



Keynote Speaker



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Prof. Mehta is a researcher in the area of chemical Sciences and presently University Distinguished Professor and Dr. K. Anji Reddy Chair at the University of Hyderabad. He has earlier held faculty positions at IIT Kanpur, University of Hyderabad (Professor, Dean, and Vice Chancellor-1994-1998) and the Indian Institute of Science Bangalore (Professor and Director 1998-2005). He has held the position of Srinivas Ramanujan Research Professor of Indian National Science academy (1992-1997), CSIR Bhatnagar Fellow (2005-2010), National Research Professor (2009-2014) and Eli Lilly-Jubilant Chair (2010-2015). He has also held visiting Chairs in over a dozen universities overseas.

Professor Mehta's research is mainly in the area of synthetic organic chemistry and chemical biology. He has published nearly five hundred research papers and mentored over hundred doctoral and post-doctoral fellows. He has served on the Editorial Board of over a dozen international journals in chemical sciences and delivered over three hundred named and other lectures worldwide. He is a recipient of over fifty prestigious medals and awards and conferred many D. Sc.(h.c) and D. Lit. (h.c) degrees by institutions in India and abroad.

Prof. Mehta is a Fellow of the Royal Society (FRS) and a Foreign Member of the Russian Academy of Sciences. He is also a Fellow of all the three Science Academies in India and the Third World Academy of Sciences (TWAS). In addition, he has been the President of Indian National Science Academy(1999-2002), International Council for Science (2005-2008) and Co-Chair of Inter Academy Council (2000-2005). He has been decorated by the President of India (Padma Shri, 2000), President of France (Chevalier de la Legion d'Honneur, 2005) and President of Germany (Cross of the Order of Merit, 2015).