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14th LASACON @ AHMEDABAD
DECEMBER 2026
AHMEDABAD, GUJARAT, INDIA

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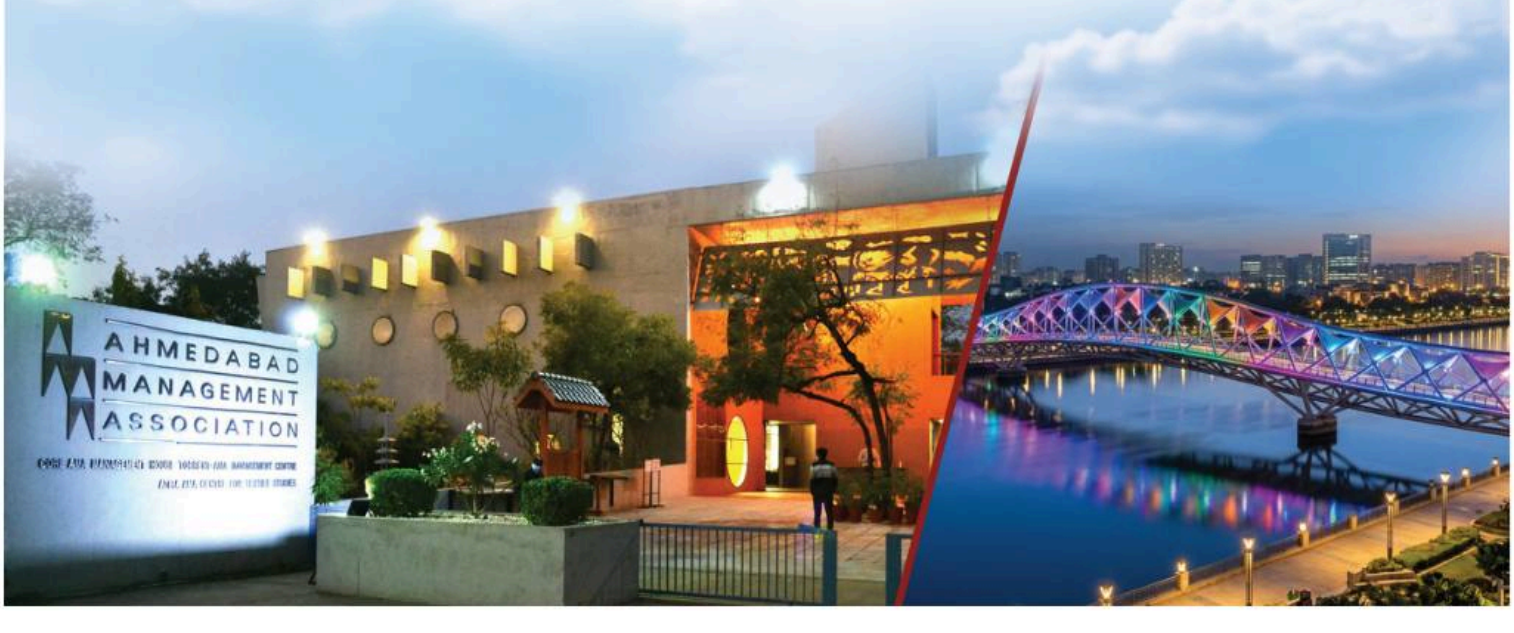
LASACON 2026

Pre-Conference Workshop Programme - **Day 1**

9th December 2026, Wednesday

Ahmedabad, Gujarat, India.

Time	Event Details	Workshop Track - 1 Narmada Hall	Workshop Track - 2 Ganga Hall
08:00-9:00	**Registration, Workshop Kit Collection and Breakfast** *(Delegate badges, workshop kits and QR entry passes at the registration desk)*	Main Entrance / Registration Area	
09:00 - 13:30	**Workshop 1 & 2**	Workshop 1 - GLP	Workshop 2 - RSPCA
13:30 - 14:15	Lunch	Lunch Area	
14:15 - 18:15	**Workshop 3 & 4**	Workshop 3 - AAALAC	Workshop 4 - ICLAM
18:15 - 18:30	HiTea	Foyer	
18:30 - 19:00	**Going to Atal Bridge & River Front**		
19:00 - 20:00	**Walkathon @ Atal Bridge,Sabarmati River front.**		
20:00 onwards	**Dinner @ Mexicano by the Bay, Sabarmati River front.**		



Workshop 1 - GLP

Master the Future of Regulatory Compliance Pre-Conference Workshop on GLP at LASACON-2026



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Ensure uncompromising quality, data integrity, and scientific rigor in preclinical research. Ahead of LASACON-2026, LASA India presents an intensive Pre-Conference Workshop on Good Laboratory Practice (GLP), bridging regulatory expectations with practical execution.

Topic	*Speaker*
Registration	Outside the Auditorium
Ethics, Integrity, Quality and Regulatory Rigor: Setting the Path to LASA's Vision for Excellence in Modern GLP	Dr. Vijay Pal Singh President, LASA, India & Principal Technical Officer CSIR-IGIB, Delhi
Harmonizing Preclinical Compliance: Bridging Global GLP (OECD/FDA) and Indian (NGCMA/CDSCO) Expectations	Dr. SG Ramachandra Chief Research Scientist IISc, Bengaluru, Karnataka
GLP Scenarios for Medical Device Safety Studies	Professor AB Pant Chief Scientist & Group Head CSIR-IITR, Lucknow, (U.P.)
From Raw Data to Bio-Archive: Practical Strategies for Data Integrity, Instrument Audit Trails, and Compliant Electronic Retention	Dr. P Uday Kumar Former Scientist-G & GLP Inspector ICMR-NIN, Hyderabad
Bridging Innovation and Compliance: Integrating NAMs, Organ-on-a-Chip Technologies, and 3Rs Principles into GLP Preclinical Testing	Professor AB Pant Chief Scientist & Group Head CSIR-IITR, Lucknow, (U.P.)

