WINTER SYMPOSIUM ON AIRWAYS DISORDERS AND ALLERGOCON 2026

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Day 1 - 30.01.2026

Time	Hall A - Scudder Auditorium	Time	Hall B - New Examintion Hall (Ground Floor)	Time	Hall C - New Examintion Hall (2nd Floor)
08:30	Registration and Welcome Tea	08:45	WelcAome and introduction Prof. M. Thirumala Krishna (UK)		
09:00	**SESSION: Foundational & Guideline Updates** ***Moderator: Dr. S K Chabbra*** ***Dr. Anil Roy*** ERS 2025 Guidelines: What's New & What Matters Dr. James D. Chalmers	09:00	**SESSION: Burden of respiratory disorders in India** ***Moderator:*** ***Dr. Shyamali Dharmage*** Allergic diseases in India - Prevalence, risk factors, and current challenges Dr. P A Mahesh		
09:30	Deep Dive: Patient Investigation & Endotyping Dr. Raja Dhar	09:30	Air pollution and its effects on the Indian population Dr. Sundeep Salvi		
10:00	Genetic Causes & PCD: New ERS/ATS Guidelines Dr. Amelia Shoemark	10:00	**SESSION: Shelden Spector Oration** ***Moderators: Dr. Vinay Mehta*** ***Dr. P K Vedanthan*** The allergy practice in India: past, present and future Dr. Saibal Moitra		
10:30	Tea/Coffee Break	10:30	Tea/coffee break		
10:45	**SESSION: Risk factors and diagnosis of COPD** ***Moderators:*** ***Dr. Jerry Krishnan*** ***Dr. Harjit Dumarh*** Early origins of COPD Dr. Shyamali Dharmage	10:45	**SESSION: Diagnostic tests** ***Moderator: Dr. Jebin Roger*** The role of molecular allergology in clinical practice Dr. Sitesh Roy	10:45	**SESSION: Drug allergy** ***Moderator:*** ***Dr. Soumya Nagarajan*** Penicillin allergy and de-labelling Dr. Taha Qureshi
11:10	COPD in Non-Smokers Dr. Mahesh PA	11:15	When and how to evaluate patients with suspected inborn errors of immunity? Dr. M. Murali (USA)	11:15	Evaluation of perioperative anaphylaxis Prof. M. Thirumala Krishna (UK)
11:35	Post TB lung disease & COPD Dr. Balamugesh				
12:00	Debate: Fixed Ratio versus Lower Limit of Normal for diagnosing COPD Fixed ratio: Dr. Sundeep Salvi vs Lower limit of normal: Dr. S. K. Chabbra	11:45	**SESSION: Upper respiratory disorders** ***Moderator: Dr. Avinash Nair*** Allergic disorders and sleep: understanding the link Dr. P. K. Vedanthan (USA)	11:45	**SESSION: Skin disorders** ***Moderator: Dr. Hardik Jain*** Evaluation and management of chronic urticaria Dr. Vinay Mehta (USA)
12:25	Role of Radiology in COPD Dr. Leena R V	12.15	Standardised house dust mite sublingual immunotherapy tablet: when and how to use? Dr. Sunita Chhapola	12.15	Evaluation and management of atopic dermatitis Dr. Hugo Van Bever (Singapore)

