



ISPID
Indian Society for Primary Immune Deficiency



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VENUE

THE PARK,
KOLKATA

PIDCON 2026

*8th National Conference of Indian
Society for Primary Immune Deficiency*

Conference Brochure

First conference on Inborn Errors of Immunity in Eastern India





INVITATION

“All that Glitters is not Gold Often have you heard been told ...”

Welcome to the world of Inborn Errors of Immunity (erstwhile the Primary Immunodeficiency Diseases) where manifestations can range from recurrent severe infections to seemingly diverse protean multi-system involvement where the dots do not merge, with onset from early infancy to adulthood!

We have a galaxy of International experts and National Gurus to guide you through this puzzling world where Immunodeficiency and autoimmunity walk hand in hand. Besides the main conference we have a CME on 13th March when you can learn the Basics of Immunology. The conference should interest the Pediatricians and Internists, diverse multi-specialities from the Intensivists to Hematologists, Rheumatologists as well as the Basic Scientists in Immunology. A very warm welcome to Kolkata in mid March when spring is in all its glory.

Dr Priyankar Pal
Organizing Secretary

Dr Suparna Guha
Joint Organizing Secretary

INTERNATIONAL FACULTIES



Steven M. Holland, M.D.

Director of the Division of Intramural Research (DIR) at NIAID, Chief of the Immunopathogenesis Section within the Laboratory of Clinical Immunology and Microbiology (LCIM).

Research Interest: Infectious diseases, immunology, and allergy.

Sudhir Gupta, M.D., Ph.D., M.A.C.P

University of California, Irvine, California, USA

Research Interest: T cell biology & trogocytosis in Inborn Errors of Immunity



Michail Lionakis, M.D., Sc.D.

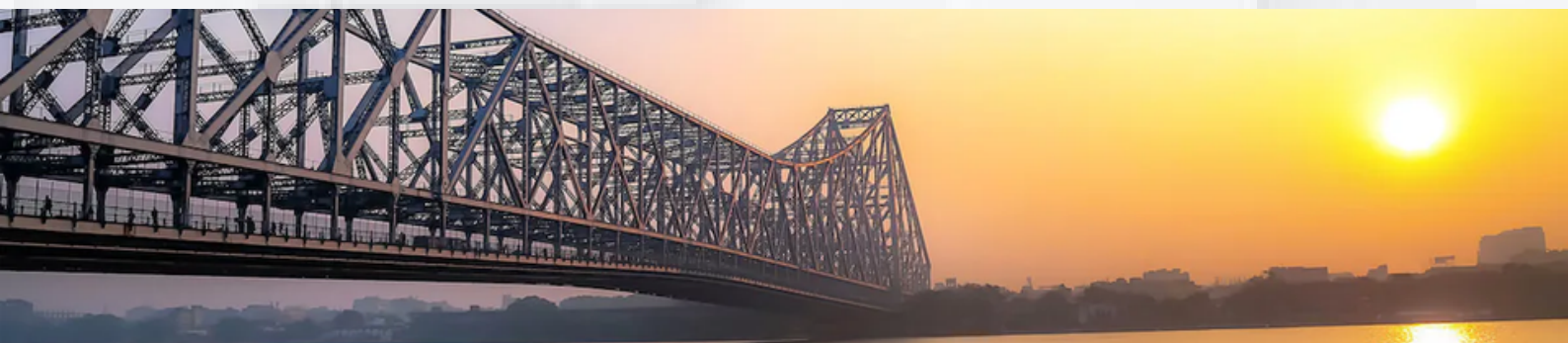
NIAID, NIH, Bethesda, Maryland, USA

Research Interest: Immunological mechanisms and genetic susceptibility to Fungal infection especially candida and aspergillus

Raphaela Goldbach-Mansky, M.D., M.H.S.

NIAID, NIH, Bethesda, Maryland, USA

Research Interest: Pathogenesis and immune- dysregulatory mechanisms of interleukin (IL)-1- mediated and type I interferon-mediated autoinflammatory diseases



INTERNATIONAL FACULTIES



Peter McGuire, M.S., M.B.B.Ch.

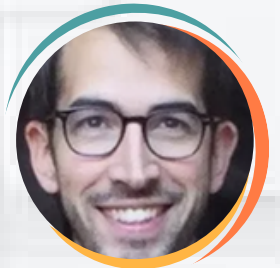
NHGRI, NIH, Bethesda, Maryland, USA

Research Interest: Interplay between metabolism and the immune system through a translational research program involving patients with inborn errors of mitochondrial metabolism

Alexandre Belot, M.D., Ph.D

Autoimmune Diseases in Children (RAISE), Lyon, France

Research Interest: Pediatric rheumatological inflammatory diseases, systemic autoimmune disorders, and interferonopathies



Qian Zhang

Assistant professor at the Rockefeller University

Research interest: Human genetics of infectious diseases



CHIEF GUEST



Vishwa Mohan Katoch

NASI-ICMR Chair on Public Health Research at
Rajasthan University of Health Sciences, Jaipur

