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PROGRAM AT A GLANCE

DAY 1 (17th September 2025)

TIME	HALL A	HALL B	HALL C	HALL D
7:30-8:30 AM (Breakfast Session)	<p>Converging networks and approachments to autism and epilepsy with movement disorders</p> <p>SPEAKERS – Approachment to concomitant movement disorders in autism & epilepsy - Anaita Udwadia Hegde</p> <p>The role of video-EEG for diagnosis of movement disorders in ASD & Epilepsy Spectrum: Illustrative case vignettes – Sonali Singh</p> <p>Ketogenic diet implementation in ASD and Epilepsy spectrum - Aycan Unalp</p> <p>CHAIRS – Anita Sharma (TBC), Anaita Udwadia Hegde, Hasan Tekgul</p>	<p>Leukodystrophies in Pediatric Patients, clinical, neuroimaging, genetic, management and long term follow up</p> <p>SPEAKERS – Leukoencephalopathies and leukodystrophies in children (Introduction) - Farzad Ahmadabadi</p> <p>The Manifestations and Clinical Outcomes of Childhood Cerebral X-linked Adrenoleukodystrophy: A Retrospective Study in Iran - Parvaneh Karimzadeh</p> <p>Genetic Analysis in White Matter Hereditary Disorders - Mohammad Keramatipour</p> <p>CHAIRS –Bidisha Banerjee (TBC), Parvaneh Karimzadeh, Faeze Ghanaati</p>	<p>Infantile Epilepsy Syndromes (IEs) and Infantile Epileptic Spasm Syndrome (IESS): a path to precision medicine</p> <p>SPEAKERS – Infantile epileptic spasm syndrome (IESS): concept and etiology-specific diagnosis for therapeutic implications - Jitendra Sahu</p> <p>IESS: Initial pharmacotherapies (sequential & combined) and precision therapies - Jithangi Wanigasinghe</p> <p>Case vignettes: The implementation of precision therapies in IESs/IESS - Priyanka Madaan</p> <p>CHAIRS – KS Rana (TBC), Jithangi Wanigasinghe, Hasan Tekgul</p>	<p>Fever, Inflammation, and Epilepsy/ Encephalopathy</p> <p>SPEAKERS – Developing Evidence-Based Management for Infection-Triggered Acute Encephalopathy (ITES): Febrile Seizure-ITES Spectrum Hypothesis and Insights from the FACE Registry - Hiroaki Nagase</p> <p>Infection-Triggered Encephalopathy Syndromes (ITES): Advancing Immunotherapy for Improved Outcomes - Velda Han</p> <p>Multimodal approach and management for febrile status epilepticus and encephalopathy ~ Infection or inflammation? - Jann Jim Lin</p> <p>CHAIRS – JN Goswami, Hiroaki Nagase, Kuang Lin Lin</p>
8:30-9:00 AM (Keynote)	<p>Immune-Mediated Pathways in Autism and other neurodevelopmental disorders: The Impact of Prenatal and Early-Life Infections (Charles Newton)</p> <p>CHAIRS – Satinder Aneja (TBC), Karen Pierce (TBC)</p>	<p>Emerging genetic and therapeutic landscape in children with MeCP2 related disorders: Bench-to-Bedside (Vinodh Narayanan)</p> <p>CHAIRS – Mathew Belmonte (TBC), Pratibha Singhi (TBC)</p>	<p>Emerging concepts in management of Sodium Channelopathies – Dravet syndrome and beyond (Elaine Wirell)</p> <p>CHAIRS – MV Padma, Hoon Chul Kang</p>	<p>Autism and the Adolescent Brain: Optimizing Psychiatric and Behavioural Outcomes through Medical Management (Prathima Murthy)</p> <p>CHAIRS – Veena Kalra (TBC), Gauri Divan</p>
9:00-9:45 AM	<p>Prof. Fukuyama Memorial Oration – Innovations and Insights in Child Neurology - A Global Perspective: Are We Keeping Up in Resource-Limited Settings? Jo Wilmshurst</p> <p>CHAIRS – Shinichi Hirose, Sheffali Gulati</p>			
9:45-10:30 AM (Plenary Talk)	<p>Future of Neuroimmunology beyond autoimmunity Russell Dale</p> <p>CHAIRS – Vrajesh Udani (TBC), Kevin Rostasy (TBC)</p>			
10:30-11:00 AM	<p>COFFEE/TEA BREAK</p>			
11:00-12:30 PM (Parallel Symposium)	<p>Developmental and Epileptic Encephalopathies (DEEs)– Concepts, Current and Novel Therapeutic Approaches</p> <p>SPEAKERS – Neonatal / Infantile Onset Developmental and Epileptic Encephalopathies (DEEs) - Hasan Tekgul</p> <p>Late onset Developmental and Epileptic Encephalopathies (DEEs) - Charuta N Joshi</p> <p>The utility of genetic testing in DEEs for etiology-specific</p>	<p>Cerebral Palsy</p> <p>SPEAKERS – What is CP and What is not CP? - Pratibha Singhi</p> <p>Dyskinetic Cerebral Palsy - Arushi Saini</p> <p>Managing CP in the Community - Shaheen Akhtar</p> <p>The Genetics of Cerebral Palsy - Biju Hameed</p> <p>CHAIRS – Rashmi Kumar, Pratibha Singhi, Biju Hameed</p>	<p>Case-based approach to neurological emergencies in pediatrics</p> <p>SPEAKERS – Updates in management of status dystonicus - Carolina Gorodetsky</p> <p>Other movement disorders emergencies in childhood - Wei Kang Lim</p> <p>Recent advances in management of status epilepticus - Ranjith Kumar Manokaran</p> <p>Overview of neuromuscular</p>	<p>The pearls in diagnosis of cerebellar disorders</p> <p>SPEAKERS – Ataxia or not, what to consider? - Hsin-Pei Wang</p> <p>Developmental problems and associated abnormalities in cerebellum - Mujgan Sonmez</p> <p>Cerebellum and metabolic disorders - Elif Perihan Oncel</p> <p>Movement disorders related to cerebellar abnormalities - Wang-Tso Lee</p>

