

# Fellows Course

**Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> March 2026**

**The Leela Ambience Convention Hotel, New Delhi**

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near YAMUNA SPORTS COMPLEX, Vishwas Nagar Extension,  
Vishwas Nagar, Shahdara, Delhi, 110032

# Scientific Program



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# Welcome Message

It gives us great pleasure to welcome you to the **Fellows Course**, organised by the **Interventional Cardiology Foundation of India (ICFI)** .

**The Interventional Cardiology Foundation of India (ICFI)**, a charitable organization established in 2010 by internationally renowned cardiologists - **Dr. Ashwin B Mehta, Dr. Ashok Seth, Dr. Upendra Kaul, Dr. Vinay K Bahl** and the **Late Dr. Mathew Samuel K** - is dedicated to advancing the field of cardiology, particularly interventional cardiology.

**ICFI** has been committed to promoting education, knowledge exchange, and skill development among young and practicing cardiologists across the Asia-Pacific region through high-quality scientific meetings and educational initiatives. The foundation also actively supports scientific research in India aimed at improving the prevention and treatment of cardiovascular diseases through research grants, patient and public education, and philanthropic initiatives that help provide treatment for underprivileged patients.

Through its official scientific journal, *AsiaIntervention*, **ICFI** continues to disseminate cutting-edge scientific knowledge and foster academic collaboration within the global interventional cardiology community.

The Fellows Course has been designed to provide an engaging learning platform for young cardiologists and fellows, offering valuable insights, practical knowledge, and interaction with leading experts in the field. We hope this course will inspire the next generation of interventional cardiologists and contribute meaningfully to their academic and clinical growth.

We wish all participants a highly enriching and rewarding learning experience!

Warm Regards,

**Interventional Cardiology Foundation of India (ICFI)**



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**08.00 AM - 09.00 AM**

**INAUGURAL CONCLAVE**

**Chairpersons**

**Ashwin B Mehta, Mumbai | Ashok Seth, New Delhi | Upendra Kaul, New Delhi | Vinay K Bahl, Noida | Ajit Desai, Mumbai | Ajit Mullasari S, Chennai | Rony Mathew K, Kochi | Vishal Rastogi, New Delhi**

**09.00 AM - 10.00 AM**

**SESSION 1: ACCESS FOUNDATIONS**

**Chairpersons**

**Sanjog Kalra, Canada | Vijay Trehan, New Delhi | Sandeep Bansal, New Delhi | Sanjay Chugh, Gurugram | Ajay J Swamy, Hyderabad | Aditya Kapoor, Lucknow | Anil Dhall, New Delhi**

09.00 - 09.08 AM

Femoral Access: Is Ultrasound Guidance Now Non-Negotiable?  
**Sandeep Bansal, New Delhi**

09.12 - 09.20 AM

Radial Access: Beyond the Basics  
**Sanjay Chugh, Gurugram**

09.24 - 09.32 AM

Distal Radial Access: Technique, Troubleshooting and Crossover  
**Ajay J Swamy, Hyderabad**

09.36 - 09.44 AM

Managing Access Site complications: Hematoma, Pseudoaneurysm and Beyond  
**Aditya Kapoor, Lucknow**

09.48 - 09.56 AM

Vascular Closure Devices: Pearls, Pitfalls and Bailouts  
**Anil Dhall, New Delhi**

**10.00 AM - 11.00 AM**

**SESSION 2: CTO MASTERY**

**Chairpersons**

**Mamas A Mamas, UK | Arun Kalyanasundaram, Chennai | Gerald S Werner, Germany | N Prathap Kumar, Trivandrum | Ashwin B Mehta, Mumbai | Wataru Nagamatsu, Japan | Masahisa Yamane, Japan**

10.00 - 10.08 AM

CTO PCI: The Essentials Every Fellow Needs in their Toolkit  
**Gerald S Werner, Germany**

10.12 - 10.20 AM

Imaging the CTO: Precision Planning in Simple Steps  
**N Prathap Kumar, Trivandrum**

10.24 - 10.32 AM

Wire Escalation to ADR: The Antegrade Ladder Made Simple  
**Ashwin B Mehta, Mumbai**

10.36 - 10.44 AM

Retrograde CTO: The Essentials - Collaterals, Cannulation, and Bailout  
**Wataru Nagamatsu, Japan**

10.48 - 10.56 AM

CTO PCI: Dissection / Re-entry - "When to Switch and What to Use"  
**Masahisa Yamane, Japan**

