

3rd Edition of
Lateral Skullbase Dissection Course

Organised By :



Dandi Skullbase Foundation



May 6th - 9th 2026



Lateral Skull Base Dissection Course



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Venue :

Ramaiah Advanced Learning Centre
Gnanagangotri Campus, New BEL Road,
M.S. Ramaiah Nagar, Bangalore - 5600054.



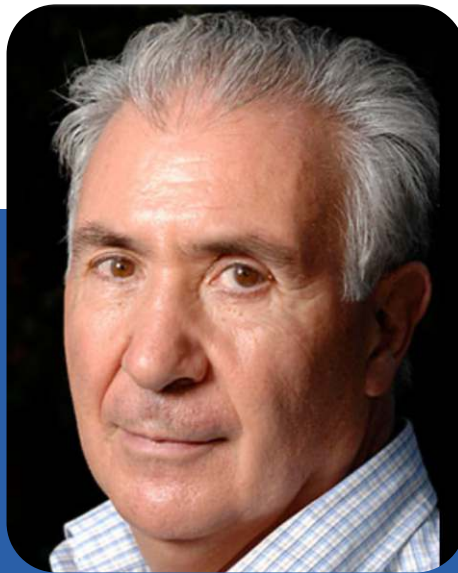
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Dr. Manjunath Dandi
Course Director, DIALC

Consultant ENT & Skull Base Surgeon,
Karnataka Institute of Medical Sciences, Hubballi,
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With the support & guidance of



Prof. Mario Sanna
Skull Base Surgeon & Director
Gruppo Otologico, Piacenza, Italy

Greetings from :



Association of Otolaryngologists of India - Karnataka

Dear Delegates,

Mastery of temporal bone and skull base dissection forms the cornerstone of advancing surgical expertise in ear and skull base surgery. This meticulously designed course, under the direction of Dr. Manjunath Dandi, a distinguished lateral skull base surgeon, provides participants with an invaluable opportunity to enhance their anatomical understanding and surgical precision through immersive, hands-on training.

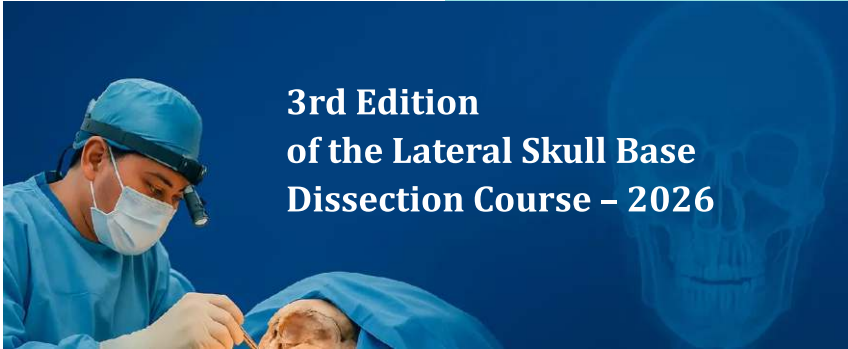
Conducted at the state-of-the-art Ramaiah Advanced Learning Centre—one of the most advanced facilities of its kind in India—this program offers a truly enriching academic and practical experience.

Focused learning in lateral skull base dissections deepens anatomical insight and equips surgeons to approach complex and demanding surgical cases with confidence and accuracy.

On behalf of the Association of Otolaryngologists of Karnataka, I extend my best wishes for a highly productive, insightful, and inspiring learning experience to all participants.

Warm regards,
Dr. Raveendra P. Gadag
President, AOI–Karnataka



A photograph of a surgeon in blue scrubs, a surgical cap, and a mask, performing a dissection on a cadaver. The background is dark blue with a faint, translucent image of a human skull.

3rd Edition of the Lateral Skull Base Dissection Course – 2026

Excellence in Lateral Skull Base Surgery Ramaiah Advanced Learning Centre, Bengaluru | May 6–9, 2026

The 3rd Edition of the Lateral Skull Base Dissection Course marks a continued journey of commitment toward excellence in lateral skull base surgery. Hosted at the Ramaiah Advanced Learning Centre, Bengaluru, this four-day intensive program brings together ENT surgeons, otologists, and neurosurgeons united by a shared vision — to advance surgical precision and deepen anatomical understanding in lateral skull base procedures.

