



Mid Term Conference of Mumbai Hematology Group (MHG) & Essence of EHA-2026

Charting the Future of Hematology: An In-Person Academic Odyssey

Featuring Distinguished International Guest Speakers

Friday-Sunday, 4th to 6th of September 2026

Venue:

Jio World Convention Centre
Bandra Kurla Complex
Bandra (East), Mumbai, India.
2nd Floor,
Room 206 (Hall A), 207 (Hall B),
203 (Hall C), 202 (Hall D), BL2 (Hall E)

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Dear Colleagues & Students,

It is our distinct privilege to invite you to the Mid-Term Conference of the Mumbai Hematology Group (MHG) & Essence of EHA-2026.

In an era of digital fatigue, we are proud to announce this as a strictly in-person (physical) summit. This is a deliberate choice to foster the high-level scientific discourse, spontaneous networking, and personal camaraderie that only a face-to-face gathering can provide.

We have curated a faculty of eminent international experts to bridge the gap between global innovations and practical clinical application in both classical and malignant hematology.

Joining them is a "galaxy" of premier Indian faculty, bringing local context to the latest breakthroughs.

We also bring the most critical updates from the European Hematology Association (EHA) directly to you, distilled for maximum impact on your practice.

This is your premier opportunity to reconnect with mentors, engage with peers, and build the professional relationships that define our field.

We anticipate a record turnout this year. We urge you to register early and ensure your place at what promises to be the most vibrant and transformative educational event of 2026.

Let us gather in Mumbai to celebrate science, friendship, and the future of hematology.

Yours sincerely,



Dr. Rucha K. Patil
Secretary, MHG



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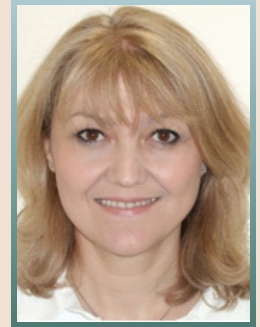
Faculty - International



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Dr. Daniel J. Hodson, UK



Dr. Dragana Milojkovic, UK



Dr. Karthik Ramasamy, UK



Dr. Mark Hertzberg, Sydney, Australia



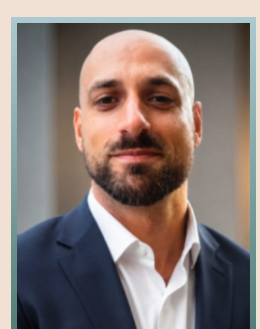
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Dr. Aditi Shah Kaskar	Dr. Naveen Vairamoorthy
Dr. Akshaya Mandloi	Dr. Navin Khattry
Dr. Ambreen Pandrowala	Dr. Neha Garg
Dr. Amit Jain	Dr. Nirmalya Roy Moulik
Dr. Anita Nadkarni	Dr. Nishant Jindal
Dr. Ankita Pandey	Dr. P. G. Subramanian
Dr. Archana Swami	Dr. Parth Ganatra
Dr. Archana Vazifdar	Dr. Prabhakar Kedar
Dr. Asha Shah	Dr. Prashant Tembhare
Dr. Ashita Singhal	Dr. Prashant Warang
Dr. Ashok K. Yadav	Dr. Priti Mehta
Dr. Balkrishna Padate	Dr. Priyanka Moule
Dr. Barnali Das	Dr. Purva Kanvinde
Dr. Bharat Agarwal	Dr. Purvi Kadakia Kutty
Dr. Bhausaheb Bagal	Dr. Rajesh Patil
Dr. Bipin Kulkarni	Dr. Rajesh Sawant
Dr. Chetan Dhamne	Dr. Reetu Jain
Dr. Darshana Rane	Dr. Ritika Khurana
Dr. Deep Gala	Dr. Rucha Patil
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Dr. Jyoti Chirmade	Dr. Shilpi Saxena
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Dr. Cindy Neunert, MD MSCS

Professor
Section Head
Pediatric Hematology
Columbia University Irving Medical Center
New York, NY, USA

- She did fellowship from University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center.
- She is an expert in benign hematological disorders.
- Her areas of research and specialization include immune thrombocytopenia, thrombosis and sickle cell disease.
- She is involved with the Intercontinental Cooperative ITP Study Group, which is an international study group advancing knowledge regarding the natural history of ITP in children and adults.
- She is author of the American Society of Hematology 2019 guidelines for immune thrombocytopenia and currently working on the committee for the 2026 update.
- She was past chair of the Pediatric ITP Consortium of North America (ICON) which is a group of 40 pediatric centers conducting studies on the biology of ITP as well as the conduct of patient-related and interventional trials.
- She is also the medical director for the Integrative Therapies Program at Columbia University Medical Center and Integrate Health Global.

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Dr. Daniel Hodson

CRUK Senior Research Fellow
Honorary Consultant Haematologist
Director, Clinical Academic Training Programme
CRUK Cambridge Centre
Cambridge Stem Cell Institute
University of Cambridge, Department of Haematology
The Jeffrey Cheah Biomedical Centre
Cambridge Biomedical Campus
Cambridge, UK

- Dr. Hodson studied medicine at Cambridge and Oxford Universities before training in clinical haematology in Cambridge. He undertook a University of Cambridge PhD in molecular immunology supervised by Dr Martin Turner at the Babraham Institute.
- In 2010 he moved as a Kay Kendall Leukaemia Fund (KKLF) Post-doctoral Fellow to the lab of Dr Louis Staudt at the National Cancer Institute, NIH, USA to study the functional genomics of aggressive B cell lymphoma.
- In 2015 he was awarded a Medical Research Council (MRC) Clinician Scientist Fellowship and returned to Cambridge to establish a research group in the Wellcome MRC Cambridge Stem Cell Institute, University of Cambridge.
- In 2021 he was awarded a Cancer Research UK Senior Research Fellowship and in 2023 a European Research Council Consolidator award.
- The Hodson Group researches the molecular mechanisms that underlie lymphomagenesis with a view to identifying new targets for designer anti-lymphoma therapies.
- Key themes in his lab are molecular profiling (especially ctDNA) to resolve genetic heterogeneity of DLBCL, novel approaches to model the functional genetics of lymphoma, and the mechanistic contribution of RNA helicases in lymphomagenesis.
- Dr. Hodson is also a practicing clinician and an honorary Haematology consultant.
- He runs an active portfolio of clinical trials to study the effect of novel therapies in patients with lymphoma and chairs the UK NCRI Lymphoma Translational Science Subgroup.

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Dr. Dragana Milojkovic

Consultant Haematologist
Professor of Chronic Myeloid Malignancies
The Hammersmith Hospital
Imperial College
London, UK

- Dr. Dragana Milojkovic is a Consultant Haematologist and Professor of Chronic Myeloid Malignancies at The Hammersmith Hospital, Imperial College London, UK.
- She is a researcher and expertise focuses on chronic myeloid leukaemia, myeloproliferative neoplasms and transplantation.
- Professor Milojkovic, Chair of the UK CML sub-group 2019 - 2025.
- She is also Director of the Clinical Trials unit at The Hammersmith Hospital.
- She has published extensively in peer reviewed journals regarding the biology and clinical management of CML.
- She participates in CML ELN recommendations and BSH guidelines.
- She is a member of EBMT Chronic malignancies working party and EHA Specialized Working Group (SWG) for CML.

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Dr. Karthik Ramasamy, MBBS FRCP PhD FRCPath
Professor of Haematology
The University of Oxford and a Consultant Haematologist
Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

- He completed his general medical training in Nottingham, followed by initial haematology training at Glasgow Royal Infirmary.
- In 2002, he relocated to London to engage in an extensive haematology training programme at Kings College Hospital, covering all haematology subspecialties, including bone marrow transplantation.
- He further pursued his interest in cancer research by serving as a clinical research fellow at Kings College London for three years.
- Currently, Dr. Karthik Ramasamy practices at both Oxford University Hospital NHS Trust and Royal Berkshire, specializing in haematology.
- He is the myeloma lead for the Thames Valley Cancer Network and serves as Chief Investigator for UK multicentre trials.
- His dedication to research is evident in his authorship of over 75 peer-reviewed articles and contributions to haemato-oncology textbooks.
- This commitment ensures he remains at the forefront of the latest advancements, offering his patients optimal diagnosis and treatment.
- He is proficient in various medical procedures and treatments, including blood transfusion, coagulation, chemotherapy, and bone marrow transplantation.
- His expertise extends to managing conditions such as myeloma, thrombosis, blood disorders, blood cancer, and plasma cell dyscrasias, reflecting his comprehensive knowledge in haematological oncology and general haematology.

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Dr. Mark Hertzberg, AM, MBBS PhD FRACP FRCPA
Prof & Head
Dept of Clinical Haematology
Prince of Wales Hospital and University of NSW
Sydney, Australia

- Dr. Mark Hertzberg is an immediate previous Head of Clinical Haematology at Prince of Wales Hospital and University of NSW, Sydney.
- He is a past President of HSA NZ (Haematology Society Australia New Zealand); a previous Chair of the Scientific Advisory Committee of the ALLG (Australasian Leukaemia Lymphoma Group) and ALLG High Grade Lymphoma Group; a current ALLG Board Member; an HSA NZ Pitney Travelling Fellow.
- His research interests are in the areas of lymphoma, clinical trials, and molecular monitoring of blood cancers. He received his Order of Australia in January 2022 for services to Haematology research and education.

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Dr. Matteo Piccini

Consultant Hematologist
AOU Careggi University Hospital
Florence
Italy

- Dr. Matteo Piccini is a Consultant Hematologist at AOU Careggi University Hospital, Florence, Italy, a position he has held since 2020.
- He earned his MD and completed his specialization in Hematology from the University of Florence, graduating with the highest honors.
- Dr. Piccini's clinical and research interests focus on acute myeloid leukemia (AML), acute lymphoblastic leukemia (ALL), blastic plasmacytoid dendritic cell neoplasm (BPDCN), measurable residual disease (MRD), flow cytometry, and precision medicine.
- He is actively involved in the management of hematologic malignancies and serves as both a principal and sub-investigator in several Phase I-III international clinical trials.
- A recognized contributor to leukemia research, Dr. Piccini has authored and co-authored more than 50 peer-reviewed publications in leading international hematology journals.
- His work has focused on AML genomics, MRD-guided treatment strategies, targeted therapies, and innovative therapeutic approaches, helping advance the understanding and treatment of leukemia.

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Dr. Nicola Gökbüget

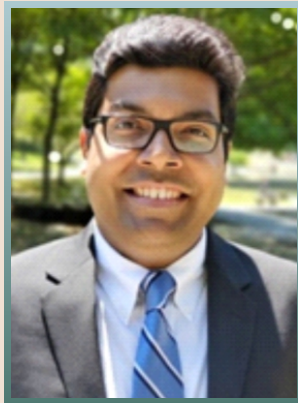
Haematologist and clinical researcher
Dept. of Medicine II
Goethe University Hospital
Frankfurt

- Dr Nicola Gökbüget has worked at the University Hospital Frankfurt, Germany, for more than 25 years and as senior physician, she heads the study center of the Department of Medicine II.
- She is task force director for clinical trials of the University Cancer Center, Principal Investigator of the Frankfurt Cancer Institute.
- She serves as Managing Director of the Central Clinical Trial Coordination of the Goethe University and University Hospital.
- She is coordinating or principal investigator of numerous academic or industry-sponsored trials in adult acute lymphoblastic leukemia (ALL) and related diseases such as lymphoblastic lymphoma or Burkitt's lymphoma.
- For more than 20 years, she has served as chair of the German Multicenter Study Group for ALL (GMALL) with more than 140 participating hospitals across Germany.
- She founded and established a national registry for ALL with an associated biobank and has chaired the European Hematology Association Scientific Working Group for ALL.
- She is a founding member and board member of the German Network for Acute and Chronic Leukemias and the European Leukemia Network (ELN).
- She is also a founding member of the ELN Working Group for Adult ALL and is corresponding author of the ELN guidelines for adult ALL.

