



CIGICON 2025



Academic Program

Raviz's Kadavu Resorts, Calicut

'Listening, Language & Literacy'

August 29-31, 2025

Highlights

- The best of International Faculty
- Special theme - focus on results
- Scenario based Discussions- great learning
- Every subject discussed threadbare
- Special Breakfast sessions for Beginners

World-Renowned Faculty in Cochlear Implantation

Pioneers and Innovators Shaping the Future of Hearing Restoration

Get ready for an unforgettable CIGICON! Continuing CIGI's legacy of excellence, this year's conference brings together a stellar lineup of global trailblazers in cochlear implant science. We are thrilled to welcome **Dr. Ingeborg Hochmair, Ph.D.**, co-creator of the pioneering Medel Cochlear Implant; **Prof. Thomas Lenarz, MD. PhD** world-renowned expert and Emeritus Professor at Hannover University, celebrated for his groundbreaking work in cochlear and brainstem implantation; **Prof. Paul Van de Heyning M.D., Ph.D.**, a professor emeritus of ENT and Head and Neck Surgery at the Antwerp University Hospital and University of Antwerp, a brilliant researcher, surgeon and academician and, like Prof Lenarz, a Keynote speaker at many international meetings, **Prof Brian Kaplan MD. FACS. B.Nsc**, Chairman of the Department of Otolaryngology and Director of Cochlear implant program at Greater Baltimore Medical Center and President of Global Strategy and Innovation at Cochlear Limited, so too will be **Prof. Piotr Henryk Skarżyński**, a brilliant and well known academician from the Warsaw world hearing center . **Prof. Vanessa Tan MRCS N,Med** from Singapore, the director of Center for Hearing and Ear implants at Singapore General Hospital will also be sharing her expertise in the field. Another great luminary in the field of Audiology **Dr. Artur Lorens Ph.D. Eng.**, who is the

head of the Department of Auditory Implant and Perception of World hearing Center and professor of the Institute of Physiology and Pathology of Hearing , Warsaw, Poland. His scientific experience in the field of auditory implants, objective measures, psychoacoustics and auditory perception modeling is astounding. Last, but not the least, hear from one of the worlds most foremost experts in Habilitation of the deaf, Ms. **Julie Kosaner BA(Hons) M.Ed ., PGCE**, who is a specialist with over 40 years of experience. Get ready to hear these stalwarts and some of the best speakers in India on the topic.

For the Banquet, listen to the inimitable **Kavya Ajit and her band "Iham Kavyam"** and also on the opening day, watch spellbound the **performing arts of Kerala** where a real surprise awaits you!



Program at a Glance!

Panel Discussions(five presentations of 8 minutes each followed by discussion)

ABR, ASSR,OAE and Stapedial reflexes: A synergistic approach
CI in very young children
CI in patients with residual hearing
Complex Cochlear implant Cases
Adult cochlear implantation
Red flags in postoperative recovery and care
Audiological Red flags- Detecting and Managing issues
Personalised Habilitation Techniques
CI, BCI, or ABI: Decision Making in Difficult Cases

Breakfast sessions

Pre-operative assessments- Radiology of the Inner ear
Setting the Stage- Early intervention Strategies in Habilitation
Radiology for Audiologists- Understanding CT, MRI and beyond
Language Development Patterns in Implanted Children
Red Flags in Post operative Recovery and Care
Audiological Red Flags: Detecting and Managing Issues
Personalized Habilitation Planning Techniques

Invited talks

The future of Cochlear Implants
Neuroscience of Hearing: Implications for Cochlear Implant Users
Measuring What Matters: Beyond the Audiogram in Predicting Language and Literacy Outcomes?
Customer-centric innovation for better language outcomes
The Rationale of using Long Electrodes to Optimize Apical Frequency Allocation
Optimizing Therapy Outcomes for Listening and Spoken Language Acquisition
Surgical Optimization for Cochlear Implant Patients with Complex Medical Needs
State of Art of Hearing and Structure Preserving CI Surgery
Literacy Gap among CI children
Efficacy of Cochlear Implants in Single sided Deafness- Current Evidence and Future Directions

Conference theme symposium

The Listening, the Language and the Literacy- three lectures

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Know your Faculty

Dr. Ingeborg J. Hochmair-Desoyer Ph.D is an Austrian electrical engineer and the CEO and CTO of hearing implant company MED-EL. She commenced her studies at Technical University of Vienna in electrical engineering in 1971, and in 1975, she became the first woman in Austria to receive a PhD in electrical engineering. Dr. Hochmair and her husband Prof. Erwin Hochmair co-created the first micro-electronic multi-channel cochlear implant in the world. She received the Lasker-DeBakey Clinical Medical Research Award for her contributions towards the development of the modern cochlear implant. She also received the 2015 Russ Prize for bioengineering. In 1989, she co-founded the medical device company MED-EL. Outside of MED-EL, Hochmair continues to support research in the field of science and technology. In 2012, an endowed professorship in microelectronics and implantable systems was introduced at the University of Innsbruck's Institute for Mechatronics, supported by Hochmair.



The University of Innsbruck also offers Ingeborg Hochmair Professorships, an endowed professorship aimed at supporting female researchers in science and technology. She will be delivering the **Keynote address "The future of Cochlear implants"**

Prof. Thomas Lenarz, M.D. Ph.D. is a Professor of Otorhinolaryngology and Chair of the Department of Otorhinolaryngology at the Medical University of Hannover, Germany, and a pioneer in the development of surgical and pharmacological interventions for hearing loss. He works at the Department of Otolaryngology at Hannover Medical School Hospital in Germany. Dr. Lenarz's career is filled with significant achievements, including serving as the Head of Otology, Audiology, and Neurotology at the University of Heidelberg. He is also the founder of the Hannover Hearing Center, which provides integrated treatment for patients with hearing loss, along with conducting related research.

Professor Lenarz and his team have developed the largest Cochlear Implantation program in the world. His research activity on surgical approaches to hearing loss extends beyond cochlear implants and includes central auditory implants in the midbrain and brain stem for neural deafness and implantable hearing aids for middle ear and inner ear hearing loss.

He is currently vice president of the German Society of Biomedical Technology and speaker of the expert group on healthcare technologies at Acatech (German National Academy of Technology). He will be delivering the **Plenary lecture "Neuroscience of Hearing- Implication for CI users "** and other important Lectures



Know your Faculty

Professor Paul Van de Heyning M.D., Ph.D., is professor emeritus of ENT and Head and Neck Surgery at the Antwerp University Hospital and Institute of Translational Research at the University of Antwerp. He has served as chairman and also as dean of the faculty. He was a founding member, former chairman and is now vice-chairman of the HEARING group, which unites 27 comprehensive cochlear implant centres. He is supervisor of 65 PhD theses and has published 590 papers.