12:45	Lunch	12.45	Lunch	12.45	Lunch
13:30	**SESSION: Treatable traits and importance of multimorbidity** ***Moderators: Dr. Radha Munje*** ***Dr. Parvaiz Koul*** Treatable traits across the COPD continuum: pre-COPD and COPD Dr. Shyamali Dharmage				
14:00	Targeting COPD phenotypes with biologics and pharmacotherapies to prevent COPD exacerbations Dr. Jerry Krishnan	14:00	Emerging therapies for CRSwNP Dr. Gayatri Pandit	14:00	Evaluation and management of other common rashes seen by the allergist Dr. Dincy Peter
14:30	Home Nebulization in airways disease Dr. Priya N	14:30	**SESSION: Lower respiratory disorders** ***Moderators:*** ***Dr. Giriyanna Gowda*** ***Dr. Amita Nene*** What's new in GINA 2025? Dr. D J Christopher	14:30	**SESSION: Food allergy** ***Moderator: Dr. Balachandra*** Overview of the diagnosis and management Dr. P K Vedanthan (USA)
14:50	Multimorbidity in COPD Dr. Harjit Dumrah	15:00	Biologics for severe asthma: current insights and future directions Dr. Vinay Mehta (USA)	15:00	Diagnosis and management of complex food allergies Dr. P A Mahesh
15:15	Tea/Coffee Break				
15:30 to 17:00	***SESSION: CASE PANELS & DISCUSSION*** Theme: Practical Challenges in the Clinical Case presentations (10-15 min each) + Expert panel discussions (30-45 min) Case 1: Post-TB bronchiectasis - Dr. Radha Munje Case 2: Immunodeficiency and recurrent infections - Dr. Amelia Shoemark Case 3: Bronchiectasis-COPD overlap (BCOS) - Dr. Amita Nene Panel: Dr. Raja Dhar Dr. James Chalmers Dr. Mane Manisha Sheshrao Dr. RMPL Ramanathan	15:30	Impulse oscillometry - current and future applications Dr. Neeraj Gupta	15:30	Oral immunotherapy for food allergy - an Indian perspective Dr. Sowmya Nagarajan
		16:00	Tea/coffee break	16:00	Tea/coffee break
		16:15 to 16:45	**SESSION: Pro/con debate** ***Moderator: Prof. M Thirumala Krishna*** Children with food allergy should be offered oral immunotherapy Dr. Hugo Van Bever and Dr. Sowmya Nagarajan		
		18:00	Allergocon 2026 Inauguration and DAA graduation ceremony		
		19:00	Dinner		

Poster presentation preliminary round: 13.00 - 15.00 hrs, 30.01.26

Day 2 - 31.01.2026

Time	Hall A - Scudder Auditorium	Time	Hall B - New Examintion Hall (Ground Floor)	Time	Hall C - New Examintion Hall (2nd Floor)
		08:30	Welcome and introduction Vinay Mehta (USA)		

		08:40	**SESSION:** **Mast cell disorders** ***Moderator: Dr. Vinay Mehta*** The spectrum of clonal mast cell disorders Prof. M. Thirumala Krishna (UK)	08:40	**SESSION:** **Inborn errors of immunity** ***Moderator: Dr. Amelia Shoemark*** Classification Dr. M. Murali (USA)
09:00	***SESSION: Treatment options in COPD*** ***Moderators: Dr. Murugan N*** ***Dr. Vijayalakshmi T*** What is new in the pharmacotherapy of COPD? Dr. Richa Gupta	09:10	Insect venom hypersensitivity Dr. Narmada Ashok	09:10	Case discussions of common IEI seen in children Dr. Sathish Loganathan
09:20	Pulmonary Rehabilitation - Tele-rehab in COPD Dr Sally Singh				
09:50	Vaccination in COPD Dr. Parvaiz Koul	09:40	Anaphylaxis Dr. Balachandra B V	09:40	Case discussions of common IEI seen in adults Dr. Saibal Moitra
10:10	Tea/coffee break	10:10	Tea/coffee break	10:10	Tea/coffee break
10:25	**HONOURING A LEGACY** **The life & impact of Dr. D J Christopher in Pulmonology** ***Moderators:*** ***Dr. Solomon Satish Kumar*** ***Dr. Sundeep Salvi*** ***Dr. Barney Isaac*** **1. Legacy of Learning - Celebrating Professor Dr. D J Christopher** a) Impact on PGs: PG alumni Dr. Nishant Sinha 10 mins b) Impact on Faculty: Dr. Jefferson Daniel 10 mins c) National Impact: Dr. Raja Dhar 10 mins **2. Passing on the Torch: Reflections on Professor Dr. D J Christopher Era:** **Dr. Balamugesh Thangakunam 15 mins** **3. My clinical, academic and research journey: Professor Dr. D J Christopher 15 mins**	10:25	**JOIN HALL A** **Honouring a legacy: The life & impact of Dr. D J Christopher in Pulmonology**	10:25	**JOIN HALL A** **Honouring a legacy: The life & impact of Dr. D J Christopher in Pulmonology**
11:25	**SESSION: Biology, Bugs, and New Frontiers** ***Moderator: Dr. Subramanian Swaminathan*** ***Dr. Anil Roy*** Inflammation and subtyping in Bronchiectasis Dr James Chalmers	11:25	Transition break (move to respective halls)	11:25	Transition break (move to respective halls)
		11:30	**SESSION: Adult topics** ***Moderator: Dr. Parvaiz Koul*** Hereditary angioedema Dr. Sitesh Roy	11:30	**SESSION: Pediatric topics** ***Moderator: Dr. Jenish Rajma*** Cow's milk allergy Dr. Krishna Mohan
11:55	Airway Clearance and Tackling Mucus Dr. Raja Dhar	12:00	Asthma-COPD overlap Dr. Karthick Nagaraju	12:00	Vaccination in a child with previous adverse reactions Dr. Neeraj Gupta
12:15	Identifying the high risk patients in bronchiectasis Dr. James Chalmers				