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Dr. Rajshekhar Chakraborty, MD

Assistant Professor of Medicine
Columbia University Irving Medical Center
Herbert Irving Comprehensive Cancer Center
Multiple Myeloma and Amyloidosis Program
Columbia, New York, USA

- Dr. Rajshekhar Chakraborty, MD is an assistant professor of medicine at Columbia University Irving Medical Center in the division of hematology/oncology.
- After receiving his medical degree from University of Delhi, India, he completed his residency in internal medicine at Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai-Queens Hospital Center.
- Subsequently, he spent three years as a clinical researcher in plasma cell disorders at the Mayo Clinic, Rochester, followed by fellowship in hematology/oncology at the Cleveland Clinic.
- Dr. Chakraborty primarily cares for patients with plasma cells disorders, including multiple myeloma, amyloidosis, MGUS, POEMS syndrome, and WM.
- His research interests include clinical trials and outcomes research in plasma cell disorders.

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Dr. Saad Z. Usmani, MD, MBA, FACP
Hematologic Oncologist
Chief of the Myeloma Service
Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer centre
New York, USA

- Dr. Saad Z. Usmani is a hematologic oncologist with more than 14 years of experience specializing in the care of patients with multiple myeloma and other disorders affecting plasma cells.
- As a translational investigator, he has worked individually and as part of teams that have shed new light on the biology, pathogenesis, and therapy of these disorders and has been involved with the clinical development of several therapies approved by the FDA for patients with multiple myeloma and other blood cancers.
- His research has brought to the forefront the racial disparities impacting the treatment and response to multiple myeloma.
- Outside of the clinic and the lab, Dr. Usmani can be found training for a race or an endurance event to raise funds for cancer research.
- He completed the 2021 New York City Marathon as a member of MSK's Fred's Team and has previously run the Boston Marathon and completed the Mount Everest Base Camp trek.
- Dr. Usmani completed his medical education in Pakistan before completing an internal residency training at Sinai-Grace Hospital/Wayne State University, in Detroit, and a hematology and medical oncology fellowship at the University of Connecticut.
- He received his master's in business administration from the University of North Carolina Kenan-Flagler Business School.

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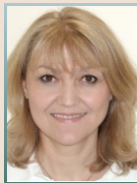
Dr. Cindy Neunert, New York

- a. Pediatric Thrombosis: Guidelines and Clinical Practice Updates
- b. Hemophilia Guidelines: Application in the real world
- c. Real-world data in Pediatric ITP
- d. When a low platelet count is not ITP
- e. Secondary ITP: what do we know ?
- f. Case discussion session



Dr. Daniel J. Hodson, Cambridge, UK

- a. How can biology inform therapy in DLBCL?
- b. Is circulating tumour DNA set to revolutionize how we manage DLBCL ?
- c. Sex-specific roles of DDX3 RNA helices in aggressive B cell lymphomas
- d. Case discussion session



Dr. Dragana Milojkovic, London

- a. Balancing the choice of TKI therapy in CML- a new era
- b. Management of the side-effects of TKI therapy
- c. Treatment free remission in CML - the next frontier
- d. Case discussion session



Dr. Karthik Ramasamy, UK

- a. MRD in myeloma
- b. Dual targets, new possibilities: BCMA & GPRC5D in relapsed refractory multiple myeloma
- c. Talquetamab - the new horizon
- d. Close group meeting



Dr. Mark Hertzberg, Sydney, Australia

- a. How do I treat advanced stage newly diagnosed Hodgkin Lymphoma ?
- b. Case discussion session



Dr. Matteo Piccini, Florence, Italy

- a. Gilteritinib for R/R FLT3+ve AML
- b. Panel discussion on Gilteritinib based treatment for FLT3+ve AML



Dr. Nicola Gökbüget, Germany

- a. Treatment of B-precursor ALL - Ph-negative
- b. Treatment of T-ALL
- c. Case discussion session



Dr. Rajshekhar Chakraborty, Columbia

- a. AL Amyloidosis: prognostic and predictive biomarkers.
- b. High-risk smoldering myeloma: how do I define and how do I treat ?
- c. Multiple myeloma: I do not want to kill my patient by infection.
- d. Daratumumab is the game changer: from induction to maintenance.
- e. Teclistamab: indications - today's and tomorrow's
- f. Case discussion session



Dr. Saad Z. Usmani, New York, NY, USA

- a. Belantamab Mafodotin: the ADC for myeloma



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Friday, 4th September 2026, Hall A (Room 206)

Anchor: Dr. Amit Khurana

Time	Subject	Speaker
Session 1		
9.00 am - 9.30 am	Panel discussion Sub: Optimizing outcomes of HSCT: where have we reached in India ? Moderator: Dr. Biju George, Vellore	Panelists: Dr. Aditi Shah Kaskar, Mumbai Dr. Navin Khattry, Mumbai Dr. Sameer Tulpule, Mumbai Dr. Sanjeevan Sharma, Delhi
Session 2		
Sponsor: Adley		
Chair: Dr. Navin Khattry, Dr. Bhausaheb Bagal, Dr. Sameer Tulpule		
9.30 am - 10.00 am	Practice changes following ASH-25/EHA-26 in LMICs: My thoughts!	Dr. Ranjit Kumar Sahoo, Delhi
10.00 am - 10.30 am	The Molecular Underworld: Uncovering unusual Drivers in Myeloid Malignancies	Dr. Neha Kamble, Pune
10.30 am - 11.15 am Coffee		
Session 3		
Sponsor: Intas Aquila		
Chair: Dr. Biju George, Dr. Ranjit Kumar Sahoo, Dr. Kunal Goyal		
11.15 am - 11.45 am	CAR-T cell therapy in B-ALL: our experience with a focus on those who received it as a consolidation	Dr. Hasmukh Jain, Mumbai
11.45 am - 12.15 pm	Beyond the Tail of the Curve: Engineering the Next Curative Frontier in NHL	Dr. Manju Sengar, Mumbai
12.15 pm - 1.15 pm Inauguration		
1.15 pm - 2.00 pm Lunch		
Session 4		
Sponsor: Lucien		
Chair: Dr. Sanjeevan Sharma, Dr. Rajan Kapoor, Dr. Aditi Shah Kaskar		
2.00 pm - 2.30 pm	When a low platelet count is not ITP !	Dr. Cindy Neunert, USA
2.30 pm - 3.30 pm	Dual targets, new possibilities: BCMA & GPRC5D in relapsed refractory multiple myeloma	Dr. Karthik Ramasamy, UK Dr. M. B. Agarwal, Mumbai



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Friday, 4th September 2026, Hall A (Room 206)

Anchor: Dr. Amit Khurana

Time	Subject	Speaker
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Session 5

Sponsor: **Zydus**

Chair: Dr. Bhausahab Bagal, Dr. Suman Mittal, Dr. VA Arun

3.30 pm - 4.00 pm	Treatment of B-Precursor Ph-ve ALL	Dr. Nicola Gökbüget, Germany
4.00 pm - 4.30 pm	High risk smoldering myeloma: how do I define and how do I treat ?	Dr. Rajshekhar Chakraborty, USA

4.30 pm - 5.00 pm High Tea

Session 6

Sponsor: **Natco**

Chair: Dr. Bharat Agarwal, Dr. Sanjeevan Sharma, Dr. Archana Swami

5.00 pm - 5.30 pm	Secondary ITP: What do we know ?	Dr. Cindy Neunert, USA
5.30 pm - 6.00 pm	Is circulating tumour DNA set to revolutionize how we manage DLBCL ?	Dr. Daniel J. Hodson, UK
6.00 pm - 6.30 pm	Management of the side effects of TKI therapies	Dr. Dragana Milojkovic, UK

Session 7

Sponsor: **Adley**

Chair: Dr. Subhaprakash Sanyal, Dr. Bhausahab Bagal, Dr. Kunal Goyal

6.30 pm - 7.00 pm	Treatment of B-precursor Ph+ve ALL	Dr. Nicola Gökbüget, Germany
7.00 pm - 7.30 pm	AL Amyloidosis: Prognostic and predictive biomarkers	Dr. Rajshekhar Chakraborty, USA



Scientific Agenda

Friday, 4th September 2026, Hall B (Room 207)

Anchor: Dr. Bipin Kulkarni

Time	Subject	Speaker
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Session 1

9.00 am - 9.30 am	Panel discussion Sub: Refractory ITP Moderator: Dr. Mamta Manglani, Mumbai	Panelists: Dr. Amit Jain, Mumbai Dr. Ashita Singhal, Mumbai Dr. Jai Juvekar, Mumbai Dr. Parth Ganatra, Mumbai Dr. Purva Kanvinde, Mumbai Dr. Shweta Bansal, Mumbai
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Session 2

Sponsor: **Zydus**

Chair: Dr. Mamta Manglani, Dr. Manisha Madkaikar, Dr. Purva Kanvinde

9.30 am - 10.00 am	TPO mimetics beyond Pediatric ITP: Shifting Paradigms	Dr. Purvi Kadakia Kutty, Mumbai
10.00 am - 10.30 am	Neonatal Fc receptor: Biology & Therapeutics	Dr. Rajan Kapoor, Delhi

10.30 am - 11.15 am Coffee

11.15 am - 11.45 am Combined Session in Hall A & B

11.45 am - 12.15 pm Combined Session in Hall A & B

12.15 pm - 1.15 pm Inauguration in Hall A & B

1.15 pm - 2.00 pm Lunch

Session 3

Sponsor: **Lucien**

Chair: Dr. Swati Kanakia, Dr. Archana Swami, Dr. Purvi Kadakia Kutty

2.00 pm - 2.30 pm	From Paediatric Oncologist to Infection Preventionist: My Journey as the Infection Control Officer at a Tertiary Cancer Centre	Dr. Arpita Bhattacharyya, Kolkata
2.30 pm - 3.00 pm	Childhood ALL: A decade of ICiCle & Immunotherapies- Lessons learnt & the Way Forward	Dr. Gaurav Narula, Mumbai
3.00 pm - 3.30 pm	Pattern of Asparaginase toxicities in Pediatric ALL	Dr. Chetan Dhamne, Mumbai



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Friday, 4th September 2026, Hall B (Room 207)

Anchor: Dr. Bipin Kulkarni

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Session 4

Sponsor: **Dr. Reddy's**

Chair: Dr. Gaurav Narula, Dr. Chetan Dhamne, Dr. Ritika Khurana

3.30 pm - 4.00 pm	Pharmacogenomics: day to day application	Dr. Swati Kanakia, Mumbai
4.00 pm - 4.30 pm	Survivorship in Pediatric Cancers	Dr. Suhani Barbhuiyan, Guwahati

