

Message from the Head

It is my great honor to serve as the Head of the Department of Physiology, Biochemistry, and Pharmacology at CVASU, having joined on October 16, 2024. Our department is committed to advancing knowledge and fostering an environment of academic excellence. My vision includes enhancing research opportunities, strengthening teaching methodologies, and promoting interdepartmental collaborations. I am also pleased to announce that, after a break, we are resuming the publication of our departmental newsletter, which we hope to publish regularly. Together, we will work to ensure our department thrives, contributing meaningfully to the scientific community and society at large.

Amir Hossan Shaikat, PhD

Professor and Head

Headship Transition at DPBP, CVASU



The Department of Physiology, Biochemistry, and Pharmacology (DPBP) at CVASU recently witnessed a significant leadership transition. Prof. Dr. Shahneaz Ali Khan has completed his tenure as the Head of the Department, leaving behind a legacy of academic excellence, innovative research, outstanding leadership. During his time, the department flourished, contributing significantly to the fields of physio logy, biochemistry, pharmacology, and quidance his has been instrumental in shaping the department's growth.

After Prof. Dr. Khan, the department is pleased to announce the appointment of Prof. Dr. Amir Hossan Shaikat as the new Head of the Department. Prof. Dr. Shaikat, a respected academic and researcher, has vision to continue building on the strong foundation

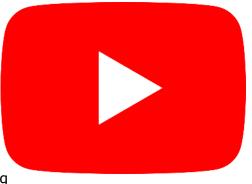
laid by his predecessor. With his leadership, the department is set to embark on a new journey, focusing on further advancements in research, student development, and fostering a collaborative academic environment. The entire faculty, staff, and students of DPBP extend their heartfelt gratitude to Prof. Dr. Shahneaz Ali Khan for his invaluable contributions and warmly welcome Prof. Dr. Amir Hossan Shaikat into his new role. We look forward to the exciting future ahead under his guidance.

Official Launch of "Magics of Life and Drugs_DPBP_CVASU" YouTube Channel

The Department of Physiology, Biochemistry, and Pharmacology (DPBP) at Chattogram Veterinary and Animal Sciences University (CVASU) proudly announces the official launch of its YouTube channel, "Magics of Life and Drugs_DPBP_CVASU," in November 2024.

This dynamic platform aims to bridge the gap between scientific knowledge and the broader community, offering

engaging, informative content focused on the fascinating world of physiology, biochemistry, and pharmacology. The channel will feature expert lectures, laboratory demonstrations, research



highlights, interviews with professionals, and insightful discussions on the latest advancements in life sciences and drug research.

Since its launch, the channel has garnered 35 subscribers, reflecting an encouraging start for DPBP's digital outreach. With a commitment to nurturing curiosity and promoting scientific literacy, "Magics of Life and Drugs" aspires to become a go-to resource for students, researchers, and science enthusiasts worldwide.

We invite everyone to subscribe, explore, and join us on this exciting journey of discovery. Witness the magic behind life processes and the science of drugs—right at your fingertips.

Subscribe now to "Magics of Life and Drugs_DPBP_CVASU" and be part of our growing scientific community!

World AMR Awareness Week 2024 Observed at DPBP, CVASU

The Department of Physiology, Biochemistry, and Pharmacology (DPBP) at Chattogram Veterinary and Animal Sciences University (CVASU) observed World Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) Awareness Week 2024 from 18–24 November, under the global theme "Educate. Advocate. Act Now."



The inaugural ceremony was graced by Prof. Dr. Mohammad Lutfur Rahman, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor of CVASU, as the Chief Guest, and was chaired by Prof. Dr. Amir Hossan Shaikat, Head of the Department. The event brought together a diverse group of participants, including doctors,

veterinarians, biologists, faculty members, and students, all united by a common goal—to combat the growing threat of AMR.

