

Scientific Programme

The Annual Summit of the Cognitive Neurology Association (CNA) is the premier gathering for groundbreaking research and clinical advancements in understanding the brain's complexities. This year, we delve into innovative diagnostics, therapeutic strategies, and emerging insights across neurodegenerative diseases, neuroimaging, and cognitive function. Connect with leading experts, share pioneering ideas, and foster collaborations that will shape the future of cognitive neurology.

DAY 1 (Saturday, 15th November 2025)

Registration (7.30- 9.00 am)

Session 1

Time	Topic	Speakers
9.00 - 10.30 am	Cognitive assessment in a busy clinic Biological diagnosis of Alzheimer's Disease Case based approach to diagnosis: Presentation by Neurology residents	Sinjan Ghosh, Kolkata Atanu Biswas Kolkata Panelists Madhusoodhanan M, Trivandrum Sinjan Ghosh Kolkata
Demystifying Alzheimer's Disease for clinicians		
Chairpersons: Meena Gupta, New Delhi R Lakshmi Narasimhan, Chennai Goutam Ganguly, Kolkata		
10.30- 11.00 am	INAUGURATION	

Session 2

11.00 – 11.30 am 1st Cognitive Neurology Association (CNA) Oration	Proteomics and the Acceleration of New Biomarkers and Treatment Targets for Alzheimer's disease	Orator: Allan Levey, USA
Chairpersons: Amitabha Ghosh, Kolkata Subhash Kaul, Hyderabad Debasish Basu, Kolkata		

Coffee break (11.30 – 11.45)

Session 3

11.45 –12.45 Molecular Clues to Alzheimer's Disease: The Biomarker Approach	Brain MRI: A window to dementia diagnosis	Ramshekhar Menon, Trivandrum
Chairpersons: Sanjib Sinha, Bengaluru Sagar Basu, Kolkata Debasish Roy, Kolkata	Molecular Imaging: PET diagnosis of dementia aetiology	Keisuke Takahata, Japan
	Blood and CSF biomarkers	Faheem Arshad, Bengaluru
12.45 - 1.15 pm	Panelists: P S Mathuramath, Bengaluru S Meenakshi Sundaram, Madurai Pramod Krishnan, Bengaluru	
Panel discussion: Challenges to biomarker-based diagnosis of AD Moderator: Sinjan Ghosh, Kolkata Faheem Arshad, Bengaluru		
Lunch and Poster Session (1.15 – 2pm)		

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Session 4

Time	Topic	Speakers
2-2.30 pm Chairpersons: Suvarna Alladi, Bengaluru Lenny Shallcross, UK Shankar Prasad Saha, Kolkata	Leading Strategic Vision and Innovative Initiatives in Alzheimer's disease	Maria C. Carrillo, USA

Session 5

2.30–3.45 pm Emerging landscape of Alzheimer's Disease treatment Chairpersons: Sangeeta Ravat, Mumbai Kalyan B Bhattacharyya, Kolkata Amit Halder, Kolkata	CLARITY-AD and Beyond: Lecanemab in Early Alzheimer's Disease	Atri Chatterjee, New Delhi
	TRAILBLAZER-ALZ 2 Trial: Donanemab in the evolving landscape of Alzheimer's therapy	Ashwani Bhat, Dehradun
	Real world use of Anti-amyloid therapy	Allan Levey, USA Manabu Ikeda, Japan

3.45 – 4.45 pm

Panel Discussion: Preparing for anti-amyloid therapy in India

Moderator: Atanu Biswas, Kolkata
Annu Aggarwal, Mumbai

Panelists

Manjari Tripathi, New Delhi
Rajesh Iyer, Bengaluru
Jaydip Ray Chaudhuri, Hyderabad
Sitansu Sekhar Nandi, Kolkata

Coffee Break (4.45 - 5.00 pm)

