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Joint Meeting of IAN Sub-Section on CNS Auto-Immune Disorders & ICTRIMS

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Dear Friends and Colleagues,

Greetings from the Neurological Society of Pune!

We are truly grateful for the tremendous response to ICTRIMS 2026. The enthusiastic interest from colleagues across the country has made this 15th Meeting of ICTRIMS especially exciting for us.

We are delighted to share the detailed Scientific Program, featuring an outstanding lineup of internationally and nationally renowned experts. These distinguished faculty members will present the latest advances in the diagnosis and management of central demyelinating and autoimmune neurological diseases.

ICTRIMS 2026 promises to be a highly engaging academic experience, with cutting-edge lectures, interactive case-based discussions, and meaningful networking opportunities with leaders and peers in the field. Most importantly, the sessions are designed to provide practical, clinically relevant insights that you can immediately apply in the day-to-day care of your patients.

If you have not yet completed your registration, we strongly encourage you to do so at the earliest to ensure your participation in this enriching scientific event.

We look forward to welcoming you to Pune for an inspiring and memorable ICTRIMS 2026.

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Prof. Montalban completed his MD and PhD in Neuroimmunology, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Spain. He is currently Director, CEMCAT, Multiple Sclerosis Center of Catalonia, Vall d'Hebron University Hospital, Barcelona, Spain, and Professor of Neurology, UAB, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Barcelona, Spain. He is also the Coordinator, Neuroimmunology, VHIR, Vall d'Hebron University Hospital Research Institute, Barcelona, Spain.



Prof. Hans-Peter Hartung



Prof. Hartung received his undergraduate training at the Universities of Düsseldorf, Glasgow, Oxford and London. He is currently Professor of Neurology at Heinrich-Heine-University Düsseldorf, Honorary Professor, Brain and Mind Center, University of Sydney, Visiting Professor at Medical University Vienna and Palacky University Olomouc. His research interests are Pathogenesis of Autoimmune diseases of the central and peripheral nervous system -MS, GBS, CIDP



Prof. Cristina Granziera



Prof. Cristina Granziera obtained an MD at Padova University Medical School (Padova, Italy) in 2001, a Ph.D. in Neuroscience at Lausanne University (Lausanne, Switzerland) in 2007, and the Swiss Neurology board in 2010. Currently, she works as a senior consultant neurologist at the University Hospital of Basel, as a professor in neurology and biomedical engineering at the University of Basel, and as co-CEO of the “Research Center for Clinical Neuroimmunology and Neuroscience Basel (RC2NB)” in Basel.



Prof. Andrew Chan



Prof. Andrew Chan is the Head of the Medical Division Neuro, at the Bern University Hospital (Inselspital), Head Physician at the Department of Neurology and a Professor of Neurology and Neuro-Immunology at the University of Bern, Switzerland. Dr. Chan received his Neurology / Neuro-Immunology training at the University of Würzburg, Germany and his research interests are in the field of experimental, translational and clinical Neuro-Immunology, specifically Multiple Sclerosis and related disorders.



International Faculty



Prof. Paulus S Rommer



Prof. Paulus Rommer is an Associate Professor of Neurology at Department of Neurology, Medical University of Vienna, Austria. Prof. Rommer attended the Medical University of Vienna and the Vienna University of Economics and Business. His research focuses heavily on Multiple Sclerosis, Neuromyelitis Optica Spectrum Disorder (NMOSD) and other Neuro-Immunological diseases.



Prof. Benedetta Bodini



Prof. Bodini completed her PhD on Advanced Neuro-Imaging applied to MS, at the UCL Institute of Neurology, London and at present, works with the Paris Brain Institute, Pitié-Salpêtrière Hospital since 2012. She is a Professor of Neuro-Imaging at the Sorbonne University, Paris. Her work covers Role of Ultra-High-Field MRI, advanced MRI techniques and PET in MS, AI and deep learning to predict presymptomatic diseases and early Cortical Myelin repair.



Prof. Sarosh Irani



Prof. Sarosh Irani is Professor of Neurology at Mayo Clinic, Jacksonville, Florida USA. He is instrumental in recognising clinical features, particularly Faciobrachial Dystonic Seizures, in people with LGI1 and CASPR2 autoantibodies. He has described distinctive movement disorders and psychopathological features related to NMDAR - Antibody Encephalitis. He also highlighted the evidence supporting the importance of early Immunotherapy in patients with Autoimmune Neurological diseases.



