



# 46<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of Indian Association of Medical Microbiologists



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## 24TH NOVEMBER 2023

Timings	Venue	Session Details	Speaker (s)	Chairpersons
07:30 AM - 09:00 AM	Registration			
08:00 AM - 09:00 AM	Halls B, C, D, E, F, G	Free Oral Paper Session		
09:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Hall A	Dr K.B. Sharma Memorial Junior Best Paper Presentations	Selected Participants	Moderated by: Prof. Sonal Saxena, Secretary, IAMM
10:00 AM - 10:30 AM		The President's Oration	Prof. Arti Kapil, President, IAMM	Prof. Pallab Ray, Past President, IAMM
10:30 AM - 11:00 AM		Dr S. C. Agarwal Oration	Dr Pragya Yadav	Prof. Arti Kapil, President, IAMM
11:00 AM - 11:30 AM		IAMM Endowment Oration	Dr Ranganathan Iyer	
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Tea/ Coffee Break			
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	Hall A	The Student Symposium "Outbreak investigation of emerging zoonotic diseases"	Dr Aparna Singh Dr Jiji Smila Dr Harman Preet Kaur Dr Karthick K	Moderator: Prof. Rahul Narang, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Bibinagar, Hyderabad
01:00 PM - 02:00 PM	Lunch Break, Poster Walk and Stall Exhibition			

### Scientific Sessions (24th November, 02:00 PM)

Timings	Venue	Session Details	Speaker (s)	Chairpersons
02:00 PM - 03:00 PM	Hall A	Symposium: "Role of Microbiologists in Disease Surveillance & Outbreak Investigations" (U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - CDC)	Dr. Simmi Tiwari, Program Lead, NOHPPCZ: Sentinel Surveillance of Zoonotic Diseases (15 min) Dr. Mala Chhabra, Ex-HOD, Zoonosis Division, NCDC, Role of Microbiologists in Disease Surveillance and Outbreak investigation (15 min) Dr. Mayank Dwivedi, Public Health Specialist, CDC: Interesting stories from field (15 min) Discussion and Q and A session (15 min)	Chairperson: Dr Banke Lal Sherwal, Lady Hardinge Medical College, New Delhi  Co-chair: Dr Indranil Roy, Public Health Specialist, CDC

### IAMM Award Oral and Poster Session (24th November, 02:00 PM)

02:00 PM - 03:00 PM	Hall B	Nawopia Dr Pankajalaxmi V Vemugopal Prize for Best Paper in Mycology,		
02:00 PM - 03:00 PM	Hall C	ID Aggarwal - Broor Prize for Best Paper in Virology		
02:00 PM - 03:00 PM	Hall D	Dr Sengupta Dr A.M. Saoji Memorial Prize for the Best Paper in Immunology		
02:00 PM - 03:00 PM	Poster Area	Dr S.S. Kelkar Memorial Prize for the Best Poster (any subject in Medical Microbiology)		
03:00 PM - 3:15 PM	Tea/ Coffee Break			



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### Parallel Scientific Sessions

#### Session 1A: Superbugs and Antibacterial agents: Beyond the Looking Glass (24th November, 03:15 PM)

Timings	Venue	Session Details	Speaker (s)	Chairpersons
03:15 PM - 03:35 PM	Hall A	Newer Antimicrobials: Laboratory Experience	Prof. V. Balaji, Christian Medical College, Vellore.	Prof. K. N. Prasad, Apollo Medics Hospital, Lucknow  Prof. Maitreyi Bandyopadhyay, R. G. Kar Medical College and Hospital, Kolkata  Prof. Lahari Saikia, Assam Medical College and Hospital, Dibrugarh
03:35 PM - 03:55 PM		Implications of MRSA Surveillance for Hospital Staff	Dr Itisha Gupta, UKHSA & University Hospital Birmingham, UK.	
03:55 PM - 04:25 PM		Usefulness of rapid diagnostics to tackle AMR (HiGenoMB- Himedia)	Dr. Thierry Naas, French National Reference Center for Antibiotic Resistance, Le Kremlin-Bicêtre, France	
04:25 PM - 04:45 PM		Case Scenarios on "Application of New/ Repurposed/ Combination Antimicrobials"	Dr Dhruv Chaudhary, Department of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine, Post Graduate Institute of Medical Sciences, Rohtak.	

