

UK AIIMS Cadaveric Breast reconstruction course, 28-29 August 2019, New Delhi

Breast cancer is the commonest cancer female cancer in India and breast surgery is an evolving subspeciality in India. The 2nd annual UK AIIMS Cadaveric Breast reconstruction course was organised on 28-29 August 2019 at All India Institute of medical sciences in New Delhi, India. The course was organised by Mr Sankaran Narayanan, Rishi Parmeshwar from UK and Professor SVS Deo Professor of Surgical oncology AIIMS.



The faculty included oncoplastic breast surgeons from the UK Mr Soni Soumian, Ms Geeta Shetty, Mr Iqbal Kasana, Mr Sumohan Chatterjee, Mr Dinesh Thekinkattil and local faculty which included experienced breast and plastic surgeons. The UK faculty have self-funded their travel.

The course was aimed to train basic and advanced oncoplastic techniques to breast surgeons and surgical oncologists. 92 delegates from all over India attended the two-day video-based course and 32 people had attended the cadaveric course with hands-on training. Participants were able to interact actively on both two days during video-based lectures and cadaveric course, which was also linked live to the hall for the rest of the delegates. Each procedure was demonstrated live by video link.



The course covered basic oncoplastic procedures, therapeutic mammoplasty marking, videos and cadaveric demonstration of skin-sparing mastectomy, implant-based procedures and chest wall flaps including latissimus dorsi and chest wall perforator flaps. There was an oncoplastic MDT on both days with discussion on difficult cases brought by various attendees guided by a panel of experts.

The delegates were able to learn, interact and perform the procedure on cadavers. They were able to utilise the unique opportunity to observe and learn from the experienced faculty.



The printed course manual which covered all procedures taught in the course was distributed to all delegates. It was a great experience to all with the quality of cadaveric lab which was on par with western standards and facilities to interact two ways with the hall, allowed a large number of delegates to participate. It was an interesting experience to all with an opportunity to model further courses across India.

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