

DR. DEVESH S BALLAL

Consultant - Surgical Oncology & Robotic Surgery

Qualification

MBBS | MS | MCh (Surgical Oncology)

Overview

Dr. Devesh S. Ballal is a leading surgical oncology doctor in Millers Road, currently practising as a Consultant - Surgical Oncology and Robotic Surgery at Manipal Hospital Millers Road. With over 8 years of comprehensive surgical training, including 4 years dedicated to oncology at India’s largest cancer centre, Dr. Devesh Ballal brings a wealth of expertise and a strong commitment to patient care. His surgical acumen spans a diverse range of specialities, including Colorectal, Urological, Head and Neck, Breast, Thoracic, Hepatopancreatobiliary, Gynaecological, Bone, and Soft Tissue Cancers. Dr. Ballal is adept in advanced endoscopic, minimally invasive, and robotic surgeries, consistently applying his critical thinking and organisational skills in high-pressure environments. Dr. Ballal's journey in medicine began at MS Ramaiah Medical College, where he excelled academically, earning top scores and accolades. He went on to pursue an MS - General Surgery at Kasturba Medical College, where he was awarded the Vivekananda Prabhu Gold Medal. He also earned his M.Ch - Surgical Oncology at Tata Memorial Hospital, Mumbai, earning prestigious awards like the Dr. R.S. Rao Gold Medal

for being the top scorer in Surgical Oncology and the Homi Bhabha National Institute Outstanding M.Ch Student Award. He then pursued further training in the United States, where he completed an Advanced Colorectal and Robotic fellowship at the Advocate Lutheran Hospital in Illinois. His commitment to professional growth is evident through his participation in numerous advanced workshops, including Vascular Anastomosis and Advanced Laparoscopy Workshop (Johnson and Johnson Institute, Mumbai, India), Da Vinci Console Surgeon Certification (University of Illinois Chicago, USA) and Advanced Endoscopic and Endo-luminal Surgery Course (Keck School of Medicine of USC, USA). The surgical career of Dr. Devesh S. Ballal is marked by a deep commitment to excellence, having worked in various dedicated oncology units and managing complex surgical cases, including post-operative care and emergency interventions. His experience includes complex oncologic resections utilising minimally invasive robotic and endoscopic techniques, guiding treatment plans in multidisciplinary tumour boards, and applying evidence-based medicine to improve outcomes. He is a member of several professional bodies, including the American Society of Colon & Rectal Surgeons, the Society of American Gastrointestinal and Endoscopic Surgeons, the Indian Association of Surgical Oncology, and the Association of Surgeons of India. Dr. Devesh S. Ballal’s scholarly contributions are substantial, with numerous publications in esteemed journals exploring innovative surgical techniques and clinical outcomes in oncology. His work has been presented at prestigious conferences, including the annual meeting of the American Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons in Baltimore and the Surgical Society of Oncology in Boston, earning accolades for his research and surgical expertise. His video presentations and participation in national and international surgical workshops further highlight his ongoing dedication to advancing the field of surgical oncology. With a strong sense of integrity, perseverance, and a passion for patient-centred care, Dr. Devesh Ballal continues to bring hope to his patients with advanced treatment

options.

Fellowship & Membership

- American Society of Colon & Rectal Surgeons
- Society of American Gastrointestinal and Endoscopic Surgeons
- Indian Association of Surgical Oncology
- Association of Colon & Rectal Surgeons of India
- Association of Surgeons of India

Field of Expertise

- Advanced laparoscopic and robotic colon and rectal surgery
- Advanced endoscopic and endoluminal surgery
- Oncoplastic breast surgery and sentinel node biopsy
- Cytoreductive surgery and HIPEC
- Hepatobiliary oncology
- GI and peritoneal surface malignancy
- General surgical oncology

Languages Spoken

- English
- Hindi
- Kannada

Awards & Achievements

- Secured the Vivekananda Prabhu Gold Medal for General Surgery in 2019
- Karnataka state level surgical quiz 2018- first prize

- Manipal Clinifest Surgical Quiz 2018- first prize
- ASICON National Surgical Quiz 2018- second prize
- Dr RS Rao Gold medal for Top scorer in Surgical Oncology in 2022
- Department of Surgery- Gold medal for best Outgoing student in 2022
- Homi Bhabha National Institute Outstanding MCh Student Award 2023
- IASO Dr Gopinath Panda National Surgical Oncology quiz 2022- first place
- Top scorer- first year MBBS
- Department of Anatomy 1st prize for Dissection
- Top scorer in Ophthalmology
- Top scorer in Paediatrics
- MS Somaraj Memorial Award- Best outgoing student in Paediatrics
- Dr Tahira Agarwal Award - Best outgoing student in Ophthalmology

Talks & Publications

- Can compartment based complete mesocolic excision improve outcomes in patients with right colon cancer with metastatic D3 nodes? AME Clin Trials Rev 2024.
- Abdominoperineal Resection for T4 Low Rectal Cancer After Neoadjuvant Therapy—Are the Outcomes Acceptable?, Indian Journal of Surgical Oncology 2024, pp. 1–7, Jul. 2024, doi: 10.1007/S13193-024-02028-3.
- Impact of post-hepatectomy biliary leaks on long-term survival in different liver tumours: A single institute experience, Ann Hepatobiliary Pancreat Surg, Jul. 2024, doi: 10.14701/AHBPS.24-078.

