

### **Statement by Applicant**

The work described in the list of 10 best papers has not been given any awards. I have provided details on the two best publications. These manuscripts are sentinel manuscripts in the field of tuberculosis biofilms. The research described in both papers was primarily performed in my laboratory by my graduate students using infrastructure and facilities extended by CSIR-IMTech. In the Nature Communications manuscript published in 2021, I have collaborated with Dr. Deepak Kaushal from Texas Biomedical. He has provided me with non-human primate samples. Besides this, Dr. Radotra from PGIMER Chandigarh has provided me with human lung samples. Otherwise, all the work was performed in India at my laboratory.

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