He heads one of the largest research centers in hearing research in the world. He has performed the world's first bilateral cochlear implant in a EAS patient in 2010. His research focussed mainly on inner ear pathology and cochlear implantation. In particular with his team, he developed the application of cochlear implantation in single sided deafness and tinnitus. He contributed to the hearing and structure preservation cochlear implantation surgery and organised many surgical workshops on EAS (electric acoustic stimulation). Prof. Van de Heyning has published extensively on topics related to hearing loss, vestibular function, and the development and application of auditory implants. His work has had a substantial impact on the understanding and treatment of various auditory conditions, and he is recognized for his contributions to the advancement of cochlear implant technology and rehabilitation strategies.

In addition to his research, Prof. Van de Heyning is involved in various professional organizations related to audiology and otolaryngology, and he has participated in numerous conferences and workshops, sharing his expertise with the global medical

community.

With his most recent research he was involved with the development of the HEARO robotic assisted cochlear implant surgery. He will be Delivering a **Plenary lecture** on "**Rationale to use Long Electrodes to Optimize Apical Frequency Allocation** " and other important talks

Dr. Brian Kaplan MD FACS, B.Nsc serves as the Senior Vice President of Global Clinical Strategy and Innovation at Cochlear Limited and is the Chairman of the Department of Otolaryngology and Director of the Cochlear Implant Program at the Greater Baltimore Medical Center. Board certified in Otolaryngology and a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, he has been recognized multiple times as a "Top Doc" by Baltimore magazine. Dr. Kaplan manages clinical strategy and innovation for Cochlear, overseeing clinical data to support current and future products and services. His research interests include hearing loss, implantable hearing technology, balance disorders, and hair cell regeneration. He holds a Bachelor of Neuroscience, a Bachelor of Arts, an MD, and the FACS designation. He will be delivering a **Plenary address** on "**Customer-centric innovation for better language outcomes** " and other important topics



Know your Faculty

Prof Vanessa Tan Yee Jueen MBBS, MRCS, NMed, MCI is the Director of the Centre for Hearing and Ear Implants at Singapore General Hospital. She completed a fellowship in Otolaryngology, Hearing Implants and Neuro-otology with the Royal Victorian Eye and Ear Hospital and Royal Melbourne Hospital in 2021.

She has a keen interest in educating the next generation and holds the following educator posts: Core Faculty of the Singhealth ENT Residency Program, Clinical Asst Prof of Duke-NUS, and Clinical Lecturer of Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine. Her clinical interests include hearing implants and skull base tumours such as acoustic neuromas. Her research interests include preventing ototoxicity from nasopharyngeal cancer treatment, single sided deafness and genetic causes of hearing loss. She will be talking on "**Surgical Optimization for Cochlear Implant Patients with Complex Medical Needs**" and other important topics



Prof. Piotr Henryk Skarżyński, M.D., Ph.D., MSc is the Regional Representative of Europe of the International Society of Audiology and Board Secretary of the Polish Society of Otorhinolaryngologists, Phoniatrists and Audiologists. He is the Vice President of Hearing Group, an Auditor of the European Federation of Audiology Societies, and a member of the FNS (Facial Nerve Stimulation) Steering Committee. I collaborate with AAO-HNS as a member of Hearing Committee, Implantable Hearing Devices Committee and Otolaryngology & Neurotology Education Committee. His academic achievements include an Impact Factor of 414.897, an Index Copernicus score of 57,611.09, and 34,790 points assigned by the Polish Ministry of Science and Higher Education. He has extensive experience in otolaryngology, pediatric otorhinolaryngology, audiology, and public health, as well as leadership roles in various scientific organisations. His research encompasses numerous nationally and internationally funded projects, resulting in over 400 publications, and he makes significant

contributions to telemedicine and e-health initiatives across Europe, Asia, and Africa. He actively supervises student research and coordinates hearing implant. He will be delivering an important lecture on "**Auditory Neuropathy Spectrum Disorder and Cochlear Implants- Predictors of Success and Protocol adjustment**"

Know your Faculty

Dr. Artur Lorens Ph.D. Eng is the head of the Department of Auditory Implant and Perception of World hearing Center and professor of the Institute of Physiology and Pathology of Hearing , Warsaw, Poland. His scientific experience is in the field of auditory implants, objective measures, psychoacoustics and auditory perception modeling. He is member of the Polish Scientific Association of the Hearing and Communication Disorders Member of the American Auditory Society, International Society of Audiology, European Society for Artificial Organs, European Academy of Otology&Neurotology. He was Scientist in Charge of the HearingTreat Marie Curie EU project and main executor of five projects of the Polish State Committee for Scientific Research. He achieved First Award granted by the Minister of Health and Social Welfare for outstanding achievements in health care, including elaboration and implementation of the brainstem implants program and First Degree Award for elaboration of the first Polish version of rehabilitation program for the hearing impaired, provided with the cochlear implants, granted by the Minister of Health and Social Welfare in Poland. He is author or co-author of 206 scientific articles in peer-reviewed journals. He will be giving a talk on **Measuring What Matters: Beyond the Audiogram in Predicting Language and Literacy Outcomes** and other important topics



Ms. Julie Kosaner trained at Manchester University, England between 1975 – 1983. Qualifications: **BA (Hons) Education and Audiology; PGCE- Certificate to teach hearing and hearing impaired children, M.Ed. Audiology.**

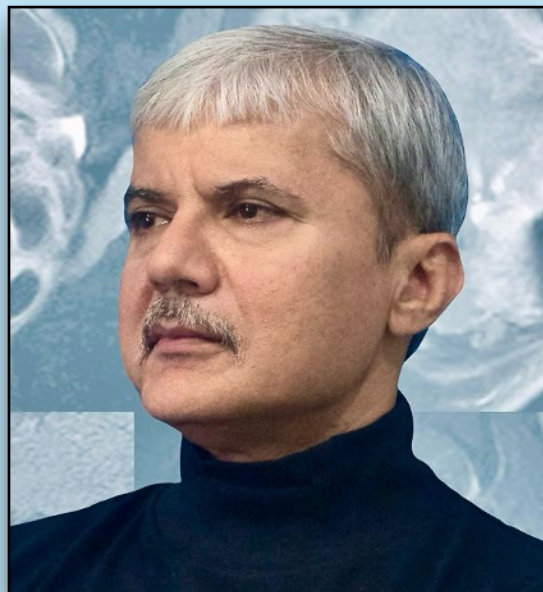
Julie Kosaner is a Teacher of the Deaf and Educational Audiologist with over 40 years of experience. She has played a major role in the establishment of early intervention and cochlear implant programs in Turkey and Singapore. From 2000 onward she has worked as a clinical specialist and consultant for MED-EL Hearing Implant Company, based Turkey. She has run many training workshops, in multiple countries, on fitting of hearing implants and habilitation of pediatric CI recipients, focusing on family centered guidance. She has designed many habilitation materials, has published scientific papers and routinely speaks at international scientific meetings. She will be talking on **Optimizing Therapy Outcomes for Listening and Spoken Language Acquisition** and other important topics

Know your Faculty

Professor Sanjay Vaid is the Chief of the Head Neck & ENT Imaging Division and Academic Director at Star Imaging and Research Center in Pune, India. He is the Chief Radiologist and Founder Director of TurtleNeck Imaging, India's first dedicated Head Neck and ENT Imaging web portal. His specialization includes imaging of the temporal bone, head and neck oncology, skull base and cranial nerve imaging, and paranasal sinuses.

