

Special Interest Group



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NOTIFICATION

Sub: Constitution of Special Interest Group in "Antimicrobial Resistance."

In exercise of powers conferred under Section 50 (xxii) and 12 [xi (a)] of the MOA/Rules of JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research as per UGC Regulations 2016, the Special Interest Group (SIG) in the area of "Antimicrobial Resistance" has been constituted for focusing on basic and applied research in the mentioned area with the following members:

SI. No.	Name of the proposed members	Remarks	
01	Dr. Deepashree R Assistant Professor Dept of Microbiology JSS Medical College, Mysuru	Group Leader	
02	Dr. Tejashree A Professor & Head Dept of Microbiology JSS Medical College, Mysuru	Member	
03	Dr. M Raghavendra Rao Associate Professor Dept of Microbiology JSS Medical College, Mysuru	Member	
04	Dr. Sri Harsha Chalasani Assistant Professor Dept of Pharmacy Practice JSS College of Pharmacy, Mysuru	Member	
05	Dr. Venu D Senior Resident Dept of Pharmacology JSS Medical College, Mysuru	Member	
06	Dr. Shwethashree M Assistant Professor Dept of Community Medicine JSS Medical College, Mysuru	Member	
07	Dr. Shilpa Avarebeel Associate Professor Dept of Geriatric Medicine, JSS Medical College, Mysuru	Member	
08	Dr. Deepti Thandaweshwara Assistant Professor Dept of Paediatrics JSS Medical College, Mysuru	Member	



09	Dr. Archer Ann Catherine	
	Assistant Professor	Member
	Dept of Microbiology	
	JSS AHER	
10	Dr. Ramith Ramu	
	Assistant Professor	Member
	Dept of Biotechnology & Bioinformatics	Wiemoer
	JSS AHER	
11	Dr. Chandan S	
	Dy, Dean (Research) &	
	Associate Professor	Member
	Dept of Biotechnology & Bioinformatics	
	JSS AHER	
12	Dr. Shivasharanappa N	
	Ph.D. Fullbright Scholar	
	Senior Scientist (Veterinary Pathology)	External
	Agricultural Research Service (ARS)	Member
	ICAR-National Institute of Veterinary Epidemiology and	Wiember
	Disease informatics (NIVEDI)	
	Ramagondanahalli, PBNo. 6450, Yelahanka Bengaluru	
13	Dr. Apurba S Sastry	
	Infection controller Officer Antimicrobial Stewardship	External
	Lead Additional Professor Microbiology	Member
	JIPMER, Pondicherry (India)	

The SIG "Antimicrobial Resistance" shall function for a period of three years from the date of Notification.

The SIG shall submit their report once in six months to the JSS AHER. The budget for the functioning shall be submitted by the Group leader of the SIG and approval shall be obtained from JSS AHER for carrying out their various activities.

REGISTRAF

To,

All the above members,

Copy to,

- 1. The Vice Chancellor, JSS AHER.
- 2. The Finance Officer, JSS AHER
- 3. The Dean (Research), JSS AHER.
- 4. The Dy. Deans (Research), JSS AHER.
- 5. The Principal, JSS Medical College, Mysuru
- 6. The Head, Dept of Microbiology, JSS Medical College, Mysuru
- Dr. Deepashree R, Assistant Professor, Dept of Microbiology, JSS Medical College, Mysuru
- 8. Office Copy

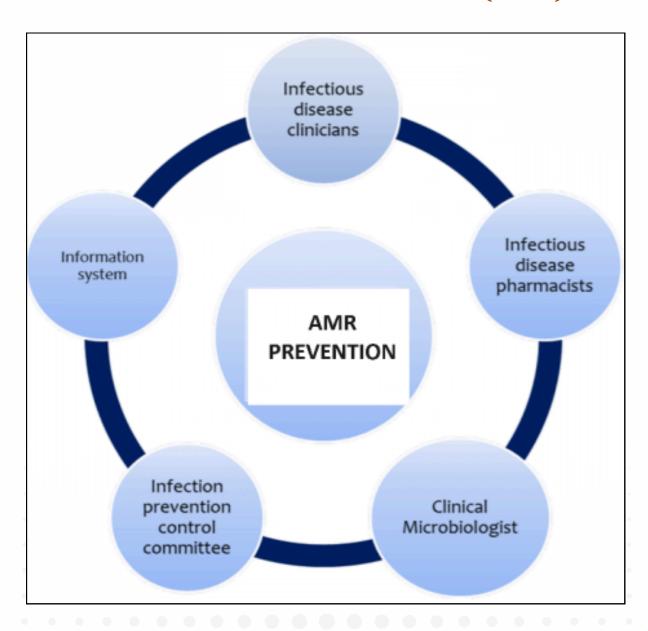


Name of the SIG: Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR)

