dr. Sandhya Talekar, FICCM
- Dr. Subhasini Timurala, FICCM
- Dr. Subhash Todi, FICCM
- Dr. Sooru Udani, FICCM
- Dr. Rajiv Uttam, FICCM
- Dr. Peter John Victor, FICCM

Honorary fellows whose nominations were accepted (as listed above) but unable to attend the convocation held in February 2012 may receive the honor personally in future convocations within a two year period. Those whose nominations were not accepted this year may:
- Re-apply within a period of three years with any additional documentation as may be appropriate without an additional fee (OR)
- Request a refund of Rs.5,000/- (Rupees Five Thousand only)

Nominations will be requested for 2013 soon. Please visit www.isccm.org for details
The 18th Annual Congress of the Indian Society of Critical Care Medicine & International Critical Care Congress 2012, was held in Pune at the Marriott Hotels & Convention Centre, from February 15th to 19th, 2012. The event brought together an mixed audience of 2650 eminent national & international Intensivists, Anesthesiologists, Pulmonologists, Pediatricians & Chest Physicians with an interest in Critical Care & emergency medicine from Asia and the rest of the world. Delegates from India, Nepal, Srilanka, Bangladesh, Abu Dhabi, Canada, Qatar, Australia, United Kingdom and other countries attended the conference.

A number of international societies including the Society of Critical Care Medicine, the World Federation of Societies for Critical Care Medicine and WINFOCUS participated in this congress.

The overwhelming response from departments resulted in us having to close registrations 15 days before the conference, for a first for any ISCCM conference. It was also the first ISCCM conference to have CME credit points from the Maharashtra Medical Council and also the first to have been webcast live at different venues all over India. Dr. Arvind Bhome & Dr. Kayanoosh Kadapatti and others in the editorial team worked really hard to put together the theme book Criticare 2012 which pictorially depicts the journey of critical care over the last fifty years and also includes the growth of ISCCM (especially the Pune branch) over the last 20 years.

**Workshops Criticare 2012**

This year all 16 workshops had been booked to full capacity. The registrations for workshops had to be closed one month prior due to overwhelming response. A total of 16 workshops at 4 different venues were conducted with emphasis given to hands on training and important skills wherever required. Dr. Prasad Rajhans & Dr. Sameer Jog coordinated all the workshops with the help of workshop co-ordinators. Many workshops including ACLS, ATLS, FCCS, BASIC, basic Pediatric Intensive Care course, Ultrasound in Critical Care, advanced airway management, mechanical ventilation & hemodynamic monitoring, were standard features as in previous conferences. Some workshops including neuro-critical care, infection control, “research appraisal, methodology and publication”, acute kidney injury, respiratory care for physiotherapists were thoughtfully designed especially for Criticare 2012 keeping in mind the multidisciplinary and multi-professional nature of intensive care. A number of nurses and physiotherapists also participated in these workshops

**Advanced Cardiac Life Support Course (ACLS)**

It was conducted at Symbiosis Institute of Health Sciences (SIHS). The course director was Dr. Pinaki Sengupta. The instructors were Dr. Jyoti Gulati, Dr. Shilpa Kulkarni, Dr. Tanima Baronia, Dr. Rajesh Ursekar, Dr. Venkatesh Dhat, Dr. Damanjit Duggal, Dr. Gopal Bahurupi, Dr. Madhav Dharme, Dr. Kaustubh Sodani

**Fundamentals of Critical Care Support (FCCS)**

This year it was 61st FCCS provider and Instructor course. Under the able leadership of Dr. N. Rungta, the course director Dr. M. Munjal successfully conducted the course with the help of local course coordinator Dr. Balasaheb Pawar. A total of 45 delegates attended the course. The course included lecturers by Eminent national faculty Dr. N. Rungta, Dr. P. Amin, Dr. P. Bhattacharya, Dr. Prakash Shastri, Dr. S. Dhanuka, Dr. Suhasan, Dr. Kundan Mittal and other national faculty. All the delegates had practiced skills on the hands on stations and learned fundamentals of mechanical ventilation.

**Mechanical Ventilation**

This was one of the most popular courses of the conference. Pune of course has special expertise in mechanical ventilation workshops. 132 delegates were educated on various aspects of mechanical ventilation with the help of lectures, group discussions and skill stations. Course director Dr. Rajesh Pande conducted this course with the help of co-ordinator Dr. Manish Pathak. Eminent faculty from all over India taught fundamentals of mechanical ventilation and updated on the recent developments in the field of mechanical ventilation. All the delegates received the excellently collated ISCCM Pune branch workshop manual on both Basic and Advanced Mechanical Ventilation. The response from the participants was overwhelming. The faculty included Dr. Dhruv Choudhary, Dr. Balasaheb Bande, Dr. Jiji Divatia, Dr. Edger Jimenez, Dr. Rajan Barokar, Dr. Aishit Hegde, Dr. Ravindra Mehta, Dr. Rajesh Chawala, Dr. Harjit Dumra, Dr. Vijay Deshpande.

