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THEME : WORLD AIDS DAY



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World AIDS Day, observed annually on December 1, is dedicated to raising awareness about HIV/AIDS, supporting those affected, and remembering those who have died from AIDS-related illnesses. Established in 1988, it promotes global solidarity and highlights the ongoing fight against the HIV epidemic. The day focuses on prevention, treatment access, and combating stigma and discrimination associated with the disease. It also emphasizes the importance of education to prevent transmission and encourages testing for early detection.

Governments, organizations, and communities unite to advocate for equitable healthcare and accelerate efforts toward achieving the global goal of ending AIDS as a public health threat.



DEAN'S DESK: WORLD AIDS DAY

Dear Students, Faculty, and Staff,

On the occasion of World AIDS Day, observed on December 1st, I would like to take a moment to reflect on the significance of this day and our role as healthcare professionals in combating the HIV/AIDS epidemic.

World AIDS Day is not just a reminder of the millions of lives affected by HIV but also a call to action for all of us in the medical and dental communities. This newsletter highlights the ongoing need for awareness, prevention, and equitable healthcare access.

As future dental practitioners, your role extends beyond oral health care. Patients with HIV often face stigma and misinformation, and it is our responsibility to create a safe, inclusive, and non-judgmental environment for their care. Proper knowledge of infection control, early recognition of oral manifestations of HIV, and compassionate communication are key to providing holistic care to these individuals.

I encourage each of you to take this day as an opportunity to educate yourselves and others about HIV/AIDS, its prevention, and its management. Attend seminars, participate in awareness campaigns, and advocate for inclusivity within and beyond our institution.

Let us work together to break the stigma and support global efforts to end the HIV epidemic. Remember, as healthcare providers, our compassion, empathy, and knowledge can make a world of difference.



DR. SRIVALLI NATARAJAN
DEAN, MGMDCH
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SUB-EDITOR SAY: WORLD AIDS DAY

Dear Students, Faculty, and Readers,

As we mark World AIDS Day on December 1st, let us pause to reflect on the ongoing global fight against HIV/AIDS and the role we, as dental professionals, play in this crucial effort.

HIV/AIDS is more than a medical condition; it is a social challenge that tests our ability to provide equitable and compassionate care. Many individuals living with HIV face stigma, discrimination, and barriers to healthcare. As future dentists, your responsibility goes beyond treating oral conditions—it extends to being advocates for dignity, inclusivity, and awareness.

HIV has several oral manifestations, such as candidiasis, Kaposi's sarcoma, and periodontal diseases, which often serve as early indicators of the condition. By recognizing these signs, you can play a pivotal role in ensuring early diagnosis and referral, significantly improving patients' quality of life. Moreover, by maintaining strict infection control practices, you also demonstrate leadership in fostering a safe clinical environment for both patients and colleagues.

This year's World AIDS Day theme, reminds us that the fight against HIV is far from over. The global community is striving to end the epidemic by 2030, and your dedication, knowledge, and empathy will contribute to achieving this ambitious goal. Let us use this day to educate ourselves and others, challenge misconceptions, and reaffirm our commitment to serving every patient with respect and excellence. Together, we can make a difference in the lives of those affected by HIV/AIDS and help create a world free of stigma and inequality.



DR. SARIKA SHETTY
PROFESSOR,
DEPARTMENT OF PERIODONTICS

FACULTY: WORLD AIDS DAY

Dear Colleagues and Students,

On the occasion of World AIDS Day, observed every year on December 1st, I extend my warm regards and invite you to reflect on the critical role we play as healthcare professionals in addressing the challenges posed by HIV/AIDS.

HIV/AIDS continues to impact millions of lives worldwide, and as dental professionals, we are uniquely positioned to make a meaningful difference. Many oral conditions, such as oral candidiasis, necrotizing periodontal diseases, and Kaposi's sarcoma, are among the first indicators of compromised immunity in individuals with HIV. Early recognition and timely referrals can significantly improve patient outcomes, making your skills and vigilance indispensable in this fight.