4.30 pm - 5.00 pm High Tea

Session 5

Sponsor: **Intas**

Chair: Dr. Rajan Kapoor, Dr. Shweta Bansal, Dr. Parth Ganatra

5.00 pm - 5.30 pm	Stem Cell Transplant in Metabolic Disorders	Dr. Santanu Sen, Mumbai
5.30 pm - 6.00 pm	Deficiency of ADA2: The Hematology spectrum	Dr. Ambreen Pandrowala, Mumbai
6.00 pm - 6.30 pm	Sip by Sip, Stronger Sickle Cells: The Power of Liquid Hydroxyurea	Dr. Ritika Khurana, Mumbai

Session 6

Sponsor: **Dr. Reddy's**

Chair: Dr. Santanu Sen, Dr. Ambreen Pandrowala, Dr. Suhani Barbhuiyan

6.30 pm - 7.00 pm	Pediatric Hodgkin Lymphoma: Salvage therapy in R/R disease	Dr. Reghu K. Sukumaran, Kolkata
7.00 pm - 7.30 pm	Juvenile Myelomonocytic Leukemia	Dr. Ankita Pandey, Mumbai



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Friday, 4th September 2026, Hall C (Room 203)

Anchor: Dr. Rucha Patil

Time	Subject	Speaker
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Session 1

Sponsor: **RPG**

Chair: Dr. Jasmina Ahluwalia, Dr. J. M. Khunger, Dr. Meha Gupta

9.00 am - 9.30 am	Beyond Pyruvate Kinase Deficiency: Spectrum of Rare Red Cell Enzymopathies in Unexplained Hemolytic Anaemia - An NIIH Experience	Dr. Prabhakar Kedar, Mumbai
9.30 am - 10.00 am	Is Intracellular Calcium Dysregulation a Common Molecular Mechanism in Hereditary Hemolytic Anemias ? Implications for Novel Therapeutic Targets	Dr. Prashant Warang, Mumbai
10.00 am - 10.30 am	Understanding Immuno-thrombosis	Dr. Jasmina Ahluwalia, Chandigarh

10.30 am - 11.15 am Coffee

Session 2

Sponsor: **Adley**

11.15 am - 11.45 am	Panel discussion Sub: The Community Hematopathologist: Bridging the Gap Between Microscope and Bedside Moderator: Dr. Akshaya Mandloi, Mumbai	Panelists: Dr. Archana Vazifdar, Mumbai Dr. Dipsha Kriplani, Mumbai Dr. Shivani Joshi, Nashik Dr. Shrutika Java, Mumbai Dr. Vidisha Mahajan, Mumbai
11.45 am - 12.15 pm	Panel discussion Sub: Targeted therapy in B ALL Moderator: Dr. Kunal Sehgal, Mumbai	Panelists: Dr. Subhaprakash Sanyal, Mumbai Dr. Ambreen Pandrowala, Mumbai

12.15 pm - 1.15 pm Inauguration in Hall A & B

1.15 pm - 2.00 pm Lunch

Session 3

Sponsor: **Concord**

Chair: Dr. Tathagata Chatterjee, Dr. Shivani Joshi, Dr. Shrutika Java

2.00 pm - 2.30 pm	The Harmonization of Biomarker Reports of Monoclonal Gammopathies	Dr. Barnali Das, Mumbai
2.30 pm - 3.00 pm	Genomic work up in Relapsed Acute Lymphoblastic Leukaemia	Dr. Mayur Parihar, Kolkata
3.00 pm - 3.30 pm	Review of Guidelines and evidence for Diagnostic work up of Acute leukemia in India	Dr. P. G. Subramanian, Mumbai



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Anchor: Dr. Rucha Patil

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Session 4

Sponsor: **Lucien**

Chair: Dr. P. G. Subramanian, Dr. Mayur Parihar, Dr. Dipsha Kriplani

3.30 pm - 4.00 pm	Rare but Relevant: Diagnostic Lessons from Challenging Malignant Hematopathology Cases	Dr. Akshaya Mandloi, Mumbai
4.00 pm - 4.30 pm	Slide seminars in Hematopathology: A Potpourri of exciting cases	Dr. Tathagata Chatterjee, Faridabad

4.30 pm - 5.00 pm High Tea

Session 5

Sponsor: **Lucien**

Chair: Dr. Neha Kamble, Dr. Anju Bharti, Dr. Akshaya Mandloi

5.00 pm - 5.30 pm	Role of flow cytometry in platelet function disorders	Dr. Vidisha Mahajan, Mumbai
5.30 pm - 6.00 pm	Laboratory challenges in haemostasis: Case- based solutions	Dr. Bipin Kulkarni, Mumbai
6.00 pm - 6.30 pm	DOACs vs Traditional Anticoagulants: Current Guidelines & Controversies	Dr. J. M. Khunger, Delhi

Session 6

Sponsor: **Zydus**

Chair: Dr. Jasmina Ahluwalia, Dr. Rashmi Kushwah, Dr. Vidisha Mahajan

6.30 pm - 7.00 pm	Need of chromogenic assay in the current era for haemophilia	Dr. Rucha Patil, Mumbai
7.00 pm - 7.30 pm	The most common yet missed bleeding disorder: Diagnosing Von Willebrand Disease	Dr. Anju Bharti, Varanasi



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Friday, 4th September 2026, Hall D (Room 202)

Anchor: Dr. Jay Sheth, Mr. Kamleshwar Dubey

Time	Subject	Speaker
Session 1		
8.45 am - 9.00 am	Quiz for UG	Dr. Shilpi Saxena, Mumbai
9.10 am - 9.25 am	Quiz for PG	Dr. Kunal Goyal, Mumbai
9.35 am - 9.50 am	Quiz for Superspeciality	Dr. VA Arun, Mumbai
10.00 am - 10.15 am	Quiz for Pediatric Hematology Oncology	Dr. Priti Mehta, Mumbai
10.15 am - 10.30 am	Quiz for Hematopathology	Dr. Vidisha Mahajan, Mumbai
10.30 am - 11.15 am	Coffee	
Session 2		
Sponsor: Sun Pharma		
11.15 am - 11.45 am	Panel discussion Sub: Venetoclax based panel discussion Moderator: TBD	Panelists: Dr. Navin Khattry, Mumbai Dr. Rajan Kapoor, Delhi
Session 3		
11.45 am - 12.15 pm	Panel discussion Sub: Case based discussion on CLL Moderator: TBD	Panelists: Dr. Ashok Meshram, Kolkata
12.15 pm - 1.15 pm	Inauguration in Hall A & B	
1.15 pm - 2.00 pm	Lunch	
Session 4		
Sponsor: Adley		
Chair: Dr. S. D. Banavali, Dr. Namita Padwal, Dr. Jai Juvekar		
2.00 pm - 2.30 pm	Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia in the Era of NGS: An Indian Clinician's Perspective	Dr Tribikram Panda, Bhubaneswar
2.30 pm - 3.00 pm	Veno-occlusive disease: both in transplant and Chemo-Immunotherapy settings	Dr. Sohini Chattopadhyay, Nagpur
3.00 pm - 3.30 pm	Transplants in tier three cities	Dr. Venkatesh Ekbote, Sambhaji Nagar



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Anchor: Dr. Jay Sheth, Mr. Kamleshwar Dubey

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Session 5

Sponsor: **Astellas**

Chair: Dr. Subhaprakash Sanyal, Dr. Archana Vazifdar, Dr. Shivani Joshi

3.30 pm - 4.00 pm	Astellas sponsored session TBD	Dr. Matteo Piccini, Italy
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4.30 pm - 5.00 pm High Tea

Session 6

Sponsor: **Zydus**

Chair: Dr. Tribikram Panda, Dr. Venkatesh Ekbote, Dr. Sohini Chattopadhyay

5.00 pm - 5.30 pm	Hairy cell leukemia	Dr. Ramaswamy NV, Ernakulam
5.30 pm - 6.00 pm	Infections and immune dysfunction with bispecifics and CAR-T in Multiple Myeloma	Dr. Aditya Jandial, Chandigarh

Session 7

Sponsor: **Intas**

Chair: Dr. Ramaswamy NV, Dr. Aditya Jandial, Dr. Suman Mittal

6.00 pm - 6.30 pm	Use of granulocyte transfusions in transplant	Dr. Anu Korula, Vellore
6.30 pm - 7.00 pm	Infections following BTK inhibitors	Dr. Mahesh Rajashekaraiah, Bengaluru
7.00 pm - 7.30 pm	TBD	Dr. Uttam Kumar Nath, Rishikesh



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Friday, 4th September 2026, Hall E

Anchor: Mr. Vivek Thorat / Mr. MSJ

Time	Subject	Speaker
10.30 am - 11.15 am	Coffee	
Judges: Dr. Hamza Dalal, Dr. Shilpi Saxena, Dr. Sujata Sharma		
11.15 am - 12.15 pm	Oral paper presentation session O-1 to O-5	
12.15 pm - 1.15 pm	Inauguration in Hall A & B	
1.15 pm - 2.00 pm	Lunch	
2.00 pm - 4.30 pm	Oral paper presentation session O-6 to O-17	
4.30 pm - 5.00 pm	High Tea	
5.00 pm - 7.30 pm	Oral paper presentation session O-18 to O-30	



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Saturday, 5th September 2026, Hall A (Room 206)

Anchor: Dr. Amit Khurana

Time	Subject	Speaker
Session 1		
9.00 am - 9.30 am	Panel discussion Sub: Myelofibrosis - how do I manage ? Moderator: Dr. Rajesh Patil, Mumbai	Panelists: Dr. A.M.V.R. Narendra, Hyderabad Dr. Ashok K. Yadav, Mumbai Dr. Kalyani Bapat-Patil, Mumbai Dr. Shruti Toshniwal, Aurangabad Dr. Suman Mittal, Raipur Dr. Varun Bafna, Kolhapur
Session 2		
Sponsor: Adley		
Chair: Dr. Manisha Madkaikar, Dr. Shilpa Gupta, Dr. Kalyani Bapat-Patil		
9.30 am - 10.00 am	Hydroxyurea Dosing in Indian Patients with Sick Cell Disease: Results of a Six-Center Randomised Controlled Trial	Dr. Naveen Khargekar, Mumbai
Session 3		
Sponsor: MICRO CRISPR		
Chair: Dr. Velu Nair, Dr. Mallikarjun Kalashetty		
10.00 am - 10.30 am	Transforming R/R B-cell Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia treatment landscape: The evolving role of CAR-T therapy in clinical practice	Dr. Vipul Sheth, Delhi
10.30 am - 11.00 am	Coffee	
Session 4		
Sponsor: Novartis		
11.00 am - 11.40 am	Novartis sponsored session Panel discussion Sub: Choosing the Optimal Firstline treatment in CML Moderator: Dr. R K Jena, Cuttack	Panelists Dr. Ashok Meshram, Kolkata Dr. Damodar Das, Dibrugarh Dr. Varun Bafna, Kolhapur
Session 5		
Sponsor: BMS		
11.40 am - 12.00 noon	BMS sponsored session From Transfusion Dependence to independence in Frontline MDS: COMMANDING Results from Rojuzda	Dr. Mahadeva Swamy, Goa
Session 6		
Sponsor: Zydus		
Chair: Dr. Venkatesh Ekbote, Dr. Ramaswamy NV, Dr. Aditya Jandial		
12.00 noon - 12.30 pm	Light chain Amyloidosis- diagnosis and treatment	Dr. Naveen Gupta, Jaipur
12.30 pm - 1.00 pm	Is low-dose nivolumab adequate for Hodgkin Lymphoma ?	Dr. Anusree Prabhakaran, Pune
1.00 pm - 2.00 pm	Lunch	



