



# AAVA CON-2026

10<sup>th</sup> Biennial Congress of Asian Association of Veterinary Anatomists on  
“*Anatomy for Life and Livelihood – Exploring Mammalian, Avian, and  
Piscine Systems for Sustainable Biomedical Research and Livestock  
Advancement*”

from 28<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> October 2026

at N.T.R. College of Veterinary Science, Gannavaram (Andhra Pradesh) India

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# Welcome Message

Greetings from Vijayawada (Andhra Pradesh) India, the City of Victory, nestled along the beautiful banks of India's eastern coast's one of the biggest River "Krishna" and state's largest "Prakasam Barrage" where natural beauty and historic architectures meet scientific innovation and academic excellence.

We are delighted to welcome you to the **10<sup>th</sup> Congress of Asian Association of Veterinary Anatomists** on '*Anatomy for Life and Livelihood – Exploring Mammalian, Avian, and Piscine Systems for Sustainable Biomedical Research and Livestock Advancement*'. The congress is jointly organized by Asian AVA, Indian AVA and the Sri Venkateswara Veterinary University, Tirupati and will be held from **28<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> October 2026**, at **Department of Veterinary Anatomy, N.T.R. College of Veterinary Science, Gannavaram (A.P.) India**.

The campus is located on the **Chennai Kolkata National Highway (NH 5)** opposite to **Vijayawada international airport**, and **25 km from Vijayawada Railway junction**. This department started functioning with B.V.Sc. AH course during the inception year 1998 and then subsequently the M.V.Sc. & Ph.D. programs were initiated in 2009 & 2015, respectively.

The department received grants from *interNICHE*, *NuTech Biosciences Inc.*, *PETA* for developing humane alternatives and from *Bristol Myers Squibb* for laboratory animal research. The department and college offer a vibrant academic, scientific, sports and cultural environment. Its lively campus life, diverse student community, and scenic beauty make it a hub of learning, innovation, and inspiration.

The congress will serve as a great platform for **AAVA, IAVA, WAVA members, leading Biomedical researchers in terms of Veterinary Anatomical, Histological, and Cyto-molecular Sciences** to share innovative methodologies, explore recent scientific advancements, and discuss critical insights contributing to biomedical sciences for satisfying global needs.

The event will foster **dynamic interactions, knowledge exchange, and collaborative opportunities among academia, industry, research institutions, and regulatory bodies**; united by the goal of advancing high standards in biomedical research and livestock upliftment across Asian countries for satisfying global needs.

The program will include **keynote lectures, technical presentations, interactive discussions, and poster sessions** by distinguished experts, research scholars, and industry professionals; all centered around the congress's core theme.

A **pre-congress workshop is also planned on October 27, 2026**, at the N.T.R. College of Veterinary Science, Gannavaram (A.P.) India, focusing on specialized topics aimed at enhancing the quality of anatomical research and education.

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# Who can attend?

## Delegates:

- The AAVA / IAVA / WAVA members, researchers, academicians and scholars (graduate/postgraduate) with basic qualifications B.V.Sc. or D.V.M. with specialization in anatomical research, morphology, microscopic anatomy, stem cell biology, anatomical education, artificial intelligence & simulations in anatomy, biotechnology or similar fields.
- The researchers, academicians and scholars (graduate/postgraduate) with basic qualifications in fisheries / fish biology with specialization in anatomical sciences / working in morphology, microscopic anatomy, stem cell biology, anatomical education, biotechnology or similar fields can participate in the relevant session.

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Representatives of organizations / industries / manufacturers / supply chains (of various equipment, instruments, reagents, and chemicals) who wants to showcase their technologies, products and present innovative ideas related to macroscopic anatomy, microscopic anatomy, anatomical education, stem cell biology, biotechnology, laboratory animal science, museum science, fish biology, artificial intelligence and associated biomedical research areas.

