



CPIP 2026

Current Perspectives in Interventional Pulmonology

Where techniques, technology, and research converge

Workshops & Updates on the Latest Developments in IP

PGI-AIIMS Collaboration

27th Feb - 1st Mar 2026

**Venue: PGIMER, Chandigarh
(& Hotel Radisson Red, Chandigarh-Mohali)**

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Dear Colleagues,

It is our great pleasure to invite you to **CURRENT PERSPECTIVES IN INTERVENTIONAL PULMONOLOGY, CPIP 2026**, organized by PGIMER, Chandigarh from February 27 to March 1, 2026.

With rapid developments in interventional pulmonology (IP), indiscriminate use of technology is becoming a threat. Rather than remaining tools in our repertoire, we risk becoming subservient to the spectacle of technology. While it is necessary to **zealously and relentlessly infuse** this field with new technology, it is crucial to take a step back and **analyse the evidence** supporting each IP procedure. This concern lies behind the genesis of

CPIP: Current Perspectives in Interventional Pulmonology

CPIP is a joint initiative by PGIMER, Chandigarh and AIIMS, New Delhi through which we seek to provide annual updates on the hottest topics in IP by experts in the field.

We endeavour to create a platform for the very best in this field to share knowledge on the appropriate use of IP techniques. We aim to promote the expansion of IP services in the country while preventing indiscriminate use of technology by disseminating the correct knowledge about its benefits and drawbacks. This annual update will be held at AIIMS, New Delhi and PGIMER, Chandigarh in alternate years. **The first update held at AIIMS, New Delhi in January 2025** was a resounding success. Scientific content and analytical thinking ruled the roost. The central focus of each session was a disease entity rather than a procedure. After a short introduction to the relevant procedures, questions addressing current controversies in the field were posed to the speakers. In CPIP, the speaker's talk is only a starting point of a threadbare discussion that aims to answer the most relevant questions as per available evidence and expertise.

We expect you to join this nascent yet powerful initiative and to be enriched by your insights.

Let's learn from each other!!!





Registration & Refund Guidelines

- Registration amount is exclusive of GST (@ 18%) and internet transaction charges.
- Registration fee includes admission to scientific halls, trade exhibition, lunch, dinner and delegate kit.
- Organizing committee shall not be liable in any form in case of changes in date / venue due to unforeseen circumstances.
- Conference organizers are not responsible for postal delays / failure of electronic communication.
- It is mandatory for all delegates to carry a government approved photo ID.
- Requests for refunds must be made through e-mail, only 50% of the registration amount can be refunded.
- Request must be sent to conference secretariat on E-mail: cpip2026@gmail.com
- No refund of registration fee will be provided for cancellation request received after 31st January 2026.
- Refund may take upto 45 calendar days to process from the date of request.

Please Note:

- Registration is mandatory for all faculty, delegates and those presenting research papers.
- Registration cannot be transferred.
- Registration fee does not include travel and accommodation; these should be arranged by participants themselves.

Registration Structure

| Event | Fees upto 20 th Feb 2026 | Fees 21 st Feb 2026 Onwards |
|--|-------------------------------------|--|
| Main Conference | INR 5,000 | INR 8,000 |
| Rigid bronchoscopy Workshop + Main Conference | INR 7,000 | INR 10,000 |
| Endosonography/EBUS Workshop + Main Conference | INR 7,000 | INR 10,000 |
| Flexible bronchoscopy Workshop + Main Conference | INR 7,000 | INR 10,000 |
| Accompanying Person | INR 8,000 | |

* Students (M.Sc & Ph.D) can avail fee waivers by writing to cpip2026@gmail.com with proof of status.

* For residents (MD) & fellows (DM), early bird prices will be applicable throughout.



Abstract Guidelines

Please read the instructions carefully prior to submitting your abstract

- Abstracts must be original and should be relevant to the field of Interventional Pulmonology.
- They should not have been published elsewhere before CPIP 2026.
- The presenting author is required to ensure that the co-authors are aware & approve of the content. He/she should take responsibility for the accuracy of the results.
- The presenting author's name should be highlighted. His/her full name, institution, phone number and email address must be provided.
- An e-mail confirming the receipt of abstract, including an abstract number, will be sent to the submitting delegate. This number should be quoted for all further correspondence.
- Acceptance/rejection will be notified only after review.
- Abstracts will be categorized as Oral and Poster. Check our website for Oral/Poster guidelines after 15th February 2026.
- Selected oral abstracts will be presented on the podium during the conference.
- Scientific Committee reserves the right to accept/reject/change the category (oral/poster) of your paper.
- For original research studies, the abstract should consist of the following sections: Background, Research question, Methods, Results and Conclusion. Word limit: 300 words.
- For case reports & case series the description should have a Background, Case description, and the Learning point from the case. Word limit: 200 words.