**11.00 AM - 12.00 PM**

**SESSION 3: BIFURCATION BATTLES**

**Chairpersons**

**Ramesh Daggubati, USA | Vinay K Bahl, Noida | Carlo Di Mario, Italy | Subhash Chandra, New Delhi | Himanshu Gupta, Chandigarh | Rajesh Vijayvergiya, Chandigarh | Rabindra Nath Chakraborty, Kolkata**



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- 11.00 - 11.08 AM True Bifurcations: When One Stent is Enough - and When it isn't  
**Carlo Di Mario**, Italy
- 11.12 - 11.20 AM Mastering DK Crush: Key Steps and Pitfalls  
**Subhash Chandra**, New Delhi
- 11.24 - 11.32 AM Culotte Technique: Key Steps and Pitfalls  
**Himanshu Gupta**, Chandigarh
- 11.36 - 11.44 AM Imaging the Left Main: From Sizing to Optimization  
**Rajesh Vijayvergiya**, Chandigarh
- 11.48 - 11.56 AM Saving the Side Branch: Prevention and Rescue Made Simple  
**Rabindra Nath Chakraborty**, Kolkata

**12.00 PM - 01.00 PM**      **SESSION 4: CRACKING CALCIUM**

**Chairpersons**      **Gerald S Werner**, Germany | **Rony Mathew K**, Kochi | **Ashok Seth**,  
New Delhi | **Simon Wilson**, UK | **Balbir Singh**, New Delhi |  
**Arun Kalyanasundaram**, Chennai | **Arun Mohanty**, New Delhi

- 12.00 - 12.08 PM Cracking Calcium: A Practical Algorithm for 2026  
**Ashok Seth**, New Delhi
- 12.12 - 12.20 PM Intravascular Lithotripsy: Practical Pearls for Complex PCI  
**Simon Wilson**, UK
- 12.24 - 12.32 PM Orbital Atherectomy: Is it Better, Is it Safer  
**Balbir Singh**, New Delhi
- 12.36 - 12.44 PM Rotational Atherectomy for Beginners: Tips and Tricks  
**Arun Kalyanasundaram**, Chennai
- 12.48 - 12.56 PM Imaging Calcium: OCT vs IVUS - Which to Use, When to Use  
**Arun Mohanty**, New Delhi

**01.00 PM - 02.00 PM**      **SESSION 5: WHEN THINGS GO WRONG**

**Chairpersons**      **Carlo Di Mario**, Italy | **Upendra Kaul**, New Delhi | **Vijay Trehan**, New Delhi |  
**Girish B Navasundi**, Bengaluru | **Jamal Yusuf**, New Delhi | **Sanjog Kalra**,  
Canada | **Nitish Naik**, New Delhi

- 01.00 - 01.08 PM Coronary Perforation: Small and Large Vessel  
**Vijay Trehan**, New Delhi
- 01.12 - 01.20 PM Hardware Dislodgement: Prevention and Rescue  
**Girish B Navasundi**, Bengaluru
- 01.24 - 01.32 PM Coronary Dissection and Acute Vessel Closure  
**Jamal Yusuf**, New Delhi
- 01.36 - 01.44 PM Rotational Atherectomy Complications: Anticipation, Recognition, Rescue  
**Sanjog Kalra**, Canada
- 01.48 - 01.56 PM Early Post-PCI Electrical Storm: Recognition and Rescue  
**Nitish Naik**, New Delhi



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**02.00 PM - 03.00 PM**

**SESSION 6: ACS IN 2026**

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**Ajit Mallasari S**, Chennai | **Anil Dhall**, New Delhi | **Vishal Rastogi**, New Delhi | **Rakesh Yadav**, New Delhi | **Upendra Kaul**, New Delhi | **Ankur Kalra**, USA | **Ajit Desai**, Mumbai

02.00 - 02.08 PM

Hemodynamic Support in Shock: IABP is Enough or Escalate to ECMO / IMPELLA?

**Vishal Rastogi**, New Delhi

02.12 - 02.20 PM

STEMI with Large Thrombus Burden: Contemporary Solutions

**Rakesh Yadav**, New Delhi

02.24 - 02.32 PM

STEMI with Multivessel Disease: Culprit Only or Complete Revascularization?