# Why should you attend?

## Delegates

- The best platform to share innovative methodologies, explore recent scientific advancements, and discuss critical insights contributing to biomedical research and livestock upliftment for satisfying global needs.
- Dynamic interactions, knowledge exchange, and collaborative opportunities among academia, industry, research institutions, and regulatory bodies united by the goal of advancing high standards in biomedical research across Asian countries.
- The opportunity to get congress special awards viz.,:
  - The award winning 5 (1 each from all broad sections) papers will be published in “PeerJ” with impact factor 2.4 free of cost. Additionally, Asian AVA will provide a “Certificate of Merit” for all winners.
  - The session’s best papers will be published in “Indian Journal of Experimental Biology” with impact factor 0.8 free of cost (*under discussion*).
  - All sessions’ winners will get a “Medal” and “Certificate of Merit” from Indian Association of Veterinary Anatomists.

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- The congress will provide you worldwide advertisements through websites, flyers, social media, and physical displays during congress as banners, standees, selfie stands, and printing in compendium with logo on registration kit.



# Registration Details

Category	Early-bird registration fee (On or before 1 <sup>st</sup> July 2026)	Late registration fee (From 2 <sup>nd</sup> July to 15 <sup>th</sup> Oct. 2026)	Spot registration fee
IAVA members (domestic)	₹5000	₹5500	₹5500
IAVA non-members (domestic)	₹6000	₹6500	₹7000
Student (domestic)	₹2500	₹3000	₹3000
Retired IAVA members (No kit)	Exempted as per IAVA norms*		
International delegates	\$200	\$225	\$250
Delegates from low-income countries (LIC)	\$100	\$125	\$130
*World Bank Data Help Desk.			
Students (international) Concession of \$40 for students from LIC	\$100	\$110	\$120
Accompanying person (No kit)	₹3000/\$40 per person		

The registration can be done online through following link or scanning QR code

<https://forms.gle/ehNGHUwDX3QEEotj7>



\*The fees mentioned in the table are the “net amount” to be credited into the organizer’s account (the participants shall be responsible for payment of taxes or additional charges, if any).

\*\*The amount for registration from international delegates will be collected in following currencies (the fee mentioned in \$ is just symbolic and the amount will be collected equivalent to the amount mentioned in USD): Chinese Yuan, Japanese Yen, Thailand Baht, Singapore Dollar, Malaysian Ringgit, Hong Kong Dollar, UAE Dirham, Kuwaiti Dinar (as per current exchange rates).

# The fee for pre congress workshop will be intimated in due course of time.

\*\*\*The registration kit will be provided to all delegates with full registrations only (including students).

\*\*\*\*The retired members of AAVA/IAVA will be exempted from paying registration fee. However, for claiming it the members must provide their pensioner’s identity cards and a signed declaration stating that they are not re-employed anywhere in the world. Both the documents will be verified at the time of registration.

**Refunds:** The refunds of the registration fee may be done for only early bird registrants who request the organizers on or before **15<sup>th</sup> July 2026**, however, the handling charges of ₹ 500/\$20 per registration will be collected from all domestic and international participants, respectively. The registrants may also request for late refunds till **15<sup>th</sup> October 2026** with handling charges of ₹1000/\$40 per registration. The refunds will be calculated as registration fee minus handling charges.

\*Last date for early bird registration: 1<sup>st</sup> July 2026.

\*\*The cut-off date for membership benefits will be **1<sup>st</sup> July 2026**. Anyone who becomes member of Asian AVA/IAVA/WAVA after the cut-off date will only be considered as non-member and must pay the registration fee under non-member category.

# Sections & Sessions for Awards

## A. Broad Section – Basic Anatomy

1. **Session I:** Gross Anatomy (Dr. Md. Hafeezuddin Silver Jubilee Medal & Award)
2. **Session II:** Anatomy of Wild and Zoo Animals (Dr. Md. Hafeezuddin Silver Jubilee Medal & Award)
3. **Session III:** Avian Anatomy (Dr. C. Vijaya Ragavan Memorial Silver Jubilee Medal & Award)
4. **Session - IV:** Developmental Anatomy (Dr. C. Vijaya Ragavan Memorial Silver Jubilee Medal & Award)
5. **Session - V:** Histology & Histochemistry (Dr. Mohan Bhattacharya Silver Jubilee Medal & Award)
6. **Session - VI:** Histo-enzymology & Immunohistochemistry (Dr. K.S. Roy Award)
7. **Session - VII:** Ultrastructure

