

9. Workshops/Meetings/Seminars/Symposia organized during the year 2003

Duration	Details of meeting	Participant (s)
9.1 Meeting attended by VCRC staff outside VCRC under which the following should be given		
International		
19–20 Jan.2003	First International Seminar on Medical Entomology held at Bhopal - presented papers.	Dr. M. Kalyanasundaram Dr. A. Manonmani Dr. A.R.Rajavel Dr. V. Vasuki
18–20 Feb.2003	CPCSEA - DBT International conference on "Alternates to the use of animals in research and education", organized by CPCSEA and Dept. of Biotechnology, Govt. of India, New Delhi.	Dr. K.P. Paily
21–22 Feb.2003	Monitoring & Evaluation "Core" working group 2 nd meeting held at D. Abbot Turner Center, Emory University, Atlanta.	Dr. P. K. Das
14–15 Apr. 2003	3 rd RPRG for GELF meeting-Indian subcontinent, Pathology. Delhi.	Dr. P .K.Das
23–25 June 2003	26 th Session of the joint co-ordinating board of UNDP/ WB/WHO special programme for research and training in tropical diseases, organized by ICMR, at Hotel Oberoi, New Delhi.	Dr. P. K. Das
4 –7 July 2003	International Congress of Parasitology as an "Invited Speaker" at the National Theatre "Vasile Alecsandri" 1Iasi, held at IASI Romania.	Dr. P. K.Das
2–4 Sept. 2003	Workshop to develop the framework specific objectives and methodology for a multi-country evaluation of <i>Aedes Aegypti</i> pupal productivity surveys, at San Juan, Puerto Rico.	Dr. D. Dominic Amalraj
6–10 Oct. 2003	International Bioinformatics Workshop on Malaria Vectors, Baltimore, USA.	Dr. A. M. Manonmani
28–30 Oct. 2003	Temporary Advisor of WHO and served as Technical Co-coordinator of workshop on Judicious use of insecticides, Colombo.	Dr. K . Krishnamoorthy
7–10 Nov. 2003	Cost study meeting, hosted by Emory LF Support Centre, Emory University, Atlanta.	Dr. K . Krishnamoorthy

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18–21 Nov.2003	Workshop on “Prevention of disability associated with lymphatic filariasis”, held at Colombo, Sri Lanka.	Dr. K. D. Ramaiah
		
20–21 Nov.2003	WHO/TDR meeting on “Urban filariasis project” held at KEM College, Pune.	Dr. K. N . Vijayakumar
27–29 Nov.2003	WHO/TDR/NICD workshop on “Lymphatic filariasis elimination” held at RCC, Gurgaon, Delhi.	Dr. K . N . Vijayakumar
2–4 Dec. 2003	The 7 th WHOPES working group meeting at WHO/HQ, Geneva.	Dr. P. Jambulingam
7–10 Dec.2003	Global Programme to Eliminate Lymphatic Filariasis held at Philadelphia, USA.	Dr. P. K.Das
18 &19 Dec.2003	Indo-French workshop on ‘Tele Epidemiology of Dengue’ held at NIV, Pune.	Dr. P.K. Das Dr. S. Sabesan Dr. S.L. Hoti
30 Dec. 2003 15 Feb. 2004	Served as WHO Short-Term Professional to act as Technical Co-coordinator of International Training Centre.	Dr. K. Krishnamoorthy
National 3 & 4 90 th Jan.2003	Session of Indian Science Congress, organized at Jnana Bharathi Campus, Bangalore University, Bangalore.	Dr. K. Gunasekaran
6–7 Jan. 2003	Workshop on “Vector susceptibility to insecticides” organized by National Anti-Malaria Programme at New Delhi.	Dr. K. Gunasekaran
23–25 Jan.2003	Workshop on “Malaria Operational Research” organized jointly by the State Health Resource Centre, State Malaria Control Society, Danida Support Unit and Korba district administration, Chhattisgarh State at Korba.	Dr. K. Gunasekaran

