

Seminar on Healthcare Associated Infections (HAIs) Surveillance & Workshop on Infection Control



Hospital acquired infections have become a major cause of morbidity and mortality. HAI surveillance is now an integral part of quality of care in hospitals. It is a systematic collection, analysis and interpretation of infections in the hospital. HAIs contribute to poor patient outcomes and additional costs to the healthcare systems. The goal of HAI surveillance is to provide information that can be used by the hospital administration and healthcare providers for making effective policies and changes to the system.

A seminar on HAI surveillance and workshop on Infection Control was held at SIUT in July 2019. The Seminar was conducted by Dr. Nizam Damani who is a Clinical Director of Infection Prevention and Control at the Southern Health and Social Services Trust in Northern Ireland and Senior Lecturer in Medical Microbiology at Queens University Belfast and Dr. Muhammad Sartaj who is a consultant at Health Protection in Public Health Agency of Northern Ireland, UK.

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Dr. Asma Nasim



Dr. Shehla Baqi

Pakistan Defense and Kashmir Solidarity Day



SIUT celebrated Pakistan Defense and Kashmir Solidarity Day on the 6th of September. The day was observed to reaffirm Pakistan's support for the oppressed people of occupied Kashmir and to pay homage to the valiant armed forces of Pakistan that have defended the country from the evil designs of aggressors. The students of SIUT's Zain-ul-Abideen School of Medical Technology organized an event where speeches were given by students on atrocities in

Kashmir and the role of armed forces in defending Pakistan. Rich tributes were paid to the martyrs who gave their lives in defense of Pakistan. The program ended with national and motivational songs by students where faculty and staff of SIUT also joined the students. The school offers "free education" in 7 disciplines of Medical Technology where students pursue a four year BS program leading to a degree as Physician Assistants ■



Dr. Seema Hashmi



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The seminar gave insight into methods to organize surveillance and the common healthcare associated infections. A workshop was also conducted along with the seminar on Environmental Cleaning and safe injection practices where the focus was Central Line Associated Blood Stream Infections (CLABSI) and Catheter Associated Urinary Tract Infections (CAUTI). The workshop was attended by housekeeping staff, nurses, technologists and doctors from within and outside the institute ■



Dr. Nizam Damani

He is an internationally recognized expert in infection prevention and control both in developed and developing countries. Dr. Damani is a member of the core group of the WHO 1st Global Patient Safety Challenge, 'clean care is safer care'. He is also a member of the WHO task force on decontamination and sterilization, and serves on the Expert Advisory Board on a European Union 'IMPLEMENT'. He is the author of Manual of Infection Prevention and Control ■



Dr. Muhammad Sartaj

He is a consultant of Health Protection in the Public Health Agency of Northern Ireland where he is leading the surgical site infection and influenza surveillance programme across Northern Ireland. He is also the Fellow of the Faculty of Public Health United Kingdom (FFPH) ■

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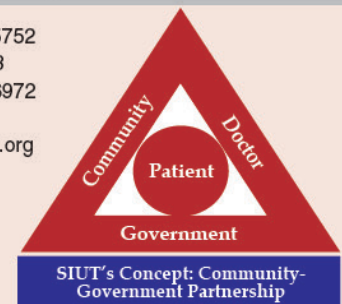
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World Hepatitis Day at SIUT

World Health Organization (WHO) reports that globally viral hepatitis B and C affects 325 million people and causes 1.4 million deaths annually. About 80% of the people infected by these viruses do not have access to testing or treatment facilities. In Pakistan around 7.4% of the population is suffering from chronic hepatitis B and C, the highest in South East Asia region. A day long awareness program was held at SIUT in July where public was informed about the mode of disease transmission, treatment and methods to prevent various forms of Hepatitis. These preventive methods included use of boiled water for drinking, practice of hand washing before eating and after using washrooms, changing diapers, use of new syringes, razor blades and use of sterilized dental and surgical equipment in case of any procedure.

