

The **national cancer grid (NCG)** is a network of 131 major cancer centres, research institutes, patient advocacy groups and charitable organisations in India with the stated mandate of having uniform standards of patient care, enhancing trained human resources to treat cancer and the institution of collaborative research projects aimed at improving outcomes of cancer care in cancers that are common/unique to the country. Funded by the Government of India through the Department of Atomic Energy, the NCG is the largest cancer network in the world.

One of the major initiatives of the NCG is the "**Travelling School of Pathology**". This aims to bring CME and training in surgical oncopathology and cancer surgery at the doorsteps of practising pathologists and surgeons. A travelling group of expert oncopathologists and surgical oncologists drawn from the NCG, will travel to different cities in a region, and conduct one-day workshops dealing with standard surgical resection, grossing and interpretation of cancers common in that region. After the first series of workshops in North East India, **the second series was started in Karnataka State in March 2018** when the first workshop was successfully conducted on March 24th, 2018, at the Yenepoya (Deemed to be University), Mangalore with 160 delegates from in & around Mangalore.

At Belagavi, all practising pathologists in that geographical region who deal with oncopathology specimens are invited to participate. Pathologists from private labs in smaller towns nearby are especially welcome as are final year MD/DNB students from medical colleges/centres in the region. Subsequent workshops will be held in Ballari/Kalaburagi and Mysuru/Bengaluru to arrive at the doorsteps of pathologists in those districts.

Dr. M Vijayakumar, Surgical Oncologist and Vice Chancellor, Yenepoya (Deemed to be University), Mangalore, and Dr. Rekha Kumar, Medical Superintendent & Head of Histopathology Unit, Kidwai Cancer Institute, Bengaluru, are in charge of the NCG Travelling School of Pathology in Karnataka.

Registration- compulsory. There is NO registration fee.

Contact Dr. Rekha Kumar, Dept. of Oncopathology, KCI, Bengaluru at rekha_v_kumar@yahoo.co.in **before June 2nd, 2018 with fully filled registration details.**

Registration details

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Designation:

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