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Scientific Program

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Day 1 – 30th April 2026 - Thursday

Time	Hall A (STEIN AUDI)	Hall B (GULMOHAR)	Hall C: (MAGNOLIA)
8.00 AM ONWARDS	REGISTRATION		
8:30–10:00 AM	<p>Vitiligo Consensus Session Global Vitiligo Atlas (GLOVA) Update: Advocacy and Redefining Severity Criteria</p> <p>Chairperson: Dr. Davinder Parsad</p> <p>Faculty: Dr. Khaled Ezzedine Dr. Viktoria Eleftheriadou</p>	<p>Indian Hyperpigmentation Consensus Meeting</p> <p>Chairperson: Dr Rashmi Sarkar</p> <p>Faculty: Dr Surabhi Sinha, Dr Ludger Kolbe, Dr. Vinay K, Dr. Hitaishi Mehta, Dr. Sonali Langar, Dr. Sunil Dogra, Dr. Bhavesh Swarnkar</p> <p>8.30–8.55 AM Indian Consensus on hyperpigmentation– Dr. Rashmi Sarkar</p> <p>8.55-9.15 AM- Focus on newer advances in treatment of hyperpigmentation-Dr Ludger Kolbe</p> <p>9.15- 10.00 AM– Discussion (All faculty)</p>	<p>Pigmentary Workshop 1- Vitiligo Surgery (Video Workshop) 8.30 – 11.30 AM</p> <p>8:30 – 8:50 AM “Surgical Management of Vitiligo: Indications and Patient Selection” Dr Vinay K</p> <p>8:50 – 9:10 AM“ Recipient Site Preparation: Principles and Techniques” Dr Hitaishi Mehta</p> <p>9:10 – 9:30 AM “NCES: Technique and Outcomes” Dr Sumit Gupta</p> <p>9:30 – 9:50 AM “Laboratory Processing: Trypsinization and Cell Suspension Preparation” Dr Madhulika Mhatre</p> <p>9:50 – 10:10 AM “NCFCS: Technique and Comparative Utility” Dr Somesh Gupta</p> <p>10:10 – 10:30 AM “SBEG and Thin Split-Thickness Skin Grafting” Dr Vinay K</p> <p>10:30 – 10:50 AM “Mini-Punch and Micropunch Grafting” Dr Amit Dalla</p> <p>10:50 – 11:10 AM “Complications in Vitiligo Surgery: Prevention, Recognition, and Management” Dr Amit Kumar Meena</p>

			11:10 – 11:30 AM “Innovations, Refinements, and Adjunctive Techniques in Vitiligo Surgery” Dr Somesh Gupta
10:00–11:30 AM	<p>Concurrent 1: Melasma – Mechanisms and Management (Chair: Dr. Neena Khanna, Dr. Steven Thng)</p> <p>C1.1: 10.00-10.15 AM Dr. Sonali Langar "Chemical Peels in Melasma: Optimizing Protocols for Pigment-Prone Skin"</p> <p>C1.2: 10.15–10.30 AM Dr. Rashmi Sarkar "Microneedling and PRP in treatment of melasma"</p> <p>C1.3: 10:30–10.45 AM Dr Steven Thng "Polyamine inhibitor in melasma"</p> <p>C1.4 10.45–11.00 AM Dr. Michelle Rodrigues - Postinflammatory hyperpigmentation and visible light exposure</p> <p>C1.5: 11.00–11.10 AM Dr. Yutaka Shirasugi "Dual Action of Potassium 4-methoxysalicylate (4MSK) on Melanocytes and Keratinocytes for Reducing Hyperpigmentation"</p> <p>C1.6: 11.10–11.20 AM Dr. Surabhi Dayal "Chemical Peels for Periorbital Pigmentation"</p>	<p>Concurrent 2: Melanoma – Molecular Basis (Chair: Dr. Sukhjot Kaur, Dr Mukta Sachdev)</p> <p>C2.1: 10:00–10.15 AM Prof. Arup Indra "Melanomagenesis"</p> <p>C2.2: 10.15–10.30 AM Prof. Tokimasa Hida "Genetic Abnormalities in Melanoma: The Japanese Experience"</p> <p>C2.3: 10:30–10.45 AM Prof. Vijayasaradhi Setaluri "Advances in Melanoma Biology"</p> <p>C2.4: 10.45–11.00 AM Prof. Suzie Chen "Treatment resistant proteins in melanoma"</p> <p>C2.5: 11.00–11.10 AM Dr. Lionel Larue "MICAL2 Regulates β-Catenin Signaling to Drive Melanoma Progression and Therapy Resistance"</p> <p>C2.6: 11.10–11.20 AM Dr. Shruthy Suresh "Feeding Frenzy: Melanoma cells phagocytose dead cells to enable invasion"</p>	
11:30 AM–1:00 PM	Regional Society Meetings		Pigmentary Workshop 2-Chemical Peels (Live Workshop) 11.30 – 1.00 PM