## B. Broad Section - Applied Anatomy

1. **Session - VIII:** Forensic Anatomy including Archaeological Study (Late Shri. L.O. Dhande Memorial Award)
2. **Session - IX:** Biotechnology including Stem Cell Technology (Mr. Avinash Yogesh Vyas Award)
3. **Session - X:** Clinical Anatomy & Multidisciplinary Approach (Late Dr. D.S. Grover Memorial Award)
4. **Session - XI:** Applied Anatomy including Biomechanics (Dr. G. Rajeshwar Rao Memorial Award & Medal)
5. **Session – XII:** Anatomy of experimental animals including laboratory animals and fishes (Prof. L. H. Hyman award).

## C. Broad Section – Anatomy Education

1. **Session - XIII:** Anatomical Techniques (Dr. V. Ramakrishna Silver Jubilee Medal)

## D. Broad Section – Undergraduate anatomy

The awards for broad section: undergraduate anatomy will be provided by Asian AVA.

## E. Broad Section: Poster Presentation

**Session - XIV: Poster Presentation** - Poster Presentation (comprising of 2 medals)

1. Dr. K.L. Suri Award & Medal for best poster presentation: Microscopic Anatomy
2. Dr. A.K. Barnwal Award & Medal for best poster presentation: Gross Anatomy including Techniques

**Independent sessions (which cannot be categorized in broad sections of Asian AVA)**

1. **Session - XV:** Outstanding M.V.Sc./Masters Research Work (Dr. A.M. Srivastava Gold Medal & Award)
2. **Session - XVI:** Outstanding Ph.D./Doctoral Research Work (Dr. A.M. Srivastava Gold Medal & Award)
3. **Session - XVII:** Dr. K.N. Vyas & Dr. Y.L. Vyas IAVA **Young Scientist Award**
4. **Session - XVIII:** Dr. U.K. Mishra and Dr. P.V.S. Kishore **National Veterinary Anatomy Quiz Award** (\*Quiz is held online **for Indians only**, before the congress and the winner is awarded during congress)

Note:

The session awards (medal & certificate) will be provided by IAVA while the best paper in each broad section will be awarded by Asian AVA (The awarded paper will be published in “PeerJ” with 100% fee waiver. However, authors have to follow the “instructions for authors” strictly).

# Participation & Sponsorship

AAVACON 2026 invites organizations/industries/manufacturers/vendors/publishers etc. to showcase their technologies, products and present innovative ideas related to macroscopic anatomy, microscopic anatomy, anatomical education, stem cell biology, biotechnology, laboratory animal science, fish biology and associated research areas. Generous support from sponsors will be prominently acknowledged on the congress webpage, standees at the congress venue, and in the congress kits, wherever applicable and entitled.

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Stall 10X15 Ft: Prime (₹ 1,00,000/-)	Stall + Registration for 2 persons including Gala dinner.
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## Advertisement in the Compendium

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# Payment Details

- ✓ All delegates are requested to complete their early bird registration using the online form available at <https://aavacon2026.com/> and pay the applicable registration fee through bank or QR code provided.
- ✓ Registrations will not be accepted through offline mode (except spot registration). For any queries regarding registration, payment, or other details, please contact us via email at [aavacon2026@gmail.com](mailto:aavacon2026@gmail.com).
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- ✓ Delegates registering online can pay the prescribed fee by transferring the amount, in the bank or through QR code indicated below, followed by filling google form with screenshot of payment details.

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## CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Abstracts for oral or poster presentations related to the congress theme along with submission form must be submitted by mail to [aavacon2026@gmail.com](mailto:aavacon2026@gmail.com), no later than **30<sup>th</sup> April 2026**.

