



BioPune Series				
Public Health Impact via Biotech: Felicitation of Leaders - Organized by Venture Center and ABLE –				
Objective	To provide a platform for Biotech industry and researchers to network			
Objective	To acknowledge the efforts of BioPharma and Biotech organizations in West Region			
ORGANIZED BY	Venture Center, Pune and ABLE India			
SUPPORTED BY	BIRAC BioNEST at Venture Center — West Zone Chapter of ABLE India at Venture Center			
FOR WHOM	Startups, Researchers, Indian companies, and Multinationals			
WHEN	Monday, 29 Jan 2024 Time: 05:00 pm – 6:30 pm			
	This Event will be available to attend Online (Zoom) & Offline (Venture Center) Link to the Event &			
	Details will be shared with selected participants.			
WHERE	Venue: Lecture Theater (900 NIP, Venture Center)			
	Kindly Choose option as suitable in registration form			
	Confirmation email will be shared with participants for the event			
CONTACT	Technical queries: Meghana Bhandari Email: meghana.bhandari@venturecenter.co.in			
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	Registration is free but Mandatory			
	Steps for registration:			
REGISTRATION	• Step 1: Interested participants need to fill in registration form at the following link. Register online at: Link to be added			
	Step 2: Online and Offline Attendance only on confirmation from organizers.			
	Note: - Organizers reserve the right to select participants to maximize learning and networking opportunities for the group Session will be conducted using ZOOM online & offline. Only registered participants will be allowed to participate in the event.			





Introduction

Bio Pune Seminar Series presents talks in the area of Bio Technology, Biomedical Engineering, Bioinformatics, Biomass value addition and related areas which are of interest and relevance to the bio sciences-based technology and entrepreneurship community in Pune.

Event Highlights:

- Celebration of Biotech Industry
- Meet, Greet & Network with the Stars
- Celebrate Pune's Biotech Innovation Ecosystem

Time (pm)	Duration	Session Title	Lead
5.00 -5:05	05 min	About the Program	Narendra Chirmule (Chief Scientific Officer, Aculmmune. Freelance)
5.05-5.10	05 min	About ABLE-India	Suresh Narayanan (COO, ABLE-India)
5.10-5.20	10 min	Overview of Venture Center and Launch of Activity and Impact Reports for selected Venture Center Programs	Smita Kale (Advisor, Bioincubation- Venture Center)
5.20- 5.25	05 min	Welcome remarks	Premnath V (Director, Venture Center)
5.25 - 5.40	15 min	Enzene's Success Story of Biosimilars	Himanshu Gadgil (CEO, Enzene Biosciences)
5.40 -5.55	15 min	Lupin's Biosimilars Success Story	Cyrus Karkaria (President, Biotech-Lupin) (TBC)
5.55- 6.00	05 min	Ahammune – Novel Drug Design Journey So Far	Parul Ganju (Co-Founder & CEO, Ahammune Biosciences
6.00- 6.05	05 min	Serigen's Journey to Market	Anuya Nisal (Founder & CEO, Serigen Mediproducts)
6.05- 6.10	05 min	Actorius- Oncodiscover and the journey ahead	Jayant Khandare (MD & CSO, Actorius Innovations & Research)
6.10- 6.20	10 min	Closing remarks and Felicitation of Biotech Leaders	Narendra Chirmule, Premnath V, Suresh Narayanan
6.20- 7.00	40 min	Networking & High Tea	-

Speakers (in alphabetical order of last names)



Narendra Chirmule Chief Scientific Officer, Aculmmune. Freelance

Narendra Chirmule is a Biotechnology professional and a music enthusiast. He has published and presented seminars on subjects of immunology, biologics and vaccines and contributed to development of vaccines and biologics. The drug development experiences include Vaccines for cervical cancer [HPV], shingles [Varicella zoster], childhood diarrhoea [Rotavirus]), and Biologics for osteoporosis [Prolia], rheumatoid arthritis [Enbrel], platelet loss (NPlate) breast cancer (Ogrivi) among many others. He has worked on basic concepts of gene therapy using viral vectors. He did his PhD on development of a leprosy vaccine, from Cancer Research Institute, Mumbai; post-doctoral studies on pathogenesis of AIDS from Cornell University Medical College-North Shore Hospital, and taught immunology at the University of Pennsylvania.







Himanshu Gadgil, CEO, Enzene Biosciences Ltd

Dr. Himanshu Gadgil currently holds the position of CEO at Enzene Biosciences Ltd. During his tenure, Enzene has evolved from a startup biotech venture into a biopharmaceutical company with a diverse range of verticals and locations, specializing in product development and manufacturing services. Before joining Enzene, he served as the Senior Vice President at Intas Pharmaceutical Ltd. There, he played a pivotal role in revitalizing the commercial product pipeline by successfully introducing numerous biosimilar products across various global markets. During his time in the United States, he led various aspects of process and product development at Amgen, actively participating in achieving regulatory approvals for several groundbreaking biotech products through processes like IND, BLA, and Market authorizations. Early in his career, he embarked at Waters Corporation, where he spearheaded the development of Quality by Design (QBD) methodologies, pioneering the creation of multi-attribute approaches for biopharmaceutical characterization. Himanshu's educational background includes a PhD in Biochemistry from the University of Tennessee. With a remarkable portfolio of over 50 publications and patents, he is not only a dedicated scientific leader but also a passionate innovator.



Parul Ganju,
Co-Founder and CEO, Ahammune Biosciences

Cyrus Karkaria, President, Biotech-Lupin







Jayant Khandare, Chief Scientific Officer,



Suresh Narayanan COO, ABLE-India

Narayanan Suresh is the Chief Operating Officer of India's Biotech Industry Association, ABLE, the Association for Biotechnology-Led Enterprises.

