



**SANGAMAM PEDICON 2023**  
**37<sup>th</sup> South Zone Pedicon &**  
**47<sup>th</sup> State Pedicon of IAP -TNSC**  
**ANNOUNCEMENT FOR DR. V. BALAGOPALA RAJU AWARD**



Dear Members,

The 37<sup>th</sup> South Zone Pedicon and the 47<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of IAP TNSC is being held at Kanyakumari from 24<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> August 2023. On behalf of the IAP Tamil Nadu State Chapter and South Zone Team, we warmly welcome the pediatric fraternity to the conference. As part of the conference, members from Tamilnadu and Pondicherry can send scientific papers for **Dr. V. Balagopala Raju Award**.

**One award for the best paper (Oral presentation) in 'General Paediatrics including Neonatology' will be given during the annual conference.**

All entries should meet the following criteria: the material is original, study methods are ethical and appropriate, data are sound, conclusions are reasonable and supported by the data, and the information is important; the topic has general pediatric interest; and the manuscript is written in good English. The submission should report research relevant to clinical pediatrics including randomized clinical trials, other intervention studies, studies of screening and diagnostic tests, analytical cohort and case-control studies, systematic reviews and cost-effectiveness analyses. Descriptive studies, surveys, case records/series, pilot interventional studies, and secondary analyses of data are not preferred.

Each manuscript should be accompanied with an 8-point structured abstract in not more than 200 words. The 8 subheadings of the structured abstract should be: background, objective, study design, participants, intervention, outcomes, results, and conclusion. The main text of the manuscript should be arranged in sections on Introduction, Methods, Results and Discussion. Methods section should always include a sub-heading of 'Statistical analysis.' Key messages should be provided at the end of the manuscript. Number of tables and figures should be limited to a maximum of three and two, respectively. The typical text length for such contributions is 2500 words (excluding title page, abstract, tables, figures, acknowledgments, key messages and references). Number of references should be limited to 25

- The papers should be accompanied by the duly filled submission form. False details furnished will entail rejection of the paper/ poster.
- Only online submission of papers will be accepted.
- Registration for the conference is a must for submission of the paper
- Only IAP members – Fellow/ Life / Associate members are eligible to present. Both the author and co-authors should be IAP members.
- The work for the paper should have been done in Tamil Nadu and Pondicherry only. The first author cum presenter should have been a part of the team that had done the work.
- Presenter should be the first author and should be less than 40 years at the time of presentation.

Proof of age should be sent for presenters of shortlisted papers. Co-authors of the paper can be more than 40 years of age.

- **A maximum of three co- authors is allowed for the submitted paper.**
- The paper should not have been presented at any other conference, published or sent for publication until the time of the presentation. The Core committee of IAP TNSC will appoint three judges to adjudge the submitted papers independently. The top three papers will be eligible for oral presentation at the conference. The maximum marks allotted will be 60 per judge. Shortlisted authors will be informed well in advance for presentation in the conference.
- Each presenter will be given ten minutes for presentation and will have five minutes for discussion. Questions will be only from the judges and will be answered by the presenter only.
- The winner of the award will be given a medal and merit certificate. Co-authors will be given the certificate only. Other presenters (who are selected for oral presentation of the paper) will be given the participation certificates.
- Three independent judges for oral presentation, appointed by the Core committee of IAP will assess the selected papers during the oral presentation. The maximum marks allotted will be 40 per judge. The total marks for the manuscript and oral presentation will be calculated and the highest scoring paper shall receive the award. Award may not be given if the qualities of the papers are inadequate.
- The winner of the award will be given a medal and merit certificate. Co-authors will be given certificate only. Other presenters (who are selected for oral presentation of the paper) will be given the participation certificates.
- **The participants, who have not been selected for the Oral presentation (authors and co authors) will receive e-certificates only.**

**The papers should be submitted in IAP TNSC website (<https://www.iaptnsc.org/>), on or before 5 pm, 31.07.2023.**

Note: Submissions without the duly filled form and sent later than the cut - off date will be summarily rejected.

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**SCIENTIFIC PAPERS FOR Dr. V. Balagopala Raju Award**  
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- E. Name of HOD/Unit chief: .....
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Declaration: I hereby declare that the above particulars are true to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of the Presenter

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