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11.30 am - 1.00 pm	PASPCR (MAHOGANY HALL)	JSPCR (GULMOHAR)	ESPCR (Hall A - STEIN)	ASPCR (CHINAR)	
1:00 – 2:00 PM	Lunch (PLUS IFPCS Council Meeting - MAHOGANY HALL)				LUNCH
2:00 – 3:00 PM	<p>2.00-2.30 PM- Opening Ceremony (Chairs: Dr Rashmi Sarkar, Dr Lluís Montoliu) Chief Guest : Dr Sarita Beri, Director LHMC, New Delhi</p> <p>2.30–2.55 PM: Opening Keynote Speaker: Prof. Henry Lim “Photoprotection and Pigmentation: Bridging Light, Skin, and Science”</p>				
3:00 – 4.30 PM	<p>Plenary 1 (Combined Hall A & B) (Chair: Dr. Masatake Osawa, Dr. Kaushal Verma)</p> <p>P1.1 3:00–3.25 PM: "Navigating Lasers in Pigmentary Disorders" Dr. Anil Ganjoo</p> <p>P1.2: 3.30–3.55 PM: Dr. Meri Tulic “Mitochondria and melanocyte immunity: A new Axis in vitiligo”</p> <p>P1.3: 4:00–4.25 PM Seiji Memorial Lecture (IFPCS) Dr. Suzie Chen “Translational application of mouse models of melanoma”</p>				<p>Workshop 3: PERIORBITAL REJUVENATION 3:00 pm – 4:15 pm</p> <p>3:00–3:15 PM Dr. Gulhima Arora “PDRN”</p> <p>3:15–3:25 PM Dr. Gulhima Arora “Exosomes”</p> <p>3:25–3:35 PM Dr. Indu Ballani “Threads” (Video)</p> <p>3:35–3:45 PM Dr. Madhuri Agarwal “MeLine for under eye pigmentation”</p>

		<p>3:45–3:55 PM Dr. Priyansh Gupta “Cosmeceuticals that work”</p> <p>3:55–4:10 PM Dr. Gulhima Arora “Booster (Saypha Rich)”</p> <p>4:10–4:15 PM Discussion</p>
4.30 - 5.30 PM	<p>Poster Walk Dr. Eric Lan, Dr. Masatake Osawa, Dr. Lluís Montoliu GULMOHAR HALL FOYER</p>	<p>Workshop 4: Lasers (4:15-5.15 pm)</p> <p>4:15–4:25 PM Dr. Aanchal Bansal “Principles and Mechanism of Action of QS Nd:YAG”</p> <p>4:35–4:45 PM Dr. Latika Arya “QSNd:YAG Laser for freckles and periocular hyperpigmentation”</p> <p>4:45–4:55 PM Dr. Bhavesh Swarnkar “Lasers for post-inflammatory hyperpigmentation, melasma and lichen planus pigmentosus”</p> <p>4:55–5:05 PM Dr. Rahul Arora “Laser modifications for pigmentary conditions”</p> <p>5:05–5:15 PM Discussion</p>
7:00 pm	IFPCS Council Dinner (For IFPCS Members)	

1st May 2026 Day 2 – Friday

Time	Hall A (STEIN)	Hall B (MAGNOLIA)	Hall C GULMOHAR
8:30 – 9:30 AM	<p>Oral papers – Session 1 (Chairs: Dr. Sang Ho Oh, Dr. Deepika Yadav)</p> <p>08.30-08.40 AM Prof. Jonathan Hale Zippin “Development of PDE8 inhibitors for the treatment of rare melanomas”</p> <p>08.40-08.50 AM Dr. Nirmala Nair “Paracrine signaling in hyperpigmentation”</p> <p>08.50-09.00 AM Mr. Gaurav Kumar “Beyond Carbonylation: Pinpointing Cross-Linked Protein Oligomers as the Drivers of Skin Discoloration and Offering Interventions”</p> <p>09.00-09.10 AM Dr. Young-Eun Kim “ATG7 dysfunction in senescent melanocytes and hypopigmented skin: Reversal by metformin”</p> <p>09.10-9.20 AM Dr. Hitaishi Kaushik “miR-2909 disrupts Mitochondria-Melanosome interaction via the KLF4-MFN2-NCKX5 pathway to inhibit melanogenesis in vitiligo”</p>	<p>Poster Session (with Discussion) (Dr. Eric Lan, Dr. Masatake Osawa, Dr. Lluís Montoliu)</p> <p>GULMOHAR HALL FOYER</p>	<p>Theme: Dermal Hypermelanosis Spectrum and about the ILDS (Dr. Deepak Shirbhate, Dr. Pooja Arora Mrig)</p> <p>8.30-8.45 AM: Dr. Venkataram Mysore “Lasers in ADMH”</p> <p>8.45-9.15 AM: Panel Discussion: Dermal Pigment Dilemmas: Diagnosis, Depth, and What to Do Next Moderator : Dr. Vinay K</p> <p>Panelists: Dr. Liza Mohapatra, Dr Manju Daroach, Dr Vishal Gupta, Dr. Venkataram Mysore</p> <p>9.15-9.30 AM Dr. Henry Lim “What does the ILDS do”</p>
9:30 – 11:30 AM	<p>Plenary 2: New Horizons in Pigment Cell Research and Clinical Translation (Chair: Prof. Jonathan Hale Zippin, Dr. Atul Kochhar)</p> <p>P2.1 9.30–9.55 PM: Keynote Address: Dr. Lluís Montoliu – <i>“Unveiling the Roles of Extracutaneous Melanin: Insights from Pigment Biology”</i></p> <p>P2.2 10.00–10.25 AM: Dr. Somesh Gupta – <i>“Precision Prognostics in Vitiligo: From Phenotypic Stratification to Personalized Treatment Pathways”</i></p>		

