

# Hyderabad Eye Research Foundation

## To Whom It May Concern

This is to certify that I am being nominated for the Sun Pharma Science Foundation Research Awards 2021, for my contribution towards corneal stem cell therapy over the past decade. This research work is not under consideration for any other award. The other researchers who have contributed to this work include Dr. Virender S. Sangwan, Dr. James Funderburgh and Dr. Vivek Singh.

### Role of contributors:

#### ***Dr. Virender S. Sangwan***

Dr. Sangwan helped pioneer the surgical technique of Simple Limbal Epithelial Transplantation. He was instrumental in the refinement of the procedure and its validation over a long term follow-up period.

#### ***Dr. James Funderburgh***

Dr Funderburgh was actively involved in the in vitro and preclinical validation of the regenerative and wound healing properties of limbal mesenchymal stem cells for the treatment of corneal scarring.

#### ***Dr. Vivek Singh***

Dr. Singh helped devise and structure laboratory based study designs and has contributed to the in vitro and preclinical studies on stem cells and their role in regenerative ocular biology.



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