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Saturday, 5th September 2026, Hall A (Room 206)

Anchor: Dr. Amit Khurana

Time	Subject	Speaker
Session 7		
Sponsor: Roche		
2.00 pm - 3.00 pm	Panel discussion Sub: Navigating DLBCL in 2026: a case-based symposium Moderator: Dr. Bhausahab Bagal, Mumbai	Panelists Dr. Gaurav Dixit, Delhi Dr. Pavan Kumar Boyella, Hyderabad Dr. Sanjeev, Lucknow Dr. Seema Bhatwadekar, Vadodara Dr. Shourio Ghosh, Kolkata Dr. Subhprakash Sanyal, Mumbai
Session 8		
Sponsor: Takeda		
3.00 pm - 3.30 pm	BrECADD decoded: practical insights for frontline HL management	Dr. Mark Hertzberg, Australia
3.30 pm - 4.00 pm	Panel discussion Sub: Adcetris expanded choice in frontline Hodgkin's Lymphoma Moderator: Dr. M. B. Agarwal, Mumbai	Panelists Dr. Mark Hertzberg, Australia TBD
Session 9		
4.00 pm - 4.30 pm	MRD in Myeloma	Dr. Karthik Ramasamy, UK Dr. Prashant Tembhare, Mumbai
4.30 pm - 5.00 pm	High Tea	
Session 10		
Sponsor: Zydus		
Chair: Dr. Reetu Jain, Dr. Bhausahab Bagal, Dr. Darshana Rane		
5.00 pm - 5.30 pm	Recent Advances in management of Castleman's Disease	Dr. Amit Khurana, Surat
5.30 pm - 6.00 pm	POEMS Syndrome: Unique presentation of this rare paraneoplastic syndrome and its management	Dr. Priyanka Moule, Mumbai
Session 11		
Sponsor: AstraZeneca		
Chair: Dr. Reetu Jain, Dr. Bhausahab Bagal, Dr. Darshana Rane		
6.00 pm - 6.30 pm	Lecture supported by AstraZeneca Eculizumab is the way to go for treating Paroxysmal Nocturnal Hemoglobinuria	Dr. Ashok Meshram, Kolkata
Session 12		
Chair: Dr. Reetu Jain, Dr. Bhausahab Bagal, Dr. Darshana Rane		
6.30 pm - 7.30 pm	Talquetamab - the new horizon	Dr. Karthik Ramasamy, UK Dr. M. B. Agarwal, Mumbai



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Saturday, 5th September 2026, Hall B (Room 207)

Anchor: Dr. Bipin Kulkarni

Time	Subject	Speaker
Session 1		
Chair: Dr. Vinod Patil, Dr. Mahesh Rajashekaraiah, Dr. Anu Korula		
9.00 am - 9.30 am	Use of Anti-CD19 CAR-T in Primary CNS Lymphoma: A case-based discussion	Dr. Naveen Vairamoorthy, Mumbai
Session 2		
9.30 am - 10.00 am	Panel discussion Sub: Therapeutic implications of biology of DLBCL Moderator: Dr. Jay Mehta, Mumbai	Panelists: Dr. Gaurav Prakash, Chandigarh Dr. Manju Sengar, Mumbai Dr. Sanjeev, Lucknow Dr. Subhaprakash Sanyal, Mumbai Dr. Tathagata Chatterjee, Faridabad
Session 3		
Sponsor: Novo Nordisk		
10.00 am - 10.30 am	Sponsored session by Novo Nordisk TBD	TBD
10.30 am - 11.00 am	Coffee	
Session 4		
Sponsor: Sanofi		
11.00 am - 11.50 am	Session supported by Sanofi Lecture: A new era of Hemophilia management: Rebalancing Hemostasis TBD	
Session 5		
Sponsor: Roche		
12.00 noon - 12.30 pm	Session supported by Roche Panel discussion Sub: Framework for Selecting Better Therapies for Hemophilia A Moderator: TBD	Panelists: TBD
Session 6		
Sponsor: Abbvie		
12.30 pm - 1.00 pm	Session supported by Abbvie TBD	TBD
1.00 pm - 2.00 pm	Lunch	



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Anchor: Dr. Bipin Kulkarni

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Session 7

2.00 pm - 2.30 pm	Panel discussion Sub: All oral fixed duration therapy for ND CLL Moderator: Dr. Sharat Damodar, Bengaluru	Panelists: Dr. A.M.V.R. Narendra, Hyderabad Dr. Lingaraj Nayak, Mumbai Dr. Sanjeev, Lucknow Dr. Shilpa Bhartia, Kolkata Dr. Varun Bafna, Kolhapur Dr. Vinod Patil, Satara
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Session 8

Sponsor: **Accuren**

2.30 pm - 3.00 pm	Panel discussion Sub: Lower toxicity approaches for B-ALL Moderator: Dr. Prashant Mehta, Faridabad	Panelists: Dr. A.M.V.R. Narendra, Hyderabad Dr. Deep Gala, Mumbai Dr. Hamza Dalal, Mumbai Dr. Thejeswar N Prakasham, Hyderabad Dr. Vinay Bohara, Indore
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Session 9

Chair: Dr. Hamza Dalal, Dr. Kunal Goyal, Dr. Deep Gala

3.00 pm - 3.30 pm	Molecular Subtyping to Immune Redirection: Integrating LymphGen, POLARIX, Bispecifics, and CAR-T in High-Risk DLBCL	Dr. Mallikarjun Kalashetty, Bengaluru
3.30 pm - 4.00 pm	NHL Updated: What's New, What's Next, and What's Unusual ?	Dr. Gaurav Prakash, Chandigarh

Session 10

4.00 pm - 4.30 pm	Panel discussion Sub: Maintenance therapy in AML Moderator: Dr. Gaurav Dixit, Delhi	Panelists: Dr. Avinash Kumar Singh, Patna Dr. Kunal Goyal, Mumbai Dr. Prakash Singh Shekhawat, Jaipur Dr. Shilpa Bhartia, Kolkata Dr. Vinod Patil, Satara
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4.30 pm - 5.00 pm High Tea



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Session 11

Chair: Dr. Gaurav Dixit, Dr. Avinash Kumar Singh, Dr. Shilpa Bhartia

5.00 pm - 5.30 pm	Treatment free remission in CML: the next frontier	Dr. Dragana Milojkovic, UK
5.30 pm - 6.00 pm	Daratumumab is the game changer: from induction to maintenance	Dr. Rajshekhar Chakraborty, USA
6.00 pm - 6.30 pm	Multiple myeloma: I do not want to kill my patient by infection	Dr. Rajshekhar Chakraborty, USA

Session 12

Sponsor: **Astellas**

6.30 pm - 7.00 pm	Sponsored session by Astellas Panel discussion Sub: TBD Moderator: Dr. Matteo Piccini	Panelists: TBD
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Session 13

Sponsor: **Unipath**

7.00 pm - 7.15 pm	Liquid biopsy in lymphoma	Dr. Neeraj Arora, Ahmedabad
7.15 pm - 7.30 pm	Comprehensive Genomic Profiling	Dr. Neeraj Arora, Ahmedabad



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Saturday, 5th September 2026, Hall C (Room 203)

Anchor: Dr. Rucha Patil

Time	Subject	Speaker
Session 1		
9.00 am - 9.30 am	Panel discussion Sub: Hemophagocytic lymphohistiocytosis Moderator: Dr. Sujata Sharma, Mumbai	Panelists: Dr. Aditi Shah Kaskar, Mumbai Dr. Archana Swami, Mumbai Dr. Purva Kanvinde, Mumbai Dr. Ritika Khurana, Mumbai Dr. Shubhangi Agale, Mumbai
Session 2		
Chair: Dr. Vijai Tilak, Dr. Rucha Patil, Dr. Ritika Agrawal		
9.30 am - 10.00 am	Fifth edition WHO classification: strategies for application in resource-limited settings	Dr. Prashant Tembhare, Mumbai
10.00 am - 10.30 am	The Immune Interface in Hemophilia: Biology to Bedside	Dr. Rashmi Kushwaha, Lucknow
10.30 am - 11.00 am	Coffee	
Session 3		
Chair: Dr. Javid Rasool Bhat, Dr. Shilpi Saxena, Dr. Dipsha Kriplani		
11.00 am - 11.30 am	Clinical Utility of New Hematology Parameters	Dr. Ritika Agrawal, Bikaner
11.30 am - 12.00 noon	Common pitfalls in NGS interpretation in benign hematology	Dr. Prashant Sharma, Chandigarh
Session 4		
Chair: Dr. Varsha Vadera, Dr. Nishant Jindal, Dr. Shivani Joshi		
12.00 noon - 12.30 pm	Molecular genetic landscape in MPN	Dr. Vijai Tilak, Varanasi
12.30 pm - 1.00 pm	Spectrum of patients with elevation of gamma delta T cells in routine clinical practice	Dr. Shilpi Saxena, Mumbai
1.00 pm - 2.00 pm	Lunch	
Session 5		
2.00 pm - 2.30 pm	Panel discussion Sub: Stem Cell Enumeration: From Flow Cytometry to Engraftment - Science, Standardization and Clinical Reality Moderator: Dr. Varsha Vadera, Mumbai	Panelists: Dr. Kiran A. Ghodke, Mumbai Dr. Nishant Jindal, Mumbai Dr. Ruhi Mehra, Mumbai
Session 6		
Chair: Dr. Seema Bhatwadekar, Dr. Prakash Singh Shekhawat, Dr. Sayan Ghoshal		
2.30 pm - 3.00 pm	From Morphology to Molecules: Integrating Morphology, Flow Cytometry, and Genomics in Hematology	Dr. Kiran A. Ghodke, Mumbai
3.00 pm - 3.30 pm	Rheumatology & Hematology: the interface	Dr. Farah Jijina, Mumbai



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Anchor: Dr. Rucha Patil

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Session 7

Sponsor: **Sun Pharma**

3.30 pm - 4.00 pm	Panel discussion Sub: Curing/Eliminating Thalassaemia in India: A realistic approach Moderator: Dr. Rajib De, Kolkata	Panelists: Dr. Anita Nadkarni, Mumbai Dr. Mamta Manglani, Mumbai Dr. Prakash Singh Shekhawat, Jaipur Dr. Shivani Joshi, Nashik
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Session 8

4.00 pm - 4.30 pm	Panel discussion Sub: Transforming the Sickle Cell Landscape in India Moderator: Dr. R. K. Jena, Cuttack	Panelists: Dr. Anita Nadkarni, Mumbai Dr. Ritika Khurana, Mumbai Dr. Seema Bhatwadekar, Vadodara Dr. Shivani Joshi, Nashik Dr. Vinay Bohara, Indore
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4.30 pm - 5.00 pm High Tea

