Information and Announcements

Refresher Course in Immunology
Interdisciplinary School of Health Sciences, University of Pune, Pune 411 007
November 25-7 December, 2002

Organised by Moving Academy of Medicine and Biomedicine and Interdisciplinary School of Health Sciences, Pune
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A Refresher Course in Immunology will be held for college/university teachers at the Interdisciplinary School of Health Sciences, University of Pune, Pune 411 007 from 25 November to 7 December 2002. The course will consist of lectures and group discussions both on basic and clinical aspects of immunology with special emphasis on recent advances. The course also includes a strong hands-on component, on basic and clinical laboratory based immunological techniques.

The course will cover basic knowledge and recent advances in innate and adaptive immunity, B & T cells and their receptors, cellular cooperation in induction of immune response, immune deficiencies, vaccinology, autoimmunity, transplantation biology, hypersensitivity, monoclonal antibodies and immunotherapy. Special sessions will be held on interface of molecular biology and immunology, and use of transgenic model. Practical exercises will be on related topics. There will be special sessions on use of immunological techniques in laboratory medicine.

Teachers interested in the course may send their applications through their employers giving their brief biodata that includes name, date of birth, postal and e-mail addresses, telephone numbers, qualifications, teaching experience, courses taught, position held, etc. They should also indicate the reasons for their participation in the course. Teachers already working in the field may provide a 100-word abstract of their current research. The organizers would appreciate information on how the applicant in likely to be benefited by the course.

Selected participants will be provided local hospitality (double room accommodation in the University guest house) and railway travel (first class or three-tier A/C) to and fro by the shortest route between their place of work and Pune.

The application should be sent to: Dr Sudha G Gangal, Vice President, Moving Academy of Medicine and Biomedicine & Visiting Professor, Interdisciplinary School of Health Sciences, School of Health Sciences, University of Pune, Pune 411 007, India.

The last date of receipt of applications: 23 September 2002

Candidates selected for the course will be informed by the first week of October 2002.