- Investigating the Influence of Preoperative Trans Arterial Embolization (TAE) and Predictive Potential of Circulating Tumor Cells (CTCs) in Prognosis of Hepatocellular Carcinoma, Journal of Clinical and Experimental Hepatology, https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jceh.2024.101445
- The conundrum of total neoadjuvant therapy in rectal cancer," Colorectal Dis, 2024, doi: 10.1111/CODI.16991.
- Colon cancer: feeling the imbalance? Colorectal Dis. 2024 Mar 13. doi: 10.1111/codi.16945.
- HIPECT4 Trial—the Devil Is in the Details! Is Prophylactic HIPEC and Cytoreduction the New Standard of Care for T4 Colorectal Cancer?. Indian J Surg Oncol(2024). https://doi.org/10.1007/s13193-024-01899-w
- Splenic flexure cancer: is right extended hemicolectomy better than left hemicolectomy? Langenbecks Arch Surg. 2023 Oct 14;408(1):402. doi: 10.1007/s00423-023-03135-5. PMID: 37837479.
- The RAPIDO trial—Reduction in disease-related treatment failure does not translate into improved overall survival: a mystery solved!. Colorectal Dis. 2023; 25: 1720–1721. https://doi.org/10.1111/codi.16662
- Evaluation of Intraoperative Frozen Section with Final Histopathology Results for Sentinel Lymph Node Biopsy in Breast Cancer. Indian Journal of Gynecologic Oncology. 2017 Sep;15(4).
- The psychosocial implications on cancer patients: The hidden collateral of the war on coronavirus disease 2019. Indian Journal of Palliative Care. 2020;26(5):129.
- Exsanguinating Hemorrhage from an Anterior Abdominal Wall Metastasis of an Asymptomatic Renal Cell Carcinoma. Indian Journal of Surgical Oncology. 2018 Dec;10(1):135–6.
- Morel-lavallée lesion in a 'non-traumatic' thigh: A diagnostic challenge! Bangladesh Journal of Medical Science. 2019;18(1).

- Occult medullary breast carcinoma in a male. Formoson Journal of Surgery. 2018;51(6):245.
- Facial fibromatosis: benign and aggressive, yet treatable! Journal of Oral Medicine and Oral Surgery. 2019;25(3):29.
- Recurrent giant myofibroblastoma of a female breast leading to a diagnostic dilemma: A lesson learnt! Kuwait Medical Journal. 2019; 51 (2): 210 – 213.
- Persistent recalcitrant hypocalcemia following total thyroidectomy: a management challenge. Malta Medical Journal. 2017; 29(02):28-31.
- Conference Presentations
- ASCRS 2024 annual scientific meeting, Baltimore Maryland - Small bowel obstruction after minimally invasive left colon and rectal resections: does the approach matter?
- IASO Surgical oncology national conference, NATCON Madurai 2022- Impact of post-hepatectomy biliary leaks on long- term survival: single-institute experience of 862 oncologic liver resections.
- Won the IASO award, and received the IASO grant to present at SSO conference in 2023 in Boston.
- ACRSICON national colorectal conference, Mumbai, November 2021 - Safety of high-volume colorectal cancer surgery during the second wave of COVID-19 pandemic
- Indian Cancer Congress, Bangalore 2017 - Evaluation of Intraoperative Frozen Section with Final Histopathology Results for Sentinel Lymph Node Biopsy in Breast Cancer.
- ASICON Chennai 2018- Best paper - The role of abdominal X-rays in contemporary surgical practice
- ASICON Chennai 2018- Dr Palanivelu Best PG paper – A comparative analysis between standard closed pneumoperitoneum and a novel method of creating closed pneumoperitoneum.
- Karnataka State conference KSASICON 2019 - Best Poster-

Delayed small bowel perforation following blunt trauma abdomen - A case report of an unusual presentation of a very common problem.

- Video Presentations-
- ASCRS 2024 annual scientific meeting, Baltimore Maryland
- Robotic APR with tailored intra-abdominal levator transection- video abstract presentation
- Laparoscopic right extended hemicolectomy with complete mesocolic excision and central venous ligation: a video vignette – ongoing video presentation
- National Surgical Conference- ASICON 2022 Mumbai- Dr Palanivelu Best video First Prize
- Right hepatectomy and extrahepatic biliary tract excision for a perihilar cholangiocarcinoma