#### Session 1B: Strategies and Synergies: Combating Antimicrobial Resistance (24th November, 04:45 PM)

Timings	Venue	Session Details	Speaker (s)	Chairpersons
04:45 PM - 05:05 PM	Hall A	Multidisciplinary Approach to Combat AMR	Dr Kamini Walia, Division of Epidemiology and Communicable Diseases, Indian Council of Medical Research, New Delhi.	Prof. Pratibha Narang, Mahatma Gandhi Institute of Medical Sciences, Sevagram, Wardha  Prof. Bashir Ahmad Fomda, Sher-i-Kashmir Institute, Srinagar  Prof. Ankur Goyal, Sarojini Naidu Medical College, Agra
05:05 PM - 05:25 PM		Integrated Stewardship to Combat AMR: Challenges and Opportunities	Dr Narendra Pal Singh, University College of Medical Sciences & Guru Teg Bahadur Hospital, New Delhi.	
05:25 PM - 05:45 PM		Integrated Stewardship to Combat AMR: Where Do We Stand Today	Dr Renu Gupta, Institute of Human Behaviour and Allied Sciences, New Delhi.	
05:45 PM - 06:05 PM		Leveraging PK-PD Relationships to Combat Drug Resistant Superbugs	Dr Sumit Rai, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Mangalagiri.	



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### Session 2A: Fungal Diagnostics: The Old and the New (24th November, 03:15 PM)

Timings	Venue	Session Details	Speaker (s)	Chairpersons
03:15 PM - 03:35 PM	Hall E	Role of MALDI-TOF in Fungal Identification	Prof. Anoop Ghosh, Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education and Research, Chandigarh.	Prof. Jagdish Chander, Fungal Clinic, Panchkula
03:35 PM - 03:55 PM		Serological Methods for Diagnosis of Fungal Infections: How Relevant Are They?	Prof. Immaculata Xess, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi.	Prof. Rungmei Marak, Sanjay Gandhi Post Graduate Institute of Medical Sciences, Lucknow
03:55 PM - 04:15 PM		Molecular Diagnostics for Invasive Fungal Disease: Are We Ready?	Prof. Vinay Hallur, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Bhubhaneshwar.	Prof. Nidhi Singla, Government Medical College Hospital, Chandigarh
04:15 PM - 04:45 PM		Mini Symposium on "Diagnosing Rare Fungal Infections"	Dr T. Karuna, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Bhopal. Dr Archana Keche Wankhede, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Raipur. Dr Vidhi Jain, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Jodhpur.	Moderator: Prof. Anupma Jyoti Kindo, Sri Ramchandra Institute Higher Education

### Session 2B: Perspectives on Parasitic Infections in India (24th November, 04:45 PM)

Timings	Venue	Session Details	Speaker (s)	Chairpersons
04:45 PM - 05:05 PM	Hall E	Antimalarial Drug Resistance: Indian Perspective	Dr Neelima Mishra, National Institute of Malaria Research, New Delhi.	Prof. Anima Xess, ESIC Medical college and Hospital, Patna
05:05 PM - 05:25 PM		Challenges in Diagnosis of Toxoplasmosis	Prof. Sarman Singh, Indian Institute of Science Education and Research, Bhopal.	Prof. Baijayantimala Mishra, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Bhubaneshwar
05:25 PM - 05:45 PM		Diagnosing Parasitic Infections in Transplant Infections	Prof. Ujjala Ghoshal, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Kalyani, West Bengal.	Prof. Vineeta Khare, Era's Lucknow Medical College & Hospital, Lucknow
05:45 PM - 06:05 PM		Elimination Program and Recent Diagnostic Advances for Soil Transmitted Helminths	Prof. Sumeeta Khurana, Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education and Research, Chandigarh.	



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### Session 3A: Diagnostic Virology Update (24th November, 03:15 PM)

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03:15 PM - 03:35 PM	Hall B	AES: Algorithms and New Markers	Prof. V. Ravi, Former Head, Dept of Neurovirology, National Institute of Mental Health and Neurosciences, Bengaluru.	Prof. Meena Mishra, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Nagpur
03:35 PM - 03:55 PM		Syndromic Testing in Patients Hospitalized With SARI	Dr Bharti Malhotra, Sawai Man Singh Medical College, Jaipur.	Prof. Sumi Nandwani, Post Graduate Institute of Child Health, Noida
03:55 PM - 04:15 PM		Harnessing The Power of Sequencing for Clinical Diagnostics in Virology	Dr Debasis Biswas, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Bhopal.	Prof. Rupinder Bakshi, Government Medical College, Patiala
04:15 PM - 04:35 PM		Quality Assurance in Diagnostic Molecular Virology	Dr Rahul Dhodapkar, Jawaharlal Institute of Postgraduate Medical Education & Research, Puducherry.	