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28 Jan. 2003	Meeting of Task Force on Socio-behavioural research on Kala-Azar at ICMR Hqrs., New Delhi.	Dr. P. K. Das
14 Feb. 2003	Meeting on JE, organized by Govt. of Andhra Pradesh and PATH, Hyderabad.	Dr. R. Ravi Dr. S. Sabesan
20 Feb. 2003	Seminar on "Molecular Biology-50 years of progress", delivered talk on 'Detection of filarial parasites in vectors: Tools for surveillance and monitoring', at Post-Graduate and Research Department of Zoology, Ethiraj College for Women, Chennai.	Dr. S.L. Hoti
11 Mar. 2003	ICMR-WHO Training Programme on Ethics in Biomedical Research, organized by MGR Medical University, Chennai, as resource person.	Dr. R. Ravi
18-20 Mar. 2003	ICMR - WHO Workshop on "Dissemination of Information" SVIMS, Tirupathi, delivered a lecture on "Modern tools in the epidemiology and control of vector-borne diseases".	Dr. S. Sabesan
19-20 Mar. 2003	Peer Review Meeting of the project entitled by MGR Medical by MGR Medical on vector ecology transmission and their control" organized by DRDO, New Delhi.	Dr. P.K. Das
27-29 May 2003	Workshop on "Finalization of protocol and development of standardized tools for the use in the multi-centre study on drug delivery strategies in urban areas for lymphatic filariasis elimination", held at Gurgaon, Haryana.	Dr. K.D. Ramaiah
11 June 2003	Resource Person for ICMR-WHO Training Programme on Ethics in Biomedical Research, organized by MGR Medical University, Chennai.	Dr. R. Ravi
19-20 June 2003	Workshop on "IEC for Dengue", organized by the CRME, Madurai at TRC, Chennai.	Dr. P. K. Das Dr. R. Ravi
20-21 June 2003	National Review Workshop on Japanese Encephalitis held at NAMP, Delhi.	Dr. P.K. Das
21-23 July 2003	National Conference on "Frontiers in Biotechnology", at JJ College of Arts & Science, Pudukkottai.	Dr. P.K. Das

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23 July 2003	ICMR-Task Force Review Meeting on Remote Sensing & GIS, ICMR Hqs., New Delhi.	Dr. S. Sabesan
26&27 July 2003	National Workshop on 'Lymphocon-2003' of Lymphology Society of India" at Annamalainagar, Chidambaram. Presented a paper on "Comparative study on safety and effectiveness of single dose Diethyl Carbamazine or Ivermectin or Albendazole or Co-administration of two drugs in individual <i>Wuchereria bancrofti</i> microfilaria" and delivered a lecture on elimination of LF.	Dr. S.P. Pani Dr. L.K. Das Mrs. G. Vijayalakshmi
12 Sept. 2003	ICMR Task Force meeting on molecular epidemiology, held at ICMR Hqrs, New Delhi.	Dr. P.K.Das Dr. S.L. Hoti
18-19 Sept.2003	Protocol development meeting on tribal health held at RMRC, Bhubaneswar.	Dr. P. K.Das
23 Sept. 2003	Meeting on tribal health research organized by the RMRC, Bhubaneswar.	Dr. P .K.Das Dr. P. Jambulingam
26 Sept. 2003	Meeting on "Mapping for lymphatic filariasis in India" held at NICD, Delhi	Dr. R. Ravi Dr. S.P. Pani Dr. S. Sabesan
26 Sept. 2003	Seminar on "Data management and transformation in SPSS" organized by SPSS South Asia Pvt. Ltd., Bangalore, at Hotel Abu Palace, Chennai.	Dr. K. Gunasekaran
7 Oct. 2003	Technical Advisory Group Meeting on Malaria held at NAMP, Delhi.	Dr. P.K. Das
28 Oct. 2003	National Task Force on Filariasis Meeting, held at DGHS, New Delhi.	Dr. P.K. Das
28-29 Oct.2003	National Symposium on "Risk assessment of pesticide residues in water and food", New Delhi.	Dr. M. Kalyanasundaram Dr. P. Jambulingam
10-11 Nov.2003	Qualitative data analysis of the I phase of the study to develop drug delivery strategies for elimination of lymphatic filariasis in urban areas, held at Pune.	Dr. K.D. Ramaiah
27-30 Nov.2003	21 st Annual Conference of Indian Society for Medical Statistics ISMS, at Desert Medicine Research Centre, Jodhpur.	Dr. K. Krishnamoorthy Dr. A. Krishna Kumari Mr. Harichandra Kumar
2 Dec. 2003	Second National Workshop on "Simple diagnostic methods in infectious diseases", held at Dept. of Microbiology, JIPMER, Pondicherry.	Dr. S. Sabesan