People attending the awareness program were screened for Hepatitis B and C, liver function tests, ultrasound of abdomen along with vaccination for Hepatitis B. Awareness and treatment lectures were given by Dr. Manzoor Siddiqui, Dr. Farina Hanif, Dr. Abbas Ali Tasneem, Dr. Shoaib, Dr. Mudassir Laeeq, Dr. Ghaus Soomro, Dr. Nasir Luck, along with dietician Ms. Kehkashan Zehra. More than 600 people attended the day long program from all walks of life to avail the free testing facilities for Hepatitis ■



Pakistan Association of Pathologists (PAP) Karachi Chapter CME Activity at SIUT Workshop on Native Renal Pathology



Dr. Muhammad Mubarak



Dr. Shaheera Shakeel



The PAP – Karachi Chapter held in July a half day workshop at Javed I. Kazi Department of Histopathology, SIUT. The workshop was conducted by Dr. Mubarak, Professor of Histopathology at SIUT and Dr. Shaheera Shakeel, Assistant Professor. This was first of a series of planned CME workshops under the aegis of PAP – Karachi at SIUT.

The workshop included both lectures and interactive case

discussions. Dr. Mubarak's talk focused on non-proliferative disorders of the glomeruli and was followed by interesting renal biopsy case discussions. Case histories were described by Dr. Shaheera Shakeel. A total 28 interesting cases were discussed encompassing the wide spectrum of native renal pathologies. The workshop was attended by 62 pathologists and fellows from different teaching hospitals in Karachi. The workshop was awarded 4 CME hours ■

Visitors To SIUT



From left to right, Razi Ahmed, Mirza Naqi Zafar, Eric Hellier, Collin Ross, Sanober Ambreen, Zaffar Hussain, Fatima Lanewala, Akhtar Jamal Khan

Mr. Collin Ross, Vice President and Mr. Eric Hellier from Eversight Eye Bank, USA visited SIUT on 24th August 2019 and gave a presentation on Corneal Preservation Techniques and Eye Banking ■



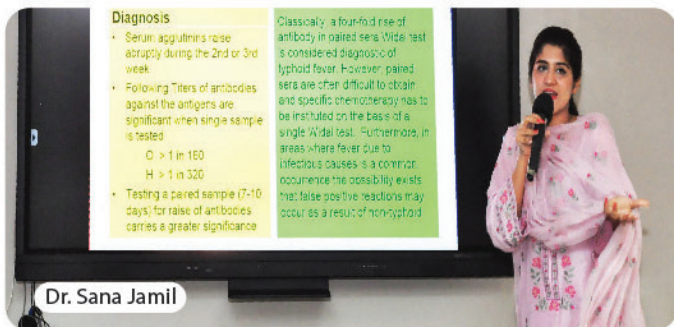
Students of Armed Forces Post Graduate Medical Institute (AFPGMI)

A group of students from AFPGMI pursuing MSc Course in Medical Administration visited SIUT in September. The students were given a tour of the Institute and a lecture by Professor Rizvi on SIUT Philosophy of "Free Care with Dignity" ■

Independence Day of Pakistan celebrated at SIUT with patriotic zeal and enthusiasm




SIUT Microbiology Department organizes Workshop on Drug Resistant Pathogens. A (PAP) – Karachi Chapter CME Activity at SIUT



Pakistan Association of Pathologists (PAP) Karachi Chapter organized a workshop on “Surviving every day with Extensive Drug Resistant gram negative pathogens”. This was part of a series of workshops organized by Karachi Chapter of PAP. The facilitators of the workshop were Dr. Ali Nadeem, Associate Professor and Dr. Sana Jamil, Assistant Professor at the department of Microbiology, SIUT. The lecture by Dr. Ali was on Carbapenem resistant pathogens with

special emphasis on their type, drug resistance mechanisms and their treatment. Dr. Sana’s lecture focused on XDR Salmonella typhi which focused on incidence, risk factors, transmission, clinical features, pathophysiology and treatment. This was followed by case discussions. The workshop was attended by 41 technologists, fellows and pathologists from various hospitals in Karachi. The workshop was awarded 4 CME hours ■

Guest Lectures at SIUT



Dr. Mohammed Ranavaya
 Professor & Chief, Division of Occupational Environmental and Disability Medicine. Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine at Marshall University. President, American Board of Independent Medical Examiners - 6th July 2019 at SIUT

Topic: Empowering Ability in Disability (Breaking the depth of disability).



Dr. Kamran Ahmed
 Consultant Urological Surgeon & Andrologist at King’s College Hospital and Senior Lecturer (Associate Professor) at King’s College London - 26th July 2019.

Topic: Medical & Surgical Management of Peyronies Disease.



Dr. Michelle Isele
 MBA, Medical Manager Hyperimmunoglobulins, Middle East, Africa, Indian subcontinent at Biotest AG, Offenbach, Hessen, Deutschland - 24th September 2019.

Topic: Hepatitis B and CMV Infections Complications following Solid Organ Transplantation: Challenges.

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