Prof. Mariana Spatola



Prof. Spatola is a Neurologist and R2B researcher at IDIBAPS, Hospital Clinic, and PhD director of 3 students at the University of Barcelona, Spain. Her research aims to understand the contribution of antibodies and innate immunity to the pathogenesis of Autoimmune Encephalitis, and the role of viruses and other pathogens in triggering brain Autoimmunity. The outstanding nature of her research has been recognized by several awards like Neurovirology award in 2021, Faculty prize in 2018, Top Science in 2023.



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1. Abstracts can be submitted for **Platform Presentations** and **E-Posters**.
2. Only Registered Delegates of the Conference can submit the Abstract. Abstracts submitted by persons, not registered for the Conference will not be considered for selection.
3. **The deadline for Abstract submission is April 30, 2026.** Submissions received after this deadline will not be considered. Please submit your Abstracts as a MS Word File Attachment and mail it to **neurosocietypune@gmail.com**
4. The Scientific Committee encourages the submission of original scientific material unpublished at the time of the abstract submission deadline.
5. Abstract submitted to regional or national conferences can be submitted for inclusion in the program.
6. Case reports are generally not accepted unless they bring significant and novel information to the fore.
7. Please limit your Abstract to **250 words**.
8. Please limit the names of Co-Authors to 5 names.
9. **ONLY** the Presenting Author will get a certificate of presentation. Co-Authors **WILL NOT** get any certificate presentation.
10. Do not submit the same study in multiple abstracts. Abstracts that appear as more than one version of a single study will be rejected.
11. Abstracts should be submitted in English to allow the reviewers to focus on the scientific content of the abstract. Presenters are encouraged to have their abstract checked for grammar and spelling.
12. The Scientific Committee may select the abstract for - Platform Presentation, E-Poster Presentation or it may not be selected.
13. The first / presenting author will receive a confirmation of acceptance for Platform Presentation or E - Poster presentation, by e-mail before May 15, 2026.
14. Authors of abstracts selected for Platform Presentation will be informed about the date and time of their Session and detailed presentation guidelines will be provided.
15. E-Poster presenters will be informed about the date of the poster session and will receive detailed guidelines for their presentation.



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Hall A - Friday, June 12, 2026

10.30-13.00 SESSION I - Basic Science

10.30-10.45	QUIZ - Sensitising to some of the Acronyms	Dr. Prajwal Rao
10.45-11.05	Cell Trafficking and Immune Cells in CNS Inflammatory Disorders	Dr. Benedetta Bodini
11.05-11.25	Knowing IgG subtypes for CNS Inflammatory Disorders	Dr. Sruthi Nair
11.25-11.45	Pathogenesis of Early and Late Multiple Sclerosis	Dr. Lekha Pandit
11.45-12.00	Inauguration Ceremony	
12.00-12.20	Fluid Bio-Markers in Multiple Sclerosis	Dr. Hans-Peter Hartung
12.20-12.40	Case Presentations	
12.40-13.00	Audience Interaction	

13.00-14.00 Lunch Break

13.00-14.00 Dr. Reddy's Laboratories Sponsored Lunch Symposium

	Moderators - Dr. Samsher Dwivedi and Dr. Rahul Kulkarni	
13.00-13.15	Pivotal Trials on Siponimod - Dr. Anshu Rohatgi	
13.15-13.30	Long Term Efficacy and Safety of Siponimod - Dr. MV Padma Srivastava	
13.30-13.45	Panel Discussion - Dr. Anshu Rohatgi, Dr. MV Padma Srivastava, Dr. Nasli Ichaporia, Dr. Shripad Pujari	

14.00-16.00 SESSION II - NEURO-OPTHALMOLOGY

14.00-14.20	Differential Diagnosis of Optic Neuritis	Dr. Vivek Lal
14.20-14.40	EOMs in CNS Inflammatory Disorders	Dr. U Meenakshisundaram
14.40-15.00	Painful Ophthalmoplegia	Dr. Sumit Singh
15.00-15.20	Optical Coherence Tomography in CNS Inflammatory Disorders	Dr. Aastha Takkar
15.20-15.40	Case Presentations	
15.40-16.00	Audience Interaction	

16.00-16.20 Tea / Coffee Break

16.20-18.20 Session III - NMOSD and MOGAD

16.20-16.40	Pathogenesis of NMOSD and MOGAD	Dr. Suresh Kumar
16.40-17.00	Clinical Features, Radiology and Diagnostic Criteria of NMOSD	Dr. Paulus Rommer
17.00-17.20	Management of NMOSD	Dr. Netravathi M
17.20-17.40	Clinical Features and Diagnosis of MOGAD	Dr. Manish Mahajan
17.40-18.00	Treatment of MOGAD	Dr. Rohit Bhatia
18.00-18.20	Audience Interaction	

