

## SATYA: सत्य

Systematic Review and Assessment of Diagnostic Test Yield Accuracy



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#### **N** TAKE-AWAYS



These are the major learning objectives of this workshop.

#### Critical appraisal of DTA studies

Most diagnostic accuracy studies vary in quality and methodology. Thus, participants will learn how to critically appraise DTA studies, assess bias using QUADAS-2, and determine whether the reported accuracy is truly reliable and clinically meaningful.

# Designing and conducting robust DTA studies

Once you master critical appraisal, you can focus on designing high-quality DTA studies.

Learn to select appropriate reference standards, handle indeterminate results, and apply correct statistical methods such as ROC analysis and likelihood ratios

# Interpreting results and clinical implications

The application of DTA results goes beyond sensitivity and specificity. This module emphasizes understanding predictive values, post-test probabilities, and how to interpret diagnostic results

#### Integration into evidencebased practice and policy

Diagnostic test accuracy evidence plays a vital role in guideline formulation, regulatory approvals, and technology assessments.

#### **Tutors of tomorrow**

The wheel should keep turning. With this workshop, participants will be equipped not only to interpret and conduct DTA studies but also to mentor peers

#### About the Workshop



28th -30<sup>th</sup> January 2026 3 days onsite workshop



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#### WHO SHOULD APPLY?

Postgraduates, researchers, and faculty from medical, dental, and allied health fields interested in diagnostic research, evidence synthesis, or guideline development.



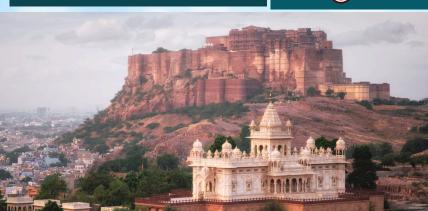
Last date to register: 30<sup>th</sup> December 2025

# 30 SEATS HURRY!!

#### Selection:

Participants will be selected based on merit and relevance of their application.
Priority will be given to those actively involved in research or evidence-based practice.









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### The topics include (but are not limited to):

- Critical appraisal of published SRMAs for correct application in real-life settings
- Development of a complete protocol
- · Systematic literature search across different databases and reporting the search process
- Efficient screening of the literature for relevant studies, and documenting the process
- Data extraction: from reporting study characteristics to cleaning data for quantitave synthesis
- Deriving and visualising summary estimates for different types of outcomes
- Assessing the heterogeneity between different studies, and interpreting this correctly
- Exploring associations to answer the reason behind heterogeneity in different studies
- Study quality assessment for different study designs using apprpriate validated tools
- Reporting bias and publication bias There is more to it beyond just "If ≥ 10 studies, then
  this, else that..."
- Evidence quality and certainty assessment according to the GRADE framework
- How are SRMAs used to inform clinical guidelines, public health recommendations, and policy-making?
- Are SRMAs restricted to academics or do they have a place in the medical industry too?
- Use of artificial intelligence in evidence synthesis
- Identifying a research gap and formulating the required research question
- Reporting the findings of an SRMA, and disseminating them

#### **Patron**

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