	<p>P2.3 10.30–10.55 AM: Dr. Cheng Feng “Photomodulation and Pigmentary Disorders: From Mechanisms to Clinical Application”</p> <p>P2.4 11.00–11.25 AM: Takeuchi Medal (JSPCR) Dr. Tamio Suzuki “Establishment of mice models for pigmentary disorders including post inflammatory hyperpigmentation, chemical-induced vitiligo, and autoimmune vitiligo”</p>		
11:30 AM –1:00 PM	<p>Concurrent 3: Vitiligo – Basic Science (Chair: Prof. Arup Indra, Dr. John Harris)</p> <p>C3.1 11.30–11.45 AM: Prof. Emi Nishimura “Stem Cells in the Skin: A Window into Regeneration and Disease”</p> <p>C3.2 12.00–12.15 PM: Prof. Jonathan Hale Zippin “cAMP and Beyond: Revisiting Melanin Regulation in Human Skin”</p> <p>C3.3 12.15–12.25 PM Dr. Neha Pilkhwal “Role of BMP-Signaling Inhibitors in Nonsegmental Vitiligo Pathogenesis”</p> <p>C3.4 12.25–12.35 PM Dr. Archana Singh “Vitiligo Patient-Derived 3D Skin Models Reveal Fibroblast-Dependent Immune and Melanocyte Dynamics in Vitiligo”</p> <p>C3.5 12.35–12.45 PM Dr. Mohinder Kaur “Influence of Bacterial Conditioned Media and Monobenzene on Melanocyte Viability and Melanogenesis: A Study Toward Restoring Pigmentation Balance”</p>	<p>Concurrent 4: Pathogenesis and interesting entities in Pigmentary Disorders (Chair: Dr Prabhat Kumar, Dr. Hee Young Kang)</p> <p>C4.1 11.30–11.45 AM: Dr. Hideya Ando “Microenvironmental Modulators of Pigmentation”</p> <p>C4.2 11.45–12.00 PM: Dr. Ludger Kolbe “Current Understanding of Exogenous Ochronosis”</p> <p>C4.3 12.00–12.15 PM: Dr. Antoine Gliksohn “Albinism: A current review of research and research gaps”</p> <p>C4.4 12.15–12.25 PM Dr. Ken Okamura “Genetic Landscape of Albinism in Japan: Analysis of 290 Families”</p> <p>C4.5 12.25–12.35 PM Dr. Akiko Omori “The mitochondria-fusion protein Opa1 is required for melanocyte stem cell homeostasis”</p>	<p>Theme: Inauguration 11.30 AM-12.15 PM Inauguration: Pigmentarycon 2026 Chairpersons - Dr. Rashmi Sarkar, Dr. Bhavesh Swarnkar, Dr. Surabhi Sinha</p> <p>Therapeutic Sponsored Sessions (12.15 -1.00 pm) Session 2 : 30 minutes (LRP) 12.15 pm – 12.45 pm Association of hyperpigmentation modulation agents including 2 mercaptonicotinoyl glycine (2 MNG) to personalize treatments for all skin tones and related disorders-Dr Tarun Chopra,Head Scientific Communications,Loreal)</p> <p>Session 3:Therapeutic Sponsored session 15 minutes (Cipla) 12.45 pm – 1.00pm Red Orange Complex: The Citrus secret to Skin radiance Dr Deepak Vohra</p>
1:00 – 2:00 PM	Lunch Break		

