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GROUP B STREP INTERNATIONAL (GBSI) IS PROUD TO HOST OUR FOURTH ONLINE CONFERENCE:
THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON
GROUP B STREP (ICGBS) 2020

About GBSI
GBSI is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization formed in 2006 to promote awareness and prevention of group B disease in babies during pregnancy through early infancy.

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- Reducing the risk of GBS colonization
- Identifying maternal GBS colonization
- Reducing the risk of GBS infection
- Identifying GBS infection
- Early intervention
- Pathology testing
- Subsequent pregnancy management
- Parent/provider communication and support

The goal of ICGBS is to reduce the burden of group B strep disease for families worldwide by:

- sharing new research
- educating families as to how to best help protect their babies from GBS disease
- educating providers as to best prevention practices
- promoting parent/provider partnership to prevent infection and minimize poor outcomes
- supporting and empowering families affected by group B strep
- engaging health agency and nonprofit representatives to share GBS awareness with their audience

WHY YOUR SUPPORT MATTERS

3,500,000 preterm births may be attributable to GBS. ¹

57,000 possibly even up to 314,600 unborn babies die in their mother's womb or are born very sick due to GBS. ¹ ² ³

205,000 babies are infected with GBS within the first week of life.

114,000 babies are infected with GBS between the first week of life up to several months of age. ¹

BE A SPONSOR AND JOIN US IN WORKING TOWARDS REDUCING THE NUMBER OF BABIES AFFECTED BY GBS WORLDWIDE!

3) www.who.int/reproductivehealth/topics/maternal_perinatal/stillbirth/en/ "An estimated 2.6 million stillbirths occur annually."
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272 total attendees

Attendees from 35 countries - the top eight are depicted below

- **USA**
- **Nigeria**
- **Australia**
- **UK**
- **Israel**
- **Canada**
- **New Zealand**
- **Spain**

Other countries:
- Argentina
- Columbia
- Czech Republic
- Estonia
- France
- Germany
- Greece
- India
- Iraq
- Ireland
- Israel
- Japan
- Jordan
- Korea
- Latvia
- Liberia
- Namibia
- New Zealand
- Nigeria
- Puerto Rico
- Romania
- Spain
- South Africa
- Switzerland
- The Gambia
- Trinidad & Tobago
- UAE
- UK
- USA
197 total attendees

Attendees from 32 countries - the top eight are depicted below

Some registrants belonged to multiple categories

Attendee Demographics

Prenatal Infection Prevention Symposium
February 25 - 28, 2019

Researcher
Ob/gyn
Pediatrician
Family Practitioner
Other Physician
Midwife
Nurse
Doula
Laboratorian
Other Health Provider
Medical Educator
Medical Student
Health Agency Representative
Nonprofit Representative
Parent or Family Member
Other Individual

Some countries:

- USA
- Australia
- Trinidad & Tobago
- Nigeria
- UK
- India
- Malawi
- Latvia
The 1st Annual Virtual Symposium on Prenatal-onset Group B Strep Disease
October 15 - 25, 2018

244 total attendees

Some registrants belonged to multiple categories

Attendees from 28 countries - the top ten are depicted below
“Thank you very much for such a great organisation and collating so many great topics!”

“Easy to access, great presentations, excellent customer service.”

“I learnt a lot and will encourage my institution to start screening for GBS.”

“The conference provided a wonderful insight into the measures to prevent GBS especially as it relates to resource poor countries. It's a commendable exercise.”

“The results were nothing short of remarkable. The mechanics were superb and the pace of new information uploaded perfectly. This format allows everyone around the world to be engaged at their leisure - a real plus for many reasons. Inclusion of tributes and personal stories served as powerful reminders of the ultimate goal of GBS researchers - prevention of GBS disease.”

To view our past online symposiums, please visit gbs-intl.org/symposiums

Notable presenters from the 1st Annual Virtual Symposium on Prenatal-onset Group B Strep Disease, the Prenatal infection Prevention Symposium, and ICGBS 2019 include:

Shabir Madhi, MBBCh, FCPaeds, MMed, PhD
Clare Cutland, MBBCH, PhD
David M. Aronoff, MD, FIDSA, FAAM
Timothy Barkham, MBBS MSc FRCPath
Swaine L. Chen, MD, PhD

Karen M. Puopolo, MD, PhD
Kirsty Le Doare, MD, PHD
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