	<p>diagnosis - Sindhu Viswanathan</p> <p>DEEs with applied precision therapies - Juhi Gupta</p> <p>CHAIRS – Bibek Talukdar, Charuta Joshi, Hasan Tekgul</p>		<p>emergencies in childhood - Mahesh Kamate</p> <p>CHAIRS – Gouri Passi, Carolina Gorodetsky, Ranjith Manokaran</p>	<p>CHAIRS – Achal Srivastava (TBC), Wang Tso Lee, Mujgan Sonmez</p>
12:30 PM-1:30 PM	<p>Drug Refractory Epilepsy</p> <p>1) Surgery in Epilepsy: Is there a right time? - Ahsan Moosa</p> <p>2) Evidence based management in children with autoimmune epilepsies - Derrick Chan</p> <p>3) Management of LGS: What's new? - Hoon Chul Kang</p> <p>CHAIRS – Elaine Wirrell, Takeoka Masanori</p>	<p>Autism Spectrum Disorders</p> <p>4) Sensory signatures of Autism: Insights into visual and acoustic brain networks and its implications for perception and communication - Mathew Belmonte</p> <p>5) Windows of Opportunity: Early detection of Autism and how it shapes long-term outcomes - Karen Pierce</p> <p>6) Harnessing Technology and Community Partnerships for Early Autism Support - Gauri Divan</p> <p>CHAIRS – Vinodh Narayanan, Prathima Murthy (TBC)</p>	<p>Neurocritical Care</p> <p>7) Imaging biomarkers in traumatic brain injury: Decoding patterns for therapy and prognosis - Kish Mankad</p> <p>8) Newer ASMs in Status Epilepticus - Anannit Visuditbhan</p> <p>9) Cytokine storm in brain – Diagnostic, therapeutic and prognostic implications - Suresh Pujar</p> <p>CHAIRS – Senthil S Kumaran (TBC), Maya Thomas (TBC)</p>	<p>Neuroinfections</p> <p>10) Global epidemiological update on the emerging neuroinfections - Jeffrey Lappay</p> <p>11) Recurrent meningoencephalitis: Unravelling etiologies and optimising management - Mohd Feizel Al Siddiq Mohd Fakharuddin</p> <p>12) Neurotuberculosis: Diagnostic challenges and therapeutic strategies (including drug resistance) - Setyo Handryastuti</p> <p>CHAIRS – PAM Kunju, Charles Newton (TBC)</p>
1:30-2:30 PM	<p>E-POSTER & MODERATED E-POSTER PRESENTATIONS</p> <p><i>Young members - Meet & Greet (1:30 – 2:15 PM)</i></p>			
2:30-3:30 PM (Plenary Symposium)	<p>Global perspectives of contextual topics in Child Neurology (Community Neurology)</p> <p>CHAIRS – Veena Kalra, Vinod Kumar Paul (TBC), Lakshmi Nagarajan</p> <p>PANELISTS – Shinichi Hirose, Jo Wilmshurst, Satinder Aneja (TBC), Sangeeta Ravat (TBC), Mamta Bhushan Singh, Anoop Verma</p> <p>Moderator – Biju Hameed</p> <p>Rapporteur – Vishal Sondhi</p>			
3:30-5:00 PM	<p>AFTERNOON SESSION (TBC)</p>	<p><i>Platform presentations</i></p>	<p><i>Platform presentations</i></p>	<p><i>Platform presentations</i></p>
5:00-5:30 PM	<p>COFFEE/TEA BREAK</p>			
5:30-6:30 PM	<p style="text-align: center;">Debates</p> <p>1) Artificial intelligence in Child neurology: Revolutionary Ally or Risky replacement? (Tapan K Gandhi vs Tavpritesh Sethi)</p> <p>2) Thrombolysis in pediatric stroke: Timely lifesaver or untested territory (Kavita Srivastava vs Joan Roque Viado)</p> <p>3) Gene therapy in pediatric neurology: Facts vs Hype (Kojima Karin vs Jee Hun Lee)</p> <p>CHAIRS – Marissa Lukban (TBC), Biju Hameed (TBC), Vivek Mundada (TBC)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Hot topics in Neurology</p> <p>1) GATORopathies & mTORopathies: Precision pathways in genetic epilepsies (Asma Abdullah Al Tawari)</p> <p>2) CNS Vasculitis – Therapeutic dilemma (Minal Kekatpure)</p> <p>3) Neuroimaging in nutritional disorders (Nihaal Reddy)</p> <p>4) SSPE in 21st century: Existing evidence and emerging treatments (Mary Iype)</p> <p>5) Decoding general movements for early intervention (Lokesh Saini)</p> <p>CHAIRS – Subhash Kaul, Sanjeev Joshi (TBC), Deepak Sachan (TBC)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Current Pediatric Neurology: Snapshots</p> <p>1) D/EE-SWAS – Comprehensive objective assessment of EEG & current treatment evidence (Rajesh Ramachandran Nair)</p> <p>2) Pathophysiological insights and treatment implications in SLD (Purboyo Solek)</p> <p>3) Diagnostic approach in a child with ID in recent genomic era (Gautham Arunachal)</p> <p>4) Neurological manifestations of HIV (HAND) (Marzhan M Lepessova) (TBC)</p> <p>5) Interplay of environmental toxins in Autism & ADHD (T. Velpandian) (TBC)</p> <p>CHAIRS – Prashant Utage, Shuvendu Roy (TBC), Jaya Shankar Kaushik (TBC)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Video Quest: Movement Disorders</p> <p>CHAIRS – Tajul Arifin Tajuddin (TBC), Kurshid Wani</p>
7:00 PM onwards	<p>INAUGURATION CEREMONY</p>			