### Session 3B: Innovations in Hepatitis Management: Present and Future (24th November, 04:35 PM)

Timings	Venue	Session Details	Speaker (s)	Chairpersons
04:35 PM - 04:55 PM	Hall B	Surveillance strategies for combating viral hepatitis	Dr Hema Gogia, Assistant Director, MoHFW	
04:55 PM - 05:15 PM		National Viral Hepatitis Control Program: Achievements and Challenges	Dr Sandhya Kabra, Deputy Commissioner & Add. Director, NVHCP, NCDC, New Delhi.	Prof. Shobha Broor, SGT University, Gurugram Dr Rajesh Kannangai, Christian Medical College, Vellore
05:15 PM - 05:35 PM		Screening and Diagnosis of Viral Hepatitis – Role of New Biomarkers & Genotyping	Prof. Lalit Dar, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi.	Dr Shukla Das, University College of Medical Sciences & Guru Teg Bahadur Hospital, Delhi
05:35 PM - 05:55 PM		Simplified Algorithm for Management of Viral Hepatitis	Dr Aakash Shukla, Dept. of Gastroenterology, KEM Hospital, Mumbai.	





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### Session 4A: Current Trends and Future Prospects in Management of TB (24th November, 03:15 PM)

Timings	Venue	Session Details	Speaker (s)	Chairpersons
03:15 PM - 03:35 PM	Hall C	Role of Next-Generation Sequencing in Diagnosis of Drug-Resistant Tuberculosis	Prof. Sunil Sethi, Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education and Research, Chandigarh.	Prof. Sanjay Kumar Biswas, Tata Memorial Hospital, Mumbai  Dr Tapan Mazumdar, Agartala Government Medical College, Agartala  Dr Sapna Batra, Government Medical College, Amritsar
03:35 PM - 03:55 PM		In Vitro PK/PD and Implications for Tuberculosis Clinical Care	Dr Shashikant Srivastava, UT Health Science Center at Tyler, Texas, USA.	
03:55 PM - 04:15 PM		Diagnosis of TB in PL-HIV	Prof. Deepthi Nair, Safdarjung Hospital & Vardhman Mahavir Medical College, New Delhi.	
04:15 PM - 04:35 PM		Need And Importance of Upfront Isoniazid Resistance Detection (BD India)	Dr Ashok Rattan, Redcliff Labs, Delhi.	

### Session 4B: Clinical Microbiology: Enhancing Practices and Patient Safety (24th November, 04:35 PM)

Timings	Venue	Session Details	Speaker (s)	Chairpersons
04:35 PM - 04:55 PM	Hall C	Biosafety in the Era of Emerging Infections	Prof. Anuradha De, T.N. Medical College, Mumbai	Prof. Namrata Kumari, Indira Gandhi Institute of Medical Sciences, Patna  Prof. Riti Jain Seth, Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose Medical College, Jabalpur  Prof. Bineeta Kashyap, University College of Medical Sciences & Guru Teg Bahadur, Delhi
04:55 PM - 05:15 PM		Laboratory Guidance to Clinicians on Combination Therapy	Dr Meher Rizvi, College of Medicine & Health Sciences, Sultan Qaboos University, Muscat, Oman.	
05:15 PM - 05:35 PM		Guiding Stewardship through Antimicrobial Susceptibility and Reporting Strategies	Prof. Rajni Gaiind, Safdarjung Hospital and Vardhman Mahavir Medical College, New Delhi	
05:35 PM - 05:55 PM		High-Level Disinfection of Instruments/ Operation Theatres with H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> and Peracetic Acid (Zuverlasse Hygiene India Pvt. Ltd.)	Dr Debabrata Dash, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Manglagiri.	



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Timings	Venue	Session Details	Speaker (s)	Chairpersons
03:15 PM - 03:25 PM	Hall D	Syndromic panels in life threatening infections	Dr Yash Javeri, Regency Multi Super Specialty Hospital, Lucknow	
03:25 PM - 03:35 PM		Clinico- Microbiological correlation of multiplex PCR: a case based discussion	Dr Sayan Chakraborty, AMRI, Dhakuria	
03:35 PM - 03:45 PM		Syndromic testing: lab to bedside	Dr Shaoli Basu, PD Hinduja Hospital, Mumbai	
03:45 PM - 04:15 PM		Panel discussion	Moderator: Dr Debkishore Gupta Dr Shaoli Basu Dr Yash Javeri Dr Sayan Chakraborty	

