



CONVERG
2024



CONNECT, CAPTURE & CELEBRATE



Golden Tulip Grand View Resort, Candolim, Goa

29th February, 1st & 2nd March 2024

Program Book

ABOUT CONVERGE

CONVERGE, the bi-annual optometry conference initiated by the Alumni of LVPEI Optometrists (ALO), invites optometrists from around the world to come together. This conference warmly welcomes optometry students, practitioners, academicians, clinicians, researchers, and professionals alike. Set against the lively and vibrant backdrop of Goa, India, CONVERGE 2024 is marked for the 29th of February, 1st, and 2nd of March 2024. Serving as a beacon of connection, capturing shared experiences, and celebrating achievements, this conference promises a rejuvenating experience.

This year, CONVERGE 2024 is meticulously crafted to seamlessly blend education and entertainment, all under the captivating theme, "Panorama of Optometry Practice." providing a unique opportunity to delve into the latest trends in optometry. Beyond the enriching learning experience, CONVERGE 2024 is your stage to showcase skills, explore interests, and present your work to both peers and renowned experts.

Be part of an event that transcends traditional conference boundaries. Join us for CONVERGE 2024 and embark on a journey of learning, networking, and celebration like no other.



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



I am absolutely delighted to welcome you all to 'CONVERGE 2024', a 3 days blast of learning, fun and knowledge enlightenment, the 29th of February, 1st, and 2nd of March 2024.

This year, we're all about fostering connections among Optometrists nationwide and building a strong sense of unity. So, whether you're from the bustling city or the quiet corners of India, you are welcomed whole heartedly by the team ALO!!

We gladly welcome you to the engaging sessions, quick talks, skilful Optometry workshops, group shenanigans, rapid-fire presentations, and career guiding sessions. We're talking about everything – from setting up your own clinic to diving into research or taking the road less traveled in your career. And of course, brace yourselves for the legendary Optometry Quiz, alongside our usual dose of jaw dropping research and clinical case discussions. This time, the conference theme revolves around "Panorama of Optometry Practice."

But hold on, CONVERGE 2024 isn't just for diving deep into those intense optometry sessions - there's more! Friday evening is all about cultural vibes and a fabulous Gala dinner. Let's converge to absorb new knowledge, connect with old pals and make some new ones, and celebrate all the incredible aspects of optometry and beyond.

Welcome you all to “Pearl of the Orient” Goa!

LALITH KUMAR REDDY VOOTUKURU
President ALO

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PANORAMA OF OPTOMETRY PRACTICE

29
FEB

1:30 PM - 6:30 PM

PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS

Includes hands on learning, practical demonstrations, skill enhancement sessions, dynamic interactions

01
MARCH

9:00 AM - 9:30 PM

SYMPOSIA + GALA NIGHT

Includes scientific insights, research colloquiums, clinical case discussions, industrial fairs, collaborative networking, cultural and musical celebrations with gala dinner

02
MARCH

9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

SYMPOSIA

Includes intellectual forums, expert panel discourses, revolutionary innovations, diverse future vistas



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PROGRAM ITINERARY

DAY 1

FEBRUARY 29, 2024 (THURSDAY)

12.30PM- 01.30PM

REGISTRATIONS

01.45PM – 03.45PM

Workshop: Scleral Contact Lens

Lead: Team Boston Sight

03.50PM - 04.10 PM

High Tea & Networking

04.15PM - 06.15PM

Workshop: Vision Therapy

Lead: Dr. Shalini Jain & Team

06.16PM - 06.30PM

Closing Remarks & Announcements

OUR WORKSHOP FACILITATORS



Mr. Sandeep Reddy
Assistant Director
Opticals and Scleral Lenses
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Mr. Manideepak J
Asst. Administrator- LVPEI
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Dr. Shalini Jain
Founder, Samyak Eye
Care Clinic



Guest of Honour Dr. Avinash Pathengay

Network Director, Education
Consultant Ophthalmologist Specialization: Vitreo Retinal
Diseases, Uveitis & Ocular Immunology, Neuro-ophthalmology
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DAY 2

MARCH 01, 2024 (FRIDAY)