As practitioners of periodontology, we are particularly attuned to the interplay between systemic health and oral health. This perspective is vital in managing the oral health of HIV-positive patients, ensuring they receive the care they need without fear of stigma or discrimination. Through meticulous infection control measures, patient education, and compassionate interaction, we uphold our duty to provide equitable care to all.

This year's World AIDS Day theme, reminds us of the global commitment to ending the epidemic. As educators and learners, let us focus on continuous education, participate in awareness programs, and advocate for health equity, ensuring that no one is left behind in this journey.

I urge each of you to see this day not as a single event but as a reminder of our enduring responsibilities as healthcare providers. Together, let us contribute to a world where knowledge replaces fear, understanding replaces stigma, and care reaches everyone who needs it.



DR. AISHWARYA PATIL
TUTOR
DEPARTMENT OF PERIODONTOLOGY

OVERVIEW OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS



In the view of encouraging innovation and protecting Intellectual Property, an expert session was conducted on “Overview of Intellectual Property Rights” by Mr. Vijaykumar Shivpuje, director, Patlex Business Solutions.

ANTI-RAGGING SEMINAR

Topic: "Curbing the Menace of Ragging in Dental Colleges"



As per instructions from Dental Council of India, New Delhi, a seminar was conducted by DCI member for periodic training of the members of the antiragging committee.

The Speaker for the seminar : Dr. Arun Dodamani,
DCI Council Member

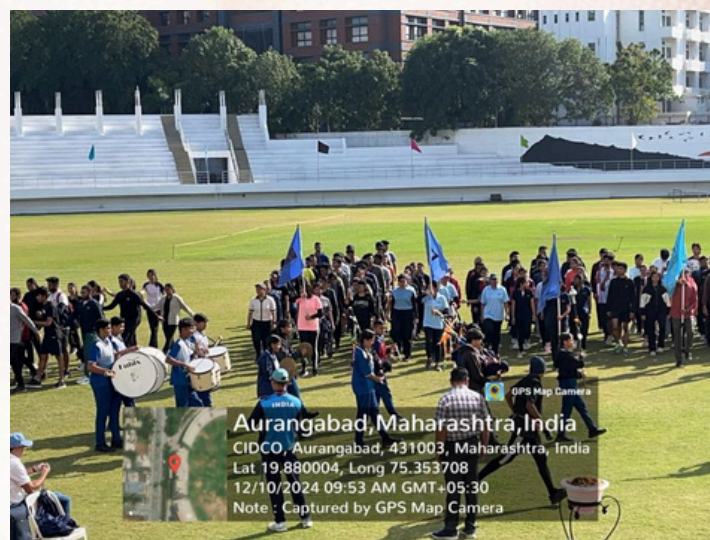
First and Second BDS UG students attended the seminar.



MGM AURANGABAD OLYMPICS



The students of MGM Dental College & Hospital enthusiastically participated in MGM OLYMPICS 2024 indoor and outdoor sports matches which was organised by MGM Aurangabad from date 9th to 13th December 2024



NAVADE SCHOOL CAMP



9th December: A total of 190 patients were screened at this camp. Staff at the camp site were: Dr. Mausami Malgaonkar and Dr. Swati Singh along with 4 interns. Most of the cases were of dental caries followed by gingivitis, and some patients required prostheses. Type IV examination was carried out in the day light. Brushing Techniques were demonstrated to the children. Patient requiring treatments were referred to the college hospital.

OUTREACH PROGRAM

Title: VEDAS Research LAB Outreach Talk on "Role of 3D Printing & Virtual Surgical Planning at Point of Care"



MGM Dental College and Hospital conducted an outreach program on "Role of 3D Printing & Virtual Surgical Planning at Point of Care" was organized to provide awareness to students, researchers and faculties in nearby college, MGM School of Physiotherapy and MGM School of Bio Medical Sciences.