Approval Reference:JSS AHER/REG/RES/SIG/AR/664/2023-24/14584 DATED 12.03.2024

Team Lead: Dr. Deepashree R

ANTIMICROBIAL RESISTANCE (AMR)





Member

1.	Dr. Deepashree R, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Microbiology, JSS Medical College	Team Leader
2.	Dr. Tejashree A, Professor and Head, Dept. of Microbiology, JSS Medical College	Member
3.	Dr. Raghavendra Rao, Associate Professor Dept. of Microbiology, JSS Medical College	Member
4.	Dr. Sri Harsha Chalasani, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Pharmacy, JSS Pharmacy College, Mysuru	Member
5.	Dr. Venu D, Senior Resident, Dept. of Pharmacology, JSS Medical College, Mysuru	Member
6.	Dr. Shwethashree M, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Community Medicine, JSS Medical College	Member
7.	Dr. Shilpa Avarebeel, Associate Professor Dept. of Medicine, JSS Medical College	Member
8.	Dr. Deepthi Thandaweshwara, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Paediatrics, JSS Medical College	Member
9.	Dr. Archer Ann Catherine, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Microbiology JSS Life Sciences	Member
10.	Dr. Ramith Ramu, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Biotechnology & Bioinformatics, JSS Life Sciences	Member
11.	Dr Chandan S, Associate Professor, Dept. of Biotechnology & Bioinformatics, JSS Life Sciences	Member



12.	Dr. Annlisa Dr. Annalisa Tirella, Professor, Division of Pharmacy and Optometry, University of Manchester. UK.	External Member
13.	Assistant Professor, Department of Industrial Engineering University of Trento, Via Sommarive, 9 - 38123 PovoItaly	External Member
14.	Dr. MS Thakur, Former Scientist, CSIR- CFTRI	Special Invitee

Advisory Board Members

1.	Dr. Shivasharanappa N. Ph.D, Fulbright Scholar (USA) Senior Scientist (Veterinary Pathology), Agricultural Research Service (ARS)ICAR-National Institute of Veterinary Epidemiology and Disease Informatics (NIVEDI)Ramagondanahalli, PBNo-6450, Yelahanka, Bengaluru-560064, Karnataka, India	External Advisory Member
2.	DR APURBA S SASTRY, Infection Control Officer,Officer In-charge HICC, Antimicrobial Stewardship Lead, Additional Professor Microbiology, JIPMER, Pondicherry (India)	External Advisory Member



Background/Context

Globally, antimicrobial resistance (AMR) claims 7 million lives yearly, and India, the 'AMR capital,' ranks first in human antibiotics consumption. Drug susceptibility data reveal AMR emergence in various pathogens, including MDR gram-negative strains resistant to last-resort antibiotics. Challenges include inadequate clinical usage data, antimicrobial pharmacovigilance gaps, lax infection control, and limited public awareness. The multi-faceted problem demands a One-Health approach, integrating human, animal, and environmental data to address infectious agents and drug-resistant organisms.

About SIG

Our SIG consists of faculty from the Department of Microbiology, Pharmacology, Pediatrics, Gediatrics and Community Medicine, JSS Medical College; Department of Pharmacy, JSS Pharmacy College, Mysuru & Dept. of Microbiology and Bioinformatics, JSS Life Sciences.

AMR SIG emphasizes on

- 1. Augmenting antimicrobial stewardship activities to understand the structure of antibiotic usage and also plan prevention activities
- 2. To optimize clinical microbiology diagnostic stewardship
- 3.To augment AMR surveillance data collection with a deep understanding of antibiotic usage in JSS Hospital and also extend the same to the Mysore district (involving corporate hospital to submit AMR data)
- 4.To explore AMR data surveillance from the Veterinary sector in terms of understanding antibiotic usage and extending diagnostic services.
- 5. To explore AMR data surveillance from environmental sources by JSS life sciences faculty.
- 6. Integrate the data from human, veterinary, and environmental sectors to achieve One Health.
- 7. To extend educational activities to the public on the importance of curbing AMR
- 8. To explore opportunities for education of dispensing pharmacies to prevent over-the-counter sale of antibiotics.



