

# THE HEART FAILURE CONFLUX

Virtual Confluence of  
Scientists and Clinicians Caring Heart Failure

February 5<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> 2021

## DAY 1

Molecular Biology  
tools for  
Cardiologists

## DAY 2

Clinical  
Challenges in  
Heart Failure

## DAY 3

Brainstorming  
session  
with Experts

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Invited Abstract Session

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Dear Colleagues,

Interactions between basic and clinical researchers should be more like a 'virtuous cycle' of bench to bedside and back again. With the advances in genetics, molecular diagnostics and therapeutics, it is now essential for basic and clinical scientists to collaborate to improve patient outcomes. It is also possible to build upon each other's work to explore novel disease mechanisms, therapeutic avenues and diagnostics.

With this background, Centre for Advanced Research and Excellence in Heart failure - (CARE-HF) established under ICMR at the SCTIMST, Trivandrum, is organising a confluence of heart failure specialists and basic scientists. This meeting is being conducted in association with the Heart Failure Association of India and International Academy of Cardiovascular Sciences, and is supported by the ICMR.

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## Call for Abstracts

Abstracts are invited for a competitive session on Day 1, 05-02-2021 from areas of basic or translational research related to Heart Failure. Best paper will be awarded **Rs. 10,000/-** and certificate from Heart Failure Association. **Abstracts in IMRAD format with one Table/Figure and not exceeding 500 words may be uploaded to [hfaioffice@gmail.com](mailto:hfaioffice@gmail.com). Deadline for submission - 31<sup>st</sup> January 2021**

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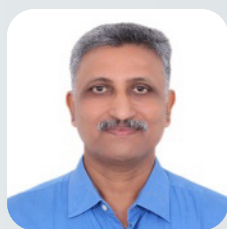


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## Keynote Address / Messages

**DAY 1**  
5<sup>th</sup> Feb 2021



**Prof. Chandrabhas Narayana**  
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**DAY 2**  
6<sup>th</sup> Feb 2021



**Prof. Balram Bhargava**  
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**DAY 3**  
7<sup>th</sup> Feb 2021



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**DAY 1****February 5th Friday 2021****Moderators : Prof Dr CC Kartha & Prof Dr Harikrishnan S.**

<b>TIME</b>	<b>TOPIC</b>	<b>SPEAKER</b>
5:00PM - 6:00 PM	Invited Abstracts session	
6:00PM - 6:15 PM	Keynote address	<b>Prof Dr Chandrabhas Narayana,</b> Director, RGCB, Trivandrum
<b>SESSION 1</b>		
6:15PM - 6:27 PM	Transcriptomics in Heart Failure	<b>Dr Regalla Kumaraswamy,</b> CCMB, Hyderabad
6:30PM - 6:42 PM	Metabolomics: Principles and Prospects for studying disease mechanisms and identifying biomarkers	<b>Dr Abdul Jaleel,</b> RGCB, Trivandrum
6:45PM - 6:57 PM	Micro RNA based detection and therapies for Heart Failure	<b>Dr Shashi Kumar Gupta,</b> CDRI, Lucknow
7:00PM - 7:12 PM	Approaches to decipher mechanisms and therapeutic targets in Heart Failure: Sirtuins as an example	<b>Dr Ravi Nagalingam Sundaresan,</b> Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore
7:15PM - 7:27 PM	Identifying genetic susceptibility for Heart Failure	<b>Dr S Sumi,</b> RGCB, Trivandrum
7:30PM - 7:40 PM	Recap & Conclusions	<b>Dr. Sanjay G &amp; Dr. Jeemon P</b>
<b>SESSION 2</b>		
7:45PM - 7:57PM	Targeting cardiac fibroblasts to mend the breaking heart	<b>Dr. K Shivakumar,</b> SCTIMST, Trivandrum
8:00PM - 8:12PM	Animal Models in Heart Failure	<b>Dr. Sakthivel Sadayappan,</b> University of Cincinnati, USA
8:15PM - 8:27PM	Systems biology application for cardiovascular drug discovery	<b>Dr. Vibin Ramakrishnan,</b> IIT, Guwahati
8:30PM - 8:42PM	Population genetics for discovery of disease risk and drug targets	<b>Dr. Vinod Scaria,</b> IGIB, New Delhi
8:45PM - 8:57PM	Technological avenues for development of cardiovascular devices	<b>Dr. Deepthi Menon,</b> Amrita Institute of Medicine, Kochi
9:00PM - 9:10PM	Recap & Conclusions	<b>Prof. Dr. Ajit Kumar VK &amp; Dr. Harikrishna Varma</b>
9:10PM 9:20PM	Day summary and future perspectives	<b>Dr. Anoop Kumar T,</b> SCTIMST, Trivandrum