08.30AM - 09.00AM

REGISTRATIONS

09.00AM - 09.10AM

Inauguration Ceremony

09.15AM - 09.30PM

The Ten Years of ALO

Ms. Snigdha

09.31 AM - 09.50 AM

Key Note: Optometry Education

Guest of Honour
Dr. Avinash Pathengay

10.00AM - 10.20AM

Talk: Myopia –Past, Present & Future

Dr. Pavan Verkicharla

10.21AM - 10.40AM

**Talk: Exploring Vision in Focus- Cutting
Edge Trends in Amblyopia Management**

Dr. Shalini Jain

10.41AM - 11.00AM

**Panel discussion: Perks & Challenges
in Paediatric Practice**

Lead:
Dr. Pavan & Dr. Shalini

11.01AM - 11.15AM

Corporate Talk: TEAM ZEISS

11.15AM - 11.35AM

High Tea & Networking

11.40AM - 11.50 AM

Game Time/Playtopia

11.51AM - 12.40PM

Talk: Contact Lens & its Facets

Ms. Binal Chheda
Mr. Sandeep Reddy

12.41PM - 01.30PM

Paper & Case presentations

Delegates

01.30PM - 2.15PM

Lunch & Networking

02.16PM - 03.00PM

Talk: Seeing Possibilities - Unveiling Clinical Nuggets in Low Vision and Special Needs Care

Ms. Rebecca Sumalini
Ms. Premalatha

03.01PM -03.10 PM

Game Time/Playtopia

03.15 PM– 03.40PM

Talk: Public Eye Health - Past, Present & Future

Dr. Srinivas Marmamula

03.45PM- 04.30PM

Quiz: Eye Know Challenge / Trade fair

04.30PM to 05.30PM

High Tea/ ALO Business Meet

06.00 PM - 09.30PM ROCK & ROLL AT GALA NIGHT

DAY 3

MARCH 02, 2024 (SATURDAY)

09.30AM - 10.30AM

Bridging Vision in Ophthalmic Dispensing
Alumni Experts, Enriching The Perception

Lead:
Mr. Maseedupally Srikanth

10.31AM -10.45AM

Corporate Talk: TEAM VISION RX

10.46AM -10.55AM

Gametime/ Playtopia

10.56AM -11.15AM

High Tea & Networking

11.16AM –11.45AM

Talk: Explore Inventive Leaps

Mr. Mir Amir Ali
Mr. Rahul Negi

11.46AM –11.55AM

Gametime/ Playtopia

12.00PM -12.30PM

Talk & Panel Discussion:
Reveal the Future Vistas of Optometry

Lead:
Mr. Vijay Yelagondula

12.31PM -01.00PM

Closing Remarks & Awards

1.00PM onwards: Lunch & Goa Calling

MEET THE SPEAKERS



**DR PAVAN KUMAR
VERKICHARLA**

Scientist, Myopia Research,
Head & Consultant
Optometrist - The Myopia
Centre (prevention and
control)



DR SHALINI JAIN

Founder,
Samyak Eye Care Clinic
Ph.D., MOPT, Fellow L.V.
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**DR SRINIVAS
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Network Associate Director
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Consultant Optometrist - Institute
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L V Prasad Eye Institute (LVPEI)



**SRIKANTH
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Head of Optometry
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BINAL CHHEDA

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*Two-year prospective, double-blind, randomized controlled clinical trial led by Wenzhou Medical University Eye Hospital, China, 2021, on 78 myopic children wearing ZEISS MyoCare Rx lenses, 72 myopic children wearing, ZEISS MyoCare S Rx lenses and 76 myopic children wearing ZEISS Single Vision lenses aged 7 to 12 years for 12 months.

ORAL PRESENTATIONS

Paper Presentations

Friday – 1st March 2024, Scientific session

Time	Abstract Title	First Author
12.41 PM -12.47 PM	Challenging the Oversimplified Link between Relative Peripheral Refraction and Myopia	Ms. Megha Antony
12.48 PM -12.54 PM	Does alteration of time outdoors and near work synergistically control axial elongation in myopes?	Ms. Sruthi Chamarty
12.55 PM – 01.01 PM	Comparison of two different methods of accommodation control techniques with cycloplegic refraction in a hospital-based population -	Ms. Arpita Naik
01.02 PM – 01.08 PM	Evaluating accommodation and vergence anomalies in emmetropes and ametropes: An analysis of hospital- based population	Ms. Gritija Chodankar

CLINICAL CASE PRESENTATIONS

Rapid Fire Case Presentations

Friday – 1st March 2024, Scientific session

Time	Abstract Title	First Author
01.10 PM -01.15 PM	Diagnostic Dilemma: Retinitis Albipunctatus or Retinitis punctata Albescens	Ms. Huda Fatima Mirza
01.16 PM -01.20 PM	Do optical intervention cessation lead to rebound – Case report	Mr. Sujit Shah
01.21 PM – 01.25 PM	Myopia in siblings: Unraveling the complexity through unique case reports	Mr. Soubhik Chel
01.26PM – 01.30 PM	Unveiling low dose atropine response in progressive myopia with presumed subclinical maculopathy: A unique case report	Ms. Lakshmi Kousalya Akkina

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