

# SPEAKER BIO-DATA



## Dr. Preetha Reddy

Executive Vice Chairperson,  
Apollo Hospitals Enterprise  
Limited

- Dr. Preetha is widely recognized for her contributions in making high quality healthcare accessible to millions and for her support to various entities and industry bodies, working for the betterment of India.
- Dr. Preetha works closely with the organization's 12,800+ clinicians in introducing contemporary protocols to continuously enhance clinical outcomes. She is the Managing Trustee of the Apollo Hospitals Educational Trust, a principal body steering the educational endeavors of the group.
- She works closely with the Quality Council of India and under her guidance, teams from Apollo Hospitals worked with the Government of India in introducing the NABH accreditation.
- She is a recipient of a Lifetime Achievement award for distinguished service in the field of Social Science conferred by the Loyola Forum for Historical Research and also from the Asia HRD Congress.
- She was awarded the NHRDN 'People CEO Awards – Women Leadership' by The National HRD Network

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**Mr. Kedar Nayak**  
GM-Clinical Development,  
**GSK India**

- Kedar joined GSK India in 1996 as a medical representative and subsequently transitioned to Clinical Operations in 2005, during his career he has been holding a variety of clinical research roles across Phase II/III in increasing capacity from being CRA, Study Manager, Clinical Research Manager, Head of Clinical Operations at Vietnam, India and Area Director for Russia, Middle East and Africa, Global Clinical Development Manager for global R & D studies.
- In his current role as GM/Head of Clinical Development & Study Delivery, he is accountable for E2E study delivery of local interventional studies (Phase 4, BA/BE studies), partnering with Medical affairs to contribute towards development and execution of evidence generation strategies within India and Emerging markets.
- Kedar has completed his MSc from Seth GS Medical College and MBA (HR) from NMIMS.
- Member of ISCR Executive committee



**Mr. Bhausaheb Patil**

Head – Business Operations  
Decentralized Clinical Trials,  
IQVIA UK

- Bhausaheb Patil has a humble career journey in Clinical Research from a local to global role to promote patient safety, data integrity and regulatory compliance and to bring new medicines to the patients faster and safer.
- He has worked in variety of clinical research functions such as Clinical Monitoring, Clinical Operations & Project/ Financial/Resource/Quality Management & Risk Based Monitoring, Decentralised Clinical Trials and also a seasoned manager at mid-to-senior levels within clinical research industry.
- Bhausaheb's 25+ years of experience working on various roles has helped him to get a deeper insight of Productivity, Delivery and Quality; key drivers associated with Clinical Research Industry across Asia, Europe and American markets. He is currently based in the UK and believes; despite experience of all these years working with biopharmaceutical companies, Investigators & hospitals, he is still hungry to learn and acquire new skills to contribute further to the world of clinical research.

<https://www.linkedin.com/in/bhausahebpatil/>

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**Mr. Sarang Vinze**

Associate Director, Site and  
Patient Networks, IQVIA  
India

- 22+ years of experience in clinical research and is currently working in IQVIA as Site Identification and Feasibility Lead for India, Sri Lanka and Bangladesh. Also working as Subject Matter Expert in a team that is responsible for implementing DCT across JAPAC region.
- Worked in the areas of Clinical Operations, Site and Project Management, Strategic Planning, Study Start-up, Quality Management System (QMS), Data Analytics. He has successfully established alliances with sites, trained Investigators and EC members in GCP and recent Indian regulations.
- Part of 'ISCR DCT Working Group 2022', which authored 'ISCR DCT Position Paper- 2022' and delivered lecture on DCT Way Forward in May '22. Also working in ISCR Working Group on Translational Research and was awarded 'Hall of Fame 2018' by Indian Society for Clinical Research (ISCR) during the annual conference in 2019 for his extensive work in Investigator Council
- Was an **Invited speaker** in FERCAP 2017. Delivered a lecture on 'Post-Trial Access and Compassionate Use of Drugs and ancillary care' (November 2017)



