



# SMArtCon 2024

**Spinal Muscular Atrophy Research and  
Therapeutic Conference**

**Theme: Building a Sustainable Healthcare  
Ecosystem for SMA and Other Rare Diseases**

**Date: 24th - 25th Aug 2024, 8 am - 6 pm**

**Location: Lemon Tree Convention Centre,  
Sector 60, Gurgaon**



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**Dear esteemed guests, speakers, and attendees,**

**On behalf of the SMArtCon 2024 organizing committee, it is our pleasure to welcome you to this year's conference! We are thrilled to bring together experts, researchers, clinicians, and individuals affected by Spinal Muscular Atrophy (SMA) to share knowledge, advancements, and experiences in the field.**

**Our conference aims to increase awareness, share updates on disease treatment and management, and foster collaboration to improve the lives of those affected by SMA. We have curated a comprehensive program featuring renowned speakers, cutting-edge research, and engaging discussions.**

**We are committed to creating a supportive and inclusive environment, where attendees can connect, learn, and inspire each other. Whether you are a healthcare professional, researcher, patient, or caregiver, we invite you to join us in this important conversation.**

**Thank you for your participation and commitment to the SMA community. Together, let's work towards a future with better outcomes, treatments, and hope for those affected by SMA.**

**Welcome to SMArtCon 2024!**

To Register, open  
<https://curesmaindiasmartcon.com>

### Registration Fee

Professional - Rs 2,000/-

Student - Rs 1,000/-

Patient - Rs 1,000/-

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SMARTCon 2024 will feature two parallel symposiums tailored to different audiences.

**Focus Areas of Symposium for SMA Patients and Caregivers:** Managing daily care and challenges. Navigating treatment options. Building support networks. Patient and caregiver experiences and stories

**Focus Areas of Symposium for Clinicians and Therapists:**

- Genetic and neurological basis of SMA.
- Multidisciplinary care approaches. Advances in disease-modifying therapies. Latest research and clinical trials. Paper presentations and scientific poster competition

Welcome to SMARTCon 2024, the Second National Conference on Spinal Muscular Atrophy (SMA), a rare and genetically inherited neuromuscular disease. This two-day conference is designed to enhance knowledge of SMA care, management, and available treatment brainstorm innovative solutions, and chart the way forward to build a sustainable healthcare ecosystem for SMA and other rare diseases in India.



We look forward to welcoming you to this impactful event!

Join us at SMARTCon 2024 to be part of a dynamic and collaborative effort to build a sustainable healthcare ecosystem for SMA and other rare diseases. Together we can make a difference.

### Who should participate?

PGT students, General Physician, Paediatrician, Neurologist, Fellows of any specialization, Psychiatrist, Physiotherapist, Nutritionist, Researchers.

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