19.00 onwards Welcome Dinner



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Hall B - Friday, June 12, 2026

14.00-16.00 SESSION I - SYSTEMIC DISORDERS

- 14.00-14.20 Infections and CNS Inflammatory Disorders
- 14.20-14.40 What's New in CNS Vasculitides
- 14.40-15.00 Pachymeningitis and Leptomeningitis
- 15.00-15.20 Rasmussen's Encephalitis
- 15.20-15.40 Case Presentations
- 15.40-16.00 Audience Interaction

Dr. Rahul Kulkarni

Dr. P N Sylaja

Dr. R Lakshmi Narasimhan

Dr. Sangita Ravat

19.00 onwards Welcome Dinner



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Hall A - Saturday, June 13, 2026

09.00-10.20 **SESSION IV - Auto-Immune Encephalitis (AIE) I**

- 09.00-09.20 Learning AIE Through Videos
09.20-09.40 Auto-Immune Dementia
09.40-10.00 Overdiagnosis and Misdiagnosis of AIE
10.00-10.20 Audience Interaction

Dr. Nasli Ichaporia
Dr. Suvarna Alladi
Dr. Sarosh Irani

10.20-10.45 **Tea / Coffee Break**

10.45-13.45 **Session V - European Charcot Foundation Symposium**

- 10.45-11.15 2025 Revision of Multiple Sclerosis Diagnostic Criteria
11.15-11.45 Role of MRI in Multiple Sclerosis
11.45-12.15 PET CT in CNS Inflammatory Disorders
12.15-12.45 Future Immunotherapies for Multiple Sclerosis
12.45-13.15 Investigational Therapies for NMO and MOGAD
13.15-13.45 Audience Interaction

Dr. Xavier Montalban
Dr. Cristina Granziera
Dr. Benedetta Bodini
Dr. Hans-Peter Hartung
Dr. Paulus Rommer

13.45-14.45 **Lunch Break**

14.45-16.05 **SESSION VI - Multiple Sclerosis Therapy I**

- 14.45-15.05 Concept of PPMS and its Management
15.05-15.25 BTK Inhibitors
15.25-15.45 Induction Vs Escalation
15.45-16.05 Audience Interaction

Dr. Andrew Chan
Dr. Xavier Montalban
Dr. Nasli Ichaporia

16.05-16.25 **Tea / Coffee Break**

16.25-18.15 **Session VII - Imaging in CNS Inflammatory Disorders**

- 16.25-16.45 AI and Advanced MRI Imaging in CNS Inflammatory Disorders
16.45-17.05 Debate: Is GAD Essential for Follow-up MRI in Multiple Sclerosis?
For - Dr. Rahul Baviskar Against - Dr. Pritam Raja
17.05-17.25 Imaging in Autoimmune Encephalitis
17.25-17.45 Audience Interaction
17.45-18.15 QUIZ

Dr. Cristina Granziera
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19.00 onwards **Banquet Dinner**



Hall B - Saturday, June 13, 2026

09.00-10.20 SESSION II - Auto-Immune Encephalitis (AIE) II

- 09.00-09.20 AIE Associated with Cell Surface Antigens
09.20-09.40 Auto-Immune Epilepsy
09.40-10.00 Immune Mediated Ataxias
10.00-10.20 Audience Interaction

Dr. Paulus Rommer
Dr. Sita Jayalakshmi
Dr. Achal Srivastava

10.20-10.45 Tea / Coffee Break

14.45-16.05 SESSION III - Multiple Sclerosis Therapy II

- 14.45-15.05 Remyelination and Neuroprotection in Multiple Sclerosis
15.05-15.25 Choosing DMTs at the Onset of Multiple Sclerosis
15.25-15.45 Self-Administered HETs
15.45-16.05 Audience Interaction

Dr. Hans-Peter Hartung
Dr. Dheeraj Khurana
Dr. Anshu Rohatgi

16.05-16.25 Tea / Coffee Break

16.25-18.15 Session IV - Miscellaneous I

- 16.25-16.45 Approach to Management of AIE
16.45-17.05 Debate: Immunotherapy After 1st Relapse of MOGAD
For - Dr. Varsha Patil Against - Dr. Soumya Sundaram
17.05-17.25 Neurofascin Antibodies in CNS Inflammatory Disorders
17.25-17.45 Audience Interaction
17.45-18.15 QUIZ in Hall A