**Dr. Sauren Das**

Consultant Pharmaceutical  
Physician

- MD Pharmacology from MKCG Medical College in 1997.
- Have over 25 years research experience in managing all phases of global and domestic clinical research projects of innovative healthcare products and cutting-edge technology medical devices.
- Involved in data analytics and digital health since the last 5 years. A start-up specialist having been involved in setting up 8 major healthcare and research organizations across India.
- Have been trained by Harvard Medical International, USA. Successfully trained more than 10,000 investigators, physicians, dentists, CRC's & CRAs' and other stakeholders including lab and pharmacy personnel, ethics committee members. Coordinated the setup of one of the largest vaccine studies in Egypt. Managed clinical trial projects across multiple countries.
- Set up ECs across hospitals in India.
- Advisor to various Govt departments and private institutes in the field of health and drug development.
- Leisure time spent on photography – wildlife, birds, & nature, astronomy etc



**Dr. Mukul Manchanda**

VP- Clinical Ops RWE, THB

- Clinical Research Professional with over 20 years of experience in the Industry, Sites & Academia.
- Multi-dimensional expertise in managing RWE, Clinical Operations, Safety Management, Leadership, Strategic Planning, Clinical Informatics, Data Management & Auditing; EDC & EMR Designing & Implementation.
- He has spearheaded creation of Centers of Excellence for clinical research & academic services for hospitals, SMOs & AROs.
- He is a certified NABH principal assessor for Clinical Research Accreditation and hospital certification by the Quality Council of India.
- He has successfully audited Ethics Committees and multi-centric clinical trials sites.
- Faculty for training Clinical Sites, Investigators, pharmaceutical industry professionals, EC members, KOLs, nurses, post-graduate and undergraduate students in Bioethics, Patient safety & Human Rights, Guidelines & Regulations.



**Dr. Sulabh Tripathi**  
Fortis Healthcare

- Dr. Tripathi is heading the Operations for Clinical Research Vertical PAN Fortis & also looks into Clinical Talent Management.
- He works as General Manager for MSOG.
- He has dynamic professional offering of over 18+ years of qualitative experience in Healthcare operations, project management & business development.
- He is a certified NABH Assessor & conducts Quality assessments for Clinical research Ethics committees all across India.
- He has been previously associated with several Multinational Research Organizations & International Healthcare Organizations. He has work with CliniRx research, Quintiles/IQVIA Research, Cognition Group & Sovereign Health of California etc. During his last couple of assignments, he was working as an Asst. Director for Excel Life Sciences/IQVIA and global Head-Clinical Operations for American Healthcare Company.





## Mr. Rajesh Saxena

Associate Vice President-  
Clinical Research,  
Max Healthcare

- Rajesh Saxena, with total 25 years of service experience is associated with Max Healthcare since Apr'2005. In his 17 years of clinical research career at Max Healthcare, he shaped the the "Office of Research" and expanded it from single site Max Saket, Delhi to across 15 hospitals of Max Healthcare group, He is having wide experience of conducting 450+ clinical trials, registries & grants
- Rajesh is a MBA by qualification and pursuing PhD in Healthcare Management, he is proficient in managing, motivating and leading teams of 70 plus for running successful research projects with proven ability of achieving service delivery / process targets. He is also involved in clinical research training program as Guide / Faculty for the MPH and Masters Course in clinical research.
- As an Associate Vice President Clinical Research, he provide operational support to Office of Research-, to develop and implement operational tools, procedures and processes, which promote the clinical research excellence across Max Healthcare, enhance productivity, profitability, accuracy, quality & training.





**Dr. Jamal Baig**

Multi Country Safety Head –  
South Asia & Indo-China  
(Vietnam) at **Sanofi India**

- Head of Pharmacovigilance country operations in India, Sri Lanka, Nepal, Bhutan, Bangladesh, Maldives , Vietnam, Cambodia & Laos at Sanofi India – From Nov 2021.
- Fifteen Years of work experience in various capacities.
- PV Country Head at MSD Pharmaceuticals Pvt for more than 11 years. Team Leader, Pfizer Drug and Safety PV Process with Wipro Ltd Lecturer NIPER, Govt of India. Industry Positions:
- Chairman of PV Council ISCR (India Society For Clinical Research) – Oct 2021- to till date .
- PV Task force OPPI/ India PV update lead – EFPI
- Leading role in development of PV guidelines for MAH in India released by CDSCO-NCC- PvPI in Sep 2017.
- Invited faculty at NCC-PvPI both for AMCs and PV Program
- Speaker at various national and international PV events like DIA , Virtual Insights, PV Day, ISCR , FICCI etc.



