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One Day Seminar on "Patents on Herbal Drugs" organized by Kamla Nehru College of Pharmacy, Butibori, Nagpur

One day seminar on "Patents on Herbal Drugs" organized by Kamla Nehru College of Pharmacy, Butibori, Nagpur on August 14th, 2014. The seminar was organized for teachers and PG students.

The seminar was inaugurated by Dr. Sudhir N. Umathe, Principal, Kamla Nehru College of Pharmacy, Butibori, Nagpur. The welcome address was delivered by Mr. Mangesh D. Godbole, Assistant Professor and preamble was given by Ms. Disha M. Dhabarde, Assistant Professor, Kamla Nehru College of Pharmacy, Nagpur.

The inaugural function was followed by two long sessions conducted Dr. Parimal P. Katolkar, Assistant Professor, Manoharbai Patel Institute of Pharmacy (B. Pharm.), Kudwa, Gondia.

In a two long sessions, Dr. Parimal P. Katolkar focuses on following points:

Herbal drugs are gaining worldwide prominence due to their distinct advantages. Developing countries have started exploring the ethnopharmacological approach of drug discovery and have begun to file patents on herbal drugs. The expansion of R&D in Indian herbal research organizations and presence of manufacturing units at non-Indian sites is an indication of the capability to develop new products and processes. The present study attempts to identify innovations in the Indian herbal drug sector by analyzing the patenting trends in India, US and EU.

There is a gradual increase in patent filing through the years. In India, individual inventors have maximum applications and grants. CSIR, among research organizations and Hindustan Unilever, Avesthagen, Piramal Life Science, Sahajanand Biotech and Indus Biotech among the companies have the maximum granted patents in India, US and EU respectively. Diabetes, cancer and inflammatory disorders are the major areas for patenting in India and abroad. Recent patents are on new herbal formulations for treatment of AIDS, hepatitis, skin disorders and gastrointestinal disorders.




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A majority of the herbal patents applications and grants in India are with individual inventors. Claim analysis indicates that these patents include novel multi-herb compositions with synergistic action. Indian research organizations are more active than companies in filing for patents. CSIR has maximum numbers of applications not only in India but also in the US and EU. Patents by research organizations and herbal companies are on development of new processes for active compound isolation and standardization of such components in addition to new compositions for therapeutic use. Pharmaceutical companies such as Ranbaxy, Lupin and Panacea Biotech are increasingly patenting on herbal drugs. There is increased patenting activity related to diabetes, cancer, cardiovascular diseases, asthma and arthritis in India and abroad.

The seminar was anchored by Ms. Kavita R. Pandey, Assistant Professor, Kamla Nehru College of Pharmacy, Butibori, Nagpur and the vote of thanks proposed by Ms. Seema Wakodkar, Assistant Professor, Kamla Nehru College of Pharmacy, Butibori, Nagpur. There was an overwhelming response to attend the seminar and 52 delegates registered for the conference. Mrs. Suhasine G. Wanjari, President, Amar Sewa Mandla, Nagpur and Adv. Abhijit G. Wanjari, Secretary, Amar Sewa Mandal, Nagpur congratulated Dr. S. N. Umathe, the Convenor and Mr. Mangesh D. Godbole, the Organizing Secretary and all teaching and non-teaching staff for the grand success of the programme.




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