DAY 2 (18th September 2025)

TIME	HALL A	HALL B	HALL C	HALL D
7:30-8:30 AM (Breakfast Session)	<p>Tech-driven innovations for managing epilepsy in children: From schools to communities and clinics</p> <p>SPEAKERS – Next-generation wearables: Advancing epilepsy care through continuous monitoring and predictive Analytics - Peter S Bergin</p> <p>Telehealth solutions for early epilepsy intervention in schools - Sulena Singh</p> <p>Addressing legal risks and ethical dilemmas in technology-driven epilepsy management in children - Jo Wilmhurst</p> <p>CHAIRS – Harshuti Shah, Jo Wilmhurst</p>	<p>Transitional and Palliative Care in Child Neurology</p> <p>SPEAKERS – Transitional Care in Epilepsy – Ashalatha Radhakrishnan</p> <p>Transitional Care in Neuromuscular Disorders – Achal Srivastava (TBC)</p> <p>Palliative Care & End of life support – Sushma Bhatnagar (TBC)</p> <p>CHAIRS – P Satish Chandra (TBC), Sushma Bhatnagar</p>	<p>Challenges in Transforming Child Neurology with IGAP: Unified Efforts in Asian-Oceanian Countries</p> <p>SPEAKERS – Transforming Child Neurology through IGAP - Jithangi Wanigasinghe</p> <p>Sustainable developmental goals and improvement of neurodisability in the Asia-Oceanian region - Bithi Debnath</p> <p>Neonatal hypoglycaemia induced brain Injury and neurodisability - Sandeep Patil</p> <p>CHAIRS – Anoop Verma, Jithangi Wanigasinghe</p>	<p>Innovations and Future Directions in Non-Genetic Drug-Resistant Epilepsies</p> <p>SPEAKERS – Ketogenic diet innovation in DRE - Hoon-Chul Kang</p> <p>Biomarkers for predicting and monitoring DRE - Piradee Suwanpakdee</p> <p>Update surgical innovation in DRE - Ahmad Rithaiddin Mohamed</p> <p>CHAIRS – Kamornwan Katanyuwong, Hoon Chul Kang, Ahmad Rithaiddin Mohamed</p>
8:30-9:00 AM (Keynote)	<p>Early beginnings and lifelong impact: Navigating neurological challenges in the fetus and newborn (Sonika Agarwal)</p> <p>CHAIRS – Lokesh Lingappa (TBC), Brahim Tabarki</p>	<p>Phenylketonuria in 21st century: From newborn screening to novel treatments (Drago Bratkovic)</p> <p>CHAIRS – Asuri Prasad (TBC), Seema Kapoor</p>	<p>Oculomotor involvement in Acute Pediatric Neurological disorders (Vivek Lal)</p> <p>CHAIRS – Pratibha Singhi (TBC), Debashish Chowdhary (TBC)</p>	<p>Beyond the blow: Neuroplasticity and Predictors of recovery in pediatric traumatic brain injury (Alcy R Torres)</p> <p>CHAIRS – Nirmal Surya (TBC), Zafar Meenai (TBC)</p>
9:00-10:30 AM (Plenary Talk)	<p>CHAIRS – Veena Kalra & Manvir Bhatia (TBC)</p> <p>Understanding SUDEP: Risks, Research, and Prevention - Sanjeev Kothare</p> <p>Sleep- a forgotten instrument in the neurologist's toolkit - Suresh Kotagal</p>			
10:30-11:00 AM	COFFEE/TEA BREAK			
11:00-12:30 PM (Parallel Symposium)	<p>Ketogenic dietary therapies for epilepsy in diverse resource settings</p> <p>SPEAKERS – Ketogenic dietary therapy in Kenya - where are we at? – Pauline Samia</p> <p>Evolution of less restrictive dietary therapies – Sheffali Gulati</p> <p>Strategies to improve compliance during delivery of ketogenic diet therapy – Omnia Elrashidy</p> <p>Challenges of Ketogenic dietary therapies for epilepsy in Africa – Angelina Kakooza Mwesige</p> <p>CHAIRS – Heung Dong Kim, Angelina Kakooza, Sheffali Gulati</p>	<p>Vitamins and cofactors-responsive childhood neurological disorders</p> <p>SPEAKERS – Thiamine, Riboflavin, and Biotin-Responsive Disorder - Maya Thomas</p> <p>Vitamin B12, Folic Acid, and Related Disorders - Biju Hameed</p> <p>Carnitine, Coenzyme Q, and Pyridoxine-Responsive Disorders - Esra Serdaroglu</p> <p>Creatine, amino acids and other cofactors supplementation - Sangeetha Yoganathan</p> <p>CHAIRS – Sanjib Sinha (TBC), Maya Thomas, Sangeetha Yoganathan</p>	<p>An update on presurgical evaluation in a child with Drug Resistant Epilepsy</p> <p>SPEAKERS – Case based approach to a child with Drug resistant epilepsy - Sonali Singh</p> <p>Advances in Epilepsy imaging - Asthir Biswas</p> <p>Role of invasive EEG monitoring and functional cortical mapping - Lakshminarayanan Kannan</p> <p>Role of genetic testing in epilepsy surgery evaluation - Puneet Jain</p> <p>CHAIRS – Sunny Phillip, Sonali Singh</p>	<p>3Cs of Status Epilepticus: Consensus, Controversies and Confusions</p> <p>SPEAKERS – Introduction, Definitions, Concepts and Prehospital management - Rekha Mittal</p> <p>The Role of EEG in Status Epilepticus - Lakshmi Nagarajan</p> <p>Management of impending, early and refractory status epilepticus and Super-refractory status epilepticus - Lokesh Lingappa</p> <p>Long term management after Status epilepticus - Sayoni Roy Chowdhury</p> <p>CHAIRS – (TBC), Rekha Mittal, Lakshmi Nagarajan</p>