Prof. Vaid has numerous peer-reviewed publications in esteemed journals such as Clinical Radiology, British Journal of Radiology, Neuroimaging Clinics of North America, and Cochlear Implants International. He has authored chapters in prominent textbooks, including Sutton's Textbook of Radiology and Imaging.

With over 450 invited lectures and multiple presentations at international radiological conferences such as ESHNR, ASHNR, and RSNA, Prof. Vaid is a recognized expert in head and neck imaging, contributing significantly to the field through both research and education. He will be conducting two important sessions on **Radiology for hearing loss- both for Surgeons and Audiologists**



The entire scientific community of the Cochlear Implant Group of India (CIGI) has united to enrich this conference with their invaluable contributions. It would be inappropriate to single out individual names or address those not included. In a scientific session of this magnitude, we have prioritized relevance to the conference theme over the number of lectures presented.

For the first time, we have integrated sessions featuring Surgeons, Audiologists, and Habilitationists, who will collectively share their insights on specific subtopics. This innovative approach minimizes the need for breakaway sessions and highlights the collaborative spirit that CIGI has always championed. We firmly believe that each professional plays a critical role in enhancing patient well-being; it is only through the concerted efforts of Surgeons, Audiologists, and Habilitationists—without anyone claiming superiority—that we achieve optimal outcomes.

Consequently, our scientific committee has made the difficult decision to reduce the number of sessions, which may limit the number of faculty members participating in this meeting. However, we want to emphasize that you, the delegates, are the most vital component of this event. Your engagement in academic discussions and your diverse perspectives are just as important as those of the speakers.

We, the scientific committee, would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to the Executive Committee of CIGI, the senior members of CIGI, and the industry partners whose support has been instrumental in making this conference a resounding success. The greatest contribution to this conference comes not only from the podium but also from you, our audience!

Pre conference Temporal bone Dissection Workshop

800 AM Onwards

28th August 2025

Venue : MESIARC ENT Hospital , Calicut

Highlights

**Practice using Zeiss Microscopes and
Medtronic Drill Systems**

- **Cochleostomy, Round window insertions**
 - **Cochlear drillouts**
 - **Second turn Cochleostomy**
- **Bone Conduction Implant Placement**

Faculty

Air Cmde (Dr) Himanshu Swami

Dr Neelam Vaid

Dr Sunil Kumar KP

Detailed Program

Day 1 - August 29th - Introduction of the CIGICON THEME- LISTENING, LANGUAGE AND LITERACY

Breakfast Sessions	8 00 AM - 9 00 AM
	Hall A : Pre operative assessments- Radiology- How to read your scans and apply it to surgery for better results- Dr Sanjay Vaid
	Hall B: Panel discussion: Chirp ABR, ASSR and Stapedial Reflexes: A Synergistic Approach - Moderator Prof Ranjit Rajeswaran - Panelists : Dr Chandan Saha, Ms Meenakshi Wadhera , Dr. Chandrakant Vishwakarma, Mr Sameer Pootheri and Mr. Sasidharan Pulibalathingal
	Hall C :Setting the Stage- Early intervention Strategy: Moderator Dr. Banumathy Panelists : Ms Julie Kosaner, Ms. Parul Kajaliya , Ms Geeti Char, Dr Deepa Valame, Ms. Amritha Lakshmi Nath,

Keynote address and Plenary	9 00- 9 45 AM : Keynote Address : <i>The Future of Cochlear implants- a Journey that takes us far</i> - Dr. Ingeborg Hochmair, Founder , Med El
	9 45- 10 15 AM : Plenary 1: <i>Customer-centric innovation for better language outcomes-</i> Dr. Brian Kaplan
	10 15- 10 45 AM : Plenary 2 : <i>The Rationale to use Long Electrodes to Optimize Apical Frequency Allocation</i> : Prof. Paul Van de Heyning
	10 45- 11 15 AM: Invited talk : <i>Measuring What Matters: Beyond the Audiogram in Predicting Language and Literacy Outcomes-</i> Dr. Artur

900 AM - 11 00 AM Hall B Oral Presentation Audiology	900 AM - 11 00 AM Hall C Oral Presentation Habilitation
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COMPANY SYMPOSIUM	1120 AM - 1220 PM : COMPANY SYMPOSIUM - COCHLEAR
	1220 PM - 1 20 PM : COMPANY SYMPOSIUM- ADVANCED BIONICS
	Lunch

Invited talks	2 00 PM - 2 20 PM: <i>Surgical Optimization for Cochlear Implant Patients with Complex Medical Needs-</i> Dr. Vanessa Tan
	2 20 PM - 2 40 PM: <i>Future Directions in Bone anchored hearing Solutions :</i> Dr. Brian Kaplan
	2 40 PM- 3 00 PM: <i>State of Art of Hearing and Structure preserving CI Surgery:</i> Prof. Paul Van de Heyning

900 AM - 11 00 AM Hall B Oral Presentation Surgery- Papers 1-5

Conference Theme	THE CONFERENCE THEME SYMPOSIUM- Moderator Prof. Thomas Lenarz 300 PM - 400 PM
	LISTENING : Optimizing Therapy Outcomes for Listening and Spoken Language Acquisition - Ms. Julie Kosaner
	LANGUAGE : Developing naturalistic language following CI : Ms. Rashmi Deshpande
	LITERACY : Impact of delay in intervention : Dr. Jeena Mary Joy

Panel Discussions	4 00 PM - 5 00 PM :CI in very young Children. Moderator Dr. Mohnish Grover.
	Panelists Dr. Shalabh Sharma, Dr. Gaurav Gupta, Ms. Shefali Shah, Dr. Shankar Medikeri & Mr. Mandyam Aji Srikanth
	5 00 PM - 6 00 PM : Patients with residual hearing : Moderator Dr. Sumit Mrig.
	Panelists : Prof Brian Kaplan, Prof. Paul Van de Heyning , Ms .Neelu Somani, Ms. Kritika Saha & Dr. Hetal Marfatia

4 00 PM - 5 00 PM Oral Presentation Surgery Papers 6-10
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700 PM : Welcome Dinner and Theatrical Display of Kerala Art Forms

Day 2 - August 30th - The CIGI Day

Breakfast Sessions	8 00 AM to 9 00AM
	Hall A : Panel Discussion: Complex Cochlear implant Cases : Moderator Prof Mohan Kameswaran ,
	Panelists: Dr. Rohit Udaya Prasad, Dr. Rajesh Vishwakarma, Ms. Julie Kosaner, Dr. Naresh Panda, Prof. Piotr Skarzinsky
	Hall B: Radiology for Audiologists: Understanding CT, MRI, and Beyond- Dr. Sanjay Vaid
	Hall C Language development Patterns In Implanted children: Moderator: Ms. Leena Vishwakarma
	Panelists: Dr. Prathiba Dawson, Dr. Rupali Mathur, Ms. Sita Sreekumar, Ms. Sruthy Hrishikesan, Ms. Manashi Sarmah