### Session 5B: New Technologies in Diagnostics (24th November, 04:15 PM)

Timings	Venue	Session Details	Speaker (s)	Chairpersons
04:15 PM - 04:35 PM	Hall D	Unleashing Next-Generation Sequencing: A Genomic Game-Changer in Tuberculosis Research and Management (Premas Lifesciences)	Dr Nilma Hirani, Grant Government Medical College and Sir JJ Hospital, Mumbai	Dr Shivendra Kumar Shahi, Indira Gandhi Institute of Medical Sciences, Patna
04:35 PM - 04:55 PM		Tuberculosis infection and Screening approach with T.SPOT-TB (Revvity)	Dr. Abhishek Das, Revvity Inc.	Dr Atul Garg, Sanjay Gandhi Post Graduate Institute of Medical Sciences, Lucknow
04:55 PM - 05:15 PM		Automated ID & AST System Experience over Microscan Walkway System (Beckman Coulter India Pvt. Ltd.)	Dr Ankita Chaurasia, Homi Bhabha Cancer Hospital	Dr Garima Mittal, Himalayan Institute of Medical Sciences, Dehradun
05:15 PM - 05:35 PM		What's Next in Hepatitis B Diagnosis? (Abbott Diagnostic Division)	Dr Sohini Sengupta, Redcliffe Labs, Noida	

### Session 6 and 7: Free Oral and Poster Paper Sessions (24th November, 03:15 PM)

Timings	Venue	Session Details	Speaker (s)	Chairpersons
03:15 PM - 06:00 PM	Hall F	Free Oral Paper Session		
03:15 PM - 06:00 PM	Hall G	Free Oral Paper Session		
03:15 PM - 06:00 PM	Poster Area	Free Posters		
5:00 PM onwards				Executive Council Meeting

Banquet & Cultural Night (8:00 PM onwards)



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08:30 AM - 9:45 AM	Hall A	IAMM Quiz		Prof. Sonal Saxena, Secretary IAMM Dr Sanjay Biswas, Joint- Secretary IAMM Dr Sarita Mohapatra, EC member, IAMM
09:45 AM - 10:00 AM	Tea/ Coffee Break			
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Hall A	The IAMM Symposium on "Clinical Microbiology at crossroads: Genomics to Precision Medicine"	Prof. Amita Jain Prof. Ekta Gupta Prof. Sumit Rai	Moderator: Prof. Pallab Ray, Former HOD, Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education and Research, Chandigarh
12:00 PM onwards		The Body Meeting of the IAMM		IAMM
01:00 PM - 02:00 PM	Lunch Break, Poster Walk and Stall Exhibition			

### Scientific Sessions (25th November, 02:00 PM)

Timings	Venue	Session Details	Speaker (s)	Chairpersons
02:00 PM - 03:00 PM	Hall A	Symposium on 'One Health Concept in Infectious Diseases'	Dr Anoop Velayudhan, Indian Council of Medical Research, New Delhi Dr Vidya KR, Deputy Director, Directorate of Health Services, Thiruvananthapuram.	Prof. Arti Kapil, President, IAMM Dr Chand Wattal, Sir Ganga Ram Hospital, New Delhi
IAMM Award Oral and Poster Session (25th November, 02:00 PM)				
02:00 PM - 03:00 PM	Hall B	IAMM Silver Jubilee Prize for Best Paper in Parasitology- 2023		
02:00 PM - 03:00 PM	Hall C	Belgaum-Mumbai Prize for Best Paper in Bacteriology- 2023		
02:00 PM - 03:00 PM	Poster Area	Mumbai Belgaum Prize for Best Poster in Medical Mycobacteriology- 2023		
03:00 PM - 03:15 PM	Tea/ Coffee Break			



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#### Session 1A: Blood Culture and Sepsis- Critical Crossroads (25th November, 03:15 PM)

Timings	Venue	Session Details	Speaker (s)	Chairpersons
03:15 PM - 03:35 PM	Hall B	Blood Culture Contamination and its Potential Adverse Effects	Prof. Pallab Ray, Former HOD, Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education and Research, Chandigarh.	Prof. Vilas Jahagirdar, Former-Dean, Government Medical College, Miraj Prof. Balram Ji Omar, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Rishikesh
03:35 PM - 03:55 PM		Neonatal Septicemia at Secondary Health Care Level: An experience	Prof. Anudita Bhargava, All India Institute of Medical Sciences Raipur.	Dr Nidhi Prasad, Indira Gandhi Institute of Medical Science, Patna
03:55 PM - 04:15 PM		Essentials of Designing a Sepsis Diagnosis Protocol (BD)	Dr Aruna Poojary, Breach Candy Hospital Trust, Mumbai.	
04:15 PM - 04:30 PM	Tea/ Coffee Break			

