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## 13<sup>TH</sup> NATIONAL CONFERENCE, 2024

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IN COLLABORATION WITH  
DEPARTMENT OF OBSTETRICS AND GYNAECOLOGY  
JIPMER, PONDICHERRY

Conference

4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>  
October, 2024

Pre-Conference Workshops

3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> October, 2024

Venue: Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam JIPMER  
Auditorium, Pondicherry

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### WORKSHOP CONVENERS

**Afternoon of 3/10/24**

**Surgical Workshop/Robotics:** Dr Veena P, Dr Dilip, Dr Kaarthiga R G

**Forenoon of 4/10/24**

**Colposcopy:** Dr Murali S & Dr Arpitha A

**Vulvoscopy:** Dr Latha Ch & Dr Sukanya

**Scientific Writing and Publishing:** Dr Jayalakshmi & Dr Prasanth Ganesh

**Community Health for Nurses - Prevention and screening of HPV-related genital cancers -** Dr Chitra & Nursing Faculty

**Pathology and Microbiology workshop :** Dr Rahul and Dr Siddaraju/Dr Debashish

### PG & SUPERSPECIALTY QUIZ MASTERS

**PG Quiz:** Dr Murali S, Dr Bindiya Gupta, Dr Esha Das

**Super-specialty Quiz:** Dr Vinotha Thomas, Dr Arpitha A

**Quiz Topic:**

**Prevention of HPV-related genital cancers**

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# Over view

The AOGIN-India 2024 National Conference, held from 3rd to 5 th October 2024 at the Jawaharlal Institute of Postgraduate Medical Education and Research (JIPMER), Pondicherry, brought together leading experts and healthcare professionals to address critical issues related to HPV-related cancers and women's genital health.

The collaboration with the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology at JIPMER helped create a platform that fostered education and innovation in this vital field.

Over 300 delegates and faculty members participated in this prestigious event, which included workshops, scientific presentations, panel discussions, and keynote speeches.

The conference was designed to empower healthcare professionals by providing insights into cutting-edge research and practices in gynaecologic oncology.



Six pre-conference workshops

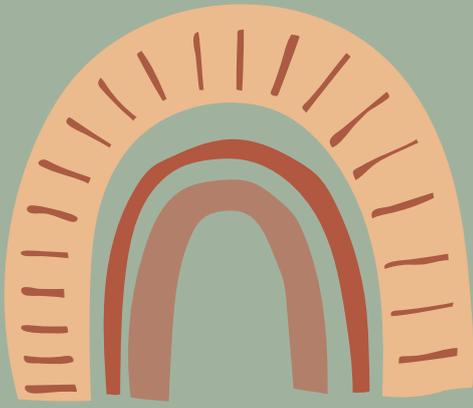
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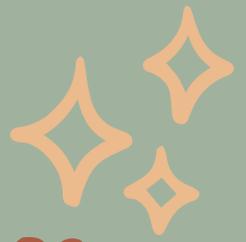
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- **Surgical Video Workshop**
- **Endo suturing Workshop**
- **Hands-On Robotic Surgery Workshop**
  - **Colposcopy Workshop**
  - **Vulvoscopy Workshop**
- **Community Health for Nurses Workshop**





# Preconference Workshops



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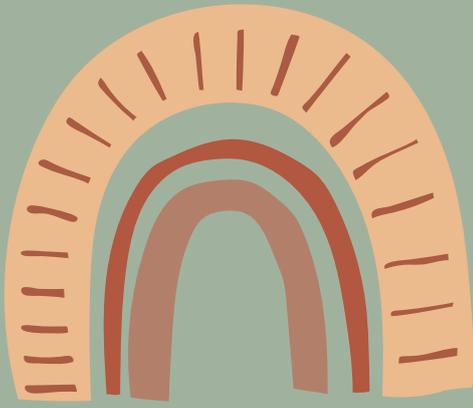
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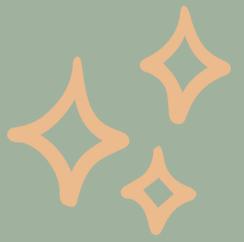
- ✓ Surgical Video
- ✓ Endo suturing
- ✓ Hands-On Robotic Surgery