Plenary	HALL A: 9 00- 9 45 AM-Plenary Address : Neuroscience of Hearing: Implications for Cochlear Implant Users- Prof. Thomas Lenarz
	9 45- 10 15 AM : Invited Lecture : Literacy Gap among CI Children : Dr. Kalyani Mandke

4 00 PM - 5 00 PM :Hall B : Oral Poster Presentation - Surgery	4 00 PM - 5 00 PM :Hall c : Oral Poster Presentation - Audiology
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Tea Break - 1015- 1030 AM

INAUGURAL SESSION	10 30 AM - 11 15 AM	Inaugural Session
	11 15 AM - 12 15 AM	CIGI ORATION- Ms Jaspal Chowdhry
	12 30 PM - 1 30 PM	LUNCH
	1 30 PM - 2 30 PM	CIGI AWARDS

HEARRING AND MEDEL	2 30 PM - 3 00 PM:	COMPANY SYMPOSIUM : MED-EL
	3 00 PM - 4 00 PM :	HEARRING PANEL : IS PERSONALISED TREATMENT POSSIBLE ?
		Moderator : Prof Paul Van de Heyning
	PANELISTS	Prof Mohan Kameswaran , Prof . Thomas Lenarz , Prof. Piotr Skarzinsky,

Panel	4 00 PM - 5 00 PM: HALL A: Panel Discussion on CI in adults - Moderator Dr Sharafuddheen
	Panelists: Prof. Thomaz Lenarz, Dr. Vishnu Swaroop Reddy, Dr.Milind Navalakhe, Dr. Kapil Sikka, & Mr. Srikanth Innamuri

Invited talks- Hall B	4:00 PM - 5:00 PM	Soft surgery cochlear implantation by posterior tympanotomy ,marginal cochleostomy route. - Deepak Dalmia
		Cochlear implantation in children with Syndromic Association - Dr Kailash Prasad Verma
		Deafening the silence: the Hearing-Cognition connection - Dr Bharathi Mohan
		Breaking Sound barriers: A QoL outcome study of our initial cohort of Pediatric Cochlear implantees - Dr Sandhya D
		CSF Gusher with CA size in Mondini cases- Dr Janardhan Rao Jagini

4 00 PM - 5 00 PM Hall C : Oral Poster Presentation - Habilitation

5 30 PM : General body Meeting

730 PM onwards : Grand Gala Dinner and Music Night- Kavya Ajit and Iham Kavyam

Day 3 - 31st August - The Closing Day

Breakfast Sessions	8 00 AM to 9 30AM
	Hall A : Panel Discussion: Red flags in Postoperative Recovery and Care: Moderator : Dr Mohammed Naushad .
	Panelists Dr. Kranti Bhavna, Dr. Sangeetha Varty, Dr. Saumitra Shah, Dr. Bhasharat Nadeem ,Dr. Uma Natarajan, Dr. Abha Kumari & Prof. Vanessa Tan.
	Hall B: Panel discussion: Audiological Red Flags: Detecting and Managing issues Moderator Dr Apurv Kumar
	Panelists Mr. Kannan, Mr Shiva Prasad Boddupolly, Dr. Arthur Lorens, Dr. Madhuri Gore, Ms. Anuradha Bantwal, Ms. Fatema Jagmag,
	Hall C: Panel Discussion on Personalized Habilitation Planning techniques Moderator Ms Vahishtai Daboo,
	Panelists: Ms. Gayatri Vaidya, Ms. Neera Lalwani, Ms .Jaspal Chowdhry, Ms Mithila Poonacha , Ms. Julie Kosaner & Ms. Shabnam Rafi

9 30- 1030 AM: Hall B Free Papers/ Oral poster : Newly Registered Oral paper and Poster

MEDTRONIC SYMPOSIUM	10 30-11 30 AM : MEDTRONIC SYMPOSIUM - HALL A
	Panel Discussion on CI, ABI or BCI- decision making in difficult Cases - Moderator Dr Ameet Kishore
	Panelists: Prof Thomas Lenarz, Ms. Neevita Narayan, , Dr. Rajeev Pachauri , Prof. Brian Kaplan, Dr. Neelam Vaid, Ms. Parul Sud

Invited talks- Hall B	10:30- 11:30 AM	Learning to Listen, Learning to Read: Supporting Literacy in Children with Cochlear Implants - <i>Dr Anuradha Sharma</i>
		Everyone deserves to belong: A look into habilitation for adolescence and young adults implanted as children.- <i>Ms Pooja Behera</i>
		Musicing: Essentials of adjusting mapping, fitting and rehabilitation to improve musicality in children- <i>Ms Shefali KC/ Mr Amit Sahgal</i>
		Implanted but ignored: Plateau problem in SSD- <i>Dr Prathiba Dawson</i>
		Exploring sensory adaptations in children with cochlear implants- <i>Ms Shabnam Fatima</i>
		Encouraging Pre-literacy Skills In Group Discussions- <i>Jilsha P</i>

Keynote	11 30 AM -1200 noon : Session Keynote - HALL A :
	Efficacy of Cochlear Implants in Single-Sided Deafness: Current Evidence and Future Directions : Prof. Paul Van de Heyning

CIGI QUIZ	12 00 - 1 00 PM - CIGI QUIZ
	Quiz Masters: Prof. Sunil Narayan Dutt, Dr Kranti Bhavna, Dr Vikrant Patil

1 00 PM : LUNCH

Closing Ceremony and Valedictory Function

Panel Discussions Day 1- 29th August 2025- 60 min

Hall B- 800- 900 AM	Chirp ABR,ASSR & Stapedial reflexes- A Synergistic Approach	Moderated by	Prof Ranjit Rajeswaran
	Chirp ABR: Enhancing Neural Synchrony for Faster and More Reliable Threshold estimation		<i>Dr Chandan Saha</i>
	ASSR in Cochlear Implant Candidacy: Precision in Frequency Specific Threshold Estimation		<i>Ms. Meenakshi Wadhera</i>
	Stapedial Reflex testing- Objective confirmation of Auditory Pathway Integrity Pre- and Post-implantation		<i>Dr. Chandrakant Vishwakarma</i>
	Role of OAE in Differential Diagnosis		<i>Mr. Sameer Pootheri</i>
	Integrating Chirp ABR,ASSR, OAE & Stapedial reflexes- Building a comprehensive Audiological Profile for CI Candidates		<i>Mr. Sasidharan Pulibalathingal</i>

Hall C- 800- 900 AM	Setting the stage- Early intervention strategy	Moderated by	Dr Banumathy
	Foundational Role of early speech perception skills and unlocking phonological awareness in Literacy development of CI recipients		<i>Ms Julie Kosaner</i>
	Advocacy and Policy Initiatives for Optimizing Literacy in cochlear implant users		<i>Ms. Ritu Nakra</i>
	The Interplay of Language Development and Pre-Literacy Skills in Predicting Literacy Outcomes Post CI		<i>Ms Geeti Char</i>
	The Impact of Listening Fatigue on Literacy outcomes for CI Recipients		<i>Dr Deepa Valame</i>
	Parental involvement and Home Literacy Environment as Early Predictors for Success in CI Families		<i>Ms Amritha Lakshmi Nath</i>

