



Dr Nita Nair

DNB(GEN SURG), MRCS(Ed), MCh (Surg Onco) 21+ Years Experience

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Overview

Dr. Nita S. Nair is a highly esteemed Breast Surgeon with over 21 years of extensive clinical experience, currently serving as the Lead Consultant in Breast Surgery at Apollo Cancer Centre in Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra. She has an impressive educational background, having earned her MBBS from Grant Medical College, Mumbai, followed by DNB in General Surgery from P.D. Hinduja National Hospital. Additionally, Dr. Nair holds the MRCS qualification from the Royal College of Surgeons in Edinburgh and completed her M.Ch in Surgical Oncology at Tata Memorial Hospital, Mumbai.

As a senior professor and consultant surgeon at Tata Memorial Hospital, Dr. Nair has been instrumental in the management of breast diseases, leading significant research in breast cancer treatment. She has contributed as a lead co-investigator and author on crucial publications concerning the role of surgery in metastatic breast cancer and the perioperative use of lidocaine in early-stage breast cancer. Her expertise is recognized nationally and internationally, as evidenced by her delivery of more than 200 invited lectures and her authorship of over 100 peer-reviewed publications and book chapters.

Dr. Nair is also a member of key professional organizations, including the Executive Committee of the Association of Breast Surgeons of India and the Comprehensive Breast Collaborative Society. Her areas of interest cover various aspects of breast health, including oncological surgery, the treatment of young women with breast cancer, and survivorship issues that focus on quality of life. Furthermore, she serves as faculty for the University of East Anglia's Master's program in oncoplastic surgery, where she shares her insights and knowledge with aspiring medical professionals. Fluent in both English and Hindi, Dr. Nair is dedicated to providing comprehensive care tailored to her patients' needs, making her a prominent figure in the field of breast surgery.

Experience

2001-2002 : 1 year compulsory rotating internship at Grant Medical College and Sir J.J. Group of hospitals (Mumbai) including 3 months at an attached community hospital in Khandas, Raigad.

Rotation in various clinical departments of Sir J.J. Group of Hospitals

2003-2006 : General Surgical Residency Rotations in the Department of General Surgery, P. D. Hinduja Hospital and Medical Research Centre, Mumbai. Rotation in Departments of General Surgery, Minimal Access surgery, Surgical Oncology, Vascular surgery, Plastic surgery as part of training.

2006-2007 : Clinical Associate in the Department of general Surgery, P. D. Hinduja Hospital and Medical Research Centre.

2007-2008 : Clinical Research and observers post at Department of Plastic and reconstructive surgery (Breast Reconstruction) at the University of Michigan, USA.

2008-2009 : Research Fellow in Surgical Oncology, Breast service, Tata Memorial Hospital, Mumbai

2009-2010 : Ad hoc-Lecturer Surgical Oncology, Breast service, Tata Memorial Hospital, Mumbai

May 2010 onwards : Working as Consultant Surgical Oncologist at Tata Memorial Hospital, Mumbai

August 2010- July 2013 : Registered for MCh Surgical Oncology at Tata Memorial Hospital, Mumbai

July 2013- Present date : Working as Consultant Surgical Oncologist at Tata Memorial Hospital, Mumbai

Membership

Research Experience:

1995 : One year Honors program at St. Xavier's College Mumbai on Plasmid translocation.

2003-2006 (DNB Dissertation) : Sentinel Lymph node biopsy in cN0 axilla in breast cancer patients. National board of examinations.

2010-2013 (MCh Dissertation) : To evaluate the role of tumor quadrant in outcome, in Women treated for early breast cancer at Tata Memorial Hospital

2010 to present : Clinical trials Planning, Organizing, conducting and analyzing Phase II and Phase III clinical trials, Principal Investigator, Co-investigator and coordinator of over 40 trials. These trials have involved breast cancer management.

2014 : ACORD workshop on protocol development and research. (Attendee)

2017-19 : conduct workshops on introduction to medical statistics

Teaching Experience:

2010 to present : Senior residents and Fellows (training for the degree of MCh and HBNI fellowship in breast oncology) in Surgical Oncology at Tata Memorial Hospital, Mumbai.

Faculty on the MCh oncoplasty course in India which is associated with university of East Anglia UK.

Awards

Conferences Organised:

- 19th WCI-TMH conference 2021, Mumbai: Asian reflections
- 18th WCI-TMH conference 2020, Mumbai: Exploring the extremes
- ABC conference 2016: Amby Valley in collaboration with ICS, GOKARNA and WCI-TMH
- ABC conference 2014: Goa in collaboration with ICS, GOKARNA and WCI-TMH

ABSI conferences attended:

- ABSICON 2016, Bengaluru, attended as faculty
- The 'Breast Conclave' [19–20 May 2018], ABSI accredited, attended as faculty
- ABSICON 2018, Delhi, attended as faculty
- ABSICON 2019, Jaipur, attended as faculty
- Delivered a talk at the Chest Wall Perforator Web Series in 2021 (ABSI accredited)
- Delivered a talk at the BreastICS24h 2021 ABSI session on LICAP flap

Research and Publication

Publications and Abstracts:

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Frequently Asked Questions

1. Where does Dr. NITA NAIR practice?

Dr. NITA NAIR currently practices at Apollo Hospitals Navi Mumbai, located in Mumbai.

2. Who is Dr. NITA NAIR?

Dr. NITA NAIR is a highly experienced Oncologist with 21 years of expertise in the field. She is known for providing exceptional patient care and advanced medical treatments. Her areas of expertise include Breast Lump Treatment. She also treats conditions such as Breast Infection, Breast Pain.

3. Why do patients choose Dr. NITA NAIR?

Patients trust Dr. NITA NAIR for her expertise, patient-centric approach, and commitment to providing the highest standard of care. She is well-versed in the latest medical advancements and ensures personalized treatment for every patient.

4. What is Dr. NITA NAIR's specialization?

Dr. NITA NAIR specializes in Oncology, with expertise in treatments for Breast Lump Treatment.

5. What are Dr. NITA NAIR's medical qualifications?

Dr. NITA NAIR holds prestigious qualifications, including DNB(GEN SURG), MRCS(Ed), MCh (Surg Onco).

6. How many years of experience does Dr. NITA NAIR have?

Dr. NITA NAIR has 21 years of experience in the medical field, treating various conditions related to Oncology.

7. How can I book an appointment with Dr. NITA NAIR?

You can book an appointment with Dr. NITA NAIR through: Online: Visit <https://www.apollohospitals.com/book-doctor-appointment/> to schedule an appointment.