**OVER 200 PARTICIPANTS ATTENDED THESE WORKSHOPS,**





# Glimpe of surgical video Workshops



**Date: October 3, 2024, 2:00 PM**

**SSB, JIPMER**

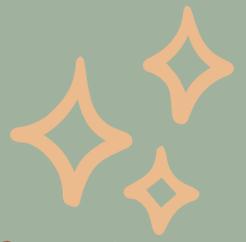
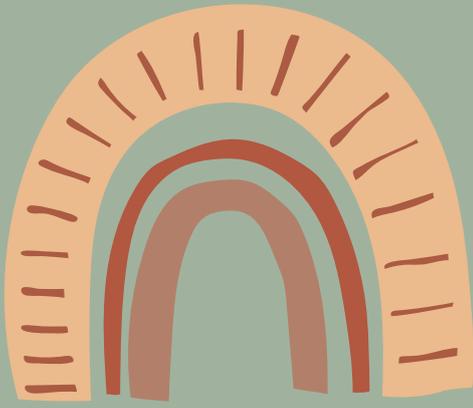
**Conveners: Dr. Veena P,  
Dr. Dilip Kumar Maurya,  
Dr Sasirekha, Dr Murali S,  
Dr. Kaarthiga R.G., Dr  
Sukanya S**

**This workshop offered video demonstrations and detailed discussion on laparoscopic and robotic surgery for gynaecologic cancers, including procedures such as radical hysterectomy**

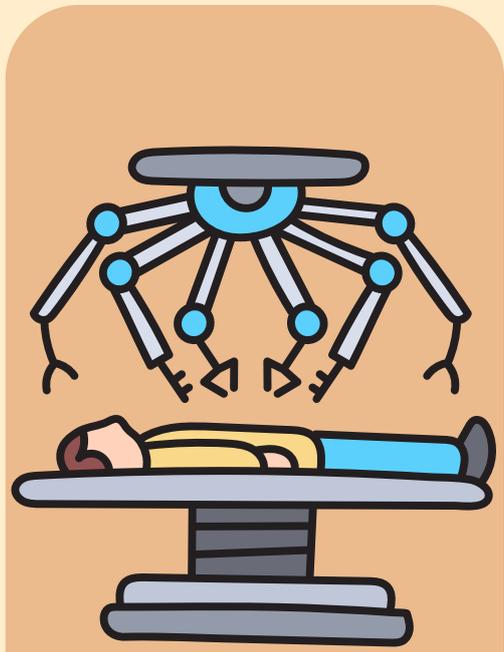
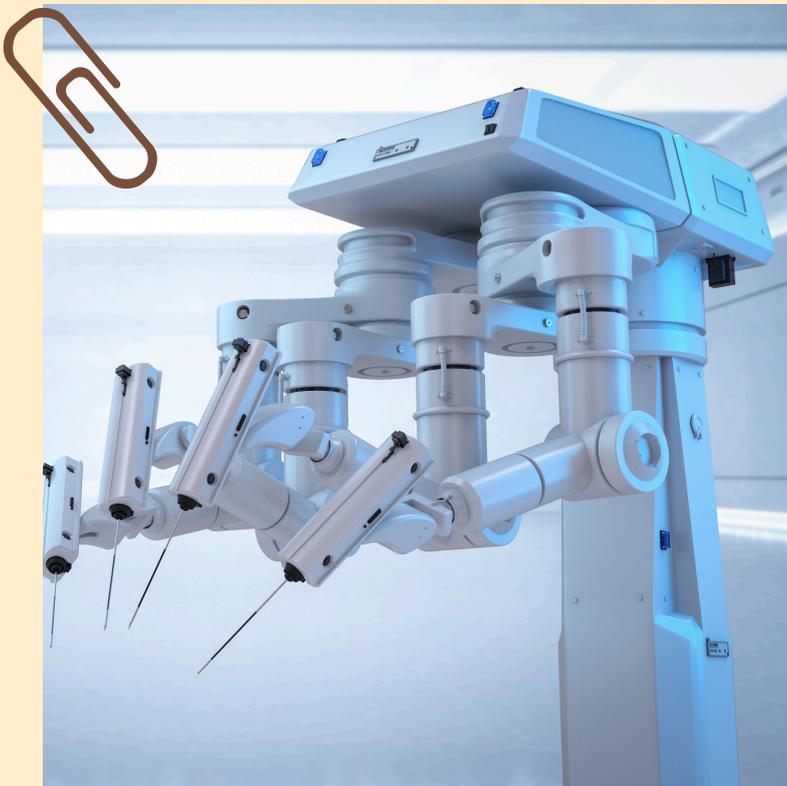