<p>12:30-1:30 PM</p>	<p>Neurogenetics</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Newborn screening in genomics era: Expanding horizons and navigating challenges - Asuri Prasad 2) Utility of genetic tests in neurology practice: Beyond exome or genome sequencing - Ching Shiang Chi 3) Malformations of Cortical Development – From genetic pathways to precision therapies - PAM Kunju <p>CHAIRS – Vinod Scaria (TBC), Mujgan Sonmez</p>	<p>Pediatric Headache</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4) Red flags in pediatric headache: Case based approach - Arijit Chattopadhyay 5) Clinico-radiological clues and management of IIH and SIH - MM Mehndiratta 6) Critical appraisal of emerging pharmacotherapies in childhood migraine - Debashish Chowdhary <p>CHAIRS – Vivek Lal (TBC), Reza Badvin</p>	<p>Cerebral Palsy</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 7) When it is NOT cerebral palsy: A diagnostic journey through cerebral palsy mimics - Tabarki Brahim 8) Orthopaedic management in children with cerebral palsy: Promise, perils and progress - Mathew Varghese 9) Pharmacotherapy for management of Cerebral Palsy and its comorbidities (beyond epilepsy) - Vinect Bhushan Gupta <p>CHAIRS – Jeremy Lin Binyuan, Ashok Johari (TBC)</p>	<p>Pediatric Stroke</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 10) Posterior Circulation Stroke – Evaluation & management - Chee-Ming Teh 11) Neuroimaging in Stroke: Right test and Right time - Atin Kumar 12) Surgery in Pediatric Stroke – Current evidence - Manish Parekh <p>CHAIRS – Kameshwar Prasad (TBC), Rama Jayasundar (TBC)</p>
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<p>1:30-2:30 PM LUNCH BREAK</p>	<p>E-POSTER & MODERATED E-POSTER PRESENTATIONS LUNCH-EON SYMPOSIUM by Novartis®</p>
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<p>2:30-3:30 PM (Plenary Symposium)</p>	<p>Global perspectives of contextual topics in Child Neurology (CNS Infections & Vaccines) CHAIRS –Pratibha Singhi, Narendra Kumar Arora, Yasmin Khakoo</p> <p>PANELISTS – Charles RJC Newton, Kevin Rostasy, T Jacob John (TBC), Rashmi Kumar, Lakshmi Narasimhan (TBC), Gouri Passi</p> <p>Moderator – Lokesh Lingappa</p> <p>Rapporteur – Rachana Dubey</p>
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<p>3:30-5:00 PM</p>	<p>AFTERNOON SESSION</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Channelopathies in Pediatric Epilepsy: Current treatment updates (Takeoka Masanori) 2) Innovations in Pediatric Epilepsy Surgery: A recent update (P Sarat Chandra) 3) Novel therapeutics and targeted treatments in Tuberous Sclerosis (Charuta Joshi) <p>CHAIRS – Girish Menon (TBC), Kalpana Datta (TBC), U Meenakshisundaram (TBC)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4) Scientific basis, mechanisms and future directions: AAV-based gene therapy in childhood neurological disorders (Karin Kojima) 5) Childhood Neurological Disorders and Stem Cell Therapy: Current Science, Key Challenges, and Future Perspectives (Sujata Mohanty) 6) Evolving Role of Neuropathology in Pediatric Neurology: Insights into the Genomic Era (Mehar C Sharma) <p>CHAIRS – Chitra Sarkar (TBC), Vasant Khalatkar (TBC), Dimuthu Saraji Wijesekara</p>	<p>Platform presentations</p>	<p>Platform presentations</p>	<p>Platform presentations</p>
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5:00-5:30 PM	COFFEE/TEA BREAK			
5:30-6:30 PM	<p style="text-align: center;">Debates</p> <p>1) Stepwise or All-in-one? Rethinking the first move in genetic diagnosis (Yu Wu Jiang vs Kristy Iskandar)</p> <p>2) Immunotherapy in autoimmune encephalitis: Aggressive early use or stepwise escalation? (Siqi Hong vs Shi-Jou Chen)</p> <p>3) Dietary therapy in epileptic encephalopathy: Initial choice vs. last resort (Sheffali Gulati vs Rajesh Ramachandra Nair)</p> <p>CHAIRS – Janak Nathan (TBC), Terrence Thomas, Vinod Scaria (TBC)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Hot topics in Neurology</p> <p>1) OMAS: Management, challenges and way forward (Naveen Sankhyan)</p> <p>2) Precision medicine in Epileptic Encephalopathies (Suvasini Sharma)</p> <p>3) Recent advances in Pediatric Stroke (Ramesh Konanki)</p> <p>4) Pharmacotherapy in pediatric sleep disorders – Evidence on safety & efficacy (Biswaroop Chakrabarty)</p> <p>5) Therapeutics & ongoing trials in Gray matter DBDs (Neelu Desai)</p> <p>CHAIRS – Anju Agarwal, Vykunta Raju, Nitish Vora</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Current Pediatric Neurology: Snapshots</p> <p>1) Functional Neurological Disorders: A bird's eye view (Khoo Teik Beng)</p> <p>2) Spinal cord vasculopathies: A quick recap (Mini S)</p> <p>3) Personalised treatment in primary neurotransmitter disorders (Gouri Passi)</p> <p>4) Diagnostic utility of TMS, GCMS and CSF metabolites in genomics era (Rita Christopher)</p> <p>5) Treatment rationale in mitochondrial disorders (Rachana Dubey)</p> <p>CHAIRS – Abdelkarim Al Qudah (TBC), Vineet Wankhede (TBC), Praveen Kumar</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Video Quest: Epilepsy</p> <p>CHAIRS – Nandan Yardi, Kalpana D, Amarjeet Wagh</p>
7:30 PM onwards	CULTURAL PROGRAM & GALA DINNER			