A series of engaging activities were organized to raise awareness and inspire action. Highlights included a one-minute video competition, poster presentation, pencil sketch competition, motto competition, a vibrant awareness rally, welcome speech by Prof. Dr. Mohammad Rashedul Alam, insightful key note presentation by Prof. Dr. S. K. M. Azizul Islam, AMR discussions, and a panel discussion leaded by Dr. Shohel Al Faruk featuring experts from various disciplines. The event concluded with an award ceremony recognizing 12 outstanding participants for their contributions across different categories.

The program was proudly supported by One Health Institute (OHI), CVASU, Square Pharmaceuticals PLC, ACI Pharmaceuticals PLC, and Chattogram Metropolitan Hospital Ltd., reflecting a strong collaboration between academia, industry, and healthcare sectors.

The week-long event successfully fostered awareness, encouraged responsible antimicrobial use, and emphasized the urgent need for collective action to combat AMR.









DPBP, CVASU's AMR Awareness Week 2024 Gains National Attention

The Department of Physiology, Biochemistry, and Pharmacology (DPBP) at CVASU successfully organized an impactful World Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) Awareness Week 2024, which garnered significant coverage in national daily newspapers. The event, held from 18–24 November, attracted widespread attention for its efforts to raise awareness about the growing threat of AMR.



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বৃহস্পতিবার চট্টগ্রাম ভেটেরিনারি ও এনিম্যাল সাইন্সেস বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ে (সিভাসু) 'বিশ্ব অ্যান্টিমাইক্রোবিয়াল রেজিস্ট্যান্স (এএমআর) সচেতনতা সপ্তাহ-২০২৪' উপলক্ষে আয়োজিত অনুষ্ঠানে বক্তারা এসব কথা বলেন। অ্যান্টিবায়োটিকের অনিয়ন্ত্রিত ব্যবহার বন্ধে সময়োপযোগী আইন প্রণয়ন ও প্রয়োগের ওপর গুরুত্বারোপ করে বক্তারা আরও বলেন, কৃষি, অ্যাকোয়াকালচার, ডেইরি ও পোল্ট্রি শিল্পে অ্যান্টিবায়োটিকের ব্যবহার নিয়ন্ত্রণে গণমাধ্যম কার্যকর ভূমিকা রাখতে পারে।

'বিশ্ব এএমআর সচেতনতা সপ্তাহ-২০২৪' উদযাপন উপলক্ষে বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের ফিজিওলজি, বায়োকেমিস্ট্রি ও ফার্মাকোলজি বিভাগের উদ্যোগে আয়োজিত কর্মসূচির মধ্যে ছিল-বর্ণাঢ়্য শোভাযাত্রা; টেকনিক্যাল সেশন; বিশেষজ্ঞ প্যানেল আলোচনা; সেরা ভিডিও, পোস্টার, পেন্সিল ক্ষেচ ও মটো প্রদর্শনী এবং সমাপনী ও পুরস্কার বিতরণী অনুষ্ঠান।

সকাল সাড়ে ৯টায় বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় ক্যাস্পাসে বের করা হয় বর্ণাচ্য গোভাযাত্রা। সিভাসু'র উপাচার্য প্রফেসর ড. মোহাম্মদ লুংফুর রহমানের নেতৃত্বে শোভাযাত্রায় শিক্ষক, কর্মকর্তা, শিক্ষার্থী ও কর্মচারীরা অংশগ্রহণ করেন। এরপর সকাল ১০টায় সিভাসু অডিটোরিয়ামে অনুষ্ঠিত হয় টেকনিক্যাল সেশন ও আলোচনাসভা। এতে মূল প্রবন্ধ উপস্থাপন করেন সিভাসু'র পরিচালক (গবেষণা ও সম্প্রসারণ) প্রফেসর ড. এস কে. এম. আজিজুল ইসলাম। ফিজিওলজি, বায়োকেমিস্ট্রি ও ফার্মাকোলজি বিভাগের সহযোগী অধ্যাপক ড. মো. সোহেল আল ফারুকরে সঞ্চালনায় প্যান্তল আলোচনায় অংশগ্রহণ করেন সিভাসু'র ওয়ান কেলথ ইনস্টিটিউটের পরিচালক প্রফেসর ড. মো. আহসানুল হক, পরিচালক (বহিরাঙ্গন কার্যক্রম) প্রফেসর ড. এ কে এম. সাইফুন্দীন, চট্টগ্রাম মেট্রোপলিটন হাসপাতালের পরিচালক ভা. মো. নুকননবী, প্রাণিসম্পদ অধিদপ্তরের কর্মকর্তা ড. সমরঞ্জন বডুয়া এবং ক্যার ফার্মাসিউটিক্যালস-এর অ্যাপ্রোভেট ডিভিশনের জেনারেল ম্যানেজার জয়ন্ত ওপ্ত। টেকনিক্যাল সেশনের ওক্ততে স্বাগত বক্তব্য রাখেন পরিচালক

