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Neuro-Oncology (Brain and Spine Tumors)
Innovations in Multi-Disciplinary
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13th - 15th March, 2026



Hotel Crowne Plaza, Rohini, New Delhi

Pediatric Neuro Oncology WORKSHOP

Date: 13th March 2026 || Time: 08:30 AM to 05:30 PM

Meet the Experts: International Faculty



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Day 1 : Friday, 13th March, 2026 | Time : 08:30 AM - 05:30 PM | Hall : Sapphire 2

TIME	TOPIC / SPEAKER
08:30 - 08:50 AM	Registration & Networking
08:50 - 09:00 AM	Welcome Address Speaker : Dr Gauri Kapoor
09:00 - 10:00 AM	Session 1: Neuro-radiology: See, Learn, and Infer Session experts: Dr Tejpal Gupta Dr Kristian Aquilina Dr Rupinder Baweja
09:00 - 09:15 AM	Basics of Neuro-radiology for Non-Radiologist Speaker : Dr Sunil Puri
09:15 - 09:35 AM	Imaging in Neuro-Oncology: A Clinician's Perspective on Tumor Differentials Speaker : Dr Tejpal Gupta
09:35 - 09:50 AM	Diagnostic assistance by advanced imaging (MRS, Perfusion studies, tractography , Functional MRI , Radiogenomics) Speaker : Dr Kavita Vani
09:50 - 10:00 AM	Quiz -Describe and Enlist the differential Speaker : Dr Payal Malhotra / Dr. Parichay Singh
10:00 - 10:45 AM	Session 2: Multidisciplinary Tumor board: Cracking the right code Session experts: Dr Kristian Aquilina Dr Thomas Merchant Dr Santhosh A Upadhyaya
10:00 - 10:45 AM	Case based scenario <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Difficult to diagnose: High grade Glioma mimicking a low grade · Difficult to treat: Infant brain tumor · Recurrent: Low grade Glioma (Thalamic) Moderator: Dr Manas Kalra Panelist : Dr Anjali Pahuja Dr Harsh Deora Dr Aditya Gupta Dr Silky Jain Dr Anuj Singh



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10:45 – 11:00 AM	Tea Break
11:00 AM – 12:45 PM	Session 3: Survivorship and beyond Session experts: Dr Melissa Hudson Dr Rachna Seth Dr Tejpal Gupta
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Customize late effect template for Pediatric Brain Tumors: Case based scenario
11:00 AM – 11:30 AM	· Medulloblastoma (Surgery, Cisplatin , alkylating agents + CSI) · Ependymoma- Surgery, Focal RT Moderator : Dr Rachna Seth Lead discussants : Dr Rakesh Jalali Dr Ramandeep Arora Dr Shweta Bansal Dr Kriti Hegde
11:30 AM – 12:00 PM	· Brain tumor in syndromic babies OPG in NF - 1 · Low grade glioma (Supratentorial)- Surgery only +/- Targeted therapies Moderator : Dr Maya Prasad Lead discussants : Dr Rakesh Jalali Dr Ramandeep Arora Dr Shweta Bansal Dr Kriti Hegde
12:00 – 12:30 PM	The long journey: Hearing, hormones , Healing and cognition in brain tumor survivors Common late effects – When and what to assess in FU of brain tumor Speaker : Dr Melissa Hudson
12:30 – 12:45 PM	Minimizing the fallout : Smarter surgery , Safer radiation , Softer chemotherapy and Novel Additives upfront !! Speaker : Dr Vasudev Bhat
12:45 – 01:30 PM	ORATION - Dr. K K Pandey Memorial Oration
	The Future of Neuro-Oncology in the Precision Medicine Era in LMIC Speaker : Dr Rakesh Jalali
01:30 – 02:00 PM	Lunch





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02:00 – 02:45 PM	<p>Session 4: Neuro-pathology: Decoding the tissue story Session experts: Dr Anurag Mehta Dr Chitra Sarkar Dr Santhosh A Upadhyaya</p>
02:00 – 02:25 PM	<p>Morphology- IHC correlation in paediatric brain tumor - cracking the right code Speaker : Dr Chitra Sarkar</p>
02:25 - 02:40 PM	<p>Molecular Genomics and Methylation Profiling · Common genetic alterations · Integrated WHO classification 2021 · Liquid biopsy · Methylation proofing: Current use and how to infer Speaker : Dr Anila Sharma</p>
02:40 - 02:45 PM	<p>Quiz- Lets identify under the microscope Speaker : Dr Payal Malhotra / Dr. Parichay Singh</p>
02:45 – 03:00 PM	<p>Strengthening Multidisciplinary Neuro-Oncology Care in India: The Next Decade Speaker : Dr. Amita Trehan</p>
03:00 – 05:00 PM	<p>Session 5 : Two sides, One brain -The Neuro-oncology Debatable issues Session experts: Dr Kristian Aquilina Dr Thomas Merchant Dr Santhosh A Upadhyaya</p>
03:00 – 03:20 PM	<p>CNS -GCT- State of art and results from recent clinical trials Speaker : Dr Thomas Merchant</p>
03:20 – 03:40 PM	<p>Biopsy for all gliomas in the era of molecular therapies: A Necessity or an avoidable risk Speaker : Dr Kristian Aquilina</p>
03:40 – 04:00 PM	<p>Upfront chemotherapy Vs Targeted therapy – for LGG Speaker : Dr Santhosh A Upadhyaya</p>
04:00 – 04:15 PM	<p>From Scans to strategy: Evidence based imaging protocols for long term follow-up of patients with brain tumor Speaker : Dr SP Yadav</p>



TIME

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04:15 – 05:00 PM

One Child, Many Lessons: A Panel on Medulloblastoma Case That taught me the most

Moderator: Dr Amita Mahajan

Panelist : Dr Sarthak Tandon

Dr Garima Durga

Dr KC Ananad

Dr Swati Bhayana

05:00 – 05:35 PM

Real World Data - Pediatric Brain Tumor:

- RGI
- AIIMS
- PGI Chandigarh - Dr. Srinivasan Peyam
- TMH - Dr. Anirudh
- SGRH
- MAX Hospital - Dr Prachi Jain, Delhi

Lead Discussants : Dr Ramandeep Arora

Dr Sandeep Jain

05:20 – 05:30 PM

Vote of Thanks

Dr Shalini Mishra