#### Session 1B: Next-Generation Approaches to Tackle AMR (25th November, 04:30 PM)

Timings	Venue	Session Details	Speaker (s)	Chairpersons
04:30 PM - 05:00 PM	Hall B	Therapeutic Monoclonal Antibodies for Carbapenem-Resistant <i>Acinetobacter baumannii</i>	Prof. Stephen Baker, Head Research, Cambridge University, UK.	Prof. Veenu Gupta, Dayanand Medical College & Hospital, Ludhiana Prof. Bhaskar Thakuria, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Patna
05:00 PM - 05:20 PM		Perspectives on Bacteriophage Therapy to Treat Multidrug Resistant Infections	Prof. Gopal Nath, Banaras Hindu University, Institute of Medical Sciences, Varanasi.	Prof. Sarita Mohapatra, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi
05:20 PM - 05:40 PM		Application of New Surveillance Tools in AMR	Prof. Neelam Taneja, Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education and Research, Chandigarh.	



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### Session 2A: Perspectives on Zoonotic Diseases in India (25th November, 03:15 PM)

Timings	Venue	Session Details	Speaker (s)	Chairpersons
03:15 PM - 03:40 PM	Hall C	Scrub Typhus and Other Rickettsial Infections	Prof. John Antony Jude Prakash, Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu.	Prof. R. K. Ratho, Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education and Research, Chandigarh
03:40 PM - 04:00 PM		New Insights in Leptospirosis	Prof. Jayanthi Shastri, Maharashtra University of Health Sciences Regional Centre, Mumbai.	Prof. Dharitri Mohapatra, Srirama Chandra Bhanja Medical College and Hospital, Cuttack
04:00 PM - 04:20 PM		Melidiosis: Clinician's Perspective	Prof. Prasanta Raghav Mohapatra, Dept. of Pulmonary Medicine, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Bhubaneswar.	Prof. Atanu Ray, Mata Gujri Memorial Medical College Kishanganj, Bihar
04:20 PM - 04:30 PM	Tea/ Coffee Break			

### Session 2B: Kinship With Anaerobes: Present Status and Future Perspectives (25th November, 03:15 PM)

Timings	Venue	Session Details	Speaker (s)	Chairpersons
03:15 PM - 03:40 PM	Hall D	Is Antibiotic Resistance a Problem Among Human Pathogenic Anaerobes?	Prof. Nagy Erzsébet, University of Szeged, Semmelweis, Hungary.	Prof. Brig. Anant Nagendra, Past President, IAMM  Dr Nilma Hirani, Grant Government Medical College and Sir JJ Hospital, Mumbai  Dr Seema Singhal, Maharishi Markandeshwar College of Medical Sciences & Research, Ambala
03:40 PM - 04:00 PM		Gut Microbiome and Dysbiosis	Prof. Rama Chaudhary, Former HOD, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Delhi.	
04:00 PM - 4:20 PM		Diagnosis of Anaerobic Bacteria: Evolution from Lens to Genes	Dr Beena Antony, Father Muller Medical College & Research Centre, Mangalore, Karnataka.	
04:20 PM - 4:32 PM		Anaerobes in Necrotizing Soft Tissue Infections - Is It a Neglected Field? Case Series	Dr Archana Angrup, Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education and Research, Chandigarh.	
04:32 PM - 4:45 PM		Interesting Case Scenarios	Dr Padamaja A. Shenoy, Kasturba Medical College, Manipal.	
04:45 PM - 04:55 PM	Tea/ Coffee Break			





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### Session 3A: Accreditation for Microbiology Laboratories (25th November, 03:15 PM)

