

**STRENGTH**

- Virtual teaching & learning with opportunity of global interaction
- Virtual clinics
- Communication-elimination of travel time

**WEAKNESS**

- Damage to celebrations like conferences, graduation ceremony
- Additional cost: hardware, software, internet
- Virtual platform fatigue
- Internet instability leading to meeting interruption

**OPPORTUNITY**

- Shove to improve virtual teaching methods, conferences etc.
- Development of COVID vaccines: unmatched speed
- Self-contemplation for positivity, confidence, flexibility, inner strength
- Opportunity for leadership in new roles

**THREATS**

- Loss of work: failure to adopt to new virtual environment & financial crisis
- Threat to clinical experience

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## Changing Academics in Coronavirus Pandemic

### A Perspective on the Educational "SWOTH" of the Coronavirus Pandemic. Chest. 2020

**Background:**

- Since March 11 2020, when WHO declared COVID-19 as a global health crisis, whole arena of life has been disrupted including health care.
- COVID crisis gives us opportunity to rebuild the organizational strategy in term of SWOTH (Strength, Weakness, Opportunity, Threat).

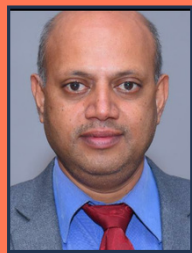
**Summary:** Even in the face of the tremendous disruption and tragedy wreaked by the coronavirus pandemic, opportunities are present to innovate and improvise virtual platforms. Those who embrace these opportunities will thrive, as will their organizations and students.

## EXPERT COMMENTS



“COVID-19 pandemic had soiled the opportunity, to revolutionize the practice and education, making the land ripe for budding innovative skills and newer techniques in clinical care as well as academics, benefitting both students & educators.”

**Dr Sarika Gupta, MD, PhD**  
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“In the context, a commitment to academics was possible due to combined efforts of all EB members & every IAP member. We are now, only a click away. Happy Academics”

**Dr G.V. Basavaraj, Hon. Secretary Gen. 2020-21**



Academics and practice has changed radically, with rapid transition to virtual platform. dIAP has focused on joining all of us together with virtual learning strategies & we need to further reassess our strategies regularly to benefit all.”

**Dr Bakul Jayant Parekh, National President 2020**

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