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**TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN**

It gives me great pleasure to write this nomination for Prof. Rishi Sethi for the Sunpharma Science Foundation Research Award, who is one of the leading clinical – researcher of King George's Medical University Lucknow.

Prof Sethi apart from being a distinguished young cardiologist of our country is also a keen researcher and a leading figure in the field of biomedical innovations. His range of research has diversity from basic cardiovascular biology, to study new biomarkers for diagnosis of cardiovascular diseases, interventional cardiology, heart failure and also use of cutting edge technology in the medical sciences. Prof. Sethi is the recipient of fellowship in interventional cardiology at National University Heart Centre, Singapore, 2010-11. He has been awarded honorary fellowships of American College of Cardiology 2013, European Society of Cardiology 2014, Cardiological Society of India 2015, Royal College of Physicians, Edinburgh (FRCP) 2017, Royal College of Physicians, London (FRCP) 2021.

He has more than hundred publications in internationally peer reviewed, high-impact journals with more than 1000 citations. His most impactful papers are in the field of Obstructive Sleep Apnoea and how it interplays with various non-communicable diseases.

He has one national patent for a biomedical device and has been lead investigators for more than 15 clinical studies. He has received one of the most prestigious research award; Prof Dhavendra Kumar Young Investigator Gold Medal 2019 from KGMU for his outstanding research in cardiology and Dr. P C Deedwania CSI preventive cardiology research award from CSI, India 2017.

Recently Prof. Sethi has secured prestigious grant from the Department of Biotechnology (Government of India) to set up "School of International Biodesign- Synergizing healthcare, innovation and entrepreneurship (SIB-SHInE)" as a centre of excellence at King George's Medical University in collaboration with IIT Kanpur, to facilitate the research and innovations in healthcare technologies and affordable health care solution in priority disease areas.

Prof. Sethi is the nodal investigator at KGMU for ICMR funded "National Heart Failure Registry in India" and "Digoxin in Patients with Rheumatic Heart Disease - A Randomised Placebo Controlled Trial".

His credentials in the field of interventional cardiology and research are appreciable.

I wish him luck and pray he is found worthy of this prestigious research award.

(Lt. Gen. (Dr) Bipin Puri)  
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