ABSTRACT

Abstract Submission Deadline Extended



**Scan the QR Code to
submit your abstracts**

**Submit papers pertaining to Basic Sciences
and Clinical Research/ Case Categories**

TENTATIVE PROGRAM

Preconference CME - 13th March, 2026

Time	Topic	Speaker
13:00-13:30	Lunch and registration	
13:30-14:00	Understanding immune system through IEL lens	Dr Amit Rawat
14:00-14:30	When to think of IEL in a clinical setting?	Dr Mukesh Desai
14:30-15:00	Flow cytometry in IEL- what a clinician should know?	Dr Umair Bargir
15:00-15:45	IEL in ICUs – Case-based discussion	Panelists: Dr Saniya Sharma, Dr Suprit Basu, Dr Archan Sil
15:45-16:15	Tea Break	
16:15-16:45	When to think of IEL in neonates?	Dr Neha Singh
16:45-17:15	Immune Deficiency- Autoimmunity interface	Dr Vignesh P
17:15- 17:45	IEL and early-onset inflammatory bowel disease	Dr Sathish Kumar Loganatha
17:45-18:15	A clinician's take on NGS in IEL	Dr Vaishnavi Iyengar



TENTATIVE PROGRAM

Conference Day 1 - 14th March, 2026

Time	Topic	Speaker	Chairperson
08:00-08:30	Registration		
08:30-09:10	Exploring the landscape of Type 1 Interferonopathies: from nucleic acid biology to targeted therapies	Dr Alexandre Belot	Dr Tapas Sabui/ Dr Sinha
09:10-09:30	Monogenic lupus	Dr Liza Rajasekhar	
09:30-09:50	Type-1 interferonopathies: Experience from India	Dr Amit Rawat	
09:50-10:10	Oral papers (2)	Chair: 1 international + 2 National	Dr Sudhir Gupta/ Dr Surjit Singh
10:10-11:10	Tea Break and posters	Poster judges: 1 international + 1 national (4-5 teams)	
11:10-11:30	IEI registry in India	Dr Reetika Malik	Dr Suparna Guha/ Dr Suma Balan
11:30-11:50	Mycobacterial infections in IEI: Experience from India	Dr Vignesh P	
11:50-12:10	Oral papers (2)	Chair: 1 international + 2 National	Dr Sudhir Gupta/ Dr Surjit Singh
12:10-13:10	Inauguration and Prof. Sudhir Gupta Oration: Anti-cytokine autoantibodies: New roles and recognition	Dr Steven Holland	President and Secretary of ISPID along with Prof. Sudhir Gupta and local oragniser
13:10-14:30	Lunch and posters	Poster judges: 1 international + 1 national (4-5 teams)	
14:30-14:50	ALPS and ALPS-like disorders	Dr Manisha Madkaikar	Chair: Dr Amita Aggarwal/ Dr Reena Gulati
14:50-15:10	Hyper IgE syndrome	Dr Biman Saikia	
15:10-15:40	Debate - Should CVID remain a diagnosis in the era of molecular diagnostics? Or should it be abandoned in favor of molecular subclassification?	Motion 1: Dr Rudrarpan Motion 2: Dr Vijaya Gowri	

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Time	Topic	Speaker	Chairperson
16:00-16:30	Tea Break		
16:30-17:10	Autoantibodies neutralizing type I IFNs: strong, common, and global drivers of severe viral infections	Qian Zhang	Dr Geeta Govindaraj/ Dr Mukesh Desai
17:10-17:30	ARPC1B defect: Experience from Nepal	Dr Dharmagat Bhattarai	
17:30-18:10	Infection and Immunity in Mitochondrial Disorders	Dr Peter McGuire (Online)	
18:10-18:50	General Assembly		
19:00 HRS onwards	Dinner		



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Conference Day 2 - 15th March, 2026

Time	Topic	Speaker	Chairperson
09:00-09:40	Redefining APECED	Dr Michail Lionakis	Dr Manisha Madkaikar/ Dr Biman Saikia
09:40-10:00	Fungal infections and IEI	Dr Mukesh Desai	
10:00-10:20	Oral papers (2)	Chair: 1 international + 2 National	
10:20-11:20	Tea Break and posters		
11:20-12:00	Novel autoinflammatory diseases: expanding mechanisms causing systemic inflammation	Dr Raphaela Goldbach-Mansky	Dr Liza Rajasekhar/ Dr Narendra Bagri
12:00-12:20	Challenges in managing autoinflammatory diseases in India	Dr Deepti Suri	
12:20-12:40	Building a PID and BMT ecosystem in a resource-constrained setting: Our journey	Dr Sagar Bhattad	Dr Revathi Raj/ Dr Nita Radhakrishnan
12:40-13:10	HSCT for familial HLH: Experience from Chennai	Dr Ramya Uppuluri	
13:10-13:30	Development of gene therapy in India-prospects for inherited rare diseases	Dr Debojyoti Chakraborty	
13:30 – 14:30	Lunch		
14.30-15:30	Case-based discussion in IEI (specialty-based)	3-4 cases	Moderator: Dr Amita Aggarwal
14.30-16.00	Immunisation in PIDs	Dr Sanjib Mondal/ any other local speaker	Dr Rakesh Mondal
16:00- 16:15	Mentimeter/ online quiz	Dr Jigna Bathia	
16:15-16:30	Prize distribution and vote of thanks		

RATES

Membership/ Category	1 st Jan 2026 - 28 th Feb 2026	1 st Mar 2026 onwards
ISPID Members	₹3,500	₹4,500
Non-ISPID Members	₹4,500	₹5,500
PG/ DM Trainee/ Fellows	₹2,500	₹3,500
Overseas Delegate	\$100	\$150

**Pre-Conference CME Registration is
Complimentary
for first 100 participants**

Registration Link:

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