

Fourteenth ISMAS Symposium cum Workshop on Mass Spectrometry

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Tea County, Munnar



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Important Dates

Manuscript	:	August 15, 2011
Registration Form	:	August 15, 2011
Accommodation Booking	:	September 30, 2011

Important: The registration form, manuscript and passport details (for overseas delegates) must be submitted through the link provided on ISMAS website (www.ismas.org). The template of manuscript is available on www.ismas.org.

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SCOPE

The 14th ISMAS Symposium cum Workshop on Mass Spectrometry (14th ISMAS-WS 2011) is being organised by the Indian Society for Mass Spectrometry (ISMAS) at Tea County Resort, Munnar, Kerala during November 7 – 11, 2011 in continuation of the 2011 as International Year of Chemistry. The Scientific Programme will cover different aspects of mass spectrometry such as fundamentals, applications and instrumentation. This will include Invited Talks and Tutorials by distinguished mass spectrometrists from overseas as well as from within India. There will be special oral sessions (Research Scholars Presentations and Vendors Presentations), Panel Discussions on topics of current interest and Poster Sessions for Contributed Papers.

RESEARCH SCHOLARS' PRESENTATIONS

It is planned to have oral presentations during the Symposium cum Workshop from Research Scholars who are working for their M.Sc. / Ph.D. in the area of Mass Spectrometry. Research scholars are requested to submit their manuscript on-line through the link provided on the ISMAS website (www.ismas.org) along with their passport size photographs and the Nomination Form duly signed by the Research Guide. A panel of judges will evaluate the Research Scholars' presentation for awards. The person who wins the Best Research Scholar Award would be provided with financial support for attending the next Scientific Meeting organised by ISMAS, provided he / she presents a paper. This includes waiver of participation fee as well as free boarding and lodging.

CONTRIBUTED PAPERS

All Contributed Papers will be presented as Posters (space ~1m x1m). The posters will be displayed for one full day and the authors will have to be present for discussions during the time specified for poster sessions. The posters will be evaluated by a panel of judges for awards.

VENDORS' ORAL SESSION

A special oral session (strictly technical) will be organized for the Vendors / Instrument manufacturers to highlight the latest developments in the Mass Spectrometric Instrumentation and Applications.

EXHIBITION

It is proposed to have Exhibition Stalls for equipment manufacturers as well as suppliers of Mass Spectrometers, Vacuum Systems, Power Supplies, Detectors and other Accessories to present the latest issues, current requirements and technological innovations. Please contact Chairman, Organising Committee for information about exhibition stalls and the charges. Vendor exhibition will be held in parallel to the visits to the Poster Sessions and this will offer exhibitors the opportunity to display their products and services to the mass spectrometry specialists and other interested visitors from all over the country.

ADVERTISEMENTS

Advertisements from different companies / vendors will be included in the Special ISMAS Bulletin cum Souvenir to be released during the inauguration of the Symposium cum Workshop and will be given to all the registered delegates as well as to all the Members of ISMAS. Please contact Chairman, Organising Committee for further information and charges. The printed material should fit into a size of 12 cm x 20 cm. Please send advertisement material by e-mail to editorismas@gmail.com on or before September 30, 2011.

INSURANCE

The Organising Committee is not responsible for the insurance of participants against personal injuries, sickness, theft or property damage incurred to private property of participants and accompanying persons during the 14th ISMAS-WS 2011. Concerned participants are advised to make their own arrangements to obtain insurance coverage.

SPONSORSHIP

Sponsorship is solicited from different firms under the titles: Platinum, Gold and Silver. Sponsors will be provided with Time Slot for Oral Presentation, Complimentary Registration for Delegates, an Exhibition Stall and Advertisement in the Special ISMAS Souvenir cum Bulletin, depending upon the level of sponsorship. Please contact Chairman, Organising Committee for detailed information.

AUTHORS PLEASE NOTE

- The manuscript is to be prepared in MS-Word by strictly following the template file "Template of manuscript" available on ISMAS web site (www.ismas.org).
- The manuscript of invited speakers should not exceed 15 pages. The manuscripts of contributed papers and research scholars' presentations should not exceed 4 pages (including Figures and Tables).
- Manuscripts under different sections viz. Invited Talks / Contributed Papers / Research Scholars Presentations must be submitted via specified link available on www.ismas.org (Follow the path: 14th ISMAS-WS 2011>Submission of manuscript (including the passport details of the Foreign delegates)>Personal data (submit)>Next>Article submission).
- Manuscripts received after August 15, 2011 may not be included in the Bound Volume. It is planned to include the date of receipt of each manuscript in the Bound Volume.

PARTICIPATION FEE

Affiliation	On or before August 15, 2011		August 16, 2011 onwards
	Life-Members	Others	
Universities & Government Institutes	Rs. 8,000/-	Rs. 10,000/-	Rs. 15,000/-
Industries / Private Institutes	Rs. 10,000/-	Rs. 15,000/-	
Overseas	Euro 500/-		

Participation fee for the students presenting paper and for non-resident Indian is 50% of the amount mentioned.

The participation fee is non-refundable.

