SMART DAA CONCLAVE

DIRECT ANTERIOR APPROACH IN HIP ARTHROPLASTY

DATE:
01st NOVEMBER 2026

VENUE:
HOTEL SHERATON, NEW DELHI

Conference BROCHURE



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Greetings from Smart Conclave 2026

On behalf of the Organizing Committee, it is my great pleasure to welcome you to the SMART DAA Conclave on Hip Arthroplasty, to be held on 1st November 2026 at Hotel Sheraton, New Delhi.

This year, reflecting our continued commitment to advancing education through practical, immersive, and innovative learning. The SMART DAA Conclave providing a distinguished platform for leading arthroplasty surgeons and researchers to exchange knowledge, explore emerging innovations, and foster collaborations that shape the future of joint replacement surgery.

Continuing the tradition of the SMART Conclave held in New Delhi during the autumn season, this year's edition brings an exciting and enriching academic experience. The programme will feature hands-on workshops and live surgical demonstrations, offering participants valuable opportunities for practical learning and interaction with experts.

This one-day conclave is designed to provide an immersive experience, offering first-hand exposure to advanced techniques and approaches demonstrated by master surgeons, while capturing the unique atmosphere of an Arthroplasty Film Festival.

With the participation of an esteemed panel of national and international faculty, we are confident that the programme will provide meaningful insights, practical takeaways, and an enriching experience for every attending surgeon.

We sincerely appreciate your continued support and association over the years and look forward to welcoming you to another impactful and memorable SMART DAA Conclave.

We look forward to seeing you in New Delhi on 1st November 2026.

Warm regards,
Organizing Committee
SMART DAA Conclave on Hip Arthroplasty



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Welcome to SMART DAA CONCLAVE

Dear Colleagues

It's our great pleasure to welcome you to a very special edition of the SMART Conclave.Building on the legacy of five successful annual editions, SMART takes a focused step forward this year with a one-day conclave dedicated exclusively to the Direct Anterior Approach (DAA) to the hip.

100 Delegates. 40 Hands-on Seats

Designed as an intimate and immersive academic experience, the conclave is limited to 100 delegates, with 40 exclusive seats for a dedicated hands-on workshop. The scientific programme has been crafted to move beyond theory, focusing on surgical technique, practical decision-making, tips and tricks, avoiding pitfalls, and making DAA safe and reproducible.

Two Live DAA Hip Surgeries

At the heart of the conclave will be two live DAA hip surgeries, offering delegates the invaluable opportunity to witness the approach in real time and appreciate the finer nuances of the technique.

International & National Faculty

We are honoured to welcome Dr Franz Josef Vandeputte from Belgium, an internationally acclaimed master surgeon, exceptional teacher, and quite simply, a pleasure to watch operate. He will be joined by eminent national faculty from across India, bringing together a wealth of experience, perspectives and surgical wisdom.

Closing Message

More than a meeting, we envision the SMART DAA Conclave as a day of close interaction, candid discussion and shared learning—where questions are encouraged, experience is exchanged and technique comes alive.

International FACULTY



DR. VANDEPUTTE

BELGIUM, ZIEKENHUIS OOST-LIMBURG

A distinguished international authority in advanced hip and pelvic surgery, Dr. Frans-Jozef Vandeputte brings to SMART DAA Conclave a wealth of expertise in direct anterior approach hip arthroplasty, complex primary and revision hip surgery, hip preservation, and minimally invasive surgical techniques.

Renowned for his commitment to precision, innovation, and evidence-based surgical practice, his experience reflects the evolution of contemporary hip surgery towards greater tissue preservation, refined surgical execution, and enhanced patient recovery.

His contribution to international surgical education and exchange of expertise makes his presence at SMART DAA Conclave a valuable opportunity to learn from an accomplished European perspective and engage with the forefront of modern hip arthroplasty.

CONCLAVE HIGHLIGHTS

1. Access to Full Scientific Programme
2. Hands-on workshop (40 seats only)
3. Two live DAA surgeries
4. Interaction with International & National Faculty



