



The annual Young Investigators' Meeting (YIM: <https://indiabioscience.org/yim-series>) brings together exceptional young scientists, senior scientists, heads of institutes, and representatives from funding agencies for discussions and interactions focusing on science and careers in a broad range of disciplines of biology. The meeting is largely funded by DBT with support from other funding bodies and academic institutions.

YIM 2017, which happened in Goa from 6-10<sup>th</sup> March 2017, at Holiday Inn, with BITS, Pilani – KK Birla Goa Campus as the hosting Institute, and Dr. Sumit Biswas, as the local organizer, proved to be a grand success. There was a diverse assortment of research talks, which enabled participants to absorb the best of all forms of biology. Eminent researchers from India and abroad were invited as mentors and speakers, whose talks were a mixture of science and career experiences. Other than scientific talks, there was a

series of panel discussions on a wide range of topics—lab and grant management, women in science, collaborations (both inter-academia and academia-industry) and much more.

Graced by the Secretary, DBT, Prof. K. VijayRaghavan, who delivered a keynote lecture to kick off the YIM 2017, the event was also studded with five days of intense scientific interactions. Notable speakers included Ron Vale, Tony Hyman, Judith Kimble, Jyotsna Dhawan, Anindya Rana Sinha, Gagandeep Kang, to mention a few. Directors (or senior reps) of NCBS, InStem, NIAB, IBSD, BITS-Goa, CCMB, NCCS, IISER, IISc, ICGEB, etc. graced the event with their presence and introduced their Institutes as well.

The poster sessions lasted over 4 days and 80 young scientists competed to present the best ongoing research in the country and outside.



You can find more details about the program in <https://indiabioscience.org/meetings/yim2017>.