

Scientific Programme



Day 1 - Hall A

Saturday, 2nd May 2026

Time	Session	Faculty
08:00 am onwards	Registration	
08:30 am - 09:15 am	Reperfusion 2.0 in Acute Ischemic Stroke: the 2026 update	
	Chairpersons: Surekha Dabla, Kapil Aggarwal, Vinay Goyal	
08:30 am - 08:45 am	Imaging is brain: fading time window nihilism in stroke	Padma MV
08:45 am - 09:00 am	Low ASPECT and Low NIHSS Strokes: How I Deal with Them?	Gaurav Goel
09:00 am - 09:15 am	Reperfusion Without Recovery — Are We Measuring the Wrong Endpoint?	Charu Mahajan
09:15 am - 10:00 am	SAH: Procedural success story to a biologically limited disease	
	Chairpersons: Anshu Mahajan, Gyanendra Pal Singh, Pallavi Singh	
09:15 am - 09:30 am	Has Vasospasm Distracted Us for 30 Years?: Early brain injury as the primary battlefield in SAH	Senthilnathan TA
09:30 am - 09:45 am	Intraarterial vasodilatation in DCI: Technical Victory, Biological Defeat?	Yasser Abulhasan
09:45 am - 10:00 am	Poor-Grade SAH: Who Truly Benefits From Maximal Care?	Ajay Hrishi
10:00 am - 11:00 am	Dogmas, Disruptors, and Decisions: A Global Neurocritical Care Forum	
	Chairpersons: Harsh Sapra, Pragati Ganjoo, Navin Malhotra	
10:00 am - 10:15 am	TIVA in Multimodal Neuromonitoring: Integrating Depth, Perfusion, and Metabolism	Danish Siddiqui
10:15 am - 10:30 am	Time-limited trials in neuro ICU: Prognostic humility operationalized!	Wong Yulin
10:30 am - 10:45 am	From Prediction Tools to Treatment Triggers: Are biomarkers practice-ready in brain injury?	Klein Matthias
10:45 am - 11:00 am	Anaphylaxis in the ICU: From Recognition to Rapid Rescue	Nagesh Nanjappa
11:00 am - 11:40 am	SNCC ORATION	Mathew Joseph
	Chairpersons: Prashant Kummar, Yash Javeri	
11:40 am - 12:15 pm	The Global Neurocritical Care Gap	
PANEL DISCUSSION	Minimum Standards, Maximum Impact: What Should Every LMIC Neuro ICU Have? Panelists: Subhash Acharya, Puvanendiran S, Zulfiqar Ali, Rakhee Baruah, Simant Jha	Moderator: Urvi Shukla
12:15 pm - 1:15 pm	Intracerebral Hemorrhage: From Expansion to Recovery	
	Chairpersons: Kavita Sandhu, Girija Rath	
12:15 pm - 12:30 pm	Optimizing Haemostasis: Evidence-Based Use of 4F-PCC in Acute Intracranial Bleeding	Oliver Grottko
12:30 pm - 12:45 pm	ICH Endotypes: Can We Finally Personalize Therapy?	Ravi Srinivasan
12:45 pm - 1:15 pm	PANEL DISCUSSION (NCSI panel)	