Mission

The mission of AMR Warriors Network is to unite stakeholders in a collective endeavor to combat antimicrobial resistance, embracing a One Health approach for a comprehensive and interconnected strategy.

Vision

To develop a model special interest group dedicated to collective efforts aimed at significantly reducing the burden of Antimicrobial Resistance

Goal

The goal of this SIG is to equip relevant professionals with a profound understanding and practical insights into the preventive and educational aspects of combating Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR).

Objectives

- 1. To assemble a multidisciplinary research team comprising clinicians, laboratory personnel, basic scientists, and prevention specialists with the collective objective of identifying effective strategies to prevent AMR.
- 2. To effectively understand prescription practices and antibiotic usage at JSS Hospital and to strengthen the AMSP network.
- 3. To collaborate with the veterinary sector and explore options for antibiotic usage and resistance.
- 4. To explore AMR data in the environmental sector by collaborating with JSS Life Sciences, Mysore University, Environmental Sciences Division.
- 5. To optimize diagnostic services to strengthen diagnostic stewardship.
- 6. To educate the public, including drug dispensers, on the importance of AMR and devise measures to curb over-the-counter sales of antibiotics.



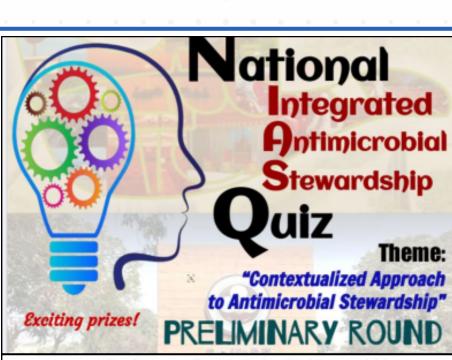
7. To explore data management and data cleaning of presently available clinical material and develop AI models as a step to identify problems in the implementation of AMSP.

Activities Conducted

- On April 6th, SIG-AMR and Dept of Microbiology conducted a preliminary Round Quiz titled "Contextualised Approach to Antimicrobial Stewardship" organized by PGIMER Chandigarh in collaboration with the Society for Antimicrobial Stewardship PractIces in India (SASPI).
- This quiz program was Coordinated by Dr Deepashree R, Asst Prof, Dept of Microbiology and Foundation member of SASPI and SIG – Group leader AMR.
- 7 teams participated in the event and Team 3,Dr Bhargav, PG Dept of Pulmonology and Dr Deepa, PG, Dept of Pharmacology secured the highest marks in prelim rounds and they will be representing JSS Medical College in the Final Round conducted, in PGI Chandigarh during ASPICON 2024.







Contextualized Approach to Antimicrobial Stewardship – Society for Antimicrobial Stewardship

QUIZ TEAMS

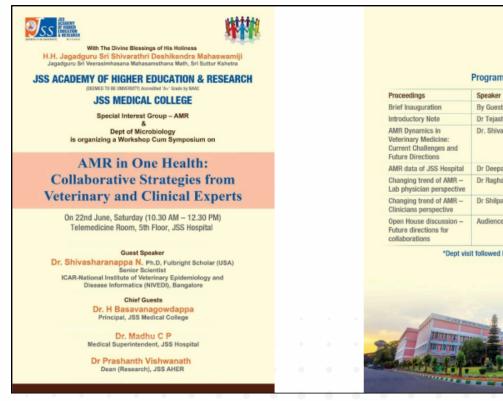
Quiz Co-Ordinator – Dr Deepashree R (Asst Prof, Dept of Microbiology & Foundation member of Society for Antimicrobial Stewardship)