DAY 3 (19th September 2025)				
TIME	HALL A	HALL B	HALL C	HALL D
7:30-8:30 AM (Breakfast Session)	<p>Recent Advances in the Treatment of Drug-Resistant Epilepsy</p> <p>SPEAKERS – Recent Advances in Epilepsy Surgery - Lakshmi Narayanan Kannan</p> <p>Indications and candidate selection for epilepsy surgery in children - Ahmad Rithaiddin Bin Mohamed</p> <p>Recent advances in neuromodulation for drug resistant epilepsy - Sandeep Patil</p> <p>CHAIRS – Puneet Jain, Ranjith Manokaran, Ahmad Rithaiddin Bin Mohamed</p>	<p>Cannabidiol in childhood epilepsy - Current status and future challenges for the Asia-Oceania region</p> <p>SPEAKERS – Data from a global survey on accessibility and affordability of cannabinoids from the ILAE plant-based therapy task force, with a highlight on observations from Asian Oceanian chapters - KP Vinayan</p> <p>Real world scenario of cannabidiol- challenges faced by the patient and medical community - Kamornwan Katanyuwong</p> <p>Cannabidiol in office practice-. Case based examples of Cannabidiol usage in various contexts with a futuristic perspective - AS Jyotsna</p> <p>CHAIRS – ***(TBC), KP Vinayan, Kamornwan Katanyuwong</p>	<p>Feeding the Developing Brain: Nutrition in Child Neurology</p> <p>SPEAKERS – Managing Feeding Challenges and Growth Issues in Children with Neurodisabilities - Vykunta Raju KVN</p> <p>Neurological Manifestations of Nutritional Deficiencies - Vishal Sondhi</p> <p>Obesity and its impact on Neurodevelopment - PSN Menon</p> <p>CHAIRS – Neelam Mohan, PSN Menon</p>	<p>Advances in Pediatric Neurorehabilitation: Restoring Function, Empowering Futures</p> <p>SPEAKERS – Early Intervention Strategies for Children with Acquired Brain Injury - Srinivasa Raghavan</p> <p>Advancements in Technology and Robotics for Pediatric Neurorehabilitation - Jainendra Shukla</p> <p>Bridging Family Support, Community Services, and Policy in Neurodevelopmental Care - Nirmal Surya</p> <p>CHAIRS – Sanjay Wadhwa (TBC), Nirmal Surya</p>
8:30-9:00 AM (Keynote)	<p>Evolving therapies for muscular dystrophies: Beyond dystrophinopathies (J. Andoni Urtizberea)</p> <p>CHAIRS – Yuko Shimizu-Motohashi, Sheffali Gulati</p>	<p>Responsive neurostimulation device therapy in children with refractory epilepsy (Ravindra Arya)</p> <p>CHAIRS – Ahsan Moosa, Han Xie</p>	<p>Consensus guidelines of MOGAD (Kevin Rostasy)</p> <p>CHAIRS – Vrajesh Udani (TBC), Russell Dale (TBC)</p>	<p>Targeting the tumbles: New horizons in management of inherited ataxias (Tajul Arifin Tajuddin)</p> <p>CHAIRS – Leon Dure, Wang Tso Lee</p>
9:00-10:30 AM (Plenary Talk)	<p>CHAIRS – Biju Hameed, Lokesh Lingappa</p> <p>Emerging Anti-Seizure Medications: Integrating Genomics, Neurophysiology, and Precision Medicine - Raman Shankar</p> <p>Movement Disorders Are Not Limited to Movement: Cognitive and Behavioral Symptoms Accompanying Movement Disorders - Jonathan Mink</p>			