In this role, Suresh represents the interests of 400-strong membership that has contributed to the emergence of a \$94 billion (Rs 780,000 crore) BioEconomy in India. ABLE runs pioneering programs like BEST to promote entrepreneurship among biotech students, Voice for BT public speaking contest for biotech college students, engages with governments on policy and regulatory issues, provides a platform for national and international biotech sector to interact on a range of issues, runs the BioEconomy Conclave Series of events. ABLE also produces the annual India BioEconomy Report (IBER) and India Biotech Startups Dashboard. ABLE also produces a Karnataka BioEconomy Report. Suresh was a member of Karnataka government's Vision Group on Biotechnology and member of various government committees and steering committee member of Elevate tech innovation support program coordinates the annual SmartBio Awards for KITS to be given at annual BTS event. Suresh has co-authored the Coffee Table Book, Enablers of Indian Biotech, brought out to celebrate 20th anniversary of ABLE. Prior to this, Suresh was the the Group Editor of BioSpectrum, Asia's first exclusive BioScience magazine, published simultaneously from India and Singapore. Published in print and available online and in fortnightly digital versions, BioSpectrum is Asia's No.1 media platform that engages the BioScience industry. Suresh was also the editor of the India Editon of MIT's Technology Review magazine which highlighted technological innovations in India and also produced an annual list of young technology innovators under the age of 35. He started BioSpectrum for CyberMedia and has played a key role in catalyzing the growth of this much talked about industry in India and Asia-Pacific. The magazine also brings out widely acclaimed annual ranking of BioScience companies in Asia-Pacific and Top 20 Biotech companies in India every June. BioSpectrum also pioneered industry awards in the region with the annual BioSpectrum Awards in Bangalore and Singapore to honor outstanding personalizes in the bioscience segment.



Anuya Nisal, Founder & CEO, Serigen Mediproducts

Anuya is currently Principal Scientist in the Polymer Science and Engineering Dept. at CSIR-National Chemical Laboratory (NCL). She did her Ph.D. in Chemical Engineering from Indian Institute of Technology, Mumbai and her masters in Materials Science and Engineering from University of Delaware, USA. At NCL, she leads a group performing scientific research in the areas of polymers, biomaterials, medical devices and tissue engineering via several research grants, publications and patents to her credit. She is also the lead inventor for a technology patent on silk fibroin scaffolds for tissue regeneration. Based on this technology, she has floated a start-up Serigen Mediproducts Pvt. Ltd. along with her colleagues at CSIR-NCL. Serigen is the winner of several prestigious awards including 9th National Awards for Technology Innovation in "Polymers in Public Health Care" 2019-2020, Finalist of National Bioentrepreneurship competition 2017, National winner of Empower TIE Women Global competition 2021. Her work has been recognised through several awards including the Indian National Academy of Engineering – Young Entrepreneur Award 2020, Leaders in Innovation Fellowship from Royal Academy of Engineering, UK, 2019 and a TIE-BIRAC-WiNER award for Women in Entrepreneurial Research.





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Smita Kale

Advisor-Bioincubation, Venture Center

Smita as part of incubation team, facilitates incubator operations by interacting with incubatees, infrastructure and facilities creation and development of the ecosystem. She is leading Bio-incubation activities, Center for Biopharma Analysis (CBA) and BIRAC's Regional Bioinnovation Center (BRBC) projects at Venture Center. She is actively involved in mentoring startups at Venture Center. She is Ph. D in Pharmaceutical Chemistry from Institute of Chemical Technology, Mumbai and prior to joining Venture Center has had academic experience of 12 years which includes research experience of 3.6 years.

Premnath V



Director, Venture Center | Head, NCL Innovations

Dr Premnath is Head, NCL Innovations at CSIR-NCL and Founder Director, Venture Center (National award-winning inventive enterprises and deep tech incubator). Dr Premnath is a technology developer, innovation and incubation manager, startup mentor and a co-founder of 2 medical implant startups. One of his inventions — a breakthrough material for hip and knee joint replacements — has been implanted in more than a million patients worldwide. Another technology for porous maxillofacial implants has been implanted in thousands of patients in India and abroad. He has provided leadership for teams that have won National awards for technology development, intellectual property management and business incubation. He is chemical engineer and an alumnus of MIT in the US, IIT-Bombay (Distinguished Alumnus, 2022) and has been a Chevening Technology Enterprise Scholar in Cambridge, UK.

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Entrepreneurship Development Center (Venture Center) – a CSIR initiative – is a Section 25 company hosted by the National Chemical Laboratory, Pune. Venture Center strives to nucleate and nurture technology and knowledge-based enterprises by leveraging the scientific and engineering competencies of the institutions in the Pune region in India. The Venture Center is a technology business incubator supported by the Department of Science & Technology's National Science & Technology Entrepreneurship Development Board (DST-NSTEDB). Venture Center's focuses on technology enterprises offering products and services exploiting scientific expertise in the areas of materials, chemicals and biological sciences & engineering. For more information, visit: http://www.venturecenter.co.in/



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ABLE has over 400 members from all across India representing all verticals of the sector like Agribiotech, Biopharma, Industrial biotech, Bioinformatics, Investment banks and Venture Capital Firms and Equipment Suppliers. The primary focus of ABLE is to accelerate the pace of growth of the Biotechnology sector in India, through partnering with the Government in their biotechnology initiatives to deliver optimal policies and create a positive regulatory environment, encouraging entrepreneurship and investment in the sector, providing a platform for domestic and overseas companies to explore collaboration and partnerships, forging stronger links between academia and industry and showcasing the strengths of the Indian biotech sector. For more information, visit: https://ableindia.in/