Abstract Submission Deadline: 20th February 2026

Registration Fees will be waived off for presenters of accepted abstracts

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Day 1: 27th February 2026, Friday

Workshop 1: Basic bronchoscopy

Venue: National Institute Of Nursing Education Auditorium, PGIMER

Program Directors: Rajiv Goyal | Dharmesh Patel

**Trainers: Aarushi Chokhani | Abhijit Ahuja | Ajay Handa | Ajay K Verma | Arun Walia
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Phan Tien Nguyen | Pralay Sarkar | Puneet Saxena | Ramesh Chokhani | Sunil Sharma
Sunny Virdi**

| Time | Description | Speaker |
|--------------------------|---|-------------------------------|
| 12:30PM - 01:30PM | Registration and Lunch | |
| 01:30PM - 01:40PM | Introduction | Rajiv Goyal Dharmesh Patel |
| 01:45PM - 02:00PM | Bronchoscope handling, airway anatomy and airway negotiation | Kavitha Venkatnarayan |
| 02:00PM - 02:15PM | Topical anesthesia and Sedation for flexible bronchoscopy | Mayank Mishra |
| 02:15PM - 02:45PM | Workstation: Bronchoscope handling, anatomy and airway negotiation | |
| 02:45PM - 03:00PM | Bronchial washing, BAL, Endobronchial biopsy (EBB) | Pawan Tiwari |
| 03:00PM - 03:15PM | Transbronchial lung biopsy (TBLB) | Manu Chopra |
| 03:15PM - 03:30PM | Conventional Transbronchial needle aspiration (TBNA) | Ramesh Chokhani |
| 03:30PM - 04:15PM | Workstation: Endobronchial biopsy, TBLB, Conventional TBNA | Running Tea |
| 04:15PM - 04:30PM | Foreign body removal | KK Sharma |
| 04:30PM - 05:00PM | Workstation: Instruments and Accessories, Foreign Body Removal | |
| 05:00PM - 05:15PM | Management of airway bleeding during bronchoscopy | Abhijit Ahuja |
| 05:15PM - 05:30PM | Bronchoscopy in ICU | Manoj Goel |
| 05:30PM - 06:00PM | Workstation: Bronchoscopic ET intubation | |
| 06:00PM - 06:30PM | How to identify lung segments and localize nodules? Common lecture for all workshop participants | Phan Tien Nguyen |



Day 1: 27th February 2026, Friday

Workshop 2: Linear EBUS

Venue: Advanced Paediatric Centre Auditorium, PGIMER

Program Directors: VR Pattabhiraman | Ravindra Mehta

**Trainers: Aditya Jindal | Ajay Ravi | Arjun Srinivasan | Bin Hwangbo | Girish Sindhwani
Harikishan Gonuguntla | Irfan | Ayub | Kedar Hibare | Mansi Gupta | Nishant Chouhan
Nitesh Gupta | Saurabh Mittal | Umasankar K | Vikram Damaraju**

| Time | Description | Speaker |
|--------------------------|---|------------------------------------|
| 12:30PM - 01:30PM | Registration and Lunch | |
| 01:30PM - 01:40PM | Introduction | VR Pattabhiraman Ravindra Mehta |
| 01:45PM - 02:00PM | Endobronchial ultrasound (EBUS) principles and EBUS scopes | Vikram Damaraju |
| 02:00PM - 02:15PM | EBUS needles: Functionality and types | Harikishan Gonuguntla |
| 02:15PM - 02:30PM | Anatomy relevant to Linear EBUS | Mansi Gupta |
| 02:30PM - 02:45PM | Pre-procedure Preparation, Topical anesthesia, Sedation, and Monitoring | Girish Sindhwani |
| 02:45PM - 03:15PM | Workstation: Convex probe EBUS – Scope, needle and balloon | |
| 03:15PM - 03:30PM | Convex Probe EBUS – Technique | Nishant Chouhan |
| 03:30PM - 04:15PM | Workstation: Convex Probe EBUS – technique | |
| 04:15PM - 04:30PM | Tea break | |
| 04:30PM - 04:45PM | EUS-B-FNA | Bin Hwangbo |
| 04:45PM - 05:00PM | EBUS-guided TBMC and forceps biopsy | Arjun Srinivasan |
| 05:00PM - 06:00PM | Workstation: CT reading, identifying lymph node stations, identifying lung segments | |
| 06:00PM - 06:30PM | How to identify lung segments and localize nodules? Common lecture for all workshop participants | Phan Tien Nguyen |



