

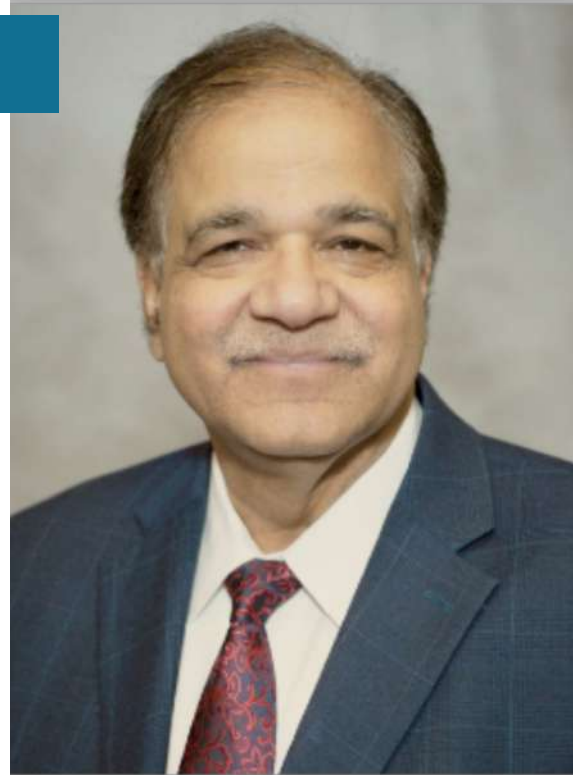
GLOBAL INDIAN PHYSICIANS IN THE NEWS (OCTOBER 2022)

DR. AVINASH GUPTA RECEIVES MONMOUTH MEDICAL CENTER HUMANITARIAN AWARD ON DIWALI EVE

Dr Avinash Gupta, chief of Cardiology and President-elect of the medical staff at Monmouth Medical Center Southern Campus (MMSCS) in New Jersey, was awarded the Humanitarian Award for his exemplary work in public health and social service during the pandemic in the U.S. and India. The award was given for Dr Gupta's remarkable services and involvement in COVID relief work. He launched a teleconsultation service for the needy during the 2021 wave of Covid-19 in India; attended to over 1,000 patients with his wife, Dr Geeta Gupta; helped raise over \$250,000 for medical relief in India; helped Patna-based non-profit AASTHA to establish a 10-bed Covid Care Center, and was part of the team of doctors who sent medicines and oxygen concentrators to India. In the U.S., he virtually consulted Indians without medical insurance during the pandemic lockdown.

Source: News India, 24/10/2022

Link: <https://www.newsindiatimes.com/dr-avinash-gupta-receives-monmouth-medical-center-humanitarian-award-on-diwali-eve/>



YOUNG NEUROSCIENTIST MAITREYEE MAKES INDIA PROUD

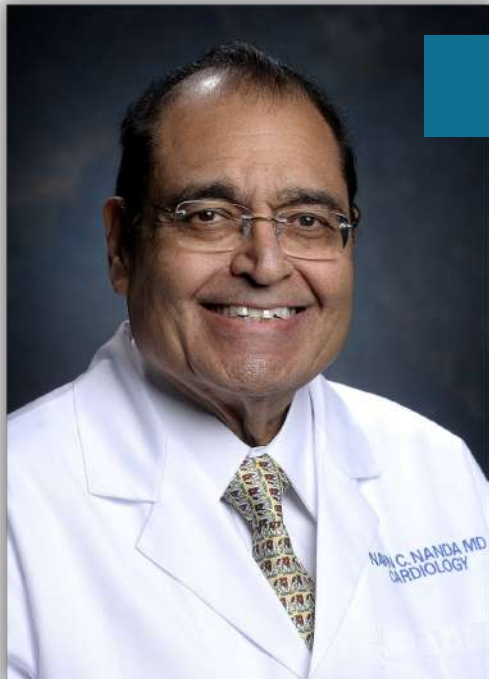
Maitreyee Wairagkar, a Neuroscientist and Neuroengineer who is currently a postdoctoral scholar at the University of California, Davis was declared as a runner-up for 'Inspiring Women in Science' awards.

