

ONLINE GENERAL BODY OF IAPM KERALA CHAPTER on 28/2/2025

Agenda- Modification in the conduct of slide seminar

Meeting started at 7.30 pm on 28/2/2025 on zoom platform

32 members participated

Dr Neena Mampilly, the president, initiated the discussion with the proposed plan for the upcoming slide seminar

Proposed plan for the conduct of the slide seminar

1. The centres will contribute list of cases with complete work up and diagnosis to the IAPM officials in the provided Google form as pdf file (without revealing the identity of the centre in the pdf file), which will then be anonymised and forwarded to the moderator . If there is more than one case from one centre, they should be sent as single pdf file

2. 10 cases shall be selected by the moderator for discussion and also 10 spotters

3. The selected list of cases and spotters shall be sent to the IAPM officials

4. The centres shall be asked to send the slides and blocks to the moderator

5. All the slides will be digitised and circulated by the moderator (without revealing the identity of the centre)

6. Moderator will allot the 10 discussion cases to 10 centres in alphabetical order.

If any centre opts out from the presentation, the next centre gets the opportunity

The Moderator will make sure that the selected centre does not get their own case for presentation

7. The concerned PG (preferably final year) from each selected centre will study the case in detail and will take screenshots of the digitised images or photomicrographs from the slide provided by moderator

8. He or she will present the case with the available history and the relevant H&E images in a ppt and give differentials with the morphology during the presentation

9. He/she will ask for the ancillary investigations done to support or refute the diagnosis after the presentation

10. The moderator gives the images of the ancillary investigations done by the contributing centre and any others if the moderator thinks so

11. The PG then comes to a final diagnosis with the available information

12. The moderator then gives the final diagnosis

The audience can contribute in between

12 minutes for each case (maximum 5 minutes for presentation and the rest for discussion), to be ensured by the moderator

If the time for any case exceeds, the IAPM officials will intervene

Total estimated time: 2 hours, 30 minutes

In the subsequent Chapter meeting, the next 10 centres will be selected for presentation

•This proposal was welcomed by most of the members with a few apprehensions regarding keeping the time and the stress factor on both the moderator and the presenting resident.

•GB decided that slide presentation will be the responsibility of the centre presenting and the resident is only a representative of that centre. Also as there is every chance for the resident to be wrong at any point, it may be taken in a sportive manner (without any harassment to the PG or the centre) and the moderator will be helping the resident to arrive at the final diagnosis.

•As the slide seminar is mainly based on the morphology, moderator should see that the selected slides are typical of a particular case having relevant morphological features supporting the diagnosis.

•Total time allotted to the moderator for the slide seminar was decided in the GB as 2 hrs30 mts. Time allotted for each discussion slide is 12 mts and the moderator has to complete each case within the time. Opinions from the house may be taken in relevant cases at the end of diagnosis without exceeding the time allotted for each case. In case time exceeds, IAPM has the freedom to intervene.

•Though the slides will be digitised for circulation to all members, GB has decided to send the original slide itself to the centre presenting a particular case so that the resident can take photographs from the slide itself for presentation

•Digitisation of slides will be done with the help of Dr Rajan

•As the slide seminar is purely a teaching session, there is no role for harassment to the presenter, moderator or any centre and the session may be dealt in a sportive manner by all members.

•Prize is decided on the presenter's overall performance on the stage only and not on the merit of a particular case.

•Though a few members had an opinion of starting the new system of slide seminar in a small forum, it was decided to be implemented from the next IAPM slide seminar as per the opinion of the majority.

•GB has also decided to rethink of Dr Thangavelu Memorial Oration of a 1 hr. talk which is not happening for a past few years.

•The General body ended at 8.40 pm