**Haemodynamic Monitoring**

This workshop followed the format of the extremely popular ISCCM Mumbai branch and Tata Memorial Hospital hemodynamic monitoring workshop and was conducted over two days with active participation of 55 delegates and 13 national faculty members. Course director Dr. Vijaya Patil and Dr. Jyoti Shendge co-ordinated locally. The faculty included Dr. S. Todi, Dr. Ramsubban, Dr. Aishit Hegde, Dr. J. Kothari, Dr. Nayana Amin, Dr. Simran Singh, Dr. S. Iyer, Dr. S. Ray, Dr. S. Dewan, Dr. A. Jahagirdar, Dr. J. Shendge. All the participants enjoyed the workshop.

**Infection Control**

There were 58 participants including Critical Care and infection control nursing staff and doctors from all specialties reflecting the multi-professional and multi-disciplinary nature of this important subject. The course director was Dr. Ratna Rao and the local co-ordinator was Dr. Sunita Varghese. All faculty members were experts in the field of Infection Control. The objective of this workshop was to teach participants the importance of infection control in combating rising antimicrobial resistance and importance of antimicrobial stewardship program in the hospital and ICU setting. All participants received an excellent workshop manual on infection control. The faculty included: Dr. Ratna Rao, Dr. Palepu Gopal, Dr. Rajiv Paul, Dr. Munal Sircar, Dr. Ratnamani and Dr. Sampada Patwardhan.

**Neuro-critical care**

Around 50 participants attended this well conducted course. The course director was Dr. K. Kadapatti, who was ably assisted by Dr. Aparna Palepu Gopal, Dr. Rajiv Paul, Dr, Mrunal Sircar, Dr. Ratnamani and Dr. Sampada Patwardhan.
the first time that delegates received hands-on training in bedside EEG monitoring from international faculty that included Dr. Anita Karibteng and Dr. Andrew Naidech. All the participants received workshop manual. The other faculty included Dr. K. Kadapatti, Dr. JMK Murthy, Dr. Prak Shrikhande, Dr. N. R. Ichaporia, Dr. Rahul Kulkarni, Dr. Simran Singh, Dr. Tejal Dravid, Dr. Mukesh Bhatt, Dr. Priscilla Joshi, Dr. Manish Sabnis.

Basic Assessment and Support in Intensive Care (BASIC)

This international course now mandatory for all intensive care trainees in Australia and taught in many other countries highlighting the practical bedside management of acutely ill patients has now become a regular feature of ISCCM conferences. This is the third time that it is being held in succession at the ISCCM national conference. The instructor course was taught by Dr. Charles Comersall himself, the founder of this unique course and Dr. Iyer was director for the provider course. Dr. Anand Tiwari was co-ordinator for this course. Total number of participants were 42. Eminent faculty from all over India delivered lectures on important topics in intensive care and explained basics of intensive care in a very simple language through case-based scenarios. Participants were also taught basics of mechanical ventilation, electrolytes and arterial blood gases at skills stations. Faculty included: Dr. S. Iyer, Dr. Anand Nikalje, Dr. Prashant Nasa, Dr. Shabbar Joad, Dr. Anand Tiwari, Dr. Prashant Nasa, Dr. Urvi Shukla.

Basic Paediatric Intensive Care Course

A joint course of ISCCM paediatric section IAP intensive care chapter, this course is extremely popular among pediatric intensive care trainees in Australia and taught in many other countries. The convenors of the course were Dr Praveen Khilnani, Dr Rajiv Utam, Dr Krishan Chugh. 50 delegates participated in the course. The course covered important aspects of paediatric critical care over a period of two days. The lectures were complemented by skill stations where participants got the opportunity to learn important skills in the management of paediatric critically ill patients. Faculty included Dr Praveen Khilnani, Dr Krishan Chugh, Dr Madhu Otiv, Dr N Choraria, Dr Sachin Shah, Dr Uma Ali, Dr Preetha Joshi, Dr Vinay Joshi, Dr Vinay Patki.

Advanced Airway Management

In this workshop 40 delegates from all over India participated. Course director Dr. Atul Kulkarni along with local coordinator Dr. Tatyasahab Jadhav successfully conducted this workshop. Expert faculty in difficult airway management delivered lectures on various aspects of difficult airway management and participants were allowed to practice various skills required for the management of difficult airway. The faculty were: Dr. A. Kulkarni, Dr. Vishal Kanswalkar, Dr. Sheila Myatra, Dr. Prakash Shastri, Dr. Srinivas Samavedam, Dr. Neena Rungta, Dr. Vaishali Shelgaonkar, Dr. Sandeep Kantor and Dr. Ravi Ghavat.

Acute Kidney Injury

50 delegates participated in this workshop. The director Dr. Rajasekara Chakravarthi along with Dr. Prasad Akole, local co-ordinator conducted this workshop. Eminent faculty from India and abroad delivered lectures and demonstrated fundamentals of CRRT, SLED, PD and PolymyxinB haemoperfusion. Faculty included, Dr. Patrick Murray, Dr. Sachin Soni, Dr. Tarun Jeloka, Dr. Shamik Shah, Dr. Valentine Lobo, Dr. S. Samavedam and Dr. R. Chakravarthy.