**86  
PARTICIPANTS  
ATTENDED THIS  
WORKSHOPS,**





# *Glimpe of Robotic Surgery workshops*

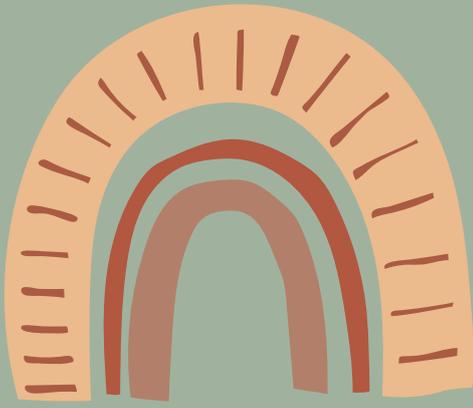


**Participants received personalized, hands-on training in robotic-assisted gynaecologic surgeries, with a focus on techniques for oncologic procedures**

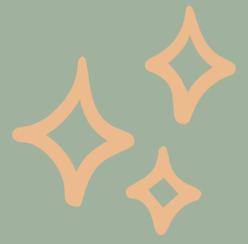
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**PARTICIPANTS ATTENDED THIS WORKSHOPS**





# Glimpse of Endosuturing workshops

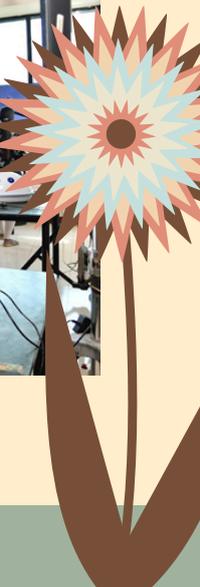


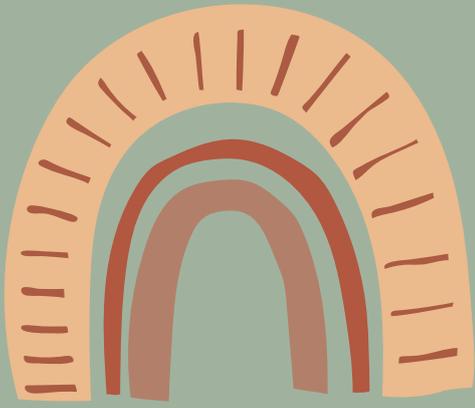
This workshop provided hands-on training in advanced laparoscopic suturing techniques crucial for minimally invasive surgeries.



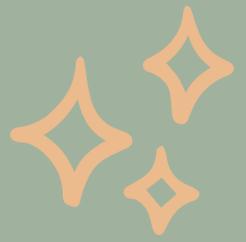
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WORKSHOPS,**





# Glimpse of Colposcopy Workshop



**Date: October 4, 2024, 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM**

**Venue: Sims Theatre, WCH Block, JIPMER**

**Conveners: Dr Murali S, Dr Arpita A**

**Attendance: 42 participants**

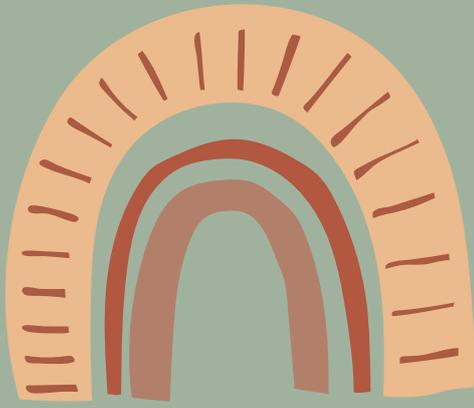
**This workshop included three sessions:**

**Lecture Series:** Covered colposcopy equipment, diagnostic findings, and AI in colposcopy,

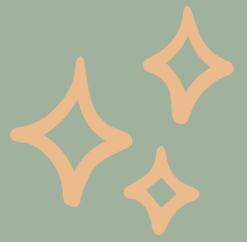
**Panel Discussion:** Focused on case management for CIN, moderated by experienced panelists.

