

IISc inks MoU with Prashanth Prakash to set up geriatrics wing

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The Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru has entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Prashanth Prakash, founding partner of Accel and Chairman of Karnataka's Startup Vision Group, to set up a geriatrics wing as part of IISc's Bagchi-Parthasarathy hospital.

The Shantha & Prakash Geriatrics Wing is expected to be operational by the start of 2025. The wing will be equipped with state-of-the-art facilities in geriatrics to support academic and research programmes, and to enable PG students to undergo training in a world-class standard.

It will take forward the IISc Medical School objective of integrating science, engineering and medicine under a single umbrella to produce a new generation of physician-scientists.

Prashanth said, "Proactively managing age-related comorbidities will help prolong the period during which individuals can enjoy maximum physical and cognitive independence. Through physician-scientists, there is immense potential for the Institute to bring advancements in Gerosciences and Healthy-aging to help people live their most extended, healthiest lives possible."