Ultrasound in Emergency and critical Care

Ultrasound Life Support – Basic Level 1 Provider Course was conducted by WINFOCUS at KEM Hospital Pune. Course Director Dr. Luca Neri along with local coordinator Dr. Pradeep Dcosta conducted this course. Pune is the first centre in India accredited by WINFOCUS for running this course. 52 Delegates participated in this course. Eminent National and International Faculty delivered lectures and participants had an opportunity to learn lung ultrasound, Focused ECHO, FAST and various other ultrasound techniques in the hands on stations under the supervision of experts in that field. International faculty were Dr. Luca Neri, Dr. Enrico Storti and Dr. Daniel Lichtenstein and the national faculty included Dr. Pradeep Dcosta, Dr. Jayant Shelgaonkar, Dr. Jose Chucko, Dr. Sachin Jagdale, and Dr. Pratibha Patel.

Respiratory Care

Dr. Vijay Deshpande organized this workshop with the help of local coordinator, Dr. Sachin Jagdale. Nearly 50 participants comprising nurses, physiotherapists and doctors attended this course again reflecting the multi-professional nature of our specialty. The participants were educated about various aspects of respiratory care of mechanically ventilated critically ill patient with the help of lectures and practical demonstrations. Faculty included international faculty such as Dr. Vijay Deshpande, Dr. Kalpalatha Guntupalli and eminent Indian faculty like Dr. Chawlra Dr. Toraskar, Dr. Dalal. Many experienced physiotherapists including Eriba Shilla, Ramesh, Nagesh Utekar, Richa Agnihotri, Harsha, Pandu, Arthur, Subbhash and Radhakrishnan also taught in this course.

ECHO

The ECHO workshop was conducted at Dinanath Mangeshkar Hospital, Pune. Course Director Dr. Sandhya Talekar along with Dr. Ashwini Jahagirdar successfully conducted this course. 37 delegates participated in this workshop. Both national and international faculty taught basic ECHO with the help of lectures and hands on technique to all the participants. Rahul Pandit, Ram Rajagopalan Aniket Gadr, Prashant Mishra, Anuja Mulay.

ECMO

In this course held for the first time at a national ISCCM conference, 30 delegates participated and learned various aspects of ECMO as rescue therapy for ARDS. The national faculty led by Dr. Rahul Pandit and Dr. Sameer Jog taught delegates about the A to Z of ECMO including the insertion of cannulae, the equipment required and its management. The faculty included Dr. Rahul Pandit, Dr. Sameer Jog, Dr. Samir Melinder, Dr. Nilesh Juvekar and Mr. Deshpande (a perfusionist from Narayana Hrudayalaya).

Research and Publication

Course director Dr. J V Peter along with local co-ordinator Dr. Jignesh Shah conducted this course. 34 delegates participated in this course. The format of this course was unique and provided each skill station with computers & internet facility resulting in an extremely in-
teractive teaching. All the delegates were taught about the study design, importance of descriptive verses analytical study and how to perform literature search. The other faculty included Dr. Ken Hillman, Dr. Sriiram Sampath, Dr. Atul Mulay, Dr. Jigi Divatia, Dr. Subhash Todi and Mr. Shrivallabh Sane and Ms Veena Joshi (both statisticians from Pune).

The Main Conference Criticare 2012
The main conference was conducted at The Marriot and The Mahratta Chamber of Commerce, and was executed to perfection by the organizing committee led by Dr. Shirish Prayag (Chairperson), Dr. Ajit Yadav (Co-Chairperson) and Dr. Kapil Zirpe (Organizing Secretary) & Dr. Subhal Dixit (Joint Secretary). Registration and reception were competently handled by Dr. Pradeep D’costa and Dr. Lalitha Pillai. Dr. Bande and Dr. Shelgaonkar looked after the exhibition area and the needs of our industry partners. Everybody pitched in for helping at the venue. Dr. PK Joshi & Dr. Deepak Salunke in particular made sure that all delegates were well looked after. All organizing committee members were assigned halls and sessions and made sure that there were no glitches in audiovisuals and ensured that sessions ran on time. The pediatric sessions organized at the Mahratta Chamber of Commerce too went off well, thanks to the Pediatric team including Dr. Navarange, Dr. Otiv, Dr. Sachin Shah, Dr. Lad & others.

Scientific Program
The heart of any conference is the scientific program and it was precisely in this aspect that Criticare 2012 was unique. Dr. Sandhya Talekar, the main architect of this scientific program liaised with the scientific committee headed by Dr. Chawla to create a world class scientific program. Dr. Prayag’s international stature helped bring in many excellent international faculty members and the national faculty was carefully chosen to deliver excellent scientific content. Dr. Shivakumar Iyer and other members of the Scientific Committee Criticare 2012 ably assisted Dr. Talekar in shaping the scientific program.

