

Name of the Department: Botany

- **A. Title of the Workshop/Activity:** International Webinar in Celebration of World Fungus Day
- **B. Background:** The Department of Botany, in collaboration with the Association of Fungal Biologists, proudly organized an international webinar on World Fungus Day. This highly anticipated event marked the inaugural activity of the Association of Fungal Biologists, bringing together experts and enthusiasts from around the world to delve into the fascinating world of fungal biotechnology and explore the potential of mushroom-derived products in the field of cosmeceuticals.

The webinar featured two distinguished speakers who shared their invaluable insights and expertise. Dr. Seshagiri Raghukumar, the Chief Scientific Officer at Avisa Myko, Inc. in Goa, India, delivered an enlightening talk on "Industry Academia Connect in Fungal Biotechnology." Dr. Raghukumar's extensive experience and profound knowledge shed light on the fruitful collaboration between industry and academia, highlighting the remarkable advancements in fungal biotechnology and its applications across various sectors.

The second speaker, Dr. Susanna M. Badalyan, a renowned professor at the Laboratory of Fungal Biology and Biotechnology in the Institute of Pharmacy, Department of Biomedicine at Yerevan State University, Armenia, shared her expertise on "Mushroom-derived biotech products and cosmeceuticals." Dr. Badalyan's presentation delved into the exciting realm of mushroom-based biotechnology, discussing the potential of mushrooms in the development of innovative and sustainable cosmeceutical products.

C. Aims/Objectives: The objective of the international webinar conducted on World Fungus Day, organized by the Department of Botany in collaboration with the Association of Fungal Biologists, was to provide a platform for knowledge sharing, networking, and collaboration in the field of fungal biotechnology. The webinar aimed to highlight the importance of industry-academia connection in advancing fungal biotechnology, exploring the potential applications of mushroom-derived products in the field of cosmeceuticals. By bringing together renowned experts, the webinar aimed to foster

discussions, exchange insights, and inspire researchers, students, and professionals to leverage the vast potential of fungi for innovative biotechnological solutions. It provided a valuable opportunity to learn about the latest breakthroughs, share research findings, and discuss future directions in the field of fungal biotechnology and its applications in cosmeceuticals. The webinar also sought to establish the Association of Fungal Biologists as a prominent platform for future research collaborations and advancements in the field of fungal biology and biotechnology.

- **D. Location:** MS Teams Platform
- **E.** Target audience/participants with expected number: Students (UG and PG), Research Scholars, Faculty and Scientists; Expected number: 109 (44M + 65F)
- **F. Date of the activity:** 02/10/2022
- **G.** Name of Resource Persons:
 - Dr. Seshagiri Raghukumar, the Chief Scientific Officer at Avisa Myko, Inc. in Goa, India, delivered an enlightening talk on "Industry Academia Connect in Fungal Biotechnology."
 - Dr. Susanna M. Badalyan, a renowned professor at the Laboratory of Fungal Biology and Biotechnology in the Institute of Pharmacy, Department of Biomedicine at Yerevan State University, Armenia, shared her expertise on "Mushroom-derived biotech products and cosmeceuticals."
- **H. Outcome/Feedback:** This international webinar served as a platform for knowledge exchange, networking, and fostering collaborations in the field of fungal biotechnology. Participants had the opportunity to engage in thought-provoking discussions, gain insights from esteemed experts, and explore the emerging trends and advancements in fungal research. The successful completion of this international webinar marked a significant milestone for the Association of Fungal Biologists, laying the foundation for future endeavors and collaborations in advancing fungal research and its applications.
- I. Funding if any: (Mention the name of the funding agency and amount received): NA

J. Annexures:

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