Hall A- 400 PM- 500 PM	Cochlear Implants in very young children	Moderated by :	Dr Mohnish Grover
	Optimizing Early Cochlear Implantation- Best Practices for Infants under 12 months		<i>Dr. Shalabh Sharma</i>
	Advances in Imaging and Diagnostics for Pre-implant Evaluation in Infants		<i>Dr. Gaurav Gupta</i>
	Rehabilitation and Language outcomes after Early Implantation- New Data and Strategies		<i>Ms. Shefali Shah</i>
	Ethical and Surgical Considerations in Bilateral Cochlear Implantation for Infants		<i>Dr. Shankar Medikeri</i>
	Neuroplasticity and Auditory Development: Why Timing Matters in Early Pediatric Implantation		<i>Mr. Madyam Aji Srikanth</i>

Panel Discussions Day 1- 29th August 2025- 60 min

Hall A- 500 PM- 600 PM	Cochlear Implants in Patients with Residual Hearing	Moderated by	Dr Sumit Mrig
	Redefining Candidacy :Cochlear Implants in the Era of Residual Hearing Preservation		<i>Dr Hetal Marfatia</i>
	Hearing Preservation Surgery: Techniques, Technologies and Outcomes		<i>Prof Brian Kaplan</i>
	Electro-Acoustic Stimulation : New Paradigm for Electro acoustic Stimulation		<i>Prof. Paul Van de Heyning</i>
	Post-Implant Habilitation in Residual Hearing - Tailoring Therapy for Complex Auditory Input		<i>Ms. Neelu Somani</i>
	When Residual Hearing is lost Post Implant: Managing Patient Expectations and Device Programming		<i>Ms. Kritika Saha</i>

Panel Discussions Day 2- 30th August 2025 -60 min

Hall A- 800- 900 am	Complex Cochlear Implant Cases	Moderated by	Prof Mohan Kameswaran
	Cochlear implantation in Inner ear Malformations and Cochlear Nerve deficiency : Decision making and Outcomes		<i>Dr.Rohit Udaya Prasad</i>
	Re-implantation Challenges: Managing Device Failures, Migration and Electrode Displacement		<i>Dr. Rajesh Vishwakarma</i>
	Cochlear Implants in Patients with Multiple Disabilities: Balancing expectations and Interdisciplinary care		<i>Ms. Julie Kosaner</i>
	Auditory Neuropathy Spectrum Disorder and Cochlear Implants- Predictors of Success and Protocol adjustment		<i>Prof . Piotr Skarzinsky</i>
	Revision Surgeries in Cochlear Implantation: When, Why, and How to Optimize Outcomes-		<i>Dr. Naresh Panda</i>

Hall C- 800- 900 am	Language Development Patterns in Implanted Children	Moderated by	Ms Leena Vishwakarma
	The importance of Early Identification and Early Intervention : Optimal timing for Language Habilitation		<i>Dr. Prathiba Dawson</i>
	Bilingualism and Cochlear Implants: Language Development in Multilingual Environments		<i>Dr. Rupali Mathur</i>
	Parent Training Program: Ensuring Effective Home Language Input		<i>Ms Sita Sreekumar</i>
	The Role of Auditory Verbal Therapy and Application of Strategies in Enhancing Language Skill		<i>Ms. Sruthi Hrishikesan</i>
	Monitoring and Assessing Language Progress: Tools and Techniques		<i>Ms. Manashi Sarmah</i>

Panel Discussions Day 2- 30th August 2025- 60 min

Hall A- 400- 500 PM	Adult Cochlear Implantation	Moderated by	Dr Sharafudhin
	Expanding Indications : Cochlear Implants for Single-sided deafness and Asymmetric hearing loss		<i>Dr. Kapil Sikka</i>
	Late Implanted Adults: Outcomes, Challenges and Counseling Strategies		<i>Prof. Thomas Lenarz</i>
	Cochlear Implantation Under Local Anesthesia		<i>Dr . Vishnu Swaroop Reddy</i>
	Bilateral Vs Unilateral Cochlear implantation in Adults: Making the Right Choice		<i>Dr. Milind Navlakhe</i>
	Optimising Audiological Rehabilitation in Adult CI Users: Beyond Device Programming		<i>Mr Srikanth Innamuri</i>

Panel Discussions Day 3- 31st August 2025 (90 minutes)

Hall A: 800- 930 am	Red Flags in Post Operative Recovery and Care	Moderated by	Dr Mohammed Naushad
	Early Postoperative Warning Signs- Recognizing Infection, Hematoma and Wound Complications		<i>Dr. Kranti Bhavna</i>
	Vertigo, Facial Weakness and Tinnitus after Implantation : When to Worry		<i>Dr. Sangeetha Varty</i>
	Device Migration and Electrode Array Displacement: Radiological and Clinical Red Flags		<i>Dr. Basharat Nadeem</i>
	Delayed Device Failures: Identifying Subtle Signs before Complete Loss of Function		<i>Dr. Uma Natarajan</i>
	Psychosocial Red Flags: When Poor Outcomes Signal Deeper Issues Beyond the Device		<i>Prof. Vanessa Tan</i>
	Chronic Otorrhea and Ear infections : Early signs of Complications in Implant Patients		<i>Dr. Saumitra Shah</i>
	Allergy and Sensitivity Issues : Recognizing Symptoms related to Implant Materials		<i>Dr. Abha Kumari</i>

Panel Discussions Day 3- 31st August 2025 (90 minutes)

Hall B- 800- 930 am	Audiological Red Flags - Detecting and Managing Issues	Moderated by	Mr Apurv Kumar
	Absent eCAP after Cochlear Implantation- How to move forward		Mr Kannan
	Managing Open and Short Circuits: Intraoperative Decisions and Programming Approaches		Mr Shiva Prasad Boddupolly
	Excessive Facial Twitching - Programming Approaches		Dr. Madhuri Gore
	Key factors in optimizing outcomes in late implantees		Ms. Anuradha Bantwal
	Post Implant Auditory Decline: Detection and Management		Ms. Julie Kosaner
	Evaluating and Managing Cochlear Implant-Related Vestibular Dysfunction		Dr. Artur Lorens

Hall C- 800- 930 am	Personalised Habilitation Planning Techniques	Moderated by	Ms. Vahishtai Daboo
	Customising therapy: Tailoring Post- Implantation Habilitation Plans based on Individual Auditory Profiles		Ms. Gayatri Vaidya
	Family Centered Habilitation: Engaging Parents and Caregivers In the Habilitation Process		Ms. Neena Lalwani
	Incorporating Cognitive and Developmental Factors In Habilitation Planning		Ms. Jaspal Chowdhry
	Using Technology to Personalise and Enhance Habilitation: Apps, Remote therapy and Data-driven Approach		Ms. Mithila Poonacha
	Adapting Habilitation Techniques for Complex Cases: Multidisciplinary Approach to Challenging Populations		Ms. Julie Kosaner