National FACULTIES



DR. DHRUMIL PATEL



DR. KARTIK PATEL



DR. KRISHNA KIRAN



DR. MUDIT KHANNA



DR. NARAYAN HULSE



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Programme AGENDA

Scientific Agenda - Max Smart DAA Conclave		
Sunday, 1st Nov 2026, Hotel Sheraton, District Centre, Sector 6, Saket, New Delhi		
Time	**Topic**	**Speaker**
08:00 - 08:45	**Breakfast with Masters & Registration**	
08:45 - 08:53	**Course Inauguration and welcome address**	**Dr. Ramneek Mahajan**
Session- 1: Live Surgical Demonstration - 1 **Chairpersons - Dr. Havind Tandon, Dr. Samarth Mittal** **Moderator - Dr. Frans Jozef Vandeputte**		
08:53 - 09:38	Live surgery- THA with DAA using Triple tapered fit & fill stem	**Dr. Kartik Patel**
09:38 - 09:41	Take home messages & conclusion from the live surgery	**Dr. Sahil Batra**
09:41 - 10:11	Re-Live Surgery - Step by Step - Simplified & Standard Table Table (industry Session)	**Dr. Frans Jozef Vandeputte**
Session - 2: Why DAA? **Chairpersons - Dr. (Prof.) B. S. Murthy, Dr. Jatin Talwar**		
10:11 - 10:18	Why DAA? and What does evidence say about DAA?	**Dr. Pankaj Walecha**
10:18 - 10:25	Patient selection for DAA - Key Tips & Pearls	**Dr. Tarun Prashanth K R**
10:25 - 10:32	Does DAA really reduce dislocation? What does the evidence show?	**Dr. Vijay Kumar**
10:32 - 10:40	The anatomy to access hip by DAA- The Surgical Corridors from skin to capsule	**Dr. Mudit Khanna**
10:40 - 10:48	Q&A with Delegates	**All Faculty**
Coffee with Masters (Served during the Programme)		
Session - 3: Basic of DAA - Getting Acetabulum Right (Part 1) **Chairpersons - Dr. Sameer Mehta, Dr. Rajeev Sharma**		
10:48 - 10:55	Getting the first step right - Patient positioning in normal table, one minute draping, incision and capsular exposure	**Dr. Ravikumar Mukarithal**
10:55 - 11:02	Capsulotomy, Acetabular exposure and reaming without fluoroscopy- How I Know Where I Am	**Dr. Frans Jozef Vandeputte**
11:02 - 11:09	Capsulotomy, Acetabular exposure and reaming with fluoroscopy- When It Helps & When It Misleads	**Dr. Sahil Batra**
11:09 - 11:16	Cup selection in DAA during the learning curve- Role of dual mobility & cemented cups	**Dr. Narayan Hulse**
11:16 - 11:24	Q&A with Delegates	**All Faculty**
Session - 3: Basics of DAA - Getting femur simplified (Part 2) **Chairpersons - Dr. L. Tomar, Dr. Pradeep Sharma, Dr. Girish sahni**		
11:24 - 11:34	Step by Step Femoral Release	**Dr. Frans Jozef Vandeputte**
11:34 - 11:41	Femoral preparation & Broaching - Standard technique	**Dr. Prashanth R**
11:41 - 11:48	Stem Selection in DAA - Role of triple tapered fit & fill type stem – Case based discussion	**Dr. Sanjeev Jain**
11:48 - 11:55	Mastering the Femur - Pitfall & first 50 cases: Key tips & pearls	**Dr. Kartik Patel**
11:55 - 12:02	When the femur won't deliver – stepwise rescue algorithm	**Dr. Vijay Kumar**
12:02 - 12:10	Q&A with delegates	**All Faculty**
Session - 4: Live Surgical Demonstration – 2 **Chairpersons - Dr. Gurinder Bedi, Dr. Jujhar Singh** **Moderator - Dr. Narayan Hulse**		
12:10 - 12:55	Live DAA-THA using technology (Velys navigation system): Simplified & verified	**Dr. Dhrumil Patel**
12:55 - 12:58	Take home messages & conclusions from the live surgery	**Dr. Subhash Jangid**
12:58 - 13:43	Inauguration and lamp lightening followed by Lunch Break	
Session -5: Debate-1- Posterior Approach vs DAA vs Lateral Approach **Chairpersons - Dr. Vijay Jain, Dr. Samarjeet Singh, Dr. Amandeep Bakshi** **Moderator - Dr. Hemant Sharma**		
13:43 - 13:48	THA via Posterior approach - A gold standard	**Dr. Ravikumar Mukartihal**
13:48 - 13:53	THA via DAA- The need of the hour	**Dr. Subhash Jangid**
13:53 - 13:58	THA via Lateral approach - The middle path to manage everything	**Dr. Rajkumar Natesan**
13:58 - 14:06	Rebuttal, Audience voting and Panel Conclusion	**All**