10:30-11:00 AM	COFFEE/TEA BREAK			
11:00-12:30 PM (Parallel Symposium)	NeuroTech Frontiers: Harnessing AI and Digital Innovation in Pediatric Neurology SPEAKERS – Overview of Artificial Intelligence (AI) & Machine Learning (ML) – Gaurav Ahuja Applications of AI & ML in diagnosis and therapeutics – Biju Hameed Use of technology in neurorehabilitation – Sheffali Gulati Case Studies – Tavpritesh Sethi & Tapan Kumar Gandhi CHAIRS – Peter Bergin (TBC), Biju Hameed, Sheffali Gulati	A multidimensional symposium on pediatric movement disorders: A bird's eye view SPEAKERS – Movement disorders and Autoimmunity; discussion and clinical pearls - Tajul Arifin Tajuddin Movement disorders in genetic diseases; The current outlook - Wang Tso Lee Movement disorders and epilepsy: Where do we stand? - Sayoni Roy Chowdhury When things do not fit. How to approach movement disorders when the clinical picture is not obvious – Leon Dure CHAIRS – Sumit Singh (TBC), Tajul Arifin Tajuddin, Leon Dure	Precision Medicine and Challenges in Hereditary Neuromuscular Diseases SPEAKERS – Clinical landscape of therapeutic development for muscular dystrophies - Yuko Shimizu Motohashi Spinal muscular atrophy (SMA) – the hope and the challenges with SMA therapies - Sophelia HS Chan Phenotype-Genotype Spectrum of Congenital Muscular Dystrophies - Saraswati Nashi High throughput functional assays to improve interpretation of rare variants discovered in Neuromuscular disease genes - Monkol Lek CHAIRS – Vinod Puri (TBC), Vineeth Jaison	From Variant to Verdict: Interpreting Genetic Reports in Child Neurology Practice SPEAKERS – Tailoring genetic testing for precision and practicality – Vinod Scaria Interpretation of CMA/MLPA – Kuntal Sen Interpretation of NGS - TBC Interpretation of Mitochondrial genetics - TBC CHAIRS – Radhika Dhamija, Vinod Scaria
12:30-1:30 PM	Neuromuscular Disorders 1) Outcome assessment tools in childhood neuromuscular disorders- from benchmark to better care - Vivek Mundada 2) Muscle biopsy in genomics era – redefining its role in diagnosis and beyond - Yoshihiko Saito 3) Phenotypic spectrum and updates in management of children with congenital myasthenic syndromes - Veda Narayanan CHAIRS – J. Andoni Urtizberea, Mary Iype (TBC)	Pediatric Neuromodulation 4) Electrical stimulation mapping with stereo-EEG in children - Ahsan Moosa 5) Pediatric deep brain stimulation: Clinical gains, technical hurdles and future directions - Carolina Gorodetsky 6) VNS in pediatric epilepsy: Indications and current evidence - Han Xie CHAIRS – Ravindra Arya, Manmohan Singh (TBC)	Pediatric Neuroimmunology 7) Biologicals in pediatric neuroimmunology: Changing the therapeutic landscape - Lim Ming 8) Autoimmune basal ganglia disorders: current understanding and therapeutic update - Terrence Thomas 9) Emerging horizons in pediatric neuromuscular autoimmunity – from diagnosis to targeted therapies - Rohit Bhatia (TBC) CHAIRS – Pravar Passi (TBC), Vrajesh Udani (TBC)	Pediatric Movement Disorders & Epilepsy 10) Recent update in pediatric tic disorders - Amna Al Futaisi 11) Paroxysmal movement disorders in childhood: case based approach - Leema Pauline 12) Therapeutics in Adolescent Epilepsy: ASMs & beyond - Manjari Tripathi CHAIRS – Tajul Arifin Tajuddin (TBC), Anaita Udwadia Hegde (TBC)
1:30-2:30 PM LUNCH BREAK	POSTER & MODERATED E-POSTER PRESENTATIONS LUNCH-EON SYMPOSIUM by Roche®			
2:30-3:30 PM (Plenary Symposium)	Global perspectives of contextual topics in Child Neurology (Challenges in diagnosis and management of rare diseases in low-middle income countries) CHAIRS – Vrajesh Udani, Harsha K Rajasimha, Rakesh Mishra PANELISTS – L Swasti Charan (TBC), Sunita Sharma (DGHS) (TBC), Rajeev Singh Raghuvanshi (DCGI) (TBC), Rajiv Bahl (DG-ICMR) (TBC), Wang Tso Lee, Y K Gupta (TBC), Hasan Tekgul, Madhulika Kabra, Prasanna Shirol Moderator – Sheffali Gulati Rapporteur – Gautam Kamila			
3:30-4:00 PM	Legal Issues in Medical Practice: Current perspectives Arun Gupta			
4:00-5:30 PM	AFTERNOON SESSION (TBC)	Platform presentations	Platform presentations	Platform presentations
5:30-6:00 PM	COFFEE/TEA BREAK			
6:00-7:00 PM	Debates 1) Radiogenomics: The future of personalized medicine or a research tool not ready for the clinic? (Astrik Biswas vs Manisha Jana) 2) Stem Cell Therapy in Pediatric Neurology – Emerging promise or	Little Minds, Big Challenges: Pediatric Neurology Quiz (GRAND FINALE) <i>*Preliminary round details will be announced shortly</i>	Current Pediatric Neurology: Snapshots 1) Treating pediatric MS: Current evidence and way forward (Bahadur Konuskan) 2) Long-term immunomodulation in anti-NMDAR	Video Quest: Sleep and PSG CHAIRS – Rajniti Prasad (TBC), Mahesh Kamate