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4 Dec. 2003	Meeting of Advisory Committee to modernize the facilities and infrastructure of Council's library and information network at ICMR.	Dr. A. Manonmani Dr. R. Sundarammal
11-12 Dec.2003	National Seminar on Application of GIS for Rural Development, TTTI, Taramani, Chennai; delivered a lecture on application of modern tools- RS&GIS in the areas of health & sustainable rural development.	Dr. S. Sabesan
11-13 Dec.2003	ICMR-WHO Meeting on Ethics, Institute of Pathology, New Delhi as Resource Person.	Dr. R. Ravi
14 Dec. 2003	Award Function for ICMR Scientists held at ICMR, New Delhi.	Dr. P.K. Das
16 & 17 Dec.2003	Task Force Studies on tribal health held at ICMR, New Delhi.	Dr. P.K. Das
17 Dec. 2003	ICMR review meeting on "Burden of disease estimation", at ICMR headquarters, New Delhi.	Dr. L.K. Das
18-19 Dec.2003	ICMR-WHO workshop on "IPR & WTO Issues" at Regional Occupational Health Centre, Bangalore.	Dr. K.P. Paily Dr. Nisha Mathew
State-level Meetings		
2 Jan. 2003	One-day district level sensitization workshop on special intensive malaria control campaign at Koraput, organized by district administration, Koraput.	Dr. S.S. Sahu
31 Jan. 2003	Interactive meeting with state level officials of Tamil Nadu Public Health, Chennai.	Dr. K . Krishnamoorthy
8 Jan. 2003	Workshop on special intensive malaria control campaign at Malkangiri, organized by district administration Malkangiri.	Dr. S.S. Sahu
21 Feb. 2003	Meeting on implementation, monitoring & evaluation of filariasis control through mass drug administration of single annual dose of DEC or DEC + Alb. in Tamil Nadu, held at DPH office, Chennai.	Dr. R. Ravi Dr. S.P. Pani
1 Mar. 2003	DDHS meeting to review the district level plans for MDA held at DDHS office, Chennai.	Dr. P. K.Das Dr. K. Krishnamurthy

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3 Mar. 2003	State Level Advocacy Meeting for MDA with Chief Secretary & other Secretaries, held at DDHS Office, Chennai.	Dr. P.K. Das Dr. R. Ravi
7 Mar. 2003	Meeting at Chennai Municipal Corporation.	Dr. P.K. Das
18 Mar. 2003	District level co-ordination meeting on MDA at Collectorate office, Villupuram.	Dr. K . Krishnamoorthy
23 Mar. 2003	Meeting for inauguration of MDA in Tamil Nadu, held at Govt.General Hospital, Thiruvannamalai, organized by district public health authorities, DPH, Tamil Nadu and VCRC.	Dr. S.P. Pani
24 Apr. 2003	Meeting with the Honorable Chief Minister of Orissa at Malkangiri, on review of malaria situation and technical support provided by VCRC on malaria control in Malkangiri district.	Dr. S.S. Sahu
15 July 2003	Meeting with the Collector, CDMO and ADMO (PH), Koraput district, and Medical Officer, Pottangi, on Strategy development for re-treatment of mosquito nets with insecticide in Pottangi PHC, organized by district administration, Koraput.	Dr. S.S. Sahu
11-12 & 26 th 2003	Review of consumption survey results of MDA at DPH office, Chennai.	Dr. K . Krishnamoorthy Dr. S. P. Pani
5 Nov. 2003	Orientation course for Lab Assistants on MDA impact evaluation at Thiruvannamalai.	Dr .K . Krishnamoorthy
12 Nov. 2003	VCRC/DPH Review of ICMR Task Force project on DEC/Albendazole in Tamil Nadu with Dr. D.A. Selvakumar, Jt. Director PH, Tamil Nadu.	Dr. S.P. Pani
Inter-institutional Meetings		
31 Dec.2002 - 3 Jan. 2003	Workshop for reviewing and further developing training opportunities in epidemiology for public health in India held at NIE, Chennai, as Resource Person.	Dr. P.K. Das Dr. R. Ravi
3 Jan. 2003	Participated in the "Epidemiology Week & First ICMR Epidemiology Forum" programme of ICMR organized by National Institute of Epidemiology, Chennai.	Dr. S.P.Pani Dr. L.K. Das
18&19 Jan.2003	Meeting of Directors of ICMR Institutes at National Jan. 2003 Institute of Research in Reproductive Health, Mumbai as representative	Dr. R. Ravi

