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**Academic Qualifications** 

M.Sc. Ethiraj College for Women, University of Madras, Chennai

Ph.D in Zoology-Biotechnology CSIR-Central Leather Research Institute, University of Madras, Chennai

Post Doc: Department of Biotechnology Fellowship for RA at CSIR-Centre for Cellular and Molecular Biology

Areas of Interest

Wound healing, Biomaterials, Drug delivery, Nanomaterials, Peptides, Collagen- ECM interactions, cancer biology

Membership in Professional Societies

Member of wound healing society of India

List of Extramural Projects Handled

Title of the project

Year

Funding agency

Bio therapeutic Peptides

2018-2020

**CSIR** Inhouse

Enzyme based nanocomposite for periodontal wound healing and regeneration

2018-2020

Indian council of Medical Research (Govt. Of India)

Development of theranostic based wound healing and monitoring system for detection of healing pathways which impair healing by biosensor/biochip.

2018-2020

Indian council of Medical Research (Govt. Of India)

Intriguing role of scaffold proteins and their potential application in therapeutics (AORC- INSPIRE programme)

2017-2022

Department of Science and Technology (Govt. Of India)

Fabrication of nanofibers for the concomitant delivery of si RNA and a chemotherapeutic agent to overcome drug resistance in the management of cancer

2016-2019

Department of Health Research, Indian council of Medical Research (Govt. Of India)

Bioprospecting of coumarins obtained from medicinal plants and their synthetic derivatives for the anti-microbial, antifeedant and anti-cancer activity.

2013-2016

Department of Biotechnology (Govt. Of India)

Studies on Bio-Nano Material and their characterization (AORC- INSPIRE programme)

2013-2018

Department of Science and Technology (Govt. Of India)

Advanced drug delivery systems (ADD)

2012-2017

Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (Govt. Of India)

Understanding the interaction of collagen with functionalized nanoparticles including identification of new crosslinking agents (STRAIT)

2012-2017

Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (Govt. Of India)

Nanomaterials: Applications and Impact on Safety, Health and Environment(NanoSHE)

2012-2017

Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (Govt. Of India)

Synthesis, Characterization and Biological application of Nanocomposite materials. (AORC- INSPIRE programme)

2012-2017

Department of Science and Technology (Govt. Of India)

Identification and characterization of proteoglycans in frog skin and their implications in wound healing.

2007-2010

Department of Biotechnology (Govt. Of India)

Identification and characterization of anti-angiogenic principle from amphibian skin and its implication in pathological conditions.

2007-2010

Department of Science and Technology (Govt. Of India)

Development and standardization of therapeutic herbal formulations for the management of Alopecia and skin disorders.

2005-2008

Department of Science and Technology (Govt. Of India)

Ph.D: Thesis Supervised:

- 1. Molecular cloning and characterization of cDNAs encoding Glyceraldehyde 3 phosphate dehydrogenase and NC1 domain of Collagen XVIII from Indian shrub frog, Polypedates maculatus by Nirupa Mogili
- 2. Design and development of zein based micro and nanocarriers a promising delivery system for therapeutics by Karthikeyan
- 3. Molecular insights into abnormal wound healing: emphasis on the pivotal role of dermatopontin by Venkat Raghavan
- 4. Nano-TiO2 Impregnated Biocomposites: A Broad Spectrum Application From Healthcare To Environment by Babitha Sekhar
- 5. Design and fabrication of stabilized collagen and nanomaterials for therapeutic and industrial application by Rachita Lakra
- 6. Strategic design of hormone impregnated biocomposites: Implications on skin and neural regeneration by Aishwarya Satish
- 7. Strategically designed proteolytic enzyme impregnated biomimetic nanocomposite: application in skin, cardiac and periodontal tissue regeneration by Shoba Ekambaram

## Patents filed

Dr. K. Purna sai and Ms. Aishwarya Sathish. An alginate based collagenous biocomposite for wound healing application and a process for the preparation thereof. 14-02-2019 201911005786 Project :CSC0302

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## Awards & Honours

Student was conferred Young Scientist Research Award (I runner up) by K.V.Rao Scientific Society for the year 2014-15 in the field of Biology.

Awarded Long Term Research Fellowship by ICMR (2014-2015) to collaborate and work in National University of Singapore, Singapore.

Research work has been recognized during the young scientist seminar competitions conducted by CSIR-CLRI and awarded 1st prize in the years (2008, 2011, 2014, 2017, 2019).

Deputation to Newark (United States of America) for a training program in application of Electric cell-substrate impedance sensing system (ECIS) by Nobel laureate Prof. Ivar Giaever and Prof. Charles R. Keese at Applied Biophysics. Cellular behavior such as cell motility, Membrane capacitance and wound healing assays can be quantitatively determined in vitro using this sensor.

Visited Koln (Germany) for Presenting the research findings in the European Tissue Repair Society meetings.

Awarded the Best Young Scientist sponsored by the Department of Science and Technology for the presentation on the Biomedical potential of Amphibian Skin at the Golden Jubilee National Symposium of the Zoological Society, Calcutta.

Awarded the best presentation award for the antiangiogenic principle work.

Deposited sequence of GAPDH and Endostatin from the frog Polypedates maculatus in GenBank. GenBank accession no for GAPDH: HM 582443.1 and Endostatin: HM802308.1

Obtained Caithness Medal, Prof. Dr S.G. Manavala Ramanujam and University of Madras Students Club Endowment Awards for Standing First in M.Sc. degree Examination of the University of Madras in 1993.

Recipient of Union Medals for Proficiency in M.Sc. Zoology University Examination, Ethiraj College for Women, Chennai.

Passed Junior Research Fellowship and National Lectureship (NET) in Council of Scientific and Industrial Research and U.G.C. Joint Examination held in December, 1992 even before completing M.Sc. Final Examination.

Merit certificate and scholarship for the first few top-rankers at All India Level in Class XII from C.B.S.E., New Delhi.

Shri. V. L. Ethiraj Medals for proficiency for the best outstanding student in both B.Sc. and M.Sc.

Prof. Tmt. Varanasi Varalakshmi Special Prize for Sanskrit and Certificate of Merit for topping in Sanskrit in the University Examination in B.Sc. I and II Years (1989-1990).

Shri. O.T. Raghavan Gold Medal for Proficiency in Cytogenetics in B.Sc.

Shri. T.N. Rajan Gold Medal for Proficiency in Zoology in B.Sc.

Smt. V. K. Prema Endowment Prize for best outstanding student in Zoology for three years in B.Sc.

Selected for the National Scholarship by the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India for meritorious candidate in B.Sc. Zoology Examination in March 1991.

Selected and underwent internship under Tamilnadu National Science Talent Promotion Scheme in 1990 in Research and Industrial Methodology of the University of Madras (mainly at the Department of Zoology, University of Madras and associated Institutes).