**Dr. Bina Naik**

MBBS, MD, PGDBM

Co Founder and Sr VP- emerging  
Business at CBCC Global Research

- Co-Founder of CBCC Global Research (earlier known as Vibgyor Scientific Research).
- CBCC is an ISO 9001:2015 certified mid-sized, full service CRO with offices in USA and India.
- She is an experienced Clinical Research Professional with a demonstrated history of working in medical device and pharmaceuticals clinical trials, with wide experience of clinical trial management.
- Apart from setting up clinical operations, she also set up core laboratories for various modalities such as ECG, Echocardiography, Coronary and peripheral angiography, OCT, Spirometry and multiple Imaging modalities at CBCC. She also established the Bio repository operations at CBCC, one of the first such establishments in India.
- She was instrumental in setting up a central laboratory – DiaPoint Labs in 2020.
- She has conducted several training programs and has been faculty at national and international conferences and workshops in clinical trial space.



## Mr. Anirban Roy Chowdhury

Associate Vice President,  
Global Clinical Research- India Head  
Sun Pharmaceuticals Industries Ltd.

- Clinical Research Professional with 24 years of experience in the pharmaceutical industry, academia and the Govt. of India.
- Started his career as a CRA in AstraZeneca India.
- Served in senior leadership capacity at MSD, Bharat Serums and Vaccines Ltd and Translational Health Science & Technology Institute under Ministry of Science & Technology, Government of India.
- He is the Treasurer, Indian Society for Clinical Research, a not for profit professional association of clinical researchers.
- He is Adjunct Visiting Faculty at Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences.
- He has done his Masters in Pharmacy with specialization in Pharmacology from Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences and Executive Business Management Program from IIM, Lucknow.



**Dr. Vasantha  
Muthuswamy**

President, Forum for Ethics Review  
Committees in India(FERCI)  
Chairperson, Central Ethics Committee  
on Human Research, **ICMR**

- Medical graduate from R.G.Kar Medical college, Kolkata and postgraduate in Gynae/ Obstetrics from Madras Medical college.
- Retired as Senior Deputy Director General /Scientist G & Head, Division of Basic Medical Sciences and Reproductive Health & Nutrition, ICMR, New Delhi in 2008 after 30 years of service.
- WHO Fellow at the Kennedy Institute of Ethics, Georgetown University, Washington DC. 1997
- Responsible for ICMR ethical guidelines & other guidelines for Stem cell research, GM Food safety evaluation, GCLP & Animal experimentation.
- Participated in GCP & Ethics workshop/training programme/ EC Survey in more than 30 countries
- Lifetime achievement awards from FERCAP, ICSR, IJME and Yenapoya university
- Delivered multiple Orations , contributed 10 Book Chapters and more than 25 publications in the area of Bioethics.
- Member of the Ranjit Roy Choudhry Committee on Policy issues for Clinical trials in India.



## Dr. D. Raghunadharao

Professor & Head  
GSL Medical College  
Rajamahendravaram

- 1989 – 2013: Professor of Medical Oncology, NIMS, Hyderabad
- Built a comprehensive cancer centre
- Established DM, Ph D and Post Doctoral Programs
- Established a Hospital Based Cancer Registry
- Established an Early Phase Clinical Trials Unit with assistance from the University of Oxford
- Established the Greater Hyderabad Metropolitan Cancer Registry
- UICC ICRETT Fellow at the Princess Margaret Hospital in Toronto in BMT and University of Birmingham in Palliative Care and Women's Cancers
- 2013 to 2020: Founder Director, Homi Bhabha Cancer Hospital & Research Centre, Visakhapatnam
- Awarded the Dr. B C Roy Award for outstanding contribution to the field of oncology by the Medical Council of India



**Dr. K. Chandrashekhar**

CEO & Managing partner,  
Leiutis Pharmaceuticals LLP,  
Hyderabad

- K.Chandrashekhar(KC) is a pharmaceutical new product professional with over 2 decades of experience in pharmaceutical research in bringing innovative products from design to commercialization in different markets (USA, EU, & India). He has over 50 patent & publications. He is an alumnus of Birla Institute of Technology, IIM Calcutta, and he is certified in “Design thinking” from IDEO (USA). Prior to co-founding Leiutis, he was associated with Dabur Research Foundation & Dr.Reddy’s.