The course offers participants an immersive opportunity to engage in comprehensive cadaveric dissections and expert-led demonstrations within a world-class dissection facility. Each session is thoughtfully designed to emphasize anatomical orientation, surgical safety, and the fine details of complex skull base approaches.

The previous editions featured eminent faculty including Dr. Gianluca Piras (Italy), Dr. Satish Jain, Dr. Narayana Jayashankar, Dr. Madhuri Mehta, Dr. Hetal Patel, Dr. Dathathri, and several other distinguished surgeons whose teaching and expertise have shaped the academic foundation of this course.

A special note of gratitude to Prof. Mario Sanna, whose blessings, mentorship, and continued encouragement have been instrumental since the inception of this academic initiative. The participation of his esteemed colleagues from the Gruppo Otologico, Italy, continues to elevate the course to global standards of excellence.

The 2026 edition will include key approaches such as translabyrinthine, retrosigmoid, transcochlear, transotic, and infratemporal fossa techniques, with focused attention on precision, safety, and interdisciplinary collaboration.

The 3rd Edition proudly continues its legacy — nurturing academic rigor, surgical excellence, and teamwork among otologists and neurosurgeons in the shared pursuit of mastery at the lateral skull base.

Dr. Manjunath Dandi

Faculty & Course Director - DIALC

Highlights of the Course



- **Training by Elite Facilities**
- **State-of-the-Art Equipment**
- **Premium Frozen Cadavers**
- **Expert Continuous Monitoring**

- 1 frozen largely cut temporal bone will be provided for Day-1 Dissection and on Day-2, 3 & 4 colour dye injected head with brain will be provided for dissections on both sides.
- Assistant observers get to assist the dissectors and can get to learn closely
- The large cut temporal bones will be from sphenoid to retrosigmoid region given on a large temporal bone holder
- Ample dissection time with lectures related to only most important topics to give more dissection time
- Round the clock guidance by Fellowship trained tutors
- An operating microscope with good optics will be provided with tungstine carbide burs for dissection with high speed drill system
- Dissection time will be from around 10:30 am till 5:00 pm on all days.
- Strictly no dissection for observers
- Morning session starts exactly at 8:00 am on all days.

Faculties



Dr. Narayan Jayashankar
Senior Consultant ENT &
Skull Base Surgeon,
Nanavati Max Super
speciality Hospital,
P D Hinduja Hospital,
Khar West, Mumbai, India



Dr. Anna Lisa Giannuzzi
Consultant Skull Base Surgeon
Gruppo Otologico
Piacenza, Italy



Dr. Uday Bhanu
Consultant ENT and
Skull Base Surgeon,
Manipal Hospital,
HCG Hospital
Bengaluru, India



Dr. Bhavin Parekh
Consultant ENT and
skull base surgeon at
Bharti ENT Care Hospital,
Vadodara.



Dr. Kavitha Palled
Consultant ENT
& Skull Base Surgeon,
Apollo BGS Hospitals,
Mysore



Dr. Vivek Sasindran
Consultant ENT
& Skull Base Surgeon
Kerala



Dr. K Gopinath Naik
Assistant Professor
Department of Neurosurgery
AIIMS, Rae Bareli



Dr. Sachin K. Damam
Fellow in Lateral Skull Base,
Neuro-Otology & Auditory Implants.
Consultant ENT, Vijaya Health Centre /
Rudh Speech & Hearing Centre,
Bengaluru, India.



Dr. Anagha Joshi
Consultant ENT Surgeon
& Laryngologist
Sion Hospital, Mumbai



Dr. Manjunath Dandi
Consultant ENT & Skull Base Surgeon
Associate Professor, Karnataka Institute
of Medical Sciences, Hubballi
Consultant - KLE Suchirayu Hospital, Hubballi
Shivakrupa Hospital, Hubballi

Faculty & Course Director - DIALC

Why attend this workshop ?