Topic	Speaker
From Findings to Remediation: A Hands-On Case Study Workshop on Dissecting GLP Inspection Scenarios, Root Cause Analysis and Effective CAPA	Dr Vijay Pal Singh Dr SG Ramachandra Dr P Uday Kumar Professor AB Pant
Inspecting New Areas being asked by TFs: Discussion & suggestions	Professor AB Pant
A panel discussion and question-and-answer session: Inspector's Spotlight on the Modern GLP Landscape: Tackling Contemporary Challenges in OECD GLP, USFDA, and CDSCO Compliance	Faculty and participants
Final remarks, feedback, and certificate distribution	All participants

Why Attend & Who It Is For

- **Study Directors & PIs:** Align protocols, medical device evaluations, and non-animal models with OECD, USFDA, NGCMA, and CDSCO standards.
- **QA & Archivists:** Master data integrity, audit trails, electronic retention, and bio-archiving.
- **Facility Management & Regulatory Leads:** Prepare for multi-agency audits, evolving inspection scopes, and robust CAPA systems.
- **Early-Career Researchers:** Build a foundation in ethics and 3Rs principles from veteran inspectors.

Key Highlights

Global harmonization, specialized medical device testing, digital compliance workflows, innovation integration (NAMs/3Rs), and interactive audit simulations.

Limited seats available. Register at *www.lasacon2026.com*

Workshop 2 - RSPCA

RSPCA.



DR. LORENA SORDO SORDO
Scientific And Policy Officer - General
Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (RSPCA)

Proposed agenda for RSPCA workshop on refinements

1. Introduction
2. Presentation: What do we mean by animal welfare?
3. Empathy exercise
4. Presentation: Understanding animals - Refinement
5. Presentation: Understanding cumulative severity and the Roadmap
6. Practical exercise - Roadmap
7. Plenary discussion
8. Presentation: Humane killing and euthanasia
9. Conclusions and action points

The Animals in Science Department of the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (RSPCA) invites you to join an interactive pre-conference workshop dedicated to advancing refinements in animal research.

Designed for people involved in animal research, such as researchers, animal technicians, veterinarians, and animal ethics committee members, this workshop will explore practical strategies to reduce lab animal suffering and improve their welfare.

Key Topics Covered

- General Refinements: Practical approaches to refine housing, husbandry, and experimental procedures.
- Cumulative Severity: Identifying, understanding, and addressing the cumulative effects of experimental procedures and other lifetime experiences.
- Reducing Severe Suffering: Implementing the RSPCA's Roadmap to Reducing Severe Suffering.
- Humane Killing: How to choose the most appropriate and humane method.

Workshop 3 - AAALAC

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PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP



From Preparation *to Accreditation*

Practical guidance on building an AAALAC-accredited program

Wed, 9 December 2026 | **4 hrs · Post-noon session** | **Ahmedabad, Gujarat**

52
countries and regions with accredited programs

1,175+
accredited companies, universities and institutes

37
accredited programs in India (Sept 2026)

WHAT YOU WILL TAKE AWAY

- The accreditation journey, from preparation to site visit
- How to prepare your Program Description
- Practical ways to meet common site-visit challenges
- Real journeys from institutions in India and Asia-Pacific
- Group discussions and an open forum with AAALAC

FACULTY

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Accredited unit representatives
Dr. Shakthi Devan, Syngene International Ltd, and AAALAC International ad hoc visitor

Dr. Krishnappa Haladasappa, Adgyl Lifesciences Private Limited · **25 years of accreditation in India**

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Workshop 4 - ICLAM

Professional capacity-building initiative for establishing and strengthening the Board Speciality Programme of the Indian College of Laboratory Animal Medicine (ICLAM)

Schedule of ICLAM Workshop

Topic	Speaker
Importance of Developing Competent Laboratory Animal Veterinary Speciality Program	 **DR. SG RAMACHANDRA,** Registrar, ICLAM
Registration Process of a Diplomate Board Examination of ICLAM	 **DR. ARVIND INGLE,** President, ICLAM
How to Prepare for the Diplomate Board Examination Based on the Role Delineation Document	 **DR. R K SHAKTHI DEVAN,** Secretary, ICLAM
Potentials of a Diplomate Board Program for the Specialty Veterinarians, Principle Investigators and Study Directors	 **DR. KALIDAS KOHALE,** Treasurer, ICLAM
Group Discussion	All speakers

Professional capacity-building initiative for establishing and strengthening the Board Speciality Programme of the Indian College of Laboratory Animal Medicine (ICLAM)

The Indian College of Laboratory Animal Medicine (ICLAM) provides an important professional platform for advancing laboratory animal medicine as a specialized discipline in India. Its Board Speciality Programme aims to establish a structured framework for professional training, competency development, assessment, and recognition of specialists in laboratory animal medicine, in alignment with internationally accepted standards and practices.

The proposed workshop is aimed to create awareness and facilitate discussions on the objectives, structure, eligibility criteria, training requirements, assessment procedures, and certification pathways of the ICLAM Board Specialty Programme. The deliberations will focus on defining core competencies required for laboratory animal veterinarians, including laboratory animal biology, husbandry, preventive healthcare, health monitoring, clinical and diagnostic pathology, anaesthesia, analgesia, surgery, colony management, and occupational health and biosafety.

Limited seats available.
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