Session 9

5.00 pm - 5.30 pm	Panel discussion Sub: Paraproteinemic neuropathies Moderator: Dr. Shilpa Gupta, Mumbai	Panelists: Dr. A.M.V.R. Narendra, Hyderabad Dr. Ashish Gupta, Jabalpur Dr. Lingaraj Nayak, Mumbai Dr. Uday Yanamandra, Pune Dr. Varun Bafna, Kolhapur
5.30 pm - 6.00 pm	Panel discussion Sub: Plasma cell dyscrasia with renal involvement Moderator: Dr. Seema Bhatwadekar, Vadodara	Panelists: Dr. Ashish Gupta, Jabalpur Dr. S. P. Shrivastava, Indore Dr. Kunal Goyal, Mumbai Dr. Neha Garg, Mumbai Dr. Shruti Toshniwal, Aurangabad
6.00 pm - 6.30 pm	Panel discussion Sub: Defining cure in myeloma Moderator: Dr. Uday Yanamandra, Pune	Panelists: Dr. Ashish Gupta, Jabalpur Dr. Lingaraj Nayak, Mumbai Dr. Sanjeev, Lucknow Dr. Shruti Toshniwal, Aurangabad Dr. Thejeswar N Prakasham, Hyderabad

Session 10

Chair: Dr. Farah Jijina, Dr. S. P. Shrivastava, Dr. Thejeswar N. Prakasham

6.30 pm - 7.00 pm	Waldenström Macroglobulinemia	Dr. Sayan Ghoshal, Howrah
7.00 pm - 7.30 pm	Immunotherapy in Pediatric Oncology in India: A Nationwide Survey Assessing Practices, Perceptions, and Barriers Among Pediatric Oncologists	Dr. Nirmalya Roy Moulik, Mumbai



Saturday, 5th September 2026, Hall D (Room 202)

Anchor: Dr. Jay Sheth, Mr. Kamleshwar Dubey

Time	Subject	Speaker
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Session 1

Chair: Dr. Pavan Kumar Boyella, Dr. Naveen Gupta, Dr. Anusree Prabhakaran

9.00 am - 9.30 am	How can biology inform therapy in DLBCL ?	Dr. Daniel J. Hodson, UK
9.30 am - 10.00 am	Balancing the choice of TKI therapy in CML: a new era	Dr. Dragana Milojkovic, UK

Session 2

Chair: Dr. Gaurav Prakash, Dr. Sanjeev, Dr. Shilpa Gupta

10.00 am - 10.30 am	Case discussion session Case presenter: Dr. Ashish Dixit, Bengaluru	Discussant: Dr. Nicola Gökbüget, Germany
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10.30 am - 11.00 am Coffee

Session 3

Sponsor: **Glenmark**

11.00 am - 11.30 am	Session Sponsored by Glenmark Panel discussion Sub: Smarter BTK Targeting: The Zanubrutinib Era in B-Cell Lymphomas Moderator: Dr. M. B. Agarwal, Mumbai	Panelists: Dr. Ashish Dixit, Bengaluru Dr. Bhausaheb Bagal, Mumbai Dr. Mallikarjun Kalashetty, Bengaluru Dr. Prashant Mehta, Faridabad Dr. Sanjeevan Sharma, Delhi Dr. Shilpa Bhartia, Kolkata
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Session 4

Sponsor: **Natco**

Chair: Dr. Darshana Rane, Dr. Varun Bafna, Dr. Ashita Singhal

11.30 am - 12.00 noon	Treatment of T-ALL	Dr. Nicola Gökbüget, Germany
12.00 noon - 12.30 pm	Sex-specific roles of DDX3 RNA helices in aggressive B cell lymphomas	Dr. Daniel J. Hodson, UK
12.30 pm - 1.00 pm	Pediatric Thrombosis: Guidelines and Clinical Practice Updates	Dr. Cindy Neunert, USA

1.00 pm - 2.00 pm Lunch



Saturday, 5th September 2026, Hall D (Room 202)

Anchor: Dr. Jay Sheth, Mr. Kamleshwar Dubey

Time	Subject	Speaker
Session 5		
Sponsor: Pfizer		
Theme : Optimizing outcomes with BCMA specific antibodies in relapsed/refractory multiple myeloma		
2.00 pm - 2.05 pm	Welcome & opening remarks	Dr. M. B. Agarwal, Mumbai
2.05 pm - 2.30 pm	Elranatamab in R/R Multiple Myeloma : current evidence and practical implications	Dr. Rajshekhar Chakraborty, USA
2.30 pm - 2.45 pm	Case-based discussion: Management of a triple-class exposed / penta-refractory RRMM patient treated with BCMA - directed therapy	Dr. M. B. Agarwal, Mumbai
2.45 pm - 3.15 pm	Panel discussion Sub: Best practices in therapy management of bispecifics antibodies in RRMM: adverse events management, infection prevention, supportive care and patient monitoring Moderator: Dr. M. B. Agarwal, Mumbai	Panelists Dr. Rajshekhar Chakraborty, USA TBD
3.15 pm - 3.25 pm	Q&A	All faculty members
3.25 pm - 3.30 pm	Future of management of MM in India - Key take-home messages	Dr. Rajshekhar Chakraborty, USA Dr. M. B. Agarwal, Mumbai

Session 6

Chair: Dr. S. D. Banavali, Dr. Bharat Agarwal, Dr. Archana Swami

3.30 pm - 4.00 pm	Hemophilia Guidelines: Application in the real world	Dr. Cindy Neunert, USA
4.00 pm - 4.30 pm	Real-world data in Pediatric ITP	Dr. Cindy Neunert, USA

4.30 pm - 5.00 pm High Tea

Session 7

Sponsor: **GSK**

5.00 pm - 6.00 pm	Session sponsored by GSK TBD	Dr. Saad Usmani, USA
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Session 8

Sponsor: **GSK**

6.00 pm - 6.30 pm	Session sponsored by GSK
6.30 pm - 7.00 pm	Session sponsored by GSK
7.00 pm - 7.30 pm	Session sponsored by GSK



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Saturday, 5th September 2026, Hall E

Anchor: Mr. Vivek Thorat / Mr. MSJ

Time	Subject	
Session 1		
Chair: Dr. Javid Rasool Bhat, Dr. Priyanka Moule		
9.00 am - 9.30 am	Sponsored session by GSK (Vaccine division)	TBD
Session 2		
Judges : Dr. Rajan Kapoor, Dr. Neha Kamble, Dr. Ambreen Pandrowala		
9.30 am - 10.30 am	Discussion on poster presentation - Part 1	
10.30 am - 11.00 am	Coffee	
Session 3		
11.00 am - 12.00 noon	Discussion on poster presentation - Part 2	
Session 4		
12.00 noon - 1.00 pm	The role of Asciminib in Early-Line CML (Newly Diagnosed and 1L Failure CML) Moderator: Dr. M. B. Agarwal, Mumbai	Participants TBD
1.00 pm - 2.00 pm	Lunch	
Session 5		
Sponsor: Micro CRISPR		
2.00 pm - 4.30 pm	Workshop by MICRO CRISPR Sub: CAR-T patient selection workshop Moderator: Dr. Velu Nair, Ahmedabad	Participants Dr. A.M.V.R. Narendra, Hyderabad Dr. Bhausahab Bagal, Mumbai Dr. Gaurav Dixit, Delhi Dr. Kunal Goyal, Mumbai Dr. Lingaraj Nayak, Mumbai Dr. Mallikarjun Kalashetty, Bengaluru Dr. Manju Sengar, Mumbai Dr. Nishant Jindal, Mumbai Dr. Prakash Singh Shekhawat, Jaipur Dr. Prashant Mehta, Faridabad Dr. Rajib De, Kolkata Dr. Reetu Jain, Mumbai Dr. S. P. Shrivastava, Indore Dr. Sharat Damodar, Bengaluru Dr. Subhaprakash Sanyal, Mumbai Dr. Uday Yanamandra, Pune Dr. Vinay Bohara, Indore Dr. Vipul Sheth, Delhi
4.30 pm - 5.00 pm	High Tea	
5.00 pm - 5.30 pm	Workshop by MICRO CRISPR (Cont..)	



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Anchor: Dr. Amit Khurana

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Session 1

Sponsor: **Bharat Serums & Vaccines**

9.00 am - 9.30 am	Panel discussion Sub: Non-transplant treatment of aplastic anemia Moderator: Dr. Sameer Tulpule, Mumbai	Panelists: Dr. Kundan Mishra, Lucknow Dr. Rajesh Patil, Mumbai Dr. Shailendra Prasad Verma, Lucknow Dr. Subhaprakash Sanyal, Mumbai Dr. Vrinda Kulkarni, Mumbai
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Session 2

Sponsor: **Natco**

Chair: Dr. Prashant Mehta, Dr. Kundan Mishra, Dr. Nikhil Kumar M

9.30 am - 10.00 am	Tackling NRM of Haplo identical transplants in the Indian Scenario	Dr. Harshit Khurana, Delhi
10.00 am - 10.30 am	Where does BMT stand in the era of CARs and BITEs ?	Dr. Reetu Jain, Mumbai

10.30 am - 11.00 am Coffee

Session 3

Sponsor: **Intas**

Chair: Dr. R. K. Jena, Dr. Reetu Jain, Dr. Sanket Shah

11.00 am - 11.30 am	Breaking Free: Calcineurin-Free GVHD Prophylaxis & Steroid-Sparing First-Line Therapy EHA 2026 Updates	Dr. Sundar Shewale, Kolkata
11.30 am - 12.00 noon	Monoclonal Gammopathy of Renal Significance (MGRS): Current Concepts and Evolving Therapeutic Strategies	Dr. Dinesh Bhurani, Delhi

Session 4

Sponsor: **Adley**

Chair: Dr. Asha Shah, Dr. Sanket Shah, Dr. Shrinath Kshirsagar

12.00 noon - 12.30 pm	Case discussion session Case presenter: Dr. Kundan Mishra, Lucknow	Dr. Dragana Milojkovic, UK
12.30 pm - 1.00 pm	Teclistamab: indications - today's and tomorrow's	Dr. Rajshekhar Chakraborty, USA



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1.00 pm - 2.00 pm Lunch

Session 5

Sponsor: **Natco**

Chair: Dr. Shubhangi Agale, Dr. Sameer Tulpule, Dr. Shailendra Prasad Verma

2.00 pm - 2.30 pm Integrated global scientific advances in hematology Dr. Sanket Shah, Ahmedabad

2.30 pm - 3.00 pm Case discussion session
Case presenter: Dr. Nikhil Kumar, Kochi Dr. Daniel J. Hodson, UK

Session 6

Sponsor: **Lucien**

Chair: Dr. Jina Bhattacharyya, Dr. Namita Padwal, Dr. Riya Ballikar

3.00 pm - 3.30 pm Case discussion session
Case presenter: Dr. VA Arun, Mumbai Dr. Cindy Neunert, USA

3.30 pm - 4.00 pm Case discussion session
Case presenter: Dr. Shailendra Prasad Verma, Lucknow Dr. Rajshekhar Chakraborty, USA