### Guidelines for Abstract:

- **TITLE:** In sentence case, such that the first letter should be capitalized and all other letters should be texted by lower case.
- **AUTHOR'S NAME(S):** First name, middle name initial, and last name. Do not use any title (e.g., Dr.) or degrees (e.g., PhD). Maximum number of authors is six (6). Affix an asterisk (\*) to the name of the presenter, and a plus sign (+) to the author for correspondence.
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- The abstract must represent the content of all the main sections of the paper, stated between 300-500 words only and should not contain figures, tables, and references to the literature. Write up to five (5) key words, in alphabetical order.
- Poster should be in A0 size (~84 x 119 cm) at portrait format-orientation, with a 38 mm border all around.
- Use Times New Roman font, with the following font sizes: 150 pt for title, 120 pt for authors; 32 pt for headings; 18 pt for text. Use white background only.
- Fifty percent of the total display on the poster should be pictures, figures, and tables.
- Make a note at the end of the poster, "List of References available upon request with theauthor/s."

### Weather overview in Vijayawada during the congress dates:

Vijayawada, which is on India's eastern coast, is usually mild and pleasant with day time temperatures typically ranging from to 29-32 °C and night time temperatures between 21-24 °C.

# Keynote speakers

1. **Prof. William Pérez**, Professor of Veterinary Anatomy, Montevideo, Uruguay, has 30 years of teaching experience. He is currently holding the position of “*President of the World Association of Veterinary Anatomists*.” He is the Associate Editor of *Anatomia Histologia Embryologia* and the Editor of Research in Veterinary Science. His area of expertise is *Comparative Morphology of Animals*.
2. **Nick Jukes**, the *Coordinator of InterNICHE, International Network for Humane Education*, England, United Kingdom. He has been working globally for over 30 years to promote humane innovations in education and the replacement of animal experiments and dissection. With a focus on ethical and effective acquisition of knowledge and skills in biology, medical and veterinary education, he has published widely and co-organized events across the world. Current projects include a documentary film series and book of case studies. Nick, InterNICHE and its partners have won a number of awards for provision of resources, global networking and replacement achieved. His area of expertise is *Humane methods in Anatomical Education & Research*.
3. **Dr. W. M. Kalpani Madhushika Ratnayake**, Senior Lecturer at Department of Cosmetic Science, Faculty of Health Sciences, CINEC Campus, Malabe, Sri Lanka, has 15 years of experience in Laboratory Animal Research. She has delivered many invited lectures and acted as *President for Society for Alternative to Animal Testing in Sri Lanka & Sri Lanka Association for the Laboratory Animal Science*.
4. **Dr. Venkatesan Sundaram**, Deputy Dean at Basic Health Sciences, Faculty of Medical Sciences, University of West Indies School of Veterinary Medicine, St. Augustine, has 22 years of experience reproductive biology/toxicology with major emphasis on environmental and lifestyle factors and their effects on the reproduction and endocrine function. He also works on *Latest Trends in Anatomy Education*.
5. **Dr. Girish Patil**, Assistant Professor of Veterinary Anatomy at Oklahoma State University, USA, has 11+ years of experience in research, & teaching of anatomy, molecular biology, evolutionary biology and comparative morphology. His area of expertise is *Teaching Anatomy with novel approaches and Use of Technology*.
6. **Dr. D.C. Sharma**, Scientist of Biomedical Devices, Palamur Biosciences Pvt. Limited, Mahabubnagar, India, has 21 years of experience in preclinical research, veterinary sciences, animal genetics & breeding, and translational cardiology. He is specialized in cardiology and vascular interventions with residency training at National Heart Centre, Singapore, complemented by professional courses in small animal radiology and cardiology. His area of expertise is *preclinical and translational cardiology*.
7. **Prof. Devendra Pathak**, Principal Scientist in Veterinary Anatomy, GADVASU, Ludhiana, has 15 years of vast experience in research & education of Veterinary Anatomy. He has attended many international events and delivered guest lectures. He has more than 190 research papers, conference papers, book chapters in his credit. His area of expertise are *Endocrine-gonadal axis and anatomy education*.
8. **Prof. Okan Ekim**, Professor of Veterinary Anatomy, Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Ankara University, Turkey, has 21 years of experience in teaching and research of Veterinary Anatomy & Histology with more than 150 research publications.

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