



## **CANCON 2022** **CONFERENCE ON TRANSORAL LASER SURGERY FOR VOICE BOX TREATMENT**

**(Live Surgeries, Didactic Lectures, Hands on Laser & Flexible Laryngoscopy  
by renowned Head & Neck surgeons from across the World)**

**18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> July 2022, Bangalore, Karnataka**

Since its inception in 2017 and successful three editions, Cancon has been a platform which is constantly bestowing knowledge and information on key issues involved in Head & Neck cancer management.

This year Cytecure Hospitals' Head & Neck Surgical Oncology team organized the fourth edition with a two-day conference on Laser masterclass in the Management of Early Laryngeal Lesions (Voice Box Treatment) in association with Association of Otolaryngologists of Karnataka (AOIK). This edition aimed to provide an opportunity to ENT doctors, post graduates, residents, practicing surgeons & trainees related to Head & Neck field, to get best possible exposure from the experts not only on surgical aspects but also about the concepts and outcomes with regard to this advanced Laser technology used in voice box treatment. The two-day Cancer Conference had participants from across the globe (both online and offline). The theme of Cancon 2022 was 'Transoral Laser Surgery in Early Laryngeal Lesions'.



*Prof. Carsten during his live surgical demonstration*



*Professor addressing live enquiries*

The first day witnessed houseful participation with back to back live surgeries addressing live queries from the faculty members and participants. Then didactic lectures, discussion on real life experiences followed by interactive Q & A sessions were conducted with Prof. Carsten Palme, Director, Head and Neck Surgery & Head of Surgical Services, Dr Chris O'Brien Lifehouse, Sydney, Australia along with Dr Akshay Kudpaje, Senior Consultant & Director - Head & Neck Oncology, Cytecure Hospitals, Bangalore, Dr Nanjundappa, Dr Ashok Shenoy, Dr Jyothi Swaroop, Dr Sreenivas CV, Dr Azeem Mohiyuddin, Dr Deepak Balasubramaniam, Dr Vishal Rao, Dr Shivakumar, Dr Purushottam, Dr Dinesh, Dr Komal, Dr Vidhyadharan, Dr Shantanu and Dr Sashikant.



*Full house Participation at Cancon 2022*



*Prof. Carsten guiding the participants  
on the use of laser in laryngology*



*Hands on training for use of lasers and advanced microscopes*

On the second day, hands-on workshop on office-based flexible laryngoscopy and laser was conducted which enlightened and allowed the participants to get a real exposure to simulated models using the advanced laser technology, followed by online lectures on various topics like radiotherapy on early glottic cancers, Conservative Laryngeal surgery in early glottic cancers in the era of TLM, clinical application of different types of Laser in UADT, etc., covered by the national and international speakers and moderators - Prof. Carsten, Dr Jai Manick (Dundee, Scotland), Dr Cesare Piazza (Italy), Danielle Stone (Australia), Dr Daniel Novakovic (Australia), Dr Saurabh Kumar (Karnataka), Dr Sanjay Subbaiah (Karnataka) and Dr Sudha (Karnataka).

"First time ever I have witnessed live surgery and experienced the treatment procedure so closely on transoral laser surgery. It was a pleasure to be part of this informative conference", said Saloni Desai, a post graduation student from Mysore.

"I'm a doctor of pharmacy from KCOP interning at Bangalore Hospital. Three of us interns had attended the Cancon conference on Head and Neck Oncology and Transoral Laser microsurgery held at Cytecure Hospitals with Day 1 of didactic lectures and live surgeries by Dr Carsten Palme from Sydney, Australia in the presence of Dr Akshay Kudpaje and the entire team of Anaesthesia headed by Dr Dinesh Raju also involving insights from Dr Ashok Shenoy, Dr Nanjundappa, Dr Purushotham Chavan, Dr A S Arvind and their personal experiences. Didactic lectures were also given by Dr Shashikant, Dr Vidyadharan, Dr Shivakumar, Dr Shantanu, Dr Komal and so many others.

Day 2, the didactic lectures were given by Dr Cesare Piazza and Dr Sudha. And Dr Sudha's model for laryngoscope was very fascinating and commendable. Cytecure also offered hands on sessions to surgeons for almost three hours which is the kind of exposure that usually isn't offered by any of the other cancer hospitals. Prof. Carsten was very friendly and approachable and his good sense of humour made the whole live surgery experience fun and less distressing.

Dr Vidyadharan's and Dr Purushotham's sessions were very interesting and lively. Thoroughly enjoyed the experience and it would've been a huge miss if I hadn't attended. Really appreciate the efforts by Cytecure and for the kind of quality healthcare they are providing. The hospitality and grace with which they pulled off the whole event is also very appreciable. The infrastructure of Cytecure and well as the staff are very pleasing and welcoming. The overall experience was highly satisfactory and heart warming", said Dr Aswathy Padmakumar.



*Cancon 2022 group photo - faculty, organisers and participants*

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