Session -6: Debate-2- Bikini vs Longitudinal Incision **Chairpersons - Dr. Gurinder Bedi, Dr. Havind Tandon** **Moderator - Dr. Subhash Jangid**		
14:06 - 14:11	Longitudinal Incision- I can manage more patients	**Dr. Narayan Hulse**
14:11 - 14:16	Bikini Incision - A Modern way and demand from patients	**Dr. Frans Jozef Vandeputte**
14:16 - 14:24	Rebuttal, Audience voting and Panel Conclusion	**All**
Session - 7: Mastering the DAA & Extensile Approach **Chairpersons - Dr. Anil Arora, Dr. Sahil Batra**		
14:24 - 14:29	Consistency & Efficiency of Automated Impaction System- KINCISE 2	**Dr. Frans Jozef Vandeputte**
14:29 - 14:36	Role of technology in making things correct – Limb length discrepancy, Offset and Cup positioning in DAA	**Dr. Neeraj Adkar**
14:36 - 14:44	When DAA becomes difficult- A practical decision tree for the operating room	**Dr. Narayan Hulse**
14:44 - 14:51	DAA in Obesity, Muscular Patients & Difficult Pelvic Anatomy – How I Modify My Approach	**Dr. Sandeep Wasnik**
14:51 - 15:01	Management of Intra-op complications & Extensile Femoral approach	**Dr. Frans Jozef Vandeputte**
15:01 - 15:11	Extensile acetabular approach- When and How	**Dr. Kartik Patel**
15:11 - 15:18	Neurovascular injury during DAA- Prevention and Emergency management	**Dr. Subhash Jangid**
15:18 - 15:26	Q&A with Delegates	**All Faculty**
Tea Break (Served during the Programme)		
Session - 8: Panel Discussion – The DAA Rescue room- Decisions that make the difference **Moderator - Dr. Kartik Patel, Dr. Ravikumar Mukartihal**		
15:26 - 15:46	**Discussion topics:** -Tips & pearls for better exposure & elevation of femur, -How proximal femoral anatomy (varus remodeling) affects stem Insertion, -Stem design impacting your entry (Double Taper vs Fit & Fill type of stem), -How to avoid varus / valgus placement of stem and stem under sizing -GT fracture and medial perforation of femur during broaching -Dysplastic hip and Ankylosing spondylitis -DAA in Fracture neck femur	**Dr. Pankaj Walecha** **Dr. Rajkumar Natesan** **Dr. Narayan Hulse** **Dr. Neeraj Adkar** **Dr. Sahil Batra** **Dr. Frans Jozef Vandeputte** **Dr. Sanjeev Jain**
Session - 9: Case discussions - My learning & outcome (4 min presentation + 2 Min discussions) **Chairpersons - Dr. Lalit Maini, Dr. Jatin Talwar, Dr. Amandeep Bakshi**		
15:46 - 15:52	Case-1: Taking fused hip down with DAA	**Dr. Abhinav Kumar**
15:52 - 15:58	Case-2: Conversion of a failed trauma case (failed nail/plate)	**Dr. Kartik Patel**
15:58 - 16:04	Case-3: My case of DAA which taught me something	**Dr. Ravikumar Mukartihal**
16:04 - 16:10	Case-4: My first DAA case: How does TFL play a role in femoral elevation	**Dr. Narayan Hulse**
16:10 - 16:12	**Best case award announcement**	
16:12 - 16:17	**Transition Time**	
ANTERIOR ADVANTAGE™ -Hands-on Workshop by DePuy Synthes DAA Training using Anatomical Model, Saw bone & Subtilis Instruments with Actis Stem, 1st Nov 2026, Smart DAA Conclave, Hall: TBD, Hotel Sheraton, Saket City, Delhi		
All Delegates will be divided into 4 groups (10 delegates in each group) for 'Case based Discussions' using preoperative & postoperative x-rays (2 Cases-10 Mins), Subtilis Retractor Placement using anatomical model (20 Mins) & saw bones femur for femoral release & broaching (10 Mins)		
Concept Learning Room 1: Simulated retractor placement on DAA anatomical model (4 Stations: 10 Delegates on each station) each group 20 Min		
16:17 - 17:17	Station -1: DAA Hands on Workshop using Actis stem - **Group A**	**Dr. Frans Jozef Vandeputte**
	Station -2: DAA Hands on Workshop using Actis stem - **Group B**	**Dr. Kartik Patel**
	Station -3: DAA Hands on Workshop using Actis stem - **Group C**	**Dr. Pankaj Walecha**
	Station -4: DAA Hands on Workshop using Actis stem - **Group D**	**Dr. Subhash Jangid**
	Station -5: DAA Hands on Workshop using Actis stem - **Group E**	
	Station -6: DAA Hands on Workshop using Actis stem - **Group F**	
17:17 Onwards	**CLOSING REMARKS & VOTE OF THANKS**	

Registration DETAILS

ONLY CONCLAVE

₹10,000/-

- Access to full scientific programme
- Two Live DAA surgeries
- Interaction with International and National Faculty

- 18% GST will be applicable on the above rates
- If you would like to get involved in SMART DAA CONCLAVE ON HIP ARTHROPLASTY in any other way please contact the organising team

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