Morning Scientific Sessions Day 1
The plenary sessions witnessed several important talks covering the entire gamut of Critical Care. On the first day Dr. Cliff Deustchmann spoke on gene therapy for ARDS, Dr. Edgar Jimenez spoke on the use of transpulmonary pressures for managing ARDS and Dr. JJ Rouby elegantly showed us how we can monitor recruitment at the bedside using lung ultrasound and recruitment tools on the ventilator. This was followed by Farhad Kapadia’s excellent talk on the topic “Less is More in Critical Care”. Tracing the history of scientific advances in Critical Care over the last few decades Farhad comes to the conclusion that for most ICU interventions for e.g. O2 therapy, CPR, fluid resuscitation, low tidal volume in MV, sepsis and nutrition to name just a few “less has been shown to be more”. We must remember that physiology is complex & our body heals itself. He goes on to say that it is harder to do nothing than do something. One must use default ICU therapies like CPR, O2-ETT + MV, Fluids-Inotropes-Pressors, RRT and nutrition judiciously and at the same time aim for definitive management of primary illness. He reminds us that it is acceptable not to use proven therapies and to keep our focus on long term clinical outcomes and not on immediate changes & spontaneous recovery. Finally he says that simplicity is the key and it is always the simpler explanation or therapy that is likely to be the correct one. Our first responsibility is “To do no harm”, and for that he says to all intensivists “Don’t just do something stand there”!

Dr. Mitch Levy then highlighted the importance of technological advances and gave us a glimpse into the next generation ICU. The next talk by Dr Ken Hillman on “Dying Safely” points out how dying has become an extremely frightening, expensive and complex affair with most patients dying by default in the ICU setting. He says that this can be remedied only by a paradigm shift in the minds of clinicians and implementing appropriate end of life measures.

1st Time an Inaugural Function with a Theme Feature Film – Resonant Notes
“Resonant notes” was the brain-child of Dr. Shirish Prayag, organizing chairperson Criticare 2012 and was extremely well received by all our international and national attendees. Dr. Kapil Zirpe, Dr. Subhal Dixit and everybody else on the organizing committee also worked extremely hard to make this movie a success. While it is impossible to name everybody who contributed to the making of this film special mention must be made of Mr. Kiran Yedinopavit, renowned director & filmmaker & his dedicated crew who completed the film in record time. The film depicts the day to day travails & ethical dilemmas faced by doctors and their patients in an Indian setting through various case descriptions and reminds us of our responsibility as doctors to both our junior colleagues and our patients. Benjamin Gilani as a renowned senior doctor and Dr. Subodh Bhave as a conscientious young doctor essayed their roles to perfection.

“Bada Hua To Kya Hua, Jaise Ped Khajoor Panthi Ko Chaya Nahin, Phal Lage Atidoo”
Post lunch Sessions Day 1

In the afternoon on Day 1 scientific sessions were held in six parallel halls with an exclusive pediatric hall. Topics included cardiac intensive care, neuro-critical care, infections including a theme session on VAP, hemodynamic monitoring, respiratory critical care including expert’s viewpoint on MV, intensive care nephrology and ethics All talks were excellent with delegates having difficulty in choosing which session to attend.

The session on ethics was especially good with Dr. RK Mani, who gave the delegates an insight on how to practice EOL, followed by Dr. JV Divatia interpreting the Aruna Shanbag case judgment and telling us how EOL in the ICU is different from what was pronounced in the Aruna Shanbag case. The only debate in the conference between Dr. Kapadia & Dr. Ram Rajagopalan had a jam-packed audience listening to whether it is possible to follow an ethical path in our relationship with the industry.

Pediatric Sessions Day 1

The pediatric session opened with 4 talks by renowned Indian speakers. Dr. Sunit Singhi who used his vast experience to speak on acute liver failure followed by Dr. Sooru Udani who highlighted recent advances in pediatric reanimation. The only theme discussion on pediatric poytrauma, followed by case based discussions on hospital acquired infections and the use of appropriate drugs for pediatric intoxication.

ISCCM past President’s oration “Is critical Care Good Work in India”

In this thought provoking talk, Dr. Ram Rajagopalan defines good work as work of high quality, work that is socially responsible and work that is meaningful to the individual worker. A good worker in medicine is one who achieves good work by striving for excellence, by engaging deeply in his or her work, by being ethical and last but not the least by displaying high levels of empathy. Why is good work so rare?, he asks us and then proceeds to trace the causes. He places faltering engagement & misalignment of the goals & aspirations of individual workers and the expectations of our society at the heart of the absence of good work. The “misalignment” he says can be traced to faltering professional standards due to organizational demands and the desire to profit both at an individual & organizational level. A systems solution promoting accountability by identifying critical processes, making checklists, protocols and SOP’s, ensuring documentation and evaluating outcomes is one approach to this problem. But then, he says there are limits to accountability that is put in place primarily to show the outside world how well we are doing. Far better, he says would be to promote a system of responsibility that stems from the desire to do good work irrespective of who is watching, This, he says can only be achieved by lifting professional standards. The responsibility is squarely on all of us as professional leaders of ISCCM to build the culture of “good work”

Plenary Scientific Sessions Day 2

Monitoring in Critical Care is vital and the opening talk by Dr.Pravin Amin highlighted recent advances in monitoring resuscitation. Dr Andrew Naidech then explained the difficulties we face in neuro-monitoring and highlighted why clinical monitoring is still very important. Dr. Patrick Murray then spoke about novel acute kidney injury biomarkers & his research on this topic. Dr. Ram Rajagopalan took us through the various ups and downs’ witnessed by strict glycemic control in the ICU.