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	Intracerebral Hemorrhage in the Neuro ICU: What Truly Changes Outcomes? Panelists: Bibhukalyani Das, VJ Ramesh, Saurabh Anand, Keshav Goyal Crown expert: Harsh Sapra	Moderator: Ponniah V
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	LUNCH	
2:00 pm - 2:30 pm	PRESIDENTIAL ORATION	Prashant Kumar
	Chairpersons: Harsh Sapra, Kapil Zirpe	
2:30 pm - 3:45 pm	Deconstructing CNS Infections	
	Chairpersons: Jaya Wanchoo, Ranveer Tyagi, Ranajit Chatterjee	
2:30 pm - 2:45 pm	Beyond Cultures: PCR and Metagenomic Sequencing for Rapid CNS Infection Diagnosis	Raymond Savio
2:45 pm - 3:00 pm	Post-Neurosurgical MRSA Meningitis: PK/PD Challenges and Emerging Therapies	Rajesh Pande
3:00 pm - 3:15 pm	From Synapse to Syndrome: Advances and Uncertainties in Autoimmune Encephalitis	Sunil Karanth
3:15 pm - 3:45 pm	PANEL DISCUSSION (ISCCM/SNCC panel)	
	CNS Infection at the Crossroads: Pathogen, Host Inflammation, or Vascular Injury? Rethinking Steroids, TNF Blockade, and Antiplatelets in meningitis Panelists: Deepak Govil, Dhruv Chaudhry, Subhash Todi, Arindam Kar, Diptimala Agarwal Crown expert: Yatin Mehta	Moderator: Bharat Jagiasi
3:45 pm - 4:25 pm	Practice on Trial: The Neurocritical Care Debates	(8+8+4 min)
	Moderator: Gaurav Kakkar	
3:45 pm - 4:05 pm	Are Randomized Controlled Trials Failing Neurocritical Care — Or Are We Asking the Wrong Questions?	
	Pro: Deva Jayakumar / Con: Shalini Nair	
	Moderator: Sridhar N	
4:05 pm - 4:25 pm	AI Should Guide Neurocritical Decisions Within the Decade	
	Pro: Chaithanya JSK / Con: Ramanan Rajagopal	
4:25 pm - 5:25 pm	The Neurotrauma Playbook: Saving the brains and cords after impact	
	Chairpersons: HH Dash, Kiranpreet Kaur, Varun Jain, Bhupendra Singh	
4:25 pm - 4:40 pm	Beyond ICP: Are We Finally Ready for Precision Brain Resuscitation?	Jose Suarez
4:40 pm - 4:55 pm	Non-invasive brain monitoring - Taking neurocritical care beyond the elite ICUs!	Daniel Godoy
4:55 pm - 5:10 pm	Is acute spinal cord injury primarily a compression problem — or a perfusion failure?	Gunchan Paul
5:10 pm - 5:25 pm	Regeneration vs Modulation: Chasing axons or Circuit reprogramming in SCI recovery?	Ashish Bindra
5:25 pm - 6:15 pm	COLLEGE BOARD FUNCTION	
6:15 pm - 6:45 pm	AGM	
7:00 pm onwards	INAUGURATION FOLLOWED BY PRESIDENTIAL DINNER	

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08:30 am - 09:30 am Pressure, Perfusion, and Metabolism		
Chairpersons: Sanjay Johar, Kiran Kiro, Shalini Singh		
08:30 am - 08:45 am	From ICP to Mitochondria: The Physiology of Secondary Brain Injury	Sabin Koirala
08:45 am - 09:00 am	Thresholds vs Trends: How Should We Interpret Brain Physiology?	Sukhen Samanta
09:00 am - 09:15 am	Autoregulation in Traumatic Brain Injury: What Does the Evidence Say?	K. Subbareddy
09:15 am - 09:30 am	Glymphatic dysfunction: next therapeutic frontier or another translational mirage?	Ankur Luthra
09:30 am - 10:15 am SNCC NURSING SESSION: Eyes, Hands, and Vigilance: The Critical Role of NeuroNurses in the ICU		
Chairpersons: Vinod Kutty, Mrityunjay Kumar		
09:30 am - 09:45 am	Acuity-Competency Alignment: The science of Precision Critical care Nursing	Jaideep Herbert
09:45 am - 10:00 am	High Impact Communication in Critical care Units	Anjali Devi
10:00 am - 10:15 am	Resilience in Scrubs: Addressing Critical care Burnout	Sandhya V Nair
10:15 am - 11:00 am Neuromuscular Emergencies in the ICU		
Chairpersons: Reshma Tiwari, Amandeep Kaur		
10:15 am - 10:30 am	Ventilating the Weak Diaphragm: Strategies and Pitfalls	Suresh Ramasubban
10:30 am - 10:45 am	Managing Autonomic Instability in MG/ GBS	Swagata Tripathy
10:45 am - 11:00 am	ICU-Acquired Weakness: Preventable Complication or Inevitable Outcome?	MN Sivakumar
11:00 am - 11:40 am SNCC ORATION		
Chairpersons: Prashant Kummar, Yash Javeri		
11:40 am - 12:40 pm TRAINEES & FELLOWS' SESSION		
Paradigms on the Brink: The Next Neurocritical Care Consensus to Fall		6+6+3 min
11:40 am - 11:55 am	Normal ICP Means Safe Brain	
Moderator: Nikhilesh Jain		
Pro: Nazneen Maqbool / Con: Basjinder Kaur		
11:55 am - 12:10 pm	Higher Hemoglobin Is Always Better	
Moderator: Monish Nakra		
Pro: Rohan Khandelwal / Con: Disha Parhi		
12:10 pm - 12:25 pm	Deep Sedation Protects the Brain	
Moderator: Saurabh Bhargava		
Pro: Prajakta Lanjewar / Con: Madhav Chowdhry		
12:25 pm - 12:40 pm	More Monitoring Always Improves Outcomes	
Moderator: Shruti Redhu		
Pro: Varun Prasad Rajenderan / Con: Sakthivel M		