	<p>premature optimism (Ivan Riyanto Widjaja vs Kursat Bora Carman)</p> <p>3) Infantile spasm: early multipronged therapy or stepwise escalation (Hideo Yamanouchi vs Fahad A. Bashiri)</p> <p>CHAIRS – Vrajesh Udani (TBC), Raju Sharma (TBC), Sujata Mohanty (TBC)</p>		<p>encephalitis (Jatinder Goraya)</p> <p>3) Diagnostic and therapeutic potential of Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation (TMS) in children (Prashant Jauhari)</p> <p>4) Recent updates on the diagnosis and management of FSHD (Vishnu VY)</p> <p>5) Autonomic Function Tests in child neurology practice (Ashok Jaryal - TBC)</p> <p>CHAIRS – Kuang Lin Lin, Carolina Gorodetsky, Ratna Sharma (TBC)</p>	
7:00-7:30 PM	<i>Special GB Meeting – AOCN India</i>			
7:30-8:00 PM	<i>Annual GB Meeting– AOCN India</i>			

DAY 4 (20th September 2025)

TIME	HALL A	HALL B	HALL C	HALL D
7:30-8:30 AM (Breakfast Session)	<p>Neurocutaneous Syndromes: From Skin Clues to Brain Insights</p> <p>SPEAKERS – Clinical Aspects of Neurocutaneous Syndromes – Anil Vasudev Israni</p> <p>Novel Therapeutics and Targeted Treatments in Neurocutaneous Disorders (beyond TSC) - Pradnya Gadgil</p> <p>Diagnostic Pearls in Neurocutaneous Syndromes - Ram Shekhar Menon</p> <p>CHAIRS – Somesh Gupta (TBC), Rekha Mittal</p>	<p>Sensory pathways at the crossroads – Integrating vision and hearing in neurological disorders</p> <p>SPEAKERS – Approach to Acute Visual Loss - Radhika Tandon</p> <p>Auditory Neuropathy in Childhood: What Pediatric Neurologists Need to Know – Kapil Sikka</p> <p>Isolated cranial nerve palsies: A case-based approach - Gurpreet Kochar</p> <p>CHAIRS – Alok Thakkar (TBC), *** (TBC)</p>	<p>Ethics, Research & Publications in Child Neurology</p> <p>SPEAKERS – Succession planning: The nuts and bolts of climbing the editorial ladder – Yasmin Khakoo</p> <p>Manuscript Writing: Navigating the Journey from Topic Selection to Final Submission – Devendra Mishra</p> <p>CHAIRS – *** (TBC), *** (TBC)</p>	<p>Pediatric Neuro-oncology: Innovations in Diagnosis, Treatment, and Survivorship</p> <p>SPEAKERS – Pediatric Brain Tumors and Their Mimics: Clinico-radiological Differentiation – Ajay Garg</p> <p>Therapeutic Strategies and Recent Advances in the Management of Brain Tumors – Ashish Suri (TBC)</p> <p>Paraneoplastic Neurological Syndromes: An Overview – Soumya Sundaram</p> <p>CHAIRS – *** (TBC), Sudeep Saha</p>
8:30-9:00 AM (Keynote)	<p>Supporting children with developmental disabilities in low-income contexts: insights from Ethiopia and Kenya (Rosa Hoekstra)</p> <p>CHAIRS – Charles Newton (TBC), Sameer Dalwai (TBC)</p>	<p>Dietary therapies in Pediatric Neurology: Beyond Epilepsy (Heung Dong Kim)</p> <p>CHAIRS – Angelina Kakooza (TBC), Omnia Elrashidy</p>	<p>An overview of novel treatable neurometabolic disorders (Ingrid Tein)</p> <p>CHAIRS – Kuntal Sen (TBC), R K Sabharwal (TBC)</p>	<p>Genomics in neurology training: is it a boon or bane? (Gagandeep Singh)</p> <p>CHAIRS – Pratibha Singhi (TBC), Yasmin Khakoo (TBC)</p>
9:00-10:30 AM (Plenary Talk)	<p>CHAIRS – Sheffali Gulati, *** (TBC)</p> <p>Precision Medicine in Autism - Madeline Chadehumbe (Prof. Sakakihara Memorial Oration)</p> <p>Plenary Talk - TBC</p>			
10:30-11:00 AM	COFFEE/TEA BREAK			