Presidential address

Dr. Chawla then addressed the congress and highlighted the important achievements during his tenure as president and also apprised the audience regarding the challenges we face as intensivists. The first electronic election, creation of the Indian College of Critical Care Medicine, e-executive committee meetings, promotion of research, the completion of INDIAPS study and creation of MOU’s with SCCM and WINFOCUS were some of the important points highlighted by him.

ISCCM oration “Comprehending & Battling Superbugs”

Dr. Camilla Rodrigues eminent microbiologist & infection control specialist from PD Hinduja National Hospital delivered the prestigious ISCCM oration Her talk aptly titled “Comprehending & Battling Superbugs” explained lucidly the phenomenon of anti-microbial resistance, the looming threat of a post-antibiotic era with pan-drug resistance demonstrated by some bacteria and the corrective course we can take to try and postpone the inevitable “Bad Bugs No Drugs” scenario. She suggested a two-pronged approach to manage this problem, rational use of antibiotics, antibiotic policy, de-escalation of antibiotics, antimicrobial stewardship, appropriate use of cultures on one hand, and good infection control practices like hand hygiene, vascular & device protocols, and appropriate isolation precautions on the other. All this however depends critically on the individual clinician who needs to make a paradigm shift in prescribing antibiotics and on individual health care personnel who need to embrace good infection control practices as a religion at the patient’s bedside.

Post lunch Sessions Day 2

Several important topics including recent advances in MV, resuscitation, tropical infections, anti-infective therapy, sepsis, nutrition, surgical intensive care/trauma, hepatobiliary and GI tract and organization in ICU were discussed in the afternoon on Day 2. Excellent “Year in Review” talks were also presented by various speakers.

Free papers and posters

The highlight however was the free paper and poster session that gave our young colleagues in ISCCM the chance to showcase their research
work. 28 free papers and 101 posters were presented. All delegates and faculty were highly impressed with the quality of papers and posters.

**Pediatric Session Day 2**

Recent advances in pediatric shock, pediatric tropical infections, pediatric hematology and use of lung and airway ultrasound were discussed in the pediatric sessions on Day 2.

**ISCCM annual general body meeting**

Dr. Atul Kulkarni presented the annual report and then welcomed incoming president Dr. Rungta, president elect Dr. Iyer, Pediatric section chairman Dr. Krishan Chugh, Vice Presidents Dr. Deepak Govil & Dr. N Ramakrishnan, members Dr. Yatin Mehta, Dr. Diprima Agarwal, Dr. Rajesh Pande & Dr. Babu Abraham, zonal members Dr. Suninder Arora (North), Dr. Ranvir Tyagi (Central), Dr. Vijaya Patil (West), Dr. Arindam Kar (East) and Dr. Palepu Gopal (South) to the executive committee. Dr. Rungta then addressed the General body meeting & complimented Dr. Chawla for the excellent work accomplished by the executive committee during his tenure. He also promised to take ISCCM to greater heights and said his focus would be on improving the status of branches & streamlining their functioning. The theme he proposed is "Taking Critical Care to Places" which speaks about his commitment to spread the message of Critical Care to the grass-root level.

**Criticare 2012 Banquet**

The Criticare 2012 Banquet was organized at the Emcure lawns and Criticare 2012 Organizing Committee at the Valedictory Function of Criticare 2012 - Pune

**Awards - CRITICARE 2012**

**Hansraj Nayyar award**

Dr. Nikhil Kothari this year's recipient of the Hansraj Nayyar award then presented his excellent work on the association of TNF alpha gene polymorphism and it's association with increased levels of TNF alpha in sepsis & septic shock.

**Free Paper Category**

**1st Prize** Dr. Prasad Akole

Title: Early application of high frequency oscillatory ventilation in H1N1 influenza related severe ARDS is associated with better outcome

**2nd Prize** Dr. Tara Rawat

Title: Impact of an “AND” (allow natural death) protocol on end of life decisions in an Indian ICU

**3rd Prize** Dr. Monica Patel

Title: Stroke volume variation guided fluid therapy in septic shock and ARDS

**Poster Category**

**1st Prize** Dr. Parul Saraf

Title: Effect of manual hyper-inflation and suctioning on lung compliance in mechanically ventilated patients with adult respiratory distress

**Pre lunch parallel sessions Day 3**

Among the important topics discussed were poisonings peculiar to India, endocrine & metabolic critical care, neuro-critical care, anti-infective therapy & Critical Care research in India. Dr. Jigi Divatia presented Indian data from the MOSAICS study and Dr. Sampath highlighted the importance of constructing an Indian database for ICU research. Dr Jose Chacko discussed the relevance of RCP’s in Critical Care and finally Dr. Ken Hillman enlightened us on the various thorny ethical issues involved in ICU research.

