

# ReNEWS

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# Editorial Notes

Hello All,

‘What NEWS?’ May heat is being so hard on us that it has sapped the energy from everyone. The heat is so bad that the only answer I get for my question is that ‘its very hot’. The only answer I give to the question is ‘I am evaporating’ . In fact the evaporation is so much that, it has drained this Newsletter of its NEWS!

As a research scholar I tried drawing some conclusions from this phenomenon. Either during summer nothing happens or my fellow scholars are not very exited about sending news! Promptly, a well-wisher of mine suggested that I should give some incentives for those who send articles. Sadly, this initiative has no monetary funds for me to give material gifts as incentives. So, I decided to turn to you again to ask for the suggestions on how to improve the contribution, from the scholars, for this newsletter. Hoping to crack this code!

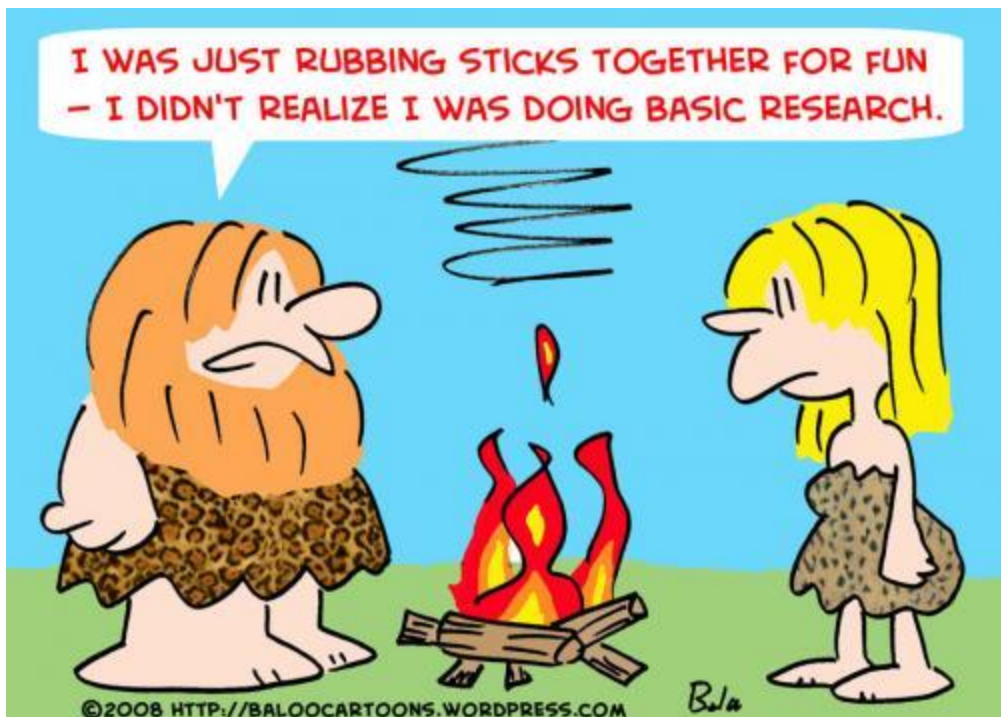


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# Talk by Dr. Rukmini Kumar

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A talk on “Mathematical modeling of biological systems - applications in pharma R&D” has been organized on May 24, 2012. The talk was given by Dr. Rukmini Kumar, an expert in mechanistic modeling for pharma R&D. Apart from talking about the mechanistic physiological modeling & development of a mechanist model of disease physiology, Ms. Kumar also spoke about the basic skills required to succeed in applied industrial research.

## Wilkommen

That's 'welcome' in German

Every year there happens a valedictory function for the graduating students. This was previously called as 'Adieu'. This year it has been renamed as 'Wilkommen'; embracing the thought that this will be more of a welcoming of the graduands to the Alumni association. Its an evening of events with book release, video screening, music & dinner. This is happening the very next day of your convocation (21st July, 2012), so you get to have a nice time with your fellow graduands and celebrate the first day after you turn Alumni with a dash of color and pride. As said, there is a book release during the event. The book is "Book of Memories", which will be a compilation your experiences or memories in IITM. So, you can contribute to the book and make your graduation special by sharing your experiences with others through the book. Also, for video screening, the videos which have won prizes, among all the entries by graduands will be screened. So, if you think you can make a video depicting your

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experiences here, you can be a participant in this competition and see your video being shown to others (if you win) on that day.

You can share your experiences as an article for the book or through a video. You can send these to [ras@smail.iitm.ac.in](mailto:ras@smail.iitm.ac.in) before 15th of June. For further queries you can contact 9444005772 or mail to [ras@smail.iitm.ac.in](mailto:ras@smail.iitm.ac.in).

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