(ছাত্রকল্যাণ) প্রফেসর ড. মোহামদ রাশেদুল আলম। এরপর একই স্থানে সমাপনী ও পুরস্কার বিতরণী অনুষ্ঠানে প্রধান অতিথি ছিলেন উপাচার্য প্রফেসর

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The week's activities, including competitions, discussions, and an engaging panel discussion live-streamed on the department's webpage, sparked important conversations on the responsible use of



antibiotics and the need for urgent global action. The national media highlighted the department's role in educating the public and fostering a deeper understanding of AMR, underlining the importance of community involvement in combating antimicrobial resistance.

The coverage emphasized how the department's efforts contributed to creating a broader platform for awareness, ensuring that the message reached a wider audience, far beyond the university. The panel discussion was particularly noted for providing expert insights and drawing

attention to critical issues surrounding AMR. This media attention helped solidify the department's role in leading the conversation on this urgent public health issue.

DPBP Shines with 8 Awards at CVASU Research and Technology Festival 2024

The Department of Physiology, Biochemistry, and Pharmacology (DPBP) at CVASU has once again proven its excellence by securing 8 prestigious awards at the CVASU Research and Technology Festival 2024. This remarkable achievement reflects the department's unwavering dedication to

research, innovation, and academic excellence.



Among the accolades, the department faculties proudly bagged the Best Researcher Award in some subcategories, recognizing outstanding contributions to scientific advancement, and the highly esteemed Honour by Prof Dr. A. K. M. Saifuddin, for years of dedication and impactful contribution to veterinary sectors.

Additionally, under guidance of Dr. Md

Ridoan Pasha and Dr. Khadija Begum the department showcased its creativity and scientific outreach winning one of the Best Stall Awards, which highlighted cutting-edge research projects and technological innovations.



These achievements are a testament to the silent yet powerful efforts of our faculty, researchers,

and students who continuously strive for excellence behind the scenes. Their commitment to pushing the boundaries of knowledge has not only elevated the department's reputation but also contributed significantly to the scientific community at large.

Congratulations to all awardees and the entire DPBP family for their hard work, passion, and dedication. Let's continue to inspire, innovate, and lead the way in scientific discovery!

From Bats to Cows: A Remarkable Journey of 6 MS Defenses at DPBP, CVASU

The Department recently celebrated the culmination of an inspiring academic journey with six MS defenses, marking the end of a chapter filled with dedication, discovery, and never-ending learning. On January 9, 2025, amidst a cold, breezy winter afternoon, three candidates for MS in Physiology and two for MS in Pharmacology presented their diverse research spanning from bats to cows, Sonali to broiler chickens, and farms to forests, covering topics like anestrous to AMR and stress physiology to animal welfare. Dr. Mohammad Mizanur Rahman focused on biostimulation in postpartum cows to reduce anestrous duration, Dr. Rabiul Islam assessed factors affecting hoof health and lameness in dairy cows, (supervisor: Prof. Dr. Mohammad Rashedul Alam) Dr. M.A. Rahman-Rahim explored the molecular mechanisms of stress in chickens and insulin's effects (supervisor: Prof. Dr. Amir Hossan Shaikat),