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12:40 pm - 1:00 pm	SNCC PHYSIOTHERAPISTS' SESSION: Rehabilitation Reimagined: Technology Transforming Neuro Recovery	
	Chairpersons: Rajiv Agarwal, VP Singh	
12:40 pm - 1:00 pm	Next-Generation Neurorehabilitation: Robotics, Virtual Reality, and Brain-Computer Interfaces	Jyoti Sehgal
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	LUNCH	
2:00 pm - 2:30 pm	Plenary Session	
2:30 pm - 3:20 pm	Real Crises, Real Responses: Troubleshooting masterclass	
	Chairpersons: Mihir Pandia, Pradeep Kumar, Ranvinder Khanuja, Virendra Jain	
2:30 pm - 2:40 pm	ICP Just Hit 35: What Do You Do in the First 10 Minutes?	Vivekananthan P
2:40 pm - 2:50 pm	EVD Not Draining: Step-by-Step Fix	Varun Pushkarna
2:50 pm - 3:00 pm	Deteriorating CVST: Escalation Pathways Beyond Anticoagulation	Sashi Vadhanan
3:00 pm - 3:10 pm	Intubating the Neuro Patient Without Spiking ICP	Yuvaraj Seethappan
3:10 pm - 3:20 pm	Good Imaging but No Awakening: Red Flag or Red Herring?	Sachin Gupta
3:20 pm - 3:45 pm	Predicting the Future of the Injured Brain	
PANEL DISCUSSION	Neuroprognostication in the ICU: Science, Art, or Educated Guess? Panelists: Selvarajan N, Srinivas Samvedam, Bikram Gupta, Neeraj Tyagi, Vishal Kumar Crown expert: Subhal Dixit	Moderator: Kapil Zirpe
3:45 pm - 4:15 pm	Breaking the seizure spiral	
PANEL DISCUSSION	Refractory Status Epilepticus in the Neuro-ICU: Depth, Duration, and Decision Points Panelists: Gopinathan T, Atmaram Bansal, Jayprakash, Ravi Ghawat, Rajesh Iyer Crown expert: YP Singh	Moderator: Angel Miraclin
4:15 pm - 5:30 pm	How I Do It: Real-World Neurocritical Care	
	Chairpersons: Arvind Chaturvedi, Uma Hariharan, Shruti Sharma, Manisha Bhukar	
4:15 pm - 4:30 pm	How I Start VTE Prophylaxis in neuro ICU	Suviraj John
4:30 pm - 4:45 pm	How I Integrate Pupillometry into Daily Rounds	Pallavi Kumari
4:45 pm - 5:00 pm	How I Use Ketamine in the Neuro ICU	Murali T
5:00 pm - 5:15 pm	How I Manage Nutrition in Acute Brain Injury	Suhail Siddiqui
5:15 pm - 5:30 pm	How I Discuss Withdrawal Decisions in Severe Brain Injury	Reshu Gupta

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2:30 pm - 5:00 pm	QUIZ Session
	Quiz masters: Birinder Paul, Gunchan Paul, Chaitanya GSK

