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- ❖ Name of the International Conference/ Seminar/Symposium/ Workshop : European Academy of Allergy and Clinical Immunology (EAACI) Congress 2014.
- ❖ Title of the abstract accepted : Per a 10 enzyrnatc activity initiates allergic inflammation at mucosal surfaces by inhibiting elastase inhibitors and increasing epithelial permeability.
- ❖ Date & Venue : 7-11th June, 2014. Copenhagen, Denmark.
- ❖ Money sanctioned : Rs 25,770/-
- ❖ Money reimbursed : Rs 25,770/-

Participation Report

EAACI congress is organised annually by European Academy of Allergy and Clinical Immunology. The main theme of the congress this year was Challenging Dogmas. The congress aimed to provide participants with a broad and comprehensive update of basic and clinical research in the field of allergy and critically evaluate established scientific dogmas to foster sound and vivid scientific discussions of the paradigms on which our future diagnosis, treatment and prevention strategies should be based. The conference was attended by more than 8000 participants from around 100 countries around the world with almost 2000 abstracts submitted. The congress had organised a number of sessions divided into 19 categories viz., Business Meetings, Hot Topic, meet the Expert, Oral Abstract Sessions, Plenary Symposia, Postgraduate Courses, Primary Care Symposium, Pro & Con, Thematic poster session etc.

The annual meeting was attended by eminent scientists, allergiist/immunologists and related healthcare professionals from all over the world. EAACI annual meeting provided me a platform to present my work and share my ideas and views. The five day meeting had numerous seminars, poster sessions and educational offerings in allergic diseases, asthma, immunotherapy, food allergies and skin diseases. Attending the conferences provided a major boost for my research career as it encouraged me and provided me an opportunity to know various directions in which the field is moving. Also attended various poster sessions and plenary sessions gave an idea of emerging techniques and methods which can be applied in solving the problem that I have chosen for my Ph.D thesis. Attending this conference provided me an opportunity to present my work in front of eminent personalities from my field and gave a huge impetus to carry my future work.

Contribution to the Conference

Presented a poster titled **“Per a 10 enzymatic activity initiates allergic inflammation at mucosal surfaces by inhibiting elastase inhibitors and increasing epithelial permeability”** in the Junior Member Affiliates (JMAs) meeting under Poster Session: Immunological mechanisms of allergy thematic poster presentation session and also in thematic poster session under the session titled **“Allergy and Environment”**. During the JMA meeting I got a chance to interact with all the junior members of EAACI and know their field of expertise. During the conference got a chance to hear a lot of eminent scientists in the field of allergy and also got an idea of the direction in which the field of allergy is moving. I presented my work with my peers all over the world during my poster presentations and got a lot of suggestions to work upon to improve my scientific research in the field. Further, attending the conference facilitated the critical appraisal of my work, besides giving me an opportunity to interact, exchange scientific ideas, knowledge and information with eminent scientists in the field.