Dr. Mariana Spatola
Dr. Thomas Mathew

19.00 onwards Welcome Dinner



Hall A - Sunday, June 14, 2026

09.00-10.20 SESSION VIII - Miscellaneous II

09.00-09.20 Precipitants of AIE Syndromes

Dr. Sarosh Irani

09.20-09.40 GFAP Astrocytopathy

Dr. Sudheeran Kannoth

09.40-10.00 Panel Discussion on AIE

Moderators - Dr. Thomas Mathew and Dr. Deepak Arjundas

Panelists - Dr. Rohit Bhatia, Dr. Vikram Kamath, Dr. Prachet Kulkarni

10.00-10.20 Debate: Can RAW & PIRA be Separated?

For - Dr. Samsheer Dwivedi **Against** - Dr. Sucharita Ray

10.20-10.40 Audience Interaction

10.40-11.00 Tea / Coffee Break

11.00-13.45 Session IX - Multiple Sclerosis Therapy III

11.00-11.20 Managing and Preventing HET associated risks in CNS Inflammatory Disorders

Dr. Xavier Montalban

11.20-11.40 Concept of CIS and it's Management

Brig. S P Gorthi

11.40-12.00 Technological Advances in Rehab in CNS Inflammatory Disorders

Dr. Nirmal Surya

12.00-12.20 Case Presentations

12.20-12.40 Audience Interaction

12.40-13.15 CPC Case Analysis - **Dr. M V Padma Srivastava**

CPC Discussion - **Dr. Netravathi M and Dr. Anita Mahadevan**

13.15-13.45 QUIZ

13.45-1350 Valedictory Function

13.50 onwards Farewell Lunch



Hall B - Sunday, June 14, 2026

09.00-10.20 **SESSION V - Miscellaneous III**

09.00-09.20 Outcome Measures in Multiple Sclerosis

Dr. Kamakshi Dhamija

09.20-09.40 Multiple Sclerosis Mimics

Dr. Tapas Banerjee

09.40-10.00 Neuromodulation for Repair and Restoration of Function

Dr. Pawan Ojha

10.00-10.20 Debate: Should High EDSS be a Determinant for Future DMT?
For - Dr. Deepak Arjundas Against - Dr. C S Agarwal

10.20-10.40 Audience Interaction

10.40-11.00 **Tea / Coffee Break**

11.00-13.45 **Session VI - Multiple Sclerosis Therapy IV**

11.00-11.20 Understanding Pathobiology of SPMS and its Translation Into Management

Dr. Benedetta Bodini

11.20-11.40 Prodromal MS and RIS - Imaging Nuances, Monitoring And Treatment

Dr. Shripad Pujari

11.40-12.00 Treatment of Ancillary Symptoms

Dr. Ayush Agarwal

12.00-12.20 Case Presentations

12.20-12.40 Audience Interaction

12.40-13.15 CPC Presenter and CPC Case Analysis in Hall A

13.15-13.45 **QUIZ in Hall A**

13.45-1350 **Valedictory Function in Hall A**

13.50 onwards **Farewell Lunch**



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Registration Fees

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	Early Bird - Till April 30, 2026	Regular - Till May 31, 2026	Spot - After June 1, 2026
Consultant	10000	12000	15000
PG Student*	5000	6000	8000
Acc. Person	7000	9000	12000

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Single Room (1 Delegate in the room)	50000	60000	Not Available
Twin Sharing (2 Delegates in the room)	30000 (per person)	33000 (per person)	Not Available
Double Room (Delegate + Spouse)	60000	70000	Not Available

General Guidelines

- Please fill the enclosed Registration Form and send it to the Conference Secretariat, at below address, with appropriate payment by Cheque / DD favouring **Neurological Society of Pune**, payable at **Pune**.
- **Accommodation is from 2 PM on Thursday, June 11, 2026 to 10 AM on Sunday June 14, 2026. Accommodation charges DOES NOT include Registration Fees - Registration Fees are to be paid in addition to the Accommodation Charges.**
- Accommodation Charges include breakfast on Friday, Saturday and Sunday for the Resident Delegates.
- Registration Fees include Lunches on Friday, Saturday and Sunday and Dinner on Friday and Saturday.
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- * PG Students should attach a letter from the Head of the Department.

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