**Post lunch parallel sessions Day 3**

The afternoon on day three usually witnessed a thinning of the delegate crowd, but this time a substantial number of delegates stayed to continue to partake in the academic feast. Topics discussed included hematology, immunology, antibiotic resistance, organ donation, airway management and obstetric critical care.

**Pediatric sessions Day 3**

Case based difficult ventilation, difficult weaning the use of graphics in pediatric MV, and hyponatremia in the pediatric ICU were some of the topics discussed. Dr. Jayant Navarange bringing the pediatric sessions to a close then conducted the valedictory function.

**Critical Care Hot Topics & Valedictory Function Day 3**

It was heartening to note that the hall was full for this last session. Dr. Iyer reviewed the topics discussed during the conference and asked for the views of the esteemed panel on several hot topics. Dr. Charles Comersall spoke about the philosophy of education, Dr. Jigi Divatia highlighted the importance of research, Dr. Todi spoke on his views on education, research and management while Dr. Naidech spoke about monitoring. Dr. Ken Hillman then shared his views and complimented the organizing committee for an excellent conference. He specially praised the film “Resonant Notes”. Dr. Ajit Yadav, Dr. Bhome, Dr. Bande and Dr. Prayag also expressed their views and thanked all speakers & delegates. Dr. Zipre then conducted the valedictory function and prizes for free papers & posters were given. Dr. Zipre also acknowledged the support from our industry partners who had put up a stupendous trade exhibition with participation from 74 companies with 110 stalls and brought down the curtains on one of the best ISCCM conferences so far.
Circular No. 1/2012
Election of Office Bearers and Members of the Executive Committee for 2013-2015

Election of Office Bearers of the Executive Committee for 2012-2013. Members are hereby informed that the following persons will retire in AGM 2013.

- Two Vice Presidents
  Dr. Prasad Rajsins
  Dr. Sunit Singhi
- One Secretary
  Dr. Manish Munjal
- Four Executive Committee Members
  Dr. Vandana Agarwal
  Dr. Jayant Shelgaonkar
  Dr. Prakash Shastri
  Dr. Sudhir Khunteta

Therefore election for the following Office Bearers and elected members of the Executive Committee for 2013-2015 will be held and nominations are hereby invited for them.

1. Two Vice Presidents
2. One Secretary
3. Four Executive Committee Elected Members

4.1 Eligibility

4.1.1 For the post of Vice President and Secretary, the candidate should have been elected and not nominated for 4 (Four) years as follows; on the National Executive Committee for a minimum of 2 (two) terms i.e. total 4 (four) years in the National Executive Committee or 1 (one) term of 2 (two) years in the National Executive Committee and 2 (two) years as office bearer in the City Branch Executive Committee, the 2 terms not running concurrently.

4.1.2 For all other positions, membership of the Society for at least 5 year is mandatory. For re-eligibility to contest election for any post on the National Executive Committee the candidate must have attended at least 2(two) out of the last 4 (four) Executive Committee Meetings held in both years of his/her previous term. In case of such absence the member shall not be eligible to contest elections for one term (i.e. two years) and can contest after this term is over.

4.1.3 No member shall be eligible to seek election for more than 3 tenures as Vice-President, Gen. Secretary, Treasurer, or Elected Member of the Executive Committee.

4.1.4 The President/President-Elect shall not seek election for any position in the Executive Committee after completing his / her tenure. However he / she can be nominated on the executive committee as may be decided by the Executive Committee.

The nomination paper which shall set out the candidate’s name, address and the office for which the candidate is nominated, shall be proposed by one valid member and duly signed by the candidate, signifying his/her willingness to stand for the election and to serve on the Executive Committee if elected. There shall be a separate nomination paper for each candidate, and for each post. These nominations must reach the General Secretary not later than 15th June. For every post, the nomination paper must be accompanied by a sum of Rs.5000/- (Rupees five thousand only) from a candidate, in the form of a demand draft payable at Mumbai. A nomination paper not accompanied by a Bank Draft of Rs.5000/-, shall be deemed invalid. A short bio-data not exceeding 200 words, should accompany the nomination and should also be sent as soft copy with photograph with blue background (compulsory).

The proceeding will be taken over by the election commissioner. All nominations will be received by the election commissioner. The Election commission shall inform by EMAIL the contesting candidate of all the nominations received for the post they are contesting, and if any one wishes to withdraw his/her nomination, he/she should inform the Election Commissioner in writing or from the official e-mail address (i.e registered with ISCCM headquarters previously) on or before the 30th of June. No office bearer of ISCCM EC will indulge in any manner in the Election process. The results of the elections shall be declare preferably at the meeting of the Executive Committee on the last day of election or no later than 30th October.

