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International webinar

The recent outbreak of COVID-19 in Wuhan turned into a public health emergency of international concern. It has crashed the economics, broken health care systems, filled hospitals and emptied public spaces. Developing a safe and effective COVID-19 vaccine is a global priority to end this pandemic. Researchers worldwide are working round the clock to find a vaccine against SARS-CoV-2, the virus causing the COVID-19 pandemic. However, previous attempts to develop vaccine against coronavirus diseases, SARS and MERS led to the gathering of considerable knowledge about the structure and function of coronavirus which accelerated rapid development. As a stakeholders in higher education and in particular as a Department of Biotechnology on 9-06-2020 with Resource person Dr.Rajkumar Vutukuri Ph.D, PDF Department of Neurology and NeuroSurgery Frankfurt University,Germany has delivered a talk. An overall 456 participants attended the session and we take it as a responsibility to disseminate knowledge of the progress of vaccine preparation against COVID-19.





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Department of Biotechnology on 20 February 2021 with Resource person Dr. Digumarthi V S Sudhakar, Scientist C, Department of Gamete Immunology, ICMR- National Institute for Research in Reproductive Health, Mumbai, Maharashtra, India has delivered a talk on "m-RNA vaccines: A New Era in Vaccination". He has thrown light on origin of vaccine development that is from pre 18th century to the present pandemic time. He also enlightened us on different types of vaccines, generation of immune responses to vaccine, mRNA vaccine pharmacology, Clinical trials with mRNA vaccines against cancer and mechanisms of working on how COVAXINTM - India's First Indigenous COVID-19 COVISHIELD[™] (manufactured by Serum Institute of India Pvt Ltd) and COVID-19 Vaccine AstraZeneca (manufactured by AstraZeneca) are ChAdOx1nCoV- 19 Corona Virus Vaccines (Recombinant) in fighting against pandemic time. A total of 130 participants attended the session and we take it as a responsibility to disseminate knowledge of the progress of mRNA vaccines preparation against different diseases and infections.