2:00 - 4:00 PM	<p>Plenary 3: Vitiligo – Translating Bench to Bedside (Chair: Dr. Iltefat Hamzavi, Dr. Vinay K)</p> <p>P3.1 2.00–2.25 PM: Keynote (Basic Research): Dr. Caroline Poole "Dietary factors and vitiligo development"</p> <p>P3.2 2.30–2.55 PM: Keynote (Clinical Translation): Dr. Davinder Parsad "Bridging Research and Practice: Integrating Biomarkers into Vitiligo Management"</p> <p>P3.3 3.00–3.25 PM: Dr. John Harris "Translational research in vitiligo: Launching a new era of targeted treatments"</p> <p>P3.4 3.30–3.55 PM H.S. Raper Medal (ESPCR) Dr. Graça Raposo "Pigmentation Unlocked: The Art and Science of Melanosomes in Cell Biology"</p>		<p>2.00 – 3.00 PM PDS AGBM</p> <p>3.00 – 4.00 PM</p> <p>3.00 – 3.30 PM – Therapeutic sponsored session 4 (Alpha Science) -Dr. Rashmi Sarkar: Melasma beyond pigment - New insights and the emerging role of Cysteamine</p> <p>3.30 – 4.00 PM Therapeutic sponsored session 5 (Skinnovation) Dr. Anil Ganjoo "Moving Beyond Q-Switched Lasers"</p>
4:00 - 5:30 PM	<p>Concurrent 5: Melanoma and Melanocyte Disorders– Clinical Approaches (Chair: Prof. Tokimasa Hida, Dr. Vijayasaradhi Setaluri)</p> <p>C5.1 4.00–4.15 PM: Prof Suzie Chen "Glutamatergic signaling in Acral and Mucosal Melanoma"</p> <p>C5.2 4.15–4.30 PM: Dr Hao Chang "Frizzled signalling in melanoma-Mechanisms and implications"</p> <p>C5.3 4.30–4.45 PM: Dr. Trilokraj Tejasvi "Melanoma -Clinical Aspects"</p>	<p>Concurrent 6: Melanocytes and Dermal pigmentation (Chair: Dr. Hideya Ando, Dr. SD Mehta)</p> <p>C6.1 4.00–4.15 PM: Prof. Arup Indra "Nuclear Receptors in Pigmentary Homeostasis"</p> <p>C6.2 4.15–4.30 PM: Dr. Sendhil Kumaran "Evolving understanding of pathogenesis of ADMH"</p> <p>C6.3 4.30–4.45 PM: Dr. Vinod Sharma "PD-1/PD-L1 Pathway in Vitiligo: Insights into Immune Checkpoint Modulation and Therapeutic Implications"</p> <p>C6.4 4.45–4.55 PM Prof. Jonathan Hale Zippin "Characterization of Novel pH-Sensitive Probes of the Melanosome"</p>	<p>Therapeutic Sponsored Session-6 (Eris) 4.00-4.30 pm Dr Rashmi Sarkar "Targeting The True Drivers Of Recalcitrant Melasma: Next Generation Multimodal Innovation"</p> <p>Theme: Debates (4.30-5.15 PM) (Moderator: Dr. Neena Khanna, Dr. Poonam Puri)</p> <p>4.30-4.45 PM: Antioxidants in Hyperpigmentation – hype or hope? (Dr Rishi Parasher-hype/Dr Madhuri Agarwal-hope)</p> <p>4.45-5.00 PM: Is It Time to Retire Hydroquinone in Pigmentary Therapy? (Dr. Anubha Dev/Dr. Priyanka)</p> <p>5.00-5.15 PM: AI-Assisted Diagnosis in Pigmentary Dermatoses: Friend or Future Liability? (Dr. Monisha Madhumita/ Dr. Sejal Jain)</p>

	C5.4 4.45–4.55 PM Dr Galibert Marie-Dominique “Targeting the Untargetable: ASO-Based Strategies for Resistant Melanoma”	C6.5 4.55–5.05 PM Dr. Xihe Chen “Chronic weak contact sensitization shapes the allergen profile of Riehl's melanosis: a retrospective study based on patch testing in China” C6.6 5.05–5.15 PM Dr. Chen Wang “Macrophages heterogeneity and its clinical significance in ADMH”	
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2nd May 2026 Day 3 – Saturday

Time	Hall A STEIN	Hall B MAGNOLIA	Hall C (Gulmohar)
8:30–10:30	<p>Plenary 4: Pigmentary Disorders in Practice Chair: Dr. Sanjeev Kandhari, Dr. Trilokraj Tejasvi</p> <p>P4.1 8.30–8.55 AM Dr Masatake Osawa: Conditional manipulation of melanocyte signaling pathways using the Pmel-inducible Cre line</p> <p>P4.2 9.00–09.25 AM Aaron Lerner Lecture (PASPCR): Dr. John Harris “Vitiligo treatment from the Bronze Age to the Age of Biologics: New hope for an ancient disease”</p> <p>P4.3 9.30–9.55 AM Dr Pearl Grimes: Keynote What’s new in pathogenesis of Melasma</p> <p>P4.4 10.00–10.25 AM Dr Rashmi Sarkar: Keynote: International Consensus on melasma</p>		<p>8.30 – 9.30 AM – Pigmentarycon Free Paper Session (Chairs-Dr. Shikha Bansal, Dr. Anubha Dev) Judges: Dr. Sandipan Dhar, Dr. S N Bhattacharya, Dr Indrashis Podder</p> <p>8:30–8:35 AM Dr. Ravinder Kumar “Role of 6-bromo-indirubin-3'-oxime in mitigating oxidative stress and immune dysregulation in vitiligo”</p> <p>8:35–8:40 AM Dr. Keshav Yadav “The invisible invader: a case series on demodicosis as a great masquerade of refractory facial dermatoses”</p> <p>8:40–8:45 AM Dr. Parth Vijay Rathi “Topical steroid damaged face: rapid reversal with methylene blue photodynamic therapy — a prospective case series”</p> <p>8:45–8:50 AM Dr. Anubhav Roy “Dermoscopic characterization of facial melanos in Indian patients: a tertiary care hospital based study”</p> <p>8:50–8:55 AM Dr. Jayanti Raika “Assessment of serum IL-10 and TGF-B levels and their role in adult vitiligo”</p> <p>8:55–9:00 AM Dr. Prajna KK “Targeting senescence to improve clinical outcomes in melasma: a prospective clinical study”</p> <p>9:00–9:05 AM Dr. Kassem Riad “The association between psychological stress and systemic comorbidities in vitiligo: a retrospective study”</p>