Panel Discussion Day 3- 31st August 2025 (60 minutes) MEDTRONIC SYMPOSIUM

Hall B- 1030- 1130 am

CI, ABI or BCI- Decision making in Difficult Cases	Moderated by	Dr. Ameet Kishore
Auditory Brainstem vs Cochlear Implant- Choosing the right approach for Brainstem Deafness		<i>Prof. Thomas Lenarz</i>
When to choose a Cochlear Implant over Bone conduction Implants- a Case Based Approach		<i>Dr. Rajeev Pachauri</i>
Multidisciplinary Decision-Making: Integrating Neurosurgery, Audiology and Rehabilitation in Complex Cases		<i>Ms. Neevita Narayan</i>
Ethical considerations in Counseling: managing Family expectations in CI, BCI and ABI candidacy		<i>Ms. Parul Sud</i>
The Grey Zone - when it is difficult to decide what to do		<i>Dr. Neelam Vaid</i>
Long Term outcomes and quality of Life: How to Predict and Measure success across CI, BCI or ABI implants		<i>Dr. Brian Kaplan</i>

Panel discussion format

Each panel discussion will feature speakers delivering 8-minute presentations, followed by the moderator utilizing the remaining time for questions and key takeaways for the audience. We encourage active participation from all attendees to enrich the dialogue. Each panel is thoughtfully designed to explore relevant topics in depth, while remaining aligned with the core theme of the conference: "Listening, Language, and Literacy". Every effort is taken to ensure that the discussion is interdisciplinary. The moderators will always allow enough time for interaction and audience questions, opinions and criticism.

Invited talks

Invited talks - Hall B 30th August 400 PM - 500 PM (10 minutes)

Soft surgery cochlear implantation by posterior tympanotomy ,marginal cochleostomy route. - **Deepak Dalmia**

Deafening the silence: the Hearing-Cognition connection - **Dr Bharathi Mohan**

Breaking Sound barriers: A QoL outcome study of our initial cohort of Pediatric Cochlear implantees - **Dr Sandhya D**

Outcomes in unilateral, sequential & simultaneous cochlear implantation : **Dr Himanshu Swami**

Invited talks - Hall B: 31st August 1030 A M - 1130 AM (8 minutes)

Learning to Listen, Learning to Read: Supporting Literacy in Children with Cochlear Implants - **Dr Anuradha Sharma**

Everyone deserves to belong: A look into habilitation for adolescence and young adults implanted as children.- **Ms Pooja Behera**

Musicing: Essentials of adjusting mapping, fitting and rehabilitation to improve musicality in children-**Ms Shefali KC/ Mr Amit Sahgal**

Implanted but ignored: Plateau problem in SSD-**Dr Prathiba Dawson**

Exploring sensory adaptations in children with cochlear implants-**Ms Shabnam Fatima**

Encouraging pre literacy skills in group sessions -**Ms Jilsha P.**

Oral Paper Presentations- Audiology - Day 1 : Hall B : 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM (8+2 minutes)

1	Effectiveness of anatomy-guided frequency mapping on music perception in adult CI users	Mr. Nikhil Ben Vettath
2	Multi-electrode sequential stimulation in eliciting electrically evoked stapedial reflex in paediatric cochlear implant users	Ms. Megha
3	Speech perception outcomes in sequential cochlear implantation	Ms. Shabeena O T
4	Identifying auditory evoked biomarkers for music perception in paediatric cochlear implant users: a cross-domain analysis	Ms. Parul Sud
5	Auditory memory in individuals with cochlear implants	Mr. Gunjan Mehta
6	Evaluating the impact, effectiveness and acceptability of remote programming in cochlear implant management: a multi-centre study in India	Dr. Aninda Dutti Banik
7	Effect of electrode channel variation on speech perception in cochlear implant recipients	Mr. Sanjay Munjal
8	Anatomy-based fitting (ABF) optimization using post-op x-ray to assess subjective benefit and music perception in experienced cochlear implant users -Our initial observations.	Mr. Amit Sahgal

Oral Paper Presentations- Habilitation - Day 1 : Hall C: 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM (8+2 minutes)

1	Listening challenges of cochlear implant recipients in mainstream primary educational settings: An Indian perspective	Ms. Manashi Sarmah
2	Multidimensional outcomes of cochlear implantation in adults: An ICF-based assessment of auditory function, communication and quality of life	Dr. Noorain Alam
3	Noise-based auditory training improves communication outcomes in CI users	Mr. Pachaiappan.C
4	Phonological processing and reading abilities of pediatric cochlear implant users learning to read Malayalam alphabetic syllabary	Dr. Jeena Mary Joy
5	Social-emotional development in children with cochlear implants: A cross-sectional study	Dr. Anuradha Sharma
6	A retrospective clinical audit of speech and language outcomes in children with Cochlear Implants	Mr. Yashu Goswami
7	Burnout and exhaustion among professionals working with cochlear-implanted children in Indian settings.	Ms. Amritha Lakshmi S Nath
8	Social and academic performance in cochlear implant recipients: A study with special reference from the schoolteacher perspective	Ms. Roshani Mishra

Oral Posters- Audiology - Day 2 : Hall C : 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM (4+1 minutes)

1	Short- and long-term effects of cochlear implantation on cervical vestibular-evoked myogenic potential	Mr. Niraj Kumar Singh
2	Aided speech evoked late latency responses among children using cochlear implants and hearing aids	Mr. Sivasankaran K
3	Impact of listening training duration on auditory stream segregation in children with cochlear implants: A comparative study	Dr. Devi. N
4	Does opposite ear stimulation influence NRT measurements in bilateral cochlear implant recipients?	Ms. Shiva Prasad Boddupally
5	Optimizing interpolation with ECAP measurements among Paediatric cochlear implant users	Ms. Banumathi
6	Saccular function in Paediatric cochlear implant recipients: An Indian perspective	Ms. Meenakshi Wadhera
7	Outcome measures in Paediatric cochlear implant users through speech-stimulus ESRT	Mr. Siva Ganesan

Oral Posters - Habilitation - Day 2 : Hall C : 4:00 to 5:00 PM (4+1 minutes)

1	The effect of implant age on third-party disability and quality of life among mothers of children with Cochlear Implants	Dr. Chandni Jain
2	A study on morpho-syntactic proficiency among Telugu-speaking children with cochlear implants	Mr. Vikas Nagabathula
3	Exploring how children with cochlear implants adapt to and manage challenges in a classroom environment	Ms .Usha M
4	Aided ling six sound test performance and long-term speech perception outcomes in paediatric cochlear implant users	Mr. Jawahar Antony P
5	Mapping pragmatic language in Indian children with cochlear implants and their hearing peers: A replication study	Ms. Kavita Chandra
6	A preliminary exploration of book sharing practice in mothers of cochlear-implanted children: using responsive adult-child engagement during joint book reading scale	Dr. Madhuri Gore
7	Choosing the right school: What guides parents of children using Cochlear Implants in Kerala?	Ms. Sita Sreekumar
8	Impact of auditory training on temporal ordering skills in post-lingually deafened cochlear implantees	Dr.R. Sundaresan
9	Exploring parent and teacher perceptions of functional communication modalities in paediatric CI users: A preliminary report	Ms Gladys Prathiba Dawson
10	Narrative abilities in Marathi speaking children with hearing loss	Dr. Deepa Valame