- He & his team are currently involved with:

- ☐ Cannabinoids research: This involves designing innovative products containing cannabinoids for the treatment of CNS disorders, chronic pain, & inflammatory disorders
- ☐ Pain management: Innovative products for the management of perioperative pain to reduce opioid usage
- ☐ Novel Imaging agents: These are novel agents for applications in contrast imaging



**Professor Nirmal Kumar  
Ganguly**

Ex- DG ICMR, President-AHERF

- Prof. N. K. Ganguly is MBBS, MD, DSC and is a fellow of 3 Science Academies and Medical Academy in India is also a fellow of Imperial College London and fellow of School of Tropical Medicine, London and is fellow of Third World Academy and as well as Academy of Cardiovascular Sciences.
- He has guided / Co-guided more than 158 PhD thesis and published 800 peer reviewed papers and 117 awards; 7 of them are international.
- He has been a member / chair of large number of International and National boards in WHO / NIH / Canara Innovation fund and Grand Challenge / Ist board of Bill and Melinda Gates Grand Challenge.
- He has been of Prof. of Experimental medicine of Biotechnology PGI. He was a Director PGI, Chandigarh, NIB and Director General - Indian Council of Medical Research. He was awarded Padma Bhushan by Government of India in 1998.





**Dr. Ajith V. Kamath**

PhD Advisor,  
Pandorum Technologies,  
Sr. Advisor, Mestastop Solutions

- Ajith Kamath has 28+ years of preclinical drug discovery experience, primarily at Pfizer Worldwide R&D, USA
- Ajith joined Pfizer's R&D center in Groton, CT and Cambridge, MA and worked there for 13+ years as an Associate Director
- He served as Sr. V.P. at Jubilant Biosys for four years
- Ajith rejoined Pfizer as the Head of External R&D Innovation, Worldwide R&D, Pfizer, India and successfully initiated collaborations with Indian pharma companies and academia
- He also served as Executive Director at Mitra Biotech to lead their External Research efforts. During this period, he established collaborations with several oncology hospitals
- Currently, Ajith is an Advisor to two start-up companies (i) Pandorum Technologies, focused on corneal blindness, liver and lung diseases and (ii) Mestastop Solutions working on cancer metastasis
- He is a member of the Government of India DBT-BIRAC committees, including BIG, BioNEST, SEED and National Biopharma Mission
- Ajith obtained his Ph.D. in Biochemistry from the Indian Institute of Science and carried out postdoctoral studies at the Univ. of Texas-Austin and Stanford University



## Dr. Uday Saxena

Cofounder and CEO ,  
Reagene Innovations,  
Ex-Pfizer

- Dr. Uday Saxena is a pharma Executive who has held C level positions in large and small multinational companies.
- He is vastly experienced in preclinical drug discovery and development He has a PhD from memorial University of Newfoundland, Canada and a Post-Doctoral Fellowship from Columbia University in New York. He has since then held positions of increasing responsibilities at Parke-Davis/Pfizer, Michigan, Athero Genomics Inc, a NASDAQ listed Company where he was Vice President of Research.
- He then became Chief Scientific Officer of Dr. Reddy's Laboratories in USA and India, a Company listed on NYSE since 2000.
- He is currently Cofounder and CEO of a start-up Company working on 3D Bioprinting platform for COVID, Inflammation and diabetes products. He is an inventor on 30 plus granted or filed patents and over 60 peer reviewed publications.
- He is an invited speaker on several International Pharma forums.



**Dr. Denis Xavier**

Professor of Pharmacology  
St. Johns Research Institute,  
Bangalore

- Professor of Pharmacology , St John's Medical College and Head, Division of Clinical Research and Training, St John's Research Institute, Bangalore, Dr Denis Xavier is an MBBS MD and an MSc from McMaster University Hamilton, Canada
- Has been the Course Director for national and international courses including Randomized Clinical Trials, Health Research methodology and evidence based medicine,
- He has 196 publications and 7 book chapters to his name, with 131,837 G Scholar citations
- National Coordinator and Principal investigator/ Co Investigator for many studies and registries.
- He is a Member of several Ethics Committees and review boards since 2014
- He has 14+ years of teaching experience and has guided many medical students.



