## Report of 2<sup>nd</sup> METRxPLORE 2017, an Undergraduate Research Conference

METRxPLORE, it is an annual technical event of MET's Institute of Pharmacy, Bhujbal Knowledge City, Nashik. This technical event was started in 2012 to provide platform for the pharmacy graduates and postgraduates to explore their ideas in the field of pharmaceutical sciences. Every year the students had presented their ideas, thoughts either in the form of poster or oral.

This year also the conference was organized on **11/02/2017** with the aim and objectives to inculcate the research sense in the UG students, to encourage them for research activity and also to promote them for higher studies. The conference was financially supported by Savitribai Phule Pune University, Pune.

The conference was inaugurated by Mr. Aditya Kelkar, Director, Neutralytica Research Pvt. Ltd, Nashik. In his inaugural talk he motivated the students for research. Mr. Rohan Pawar, Director, RAP Analytical and Research Training Center, Nashik guided the students on "Various opportunities for research in pharmacy profession".

Total 60 entries were received from all over Maharashtra who had presented their work in the form of **poster in round I**. After evaluation of posters by the experts from the respective subjects, 08 entries were selected for **round II i.e. oral presentation**.

The first prize of Rs. 7000/-, trophy and certificate was grabbed by MVP's College of Pharmacy, Nashik. The students were guided by **Dr. Mrudula Bele** who was appreciated with a cash prize of Rs. 5000/- and a certificate. The second prize was won by MET's Institute of Pharmacy, Nashik, the students were appreciated with a cash prize of Rs. 5000/-, trophy and certificate. These students were guided by

**Dr. Santosh Chhajed,** who was appreciated with a cash prize of Rs. 3000/- and a certificate. Students of Sanjivani College of Pharmacy, Kopargaon stood at third position, these students appreciated with a cash prize of 2000/-, trophy and a certificate. Their guide **Mr. Deepak Musmade** was appreciated with a cash prize of Rs. 1000/- with a certificate.

By considering the overwhelming response from all over Maharashtra we could successfully satisfied the aim and objectives of the conference and able to seed the research culture in undergraduate students. The response received indicated the eager of students to do research and its need in the pharmaceutical sciences.

In future, we are continuing the efforts for students and the activity will be conducted at National level.

Thanking you.



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