

TO WHOMEVER IT MAY CONCERN

It is a pleasure to furnish this support letter in respect of Dr. Shrikrishna Madhukar Nandanwadkar, for his application towards SUN PHARMA Research Science Foundation Research Awards (Pharmaceutical Sciences). Dr. Shrikrishna's proficiency in micronutrient analysis is amply demonstrated in his recent publication entitled "Multielemental Analysis and In Vitro Evaluation of Free Radical Scavenging Activity of Natural Phytopigments by ICP-OES and HPLC" published in Frontiers in Pharmacology which is *the 2nd most-cited open-access Pharmacology & Pharmacy journal in the world with an impact factor of 5.810*.

His innovative contributions are focused on the quality assessment of micronutrients from natural food colors, through the development of novel regulatory compliant methods of analysis like USP, its representation, and validation etc. Also, in addition to above, a sincere effort is undertaken to establish Natural food colors not only safe and non-toxic but also as potent anti-oxidants utilizing HPLC-DPPH assay. His representations in form of findings through ICP-OES confirm Natural plant pigments as rich source of anti-oxidants which are easily available, naturally occurring and enriched with abundant micronutrients within specified limits of FSSAI. To conclude, the findings demonstrate and establish safety of natural foodstuff agents, when compared to hazardous synthetic azo dyes. This protocol may be foreseen as routine dossier for the entire scientific community for quality assessment of articles of botanical origin.

I therefore strongly recommend his case for the SUN PHARMA Research Science Foundation Research Awards (Pharmaceutical Sciences) with his accomplishment as a researcher scientist and trainer par excellence.



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