Objectives of the training Program:

- Overview of VEDAS Lab
- What is 3D printing
- What Is VSP (Virtual Surgical Planning)
- Importance of Engineering and Medical working together
- Few Case study
- Invitation to visit



GUEST VISIT

Title: Meeting with General Manager APAC, materialize with Dean, for developing Centre of Training at MGM, Kamothe Campus



Objectives of the Meeting: MGM Dental College and Hospital conducted an meeting with Materialise General Manager in order to develop centre of Training in collaboration with MUHS, here at MGM, Kamothe Campus.



Meeting with General Manager APAC and Materialize Team with Dean, Dr. Srivalli Natarajan, Dr. Suraj Ahuja, Dr. Niharika Swain, Mr. Salim Jafri

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENTAL PROGRAM

Topic I: Diode Laser

Speaker: Dr. Vineet Kini

As a research initiative, a 10-watt 940 nm wavelength Gallium arsenide semiconductor diode laser was procured by the MGM Dental College and Hospital, Navi Mumbai. The hands-on demonstration of the diode laser unit was conducted for the Faculty and Postgraduate students of all Departments of MGM Dental College and Hospital, Navi Mumbai on 4th December 2024 at the Skills Laboratory of the Institution by Dr. Vineet Kini, Professor, Department of Periodontology, MGM Dental College and Hospital, Navi Mumbai. The hands-on exercise was followed by an interactive session on clinical applications of Diode lasers in clinical practice that included applied Laser biology, incisional /excisional soft tissue procedures, depigmentation, low level laser therapy, photodynamic therapy and Dental bleaching. The program encouraged faculty and students to plan future research projects and procedures utilizing the facility of the 10-watt Diode laser unit.



PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENTAL PROGRAM

Topic II: Demonstration on Choukrons PRF Duo Quattro Centrifuge

Speaker: Mr. Amit Balgude



A Professional development program was conducted by the Department of Periodontology, MGM Dental College and Hospital, Navi Mumbai on the utility of the newly procured Duo Quattro Platelet Rich Fibrin Centrifuge for Platelet aggregates preparation for the Faculty and Post graduate students at the Auditorium, MGM Dental College and Hospital, Navi Mumbai on 10th December 2024. The Technical aspects of Centrifuge operation and blood sample handling were addressed by Mr. Amit Balgude who demonstrated all operational protocols of platelet aggregate preparation including activated, injectable and scar resolution platelet rich fibrin. The program emphasized the importance of biologics and platelet aggregates on the clinical applications of surgical, cosmetic, periodontal and Implant surgery. The demonstration was followed by a detailed question and answer session among faculty and students on incorporating this technology in future treatment planning and research. The program was aimed to achieve the incorporation of biologics in both clinical applications and research projects.

STRESS MANAGEMENT SEMINAR



In recognition of the importance of mental well-being in a demanding academic and professional environment, MGM Dental College & Hospital is organizing an expert session on "Stress Management" by Clinical Psychologist, Sonali Gujarathi on 12th December 2024 for the Teaching Staff of MGM Dental College and Hospital.



TRAINING ON HOW TO USE BIOCHEM

A training session was conducted for nursing and housekeeping staff on how to use biochem which was organised by BGS Hygiene India Private Limited on 18th December, 2024



MENSTRUAL HYGIENE & PERSONALITY DEVELOPMENT



Awareness Program on “Menstrual Hygiene & Personality Development ” was conducted for I & II BDS by Campus Konnect, Brandtouch & Analytics, Lower Parel in association with Procter and Gamble, Mumbai. The students were also given free goodies too.



IMPLANT STUDIO SOFTWARE

This session was conducted by the Department of Oral Maxillofacial Surgery



A demonstration of Implant Studio Software has been organized for faculty and postgraduate students.



The demonstration will illustrate implant guide planning, designing, and printing processes.



HAYSTACK ANALYTICS VISIT



A team from MGMDCH led by Dean Dr. Srivalli Natarajan including Dr. Niharika Swain and Dr. Isha Mishra visited Haystack Analytics, a HealthTech company based out of IIT Bombay creating clinical genomics products and supported by India's most respected science agencies (DST, BIRAC, DBT).