12:35	Surgical treatments for Bronchiectasis Dr. Arvind Kumar	12:30	Lunch and viewing of posters	12:30	Lunch and viewing of posters
12:55	Lunch break				
13:30	**SESSION: Miscellaneous topics** ***Moderators: Dr. Rajesh Swarnakar, Dr. RMPL Ramanathan*** Bronchiolitis Obliterans Syndrome in Pulmonary GVHD: Diagnostic and Therapeutic Challenges Dr. Barney Isaac	13:30	Everything you should have read last year but didn't! Dr. Jefferson Daniel	13:30	Everything you should have read last year but didn't! Dr. Anish Sam George
14:00	Clinical Frontiers in the Era of Emerging Bugs and Novel Diagnostics Dr. Subramanian Swaminathan	14:00	Difficult Adult cases: ask the experts Dr. Vinay Mehta, Prof. M. Thirumala Krishna, Dr. M. Murali, Dr Saibal Moitra	14:00	Difficult pediatric cases: ask the experts Dr. Hugo Van Bever, Dr. Narmada Ashok, Dr. Neeraj Gupta, Dr. Krishna Mohan
14:30	Lung cancer screening in COPD Dr. Anjana Joel	14:30	**SESSION: Keynote lecture** ***Moderator: Dr. Vinay Mehta*** Maternal and early life factors and the risk of allergies: lessons learned from GUSTO and S-PRESTO Dr. Hugo Van Bever (Singapore)		
14:50	Airway microbiome in bronchiectasis Dr. Sanjay Chotirmal (virtual)				
15:10	Tea/coffee break	15:00	Refreshment break		
15:25	**SESSION: Miscellaneous topics continued** ***Moderators: Dr. Amelia Shoemark Dr. Murugan N*** ABPA in bronchiectasis Balamugesh T	15:30 to 16:40	***SESSION: Oral abstract presentations*** ***Judges: Prof. M Thirumala Krishna Dr. Jerry Krishnan, Dr. James Chalmers*** Featured posters		
15:45	Artificial Intelligence in COPD Dr. Sundeep Salvi				
16:10	Panel discussion: Role of National societies in health care advocacy Dr. Rajesh Swarnakar Dr. RMPL Ramanathan Dr. Parvaiz Koul Dr. Saibal Moitra Dr. Anil Roy				
16:40 to 17:00	**Closing Ceremony & Prize distribution** ALL DELEGATES JOIN HALL A	16:40 to 17:00	**JOIN HALL A FOR CLOSING CEREMONY**	16:40 to 17:00	**JOIN HALL A FOR CLOSING CEREMONY**