

## **Nuclear Medicine Symposium at AIIMS Rishikesh**

Nuclear Medicine facilities for patients have been recently started at AIIMS, Rishikesh. The Department of Nuclear Medicine has organised a two-day, Symposium in Nuclear Medicine from 07-04-2018 to 08-04-2018. The Symposium was inaugurated by Prof. Ravikant, Hon'ble Director and CEO, AIIMS Rishikesh on 07-04-2018.

This two-day academic meeting included participation from well-known National speakers from all over country. Senior Faculty and renowned Nuclear Medicine Specialists, from prominent Institutes, including AIIMS, Delhi, P.G.I.M.E.R., Chandigarh, S.G.P.G.I.M.S., Lucknow, BARC, Mumbai and various other prestigious Institutes, gave lectures on Nuclear Cardiology, Infection Imaging & Current trends in Nuclear Oncology and Theranostics. How these radionuclide scans can help the Clinicians in decision making & likely potential of Nuclear Medicine in Clinical research were also discussed.

This symposium had a dedicated session on conventional as well as newer, unparalleled Nuclear Medicine techniques in Oncology. Nuclear Medicine offers "Theranostics" that involves not only diagnosis but also offers targeted therapies for various malignancies using radioisotopes, which is the standard of care in Differentiated Carcinoma thyroid and recently has come as frontline approach in management of carcinoma prostate and neuroendocrine tumours (NETs). State of art PET/CT imaging and newer radiotracers in neuroendocrine tumour imaging and peptide receptor radionuclide therapy (PRRT) were discussed. There was a panel discussion on 68 Gallium- PSMA imaging and recent advances in management of castrate resistant metastatic carcinoma prostate using PSMA targeted therapies, this session was chaired by experienced senior Nuclear Medicine Physicians and Oncologist from all over the country.

Prof Bina Ravi, senior Breast Surgeon and Dr.Pooja Ramakant, KGMU Lucknow, Dr. Ankur Mittal, gave surgeons challenges and Dr. Minakshi Dhar, AIIMS, Rishikesh, gave talk on dilemmas in management PUO & how Nuclear Medicine can help them.

Speakers in the Symposium included, Nuclear Medicine experts Prof. Sanjay Gambhir, SGPGIMs Lucknow, Prof. Rakesh Kumar, AIIMS Delhi, Dr. Sandip Basu from BARC Mumbai, Prof. Arun Malhotra from DSCI, New Delhi, Dr. Anshu Rajnish Sharma, KDAH, Mumbai, Dr. Ashvani Sood from PGIMER, Chandigarh, Dr. Ishita Sen, Fortis Gurgaon, Dr. Manishi L. Narayan from AIIMS, Rishikesh and many more from all over the country.

This event was organised under the dynamic leadership of Honourable director Prof. Ravikant. Dr. Manoj Gupta, Professor & Head, Radiotherapy (Organising Chairperson), Dr. Manishi L. Narayan, Additional Professor & Head, Dept. of Nuclear Medicine (Organising Co-Chairperson), Dr. Vandana Dhingra, Associate Professor, Nuclear Medicine (Organising Secretary) from AIIMS, Rishikesh have organised this symposium.

**Prof. Ravikant, Hon'ble Director & CEO, AIIMS Rishikesh inaugurating the Gamma Camera Services at AIIMS Rishikesh**



**Inauguration of Nuclear Medicine Symposium & welcome address by Prof. Ravikant, Hon'ble Director & CEO, AIIMS , Rishikesh**