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20 Jan. 2003	1 st meeting of JIPMER Ethical Committee for the year 2003 held at JIPMER.	Dr. P.K. Das
5 – 7 Feb. 2003	Resource Person in the National Seminar on 'Prospects and Challenges in Bioinformatics' organized by Bioinformatics Centre, Pondicherry University, Pondicherry.	Dr. S.L. Hoti
13–14 Feb.2003	Scientific Advisory Group Meeting held at ICMR, New Delhi.	Dr. P.K. Das
6 Mar. 2003	Science Day Celebration of Pondicherry University.	Dr. P.K. Das
24 Mar. 2003	Meeting of Scientific Society, JIPMER, Pondicherry.	Dr. P.K. Das
3 Apr. 2003	Meeting of the Expert Committee on ICMR Awards, ICMR Hqrs., New Delhi as Member.	Dr. R. Ravi
4 Apr. 2003	Meeting of the Sub-committee of the Task Force on lymphatic filariasis, under the chairmanship of Dr. P. Kaliraj, at ICMR Hqrs., New Delhi.	Dr. P.K. Das Dr. S.L. Hoti
8 Apr. 2003	Meeting on ICMR Filariasis Task Force Project on "Human Filariasis: Immunological (Immunoglobulin and Cytokine) responses in <i>w.bancrofti</i> and <i>B.Malai</i> infection in endemic areas of India" held at ICMR headquarters, New Delhi.	Dr. S.P.Pani
17 Apr. 2003	Ethical Committee meeting of JIPMER, held at JIPMER.	Dr. P.K. Das
24 Apr. 2003	Meeting of Scientific Society, JIPMER, Pondicherry	Dr. P.K. Das
12&13 May 2003	"Expert group" meeting to review of "ICMR Medicinal Plants Monograph on Filariasis" held at ICMR headquarters, New Delhi.	Dr. S.P.Pani
31 May 2003	Ethical Committee meeting of General Hospital, Pondicherry, held at GH, Pondicherry.	Dr. P.K. Das
4 June 2003	Ethical Committee meeting of JIPMER, held at JIPMER.	Dr. P.K.Das

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23–24 Sept. 18 th Nov. & 8 th Dec. 2003	Departmental Promotion Committee Meeting, JIPMER, Pondicherry, as member.	Dr. R. Ravi
25–27 Sept. 2003	Scientific Advisory Committee of RMRC, held at RMRC, Bhubaneswar.	Dr. P.K. Das
3 Oct. 2003	Organized scientific meeting by Department of Medicine and PSM on “Dengue: Clinical/epidemiological aspects”, held at NTTC hall, JIPMER, Pondicherry.	Dr. R. Ravi Dr. S.PPani Dr. L.K. Das
11 Oct. 2003	Ethical Committee Meeting of Govt. Hospital, Pondicherry.	Dr. P.K. Das
12 & 13 Oct. 2003	2 nd Meeting of the ICMR Forum for Epidemiology Forum at NIE, Chennai.	Dr. S.PPani Dr. L.K. Das
16 & 17 Oct. 2003	Epidemiology Week programmes of National Institute of Epidemiology, Chennai, as Resource Person.	Dr. R. Ravi
20 & 21 Oct. 2003	Scientific Advisory Committee Meeting of TRC, held at TRC, Chennai.	Dr. P.K. Das
12 Nov. 2003	JIPMER Ethics Committee Meeting, Pondicherry.	Dr. R. Ravi
Service to Academic Bodies		
6–8 Jan. 2003	Visiting Faculty to Institute of Health Systems, Hyderabad	Dr. R. Ravi
28 Mar. 2003	Delivered lecture on “Mechanisms of infection, transmission and development of disease in lymphatic filarial disease” in the Department of Life Science at Pondicherry University.	Dr. S.PPani
29 Mar. & 27 th May 2003	Review Committee of Training Courses of All India Institute of Hygiene and Public Health, Kolkata, as member.	Dr. R. Ravi
23–25 Apr. 2003	External examiner on Environmental Epidemiology Lecture delivered at Pondicherry University.	Dr. K. Krishnamoorthy
3–5 July 2003	on various types of study designs for clinical trails, sampling methods, sample size determination, various epidemiological measures and methods of analyses for various clinical trials to the DNB medical students at Government Hospital, Pondicherry.	Dr. P. Vanamail Mr. S. Subramanian