			<p>9:05–9:10 AM Dr. Chandana Basu “Introducing HPDB v1.0: a comprehensive resource for human pigmentation”</p> <p>9:10–9:15 AM Dr. Singh Prabha RP “Impact of Blue light exposure in periorbital melanosis”</p> <p>9:15–9:20 AM Dr. Surabhi Sinha “Role of patch testing in identification of causative agents of Contact Leukoderma”</p> <p>9:20–9:30 AM Discussion / Judges’ Remarks</p>
10:30–12:00	<p>Concurrent 7: Pigmentary Disorders Across Lifetimes: Biology, Bias, and Breakthroughs</p> <p>Chair: Dr. Khaled Ezzedine, Dr Dinesh Mathur)</p> <p>C7.1 10.30–10.45 AM Dr Sunil Dogra “Childhood Vitiligo: Clinical Patterns, Prognostic Indicators, and Management Challenges”</p> <p>C7.2 10.45–11.00 AM Dr Hitaishi Mehta “Skin Tone Scales in Dermatology: Current Tools, Gaps, and the Path to Inclusive Classification”</p> <p>C7.3 11.00–11.15 AM Dr. VK Sharma “Segmental Vitiligo: What’s known and what’s new”</p>	<p>Concurrent 8: Cellular and Molecular Pathways in Pigmentary Disorders</p> <p>Chair: Dr. Meri Tulic, Dr. Vinod Sharma</p> <p>C8.1 10.30–10.45 AM Prof. Hideya Ando “Melanosome Transfer Mechanisms”</p> <p>C8.2 10.45–11.00 AM Dr. Lluis Montoliu “Genetics and Vision in Albinism”</p> <p>C8.3 11.00–11.15 AM Dr. Sang Ho Oh: “The role of ER stress proteins in solar lentigo”</p> <p>C8.4 11.15–11.30 AM Dr. Vivek T Natrajan “Epigenetic and Stochastic Control of Melanocyte State Dynamics: Implications for Pigmentation, DNA Damage, and Disease”</p> <p>C8.5 11.30–11.40 AM Dr. Kriti Ahuja “Unbiased siRNA screens targeting mitochondrial Ca²⁺ handling machinery identify novel pigmentation modulators”</p>	<p>Theme: Lasers, Devices & Injectables (Dr. Shradhha Uprety, Dr. Vanya Narayan)</p> <p>10.30 AM-10.45 AM: Dr Jagdish Sakhiya “Picosecond lasers in pigmentary disorders: Justified cost or hype?”</p> <p>10.45 AM-11.15 AM “Panel Discussion: The Melanin Minefield: Navigating Lasers in Skin of Color”</p> <p>Moderator: Dr Bhavesh Swarnkar Panelists: Dr Sandeep Arora, Dr. Vivek Malhotra, Dr Indu Ballani, Dr Jagdish Sakhiya)</p> <hr/> <p>11.15-11.30 AM_ Therapeutic session 7 Yumedics</p> <p>Reactivating dormant follicles: accelerated anagen entry via bio-microneedle-exosome synergy / From follicle to function: the science of hair regeneration - Dr. Sonali Langar</p>

	<p>C7.4 11.15–11.30 AM Dr Surabhi Sinha “Pigmented contact dermatitis: clinical presentations, diagnosis and treatment”</p> <p>C7.5 11.30–11.40 AM Dr. Alessia Paganelli “Multimodal Imaging for Monitoring Therapeutic Response in Vitiligo: A Pilot Study of 10 Patients”</p>	<p>C8.6 11.40–11.50 PM Dr. Masaki Yoshida “Epidermal SFPQ expression regulates melanocyte migration in UV-exposed skin via SCF isoform switching”</p>	<p>Therapeutic session – 8 (11.30 AM-12.00 PM) Eris Lifesciences Dr. Davinder Parsad “A Double Whammy – A Challenge to Management Competence”</p>
<p>12:00–1:00</p>	<p>Diagnostic Mimics & Emerging Therapies in Pigmentary Disorders (Dr. Sendhil Kumaran, Dr. Ram Chander)</p> <p>12.00-12.10 PM Dr. Sudip Das “Not All Brown Is Melanin: Pigment Mimickers in Dermatology”</p> <p>12.10-12.20 PM Dr. Niti Khunger “Air Pollution and Skin Pigmentation”</p> <p>12.20-12.35 PM Dr. Pearl Grimes “New Frontiers in the Diagnosis and Treatment of Melasma”</p> <p>12.35-12.50 PM Dr KA Seetharam: “Newer treatments for vitiligo: PRP, Eximer lamp and ruxolitinib”</p>	<p>12.00-12.30 PM Therapeutic Sponsored session 9: (Menarini): Hyperpigmentation: Current Scenario (Panel Discussion) – Moderator- Dr Sanjay Rathi Panelists- Dr Rishi Parasher, Dr Shreyash Kamath, Dr Manjunath Shenoy, Dr Deepti Saxena, Dr Neha Farhan</p> <p>12.30 – 1.00 PM Therapeutic Sponsored session 10: (VTS): Dr. Surbhi Jain- Tofacitinib in ADMH</p>	<p>12.00 -12.30 pm Therapeutics in Pigmentation (Chair: Dr. Sandeep Arora, Dr. Rohit Bansal)</p> <p>12.00-12.10 PM Dr. Latika Arya “Exosomes in Pigmentary Disorders”</p> <p>12.10-12.20 PM Dr Anil Ganjoo “Treating Hyperpigmentation of Sensitive Areas”</p> <p>12.20-12.30 PM Dr. Saloni Katoch “Lip pigmentation”</p> <p>12.30-1.00 PM Therapeutic session 11 (Galderma)</p> <p>12.30–12.45 PM: Delphi consensus on melasma management by pigmentary disorders society and international experts– Dr. Rashmi Sarkar</p> <p>12.45–1.00 PM: Targeting the Skin Clock: Strategies in Hyperpigmentation Management– Dr. Rashmi Jindal</p>