Session 7

4.00 pm - 4.30 pm Valedictory function & prize distribution

4.30 pm - 5.00 pm High Tea



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Anchor: Dr. Bipin Kulkarni

Time	Subject	Speaker
Session 1		
Sponsor: Adley		
Chair: Dr. Rajesh Sawant, Dr. Samir Shah, Dr. Ruhi Mehra		
9.00 am - 9.30 am	Complement Inhibition: Beyond PNH to Kidney and Rare Disease	Dr. Shrinath Kshirsagar, Mumbai
9.30 am - 10.00 am	Management of Acute immune mediated TTP	Dr. Asha Shah, Mumbai
10.00 am - 10.30 am	Endotheliopathies in HSCT - TMA and SOS	Dr. Sachin Punatar, Mumbai
10.30 am - 11.00 am	Coffee	
Session 2		
Sponsor: Adley		
Chair: Dr. Jina Bhattacharyya, Dr. Mallikarjun Kalashetty, Dr. Nikhil Kumar		
11.00 am - 11.30 am	New advances in thrombosis	Dr. Abhay Bhawe, Mumbai
11.30 am - 12.00 noon	The History of Hemophilia Through the Ages: From Ancient Observations to Modern Therapies	Dr. Lalit Prashant Meena, Varanasi
Session 3		
Sponsor: Adley		
Chair: Dr. Abhay Bhawe, Dr. Riya Ballikar, Dr. Kunal Goyal		
12.00 noon - 12.30 pm	Challenging Scenarios in Therapeutic anticoagulation - Case based approach	Dr. Nikhil Kumar M, Kochi
12.30 pm - 1.00 pm	Evidence Based Transfusion Practices	Dr. Rajesh Sawant, Mumbai
1.00 pm - 2.00 pm	Lunch	
Session 4		
Sponsor: Lucien		
Chair: Dr. Neeraj Sidharthan, Dr. Lalit Prashant Meena, Dr. Avinash Kumar Singh		
2.00 pm - 2.30 pm	Myeloproliferative Neoplasms: Indian scenario	Dr. Jina Bhattacharyya, Guwahati
2.30 pm - 3.00 pm	The changing face of MDS: from transfusions to targeted therapy	Dr. Riya Ballikar, Nagpur
Session 5		
Sponsor: Dr. Reddy's		
Chair: Dr. Rajesh Sawant, Dr. Ganesh Jaishetwar, Dr. Gaurav Dixit		
3.00 pm - 3.30 pm	CAR-T: toxicity mitigation	Dr. Neeraj Sidharthan, Kochi
3.30 pm - 4.00 pm	Next-Generation engineering: From Autologous to universal and in vivo CAR-T	Dr. Kunal Goyal, Mumbai
Session 6		
4.00 pm - 4.30 pm	Valedictory function & prize distribution in Hall A	
4.30 pm - 5.00 pm	High Tea	



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Sunday, 6th September 2026, Hall C (Room 203)

Anchor: Dr. Rucha Patil

Time	Subject	Speaker
Session 1		
Sponsor: Natco		
Chair: Dr. Tapan Saikia, Dr. Dinesh Bhurani, Dr. Balkrishna Padate		
9.00 am - 9.30 am	The End of 7+3: Venetoclax & the new era of precision in treatment of AML	Dr Ganesh Jaishetwar, Hyderabad
9.30 am - 10.00 am	MRD directed therapy in adult AML: are we there yet ?	Dr. Sudha Sinha, Hyderabad
10.00 am - 10.30 am	Induction in acute leukemia: survival determined by pathogens and not cytogenetics	Dr. Asif Iqbal, Guwahati
10.30 am - 11.00 am Coffee		
Session 2		
Sponsor: Sun Pharma		
Chair: Dr. Kanchanmala Ghorpade, Dr. Sudha Sinha, Dr. Pankaj Tania, Dr. Neha Garg		
11.00 am - 11.30 am	How do we sequence therapy in CLL in 2026? from BTKi to BCL2i and beyond	Dr. Upendra Sharma, Jaipur
11.30 am - 12.00 noon	BTKi and BCL2i: The New Frontline in Mantle Cell Lymphoma (MCL)	Dr. Pankaj Tania, Bikaner
Session 3		
Sponsor: Natco		
Chair: Dr. Samir Shah, Dr. Ganesh Jaishetwar, Dr. Upendra Sharma		
12.00 noon - 12.30 pm	Where does ABVD fit in for advanced stage Hodgkin Lymphoma in 2026?	Dr. Tapan Saikia, Mumbai
12.30 pm - 1.00 pm	T-Cell Lymphomas: How do we treat in 2026?	Dr. Balkrishna Padate, Mumbai
1.00 pm - 2.00 pm Lunch		
Session 4		
Sponsor: Natco		
Chair: Dr. Priti Mehta, Dr. Avitri Baveja, Dr Ankita Pandey		
2.00 pm - 2.30 pm	Precision in Focus: Modern Radiotherapy Paradigms in Lymphoma	Dr. Ankit Batra, Dehradun
2.30 pm - 3.00 pm	Primary and secondary CNS lymphomas	Dr. Jyoti Chirmade, Mumbai
Session 5		
Sponsor: Natco		
Chair: Dr. Ankit Batra, Dr. Amit Jain, Dr. Jyoti Chirmade		
3.00 pm - 3.30 pm	Short Telomeres, Big Impact: Decoding the Latest in TBD Biology"	Dr. Avriti Baveja, Dehradun
3.30 pm - 4.00 pm	How to tackle DSA positivity prior to transplant ?	Dr. Priti Mehta, Mumbai
Session 6		
4.00 pm - 4.30 pm	Valedictory function & prize distribution in Hall A	
4.30 pm - 5.00 pm	High Tea	



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Sunday, 6th September 2026, Hall E

Anchor: Dr. Jay Sheth, Mr. Kamleshwar Dubey

Time	Subject	Speaker
10.30 am - 11.00 am	Coffee	
Session 1		
11.00 am - 12.30 pm	Close group meeting	Dr. Karthik Ramasamy, UK & others
1.00 pm - 2.00 pm	Lunch	
Session 2		
4.00 pm - 4.30 pm	Valedictory function & Prize distribution in Hall A	
4.30 pm - 5.00 pm	High Tea	



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9.00 am - 9.30 am	Panel discussion Sub: Optimizing outcomes of HSCT: where have we reached in India ? Moderator: Dr. Biju George, Vellore Panelists: Dr. Aditi Shah Kaskar Dr. Navin Khattry Dr. Sameer Tulpule Dr. Sanjeevan Sharma	Panel discussion Sub: Refractory ITP Moderators: Dr. Mamta Manglani Panelists: Dr. Amit Jain Dr. Ashita Singhal Dr. Jai Juvekar Dr. Parth Ganatra Dr. Purva Kanvinde Dr. Shweta Bansal	Beyond Pyruvate Kinase Deficiency: Spectrum of Rare Red Cell Enzymopathies in Unexplained Hemolytic Anaemia - An NIH Experience Dr. Prabhakar Kedar	8.45 am - 9.00 am Quiz for UG Dr. Shilpi Saxena	
				9.10 am - 9.25 am Quiz for PG Dr. Kunal Goyal	
9.30 am - 10.00 am	Practice changes following ASH-25/EHA-26 in LMICs: My thoughts! Dr. Ranjit Kumar Sahoo	TPO mimetics beyond Pediatric ITP: Shifting Paradigms Dr. Purvi Kadakia Kutty	Is Intracellular Calcium Dysregulation a Common Molecular Mechanism in Hereditary Hemolytic Anemias ? Implications for Novel Therapeutic Targets Dr. Prashant Warang	9.35 am - 9.50 am Quiz for Superspeciality Dr. VA Arun	
10.00 am - 10.30 am	The Molecular Underworld: Uncovering unusual Drivers in Myeloid Malignancies Dr. Neha Kamble	Neonatal Fc receptor: Biology & Therapeutics Dr. Rajan Kapoor	Understanding Immunothrombosis Dr. Jasmina Ahluwalia	10.00 am - 10.15 am Quiz for Pediatric Hematology Oncology Dr. Priti Mehta 10.15 am - 10.30 am Quiz for Hematopathology Dr. Vidisha Mahajan	
10.30 am - 11.15 am	Coffee	Coffee	Coffee	Coffee	
11.15 am - 11.45 am	CAR-T cell therapy in B-ALL: our experience with a focus on those who received it as a consolidation Dr. Hasmukh Jain	Combined Session in Hall A & B	Panel discussion Sub: The Community Hematopathologist: Bridging the Gap Between Microscope and Bedside Moderators: Dr. Akshata Mandloi Panelists: Dr. Archana Vazifdar Dr. Dipsha Kriplani Dr. Shivani Joshi Dr. Shrutika Java Dr. Vidisha Mahajan	Sponsored session by Sun Pharma Panel discussion Sub: Venetoclax based panel discussion Moderator: Panelists: Dr. Navin Khattry Dr. Harshit Khurana, Delhi	11.15 am - 12.15 pm Oral paper presentation (0-1 to 0-5)
11.45 am - 12.15 pm	Beyond the Tail of the Curve: Engineering the Next Curative Frontier in NHL Dr. Manju Sengar	Combined Session in Hall A & B	Panel discussion Sub: Targeted therapy in B ALL Moderators: Dr. Kunal Sehgal Panelists: Dr. Ambreen Pandrowala Dr. Subhprakash Sanyal	Panel discussion Sub: Case based discussion on CLL Moderator: TBD Panelists: Dr. Ashok Meshram	
12.15 pm - 1.15 pm	Inauguration	Inauguration in Hall A	Inauguration in Hall A	Inauguration in Hall A	Inauguration
1.15 pm - 2.00 pm	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	