ENT surgeons and Neurosurgeons

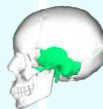
attend this course to not only learn but also to master Lateral Skull Base surgery

Do not miss Chance to learn from the best in the field to hone your skills

TOPICS COVERED

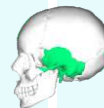
BONE-I

- Blind sac closure
- Cortical mastoidectomy
- Atticotomy
- Canal wall down mastoidectomy
- Transotic approach
- Transcochlear approaches and cochlear drill out.



ONE SIDE HEAD

- Posterior tympanotomy and Cochlear implantation
- Lateral temporal bone resection
- Labyrinthectomy
- Translabyrinthine approach
- Endolymphatic sac decompression
- Infratemporal fossa approach Type A, B & C



OTHER SIDE HEAD

- Previous day repetitions
- Infratemporal fossa approach Type A, B & C
- Middle Cranial fossae approach
- Kawase's approach
- Retrosigmoid approach
- Frontotemporal orbitozygomatic approach

Program Schedule

Day 1- 6th MAY 2026 (Wednesday)

8.00 am – 8.20 am	:	Registration and inauguration
8.20 am – 9.00 am	:	Anatomy of temporal bone (Dr Sachin K Damam)
9.00 am – 9.20 am	:	Subtotal Petrosectomy (Dr Kavitha Palled)
9.20 am – 11.15 am	:	Dissection
11.15 am – 11.30 am	:	Tea break
11.30 am – 1.00 pm	:	Dissection
1.00 pm – 1.30 pm	:	Lunch
1.30 pm – 5:00 pm	:	Dissection

Day 1 Dissections	:	Cortical Mastoidectomy Epitympanotomy Posterior tympanotomy Incus removal Facial nerve decompression Lateral temporal bone resection Subtotal petrosectomy
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Day 2- 7th MAY 2026 (Thursday)

8.00 am – 8.20 am	:	Transotic approach (Dr Narayan Jayashankar)
8.20 am – 9.00 am	:	Translabyrinthine approach (Dr Anna Lisa Giannuzzi)
9.00 am – 11.00 am	:	Dissection
11.00 am – 11.15 am	:	Tea break
11.15 am – 1.00 pm	:	Dissection
1.00 pm – 1.30 pm	:	Lunch
1.30 pm – 1.50 pm	:	Transcochlear Approaches (Dr Narayan Jayashankar)
1.50 pm – 5.00 pm	:	Dissection

Day 2 Dissections	:	Translabyrinthine approach Transotic approach Transcochlear approach Type A
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Program Schedule

Day 3- 8th MAY 2026 (Friday)

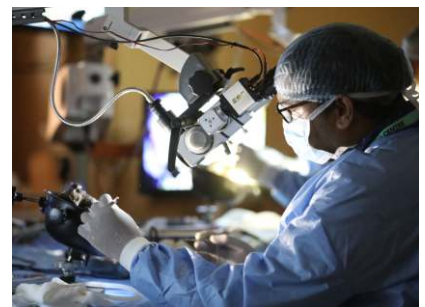
8.00 am – 8.30 am	: Infratemporal fossa type B and C approaches (Dr Manjunath Dandi)
8.30 am – 9.00 am	: Interesting cases in skullbase surgery (Dr Uday Bhanu)
9.00 am – 11.00 am	: Dissection
11.00 am – 11.15 am	: Tea break
11.15 am – 1.00 pm	: Dissection
1.00 pm – 1.30 pm	: Lunch
1:30 pm - 1:45 pm	: Tympanojugular paraganglioma (Dr Anna Lisa Giannuzzi)
1.45 pm – 5.00 pm	: Dissection

Day 3 Dissections : Infratemporal fossa type A,B and C approaches

Day 4- 9th MAY 2026 (Saturday)

8.00 am – 8.30 am	: Retrosigmoid approach (Dr Bhavin Parekh)
8.30 am – 8.45 am	: Middle cranial fossa approach to trigeminal schwannoma (Dr K Gopinad Naik)
8.45 am – 9.00 am	: Pretemporal transcavernous approach and Kawase approach (Dr K Gopinath Naik)
9.00 am – 11.00 am	: Dissection
11.00 am – 11.15 am	: Tea break
11.15 am – 1.00 pm	: Dissection
1.00 pm – 1.30 pm	: Lunch
1.30 pm – 4.30 pm	: Dissection
4.30 pm – 5.00pm	: Valedictory

Day 4 Dissections : Retrosigmoid approach
Middle cranial fossa approach
Kawase approach
Repitition of all prior dissections





TESTIMONIALS OF PREVIOUS COURSES

“A great initiative by Dr. Dandi. Courses like these truly help participants develop essential surgical skills. It is among the best-organized training programs in the country and provides a wonderful platform to exchange ideas and thoughts.”