1:00–2:00	Lunch Break/ PigmentaryCon Quiz Prelims		
2:00–4:00	Plenary 5: Immunity, UV, and Photoprotection (Chair: Dr. Sujay Khandpur, Dr. Sunil Dogra) P5.1 2.00–2.25 PM Dr. Eric Lan “Phototherapy in Vitiligo: How Irradiance, Ethnicity, and Immune Signaling Shape Outcomes” P5.2 2.30–2.55 PM Prof. Andrzej Slominski “Vitamin D and Neuroendocrinology in Pigmentation” P5.3 3.00–3.25 PM Prof. Henry Lim “Systemic photoprotective agents: myths and mechanisms” P5.4 3.30–3.55 PM Myron Gordon Award (IFPCS) Dr. Elizabeth Patton “The Developmental Journey of a Melanocyte to Melanoma”		2.00 - 3.00 pm - Pigmentarycon e-poster session (GULMOHAR HALL FOYER) 3.00 - 3.30 pm - Therapeutic session (Regalis) Dr. Meghna Gupta “Advances in Pigmentation Management: The Role of New age Molecules”
4:00–5:30	Concurrent 9: Personalized Pigment Care Chair: Dr Prasad Kumarasinghe, Dr. Anil Ganjoo C9.1 4.00–4.15 PM Dr. Sandipan Dhar “Hypopigmentary disorders in children: My Approach” C9.2 4.15–4.30 PM Dr. Vishal Gupta: Acquired Dermal Macular Hyperpigmentation: My approach C9.3 4.30–4.45 PM Dr. Anurag Tiwari "Laser and Light-Based Devices in Melasma: Evidence, Indications, and Pitfalls" C9.4 4.45 PM–5.00 PM Dr. Kiran Godse: “Postinflammatory hyperpigmentation-my approach” C9.5 5.00–5.10 PM Dr. Sushmitha Dharani Sankar “Comparative Efficacy of Keratinocyte-Targeted versus Melanocyte-Targeted Treatment	Concurrent 10: Vitiligo – Therapeutic Advances Chair: Dr. Davinder Parsad, Dr. Neetu Bhari C10.1 4.00–4.15 PM Dr. Iltefat Hamzavi “New Combination Treatments in Vitiligo” C10.2 4.15–4.30 PM Dr. Mauro Picardo “Metabolic Abnormalities in Vitiligo” C10.3 4.30–4.45 PM Dr. Meri Tulic “Combating Stress by Targeting Innate Immunity: The Future of Vitiligo Therapy” C10.4 4.45 PM–5.00 PM Dr. Mukesh Girdhar “Vitiligo: Management at Difficult Sites” C10.5 5.00–5.15 PM Dr. Laveena Kaushal “Del-1 Restores Immune Tolerance by Boosting FOXP3+ regulatory T cells: A Translational Therapeutic Strategy for Vitiligo” C10.6 5.15–5.25 PM Dr. Sabrina Mai-Yi Fan “Standardized Manufacturing and Preclinical Evaluation of Autologous Melanocyte Products for Vitiligo under Regulatory-Compliant Cell Processing Standards”	4.00-4.30 pm Therapeutic Sponsored Session 12 La Roche Posay (Dr. Rashmi Sarkar) Pigmentary Disorders in India-Charting the course for advanced hyperpigmentation solutions Theme: Pigmentation in South Asia (4.30- 5.30pm) Chair: Dr Shailendra Srivastav, Dr. Gitesh Sawatkar 4.30-4.45 PM: Dr. Anupam Das “Maturational pigmentation vs Facial acanthosis nigricans: Myth, marker, or a missed entity?” 4.45-5.00 PM: Dr. Manjunath Shenoy “Infection-related pigmentation” 5.00 – 5.15 PM: Dr. Indrashis Podder “Drug-induced pigmentation” 5.15 – 5.30 PM: Dr. Vibhu Mendiratta “Hyperpigmentary Disorders in Children”

