

8th Annual National Conference of Association of Physiologists of India (ASSOPICON 2022)

8th ASSOPICON 2022, an international conference of the Association of Physiologists of India (ASSOPI) was organized and hosted by the Department of Physiology, AIIMS Nagpur from the 14th to 16th of October. The pre-conference workshops (PCWs) were held on the 12th & 13th of October 2022 with a special full-day workshop 'Capacity building workshop on Lifestyle Medicine Consultation' on the 12th of October 2022. The other workshops included Andrology, Nerve Conduction Studies, Autonomic Function Tests, Cognitive Neurophysiology, Respiratory Support Physiology, Impulse Oscillometry and Exercise Physiology Techniques.

ASSOPI is the only Indian association to be a member of the International Union of Physiological Society. ASSOPI was represented by the stalwarts of the field of Physiology Dr. Narsingh Verma from KGMU Lucknow and Dr. G. K. Pal, Executive Director, AIIMS Patna. The Academy of Physiology (AOP) was the co-host of the conference. Maj Gen. Dr. Vibha Dutta (SM), Director and CEO, of AIIMS Nagpur was the Chief Patron. Dr. Mrunal Phatak, Dean (Academics) and Head of the Physiology Department was the Organizing Chairperson. Hon. Nitinji Gadkari, Union Minister for Road Transport and Highways, inaugurated the conference.

The theme of the conference was '**Perspectives in Physiology for the Person, Pupil, Patient, and People**'. The list of speakers included celebrated international experts and stalwarts of national repute from the field of Physiology. The 8th ASSOPICON 2022 provided a unique platform for physiologists to exchange their viewpoints on the metamorphosed concept of Physiology pertaining to an individual, the students, the patients, and the society at large. The display of state-of-the-art equipment in trade was another unique feature of the conference. The conference also provided a platform for undergraduate students to present their research work. About 100 research papers were presented at this conference. The total number of registrations was around 350.

The senior retired teachers in Physiology from the Nagpur region were honoured for their immense contribution to teaching Physiology. The new body of the ASSOPI was also announced during the conference.