The visit included a detailed discussion of the various problem statements faced by MGM DCH while attempting research in the field of oral microbiome and infectious diseases as well the various solutions on genomics offered by haystack, followed by a tour of their state-of-the-art facility at Vashi. It ended with the possibility of a potential collaboration.

AWARDS SECTION

MGM OLYMPIC WINNERS



•Badminton Girls Silver Medal

- 1) Bharti J (Intern)
- 2) Siddhi Solanki (2nd yr new)

•400m Running boys Bronze medal

- 1) Harshit Jhamtani (1st yr)

•200m running Silver Medal

- 1) Omkar Chavan (4th yr odd batch)

•kho-kho girls gold medal

- 1)Priyal Devare(2nd year)
- 2)Saloni Redkar(1st year)

•Basketball Girls Silver medal

- 1) Niral Oswal (1st yr)
- 2) Shreya Mate (2nd yr new batch)
- 3) Maheen Tamboli (2nd yr new batch)

AWARDS SECTION



Swimming (Boys)

1. Prateek Dixit ,1st yr
(bronze)

Throwball (girls)

1. Bharti Jat , Intern (silver)
2. Hethvi Somaiya , 2nd yr
new batch (silver)



Badminton (Boys)

1.Nishant Jain , 1st yr
(silver)



Football

1) Harshit Jamthani
2) Anrnva Netam

AWARDS SECTION

TATA TRUSTS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME

TATA Trusts Scholarship Programme for Merituous students. Scholarship of upto 1 lakh Rupees. Awarded to following students:



Gaurav Vijay Katkar
III BDS



Sara Amir Ladkawalla
III BDS



Mitali Kalpesh Gala
III BDS

AWARDS SECTION

COLGATE SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS (POST-GRADUATES)

A team from Colgate was present, for introducing the grants for UG and PG students, based on their merits. Three PG students from our college were awarded ₹75,000. The following won the grant-



**Dr. Misbah Kamle
(Oral Pathology)**



**Dr. Suresh Ramarao
Pole
(Oral Pathology)**



**Dr. Prashant Umakant
Bhagse
(Endodontics)**

AWARDS SECTION

INDIAN COUNCIL OF MEDICAL RESEARCH GRANT

The Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), New Delhi, is the apex body in India for the formulation, coordination and promotion of biomedical research. Established in 1911, it is one of the oldest medical research bodies in the world.

These postgraduate students have been granted a scholarship of 25 thousand rupees from ICMR



Dr. Manali Sawant
(Oral Pathology)



Dr. Gauri Agarwal
**(Oral and
maxillofacial
surgery)**

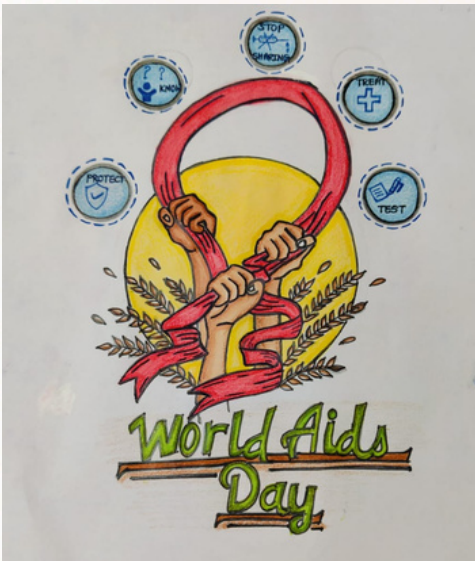


**Dr. Rushikesh
Bhumare**
**(Oral and
Maxillofacial
Surgery)**

ARTISTS OF MGM



Ahana Koley
II BDS



Renuka Thombare
I BDS



Vaishnavee Bagal
I BDS

QUOTES OF THE MONTH

**"HIV does not make people dangerous to know, so you can shake their hands and give them a hug: Heaven knows they need it."
– Princess Diana.**

**"There is no passion to be found in playing small, in settling for a life that is less than the one you are capable of living."
–Nelson Mandela**

**"You can't use up creativity. The more you use, the more you have."
– Maya Angelou**