11:00-12:30 PM (Parallel Symposium)	<p>Intersecting Spectrums: Clinical and Neurobiological Interfaces of Autism and Epilepsy</p> <p>SPEAKERS – Pathophysiological Mechanisms in Autism and Epilepsy: Exploring the Intersection - Stephen Malone</p> <p>Standard of Care Approaches for Co-occurring Autism and Epilepsy - Sheffali Gulati</p> <p>Controversies in the Diagnosis and Management of Autism and Epilepsy - Rachna Sehgal</p> <p>Electroencephalographic (EEG) Patterns in Autism and Epilepsy: Diagnostic Insights - Puneet Jain</p> <p>CHAIRS – Rosa Hoekstra, Vineet Bhushan Gupta, Stephen Malone</p>	<p>Hereditary Motor Sensory Neuropathies (CMT)</p> <p>SPEAKERS – Topic 1 – Manoj Menezes Topic 2 – Madhu Nagappa Topic 3 – Renu Suthar Topic 4 - TBC</p> <p>CHAIRS – Siddharth Shah, Manoj Menezes</p>	<p>Navigating the Wave of Next-Generation Sequencing: Advancing Pediatric Neurology with Genomic Insights in Epilepsy, Leukodystrophy, Mitochondrial and Movement Disorders</p> <p>SPEAKERS – Genomic Insights into Movement Disorders: From Diagnosis to Precision Therapy – Kuntal Sen</p> <p>Neurogenomics: Unlocking the Power of Next-Generation Sequencing in Pediatric Neurology – Radhika Dhamija</p> <p>Genetic Testing in Early Epilepsy: Precision Approaches for Seizure Control – Avantika Singh</p> <p>Mitochondrial Genomics: Decoding Energy, Inheritance, and Clinical Impacts – Sangeetha Yoganathan</p> <p>CHAIRS – Hula Raouf Shareef, Kuntal Sen, Radhika Dhamija</p>	<p>Neonatal Seizure: Current approachments and novel modalities</p> <p>SPEAKERS – Classification of Neonatal Seizures – Lakshmi Nagarajan</p> <p>Current Modalities for Monitoring: conventional video-EEG and amplitude-integrated EEG – Hasan Tekgul</p> <p>Potential Implementation Deep Learning in Modelling Neonatal EEG – Hiroyuki Kidokoro</p> <p>Implementing Guidelines in Clinical Practice – Seda Kanmaz</p> <p>CHAIRS – KP Vinayan, Lakshmi Nagarajan, Hasan Tekgul</p>
12:30–1:30 PM	AOCNA GB MEETING			
1:30 PM onwards	CLOSING CEREMONY			

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2. A delegate has to register for the main conference to be able to register for the pre-conference and post-conference workshops except dietitians who can register for the workshop “**Ketogenic Diet in Pediatric Neurology: Current Trends and Way Forward**” in which the nutritionists/dietitians can register for only the workshop. Please write to secretariat@aoccn2025.in to request to register for only this workshop.
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PRECONFERENCE WORKSHOPS (16TH SEPTEMBER 2025, 9:00 AM – 5.00 PM)

1. Decoding the Phenomenology of Pediatric Movement Disorders
2. Understanding Pediatric Somnology Armamentarium: Sleep Logs, Survey Instruments, Actigraphy, PSG
3. Demystifying Cytomolecular Genetics for Pediatric Neurologists
4. Ketogenic Diet in Pediatric Neurology: Current Trends and Way Forward
5. Clinical Applications of Neuromodulation (VNS, RNS, TMS, TDCS, DBS): Current Update in Child Neurology
6. Understanding the Enigma of Autism Spectrum Disorder
7. Changing Paradigms in the Management of Neuromuscular Disorders
8. New Frontiers in Neuroimmunology

16th Sept 2025 – 2 PM to 6 PM: AOCNA National Delegates Meeting followed by Dinner

POST-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS (21ST SEPTEMBER 2025)

1. Current Pediatric Neurology for the Pediatricians

Detailed program of the workshops is in the workshop annexure.



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