- Dr. Satish Jain

“Excellent course direction — exactly what is needed for a skull base training program. The standards were outstanding in every aspect. God bless.”-

Dr. Iype Cherian

“A great effort in conducting this skull base course. Everything was well planned and excellently executed. The quality of the cadavers and the overall arrangements were outstanding.”

-Dr. Gianluca Piras

“A very well-designed course. We need more such programs in India that provide ample lecture sessions and generous dissection time. The cadaver quality was excellent. I sincerely hope Dr. Dandi continues to conduct this course every year — it is truly needed.”-

Dr. Narayan Jayashankar

“Being part of this course was a great experience — an opportunity for intense learning. I strongly recommend this program to anyone keen on mastering advanced skull base surgeries.”

-Dr. Udaya Bhanu

“A great course for learning and skill enhancement. I'm happy to have been part of the faculty. All delegates will surely take back valuable insights and confidence to apply in their surgical practice.”

-Dr. Hetal Patel

“All delegates were very happy with the facilities and the overall outcome. Excellent teaching in a niche area, and the entire program was exceptionally well organized.”

-Dr. SK Appa Rao

“I attended as a dissector in 2023. The lateral skull base anatomy is truly fascinating — an academic feast with highly informative lectures and enriching interactions with experts. It was an excellent learning experience that I can take back and apply in my practice.”-

Dr. Anagha Joshi



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Course fee (Inclusive of 18% GST)

Registration	Early bird till 31st Dec, 2025	01st Jan., 2026 onwards
Dissector* (Independent Station)	₹ 2,60,000	₹ 2,80,000
Dissector (Shared Station**)	₹ 1,50,000	₹ 1,60,000
Dissector (Independent Station) (International)	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,100
Dissector (Shared Station) (International)	\$ 1,765	\$ 1,850
Assistant Observer	₹ 30,000	₹ 35,000
Observer - Consultants	₹ 10,000	₹ 12,000
Observer - PG's	₹ 5,000	₹ 6,000

***10% Discount for**

1. Those repeating DIALC Course as Dissectors (India)
2. Within 3 years of completion of Post Graduation

**** Shared station will get upto 2 large cut temporal bones and 2 sides of a head
(Independent stations will get one large cut temporal bone and two sides of head)**

Course on Lateral Skull Base Dissection

Date :

Name :

Surname :

Age :

Designation :

Specialty :

Institution :

City/Country :

Office/College address :

Home address :

Email :

Phone (office / college) :

Phone (mobile) :

Medical Council & Registration number :

Food Preference : ☐ VEGETARIAN ☐ NON VEGETARIAN

☐ I wish to register as a Dissector

☐ I wish to register as a Observer

Payment to:

Account number : 923020029069109

Account name : Dandi Advanced ENT Clinic LLP

IFSC : UTIB0000129

Bank : Axis Bank, Hubli Main Branch



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I understand all the rules of the course and will abide by the same.

Place : Date :

Signature :

This form should be filled, scanned and emailed to enquiry.dialc@gmailcom

Cancellation and Refund Policy :

Participant opting to cancel their registration must notify through email

Cancellation on or before

- Upto 6th February, 2026 : Cancellation charge is 25% of registration charge
- 7th February - 5th April 2026 : Cancellation charge is 50% of registration charge
- 6th April, 2026 onwards : No refund

About Ramaiah Advanced Learning Center



Ramaiah Advanced Learning Center has established a State of art, one of its kind, Research & training facility, as a part of its efforts towards the education of students as well as Qualified Professionals. The Cadaveric Research and Training unit has been developed with the intention to provide opportunity to learn in a 'near life' situation.



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