The award is given by the leading scientific journal 'Nature' in partnership with Estée Lauder. The awards are split into two categories - The Science Outreach category and the Scientific Achievement category. Maitreyee is the runner-up in the Scientific Achievement category. She is the first Indian to achieve this distinction. She is also the only Indian on the list of early career women scientists whose works include developing vaccines for Coronavirus and co-leading the black hole imaging project.

The main area of her work includes developing advanced neurotechnology using artificial intelligence. She works on brain computer interfaces to enable people with severe motor and speech impairments to communicate directly via their brain signals

Source: Deccan chronicle, 16/10/2022

Link: <https://www.deccanchronicle.com/science/science/161022/young-neuroscientist-maitreyee-makes-india-proud.html>



AN INDIAN-ORIGIN DOCTOR HONORED WITH LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD BY LIPID ASSOCIATION OF INDIA

Dr. Navin Nanda, Distinguished Professor of Medicine and Cardiovascular Disease at the University of Alabama at Birmingham was recently recognized by the Lipid Association of India with a Lifetime Achievement Award. He has done pioneering work in the field of lipids, atherosclerosis (heart attack) and diabetes mellitus in India as well as in the Asian Indian population in the United States. He has done pioneering work in the field of lipids, atherosclerosis (heart attack) and diabetes mellitus in India as well as in the Asian Indian population in the United States. He was the first to study and show a high prevalence of myocardial infarction (heart attack) in young adults in India. This pioneering study which was published in 1967 while he was still a resident in the Department of Cardiology at the King Edward Memorial Hospital in Mumbai also included measurement of serum cholesterol

levels in these patients who were between 18 and 40 years old with the highest number in the 31-35 and 36-40 age groups. He with his mentor Dr. K.K. Datey also published in 1967 in the New England Journal of Medicine a study relating hyperglycemia (increased blood sugar) and diabetes mellitus to acute myocardial infarction (heart attack) in India which was hailed in an editorial in the same Journal as the “the first thorough study of an Asiatic population” “and still more important is the long-term observation and uniform repetition of glucose tolerance tests in their cases.

Source: Desi Talk, 18/11/2022

Link:http://epaper.desitalk.com/2022_11_18/6/

DR GAGANDEEP KANG ELECTED TO US MEDICAL ACADEMY

Dr Gagandeep Kang, Professor, Division of gastrointestinal sciences, Christian Medical College (CMC), has been elected to US-based National Academy of Medicine (NAM) for her contributions to understand and improve child health through her research in enteric infectious diseases and vaccinology, benefiting children in India and low and middle-income countries, and towards vaccine science, policy and communication after the outbreak of Covid-19 Election to the academy is considered one of the highest honors in the fields of health and medicine and recognizes individuals who have demonstrated outstanding professional achievement and commitment in the fields. Established originally as the Institute of Medicine in 1970, the National Academy of Medicine addresses critical issues in health, science, medicine and policy.

Source: The New Indian Express, 20/10/2022

Link: <https://www.newindianexpress.com/states/tamil-nadu/2022/oct/20/dr-gagandeep-kang-elected-to-us-medical-academy-2509964.html>



DR DIWAKARA CHALUVAIAH ELECTED AS PRESIDENT OF IDF KUWAIT

Dr Diwakara Chaluvaiiah, the founder executive member of IDF (Indian Doctors Forum) was elected unanimously as President of IDF, Kuwait. The new team of Office Bearers of the Indian Doctors Forum (IDF) was elected unanimously for a term of two years, 2022- 24 at the IDF Annual General Body Meeting at hotel Regency.