8:30 am - 11:00 am From Data to Doctrine: Crafting White Papers that Guide Neurocritical Care Practice!		
SILENT SESSIONS		
Table-1	Steroids in Neurocritical Care Session Leads: Suresh Ramasubban/ Deva Jayakumar	Srivatsa N, Varun Jain, Gaurav Tomar, Kulsaurabh Kaushik, Prajakta Lanjewar
Table-2	CRO meningitis: Ways to treat Session Leads: Jaya Wanchoo/ Srinivas Samvedam/ Neha Gupta	K Subbareddy, Rajesh Bhardwaj, Basjinder Kaur, Pallavi Kumari
Table-3	Air and land transfer: minimum standard requirements for monitoring Session Leads: MN Sivakumar/Chaitanya JSK/ Shalini Nalwad	Rakhee Baruah, Sudhir Pawaiya, Amit Goyal, Sunil Dubey, Lokendra Gupta, Sakthivel M
Table-4	Cost benefit ratio of individualized care in TBI Session Leads: Monish Nakra/ Gaurav Kakkar/ Ajay Hrishi	Manikandan S, Gopinathan T, Reshu Gupta, Asish Kumar Sahoo, Madhav Chaudhry
Table-5	Should chest TB guidelines be extrapolated to CNS TB? Session Leads: Gunchan Paul/ Angel Miraclin	Suhail Siddiqui, Uma Hariharan, Birinder Paul, Shruti Sharma, Saurabh Mehra, Mohit Mittal
Table-6	How cold is cool in NCC? Session Leads: Shalini Nair/ Pavan Vala	Nikhilesh Jain, Senthilnathan T, Anil Kumar, Ankit Singh, Mohamed Salih
Table-7	Transfusion threshold in acute brain injury Session Leads: Ankur Luthra/ Ghanshyam Jagathkar	Vinay Singhal, Murali T, Chandrashish Chakravarty, Amandeep Kaur, Rohan Khandelwal
Table-8	Nutrition in TBI & SAH Session Leads: Subhal Dixit/ Swagata Tripathy/Sandhya Pandey	Punit Chopra, Barkha Bindu, Shruti Bansal, Prasoon Gupta, Megha Singla
Table-9	End of life and withdrawal of life support in NCC: Where we stand? Session Leads: Sridhar N/ Yash Javeri	Vivekananthan, Kalavathy Moses, Kapil Borawake, Shruti Redhu
Table-10	Duplication of neuro ICU at home: standards of care Session Leads: Kiranpreet Kaur/ Sunil Garg	Ravi Jain, Yuvaraj S, Dhruva Lahkar, Guneet Singh, Sweetha Mohan
10:30 am - 11:00 am Briefing for silent sessions		

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Day 2 - Hall A (Silent Hall)

Sunday, 3rd May 2026

SILENT HALL SCREEN- 1		
11:15 am - 12:15 pm	Next generation neuromonitoring in neurocritical care	
Chairpersons: Suresh Singhal, Mudit Garg, Rashmi Mahapatra, Pardeep Kumar Jakhar		
11:15 am - 11:30 am	Non-Invasive ICP Monitoring: Screening Tool or Clinical Game-Changer	Venkataraman Kola
11:30 am - 11:45 am	EEG Signatures Across Neurocritical Illness: Patterns That Matter	Srivatsa N
11:45 am - 12:00 pm	Brain Oxygen Monitoring: Clinical Utility and Therapeutic Implications	Vinay Singhal
12:00 pm - 12:15 pm	Stroke ICU: Role of advanced monitoring in the thrombectomy era	Ravi Jain
12:15 pm - 1:15 pm	After the knife: Navigating post-neurosurgical complications	
Chairpersons: Rajendra S Chouhan, Pallav Kumar, Asish Kumar Sahoo, Mamta Jain		
12:15 pm - 12:30 pm	Post-neurosurgical meningitis/ventriculitis: Early diagnosis vs overtreatment	Durgesh J Satalkar
12:30 pm - 12:45 pm	New focal deficits after surgery: Is it ischemia, edema, or surgical injury?	Kalavathy Moses
12:45 pm - 1:00 pm	Enhanced Recovery After Neurosurgery (ERAS): Does it reduce complications?	Punit Chopra
1:00 pm - 1:15 pm	Postoperative delirium: Prevention and management in neuro ICU	Atul Phillips
SILENT HALL SCREEN- 2		
11:15 am - 1:15 pm	PODIUM PRESENTATIONS	
JUDGES: Shalini Nair, Jayprakash, Atul Phillips		
1:15 pm - 1:45 pm	Valedictory & Vote of thanks	