	<p>Strategies in Melasma: A Systematic Review”</p> <p>C9.6 5.10–5.25 PM Dr. Rashmi Jindal “Peri-orbital pigmentation: My approach”</p>		
	<p>7.30 PM Official Banquet and Gala Dinner- ALL IPCC PRIZES & Poster PRIZES HERE(Silver Oak lawns)</p>		

3rd May 2026 Day 4 – Sunday

Time	Hall A JACARANDA	Hall B MAGNOLIA	Hall C (Gulmohar)
8:30–10:30	<p>Plenary 6: Pigmentation in Practice Chair: Dr. Deepika Pandhi, Dr. Binod Khaitan</p> <p>P6.1 8.30–8.55 AM Dr. Prasad Kumarasinghe “How I classify and manage acquired hyperchromia”</p> <p>P6.2 9.00–9.25 AM Dr. M. Ramam “Clinico-pathological correlation in pigmentary disorders”</p> <p>P6.3 9.30–9.55 AM Dr. Sanjeev Handa “Patch Testing in Acquired Dermal Macular Hyperpigmentation”</p> <p>P6.4 10.00–10.25 AM Thomas B Fitzpatrick Medal (PCMR AND IFPCS) Dr. Ichiro Katayama / Dr. Yang Lingli Effects of EGFR – TKI on epidermal; melanin unit integrity: therapeutic implications for hypopigmented skin disorders</p>		<p>8.30 – 9.30 AM PDS Award Papers Judges- Dr. Poonam Puri, Dr. Mala Bhalla) Chairs: Dr. Priyansh Gupta, Dr Manisha Nijhawan</p> <p>8:30–8:36 AM Dr. Monisha Madhumita “Cutaneous Microbiome Alterations in Melasma: A Case–Control Study Exploring Dysbiosis and Pigmentary Severity”</p> <p>8:36–8:42 AM Dr. Ashna Jain “Efficacy of glycolic acid peels in combination with topical therapy in common facial melanosis in skin of color - A randomized clinico-dermoscopic study”</p> <p>8:42–8:48 AM Dr. Yash Purushottam Dad “Comparative Efficacy of Intralesional Tranexamic Acid Plus 2% Hydroquinone Versus Oral Tranexamic Acid Plus 2% Hydroquinone in Melasma: Prospective Interventional Study”</p> <p>8:48–8:54 AM Dr. Sambit Chatterjee “An open label randomized controlled trial to assess the effectiveness, safety and tolerability of cysteamine 5% cream vs triple combination cream in epidermal melasma”</p> <p>8:54–9:00 AM Dr. Shaivy Malik “Immunohistological characterisation of number and distribution of epidermal Langerhans cells and dermal dendritic cells in cases of vitiligo”</p> <p>9:00–9:06 AM Dr. Aanchal Bansal “Efficacy and safety of Low Fluence Q-Switched 1064 Nd:YAG Laser in treatment of hyperpigmentary disorders in dark skinned patients: A retrospective study from a tertiary care centre”</p> <p>9:06–9:12 AM Dr. Amit Kumar Meena “Clinico-investigative study of acquired dermal macular hyperpigmentation with and without contact sensitization”</p> <p>9:12–9:18 AM Dr. Ashima Rao “Assessment of hematological indicators of systemic inflammation and oxidative stress in patients with vitiligo: an analytical cross-sectional study”</p>

			<p>9:18-9:24 AM Pranomita Sahoo “Unmasking hidden allergens: prevalence of allergic contact dermatitis to topical antifungal treatments”</p> <p>9:24-9:30 AM Discussion / Judges’ Remarks</p> <hr/> <p>Novelties in Pigmentary Realm (Dr. VK Upadhyaya, Dr. Deepti Saxena, Dr. Roma Pandhi)</p> <p>9.30-9.40 AM: Dr. Vishal Thakur “Newer variants of ADMH”</p> <p>9.40-9.50 AM: Dr. Sheetanshu Kumar “What’s new in Vitiligo Surgery in 2026”</p> <p>9.50-10.00 AM: Dr Shital Poojary “How to integrate AI in your Pigmentary Practice”</p> <p>10.00-10.10 AM: Dr Vinay Singh “JAK Inhibitors in Vitiligo”</p> <p>10.10-10.20 AM : Dr. Rohit Batra “Pigmentary Complications of Procedures: Lasers, Peels, Microneedling”</p>
10:30-12:00	Concurrent 11: Dermoscopy in Pigmentary Disorders	Concurrent 12: Living in Color – Patient & Societal Perspectives	10.30-11.30: Pigmentarycon Quiz Dr. Anupam Das