The activities of IDF include community services such as Health camps, School Health programs, Community Health Seminars, the Annual Health Guide and other activities for community services in conjunction with other Indian Associations in Kuwait under the patronage of the parent Kuwait Medical association.

Source: Mangalorean, 19/10/2022

Link: <https://www.mangalorean.com/dr-diwakara-chaluvaiiah-elected-president-of-idf-kuwait/>



KARMA AND THE DESTINY OF AN INDIAN AMERICAN SURGEON

Dr Navin Shah, An Indian American Surgeon has published a book titled 'Karma and the Destiny of an Indian American Surgeon'. He has penned the story of an immigrant's beautiful and inspiring journey from India.

Dr Navin Shah has emerged as a leading urologist practicing in the Washington DC area. He has not only built a successful career for himself, but has also led the fight for justice for medical graduates from India and 80 other countries, who were once treated as second class physicians by the American Medical Association (AMA).

Dr Shah has also initiated multiple health projects, with the help of Indian American physicians, to improve medical education and health care in India. His efforts have brought him several awards.

Source: American Bazaar

Link: <https://www.americanbazaaronline.com/2022/11/20/dr-navin-shah-an-immigrant-surgeons-inspiring-fight-for-equality-451604/>

INDIAN-ORIGIN PAEDIATRICIAN IS VICTORIA'S AUSTRALIAN OF THE YEAR

Dr. Angraj Khillan - an Indian-origin paediatrician from Victoria state has been honored with 2023 Australian of the Year award for delivering key healthcare and health education to several Australian communities.

He is the co-founder of Health Awareness Society of Australia (HASA), which dispels myths, taboos and misinformation about health through forums in a range of languages. As a student in India, he sold offerings outside a temple to fund his medical education.

After moving to Melbourne in 2010, he worked to raise awareness of domestic violence and dowry abuse.

He has played a pivotal role in delivering key healthcare and health education to culturally diverse communities in Victoria.



Source: *investing.com, 16/11/2022*

Link: <https://in.investing.com/news/indianorigin-paediatrician-is-victorias-australian-of-the-year-3424120>

PGI GASTROENTEROLOGIST CONFERRED WITH INTERNATIONAL AWARD FOR EMERGING LEADERS LECTURESHIP 2022

Dr Surinder Rana, one of its distinguished Professor, Department of Gastroenterology, Post Graduate Institute of Medical Education & Research (PGI) Chandigarh, has been awarded Asian Pacific Digestive Week Federation and the Journal of Gastroenterology and Hepatology Foundation, (APDWF-JGHF) prestigious Emerging Leaders Lectureship Award for 2022.

Dr Rana will be delivering a lecture on the endoscopic management of pancreatic necrosis at a session at the Asian Pacific Digestive Week 2022 (APDW2022) Congress being held in Xi'an, China.

Source: *Medical Dialogues, 03/11/2022*

Link: <https://medicaldialogues.in/state-news/chandigarh/pgi-gastroenterologist-dr-surinder-rana-conferred-with-international-award-for-emerging-leaders-lectureship-2022-101679>



APOLLO DOCTORS SAVE BABY WITH HEART DEFECTS

Doctors at the Apollo Institute of Medical Sciences and Research (AIMSR) in Jubilee Hills performed a complex heart surgery on a two-month-old-baby, diagnosed with multiple congenital heart defects. The male child had numerous anomalies including a hole in heart, switched positions of two main arteries, opened blood vessels leading from the heart, autism and single coronary artery, in which the two great arteries arise from opposite sides.

It is a rare subset of heart defects, present in one in 3,500 live births. If treated early, these babies lead a normal life. The team of specialists led by **Dr Sunil Swain** performed the surgery successfully.