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2.00 pm - 2.30 pm	When a low platelet count is not ITP ! Dr. Cindy Neunert	From Paediatric Oncologist to Infection Preventionist: My Journey as the Infection Control Officer at a Tertiary Cancer Centre Dr. Arpita Bhattacharyya	The Harmonization of Biomarker Reports of Monoclonal Gammopathies Dr. Barnali Das	Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia in the Era of NGS: An Indian Clinician's Perspective Dr. Tribikram Panda	2.00 pm - 4.30 pm Oral paper presentation (0-6 to 0-17)
2.30 pm - 3.00 pm	2.30 pm - 3.30 pm Dual targets, new possibilities: BCMA & GPRC5D in relapsed refractory multiple myeloma Dr. Karthik Ramasamy, UK	Childhood ALL: A decade of ICiCle & Immunotherapies- Lessons learnt & the Way Forward Dr. Gaurav Narula	Genomic work up in Relapsed Acute Lymphoblastic Leukaemia Dr. Mayur Parihar	Veno-occlusive disease: both in transplant and Chemo-Immunotherapy settings Dr. Sohini Chattopadhyay	
3.00 pm - 3.30 pm	Dr. M. B. Agarwal, Mumbai	Pattern of Asparaginase toxicities in Pediatric ALL Dr. Chetan Dhamne	Review of Guidelines and evidence for Diagnostic work up of Acute leukemia in India Dr. P. G. Subramanian	Transplants in tier three cities Dr. Venkatesh Ekbote	
3.30 pm - 4.00 pm	Treatment of B-Precursor Ph-ve ALL Dr. Nicola Gökbüget	Pharmacogenomics: day to day application Dr. Swati Kanakia	Rare but Relevant: Diagnostic Lessons from Challenging Malignant Hematopathology Cases Dr. Akshaya Mandloi	3.30 pm - 4.20 pm Astellas sponsored session TBD Dr. Matteo Piccini	
4.00 pm - 4.30 pm	High risk smoldering myeloma: how do I define and how do I treat ? Dr. Rajshekhar Chakraborty	Survivorship in Pediatric Cancers Dr. Suhani Barbhuiyan	Slide seminars in Hematopathology: A Potpourri of exciting cases Dr. Tathagata Chatterjee		
4.30 pm - 5.00 pm	High Tea	High Tea	High Tea	High Tea	High Tea
5.00 pm - 5.30 pm	Secondary ITP: What do we know ? Dr. Cindy Neunert	Stem Cell Transplant in Metabolic Disorders Dr. Santanu Sen	Role of flow cytometry in platelet function disorders Dr. Vidisha Mahajane	Hairy cell leukemia Dr. Ramaswamy NV	5.00 pm - 7.30 pm Oral paper presentation (0-18 to 0-30)
5.30 pm - 6.00 pm	Is circulating tumour DNA set to revolutionize how we manage DLBCL ? Dr. Daniel J. Hodson	Deficiency of ADA2: The Hematology spectrum Dr. Ambreen Pandrowala	Laboratory challenges in haemostasis: Case- based solutions Dr. Bipin Kulkarni	Infections and immune dysfunction with bispecifics and CAR-T in Multiple Myeloma Dr. Aditya Jandial	
6.00 pm - 6.30 pm	Management of the side effects of TKI therapies Dr. Dragana Milojkovic	Sip by Sip, Stronger Sickle Cells: The Power of Liquid Hydroxyurea Dr. Ritika Khurana	DOACs vs Traditional Anticoagulants: Current Guidelines & Controversies Dr. J. M. Khunger	Use of granulocyte transfusions in transplant Dr. Anu Korula	
6.30 pm - 7.00 pm	Treatment of B-precursor Ph+ve ALL Dr. Nicola Gökbüget	Pediatric Hodgkin Lymphoma: Salvage therapy in R/R disease Dr. Reghu K. Sukumaran	Need of chromogenic assay in the current era for haemophilia Dr. Rucha Patil	Infections following BTK inhibitors Dr. Mahesh Rajashekaraiiah	
7.00 pm - 7.30 pm	AL Amyloidosis: Prognostic and predictive biomarkers Dr. Rajshekhar Chakraborty	Juvenile Myelomonocytic Leukemia Dr. Ankita Pandey	The most common yet missed bleeding disorder: Diagnosing Von Willibrand Disease Dr. Anju Bharti	TBD Dr. Uttam Kumar Nath	



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9.00 am - 9.30 am	Panel discussion Sub: Myelofibrosis - how do I manage ? Moderator: Dr. Rajesh Patil Panelists: Dr. A.M.V.R. Narendra Dr. Ashok K. Yadav Dr. Kalyani Patil Dr. Shruti Toshniwal Dr. Suman Mittal Dr. Varun Bafna	Use of Anti-CD19 CAR-T in Primary CNS Lymphoma: A case-based discussion Dr. Naveen Vairamoorthy	Panel discussion Sub: Hemophagocytic lymphohistiocytosis Moderator: Dr. Sujata Sharma Panelists: Dr. Aditi Shah Kaskar Dr. Archana Swami Dr. Purva Kanvinde Dr. Ritika Khurana Dr. Shubhangi Agale	How can biology inform therapy in DLBCL ? Dr. Daniel J. Hodson	Sponsored session by GSK (Vaccine division) TBD
9.30 am - 10.00 am	Hydroxyurea Dosing in Indian Patients with Sickle Cell Disease: Results of a Six-Center Randomised Controlled Trial Dr. Naveen Khargekar	Panel discussion Sub: Therapeutic implications of biology of DLBCL Moderator: Dr. Jay Mehta Panelists: Dr. Gaurav Prakash Dr. Manju Sengar Dr. Sanjeev Dr. Subhaprakash Sanyal Dr. Tathagata Chatterjee	Fifth edition WHO classification: strategies for application in resource-limited settings Dr. Prashant Tembhare	Balancing the choice of TKI therapy in CML: a new era Dr. Dragana Milojkovic	9.30 am - 10.30 am Discussion on poster presentation - Part 1 Judges: Dr. Rajan Kapoor Dr. Neha Kamble Dr. Ambreen Pandrowala
10.00 am - 10.30 am	Session supported by MICRO CRISPR Transforming R/R B-cell Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia treatment landscape: The evolving role of CAR-T therapy in clinical practice Dr. Vipul Sheth	Session supported by Novo Nordisk TBD	The Immune Interface in Hemophilia: Biology to Bedside Dr. Rashmi Kushwaha	Case discussion session Case presenter: Dr. Ashish Dixit Discussant: Dr. Nicola Gökbüget	
10.30 am - 11.00 am	Coffee	Coffee	Coffee	Coffee	Coffee



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11.00 am - 11.30 am	11.00 am - 11.40 am Sponsored session by Novartis Panel discussion Sub: Choosing the Optimal Firstline treatment in CML Moderator: Dr. R K Jena, Cuttack Panelists Dr. Ashok Meshram Dr. Damodar Das Dr. Varun Bafna	11.00 am - 11.50 am Sponsored session by Sanofi Lecture A new era of Hemophilia management: Rebalancing Hemostasis TBD	Clinical Utility of New Hematology Parameters Dr. Ritika Agrawal	Session sponsored by Glenmark Panel discussion Sub: Smarter BTK Targeting: The Zanubrutinib Era in B-Cell Lymphomas Moderator: Dr. M. B. Agarwal Panelists Dr. Ashish Dixit Dr. Bhausaheb Bagal Dr. Mallikarjun Kalashetty Dr. Prashant Mehta Dr. Sanjeevan Sharma Dr. Shilpa Bhartia	11.00 am - 12.00 noon Discussion on poster presentation - Part 2
11.30 am - 12.00 noon	11.40 am - 12.00 noon Sponsored session by BMS From Transfusion Dependence to independence in Frontline MDS: COMMANDing Results from Rojuzda Dr. Mahadeva Swamy BC		Common pitfalls in NGS interpretation in benign hematology Dr. Prashant Sharma	Treatment of T-ALL Dr. Nicola Gökbüget	
12.00 noon - 12.30 pm	Light chain Amyloidosis- diagnosis and treatment Dr. Naveen Gupta	Panel discussion Sub: Framework for Selecting Better Therapies for Hemophilia A Moderator: TBD Panelists: TBD	Molecular genetic landscape in MPN Dr. Vijai Tilak	Sex-specific roles of DDX3 RNA helices in aggressive B cell lymphomas Dr. Daniel J. Hodson	12.00 noon - 1.00 pm Sponsored session by Novartis The role of Asciminib in Early-Line CML (Newly Diagnosed and 1L Failure CML) Moderator: Dr. M. B. Agarwal, Mumbai Participants TBD
12.30 pm - 1.00 pm	Is low-dose nivolumab adequate for Hodgkin Lymphoma ? Dr. Anusree Prabhakaran	Session supported by Abbvie TBD	Spectrum of patients with elevation of gamma delta T cells in routine clinical practice Dr. Shilpi Saxena	Pediatric Thrombosis: Guidelines and Clinical Practice Updates Dr. Cindy Neunert	
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2.00 pm - 2.30 pm	2.000 pm - 3.00 pm Session supported by Roche Panel discussion Sub: Navigating DLBCL in 2026: a case-based symposium Moderator: Dr. Bhausaheb Bagal Panelists: Dr. Gaurav Dixit Dr. Pavan Kumar Boyella Dr. Sanjeev Dr. Seema Bhatwadekar Dr. Shouriy Ghosh Dr. Subhaprakash Sanyal	Session supported by Abbvie Panel discussion Sub: All oral fixed duration therapy for ND CLL Moderator: Dr. Sharat Damodar Panelists: Dr. A.M.V.R. Narendra Dr. Lingaraj Nayak Dr. Sanjeev Dr. Shilpa Bhartia Dr. Varun Bafna Dr. Vinod Patil	Panel discussion Sub: Stem Cell Enumeration: From Flow Cytometry to Engraftment - Science, Standardization and Clinical Reality Moderator: Dr. Varsha Vadera Panelists: Dr. Kiran A. Ghodke Dr. Nishant Jindal Dr. Ruhi Mehra	2.00 pm - 3.30 pm Session sponsored by Pfizer Optimizing outcomes with BCMA specific antibodies in relapsed/refractory multiple myeloma Dr. Rajshekhar Chakraborty Dr. M. B. Agarwal TBD	2.00 pm - 5.30 pm Workshop by MICRO CRISPR Sub: CAR-T patient selection workshop Moderator: Dr. Velu Nair, Ahmedabad
2.30 pm - 3.00 pm		Panel discussion Sub: Lower toxicity approaches for B-ALL Moderator: Dr. Prashant Mehta Panelists: Dr. A.M.V.R. Narendra Dr. Deep Gala Dr. Hamza Dalal Dr. Thejeswar N Prakasham Dr. Vinay Bohara	From Morphology to Molecules: Integrating Morphology, Flow Cytometry, and Genomics in Hematology Dr. Kiran A. Ghodke		
3.00 pm - 3.30 pm	Session supported by Takeda BrECADD decoded: practical insights for frontline HL management Dr. Mark Hertzberg	Molecular Subtyping to Immune Redirection: Integrating LymphGen, POLARIX, Bispecifics, and CAR-T in High-Risk DLBCL Dr. Mallikarjun Kalashetty	Rheumatology & Hematology: the interface Dr. Farah Jijina		
3.30 pm - 4.00 pm	Session supported by Takeda Panel discussion Sub: Adcetris expanded choice in frontline Hodgkin's Lymphoma Moderator: Dr. M. B. Agarwal, Mumbai Panelists Dr. Mark Hertzberg, Australia TBD	NHL Updated: What's New, What's Next, and What's Unusual ? Dr. Gaurav Prakash	Panel discussion Sub: Curing/Eliminating Thalassaemia in India: A realistic approach Moderator: Dr. Rajib De Panelist Dr. Anita Nadkarni Dr. Mamta Manglani Dr. Prakash Singh Shekhawat Dr. Shivani Joshi	Hemophilia Guidelines: Application in the real world Dr. Cindy Neunert	
4.00 pm - 4.30 pm	MRD in Myeloma Dr. Karthik Ramasamy Dr. Prashant Tembhare	Panel discussion Sub: Maintenance therapy in AML Moderator: Dr. Gaurav Dixit Panelist Dr. Avinash Kumar Singh Dr. Kunal Goyal Dr. Prakash Singh Shekhawat Dr. Shilpa Bhartia Dr. Vinod Patil	Panel discussion Sub: Transforming the Sickle Cell Landscape in India Moderator: Dr. R. K. Jena Panelist Dr. Anita Nadkarni Dr. Ritika Khurana Dr. Seema Bhatwadekar Dr. Shivani Joshi Dr. Vinay Bohara	Real-world data in Pediatric ITP Dr. Cindy Neunert	
4.30 pm - 5.00 pm	High Tea	High Tea	High Tea	High Tea	High Tea