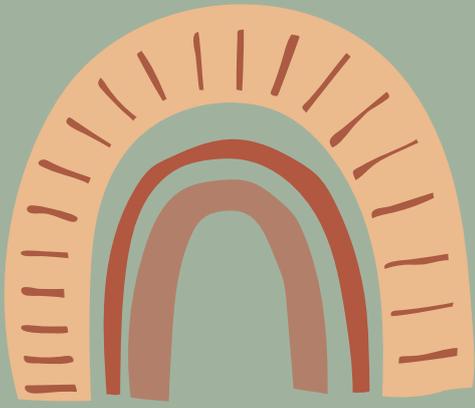
**Hands-On Demonstration:** Participants received training on LEEP, thermocoagulation, and cryotherapy through practical demonstrations.



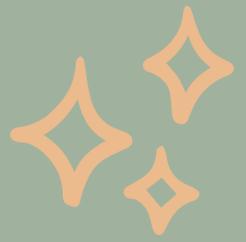


# Glimpse of Colposcopy Workshop





# Glimpse of Vulvoscopy Workshop



**Date: October 4, 2024, 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM**

**Venue: Skill Lab,**

**Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, JIPMER**

**Conveners: Dr Sivaranjini, Dr Sukanya S**

**Attendance: 31 participants**

The workshop began with lectures on vulvar anatomy, normal findings, and abnormal lesions.

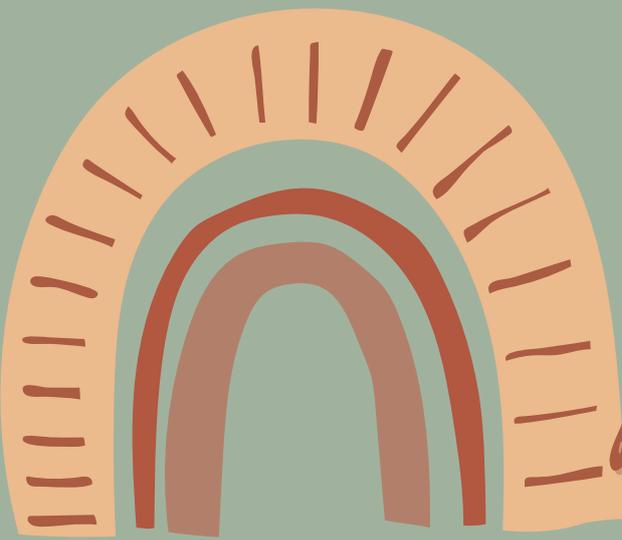
**Key sessions included:**

**Session 1 Talks:** Covered vulvar anatomy, setup for vulvoscopy, and abnormal findings, with Q&A led by expert faculty.

**Panel Discussion:** Discussed clinical scenarios involving vulvar lesions such as lichen sclerosis and vulvar carcinoma.

**Clinical Demonstration:** Participants observed hands-on demonstrations on vulvar lesion identification and clinical vulvoscopy techniques





# Community Health for Nurses Workshop

**Date:** October 4, 2024, 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

**Venue:** College of Nursing, JIPMER

**Conveners:** Dr Jayashree N, Dr Chitra T,  
Dr Kaarthiga RG

**Attendance:** 40 participants

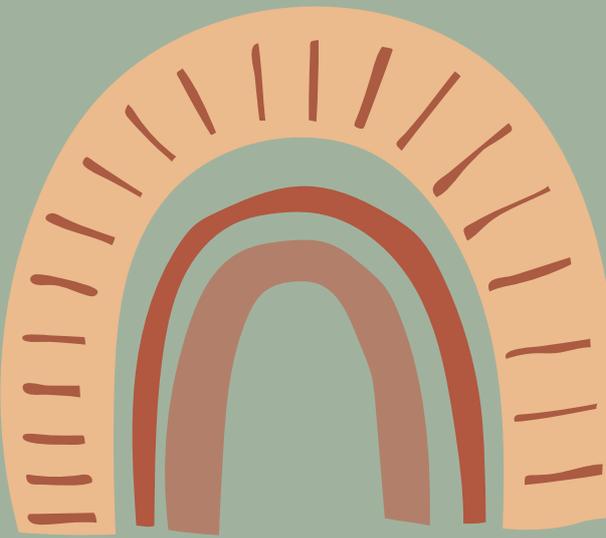
This workshop focused on cervical cancer prevention for nursing professionals and included:

**Lectures:** Covered HPV-related cancers, prevention strategies, and screening modalities.

**Roleplay:** MSc nursing students performed a roleplay on HPV vaccination counselling.

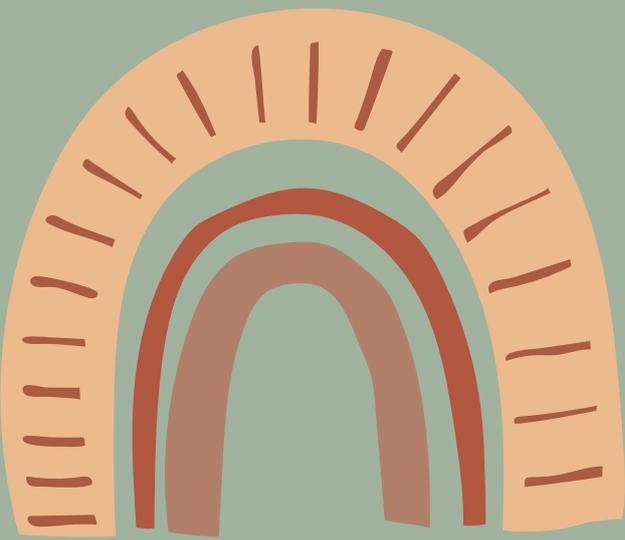
**Hands-On Session:** Provided hands-on practice with Pap smear, HPV DNA testing, and VIA/VILI techniques.





# Community Health for Nurses Workshop





# Scientific Writing and Publishing Workshop

**Date: October 4, 2024,**

**Venue: JISPH Building, JIPMER**

**Conveners: Dr Jayalakshmi D, Dr Prasanth Ganesan**

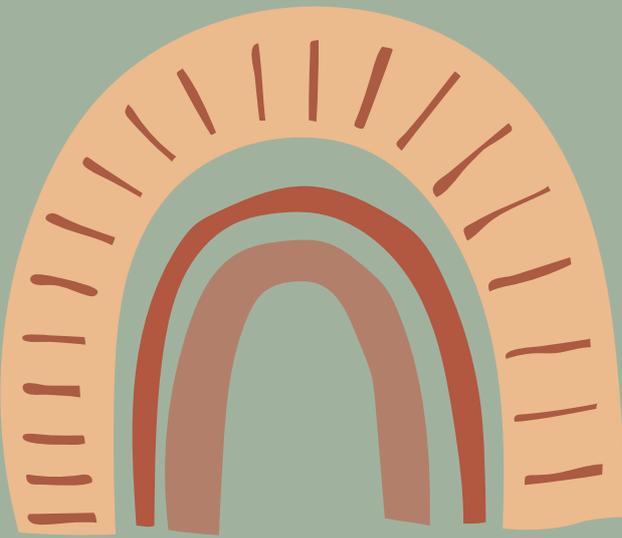
**Attendance: 6 participants**

**Led by expert faculty, this workshop covered:**

**Sessions on Writing Skills: Focused on scientific paper writing fundamentals, study designs, and common pitfalls in academic writing.**

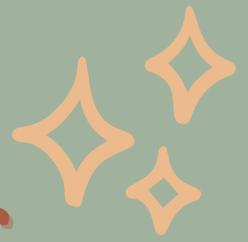
**Panel Discussion: Provided advice on best practices for writing original research articles**





# Scientific Writing and Publishing Workshop





# Molecular & Cytologic Approach to Screening of Cervical Cancer Workshop

**Date: October 4, 2024, 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM**

**Venue: Pasteur theatre, Institute block, JIPMER**

**Conveners: Dr. Siddaraju N, Dr. Rahul Dhodapkar,  
Dr. Debashish G**

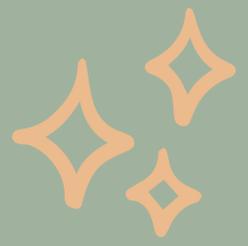
**Attendance: 50 participants**

**This workshop included:**

**Lectures: Covered HPV diagnostics and cytology for  
squamous and glandular abnormalities.**

**Hands-On Session: Demonstrated the GeneXpert  
system for HPV molecular diagnosis and provided  
practical experience in cervical cytology  
interpretation.**