Oral Paper Presentations- Surgery - Day 1 : Hall B : 2:00 to 3:00 PM (8+2 minutes)

1	Auditory cortical reorganization following cochlear implantation in children with prelingual profound hearing loss: an FNIRS study	Dr Arun Srinivaasan S
2	Electrode placement for optimal TTEABR responses in patients with abnormal cochleae	Dr. Rajika Ramakrishnan
3	Evaluation of cochlear aperture size with high-resolution computed tomography of temporal bone	Dr. Shilpa M J
4	Duplicated internal auditory canal - A rare radiological entity associated with hearing loss	Dr. Mary John
5	Cochlear implantation in far-advanced otosclerosis: A viable primary option for optimal hearing restoration in patients with poor speech perception	Dr. Nimisha P

Oral Paper Presentations- Surgery - Day 1 : Hall B: 4:00 to 5:00PM (8+2 minutes)

6	Cochlear duct length measurement in cochlear implantation: Does one size fit all?	Dr. Kanchan Tadke
7	Assessment of 3D-printed temporal bone models in cochlear implant surgery: A preliminary survey-based evaluation	Dr. Sangeeta Varty
8	Cochlear implant in Mondini's dysplasia: Our experience	Dr. Chaitry Shah
9	Experience with OTOPLAN in pre-surgical planning of cochlear implant surgery	Dr. Abha Kumari
10	Outcome assessment of cochlear implantation in auditory neuropathy spectrum disorder	Dr. Shanmugapriya N S

Oral Poster Presentation- Surgery - Day 2 : Hall B : 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM (4+1 minutes)

1	Surgical complications and audiological performance following cochlear implant in children with inner ear malformation-Our experience	Dr Pradipta Kumar Parida
2	A study on the mucosal dissection in the round window niche area during cochlear implant surgery	Dr. Sanchita Kalita
3	CSF gusher in Mondini and its correlation with enlarged cochlear aperture	Dr Janardhan Rao Jagini
4	High-resolution road-map: anatomical variations of the cochlea carotid canal and facial nerve in adult temporal bones and their surgical implications for cochlear implantation	Dr. Rashmi Agarwal
5	“Hiccups with ECAPS”- A retrospective surgical audit	Dr. Biswajit Gogoi
6	Optimizing cochlear implant surgery: Techniques to minimize blood loss and ensure full electrode insertion	Prof.Dr. Subba Rayudu Yarlagadda
7	Challenges and tips for revision Cochlear Implant surgery	Dr. Naresh Panda
8	Biofilm in cochlear implantation- Our experience	Dr. Asha B A
9	Cochlear implantation in children with syndromic association: A study from a railway tertiary care centre	Dr. Kailash Prasad Verma

Audiology E-Posters

1	Evaluation of music perception of Paediatric CI recipients: An Indian perspective	Ms. Gladys Prathiba Dawson
2	Effect of masker characteristics on speech perception abilities of children using Cochlear Implants	Ms. Sita Sreekumar
3	Functional outcomes in individuals with auditory neuropathy spectrum disorder following cochlear implantation: A comprehensive evaluation	Mr. Anil Kumar Adhikary
4	Objective fitting of Cochlear Implants: ECAP thresholds and auditory performance	Mr. Pachaippan.C
5	Association of frailty and cognitive dysfunction with hearing loss in geriatric population	Ms. Pragya Tyagi
6	Predicting electrode placement using Cortical Auditory Evoked Potentials in children with Auditory Brainstem Implant	Ms. Shivangi Rajput
7	Association between Trans-Tympanic Electrocochleography Auditory Brainstem Response (TT-EABR) and clinical outcomes	Mr. Parag Shrivastava
8	A multidisciplinary study of clinical parameters and outcomes in children with unilateral and bilateral Cochlear Implants	Mr. Mathew Sucharita P
9	Electrical Dynamic Range (EDR) and its effect in pre lingual children implanted during the critical period	Ms. Hannah Baby
10	Developing a culturally adapted music perception test battery for Indian children	Ms. Anagha R Nair
11	Parent-reported quality of life in children using cochlear implants: A cross-sectional study at different stages of listening	Dr. N. Devi
12	Aided speech evoked mismatch negativity responses among children using Cochlear Implants	Mr. Sivasankaran K
13	Speech perception and real-world benefits of the advanced bionics wireless CROS p13 with Marvel CI in unilateral cochlear	Dr. Aninda Dutti Banik
14	Outcomes in sequential bilateral Cochlear Implant recipients	Ms. Shivani Arora
15	Extending CI care beyond the clinic: Correlating AB listen fit app outcomes with standard audiological measures	Mr. Ashutosh Dubey
16	Effect of T and C levels on aided thresholds and speech identification scores in Cochlear Implant users	Mr. Shubh Patel
17	Customizing Cochlear Implant mapping in adults with different and complex audiological profiles: A pilot study	Mr. Sarath D Das
18	Comparison of map parameters in Paediatric Cochlear Implant recipients with inner ear malformations: Our experience	Mr. Sumanth C P
19	Intraoperative impedance and ECAP measurements in Paediatric Cochlear Implant recipients with inner ear anomalies:	Mr. Sumanth C P

Surgery E-Posters

1	Complications Associated with Cochlear Implant Surgery-Our Institutional Experience	Dr Pradipta Kumar Parida
2	A study of JCIH (Joint Commission on Infant Hearing) risk factors for hearing loss in babies of NICU and well-baby nursery at a tertiary care centre	Dr Priti Hajare
3	Monitoring the electrode status in children with auditory brainstem implants	Dr Rohit Singh
4	To assess the effect on Cortical Auditory Evoked Potential (CAEP) in patients undergoing cochlear implants and having MRI changes in the brain due to HIE or TORCHS infection.	Dr. Suraj Pillai
5	Cochlear implantation in chronic otitis media: A retrospective study.	Dr. Kune Saphi Pyrbot
6	Taming the “WOLFF”: Safe cochlear implantation in a child with WPW syndrome	Dr. Shilpa Susan Mathew
7	Screening of high-risk paediatric patients for potential severe to profound hearing loss following intensive care therapy	Dr. Vijay Bidkar