**\*Please note that each talk consists of 12 minutes followed by 3 minutes of Q&A.**

**Time shown refers to IST (Indian Standard Time)**

**DAY 2****February 6th Saturday 2021****Moderators : Dr Sandeep Seth & Dr Ajay Bahl**

<b>TIME</b>	<b>TOPIC</b>	<b>SPEAKER</b>
6:00PM - 6:05PM	Welcome address	<b>Prof. Dr. K Jayakumar,</b> Director, SCTIMST
6:05PM- 6:15PM	Keynote address	<b>Prof. Dr. Balram Bhargava,</b> Secretary DHR, Director General, ICMR, New Delhi
<b>SESSION 1</b>		
6:15PM - 6:27PM	Signaling from hypertrophy to failure: Apoptosis, Necrosis and Fibrosis – What cardiologists should understand.	<b>Dr. Anureet Kaur,</b> California State University,USA
6:30PM - 6:42PM	Genetics of cardiomyopathies	<b>Dr. P Dhandapany,</b> InStem, Bangalore
6:45PM - 6:57PM	Cardiac regeneration – Hopes and Hypes	<b>Dr. Sanjiv Dhingra</b> University of Manitoba
7:00PM - 7:12PM	Chemotherapy induced Heart Failure – Metabolic and genetic pathways	<b>Dr. Ajay Bahl,</b> PGIMER, Chandigarh
7:15PM - 7:27PM	Pharmacogenomics & Heart Failure	<b>Dr. C. Adhithan,</b> JIPMER, Puducherry
7:30PM - 7:40PM	Recap & Conclusions	<b>Dr. Qadar Pasha &amp;</b> <b>Dr. Neethu Mohan</b>
<b>SESSION 2</b>		
7:45PM - 7:57PM	Gene editing in Heart Failure	<b>Dr. Kiran Musunuru,</b> University of Pennsylvania, USA
8:00PM - 8:12PM	COVID-19 and HF - Immune Mechanisms	<b>Dr. Sandeep Seth,</b> AIIMS, New Delhi
8:15PM - 8:27PM	Genetic counselling in Heart Failure – What a clinician should know	<b>Dr. Sheela Namboothiri,</b> Amrita School of Medicine, Kochi
8:30PM - 8:42PM	Biobanking – Enhancing research in Heart Failure	<b>Dr. Meenakshi Sharma,</b> ICMR, New Delhi
8:45PM - 8:55PM	Recap & Conclusions	<b>Dr. Hisham Ahamed &amp;</b> <b>Dr. K Venugopal</b>
8:55PM - 9:00PM	Day summary & Future perspectives	<b>Dr. VK Chopra</b>

**DAY 3**

**February 7th Sunday 2021**

**BRAINSTORMING SESSION – 4.00 – 6.00 PM**

	<b>Introduction</b>	<b>Prof. Dr. CC Kartha ( Moderator)</b>
4:00PM - 4:05PM	<b>Message</b>	<b>Prof. Dr. Ashutosh Sharma, Secretary, Department of Science &amp; Technology</b>
4:05PM - 5:50PM	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>Panelists Rapporteurs : Linda Koshy, Reethu S , Adrija Roy</b>
5:50PM - 6:00PM	<b>Conclusion and Perspectives</b>	<b>Dr. RS Dhaliwal, Head NCD, ICMR, New Delhi</b>