while Dr. Sayma and Dr. Arpita investigated antimicrobial resistance (AMR) in *E. coli, Salmonella*, and *Enterobacter spp.* from fruit bats (Prof. Dr. Shahneaz Ali Khan). The academic momentum continued with another defense on January 21, 2025, where Dr. Israt Jerin Tonni successfully defended her MS in Biochemistry thesis on the Relationship among Genetic Polymorphism, Milk Production and Quality, and Blood Biochemistry in crossbred dairy cattle (supervisor: Dr. Md. Shohel Al Faruk). The department extends heartfelt congratulations to all the scholars, wishing them the very best in their future endeavors.

DPBP Launches Research Journal Club for MS Students at CVASU

The Department of Physiology, Biochemistry, and Pharmacology (DPBP) at CVASU has launched a Research Journal Club aimed at enriching the academic experience of MS students. This new initiative provides a platform for students to engage in discussions about the latest research findings, review academic articles, and critically analyze studies related to their research topics. By fostering an environment of intellectual exchange, the club helps students enhance their understanding of contemporary scientific advancements and refine their critical thinking skills.

The first session of the journal club featured a presentation by Mohammad Al Readul Hoque, who shared and discussed recent research findings, setting the tone for future discussions. The club will follow a 15-day interval schedule, allowing students to delve deeper into various aspects of their respective research areas.

Supervised by Dr. Khadija Begum, Lecturer at DPBP, the club aims to cultivate a collaborative academic culture where students can grow as independent researchers while benefiting from peer and faculty feedback. The journal club will continue to serve as a valuable resource for MS students, enabling them to stay updated with the latest trends in research and sharpen their analytical skills.



DPBP Welcomes New Undergraduate Students of the 2023-2024 Session

The Department of Physiology, Biochemistry, and Pharmacology (DPBP) at CVASU warmly welcomed the new batch of undergraduate students from the 2023-2024 session. A special event was held to introduce the freshers to the department's faculty and staff, fostering a sense of belonging and excitement for the academic journey ahead.

The event was attended by students from various disciplines, including Veterinary Science, Food Science, Fisheries, and Biotechnology. During the orientation, students were introduced to the department's faculty members, who shared their roles, experiences, and the department's vision for academic and research excellence.

Future directions were also discussed, with faculty emphasizing the importance of interdisciplinary collaboration, research, and the application of knowledge in addressing global challenges. Students were encouraged to engage actively in hands-on learning, laboratories, and research projects, all of which are integral parts of their academic journey at DPBP.

The event provided a platform for students to familiarize themselves with the department's state-of-the-art facilities and meet their peers from different fields. The department looks forward to guiding these students through their academic journey, fostering innovation, and inspiring them to become future leaders in their respective disciplines.



DPBP Supports Veterinary Internship Program for National Universities

Our Department is actively supporting a Veterinary Internship Program aimed at enhancing the practical knowledge and skills of veterinary students across the country. The department has been supporting universities such as Sylhet Agricultural University, Rajshahi University, Khulna Agricultural University, Hajee Danesh Science and Technology University, and others to provide valuable hands-on experience and exposure to modern veterinary practices.

This internship program serves as an essential platform for students to apply their academic learning in real-world settings, furthering their understanding of physiology, biochemistry, pharmacology, and other veterinary sciences. Through this initiative, students gain access to state-of-the-art facilities, research opportunities, and clinical practices at CVASU, which helps in bridging the gap between theoretical knowledge and practical skills.

The program not only enhances the academic growth of students but also plays a crucial role in uplifting the veterinary profession by producing highly skilled, well-rounded graduates. The department believes in the power of collaboration and is committed to fostering future leaders in veterinary sciences who can contribute meaningfully to the development of animal health and welfare in the country. DPBP continues to play an active role in strengthening veterinary education and ensuring the professional growth of students nationwide.

Stay Connected: DPBP CVASU's Facebook Page Keeps You Updated!

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