

**Statement from the applicant to the effect that the research work under reference has not been given any award in the past.**

This is to confirm that the research work under reference for the “Sun Pharma Award” has not been given any award in the past.

The involvement of other members in the work has been in the capacity of collaborator or student/mentee. The ideas implemented towards the understanding of protein quality control in context of neurodegenerative diseases in *C. elegans* model have solely been proposed by the nominee. The execution of the projects has also been carried out by the nominee with assistance from collaborators and mentees. It is hence confirmed herewith, that the nominee has the major role in the referenced work. This is evidenced by the fact that all ten publications cited for the work are in the corresponding/senior authorship of the nominee who has led the studies as group leader.



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