# Molecular & Cytologic Approach to Screening of Cervical Cancer Workshop



## **Main Conference *High lights***

The main conference, held on the 4th and 5th of October

Conference focused on the latest advancements in HPV-related cancer prevention, diagnostics, and therapies. With sessions led by eminent faculty from India and abroad, the conference created a platform for exchanging knowledge and best practices in cervical cancer screening, HPV vaccination, and management of gynaecologic cancers.

# Inaugural Ceremony

The inauguration of the AOGIN 2025 conference marked the official start of an impactful event focusing on gynaecologic oncology. Hosted at APJ Abdul Kalam auditorium, JIPMER, this program was designed to honour esteemed guests, highlight the importance of collaborative oncology efforts in Asia, and pay tribute to leaders in the field.. The program began with a solemn invocation, setting a respectful and inclusive tone for the ceremony.

Dr. Latha Chaturvedula, the organizing chairperson, delivered a warm welcome to all attendees, expressing gratitude for the support from various institutions and recognizing the dedication of healthcare professionals working in gynaecologic oncology.

The organizing co-chairperson, Dr. Gowri Dorairajan provided an overview of the goals and themes of the conference. AOGIN- India President, Dr. Rupinder Sekhon emphasized AOGIN-India's mission and acknowledged the achievements in combating gynaecologic cancers. AOGIN-India Secretary, Dr. Latha Balasubramani outlined ongoing initiatives and future objectives for the organization.

# Inaugural Ceremony

Dr. Neerja Bhatlapaid a moving tribute to the late Dr. Lynette Denny, a pioneering figure in gynaecologic oncology, honouring her contributions to the field and her legacy of advocacy and research.

vDr. Rakesh Aggarwal, Director of JIPMER, shared insights into the evolving landscape of oncology care and encouraged collaboration among Asian nations to elevate cancer prevention and treatment standards.

Felicitation of dignitaries and teachers: Distinguished guests and mentors in gynaecologic oncology were honoured for their contributions, inspiring the audience to continue their commitment to excellence in healthcare.

The chief guest Thiru Dr. Sharat Chauhan, Chief Secretary of the Government of Puducherry, delivered an inspiring inaugural address, underscoring the significance of AOGIN's work and the need for unified efforts in cancer care across the region.

Dr. Veena P, the Organizing Secretary, concluded with a heartfelt vote of thanks, expressing appreciation to all participants, supporters, and the organizing team.

The program concluded with the National Anthem, instilling a sense of pride and unity among the attendees.

# Inaugural Ceremony



# Felicitation of Dignitaries & Teachers



# Dr. R. Sankaranarayanan oration

The prestigious Dr. R. Sankaranarayanan oration was delivered by Dr Partha Basu, who highlighted the decades of research by IARC and how it has brought the goal of cervical cancer elimination closer to reality.



## KEY NOTE ADDRESS

**Dr Rakesh Aggarwal,  
Director of JIPMER,  
delivered a thought-provoking  
talk on  
“Medicine adrift - time to go back  
to the basics!”, which was  
appreciated by all the  
participants.**



# KEY SESSIONS

- HPV as a Carcinogen and HPV-Associated Cancers: Dr Rengaswamy Sankaranarayanan elaborated on HPV's role in the development of genital cancers.
- New Molecular Markers for Early Detection of Cervical Precancers: FOGSI-Chair for Oncological Committee, Dr Saritha Shamsunder presented insights into the emerging biomarkers that can improve early detection and stratification of risk in cervical cancer.
- Dispelling Myths - Addressing Controversies Surrounding HPV Vaccination: FOGSI President Dr Bhaskar Pal tackled misconceptions related to HPV vaccination and its role in preventing cervical cancer.



# KEY SESSIONS

- Single Dose of HPV Vaccine: Dr Deborah Watson-Jones discussed the emerging evidence supporting a single-dose HPV vaccine as an effective prevention strategy.

