## GeNeEvent - Third South Asia and Nineteenth Asia LSD Symposium 2018

20 - 22 April, 2018

The 3<sup>rd</sup> South Asia and 19<sup>th</sup> Asia LSD Symposium 2018 was organized from 20<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 2018 in New Delhi by the Indian Society of Inborn Errors of Metabolism (ISIEM) and Society for Indian Academy of Medical Genetics (SIAMG), supported by Sanofi Genzyme, on the theme - *'Joining Hands to Care for the Rare'*.

The symposium focussed on latest research on current trends, management and advances in the therapeutic area of lysosomal storage disorders (LSDs), especially Gaucher, Pompe and Fabry diseases and Mucopolysaccharidoses. The scientific sessions at the symposium included the expertise of Dr. Pram Mistry (Professor of Gastroenterology and eminent global expert on Gaucher disease, from Yale University, USA), Dr Priya Kishnani (Professor of Genetics and world-renowned expert on Pompe disease, from Duke University, USA), and many distinguished physicians from across the South East Asian region including India, Korea, Thailand and Philippines. Additionally, satellite symposiums on Gaucher, Fabry and Pompe diseases were organized to encourage and envision multidisciplinary and inter-departmental collaboration in the management of rare diseases. Case presentations were made by neurologists, haematologists, gastroenterologists and nephrologists, putting forward their views and experiences in the management of LSDs. There were poster presentations by young geneticists from different parts of South Asia. Amongst the highlights of the symposium were the personal experiences shared by patients and families with rare diseases.



## GeNeEvent - Second Conference on Recent Advances in Rare Diseases (RARD)

3 - 5 May, 2018

The 2<sup>nd</sup> conference in the series Recent Advances in Rare Diseases – RARD: Frequently Misdiagnosed Hereditary Disorders (FREMIDIS) – Multidisciplinary Translational Research Affects Global Clinical Impact, took place in New Delhi, India and addressed especially translational processes from the bench to the patients.

Over a period of three days, from May 3<sup>rd</sup> until May 5<sup>th</sup> 2018, at the RARD conference, 200 international experts, scientists and clinicians from around 50 nations discussed and exchanged experiences, current research data and addressed the future development of new treatments for rare genetic disorders. RARD conference helped to provide a network forum where the focus was to transform the worldwide science of genetic, clinical and R&D data into answers for the patients suffering from rare hereditary diseases. Latest breakthroughs in genetics research and their applications in medical practice were discussed. Latest advances in the field of hereditary diseases were also communicated through the numerous posters which were presented at the conference.