Timings	Venue	Session Details	Speaker (s)	Chairpersons
03:15 PM - 03:35 PM	Hall A	The Tortuous Path of Accreditation, NABL and Beyond	Prof. Ameeta Joshi, Grant Medical College, Mumbai.	Prof. Rohit Chawla, Maulana Azad Medical College, New Delhi  Prof. Sanjeev Sahai, Autonomous State Medical College, Fatehpur  Prof. Suvarna Aniruddha Joshi, Byramjee Jeejeebhoy Government Medical College & Hospital, Pune
03:35 PM - 03:55 PM		Accreditation as Proficiency Testing Provider	Dr Chand Wattal, Sir Ganga Ram Hospital, New Delhi.	
03:55 PM - 04:15 PM		NABH and Other Hospital Accreditations: Role of Microbiologists	Dr Bhawana Jain, Medanta Hospital, Lucknow.	
04:15 PM - 04:35 PM		ISO-15189: 2022: The New ISO for Medical Laboratory	Prof. Nayana Ingole, TNMC and BYL Nair Charitable Hospital, Mumbai.	
04:45 PM - 04:55 PM	Tea/ Coffee Break			

### Session 3B: Medical Education in Clinical Microbiology (25th November, 04:45 PM)

Timings	Venue	Session Details	Speaker (s)	Chairpersons
04:55 PM - 05:55 PM	Hall A	Panel Discussion and Open House Debate "The New PG Curriculum: Are We Really Preparing Clinical Microbiologists?"	Prof. Vijayshree Deotole, Mahatma Gandhi Institute of Medical Sciences, Wardha  Dr Aroma Oberoi, Christian Medical College, Ludhiana  Dr Purnima Barua, Jorhat Medical College, Assam	Moderator: Dr Suman P. Singh, Pramukhswami Medical College, Karamsad

### Session 4A: New Vaccines: Who, When and Why? (25th November, 03:15 PM)

Timings	Venue	Session Details	Speaker (s)	Chairpersons
03:15 PM - 03:45 PM	Hall E	Hepatitis B Vaccines: Future Prospects	Prof. Priya Abraham, Christian Medical College, Vellore.	Prof. Abhay Chowdhary, Haffkine Institute, Mumbai  Prof. Bimal Kumar Das, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi
03:45 PM - 04:05 PM		Implementation of Dengue Vaccine: Potential Threats and Possibilities in the Indian Context	Dr Nivedita Gupta, Indian Council of Medical Research, New Delhi.	Prof. Ved Prakash, Rohillakhand Medical College, Bareilly
04:05 PM - 04:15 PM	Tea/ Coffee Break			



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### Session 4B: Mycobacteria for Clinical Microbiology Laboratories (25th November, 04:15 PM)

Timings	Venue	Session Details	Speaker (s)	Chairpersons
04:15 PM - 04:35 PM	Hall E	Zoonotic Tuberculosis	Prof. Joy Sarojini Michael, Christian Medical College, Vellore.	Prof. Urvashi B. Singh, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi
04:35 PM - 04:55 PM		Challenges in Diagnosing NTM	Prof. Baijayantimala Mishra, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Bhubaneswar.	Dr Vineeta Mittal, Ram Manohar Lohia Institute of Medical Sciences, Lucknow
04:55 PM - 05:15 PM		Challenges and Recent Advances in Diagnosing Extrapulmonary TB	Prof. Kusum Sharma, Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education and Research, Chandigarh.	Dr Ritu Singhal, National Institute of TB and Respiratory Diseases, Delhi

### Sessions 5B: Sepsis Diagnosis a Diagnostic Conundrum: Can we change the outcomes (25th November, 04:30 PM)

Timings	Venue	Session Details	Speaker (s)	Chairpersons
04:30 PM - 04:35 PM	Hall C	Introduction remark	Dr Chand Wattal, Sir Ganga Ram Hospital, New Delhi	
04:35 PM - 04:43 PM		Sepsis-spot the signs, diagnose early and act fast - role of automation when time is of essence	Dr Devjani DE	
04:43 PM - 04:51 PM		The surviving sepsis campaign guideline what has changed to make it robust	Dr Prachee Sathe, Ruby Hall Clinic, Pune	
04:51 PM - 04:59 PM		An ID physician's perspective over the theme of this symposia and what can change outcomes	Dr A Rajalakshmi	
4:59 PM - 05:07 PM		What are the game changers that have currently got available to change TAT to hours from days for ID and ABST tests, which can help change outcomes?	Dr M S Ratnamani	
05:07 PM - 05:30 PM		Panel Discussion	All Speakers, Moderator: Dr Chand Wattal	



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### Session 6: Educational Support Session (25th November, 04:55 PM)