- HPV Testing: Types and Validation: Dr Priya Abraham reviewed the latest advancements in HPV testing, while Ms Doreen Chua highlighted the importance of hr-HPV DNA primary screening in low- and middle-income countries (LMIC).

- Self-Collection for HPV Testing: Dr Latha Balasubramani explored the

Opportunities and limitations of self-collection in HPV screening.





# International Faculty Participation





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Dr Fanghui Zhao  
China



Pr Meguenni Kaouel  
Algérie



Dr Rachid Bekhal  
Morocco



# MAIN CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS



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# Interactive Panel Discussion

- Management of Rare Cervical Cancer Variants: Moderated by Dr. Nisha Singh, this panel discussion involved experts in the field of cervical cancer management who shared their experiences in dealing with rare variants of cervical cancers.
- HPV Vaccination in Special Populations: Moderators Dr. Neethu P K and Dr. Jayashree Natarajan led an engaging discussion on the nuances of vaccinating specific populations, including women over 26 and immunocompromised individuals.





## Cytology vs. HPV Testing:

The debate between Dr Radhika Srinivasan and Dr Vijayalakshmi R provided an engaging discussion on the comparative effectiveness of cytology and HPV testing for cervical cancer screening in the modern era.

The debate on HPV Vaccination After Age 26, featuring experts Dr Rupinder Sekhon and Dr Shalini Rajaram, was very fierce, making it an interesting session.

Debates on tertiary prevention of cervical cancer between Dr Sudeep Gupta and Dr Rohit Ranade and then between Dr UD Bafna and Dr Rohit Ranade were well attended and appreciated despite being the last session!



# VALEDICTORY





# Competitions & Awards

The scientific sessions were interspersed with 24 free oral and 34 e-poster presentations, where young researchers and clinicians presented their latest findings, contributing to the vibrant scientific exchange.

**E POSTER  
WINNERS**

**Dr Vaishnavi Muktineni**

**(Cancer Institute, Adyar, Chennai)**

Development of a Dry Smear (DS) paper-based method for HPV Detection: A Feasible Approach for Low-Resource Settings



**Dr Sukanya S (JIPMER)**

A Curious Case of VAAD: Understanding HPV-Independent Vulval Lesions



# Competitions & Awards

Oral paper presentation prize winners

Dr Sathishraja Palaniraja



Voices from the Field: A qualitative Exploration on Cancer Care Barriers for Rural communities and Community Health Workers

Dr Sweta Singh

(AIIMS Bhuvanesar)



Handheld Fluorescence Probe Using Deep Learning Algorithm for Cervical Cancer Screening: A Prospective Study

# Competitions & Awards

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**Slogan**

Dr Nitishkumar (JIPMER),

Dr Kaarthiga RG (JIPMER),

Dr Vaishnavi Muktineni (CIA, Chennai)



**Collage**

**CONTEST**

Dr Prathyusha (JIPMER)

Dr Vijayalakshmi (JIPMER)

# QUIZ!

Quiz Topic:

Prevention of HPV-related genital cancers



## Super-Specialiity Quiz



First prize - Amrita Institute  
(Dr Monal and Dr Ritu)

Second Prize - CMC Vellore  
(Dr Monika, Dr Cakshmy, Dr Karen)

## Postgraduate Quiz



First prize: JIPMER

(Dr Gayatri A and Dr Saranya P)

