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Launch of CTRI
20th July 2007

The Dawn of a New Era

The Clinical Trials Registry - India (CTRI), launched by Prof. N.K. Ganguly, DG, ICMR on 20th July 2007, ushered in a new era in clinical research. The CTRI, hosted at the National Institute of Medical Statistics (NIMS), ICMR, New Delhi, is a free online registry of clinical trials being conducted in the country.

The registration of clinical trials in CTRI is voluntary and those conducting trials are expected to register with certain data fields before the enrolment of the first patient/participants. For details visit www.ctri.in

In this Special Issue of CTRI Bulletin, we take great pleasure in bringing to you a bird’s eye view of the historic occasion.

Prof. N.K. Ganguly, DG, ICMR, addressing distinguished guests
Dr. S.J. Habayeb, WHO Representative to India; Dr. Sunil Nandraj, NPO, WHO;
Dr. M. Venkateswarlu, DCG(I); Dr. S. N. Khan, DST Representative; Prof. Arvind Pandey, Director, NIMS (Administrator, CTRI); Dr. V. Muthuswamy, Sr. DDG, ICMR (Co-PI, CTRI); Prof. S.D. Seth, Chair in Clinical Pharmacology, ICMR (Advisor, CTRI);
Dr. A.N. Kapoor, DDG (Sr.), ICMR; Dr. Abha Rani Aggarwal, AD, NIMS (Coordinator, CTRI) and other scientists.
Dr. S.J. Habayeb, WHO Representative to India releasing the first CTRI Bulletin during the launch ceremony.

Prof. N.K. Ganguly joins Dr. S.J. Habayeb, WHO Representative to India in releasing the first CTRI Bulletin.

Prof. N.K. Ganguly, "With the launch of this Registry, India will be among the few select countries like Australia, UK and the US that are making researchers accountable through registration and public disclosure of clinical trials."

Distinguished guests gathered at the Indian Council of Medical Research, New Delhi for the inauguration of CTRI.

Prof. Arvind Pandey, "We present to you a platform for registering all prospective clinical trials being conducted in India on medicinal products and information of these registered clinical trials will be made freely and publicly available on the website www.ctri.in."

Dr. S. N. Khan, DST Representative "CTRI will act as a support system for clinicians and researchers to practice transparency during the conduct of clinical trials."

Dr. S. J. Habayeb, WHO Representative to India "Congratulations to DG ICMR for the launch and establishing the Clinical Trials Registry-India. WHO will provide any assistance to CTRI and assure the future links with International Clinical Trials Registry Platform (ICTRP)."

Dr. M. Venkateswarlu, DCG(I) "The Registry is a welcome step in the regulatory process of clinical trials and any further support required from the CDSCO shall be provided to the CTRI."
Dr. Vasantha Muthuswamy, Sr. DDG, ICMR, “It is a historical occasion when the long desired initiative to launch the Registry is accomplished. All clinical trials with drugs, biotech products, vaccines, devices, biologicals and traditional medicines are expected to be registered with CTRI”.

Also seen in the picture - Prof. S.D. Seth, Chair in Clinical Pharmacology, ICMR (Left) and Prof. Arvind Pandey, Director, NIMS, (ICMR) (Right).

Representatives from Academic Institutes, Pharma Industries, NGO’s (PATH & DNDi), at the launch of the CTRI.

Prof. N. K. Ganguly addressing the media.

Also seen in the picture from Left to Right - Prof. S.D. Seth, Dr. V. Muthuswamy, Prof. Arvind Pandey, Prof. N. K. Ganguly, Dr. S.J. Habayeb, Dr. M Venkateswarlu.

Home page of CTRI (www.ctri.in)

Left to Right - Dr. Rajat Goyal, PATH; Dr. R.H Jani, Zydus Cadila; Dr. S.K. Mishra, Dabur Research Foundation; Dr. Abha Rani Aggarwal, NIMS ; Dr. Ambujam Nair Kapoor, ICMR; Prof. Prathap Tharyan, CMC, Vellore.
We must become the change we want to see.

-Mahatma Gandhi