Dr. Atul Kulkarni, General Secretary ISCCM

DEAD LINES OF ELECTION PROCEDURE

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The nomination form for ISCCM Elections is available on ISCCM website and the link for downloading the same is as follows:

http://www.isccm.org/PDF/Nomination_Form.pdf

NOTICE

Inviting bids for hosting ISCCM national conference - 2015

Notice is hereby given to the office bearers of the ISCCM branches that the ISCCM National Executive Committee is inviting bids for hosting ISCCM National Conference - 2015

The bidders are requested to note the following:

After short listing, the two observers will inspect the proposed convention centre. The cost of travel of one observer will be borne by the bidder and another observer will be borne by the ISCCM.

The bidders should submit their bids electronically to generalsecretary@isccm.org with full details signifying their willingness to host the annual conference if selected.

Dr Atul Kulkarni
General Secretary
Dear Colleagues,

It is our privilege to invite you to Kolkata for our annual conference. Critical Care in India has “come of age” the theme of recent Pune congress. With the coming of age comes maturity and with that comes responsibility and accountability, an appropriate follow up theme for Kolkata congress. Accountable, Accessible and Affordable Care has been selected as the theme for Kolkata congress, as the members of the organizing committee thought these to be the principal ingredients of critical care delivery mostly needed in our country. As we perceive, success of any scientific congress should be judged by the quality of the scientific content, the depth and breadth of the subject areas covered and choice of international and national faculties. Clinically focussed deliberations are more appreciated by most of our delegates who are predominantly from non research background. On the other hand, in order to bring Critical Care in India at par with the international standards, original works, research oriented and basic science oriented topics are equally important and a balanced scientific program should be made. We can assure you of this under the leadership of Dr. Narenra Rungta, our president during the congress and chairman of national scientific committee 2013, who will be supported by national and local scientific committee members.

Organisational aspects of congress are equally important and a close collaborative work between the event managers and local working committee will ensure smooth functioning of various organizational departments who will take care of the delegates and ensure a comfortable stay.

We can ensure you an enjoyable stay with the family, with many tours of Kolkata and surrounding places (Darjeeling, Sunderbans) arranged by our event manager. Enjoy the science city itself, the famous Bengal Rasagolla and Misti Doi and a colourful cultural program. We are sure you will have a productive and quality time during the conference.

Organising committee
Criticare 2013 Kolkata

Invitation for Original Research Work

Information about original research work done in Critical Care from India and published in peer reviewed journals and/or presented as a poster/oral presentation in international congresses is very fragmentary. Organisers of Criticare 2013 Kolkata would like to bring out a compendium for ready reference of such research work done in the last five years from India. We would invite all to send us their published/presented original research articles (not reviews or case series) to criticare2013@gmail.com. This will be separate from new abstracts that are sent to the scientific committee.

Organising Committee
Criticare 2013, Kolkata

Registration Fees: (Workshop fees is not included)

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(PG Students, Nurses and Para Medics must submit the letter of authentication from their HOD)

FOR ACCOMMODATION & TOURS PLEASE CONTACT AT ravindra@getsholidays.com OR CALL AT 09810084342

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## WORKSHOP for CRITICARE 2013 (4-6th March 2013) TARIFF

**CONGRESS REGISTRATION IS MANDATORY EXCEPT FOR CRITICAL CARE NURSING (CCN-08) AND PHYSICAL THERAPY AND REHABILITATION (RT-19)**

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### Creation of College Alumni (IDCCM, IFCCM)

Call to all IDCCM, IFCCM successful candidates

All IDCCM, IFCCM candidates who have successfully passed their examinations are requested to complete their contact details.

If your name is not in this list please contact Dr. Ramakrishnan or Dr. Iyer to include your name.

### IDCCM Passed Candidates List

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Report of 8th Jaipur Conference on Critical Care Medicine

Dr Narendra Rungta
Org. Chairman

A SAARC group of Critical Care Societies was constituted unanimously during the Jaipur Criticon 2012 at Jaipur on 14th April 2012. Following were present: Dr. Narendra Rungta, Dr. Aruna Munasinghe, Sri Lanka, Dr. Shaheera Khatoun, Bangladesh, Dr. M N Marhatta, Nepal, Dr. Rajeev Lochan Tiwari.

It was decided to call this group as ASAAARCCS (Association of SAARC Critical Care Societies).

Dr. Rungta was elected as the President.

Dr. Aruna as General Secretary, Dr. Khatoun and Dr Marhatta as Vice Presidents.

Jaipur Conference 2012 was 8th in the series of conference organized by Jaipur Chapter of the Indian Society of Critical Care Medicine. The main conference was held at Hotel Clarks Amer, J.L.N. Marg, Jaipur on 14-15 April, 2012. Pre-Conference Courses and Workshops were also organized on 12-13 April, 2012.

The conference brought over 200 specialists comprising of Intensivists, Anaesthetists, Pediatricians, Physicians, Surgeons & PG students from all over the country along with 80 nurses from a wide range of disciplines.

The conference offered a good blend of plenary sessions, workshops and courses. The conference provided a platform for sharing views, research findings and expertise on a wide variety in the field of Critical Care Medicine.

