



Dr Aashish Choudhary

Aashish, an alumnus of AIIMS Delhi, completed his MD from this institute in 2007, and currently is Professor & In-charge of the Virology Laboratory.

Areas of interest: Congenital viral infections (HCMV), viral hepatitis (HAV, HBV & HDV, HCV, and HEV), infections in SOT/HSCT recipients (HCMV, EBV, etc.), viral STI's (HPV, human adenoviruses, etc.), viral haemorrhagic fevers (Dengue fever), cell culture, and molecular virology.

Academic Qualifications:

- AAHIVM Expert- American Association of HIV Medicine, USA, 2021
- CIC- Certification Board of Infection Control & Epidemiology, USA, 2020
- FCCM- Canadian College of Microbiologists, Vancouver; Canada, 2019
- D (ABMM) - American College of Microbiology, Washington; USA, 2018
- MD (Microbiology), AIIMS Delhi, 2007

Awards:

Year	Award	Work
2024	Satish Ch. Talwar Memorial Award for Best Published Research Paper	Varicella-Zoster virus (VZV) outbreak in a long-term care unit of a tertiary care hospital in Northern India (published in the journal <i>Epidemiology and Infection</i>).
2015	IAMM prize for Best Published Paper in Virology (<i>Ind. J Med. Microbiol.</i>)	Comparison of conventional, immunological and molecular techniques for the diagnosis of congenital HCMV infection.
2012	Sanjay Sardana Memorial Award for Immunodiagnostic techniques, IAMM	Significance of anti-HCV signal-to-cutoff ratio (S/Co) in predicting HCV viremia in patients with suspected HCV infection.
2009	Best Poster Award- IAMM Delhi	Screening for <i>Cryptosporidium muris</i> infection in fecal smears by modified acid-fast staining and micrometry.
2009	Best Poster Award- IAMM Delhi	Morphological variations in intestinal coccidian oocysts by modified Kinyoun acid-fast staining of archived fecal smears.
2005	Meghna Baweja Award for Pediatric Infectious Diseases, IAMM Delhi	Detection and Genotyping of Human Cytomegalovirus (HCMV) from Neonates with Congenital infection (co-author).

Other responsibilities:

- Member- BSL-3 facility, Central Core Research Facility (CCRF), AIIMS Delhi.
- Member - Institute Biosafety Committee (IBSE), AIIMS Delhi.
- Member- DHR-ICMR working group Diagnostic algorithms for syndromic approach under 'One Health'

Publications/Abstracts (in indexed journals)- 77

Book Chapters- 5