<p>Chair: Dr. S N Bhattacharya, Dr. Samipa Mukherjee</p> <p>C11.1 10.30–10.45 AM Dr. Vinay Keshavamurthy “Dermoscopy of hyperpigmented disorders”</p> <p>C11.2 10.45–11.00 AM Dr Balachandra Ankad “Dermoscopy of vitiligo and hypopigmented disorders”</p> <p>C11.3 11.00–11.15 AM Dr. Trilokraj Tejasvi “Dermoscopy of Pigmented Tumors”</p> <p>C11.4: 11.15–11.30 AM Dr. Manas Chatterjee “Dermoscopy in Skin of Color: Diagnostic Nuances and Pitfalls”</p>	<p>Chair: Dr. Rajesh Verma, Dr. Rashmi Jindal, Dr. Isha Narang</p> <p>C12.1 10.30–10.45 AM Dr. Adrian Mar “The Patient Experience in Vitiligo” *</p> <p>C12.2 10.45–11.00 AM Dr Antoine Gliksohn “Perspectives on living with albinism”</p> <p>C12.3 11.00–11.15 AM Dr. Iltefat Hamzavi “Colorism, Identity, and Pigmentary Disorders: A Psychosocial Exploration”</p> <p>C12.4 11.15–11.30 AM Dr Mala Bhalla “Camouflage in Pigmentary Disorders”</p>	<p>11.30–12.00 Dr. A N Coondoo oration Dr. Rashmi Sarkar “Lasers for pigmented lesions-my experience”</p> <p>(Chairs: Dr. Surabhi Sinha, Dr. Indrashis Podder)</p>
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<p>C11.5 11.30–11.40 AM Dr. Bharati Verma “Standardization of Dermoscopic Imaging for Objective Evaluation of Melasma Treatment Response”</p> <p>C11.6 11.40–11.50 PM Dr. Surbhi Yadav : Clinico-dermoscopic study of Hypopigmented lesions in children</p>	<p>C12.5 11.30–11.40 AM Dr. Priyansh Gupta “Lived experiences of patients with acquired dermal macular hyperpigmentation (ADMH): A Qualitative study from northern India”</p> <p>C12.6 11.40–11.50 PM Dr. Keepa Manandhar “Cross-sectional study assessing quality of life impairment in children and adolescents with vitiligo and their caregivers, and prevalence of depression, anxiety, and low self-esteem compared to healthy controls”</p>	
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12:00– 1:00	General Assembly Meetings JACARANDA - PASPCR MAGNOLIA - ESPCR JACARANDAS 2- ASPCR MAHOGANY - JSPCR		12.00 -12.30 pm Therapeutic Sponsored Sessions: Therapeutic session 13: 12.00pm -12.30pm – IPCA Platter of cocktails in melasma-making the right choice-Dr Himanshu Gupta Themes: Pearls from Practice (12.30-1.30 pm) (Dr Paschal Dsouza ,Dr. Sushrutha Kathuria, Dr. Prashant Verma) 12.30-12.45 PM: Dr. Manjyot Gautam “Topical Formulations That Work (and When They Don’t)” 12.45-1.00 PM: Dr Samipa Mukherjee “My Top 5 Dermoscopy Pearls for Pigmentary Conditions” 1.00-1.15 PM: Dr. Manish Gautam “Latest Evidence on PIH and Melasma Treatments”
1.00 - 1.30 PM	IFPCS GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING (JACARANDA)		
1:30– 2:30	Lunch (IFPCS Meeting - JACARANDA)		

<p>2:30–3.30 PM</p>	<p>2.30–3.30 PM Pigmentary Potpourri 2 Dr. Sang Ho Oh, Dr. RP Gupta</p> <p>2.30-2.45 PM Dr Vineet Relhan- Evolving surgical interventions in vitiligo: A focus on cellular grafting in Asian populations</p> <p>2.45-3.00 PM Dr. Hema Pant “Challenging Clinical Presentations in Skin of Colour”</p> <p>3.00-3.15 PM Dr. Arshdeep “Procedures in pigment-prone Indian skin: preventing PIH and dyschromia”</p> <p>3.15-3.30 PM Dr. Deepika Pandhi “Pigmentation and systemic disease - cases from my practice”</p>		<p>2:30–2:50 PM PigmentaryCon Prizes</p> <p>2:50–3:20 PM Therapeutic Sponsored Session 16 – Brinton (Chairs: Dr. Shitij Goel, Dr Nidhi Sharma)</p> <p>2:50–3:05 PM Dr. Amrit Kaur “Tinted sunscreens in practice”</p> <p>3:05–3:20 PM Dr. Gulhima Arora “What PDRN Can (and Can’t) Do for Skin”</p> <p>Theme: Pigment in Daily Practice (<i>Dr. Vineet Relhan, Dr. Preema Sinha</i>)</p> <p>3:20–3:35 PM Dr. Taru Garg “Genetic hypopigmentary disorders in children”</p> <p>3:35–3:50 PM Dr. Chander Grover “Nail pigmentation”</p> <p>3:50–4:35 PM Panel Discussion: “Case-Based Pigmentary Disorder Challenges in Special Populations”</p> <p>Moderator: Dr. Pallavi Ailawadi Panelists: Dr Shikhar Ganjoo, Dr. Geeti Khullar, Dr. Seema Rani, Dr Manisha Chopra, Dr. Aditi Gupta</p>
	<p>Chairs: Dr Rashmi Sarkar, Dr Lluís Montoliu, Dr Prasad Kumarasinge, Dr Surabhi Sinha</p> <p>3.30– 4.00 PM: Closing lecture: Dr. Sang Ho Oh “Melanocytorrhagy: Adhesion Beyond E-Cadherin”</p>		
	<p>4.00– 4.30 PM: Closing Ceremony</p>		

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