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**RHEUMATOLOGY**  
FORUM  
SUMMIT 2026

# RHEUMATOLOGY MASTERCLASSES

**Myositis**

**14th - 15th  
March  
2026**

**Psoriatic  
Arthritis**

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 **Mayfair Lake Resort, Raipur, Chhattisgarh**

# SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

Day 1 – Saturday, 14<sup>th</sup> March 2026 | Session I

09:00-10:00 am **Case Presentation by Postgraduate Trainees**

10:00-10:45 am **State-of-the-art Lecture I**

10:00-10:30 am **Therapeutic roadmap for Idiopathic Inflammatory Myositis** **Hector Chinoy (UK)**

- Genetics, autoantibodies and clinical implications
- Choosing between targeted DMARDs
- Refractory muscle disease

10:30-10:45 am Q & A

10:45-11:10 am **Challenging Cases I**

**Kavya Devi (Vijayawada)**  
**Sanket Shah (Ahmedabad)**  
**Pallavi Pimpale (Mumbai)**

11:10-11:30 am Discussion and Q & A  
Discussants

**Hector Chinoy**  
**Anita Mahadevan**

11:30-12:00 pm **Inauguration**  
**Tea-break**

12:00-12:30pm **Cross Talk I**

12:00-12:20 pm **Interpreting histopathology in inflammatory myositis** **Anita Mahadevan (India)**

- Histopathologic spectrum
- Differentiating features
- Tips for sampling and transport

12:20-12:30pm Q & A

12:30-12:55 pm **Challenging Cases II**

**Sandeep Yadav (Mumbai)**  
**Shubha Bhalla (New Delhi)**  
**Shivraj Padiyar U (Mangalore)**

12:55-01:15pm Discussion and Q & A  
Discussants

**Hector Chinoy**  
**Anita Mahadevan**

01:15-02:30pm **Lunch and Poster Viewing**

# SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

Day 1 – Saturday, 14<sup>th</sup> March 2026 | Session II

02:30-03:15pm

## State-of-the-art Lecture II

02:30-03:00 pm

### Selecting drugs to optimise outcomes in Psoriatic arthritis

William Tillett (UK)

- Treatment strategy
- Differential efficacy of targeted DMARDs
- Response to advanced lines of therapy

03:00-03:15 pm

Q & A

03:15-03:40 pm

### Challenging Cases III

Saranya C (Chennai)  
Sree Devi S (Trivandrum)  
Raghavendra H (Bangalore)

03:40-04:00 pm

Discussion and Q & A  
Discussants

William Tillett  
Rajiv Sekhri

04:00-04:30 pm

## Tea and Poster Judging

04:30-05:00 pm

## Cross Talk II

04:30-04:50 pm

### Psoriasis – what a rheumatologist should know?

Rajiv Sekhri (India)

- Clues to early diagnosis of Psoriasis
- Identifying and managing triggers
- Prioritizing dermatology referral – when?

04:50-05:00 pm

Q & A

05:00-05:25pm

### Challenging Cases IV

Kasturi Hazarika (Guwahati)  
Nikhil Gupta (New Delhi)  
Vishnu Priya S (Salem)

05:25-05:45pm

Discussion and Q & A  
Discussants

William Tillett  
Rajiv Sekhri

05:45-06:30 pm

## Fun Quiz

Quizmasters: Sushant Shinde(Mumbai), Matam Sri Anusha(Bengaluru),  
Devender Bairwa(Faridabad), Sumanth Madan(Mangalore)

# SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

Day 2 – Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> March 2026

08:00-09:15 am

## Meet the Masters (Workshops)

### Hall A: Mimics, Malignancy and Imaging in Myositis

- Inflammatory vs non-inflammatory myopathies
- Risk stratification and screening for malignancy
- MRI in muscle disease

*Faculty: Hector Chinoy, Khushboo Palaria*

### Hall B: Clinical conundrums in Psoriatic arthritis and Psoriasis

- Suspecting and diagnosing axial psoriatic arthritis
- Smart use of imaging in psoriatic arthritis
- What is and what is not psoriasis?

*Faculty: William Tillett, Rajiv Sekhri*

09:30-10:30 am

## Case Presentations by Rheumatology Trainees

10:30-11:00 am

## Masterclass I

10:30-10:50 am

### Myositis-associated Interstitial lung disease

Hector Chinoy

- Clinical phenotypes and classification challenges
- Autoantibody-guided prognostication
- Therapeutic strategies

10:50-11:00 am

Q & A

11:00-11:30 am

Tea

11:30-12:00pm

## Masterclass II

11:30-11:50am

### Comorbidities in Psoriatic Arthritis

William Tillett

- Spectrum of comorbidities
- Screening strategies
- Therapeutic balancing

11:50-12:00pm

Q & A

# SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

Day 2 – Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> March 2026

12:00-12:45 pm

## Cross Talk III

12.00-12.20 pm

### HRCT in Myositis-associated Interstitial Lung Disease

Khushboo Pilania (India)

- Decoding the reporting terminologies
- Imaging patterns
- Disease monitoring

12.20-12.30 pm

Q & A

12.30-12.50 pm

### Challenging Cases V

Harikrishnan G (Kottayam)  
Rahul Bisaralli (Dharwad)

12.50-1.00 pm

Discussion and Q &A  
Discussants

Hector Chinoy  
Khushboo Pilania

01:00-01:15 pm

## Valedictory and Awards

01:15pm

## Lunch

## CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

- Trainees and consultants in Rheumatology, Internal medicine and broad specialists are invited to submit their case reports, case-series and research abstracts.
- These will be considered for platform or poster presentations at WRF Summit 2026.
- Bursaries will be provided for selected abstracts.
- For abstract submissions visit [www.wrfsummit.com](http://www.wrfsummit.com)
- Last date for abstract submissions is 7<sup>th</sup> February 2026.

## AWARDS

**Prof. A N Chandrasekaran prize for**

*“Best case presentation by young consultant”*

**Prof. V R Joshi prize for**

*“Best abstract - Oral presentation by Rheumatology trainee”*

**Prof. Sukumar Mukherjee prize for**

*“Best abstract - Oral presentation by Medicine trainee”*

**Prof. A N Malaviya prize for**

*“Best abstract - Poster presentation” (Rheumatology and Medicine trainee each)*



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