Team No.	Name	Designation	Department	Group Leaders	Results
1	Dr Meruthula G R	JR	Pediatrics	Dr Meruthula G R	
	Dr Ajay Dileep	JR	Pediatrics		
	Dr Rabbani	JR	Pediatrics		
2	Dr Shreya Nair	JR	Pediatrics	Dr Shreya Nair	
	Dr M Ayesha Ratna	JR	Pediatrics		
	Dr Shivani R Kundur	JR	Pediatrics		
3		FIRST PLACE			
	Dr Bhargav	JR	Pulmonology		
4	Dr Preetika	SR	Microbiology	Dr Preetika	SECOND PLACE
	Dr Nikita	JR	Microbiology		1
	Dr Rachitha	JR	Pharmacology		
5	Dr Venu D	SR	Pharmacology	Dr Venu D	
	Dr Sugandh JR Dermatology				
	Dr Harish	JR	Pharmacology		
6	Dr Mirza Asgar	JR	General Medicine	Dr Mirza Asgar	THIRD
	Dr Varun	JR	General Medicine		TOME
	Dr Bharanitha	JR	Pharmacology		
7	Dr Tanmay	JR	General Medicine	Dr Tanmay	
	Dr Prudhweer	JR	General Medicine		
	Dr Akshava	JR	Microbiology	-	



• Workshop Cum Symposium on AMR in One Health: Collaborative Strategies from Veterinary and Clinical Experts

Special Interest group AMR and Department of Microbiology had organized a symposium cum workshop on 22nd June, 2024 on topic AMR in One Health: Collaborative Strategies from Veterinary and Clinical Experts. The chief speaker of the session was Dr. Shivasharanappa N, Ph.D, Fulbright Scholar (USA), Scientist **ICAR-National** Institute of Veterinary Epidemiology and Disease Informatics (NIVEDI), Bangalore. This first SIG-AMR event was inaugurated by the chief speaker Dr Shivasharanappa N; Dr. H Basavanagowdappa, Principal, JSS Medical College; Dr. Madhu C P, Medical Superintendent, JSS Hospital, Dr Prashanth Vishwanath, Dean (Research), JSS AHER and Dr Tejashree A, Prof and Head, dept of Microbiology. The sessions were attended by SIG members, faculty of various departments and students.



Proceedings	Speaker	Time
Brief Inauguration	By Guests	10.30 AM - 10.45 AM
ntroductory Note	Dr Tejashree A	10.45 AM - 10.50 AM
AMR Dynamics in /eterinary Medicine: Current Challenges and Future Directions	Dr. Shivasharanappa N	10.50 AM- 11.30 AM
AMR data of JSS Hospital	Dr Deepashree R	11.30 AM - 11.45 AM
Changing trend of AMR – Lab physician perspective	Dr Raghavendra Rao	11.45 AM - 12.00 PM
Changing trend of AMR – Clinicians perspective	Dr Shilpa Avarebeel	12.00 PM - 12.15 PM
Open House discussion – Future directions for collaborations	Audience	12.15 PM - 12.30 PM
	it followed by Lunch @12.	****





Workshop Cum Symposium on AMR in One Health: Collaborative Strategies from Veterinary and Clinical Experts

• MASTERING AMR DETECTION: CLSI 2024 UPDATES MADE SIMPLE - A Hands-on workshop for Clinical Microbiologists

Department of Microbiology and Special Interest group AMR had organized a workshop on 19th and 20th July on topic Mastering AMR Detection: CLSI 2024 Updates Made Simple, for young clinical Microbiologists. We had enthusiastic participants all over India during this academic journey. We had inauguration for the workshop on July 19th Morning and the occasion was graced by the chief guest, Dr. H Basavanagowdappa, I/C Vice Chancellor, Principal, JSS Medical College; Dr Manjunatha B, Registrar, JSSAHER; Dr. Madhu C P, I/C, Director and Medical Superintendent, JSS Hospital; Dr Manthappa M, Vice Principal, Clinical, Dr Tejashree A, Prof and Head & Dr Sumana M N, Professor, Dept of Microbiology. We had interactive sessions on the first half of 19th morning conducted by resource persons, faculty Dept of Microbiology and afternoon we had Hands-on clinical AMR detection methods. On July 20th morning, Quiz was conducted for postgraduates participants and it was coordinated by Dr Vidyavathi BC and Dr Sujatha S R, Assistant Professors, Dept of Microbiology and Three cash prizes was given for the



winners. Dr Sujatha S R, Assistant Professors, Dept. of Microbiology and Three cash prizes was given for the winners. We had a guest talk from a Biomerieux resource faculty, Dr Huda Syed Ali and followed by which we had clinical case discussion conducted by Dr Sumana M N, Professor, Dept. of Microbiology. Workshop was concluded with a valedictory function and certificate distribution was done for the participants, resource persons and volunteers.











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