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04:55 PM - 05:15 PM	Hall D	Role of industry in supporting Antimicrobial stewardship programs (Pfizer India Limited)	Dr Abhisek Routray	Dr Yogesh Kumar Gupta, Rukmani Birla Hospital, Jaipur
05:15 PM - 05:35 PM		Importance of decentralizing molecular diagnostics for infectious diseases' (Molbio Diagnostics Private Limited)	Dr Shikha Dhawan, Share India, New Delhi	Dr Arvind Achra, ABVIMS & Dr RML Hospital, New Delhi
05:35 PM - 05:55 PM		Dual Elimination of Maternal-to-Child Transmission of HIV and Syphilis (Q- Line Biotech)	To be Announced	Dr Jyoti Srivastava, Hind Institute of Medical Sciences, Barabanki
05:55 PM - 06:15 PM		(Wochardt)	To be Announced	

### Sessions 7 and 8: Free Oral Paper and Poster Sessions (25th November, 03:15 PM)

Timings	Venue	Session Details	Speaker (s)	Chairpersons
03:15 PM - 06:00 PM	Hall F	Free Oral Paper Session		
03:15 PM - 06:00 PM	Hall G	Free Oral Paper Session		
03:15 PM - 06:00 PM	Poster Area	Free Poster Session		

**Jashn@Awadh and Dinner (8:00 PM onwards)**



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08:00 AM - 09:00 AM	Hall B, C, D, E, F, G	Free Oral Paper Session		
09:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Hall A	Plenary session on "Tackling AMR through enhancing Infection Prevention and Control practices"?	Prof. Purva Mathur, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi. Prof. Vijay Lakshmi Nag, National Medical Commission, New Delhi.	Dr B.N. Harish, Former Head, JIPMER, Puducherry Dr Raghavendra D Kulkarni, SDM College of Medical Sciences and Hospital Sattur, Karnataka
10:00 AM - 10:15 AM		Tea/ Coffee Break		

### Parallel Scientific Sessions

#### Session 1: Infectious Viral Diseases: Opportunities and Challenges (26th November, 10:15 AM)

Timings	Venue	Session Details	Speaker (s)	Chairpersons
10:15 AM - 10:35 AM	Hall D	Recent Advances in Laboratory Diagnosis of Rabies	Prof. Reeta S. Mani, National Institute of Mental Health and Neurosciences, Bengaluru.	Prof. Sarbjeet Sharma, SRGD University of Health Sciences, Amritsar Prof. Vinita Rawat, Government Medical College, Haldwani Prof. Sunil Lilani, Government Medical College, Dhule
10:35 AM - 10:55 AM		New and Re-Emerging Viral Zoonosis	Dr Monil Singhai, National Center for Disease Control, New Delhi.	
10:55 AM - 11:15 AM		Logistics for Infectious Disease Diagnostics: Lessons from Covid-19 Pandemic	Dr Harmanmeet Kaur, Indian Council of Medical Research, New Delhi.	
11:15 AM - 11:45 AM		Mini Symposium on "Interesting Cases in Virology"	Dr Sneha K Chunchanur, Bangalore Medical College and Research Institute, Bengaluru Dr Shwetha JV, BMCRI, Bengaluru Dr Ashwin Belludi, National Institute of Mental Health and Neurosciences, Bengaluru.	



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### Session 2A: Awareness to Action: HIV and STIs (26th November, 10:15 AM)

Timings	Venue	Session Details	Speaker (s)	Chairpersons
10:15 AM -10:35 AM	Hall E	Programmatic Perspectives on Role of the Microbiology Laboratory for HIV Diagnosis	Dr Bhawna Rao, National AIDS Control Organization, New Delhi	Prof. Shampa Anupurba, Institute of Medical Sciences, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi  Prof. Shashikala Nair, Pondicherry Institute of Medical Sciences, Puducherry  Dr Areena Hooda, Integral Institute of Medical Sciences, Lucknow
10:35 AM - 10:55 AM		Antiretroviral Resistance in HIV - Indian Perspective	Dr Swarali Kurle, National AIDS Research Institute, Pune	
10:55AM - 11:15 AM		Recent Advances in Laboratory Testing for Sexually Transmitted Infections	Prof. Jyotsna Agarwal, Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Institute of Medical Sciences, Lucknow.	

### Session 2B: Transforming Clinical Microbiology through Next-Generation Sequencing (NGS) (26th November, 11:15 AM)

Timings	Venue	Session Details	Speaker (s)	Chairpersons
11:15 AM -11:20 AM	Hall E	Translation of NGS into clinical diagnostics	Prof. V. Balaji, Christian Medical College, Vellore.	Prof. Padma Srikanth, Sri Ramachandra Medical College and Research Institute, Chennai  Prof. Benu Dhawan, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi  Col (Dr) Partha Roy, Unipath Specialty Laboratories Limited, New Delhi
11:20 AM – 11:40 AM		Basics of NGS platforms, Genome databases, and setting up of NGS in the Medical Laboratory	Dr. Jobin John Jacob, Christian Medical College, Vellore.	
11:40 AM – 12:00 PM		Detecting outbreak with Whole genome sequencing (WGS)	Dr. Nagesh Panchal, Christian Medical College, Vellore.	