Source: The Indian Express, 19/09/2022

Link: <https://www.newindianexpress.com/cities/hyderabad/2022/sep/19/apollo-docs-save-baby-with-heart-defects-2499654.html>



INDIAN DOCTOR BECOMES SECRETARY GENERAL OF COMMONWEALTH MEDICAL ASSOCIATION



Dr. **J.A. Jayalal**, former president of the Indian Medical Association (IMA), was elected as the Secretary General of the Commonwealth Medical Association (CMA).

the election of office-bearers for 2022-24 was held in Malaysia during the annual executive meeting and council meeting from November 4 to 6. Dr. Jayalal hails from Kanniyakumari and is the professor and head of department, Surgery, Kanniyakumari Government Medical College. He was the president of IMA in 2021. CMA was established in 1962, with 58 countries, to assist and strengthen the capacities of national medical associations of the countries and improve the health and well-being of their communities.

Source: The Hindu, 08/11/2022

Link: <https://www.thehindu.com/news/cities/chennai/indian-doctor-becomes-general-secretary-of-commonwealth-medical-association/article66111507.ece>



'5 RUPEES DOCTOR' SHANKARE GOWDA WINS 'SOCIAL CHANGE' AWARD

Dr Shankare Gowda, a Dermatologist from Karnataka's Mandya, was announced as CNN-News18 Indian of the Year 2022 Award for the 'Social Change' category.

Union Minister Nitin Gadkari presented the award to Dr Gowda at the ceremony organized in Delhi. Dr Gowda is a dermatologist, who charges his patients just 5 rupees. He is known for prescribing affordable medicines to his patients and has had an almost a hundred per cent success rate. His selfless service over the years has attracted scores of patients from far-flung areas of Karnataka.

Source: CNN News 18, 12/10/2022

Link: <https://www.news18.com/news/india/cnn-news18-indian-of-the-year-2022-5-rupees-doctor-shankare-gowda-wins-social-change-award-6152977.html>

A REPORT BY INDIAN DOCTOR PUBLISHED IN A US-BASED MEDICAL JOURNAL

Dr Sasanka Kumar Barua along with his team treated rare dialysis-induced skin ailment with kidney transplant. A report on the operation conducted on a 30-year-old woman patient in December last year by a team of doctors from the super-speciality unit of GMCH led by Dr Sasanka Kumar Barua recently appeared in Cureus, a US-based medical journal.

The skin condition called Pseudoporphyria in which multiple lesions that look like burnt and peeling skin occur all over the body of a patient with kidney failure when they start hemodialysis, a process to filter waste and water from blood when the kidneys stop functioning normally.

Source: Hindustan Times, 9/9/2022

Link: <https://www.hindustantimes.com/cities/others/assam-doctors-treat-rare-dialysis-induced-skin-ailment-with-kidney-transplant-101662706380589.html>



MEDICAL BODY HONOURS THREE INDIAN-ORIGIN DOCTORS IN AUSTRALIA

Three Indian-origin doctors were recently felicitated by the South Australian Indian Medical Association (SAIMA) in recognition of their contributions to the field of medicine.

Associate professor **Dr Anupam Datta Gupta** received SAIMA's President's award in recognition of his research in rehabilitation medicine. He is currently the head of the general rehabilitation unit at Central Adelaide Local Health Network. Dr Datta Gupta is a recipient of the International Society of Physical and Rehabilitation Medicine (ISPRM) scholarship and also the recipient of Research Scholar certificate from the Harvard Medical School.

Dr Jaya Pathi received her award for her work as the longest-serving female practitioner - a total of 53 years, including 47 years in Australia. Pathi obtained her MBBS from the Osmania University in Hyderabad in 1967 and started working at a public hospital while pursuing specialist training in pediatrics simultaneously.

SAIMA also honored resident medical officer **Dr Rahul Malhotra**, who mentored first-year students and acted as an investigator in a few medical research projects. With a keen interest in anesthesia, he participates in the management of peri-operative patients.

Source: Newsroom Odisha, 07/10/2022

Link: <https://newsroomodisha.com/medical-body-honours-three-indian-origin-doctors-in-australia/>



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