**Upendra Kaul**, New Delhi

02.36 - 02.44 PM

Haemorrhagic Myocardial Infarction: The Hidden Complication of Reperfusion

**Ankur Kalra**, USA

02.48 - 02.56 PM

Perioperative STEMI: Diagnosis, Dilemmas and Decisions

**Ajit Desai**, Mumbai

**03.00 PM - 04.00 PM**

**SESSION 7: STRUCTURAL SKILLS FOR FELLOWS**

**Chairpersons**

**Charanjit S Rihal**, USA | **Balbir Singh**, New Delhi | **G Sengottuvelu**, Chennai | **S Nagendra Boopathy**, Chennai | **Sai Satish**, Chennai | **Ramesh Daggubati**, USA | **Nils Johnson**, USA

03.00 - 03.08 PM

Choosing the Right Valve in TAVI: A Practical Algorithm

**Sai Satish**, Chennai

03.12 - 03.20 PM

CT for TAVI Planning: From Annulus to Access

**G Sengottuvelu**, Chennai

03.24 - 03.32 PM

TAVI Procedural Checklist: Stepwise Workflow

**S Nagendra Boopathy**, Chennai

03.36 - 03.44 PM

TAVI and the Coronaries: Access, Protection and Future PCI

**Sai Satish**, Chennai

03.48 - 03.56 PM

How I Manage TAVI Complications: From Vascular Access to Valve Malposition

**Ramesh Daggubati**, USA

**04.00 PM - 05.00 PM**

**SESSION 8: FRONTIERS AND ODDITIES**

**Chairpersons**

**Carlo Di Mario**, Italy | **Ajit Desai**, Mumbai | **Rishi Sethi**, Lucknow | **Mamas A Mamas**, UK | **Debabrata Mukherjee**, USA | **Ajit Mallasari S**, Chennai | **Sundeep Mishra**, Moradabad

04.00 - 04.08 PM

Overcoming the Challenges of Anomalously arising Coronary Arteries: Tips and Tricks

**Rishi Sethi**, Lucknow

04.12 - 04.20 PM

Early-Career PCI: Which Lesions to Tackle, Which to Defer

**Mamas A Mamas**, UK



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- 04.24 - 04.32 PM Pulmonary Embolism Management: When to Lyse, When to Intervene  
**Debabrata Mukherjee, USA**
- 04.36 - 04.44 PM PCI in Tortuous and Ectatic Vessels: Tips and Tricks  
**Ajit Mulasari S, Chennai**
- 04.48 - 04.56 PM Saphenous Vein Graft PCI: Practical Pearls  
**Sundeeep Mishra, Moradabad**

**05.00 PM - 06.00 PM**

**SESSION 9: EXPANDING THE INTERVENTIONAL SKILLS**

**Chairpersons**

**Nils Johnson, USA | Vishal Rastogi, New Delhi | Ranjan Shetty, Bengaluru | Charanjit S Rihal, USA | Ranjit K Nath, New Delhi | D S Chadha, Bengaluru | Rony Mathew K, Kochi**

- 05.00 - 05.08 PM Left Atrial Appendage Occlusion: Tips and Tricks  
**Ranjan Shetty, Bengaluru**
- 05.12 - 05.20 PM Mitral TEER: Plan, Puncture, Grasp, Release  
**Charanjit S Rihal, USA**
- 05.24 - 05.32 PM PTMC: Practical Pearls  
**Ranjit K Nath, New Delhi**
- 05.36 - 05.44 PM Drug Eluting Balloons: An Update  
**D S Chadha, Bengaluru**
- 05.48 - 05.56 PM SCAD: Recognition and Management Simplified  
**Rony Mathew K, Kochi**

**06.00 PM - 07.00 PM**

**SESSION 10: IMAGING AND PHYSIOLOGY IN 2026**

**Chairpersons**

**Debabrata Mukherjee, USA | S Nagendra Boopathy, Chennai | Nils Johnson, USA | Giulio Guagliumi, Italy | Gary S Mintz, USA | Thomas William Johnson, UK**

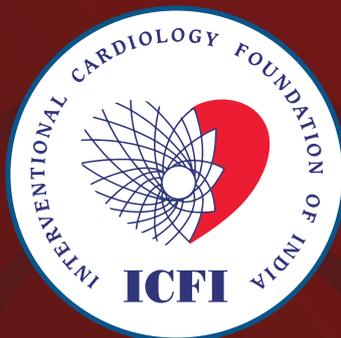
- 06.00 - 06.08 PM FFR: Core Concepts and Clinical Subsets  
**Nils Johnson, USA**
- 06.12 - 06.20 PM OCT Simplified: A Step-by-Step Guide  
**Giulio Guagliumi, Italy**
- 06.24 - 06.32 PM IVUS in PCI: From Criteria to Clinical Application  
**Gary S Mintz, USA**
- 06.36 - 06.44 PM Beyond FFR: Mastering Non-Hyperemic Indexes in Daily Practice  
**Nils Johnson, USA**
- 06.48 - 06.56 PM Beyond the Stent: Why Secondary Prevention Saves More Lives than PCI  
**Thomas William Johnson, UK**

**07.00 PM - 08.00 PM**

**SESSION 11: LEARN FROM MASTERS: INTERACTION WITH FELLOWS**



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