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### Session 3: Recent Challenges in Fungal Infections in India (26th November, 10:15 AM)

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10:15 AM - 10:35 AM	Hall B	Drug-Resistant Dermatophytosis	Dr M.R Shivaprakash, Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education And Research, Chandigarh.	Prof. Ragini Tilak, Banaras Hindu University, Banaras
10:35 AM - 10:55 AM		Present Status of Candida auris Infection in India and How to Control It?	Prof. Arunaloke Chakraborti, Director Doodhadhari Burfani Hospital and Research Institute, Haridwar.	Prof. Ranjana Devi Khuraijam, Regional Institute of Medical Sciences, Imphal
10:55 AM - 11:15 AM		Outbreaks due to Mold Infections	Dr Jayanthi Savio, St. John's Medical College, Bengaluru.	Prof. Reema Nath, Assam Medical College and Hospital, Dibrugarh
11:15 AM - 11:35 AM		Systemic Endemic Mycosis: Are They Neglected Mycoses?	Prof. Malini R Capoor, VMMC and Safdarjung Hospital, Delhi	
11:35 AM - 11:55 AM		Is Antifungal Stewardship Necessary?	Dr Gagandeep Singh, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi.	

### Session 4A: Cutting Edge Technologies in Infectious Disease Control (26th November, 10:15 AM)

Timings	Venue	Session Details	Speaker (s)	Chairpersons
10:15 AM - 10:35 AM	Hall C	Use of Assistive Technology for Infectious Disease Mitigation	Dr Shashank Purwar, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Bhopal.	Dr Anupam Das, Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Institute of Medical Sciences, Lucknow
10:35 AM - 10:55 AM		AI: Large Language Models in Academics and Research	Dr Abhishek Padhi, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Rajkot.	Dr Syed Tanwir Alam, Gauhati Medical College, Assam
10:55 AM - 11:15 AM		Pros and cons of sequencing as a diagnostic tool for Infectious Diseases (Haystack Analytics Pvt Ltd.)	Dr Aruna Poojary Dr Anirvan Chatterjee	Dr Loveleena, Autonomous State Medical College, Pratapgarh



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### Session 4B: Advances in Parasitology (26th November, 11:15 AM)

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11:15 AM - 11:35 AM	Hall C	EQAS in Parasitology	Prof. Rakesh Singh, Jawaharlal Institute of Postgraduate Medical Education & Research, Pondicherry.	Prof. Anuradha De, T.N. Medical College, Mumbai
11:35 AM - 11:55 AM		Cutaneous Leishmaniasis: Recent Indian Scenario	Prof. Vibhor Tak, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Jodhpur.	Prof. Manodeep Sen, Dr Ram Manohar Lohia Institute of Medical Sciences, Lucknow Dr Atul R Rukadikar, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Gorakhpur

### Session 5: The Tenets of Antimicrobial Stewardship: From Ideation to Implementation (26th November, 10:15 AM)

Timings	Venue	Session Details	Speaker (s)	Chairpersons
10:15 AM - 10:25 AM	Hall A	Setting the context: Role of Diagnostic stewardship in early treatment intervention	Dr V Balaji	
10:25 AM - 11:15 AM		Panel Discussion Deep Diving into the challenges & hurdles in implementation of AMS program Cost effectiveness of AMS Program: The Maths and Facts Important KPIs of a hospital AMS program Delving into Details of Diagnostic Stewardship in Hospital AMS program	Moderator: Dr V Balaji Panelists: Dr Sonal Saxena Dr Anup Warriar Dr Sankar Sengupta Dr Bansidhar Tarai Dr Debkishore Gupta	

### Parallel Sessions 6 and 7: Free Oral Papers and Poster Session (26th November, 10:15 AM)

Timings	Venue	Session Details	Speaker (s)	Chairpersons
10:15 AM - 12:00 PM	Hall F	Free Oral Paper Session		
10:15 AM - 12:00 PM	Hall G	Free Oral Paper Session		
10:15 AM - 12:00 PM	Poster Area	Free Poster Paper Session		
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	Hall A	Valedictory Function followed by Lunch		