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19 July 2003	Delivered lectures on “Mosquito Characteristics and breeding places”, “Medical importance of mosquitoes” and “Role of women community in mosquito control” to NSS Programme Co-ordinators & members of Self Help Group at Marie Hall, Pondicherry Municipality, Pondicherry.	Dr. K. Gunasekaran
13 Sept. 2003	Delivered a lecture on “Importance of mosquitoes and their control” to NSS students of Higher Secondary and degree classes at Marie Hall, Pondicherry Municipality, Pondicherry.	Dr. K. Gunasekaran
30 Oct. 2003	Delivered a talk on “Development of molecular diagnostics for parasitic diseases” to MD and Ph.D students of JIPMER	Dr. S.L. Hoti
9 Nov. 2003	Delivered lecture on “Research activities of VCRC with special reference to clinical, chemotherapeutic, epidemiological and preventive aspects of filariasis” to MBBS students of JIPMER.	Dr. S.P. Pani
24–28 Nov.2003	Visiting faculty to Institute of Health Systems, Hyderabad	Dr. R. Ravi
9.2. Meeting Conducted at VCRC		
Inter-Institutional Workshops Organized at VCRC		
13 Feb 2003	Development of descriptive system for health states.	JIPMER, ESI Hospital, Pondicherry; TRC, Chennai; NIMHANS, Bangalore.
29 Apr 2003	Interactive meeting of experts for consensus on medical management of individual patients’ filarial infection.	JIPMER,GH, Pondicherry; TRC, Chennai; T.D Medical College, Kerala; Filaria Control Unit, Pondicherry.
17 & 30 Sept. 2003	Health state valuations for determination of disability weight of lymphatic filariasis by using card sort and VAS method.	JIPMER, Filaria Control Unit, Mahatma Gandhi Dental College, ESI Hospital, Pondicherry.
22 Dec. 2003	Interactive meeting of research scholars of TRC and VCRC.	VCRC/TRC scientists, research scholars/students.

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State-level Workshops/Meetings Organized at VCRC

25 & 26 Feb. 2003	"Workshop on ethics and guidelines on animal experimentation"	VCRC scientists, from JIPMER, Rajiv Gandhi Veterinary College, and Pondicherry University.
22 Oct. 2003	Meeting on dengue outbreak.	Officials of Pondicherry Health Department .

Meetings/Workshops/Seminars attended by VCRC staff

31 Jan. 2003	Review meeting on "Implementation, monitoring and evaluation of filariasis control through MDA single annual dose of DEC or DEC + Albendazole in Tamil Nadu.	
24-28 Mar. 2003	Workshop on "Multi-centric evaluation of a simple technique for the extraction of DNA from <i>W.bancrofti</i> infected <i>C.quinquefasciatus</i> for PCR assay & rDNA PCR assay for the identification of <i>A.fluviatilis</i> ".	CRME, RMRMRI, Patna; RMRC, Dibrugarh; NICED, Kolkata.
17 Jul 2003	Workshop on Documentation	New Concept, New Delhi, attended.
3-4 Sep 2003	Expert Group Meeting on the "Evaluation of pilot administration (MDA) in 13 districts of India for the Filariasis Task Force Project on operational feasibility and impact of administration of Albendazole with DEC in controlling lymphatic filariasis".	NAMP, NICD BHU, ICMR, TRC, CRME, ICMR hqrs., representatives from Tamil Nadu state, SAC members of VCRC & expert member of Task Force on Filariasis.
9 Oct. 2003	Protocol development meeting on "Multi-centre study on effectiveness of repeated course of Hospital, flavonoid extracts of <i>Rutaceae aurantiae</i> in Chennai; filarial lymphoedema".	TRC, Vijaya Apollo Hospital, T.D. Medical College, Kerala; RMRC; JIPMER, GH, MGMC, Pondicherry .

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		<p>15 Oct. 2003 Workshop on "Protocol development for multi-centric field evaluation of a flowable formulation Tezpur; (VCRC-PFFC) of the metabolite of <i>Pseudomonas fluorescense</i>, against mosquitoes".</p> <p>MRC, Delhi; DRDO, RMRC, Dibrugarh; CRME, Madurai & IVCZ, Hosur.</p>
<p>30 & 31 Oct. 2003</p>	<p>Scientific Advisory Committee Meeting at VCRC, Pondicherry.</p>	
<p>National 29-31 July 2003</p>	<p>WHO/ICMR Workshop on competence building for writing up the July 2003 proposals and seeking grants from national and international agencies to research.</p>	<p>Several medical colleges and institutes in South India.</p>
		