**Dr. Amitava Ray**

Founder-Director,  
Exesegen Research

- MBBS University of Calcutta 1991
- FRCS General Surgery 1997
- FRCS Neurosurgery 2003
- Doctorate in Medicine- University of Cardiff UK 2007
- Fellowship in Neuro-oncology and Pediatric Neurosurgery, University of Toronto 2002-2004
- Formerly Consultant Neurosurgeon The Alder Hey Childrens' Hospital and the Walton Centre for Neurology and Neurosurgery- Liverpool UK
- Formerly Clinical Director Apollo Research and Innovations
- More than 100 papers and invited lectures
- Current research interest – liquid biopsy for brain tumors



**Dr. Gulam Hussain Syed**

Scientist E,  
Institute of Life Sciences

- **Scientist E**, DBT-Institute of Life Sciences, Bhubaneswar, India (2016 to present)
- Wellcome Trust-DBT India Alliance Intermediate Fellow
- Ramalingaswami Re-entry Fellowship from Department of Biotechnology
- Project Scientist, University of California, San Diego, USA (2011 to 2015)
- Post-Doctoral Fellow, University of California, San Diego, USA (2008 to 2011)
- PhD Biochemistry, University of Hyderabad, Hyderabad, India (2001-2007)



**Dr. Prakash Srinivasan**

Senior Toxicologist –  
Avanos Medical, Georgia

- Dr. Prakash Srinivasan is an European Registered Toxicologist (ERT).
- Currently he is working as a **Senior Toxicologist – Avanos Medical Alpharetta, GA for medical device biocompatibility assessment**
- He has over 18 + years of experience in medical Devices and worked for companies like Baxter, J&J, North Louisiana Criminalistics Laboratory – Shreveport, LA ,etc.
- He evaluated 17 doctoral thesis as an external examiner and was invited for many International presentation.
- Postdoctoral fellowship: Tulane University and Louisiana State University Health Science
- He is a member of Society of Toxicology , American College of Toxicology and Royal Society of Biology
- He has 18 publications and 14 book chapters to his name.



**Dr. Amitabha Ghosh**

Director and Head,  
Department of Neurology,  
Apollo Multispeciality  
Hospitals Kolkata

- Dr Ghosh is an MBBS, MD, MRCP(UK), CCST(NEUROLOGY, UK), FRCP (LONDON), FRCP (EDIN), Clinical neurologist, researcher and mentor for last 35 years.
- Heads the Department of Neurology and Cognitive Neurology
- Has been authoring original research work in leading neurology and neuroscience journals for many years
- Research highlights distinctive clinical, neuropsychological, genetic and therapeutic aspects of dementias
- Peer reviewer for leading international and national journals of neurology
- Member and current co-chair of the National Task Force on Cognitive Science Research Initiative, Department of Science and Technology, GOI





**Dr. Amit Asthana**

HOD and Associate  
Professor, NIPER Hyderabad

- Dr Asthana has more than 21 years of post-doctoral experience in the field of biomaterials, micro/nanotechnology, microfluidics device designing, fabrication and characterization, hot embossing, cleanroom operations, and paper microfluidic.
- Dr Asthana is a **Fellow of the Telangana Academy of Science** and the recipient of many fellowships including S.R.F. (C.S.I.R., India), **Curie Fellowship** (France), & **Brainpool Fellowship** (KRF, South Korea), and **Ramalingaswami Return Fellowship** (DBT, India).
- Dr Asthana has recently been appointed as a member of the advisory board of Huwel Life Sciences Pvt. Ltd., Hyderabad.



**Dr. Arun D Bhatt**

Consultant –  
Clinical R&D Development

- Has extensive experience of over three decades in the Indian pharmaceutical industry in clinical research, drug development, and regulatory affairs. He has managed clinical development of novel molecular entities in diverse therapeutic areas in all clinical development phases.
- Is Editor-in-Chief of Perspectives in Clinical Research – the journal of ISCR.
- In 2009, the Institute of Clinical Research UK nominated Dr Bhatt for the Honorary Fellowship of Institute of Clinical Research. Was earlier the President of Indian Society for Clinical Research (ISCR).
- Is the recipient of Drug Information Association Outstanding Service award 2012 for his immense contributions in his field of specialization.
- Was awarded ISCR Special Award 2017 for Notable Contribution to Clinical Research Fraternity in India
- Has more than 200 publications in national and international journals.
- Published book “Clinical Trials and “Good Clinical Practice in India – Questions and Answers”



## Dr. Pooja Sharma

Founder & CEO

APAR Health Services &  
Adviser, Medanta Institute of  
Education and Research

- A clinician-researcher and research-enabler with 23 years of expertise.
- Specialized (MD) in the field of Obs & Gynae from Institute of Medical Sciences, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi, (INDIA).
- Has spearheaded the establishment of two Government of India / DSIR recognized SIRO units one at Society for Applied studies and the other at Medanta Institute of Education and Research. Is an experienced Investigator with over 20 projects successfully completed. Has research grants from public and private sponsors in addition to Clinical Trials.
- Committed to bioethics and is a strong advocate for patient awareness of research. As Founder Secretary of the multi stakeholder patient empowerment program – PARTAKE, she works with Patients and patient advocates for promoting research awareness.
- She has supported capacity building in research through various national and international skilling programs. She is well in reputed national and international journals.



