

Biocon Academy Launches the First Batch of its New Certificate Program in Global Regulatory Affairs in Partnership with JSS AHER

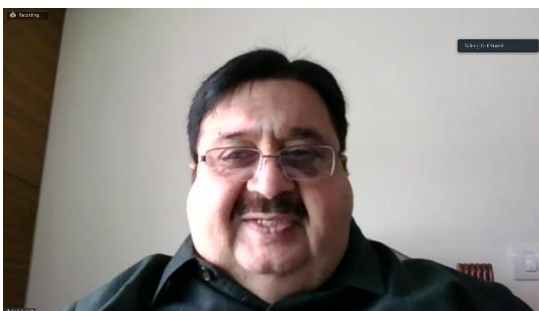
Dr. Arun Chandavarkar, MD, Biocon Biologics, Dr. Suresh Bhojraj, Pro Chancellor, JSS AHER, and Dr. Surinder Singh, Vice Chancellor, JSS AHER graced the virtual launch program

Bangalore, Sep 1, 2021 - Biocon Academy, a CSR initiative of Biocon, a leading global biotechnology company, has kickstarted the first batch of its new and first-of-its-kind 16-week full-time certificate program in Global Regulatory Affairs in partnership with JSS Academy of Higher Education and Research. The virtual launch program was joined by all the new students, Subject Matter Experts, and biotech/pharma professionals along with chief guests from Biocon and JSS AHER who addressed the gathering virtually. They spoke about the global curriculum and the opportunities that lie ahead for the students enrolled for Biocon Academy's Global Regulatory Affairs program.



Dr. Arun Chandavarkar, Managing Director, Biocon Biologics Ltd, during his launch address said, *"In the last two years, we have seen a huge surge in public interest in the ongoing health care crisis and their expectations from various health care organizations. We are seeing an increase in public awareness on matters related to regulatory approvals through media stories on vaccines getting emergency use authorization to combat the pandemic. I believe this is the best time to study regulatory affairs."* He also added, *"It is important for a*

Regulatory Affairs professional to have an understanding on various domains along with a strong technical knowledge. As students go along Biocon Academy's new program on Global Regulatory Affairs, they will develop a good understanding of various critical aspects of this domain. I am really glad that we have started this course which will enable our students to gain the applied understanding of regulatory affairs in a short period."



During his keynote address, **Dr. Suresh Bhojraj**, Pro Chancellor, JSS AHER said, *"I am really happy to be part of this new journey started by JSS AHER and Biocon Academy to help students who aspire to be a Regulatory Affairs professional get the best of both worlds – necessary theoretical knowledge and practical exposure. Congratulations to every student who is a part of Biocon JSS AHER Certificate Program in Global Regulatory Affairs. I am sure that this program will help them in building their career. I look forward to strengthening this*

partnership between JSS and Biocon in the coming days."



The Guest of Honour **Dr. Surinder Singh**, Vice Chancellor, JSS AHER, said *"With this new certificate program in Global Regulatory Affairs, the selected students will be getting a chance to acquire more knowledge through case studies and understand the actual problem solving."* He further mentioned, *"Our students have extensive theoretical knowledge, but in most cases, they lack the practical exposure. Through this partnership with Biocon Academy we are excited*

to tap the talent pool of students interested in Regulatory Affairs and offer them the needed knowledge. Biocon is a leader and a giant, and it is a privilege for us at JSS AHER to have partnered with Biocon Academy to prepare the best curriculum available in Global Regulatory Affairs.”



Bindu Ajit, Program Dean, Biocon Academy said *“Biocon Academy is a CSR initiative of Biocon, and we have been here for 7 years. More than 700 students have graduated from the Academy. It is exciting to finally launch Biocon JSS AHER Certificate Program in Global Regulatory Affairs. We have worked very hard in developing this course along with the faculty of JSS AHER and SME’s from Biocon. Due to the current circumstances, we have started the program online, and we are planning to make it as interactive as possible with case studies, discussions, etc. And if everything goes well, in the coming days, we also plan to take our students to JSS Mysuru Campus for a week so they can get a chance to attend the*

classes in person.”

About Biocon Academy:

Biocon Academy, a Centre of Excellence for Advanced Learning in Biosciences, is a CSR initiative of Biocon, Asia’s leading biopharmaceutical company. It is aimed at developing high-end, industry-ready, talent for the Indian biotech sector to address the skill deficit. The Academy aims at enhancing the employability of bioscience graduates by providing them advanced experiential learning through practical training. It has been instrumental in shaping careers of aspiring biotech graduates while bridging the industry-academia gap. The Academy has collaborated with leading global institutes like Keck Graduate Institute, California, USA, BITS Pilani, India, MS Ramaiah College of Arts, Science and Commerce, Bengaluru, India, and JSS AHER, Mysuru, India, to offer global quality learning to the students of Biocon Academy. Biocon offers scholarships that cover 60 – 75% of the cost of these international programs. For more information, visit www.bioconacademy.com

About JSS AHER:

JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research, formerly JSS University, is an institute of higher education deemed to be university located in Mysuru, India, recognized by MHRD and accredited by NAAC with A+. It was established in 2008 and is part of JSS Mahavidyapeetha and is focused on medical and health-related studies, and comprises of JSS Medical College, JSS Dental College and Hospital and JSS Colleges of Pharmacy at Mysuru and Ooty.

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