



Savitribai Phule Pune University

International Symposium on

RECENT TRENDS IN BIOLOGY

23th and 24th March, 2026

Distinguished Speakers



Prof. Scott Gilbert



Prof. Rakesh Mishra



Dr. Sharmila Bapat



Prof. Pradeep Kumar



Prof. N. Chattopadhyay



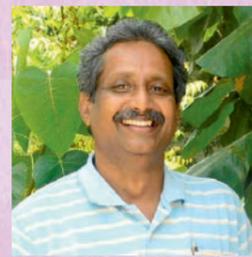
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Programme Schedule of International Symposium on 'Recent Trends in Biology' 2026

Monday, 23rd March, 2026

9.00 am -10.00 am	Prof. Scott Gilbert <i>Portland, Oregon, USA</i>	"Professor Sohan P. Modak Memorial Lecture" (Online) on You complete me: The evolutionary developmental biology of holobionts
10:10 am -11.00 am	Inauguration at the hands of Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor Prof. Suresh Gosavi	
11:00 am-11.15 am	Tea Break	
11:15 am -12.15 pm	Prof. Rakesh Mishra <i>TIGS, Bengaluru</i>	"Professor Sohan P. Modak Memorial Lecture" on Transgenerational epigenetic inheritance: Mechanisms and implications
12:15 pm -1.15 pm	Dr. Sharmila Bapat <i>BRIC-NCCS</i>	Transcriptome plasticity and chimeric transcripts in ovarian cancer
1:15 pm -2:30 pm	Lunch Break	
2:30 pm -3:30 pm	Prof. Pradeep G. Kumar <i>University of Kerala</i>	Discovery proteomics driven development of an antibody array to detect molecular defects in spermatozoa from infertile men
3:30 pm -4.00 pm	Tea Break	
4:00 pm -5:00 pm	Prof. Naibedya Chattopadhyay <i>Eris Lifesciences Ltd</i>	Human sclerostin-inspired peptides: Turning one molecule into two therapies

Tuesday, 24th March 2026

10.00 am -11.00 am	Prof. Sanghamitra Bandyopadhyay <i>CSIR-IITR</i>	Bisphenol S and F as molecular triggers for cerebellar damage: role of endocrine disruptors
11:00 am -11:15 am	Tea Break	
11.15 am -12.15 pm	Dr. Mahesh Dharne <i>CSIR-NCL</i>	Genomic surveillance of pathogens in one health context
12.15 am -1.15 pm	Dr. Chinmoy Patra <i>ARI-Pune</i>	Extracellular matrix in organ construction and reconstructing
1.15 pm -2.30 pm	Lunch Break	
2:30 pm -3:30 pm	Dr. Jomon Joseph <i>BRIC-NCCS</i>	Annulate lamellae-resident nucleoporin nup358 regulates ER-to-mitochondria calcium transfer and mitochondrial activity
3:30 pm -4.00 pm	Tea Break	
4:00 pm -5:00 pm	Dr. Richa Rikhy <i>IISER-Pune</i>	Plasma membrane and organelle dynamics and function in embryogenesis and stem cell differentiation
5:00 pm -5:15 pm	Valedictory Function	

Prof. Scott Gilbert Session - Zoom Meeting ID : 841 0767 4345 Passcode : 415790