	Session 6	Session 7
5.00 - 6.30 pm	Delivering Change: World Dementia Council (WDC) India Roundtable Workshop Maria C. Carrillo Alzheimer's Association, USA Lenny Shallcross World Dementia Council, UK	Lightning Presentation Round- Research Presentations Chairpersons: Sandip Pal, Kolkata Shalin Shah, Ahmedabad Prasenjit Sengupta, Kolkata Sandeep Kumar, Hyderabad
6.30 - 6.40 pm	Introduction and Registration for NeuroThon by NERD (Network of Emerging Researchers in Dementia)	Sarath G Rashi Kumar Nitin TH

Cultural Program and Dinner (7.00 pm onwards)

DAY 2 (Sunday, 16th November 2025)

Session 8

Time	Topic	Speakers
8.30 - 9.00 am Chairpersons Ashwani Bhat, Dehradun Sandeep Kumar, Hyderabad	NeuroThon by NERD (Network of Emerging Researchers in Dementia) Audience Participation	Nithin Thanissery, Bengaluru Rashi Kumar, New Delhi Sarah Govindaraj, Bengaluru

Session 9

Time	Topic	Speakers
9.00 – 10.30 am Not all dementias are Alzheimer's Disease Chairpersons: MM Mehdhiratta, New Delhi, Vikram Kamath, Bengaluru Pahari Ghosh, Kolkata	Unravelling complexity of Frontotemporal Dementia	Ratnavalli Ellajosyula, Bengaluru
	Neuropsychiatric syndromes in Dementia	Manabu Ikeda, Japan
	Treatable Dementia- Underrecognized or Misdiagnosed	Suman Kushwaha, New Delhi
10.30- 11.00 am The dementia detective: a case-based quiz Audience Participation		Atri Chatterjee, New Delhi Rukmini Mridula, Hyderabad

Coffee Break (11- 11:15 am)

Session 10

11.15 -1.15 pm Neurorehabilitation and comprehensive care Chairpersons: Trishit Roy, Kolkata Gautam Das, Kolkata Angshuman Kukherjee, Kolkata	Rehabilitation of persons living with dementia	Aida Suarez Gonzalez, London
	Management of Difficult Behaviours	Debanjan Banerjee, Kolkata
	Advanced care planning in dementia	Roop Kumar Gursahani, Mumbai
	Developing support services	Nilanjana Maulik, Kolkata

Panel discussion

Ethics in dementia care: Presymptomatic diagnosis, cost effectiveness of emerging therapies and end-of life care

Moderator:

Urvashi Shah, Mumbai
Priya Thomas, Bengaluru

Panelists

Amitabh Varma, New Delhi
Anu Gupta, New Delhi
G Butchiraju, Vizag
Ajaya Mahanta, Guwahati

Lunch Session (1.15 – 2.00 pm)

Lunch Symposium: Open House with Cognitive Neurologists: Updates on Advancements in the Alzheimer's Disease Landscape - A Lilly session

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Session 11

Time	Topic	Speakers
2.00 – 3.30 pm Preventing dementia: from risk reduction to resilience Chairpersons: Arabinda Mukherjee, <i>Kolkata</i> SR Chandra, <i>Chennai</i> Rajinder K. Dhamija, <i>New Delhi</i>	Dementia burden in India	Tapas Kumar Banerjee, <i>Kolkata</i>
	Controlling Diabetes to Prevent Dementia	Venkat Narayan K. M, <i>USA</i>
	Preventing stroke preventing dementia	Subhash Kaul, <i>Hyderabad</i>
	Cognitive resilience	Suvarna Alladi, <i>Bengaluru</i>

Session 12

3.30– 4.30 pm Transformative advances in dementia Chairpersons: Apoorva Pauranik, <i>Indore</i> Achal Srivastava, <i>New Delhi</i> Sidharth Anand, <i>Kolkata</i>	Brain computer interface-based neurofeedback in cognitive disorders	Subasree Ramakrishnan, <i>Bengaluru</i>
	Contribution of Indian Languages to understanding dementia	Amitabha Ghosh, <i>Kolkata</i>
	Language biomarkers and Artificial Intelligence in dementia	Adolfo M. Garcia, <i>Argentina</i>

Valedictory and Prizes (4.30pm)