The participation fee should be sent by a Demand Draft drawn in favour of "ISMAS" payable at Mumbai to the Convener, Organising Committee. Participation fee for the accompanying person in respect of Indian participants will be Rs. 8,000/-. Participation fee of the accompanying person (husband / wife, not working in Mass Spectrometry) in respect of overseas participants will be 50% of that paid by the participant. Direct electronic transfer is preferred as per the details given below. Registration form for participating in 14th ISMAS-WS 2011 is available on www.ismas.org and should be filled online. A scanned copy of the cheque/DD/electronic transaction receipt towards Participation/accommodation charges should be submitted during online submission. **The boarding and lodging for Overseas delegates as well as for Non-Resident Indians will be arranged by ISMAS, at Tea County Resort, Munnar (www.teacountymunnar.com).**

Details for Direct Transfer of Money to ISMAS Account

Name of the Bank	State Bank of India, BARC Branch, Branch Code: 1268, Trombay, Mumbai –400 085, India.
Beneficiary	Indian Society for Mass Spectrometry (ISMAS)
Account No.	10536133889
BIC (Swift-Code)	S B I N I N B B 508
IFS Code (For within India)	S B I N 0001268

ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation for the Indian delegates can be arranged by ISMAS at Tea County Resort, on first come first served basis. The accommodation charges applicable under different categories are given below:

Accommodation charges	Single Occupancy (per night)		Double Occupancy (per person & per night)	
	ISMAS Life-Members	Others	ISMAS Life-Members	Others
	Rs. 3,000/-	Rs. 4,000/-	Rs. 1,500/-	Rs. 2,000/-

Please note that the last date for receiving the accommodation request is **September 30, 2011**. Full amount must be paid in advance for booking the accommodation. Participants can also do their own accommodation booking at other hotels in Munnar. Package offered by ISMAS starts on November 6, 2011 (evening) and ends on November 11, 2011 (noon). Delegates can plan to leave on November 11, 2011 in the afternoon.

The accommodation charges (combined with the Participation Fee) must be sent by a Demand Draft drawn in favour of "ISMAS" payable at Mumbai to the Convener, Organising Committee. Direct electronic transfer is preferred as per the details given in the Table. Request for accommodation booking must be indicated in the on-line Registration form available on www.ismas.org. A scanned copy of the cheque/DD/electronic transaction receipt towards the accommodation charges should be submitted during online submission.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

It may be possible to provide financial assistance for travel by AC-III Tier (train) to a limited number of young participants where sponsoring institution is unable to arrange. Request for this must reach Convener, Organising Committee on or before August 15, 2011 along with recommendation by the Research Guide. **Those asking for financial assistance must be the life-members of ISMAS.**

GET-TOGETHER

Registration will be done on November 6, 2011 from 16:00 hrs – 18:00 hrs. A social get-together is planned for all the delegates at 19:00 hrs on November 6, 2011 at Tea County Resort, Munnar. Delegates are, therefore, advised to reach Munnar on November 6, 2011.

TRAVEL INFORMATION

It is expected that the invited speakers and the participants will make their own travel arrangements. Each delegate should make her / his own travel arrangement to reach the venue of 14th ISMAS-WS 2011. The organizers do not take any responsibility for local travel arrangement. All overseas participants must have a valid VISA to enter India. The overseas participants must apply for CONFERENCE / BUSINESS VISA. The overseas participants should submit their passport details along with one passport size coloured photograph and photocopy of the passport online www.ismas.org at the earliest. Similar information about the accompanying person should also be submitted.

ABOUT THE VENUE

Munnar is one of the most popular hill-resort towns in southern India. It is located about 6,500 feet above the sea level along the western ghats on the Eastern border of Kerala. It is situated at the confluence of three mountain streams - Mudrapuzha, Nallathanni and Kundala. There are various tropical plantations of tea, coffee, cardamom and other spices, dense forests and wildlife sanctuaries full with various types of flora and fauna. Unending expanse of tea plantations, pristine valleys and mountains, quaint cottages and mist-draped mornings are hallmarks of Munnar. For years the cool and picturesque town of Munnar was the summer retreat of the British and it still retains the charm of a colonial past. The Nilgiri tahr (mountain goat) and the once-in-twelve-year blooming wonder - Neelakurinji flower (*Strobilanthes kunthiana*) are special to Munnar.

There are various places of interest in Munnar which are located at a very short distance like the Anaimudi peak (South India's highest peak), Rajmalai, Eravikulam National Park, Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary and Thekkady. The Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary is the home to some of the rare species of flora and fauna. Half of the entire population of Nilgiri Tahr is found in Rajmalai.

The nearest airport is located at Cochin (Kochi) which is about 135 Km from Munnar. It takes about three hours by road travel. It is advised that road travel from Cochin to Munnar may be taken during day time to enjoy the scenic beauty.

Nearest major railway Station is Ernakulam (4 hours from Munnar). However, Aluva (Alwaye) or Ankamaly Railway Stations are the nearest stops to get down to go to Munnar.

Munnar exhibit a fine climate during October to November (Temperature between 15°C and 25°C). Light warm clothing may be needed in November.