

SPEAKERS LIST

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| 16 April 2026

| 8:00 AM to 5:30 PM

Registration : 8:00 to 9:00 AM

Session 1

Clinical Virology: Human and Animal Health



PLENARY SESSION: TBC

9:00 to 9:20 AM



TALK 1:

TOPIC (TBC)

9:20 to 9:35 AM

Dr Reeta Mani,
NIMHANS, Bangalore



TALK 2:

TOPIC (TBC)

9:35 to 9:50 AM



TALK 3:

TOPIC (TBC)

9:50 to 10:05 AM

Q & A SESSION

10:05 to 10:20 AM

ORAL PRESENTATIONS

10:20 to 11:10 AM

HIGH TEA (POSTERS)

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INAUGURATION

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PANEL DISCUSSION

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Session 2

Viral Diagnostics and Technological Innovations



TALK-1:

DIAGNOSTIC STEWARDSHIP IN CLINICAL VIROLOGY

12:25 to 12:40 PM

Dr Ekta Gupta
ILBS New Delhi



TALK 2:

ANTIVIRAL APPROACHES AGAINST CHIKUNGUNYA:
TARGETING HOST CELLULAR PATHWAYS

12:40 to 12:55 PM

Dr Sree Kumar E, IAV
Thiruvananthapuram



Dr Stalin Raj, IISER
Thiruvananthapuram

TALK 3:

ESTABLISHING CELLULAR IMMUNE ASSAYS AND
CYTOKINE REAGENTS FOR STUDYING VIRAL
IMMUNITY IN FERRETS

12:55 to 13:10 PM

Q & A SESSION

13:10 to 13:25 PM

LUNCH

13:25 to 13:55 PM

ORAL PRESENTATIONS

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PANEL DISCUSSION

14:45 to 15:15 PM

HIGH TEA (POSTERS)

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Session 3

Molecular Virology and Evolution



PLENARY SESSION: TBC

15:30 to 15:50 PM



TALK 1:

TOPIC (TBC)

15:50 to 16:05 PM

Dr Rajendra Pilankatta,
CUK Kasaragod



TALK 2:

ENDOGENOUS VIRAL ELEMENTS (EVE): DIVERSITY,
EVOLUTION, AND ROLE IN HOST MOSQUITO BIOLOGY

16:05 to 16:20 PM

Dr Vikas Sharma, NIV
Pune



TALK 3:

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Q & A SESSION

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ORAL PRESENTATIONS

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Session 4



Dr Naveen Kumar, ICMR-NIV Pune

Virus-Host Interactions: Pathogenesis, Immunology and Transmission

TALK 1:

TOPIC (TBC)

15:50 to 16:05 PM



Dr. Anuradha Tripathy
Scientist F, NIV Pune

TALK 2:

DISTINCT CYTOKINE SIGNATURES AND ANTIBODY
NEUTRALISATION CAPACITY DIFFERENTIATE POST-ACUTE
SEQUELAE OF COVID-19 FROM RECOVERED INDIVIDUALS
DESPITE COMPARABLE T CELL RESPONSES

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TALK 3:

TOPIC (TBC)

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GALA DINNER

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Session 5

Antiviral Therapeutics and Vaccine development



PLENARY SESSION: TBC

9:00 to 9:20 AM



Dr Shashank Tripathi,
IISc Bengaluru

TALK 1:

TARGETING CONSERVED VIRUS-HOST
INTERACTIONS FOR BROAD-SPECTRUM ANTIVIRAL
INTERVENTION

9:20 to 9:35 AM



Dr Soma Chattopadhyay,
IIS Bhubaneshwar

TALK 2:

DESIGN & DEVELOPMENT OF ANTIVIRAL MOLECULES
FOR RNA VIRUSES

9:35 to 9:50 AM



Dr Soumya Chatterjee,
Merck & Co.

TALK 3:

DENGUE VACCINE DEVELOPMENT: WHAT WE'VE
LEARNED—AND WHAT COMES NEXT

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Session 6

Computational biology and its potential use in Virology



Dr Manoj Kumar, NIPER
Mohali

TALK 1:

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TOPIC (TBC)



Dr Sinosh Skariyachan,
St. Pius X College Kasaragod

TALK 2:

12:10 to 12:25 PM

PRECISION ANTIVIRAL DESIGN IN THE ERA OF
ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE: INTEGRATING
COMPUTATIONAL MODELING AND CHEMINFORMATICS
AGAINST EMERGING AND RE-EMERGING VIRUSES



TALK 3:

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Session 7

One Health: Human-animal interface & environment perspectives



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Dr Pragya Yadav, ICMR-
NIOH Nagpur

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Dr Simmi Tiwari, NCDC
New Delhi

TALK 2:

TBC

14:55 to 15:10 PM



Dr. Suresh V. Kuchipudi
Professor and Chair, The Center for Vaccine
Research, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

TALK 3:

SPILLBACK FROM THE PAST: DIVERGED ANCESTRAL
SARS-COV-2 IN ANIMALS AND PUBLIC HEALTH RISK

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Session 8

Epidemiology & Public Health Interventions



Dr Babasaheb Tandale,
ICMR New Delhi

TALK 1:

EPIDEMIOLOGY AND PUBLIC HEALTH INTERVENTIONS

14:40 to 14:55 PM



Dr V Balamurugan, NIVEDI
Bengaluru

TALK 2:

EPIDEMIOLOGICAL INSIGHTS INTO PPR VIRUS
CONTROL & ERADICATION IN INDIA: PROGRESS,
CHALLENGES, AND STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK

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