Habilitation E-Posters

1	The Impact of Auditory Training on the Development of Listening Speech and Language Abilities in Children with Hearing Impairment using Cochlear Implants: A Longitudinal Study	Dr. Chandini Jain
2	Speech Outcomes in Children with Inner Ear Anomalies Following Cochlear Implantation: A 3-Year Follow-Up Study	Dr. Aarthi G
3	Assessment of hearing and speech abilities in Cochlear Implant recipients	Dr. Shashank Srivastava
4	Development of working memory performance in preschool-aged children with Cochlear Implants compared to age-matched children with normal hearing	Mr. Rudresh Sharma
5	Strengthening inclusive education: preparing teachers to effectively support students with cochlear implants in mainstream settings	Ms. Priyanjali Harit
6	Development and Application of a KAP Questionnaire for Parents of Cochlear-Implanted Children in Hindi	Dr. Md Noorain Alam
7	Body image and technological dependency: exploring the emotional impact of Cochlear Implants in adults	Dr. Anuradha Sharma
8	Comparison of receptive and expressive vocabulary between Hindi speaking Typically Developing Children (Tdc) and Children with Cochlear Implant (CCI)	Dr. Rudresh Sharma
9	Subjective vestibular assessment in children with Cochlear Implant: Comparative study between normal cochlea and malformed cochlea	Dr. Sundareshan

Non CIGI Members* Oral Poster- Surgeons- Day 3 -9:30 AM to 10 :30 AM (4+1 minutes)

1	The role of GJB2 genetic inheritance in congenital hearing loss: Impact of consanguinity and family history	Dr. Priti S Hajare
2	Taming the gusher: Surgical challenges and lessons from cochlear implantation in incomplete partition type III - A case series from a tertiary care centre	Mr. Anerudh Mathur
3	Meningitis after cochlear implantation - challenges in management	Dr. Kune Saphi Pyrbot

Non CIGI Members* Oral Papers - Audiology- Day 3 -9:30 AM to 10 :30 AM (8+2 minutes)

1	Role of speech perception in predicting academic challenges in Malayalam- speaking children with Cochlear Implants	Mr. Prasanth N.P
2	Precision in Cochlear Implant fitting: Role of imaging and anatomy - A case study	Ms. Fathima Sherbin Navas

Non CIGI Members* Oral Posters - Audiology- Day 3 -9:30 AM to 10 :30 AM (4+1 minutes)

1	Quality of life among parents of children with Cochlear Implants	Ms. Tanushree Sarma
2	Customization of frequency allocation tables in cochlear implant programming optimizes speech perception and subjective hearing quality	Ms. Mirika Somani
3	Understanding parental decision-making in the selection of Cochlear Implant manufacturers	Mr Hariom Bhagat

Non CIGI Members* Oral Papers - Habilitation - Day 3 -9:30 AM to 10 :30 AM (8+2 minutes)

1	Reading performance abilities in children with Cochlear Implants	Mr. Rudresh Sharma
2	Effect of suprasegmental perceptual training with multilingual rhymes on reading readiness and L2 learning in children below 5 with CI422 CI632 (unilateral) and CI632 bilateral cochlear implants	Ms. Deeksha Rayapati

Non CIGI Members* Oral Papers - Habilitation - Day 3 -9:30 AM to 10 :30 AM (8+2 minutes)

1	A preliminary investigation on profiling learning difficulties in Cochlear Implant users	Mr. Mathew Nishanth A
2	Auditory and visual working memory in children using Cochlear Implants: A preliminary investigation	Ms. Astika Mishra
3	Parental perspectives on Auditory Brainstem Implant experience	Ms. Anusha Rao S

***All Non-CIGI Member Papers will be allowed only on ratification of Membership by the General Body**

ENTERTAINMENT PROGRAM- Welcome Dinner On 29th August

The Performing Arts of Kerala

Mohiniyattam is a classical dance form from Kerala, India, celebrated for its graceful movements and expressive storytelling. Traditionally performed by women, it embodies themes from Hindu mythology, particularly the goddess Mohini, an alluring avatar of Lord Vishnu. Characterized by its fluid motions and intricate facial expressions (abhinaya), Dancers wear a distinctive white and golden sari, accompanied by Carnatic music. In recent years, it has gained international recognition, becoming a vibrant part of India's cultural heritage and artistic expression.



Kalaripayattu, an ancient martial art from Kerala, combines strikes, kicks, grappling, and weaponry. Practiced in a "kalari" or training ground, it emphasizes agility and strength, while fostering mental discipline and spiritual growth. This dynamic art form reflects Kerala's rich heritage, encapsulating both combat skills and cultural rituals.

Margam Kali is a traditional folk dance performed by Kerala's Christian community during weddings and festivals. This group dance features rhythmic footwork, clapping, and singing, symbolizing unity and celebration. Its lively atmosphere and engaging performances highlight spiritual themes, making it a joyful expression of cultural identity.



Oppana is a folk dance from Kerala, predominantly performed at Muslim weddings and celebrations. Participants form a circle around the bride or groom, engaging in rhythmic clapping and playful gestures. This vibrant dance celebrates love and community, creating a festive ambiance through lively music and expressive movements.

Theyyam is a ritualistic folk performance in northern Kerala that embodies deities and ancestral spirits. Characterized by elaborate costumes and dynamic dance, it is performed in temples and during festivals. Accompanied by drumming and chanting, Theyyam serves to preserve cultural beliefs and narrate local history, highlighting the spiritual connection within the community.



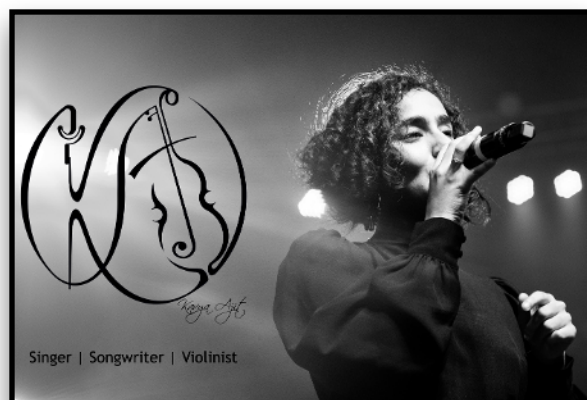
ENTERTAINMENT PROGRAM- Gala Dinner & Banquet On 30th August



Kavya Ajit is a trained Carnatic musician, Western violinist, song writer and a live performer. She is also a playback singer and has recorded songs in all the South Indian languages and has worked with reputed music directors like A R Rahman, Ouseppachan, Shaan Rahman, Gopi Sunder, Deepak Dev and Rahul Raj. In her career spanning 10 years so far, she has sung more than 25 songs in films and has rendered her voice for a lot of successful jingles and independent albums. Her songs in Jacobinte Swargajaryam, Irupathiyonnam noottandu, Vimaanam, Hey Jude, Jo and the Boy and Kannum Kannum Kollaiyadithaal topped the charts.

Kavya, also being a vibrant live performer, her violin performances along with her unique blend of genres interest

the crowd. She has been doing live shows in India and abroad at Australia, US, South Africa, Canada, Switzerland, UK, Singapore, Dubai, Vienna and others. She has been giving guest performances for Vijay TV Super Singer reality show in Tamil and has also been a vital part of their live shows. She is also occasionally a part of A R Rahman's live shows as a solo violinist.



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