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08:30 am - 09:30 am	When Guidelines Don't Exist: Managing Neuro ICU Outliers	
	Chairpersons: Parmod Bithal, Rakesh Tyagi, Priyanka Khurana, Anish Singh	
08:30 am - 08:45 am	Stroke on Anticoagulants: When the Rulebook Fails	Masao Nagayama
08:45 am - 09:00 am	Pregnancy and the Neuro ICU: Stroke, Seizures, and Surgical Dilemmas	Nasli Ichaporia
09:00 am - 09:15 am	Neurocritical care in the elderly: Frailty scores vs chronological age in decision making	Lalit Singh
09:15 am - 09:30 am	Thrombolysis and Thrombectomy in Pediatric Stroke: Ready for Prime Time?	Birinder Paul
09:30 am - 10:30 am	The Domino Effect: Brain-organ cross-talk	
	Chairpersons: Chitra Mehta, Ashutosh Bhardwaj, Rishikant Birla, Preetam Yadav	
09:30 am - 09:45 am	Balancing Brain and Kidney: Osmotherapy in Dialysis-Associated Cerebral Edema	Tapas K Sahoo
09:45 am - 10:00 am	Treat the Heart or Protect the Brain? Managing Neurogenic Myocardial Injury	Subhash Acharya
10:00 am - 10:15 am	The Brain–Lung Tug of War: ARDS Management in Neurocritical Care	Prashant Saxena
10:15 am - 10:30 am	Relative Adrenal Insufficiency in Acute Brain Injury: Current Evidence and Controversies	Devender Gupta
10:30 am - 11:30am	The Neuro ICU Mosaic	
	Chairpersons: Vinod Singh, Saurabh Taneja, Anshul Bhatia, Asha	
10:30 am - 10:45 am	Sodium Wars in Neurocritical Care: How High, How Fast, and How Safe?	Amit Goyal
10:45 am - 11:00 am	Minimally Invasive Surgery in ICH: Precision Evacuation or Overpromised Revolution?	Sudhir Dubey
11:00 am - 11:15 am	Therapeutic Hypothermia: Neuroprotection or Neuro-illusion?	Anirban Hom Choudhuri
11:15 am - 11:30 am	Organ Donation After Circulatory Death (DCD): Should It Be Introduced More Widely?	Sumit Ray
11:30 am - 12:42 pm	Industry sessions	
11:30 am - 11:45 am	Precision vascular access in ICU with next generation PICC technology	Pooja Wadwa
11:45 am - 12:00 pm	Connected Vision: Redefining Airway Management with Ambu SureSight Connect videolaryngoscope	Anand Sharma
12:00 pm - 12:15 pm	Closing the gap between CLABSI guidelines and ICU reality	Rajat Agrawal
12:15 pm - 12:30 pm	Clinical Use of Equivalent MAC (eMAC): An Indicator of Synergistic Potency Among Multiple Anesthetics in TIVA Cases	Harsh Sapra
12:30 pm - 12:45 pm	From Raw EEG to BIS: What Are We Really Measuring ? Signal processing basics & understanding processed EEG benefits.	Gaurav Kakkar
12:45 pm - 1:15 pm	PANEL DISCUSSION	
Panel Discussion	Brain Death Declaration in India: Bridging the Gap Between Law and Practice Panelists: Manikandan S, Tariq Ali, Manish Marda, Shabbar Joad, Anand Mishra Crown expert: RK Mani	Moderator: Yash Javeri
1:15 pm - 1:45 pm	VALEDICTORY & VOTE OF THANKS	