



12th Annual Conference of the SMRM on
**Mitochondrial Continuum:
Bridging Biology and Medicine**

19 - 21 November 2026
NIMHANS, Bengaluru, India



Announcement
Brochure



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WELCOME

Dear Colleagues,

Greetings from SMRM 2026, Bengaluru!

It is our pleasure to welcome you to the 12th Annual Conference of the Society for Mitochondrial Research and Medicine (SMRM 2026), themed “Mitochondrial Continuum: Bridging Biology and Medicine”, jointly organized by the Department of Neuropathology, NIMHANS, Bengaluru, SMRM, and IndoUSrare, the conference will be held from 19 - 21 November 2026 at the NIMHANS Convention Centre, Bengaluru.

Mitochondria have emerged as key regulators of cellular homeostasis, with roles extending beyond energy production to cellular signaling, metabolism, apoptosis, and immune responses. Their dysfunction is increasingly linked to a broad spectrum of diseases, including inherited mitochondrial disorders, neurodegenerative diseases, cancer, metabolic syndromes, and age-related conditions.

SMRM 2026 aims to bring together clinicians, researchers, scientists, and students from across the globe to exchange knowledge and foster collaborations. The scientific program will feature keynote lectures, panel discussions, young scientist award presentations, flash and poster presentations, and sessions highlighting advances in mitochondrial genetics, diagnostics, disease mechanisms, and emerging therapies. Pre-conference workshops will provide hands-on training in specialized techniques relevant to mitochondrial research and diagnostics.

Hosting SMRM 2026 in Bengaluru, India's leading hub for biomedical research, healthcare innovations, and technology provides an ideal setting for a meeting dedicated to bridging biology and medicine. The city's vibrant research ecosystem, cultural diversity, and welcoming atmosphere promise a rewarding experience for all delegates.

We are delighted to host distinguished national and international experts whose contributions, along with your active participation, will enrich scientific discussions and inspire new directions in mitochondrial medicine.

We look forward to welcoming you to Bengaluru for an intellectually stimulating, professionally enriching, and memorable SMRM 2026.

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CONFERENCE VENUE

NIMHANS Convention Centre, Bengaluru

The state-of-the-art NIMHANS Convention Centre offers world-class infrastructure for conferences, seminars, trade shows, exhibitions, and media events. Conveniently located within the NIMHANS campus, the venue combines accessibility, functionality, and sophistication to deliver a seamless event experience. Located approximately 40 kms from Kempegowda International Airport (BLR), and it takes just over an hour to drive this distance, though travel time can vary based on traffic conditions.



PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS

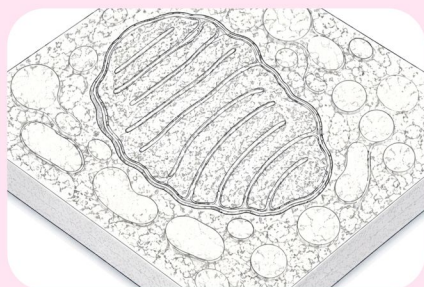


Workshop - 1

Enzyme Histochemistry & Respiratory Chain Complex Assay

Date: 17 - 18 November 2026 | **Time:** 09:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Venue: Neuromuscular Laboratory, Neurobiology Research Centre, NIMHANS, Bengaluru



Workshop - 2

Ultrastructure: Transmission Electron Microscopy

Date: 17 - 18 November 2026 | **Time:** 09:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Venue: Electron Microscopy Facility, Central Laboratory Complex, NIMHANS, Bengaluru



Workshop - 3

Bioenergetics: Seahorse Analyzer

Date: 17 - 18 November 2026 | **Time:** 09:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Venue: Neuromuscular Laboratory, Neurobiology Research Centre, NIMHANS, Bengaluru

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

You are invited to submit informative abstracts upto 300 words (excluding title, author list, affiliations, and other headings).

Important Dates

- Last Date for Abstract Submission: 30 September 2026
- Notification of acceptance for oral/ poster presentations: 15 October 2026
- Withdrawal Deadline: 05 October 2026

The abstracts must be submitted under one of the following categories/sections for Oral or Poster presentation:

- Clinical
- Basic Science

Kindly visit the conference website for complete Abstract Submission Guidelines.

SMRM YOUNG SCIENTIST AWARD (YSA)

SMRM instituted the Young Scientist Awards (SMRM-YSA) to recognize the quality of the PhD work in the field of Mitochondria in Biology and Medicine. Selection for the award is based on the scientific merit of the work. The two best candidates will be awarded with a medal, certificate and cash prize. All the shortlisted candidates are eligible for registration fee waiver and accommodation waiver.

Applicants must be less than 35 years of age by 31st December 2026. An age proof and a letter from PhD guide, certifying that the work submitted for SMRM-YSA is a part of his/her PhD work, must be submitted along with the application.

Important Dates

Applications Open: 01 July, 2026

Last Date for Applications: 15 September, 2026

Kindly visit the conference website for complete SMRM-YSA application details & form.



REGISTRATION DETAILS

Indian Registrants

Categories	Early Bird Till 31 Aug 2026	Regular 01 Sept - 15 Nov 2026	On-Spot Fee Conference Days
SMRM Members (Scientists, Clinicians & Academicians)	₹ 6,500	₹ 7,500	₹ 8,500
Non-Members (Scientists, Clinicians & Academicians)	₹ 7,500	₹ 8,500	₹ 9,500
Student Members (PhD, PDF, MD & DM)	₹ 4,500	₹ 5,500	₹ 6,500
Student Non-Members (PhD, PDF, MD & DM)	₹ 5,500	₹ 6,500	₹ 7,500
Member Industry Delegates	₹ 8,500	₹ 10,500	₹ 12,000
Non-Member Industry Delegates	₹ 10,500	₹ 12,500	₹ 14,000

Foreign Registrants

Categories	Early Bird Till 31 Aug 2026	Regular 01 Sept - 15 Nov 2026	On-Spot Fee Conference Days
SMRM Members (Scientists, Clinicians & Academicians)	\$150	\$175	\$200
Non-Members (Scientists, Clinicians & Academicians)	\$175	\$200	\$225
Student Members (PhD, PDF, MD & DM)	\$100	\$125	\$150
Student Non-Members (PhD, PDF, MD & DM)	\$125	\$150	\$175
Member Industry Delegates	\$200	\$250	\$275
Non-Member Industry Delegates	\$250	\$275	\$300

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PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS (15 seats each on first-come first-served basis)

Categories	Scientists / Clinicians / Academicians	Students	Industry Delegates
Indian Delegates (Indian passport holders)	₹ 4,500	₹ 3,500	₹ 5,500
Foreign Delegates (Foreign passport holders)	\$100	\$75	\$125

Note:

- The registration fee mentioned above is INCLUSIVE of GST @ 18%, as applicable.
- You can register online using your Debit/ Credit Card/ UPI or transferring the amount online (wire transfer/ NEFT).
- Bank convenience fee will be charged additionally @ 4.5% for all online transactions.
- Registration is mandatory & will be only considered as confirmed on receipt of the full amount.
- The registration fee does not include any travel cost, insurance, accommodation, sightseeing tours or airport transfers. Only 15 seats are available in each workshop which will be accepted on first come first served basis.



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