Second prize: AIIMS Bhubaneswar

(Dr. Sai Sarvazna and Dr. Srirameena V



# Fellowship Dinner for Faculty

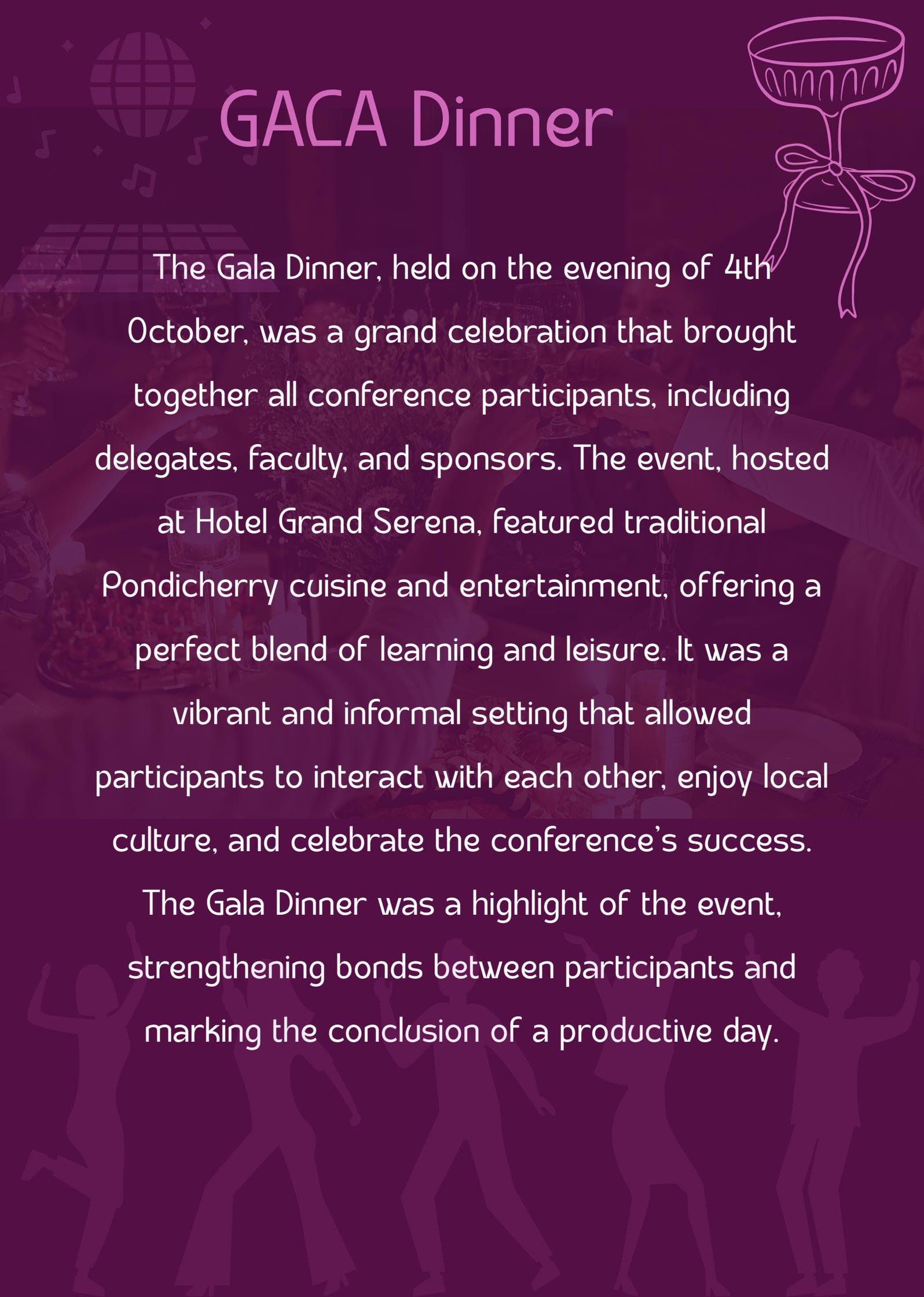


On the evening of 3rd October, a special Fellowship Dinner was hosted for the distinguished faculty members and organisers of AOGIM-India 2024. This exclusive gathering was a valuable opportunity for the faculty to network, exchange ideas, and discuss collaborations. Held in a serene setting of Green Lawns, Hotel Sunway Manor, the evening fostered meaningful connections between national and international experts, providing a relaxed atmosphere after the busy day of workshops.



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# GACA Dinner

The Gala Dinner, held on the evening of 4th October, was a grand celebration that brought together all conference participants, including delegates, faculty, and sponsors. The event, hosted at Hotel Grand Serena, featured traditional Pondicherry cuisine and entertainment, offering a perfect blend of learning and leisure. It was a vibrant and informal setting that allowed participants to interact with each other, enjoy local culture, and celebrate the conference's success.

The Gala Dinner was a highlight of the event, strengthening bonds between participants and marking the conclusion of a productive day.

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