## Dr. B Sesikera

Former Director of National  
Institute of Nutrition  
ICMR Hyderabad.

- Dr. Sesikera MD was the Former Director of National Institute of Nutrition , ICMR Hyderabad.
- He is a Pathologist by training and has carried out research in the area of Nutrition, Food Safety, and Toxicology for 30 years.
- He has developed guidelines for Probiotics in foods, Guidelines for Genetically Engineered food safety, Guidelines for Biosimilar Drugs, Recommended Dietary Allowances (2010) and Dietary Guidelines (2011). He has over 120 publications and Chapters in 3 Books.
- he was the chairperson of scientific committees in the PFA and later in the FSSAI panels until 2014. As well as in BIS committees.
- He is a Fellow of the National Academy of Medical Sciences and Fellow of the International Medical Scientists Academy. He is a member of American Society for Nutrition.
- He is Fellow of AP & Telangana Academies of Sciences. Past President Nutrition Society of India. He is Public Trustee of ILSI India. Member Governing Body of Nutrition Foundation India, Member Scientific Advisory Committee Gut Microbiota and Probiotic Science Foundation (India). He is also the Chairman of the Scientific Advisory Committee of PFNDIAI.

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**Dr. A K Pradhan**

Joint Drugs Controller (India)  
CDSCO

- Mr. A.K. Pradhan started his career in Central Drugs Laboratory, Kolkata, where he worked in the Department of Pharmacology for more than seven years.
- He joined Central Drugs Standard Control Organization in 1996 where he is currently Joint Drugs Controller (India) looking after the Divisions of New Drugs, Investigational New Drug, Subsequent New Drugs, Ethics Committee for clinical trial, Drugs Consultative Committee & Drugs Technical Advisory Board meetings, etc.
- He has more than 25 years of experience in drug regulation especially in the regulation of new drugs, Investigational New Drug and clinical trials. He has been instrumental in drafting of various rules, regulation and regulatory guidelines. Major such rules, guidelines framed recently are New Drugs & Clinical Trials Rules, 2019, Guidelines for Evaluation of Nano-pharmaceuticals in India, Regulatory Guidelines for Development of Vaccines with Special Consideration for COVID-19 Vaccine, etc.



**Dr. Robert Hood**  
**PhD**

Director of Accreditation  
and Global Outreach  
Association for the  
Accreditation of Human  
Research Protection  
Programs (AAHRPP)

- Robert Hood, PhD has a background in applied ethics and has worked in academia, government, and not-for-profit organizations.
- He has served as an IRB chair and managed the HRPP at the Florida Department of Health - the first public health agency to obtain accreditation of the HRPP.
- He has implemented public health ethics programs and chaired a public health ethics advisory committee at the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.
- He served as Associate Professor of Philosophy (with tenure) at Middle Tennessee State University.



## Dr. Pratibha Pereira

Professor and HOD  
Department of Geriatrics  
HOD of Centre for clinical  
Research Excellence  
Member of Ethics  
committee

JSS Medical College and  
Hospital  
Mysuru- 15  
Karnataka

## Areas of specialization and experience

- *Geriatrics*
  - *Clinical research*
  - *Standards of Quality for hospital*
- Coordinated and led the first AAHRPP accreditation in INDIA Manipal hospital Bangalore
  - Instrumental in developing NABH EC standards of accreditation
  - Technical committee head for EC accreditation NABH
  - Member of committee for revision of clinical trials chapter of ICMR guidelines 2019
  - Started the Clinical Research Center at JSSAHER
  - Publication in more than 58 in national and international journals.