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Following Courses (as a part of Pre-Conference Programme) were also held:

- **a. Fundamental Critical Care Support (FCCS) Course** – FCCS Course was prepared under the auspices of the Society of Critical Care Medicine, USA. The Course is a standardized two day course providing Critical Care information to non-critical care specialists. The course consists of standardized lectures referenced to syllabus material plus interactive skill stations. Individuals who successfully complete the required provider will receive a Certificate of successful completion.
  
  i. FCCS Instructor Course – 7 candidates participated in the Course.
  
  ii. FCCS Provider Course – 38 candidates participated in the Course.

- **b. Pediatric Fundamental Critical Care Support Course (PFCCS)** - PFCCS is an International Course of Society of Critical Care Medicine USA, recently launched in India. This was the 8th course in India. It is a two-day comprehensive structured course addressing fundamental management principles for the first 24 hours of pediatric critical care. SCCM has offered its first course to global audiences since the mid-1990s. While FCCS addresses both adult and pediatric issues, its primary focus is the adult patient. PFCCS will disseminate fundamental pediatric critical care concepts to professional providers who may be involved in the initial management and transfer of critically ill or injured infants and children. PFCCS was a major resource for those interested in learning how to recognize critical illness and initiate care for the critically ill pediatric patient, in the absence of an intensivist. Individuals who successfully complete the required provider will receive a Certificate of successful completion.

  i. PFCCS Instructor Course – 5 candidates participated in the Course.
  
  ii. PFCCS Provider Course – 20 candidates participated in the Course.

- **c. Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) Provider Course**

  The Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) Provider Course is designed for healthcare providers who either direct or participate in the resuscitation of a patient, whether in or out of the hospital.

  The goal of the ACLS Provider Course is to improve the quality of care provided to the adult victim of a cardiac arrest or other cardiopulmonary emergency. 20 candidates participated in this provider course.

- **d. Ultra sound in Critical Care**

  The novel concept of ‘critical’ ultrasound has been developed ultrasound skills to take care of the adult victim of a cardiac arrest or other cardiopulmonary emergency. 20 candidates participated in this provider course.

- **e. Workshop in Critical Care Medicine for Nurses** – 80 candidates participated in the Workshop from various parts of the country like Rohtak, Meerut, Delhi, Jodhpur, etc. Dr. Prakash Shastri from New Delhi was the Workshop Director.

  Following were the resource persons for this conference –

  Dr. A K Agarwal
  Dr. Prakash Shastri
  Dr. Abhiram Malik, Leeds, UK
  Dr. Pravin Amin
  Dr Arindam Kar
  Dr. Rajan Barokar
  Dr Aruna Munasinghe, Sri Lanka
  Dr Rajeev Lochan Tiwari
  Dr Arvind Dogra
  Dr Rajesh Chawla
  Dr Atul Kulkarni
  Dr. Rajesh Mishra
  Dr Banani Poddar
  Dr. Rajesh Pande
  Dr Deepak Shivpuri
  Dr. Rakesh Lodha
  Dr Deepak Yadvuanshi
  Dr Rashmi Kapoor
  Dr Dhruba Chaudhary
  Dr. Rekha Luthra
  Dr Dipitimala Agarwal
  Dr. Ross Freebairn, New Zealand
  Dr C G Khilnani
  Dr S Sitaraman
  Dr Jhuma Sankar
  Dr Sandeep Kantor, Oman
  Dr Jigji Divatia
  Dr Shabra Khatun, Bangladesh
  Dr Kapil Zipre
  Dr Sheila Nainan
  Dr Krishan Chugh
  Dr Shiva S Iyer
  Dr Krishnan Murthy
  Dr Sirish Prayag
  Dr Kundan Mittal
  Dr Subhhal Dixit
  Dr Lokesh Tiwari
  Dr Sunil Dutt Sharma
  Dr Luca Neri, Italy
  Dr Sunit Singh
  Dr Maher Albahraini, Oman
  Dr Suresh Bhargava
  Dr Maninder Dhillwal
  Dr Syed Moizd Ahmed
  Dr. Moda Nath Marhatta, Nepal
  Dr Tanveer Singh Kundra
  Dr N Ramakrishnan
  Dr Urmila Jhamb
  Dr Namit Jerath
  Dr Vanita Mittal
  Dr Narendra Rungta
  Dr Vijaya Patil
  Dr Neena Rungta
  Dr YP Singh

  All the participants were fully satisfied with the academic sessions and enjoyed other activities a lot.

Dr H Bagaria
Org. Chairman

Dr Manish Munjal
Org. Secretary
Criticare 2012 Photo Gallery

Hands on workshops in progress at Criticare 2012

Conference Begins

Inauguration of the Conference

1st of its kind Inauguration with the Screening of a Feature Film – Resonant Notes

Past Presidential Oration
1st Convocation Ceremony of ICCM

ISCCM Oration by Dr. Camilla Rodrigues

Scientific Sessions

Hansraj Nayyar Award Paper Presentation

Panel Discussion

Awards for the Best Paper & Poster Presented

Scientific Exhibition

The Team – Criticare 2012 Organizing Committee at the Valedictory Function of Criticare 2012 - Pune