Day 1: 27th February 2026, Friday

Workshop 3: Rigid bronchoscopy

Venue: Lecture Theatre 3, Nehru Hospital, PGIMER

Program Directors: Ritesh Agarwal | Jayachandra A

Trainers: Ajmal Khan | Ankan B | Bharath Chhabria | Gella Vishwanath | Hari Prasad Jayachandra A | Jeenam Shah | Manish Aggarwal | Neeru Sahni | Pavan Kumar Biraris Pawan Kumar Singh | Raghava Rao | Sandeep Nayar | Shyam Krishnan | Srikant KM Vaibhav Chachra

| Time | Event | Speaker |
|--------------------------|---|---------------------------------|
| 12:30PM - 01:30PM | Registration and Lunch | |
| 01:30PM - 01:40PM | Introduction by Program Directors | Ritesh Agarwal Jayachandra A |
| 01:45PM - 02:00PM | When to do? Indications | Manish Aggarwal |
| 02:00PM - 02:15PM | What to buy? Instruments | Gella Vishwanath |
| 02:15PM - 02:30PM | Sedation and Anaesthesia | Neeru Sahni |
| 02:30PM - 02:45PM | Airway anatomy and intubation techniques | Sandeep Nayar |
| 02:45PM - 03:30PM | Workstation: Rigid intubation on a manikin | |
| 03:30PM - 03:45PM | Foreign body extraction | Hari Prasad |
| 03:45PM - 04:15PM | Workstation: Foreign body extraction | Running Tea |
| 04:15PM - 04:30PM | Dilatation and debulking (coring) | Vaibhav Chachra |
| 04:30PM - 04:45PM | Stenting (silicone and metallic) | Ajmal Khan |
| 04:45PM - 05:00PM | Complications | Jeenam Shah |
| 05:00PM - 06:00PM | Workstation: Rigid intubation and stent placement on a manikin | |
| 06:00PM - 06:30PM | How to identify lung segments and localize nodules? Common lecture for all workshop participants | Phan Tien Nguyen |



Day 2: 28th February 2026, Saturday

Venue: Hotel Radisson Red, Chandigarh–Mohali

| Time | Description | Speaker |
|--|---|--------------------|
| Session 1- : IP in granulomatous lung disease | | |
| Chair: Ritesh Agarwal | | |
| Discussants: Pawan Tiwari Richa Gupta Gella Vishwanath Dharmesh Patel Vishal Chopra | | |
| 09:00AM - 09:20AM | Learning the procedure: EBUS-TBNA, EBUS-forceps biopsy, and EBUS-TBMC | Rohit Kumar |
| 09:20AM - 09:40AM | Discussion | |
| 09:40AM - 10:00AM | Evidence: What are the factors that improve the bronchoscopic yield of granulomas? | Bin Hwangbo |
| 10:00AM - 10:20AM | Discussion | |
| 10:20AM - 10:40AM TEA | | |
| 10:40AM - 10:55AM | Learning the procedure: How to handle lymph node aspirates? | Nalini Gupta |
| 10:55AM - 11:10AM | Learning the procedure: How to examine lymph node, bronchial and lung biopsies for granulomatous lung disorders? | Amanjit Bal |
| 11:10AM - 11:30AM | Discussion | |
| 11:30AM - 11:50AM | Evidence: Which tests help differentiating between tuberculosis and sarcoidosis? | Nagarjuna V Maturu |
| 11:50AM - 12:10PM | Discussion | |
| Session 2- : Lung volume reduction | | |
| Chair: Nagarjuna V Maturu | | |
| Discussants: Amit Dhamija Kedar Hibare Anant Mohan Vikas Marwah Ravindra Mehta | | |
| 12:10PM - 12:30PM | Learning the procedure: Bronchoscopic lung volume reduction: techniques | Phan Tien Nguyen |
| 12:30PM - 12:50PM | Discussion | |
| 12:50PM - 01:10AM | Evidence: How to select the right procedure? | Pallav L Shah |
| 01:10PM - 01:40PM | Discussion | |
| 01:40PM - 02:30PM LUNCH | | |