**Lt. Gen. (Dr.) Velu  
Nair (Retd)**

Group Head- Medical  
Services &  
Chief Consultant –  
Haemato-Oncology & BMT  
Apollo - CBCC, Ahmedabad

## LT GEN (DR) VELU NAIR (RETD)

- Director General Medical Services (Army)
- President's Honorary Surgeon , Dean of AFMC, Pune
- President of National Society of Haematology (ISHBT)

## RESEARCH AND ACADEMICS

- Chair of Nuclear Accident Management (NAM) Committee APBM
- Chair, Co-chair and Member of the various committees in the ICMR, DBT, DRDO & NBE Involved with Accreditation activities at NABH

## AWARDS

- Prestigious **Presidential award** for distinguished services  
Param Vishisht/Ati Vishisht/Vishisht Seva Medal
- Award for **Excellence in Medical Education** by the NBE

## PUBLICATIONS

over 250 publications in various International / National Journals & Books, Authored three textbooks in Medicine, chairman drafting committee of National Guidelines for HCT (ICMR); NAM Guidelines for Nuclear Emergencies for APBMT & NAMS VTE Report



## Dr. Sita Naik

Former Member, Board of  
governors Medical Council  
of India, **Ex- Dean, SGPGI**

- Retired Professor and Head, Department of Immunology and Dean, Sanjay Gandhi Postgraduate Institute of Medical Sciences, Lucknow
- Member, Board of Governors, Medical Council of India 2010-11
- Participated actively in teaching and propagating the areas of research methodology and scientific communication
- Has been on numerous committees of ICMR, DBT, DST and Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
- Has chaired and been member of multiple Ethics Committees; currently member of PHFI Ethics Committee
- Major research interest in Immunology of infectious diseases with particular reference to Leishmaniasis and viral hepatitis;
- completed over 25 research projects funded by multiple agencies including DST, DBT and WHO
- Guided multiple MSc and PhD students
- Published 143 peer reviewed papers and contributed 30 book chapters.



**Dr. Viny Kantroo**

Consultant, Respiratory,  
Critical Care and Sleep  
Medicine

Indraprastha Apollo  
Hospitals Delhi and Noida

- MBBS, DNB and IDCCM, Critical Care, Dr Viny Kantroo is a Fellow from King's College Hospital, NHS Foundation Trust, London
- She is a recipient of Chikitsak Ratna Award (Indian Medical Association, South Delhi)
- Certificate of Appreciation in service of humanity during COVID 19 Pandemic (Indian Medical Association, South Delhi).
- Author of numerous book chapters including 3 chapters in "Comprehensive Textbook of COVID-19". And many publications in international and national journals
- Principal investigator and co-investigator of multiple clinical trials



## Dr. Nandini K. Kumar

Former Deputy Director  
General Sr. Grade (ICMR)  
Vice-President FERCI

- She graduated and post graduated (Diploma in Clinical Pathology) from Government Medical College, Trivandrum and did Masters in Bioethics from the University of Toronto, Canada.
- She received 'Lifetime Achievement Award from ISCR' and Outstanding international Surveyor Award' for 2019 from FERCAP
- She is one of the first Indian Fogarty Fellow graduate in Bioethics from the University of Toronto, Canada and as Fogarty awardee, she pioneered bioethics education in India from 2002 -2013.
- She was member of international panel of President Obama's Commission for the study of bioethical issues.
- Currently, she is a consultant for bioethics and traditional medicine research activities including those for WHO.



## **Prof. Pramil Tiwari**

Prof & Head  
Dept of Pharm Practice  
NIPER, Mohali, Punjab

- Pharmaceutical professional with over 33 years of experience
- Over 20 years in higher education @NIPER, Mohali
- Expertise in training of pharmacy post grads @NIPER, Mohali
- 3yr stint @ Dabur Res Foundation with the Medical Advisor
- Close research collaboration with clinicians
- Mentored over 155 post grads and PhD scholars
- Over 225 abstracts at national & International meetings
- Over 100 pharmacy-centric publications
- Assisted a new NIPER to develop the dept of pharm practice
- Jt Secy, India-ISPOR chapter
- Fac Advisor, ISPOR student chapter @ NIPER, Mohali
- Chairman, Medical Devices course @ NIPER, Mohali since 2020

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**Mr. Tapankumar Shah**

Senior Director  
AstraZeneca

- He is a pharmacist by education.
- More than 16+ years of experience in clinical research industry.
- He has worked on global clinical trials on several therapeutic areas over the period of years.
- Has assumed country level, regional, and global positions in MNC pharmaceutical companies.
- He is presently appointed at AstraZeneca as Senior Director and head of India and Asia Area Cluster countries for clinical operations.