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5.00 pm - 5.30 pm	Recent Advances in management of Castleman's Disease Dr. Amit Khurana	Treatment free remission in CML: the next frontier Dr. Dragana Milojkovic	Panel discussion Sub: Paraproteinemic neuropathies Moderator: Dr. Shilpa Gupta Panelist Dr. A.M.V.R. Narendra Dr. Ashish Gupta Dr. Lingaraj Nayak Dr. Uday Yanamandra	A5.00 pm - 6.00 pm Session sponsored by GSK TBD Dr. Saad Usmani, USA (Virtual)	Workshop by MICRO CRISPR (Cont..)
5.30 pm - 6.00 pm	POEMS Syndrome: Unique presentation of this rare paraneoplastic syndrome and its management Dr. Priyanka Moule	Daratumumab is the game changer: from induction to maintenance Dr. Rajshekhar Chakraborty	Panel discussion Sub: Plasma cell dyscrasia with renal involvement Moderator: Dr. Seema Bhatwadekar Panelists: Dr. Ashish Gupta Dr. S. P. Shrivastava Dr. Kunal Goyal Dr. Neha Garg Dr. Shruti Toshniwal		
6.00 pm - 6.30 pm	Session supported by AstraZeneca Eculizumab is the way to go for treating Paroxysmal Nocturnal Hemoglobinuria Dr. Ashok Meshram	Multiple myeloma: I do not want to kill my patient by infection Dr. Rajshekhar Chakraborty	Panel discussion Sub: Defining cure in myeloma Moderator: Dr. Uday Yanamandra Panelists: Dr. Ashish Gupta Dr. Lingaraj Nayak Dr. Sanjeev Dr. Shruti Toshniwal Dr. Thejeswar N Prakasham	Sponsored session by GSK	
6.30 pm - 7.00 pm	6.30 pm - 7.30 pm Talquetamab - the new horizon Dr. Karthik Ramasamy Dr. M. B. Agarwal	Sponsored session by Astellas Panel discussion Sub: TBD Moderator: Dr. Matteo Piccini Panelists: TBD	Waldenström Macroglobulinemia Dr. Sayan Ghoshal, Howrah	Sponsored session by GSK	
7.00 pm - 7.30 pm		Session supported by Unipath 7.00 pm - 7.15 pm Liquid biopsy in lymphoma Dr. Neeraj Arora 7.15 pm - 7.30 pm Comprehensive Genomic Profiling Dr. Neeraj Arora	Immunotherapy in Pediatric Oncology in India: A Nationwide Survey Assessing Practices, Perceptions, and Barriers Among Pediatric Oncologists Dr. Nirmalya Roy Moulik	Sponsored session by GSK	



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9.00 am - 9.30 am	Sponsored by BSV Panel discussion Sub: Non-transplant treatment of aplastic anemia Moderator: Dr. Sameer Tulpule Panelists: Dr. Kundan Mishra Dr. Rajesh Patil Dr. Shailendra Prasad Verma Dr. Subhprakash Sanyal Dr. Vrinda Kulkarni	Complement Inhibition: Beyond PNH to Kidney and Rare Disease Dr. Shrinath Kshirsagar	The End of 7+3: Venetoclax & the new era of precision in treatment of AML Dr. Ganesh Jaishetwar	
9.30 am - 10.00 am	Tackling NRM of Haplo identical transplants in the Indian Scenario Dr. Harshit Khurana	Management of Acute immune mediated TTP Dr. Asha Shah	MRD directed therapy in adult AML: are we there yet ? Dr. Sudha Sinha	
10.00 am - 10.30 am	Where does BMT stand in the era of CARs and BITEs ? Dr. Reetu Jain	Endotheliopathies in HSCT - TMA and SOS Dr. Sachin Punatar	Induction in acute leukemia: survival determined by pathogens and not cytogenetics Dr. Asif Iqbal	
10.30 am - 11.00 am	Coffee	Coffee	Coffee	Coffee
11.00 am - 11.30 am	Breaking Free: Calcineurin-Free GVHD Prophylaxis & Steroid-Sparing First-Line Therapy EHA 2026 Updates Dr. Sundar Shewale	New advances in thrombosis Dr. Abhay Bhawe	How do we sequence therapy in CLL in 2026? from BTKi to BCL2i and beyond Dr. Upendra Sharma	11.00 am - 12.30 pm Close group meeting Dr. Karthik Ramasamy, UK & others
11.30 am - 12.00 noon	Monoclonal Gammopathy of Renal Significance (MGRS): Current Concepts and Evolving Therapeutic Strategies Dr. Dinesh Bhurani	The History of Hemophilia Through the Ages: From Ancient Observations to Modern Therapies Dr. Lalit Prashant Meena	BTK and BCL2: The New Frontline in Mantle Cell Lymphoma (MCL) Dr. Pankaj Tania	
12.00 noon - 12.30 pm	Case discussion session Case presenter: Dr. Kundan Mishra Discussant: Dr. Dragana Milojkovic	Challenging Scenarios in Therapeutic anticoagulation - Case based approach Dr. Nikhil Kumar M	Where does ABVD fit in for advanced stage Hodgkin Lymphoma in 2026? Dr. Tapan Saikia	
12.30 pm - 1.00 pm	Teclistamab: indications - today's and tomorrow's Dr. Rajshekhar Chakraborty	Evidence Based Transfusion Practices Dr. Rajesh Sawant	T-Cell Lymphomas: How do we treat in 2026? Dr. Balkrishna Padate	
1.00 pm - 2.00 pm	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch



Mid Term Conference of Mumbai Hematology Group (MHG) & Essence of EHA-2026

Sunday, 6th September 2026

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2.00 pm - 2.30 pm	Integrated global scientific advances in hematology Dr. Sanket Shah	Myeloproliferative Neoplasms: Indian scenario Dr. Jina Bhattacharyya	Precision in Focus: Modern Radiotherapy Paradigms in Lymphoma Dr. Ankit Batra	
2.30 pm - 3.00 pm	Case discussion session Case presenter: Dr. Nikhil Kumar Discussant: Dr. Daniel J. Hodson	The changing face of MDS: from transfusions to targeted therapy Dr. Riya Ballikar	Primary and secondary CNS lymphomas Dr. Jyoti Chirmade	
3.00 pm - 3.30 pm	Case discussion session Case presenter: Dr. VA Arun Discussant: Dr. Cindy Neunert	CAR-T: toxicity mitigation Dr. Neeraj Sidharthan	Short Telomeres, Big Impact: Decoding the Latest in TBD Biology" Dr. Avriti Baveja	2.00 pm - 4.00 pm TBD
3.30 pm - 4.00 pm	Case discussion session Case presenter: Dr. Shailendra Prasad Verma Discussant: Dr. Rajshekhar Chakraborty	Next-Generation engineering: From Autologous to universal and in vivo CAR-T Dr. Kunal Goyal	How to tackle DSA positivity prior to transplant ? Dr. Priti Mehta	
4.00 pm - 4.30 pm	Valedictory function & prize distribution	Valedictory function & prize distribution	Valedictory function & prize distribution	Valedictory function & prize distribution
4.30 pm - 5.00 pm	High Tea	High Tea	High Tea	High Tea



Annexe 1

Abstracts

Dr. H. M. Bhatia & Dr. L. D. Sanghvi oral paper presentation session



Oral paper presentation session

Friday, 4th September 2026, Hall E, 11.15 am - 7.30 pm

Judges: Dr. Sujata Sharma, Dr. Hamza Dalal, Dr. Shilpi Saxena

O-1

Ibrutinib-Induced Cardiotoxicity in B-Cell Lymphoma: An In Silico Electrophysiological Analysis Revealing Nav1.5 Sodium Current Suppression and Sinoatrial Node Dysfunction

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Real-World Clinical Profile, Treatment Patterns and Outcomes of Waldenström Macroglobulinemia: A Single-Centre Experience from North India

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O-4

Clinical Outcomes in Very Elderly (Age ≥ 80 years) Patients with Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma: Experience from Tertiary care centre

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O-6

Prognostic Significance of Day-28 CD34 Immunomorphology in Newly Diagnosed Acute Myeloid Leukemia Patients after First Induction Chemotherapy

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O-7

Life Beyond TKI: Real-World Experience of Treatment-Free Remission in Chronic Myeloid Leukemia from North India

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O-10

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O-13

**Real-World Experience with CAR-T Cell Therapy in Lymphoma:
Insights from a Tertiary Care Centre in South India**

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O-16

Attrition rates in multiple myeloma: a report from Indian patients at a Tertiary Cancer Centre

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O-17

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O-18

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O-20

Phenotypic Heterogeneity in LRBA Deficiency: Insights from a Paediatric Cohort

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O-21

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O-28

Thalidomide in pediatric thalassemia with hypersplenism and transfusion burden: a single center experience

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Annexe 2

Abstracts

Dr. A. J. Desai & Dr. L. H. Hiranandani poster paper presentations



Poster presentation session

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P-1

HLH-Spectrum Hyperinflammation During Induction Therapy for Acute Monocytic Leukemia: A Stereotyped Syndrome of Persistent Fever, Conjugated Hyperbilirubinemia, Platelet Transfusion Refractoriness and Dramatic Corticosteroid Responsiveness

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First Report of Molecular Characterization of Congenital Dyserythropoietic Anaemia Type I with a CDAN1 gene mutation diagnosed by Next Generation Sequencing panel

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Abstract:

Background: Congenital dyserythropoietic anaemias (CDAs) are a rare, heterogeneous group of disorders characterized by ineffective erythropoiesis. CDAI is very rare and caused due to mutations in the CDAN1 or c15orf41 gene. There is no report on the molecular characterization of CDA I in the Indian population. An 8-year-old transfusion-dependent patient was referred for haemolytic anaemia workup. Common causes of congenital haemolytic anemia were ruled out. A bone marrow aspiration study showed erythroid hyperplasia with mild dyserythropoiesis. Thus, the patient was considered for molecular characterization using next-generation sequencing.

Objective:

Diagnosis of unexplained congenital anaemia using next-generation sequencing.

Method:

Next-generation sequencing panel was used for identification of the disease-causing variant; bioinformatics tools were used to predict pathogenicity of the variant and functional validation was performed by gene expression studies using quantitative real-time PCR.

Results:

Red cell membrane, enzyme, hemoglobinopathy, and autoimmune hemolytic anaemia studies were normal. Bone marrow aspiration study showed erythroid hyperplasia with mild dyserythropoiesis. The patient showed c. 2671C>T, p. Arg891Cys variant in the CDAN1 gene using next-generation sequencing. Bioinformatics tools like SIFT, PolyPhen 2.0 predicted the variant to be damaging and deleterious. The expressions of CDAN1 and c15orf41 genes studied using quantitative real-time PCR were significantly reduced as compared to healthy controls.

Conclusion:

Next-generation sequencing confirmed the diagnosis of CDA I in a patient who underwent excessive investigation earlier. CDA, being clinically similar to other prevalent causes of anaemia, should be kept in mind especially when the common causes have already been ruled out. Further, the use of in-silico tools and gene expression analysis validated the functional impact of this variant.

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