Day 2: 28th February 2026, Saturday

Venue: Hotel Radisson Red, Chandigarh–Mohali

| Time | Description | Speaker |
|---|---|-------------------|
| Session 3: Central Airway Obstruction (CAO) | | |
| Chair: Pattabhiraman VR | | |
| Discussants: Ajay Ravi Ajmal Khan Valliappan M Harshith Rao Swaranjeet S Bhullar | | |
| 02:40PM - 03:00PM | Learning the procedure: Flexible bronchoscopic treatment of CAO | Pawan Kumar Singh |
| 03:00PM - 03:20PM | Discussion | |
| 03:20PM - 03:40PM | Learning the procedure: Rigid bronchoscopic treatment of CAO | Arjun Srinivasan |
| 03:40PM - 04:00PM | Discussion | |
| 04:00PM - 04:20PM | Evidence: Can metallic and novel stents completely replace silicone stents? | Irfan I Ayub |
| 04:20PM - 04:40PM | Discussion | |
| 04:40PM - 05:00PM TEA | | |
| Session 4: Hot therapies | | |
| Chair: Rajiv Goyal | | |
| Discussants: Jayachandra A Sushmita Roychowdhury Bharath Chhabria Mayank Mishra MK Gupta | | |
| 05:00PM - 05:20PM | Learning the procedure and evidence: How to use cautery, APC, and LASER for treating airway lesions? | Saurabh Mittal |
| 05:20PM - 05:40PM | Discussion | |
| Session 5: Massive hemoptysis | | |
| Chair: Inderpaul S Sehgal | | |
| Discussants: Girish Sindhvani Arvind Kumar Vikram Damaraju Pratibha Gogia Nitin Jain | | |
| 05:40PM - 06:00PM | Learning the procedure and Evidence: Bronchoscopic management of massive hemoptysis | Karan Madan |
| 06:00PM - 06:20PM | Discussion | |
| 06:20PM - 06:40PM | Learning the procedure and Evidence: Management of massive hemoptysis by an interventional radiologist | Ujjwal Gorsli |
| 06:40PM - 07:00PM | Discussion | |
| 07:00 pm onwards Dinner | | |





Day 3: 1st March 2026, Sunday

Venue: Hotel Radisson Red, Chandigarh–Mohali

| Time | Description | Speaker |
|---|---|----------------|
| Chair: Ashutosh N Aggarwal Karan Madan | | |
| 08:00AM - 10:00AM | ABSTRACTS oral presentation POSTER evaluation | |
| Session 6: Lung biopsy | | |
| Chair: Sahajal Dhooria | | |
| Discussants: Alok Nath Avneet Garg Ravindra Mehta Vijay Hadda KT Prasad | | |
| 10:00AM - 10:20AM | Learning the procedure: TBLB, TBLC | Nitesh Gupta |
| 10:20AM - 10:40AM | Discussion | |
| 10:40AM - 11:00AM | Learning the procedure: Surgical Biopsy for DPLD | Arvind Kumar |
| 11:00AM - 11:20AM | Discussion | |
| 11:20AM - 11:50AM | Evidence: How to select the right modality for lung biopsy for ILD/DPLD? | Puneet Saxena |
| 11:50AM - 12:10PM | Discussion | |
| Session 7: Career paths in pulmonology | | |
| Chair: Ritesh Agarwal | | |
| Discussants: VR Pattabhiraman SK Jindal Pallav L Shah Pralay S Nagarjuna Maturu | | |
| 12:10PM - 12:30PM | Models of practice after training in Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine | Dharmesh Patel |
| 12:20PM - 01:00PM | Panel discussion on career options after training | |
| 01:00PM - 01:15PM | Valedictory and Awards | |
| 1:15 pm onwards LUNCH | | |



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