TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

It gives immense pleasure to me to nominate Prof. (Dr.) Suman Bala Sharma for the **prestigious Sun Pharma Science foundation Research Awards-2023.**Dr.S.B. Sharma is currently working as Professor in the Deptt of Biochemistry at ESIC, Medical college & Hospital , Faridabad. She had worked as Director-Professor in the Department of Biochemistry of the renowned University College of Medical Sciences, University of Delhi, India for the past three decades.

she was very actively involved in her medical research on *diabetes* mellitus. Her quest for developing new drugs on herbal products made her a unique researcher in this area, where she has the distinction of discovering new active principles from three different medicinal plants, for which she has been granted **one US and two Indian patents**.

Her research findings have been published in national and international journals of very high standards. She had received several research grants for her research work on identifying and characterizing the plant based new molecules for their anti-hyperglycemic potential from National agencies of Government of India such as Department of Science and Technology, Indian Council of Medical Research, University Grant Commission etc. She had thoroughly investigated the properties and mode of action of these active molecules and published them.

Being an active researcher, she has the distinction of supervising several Ph.D. and M.D. thesis work as Supervisor. She has published more than 80 research papers in International/ National Journal of repute and also authored a Medical book in Biochemistry. She had received several awards, to name a few viz. the **APCCB AWARD**, which had been bestowed upon for her work during the 10th Asian pacific congress of clinical biochemistry held in Sept. 2004 at Perth, Australia and the **ASIA B AWARD** for her work in the International Congress of Clinical Chemistry held on Oct. 2002 at Kyoto, Japan.Awarded **ACBI FELLOW** for recognition of outstanding contribution in 40thACBICON, 2013 held at Delhi. Awarded **ISAR FELLOW** in recognition and appreciation for the outstanding contribution to atherosclerosis research 2019, LHMC, Delhi. She has also got **UCMS LIFE TIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD for a** brilliant academician, renowed researcher, an excellent teacher having devoted life time to the UCMS, Delhi, on 5th Sept, 2022

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She is a peer for review on several journals and an active reviewer of research projects for funding by various scientific agencies She has the passion to discover new molecule(s) for treatment of the patients of diabetes mellitus to alleviate their sufferings. She was my colleague from 1994 at university college of Medical Sciences, Delhi. I therefore strongly and firmly believe that she is a right scientist for the nomination to this prestigious award.

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