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LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

I am writing this to recommend Dr. Prashant Kesharwani, Assistant Professor & Ramanujan Fellow (SERB-DST) at Jamla Hamdard, New Delhi, India for "Sun Pharma Science Scholars Fellowships-2024" [Pharmaceutical Sciences]. He is known to me since 2003 when he joined the Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Dr. Hari Singh Gour University, SAGAR, 470003, INDIA as an undergraduate student. I taught him pharmaceutics along-with supervising his practical and orals. During his PhD, he worked on "Generation dependent cancer targeting propensity of PPI dendrimers" under my supervision, which is a field of nanotechnology and contemporary relevance. Besides, Dr. Kesharwani is also thoroughly exposed to handling of modern instruments. I have been consistently impressed by his dedication, ingenuity, and remarkable achievements in the field of Biomedical Science.

I distinguish Dr. Kesharwani to be a candidate of immense research potential. During his postdoc in USA, Dr. Kesharwani developed a water-soluble micellar drug delivery agent (https://pubs.acs.org/doi/abs/10.1021/acs.biomac.5b00941) for which his University (Wayne State University, USA) granted an US patent (Publication Number WO/2016/183568).

He has received many research grants from various funding bodies i.e., SERB, ICMR and UGC. He has more than 400 international publications in highly cited international pharmaceutical journals and more than 30 international books as an Editor.

At the young age of 39, Dr. Kesharwani has already received many international and national prestigious awards such as "USERN Laureates - 2023" in Biological Sciences [among more than 90,000 applications from all over the world and applications have been carefully reviewed by more than 70 top 1% well-known scientists], "Best poster award at Wayne State University USA -2016", the most Prestigious "Ramanujan Fellowship (SERB-DST)" and many more. Dr. Kesharwani have been listed in the "WORLD'S TOP 2% SCIENTISTS" list in year 2020, 2021, 2022, and 2023 in the field of "Pharmacology & Pharmacy" published by Stanford University, USA.

Dr. Kesharwani has published extensively in prestigious journals of very high impact factors (IF) such as "Progress in Polymer Sciences" IF 32.063, "Advanced Materials" IF 29.4, "Molecular Cancer" IF 41.444, "Progress in Material Sciences" IF 48.580, "Drug Resistance Update" IF 22.841 and "Material Todays" IF 32.072.

Dr. Kesharwani has the potential to make lasting contributions to the advancement in the field of drug delivery. His cumulative impact factor is 4496.217, total citations are 22719, h-index-79 and i-10 index is 327. I am confident that his outstanding achievements make him an ideal candidate for "Sun Pharma Science Scholars Fellowships-2024" [Pharmaceutical Sciences]. His humility, passion, and tireless pursuit of scientific knowledge serve as an inspiration to all those fortunate enough to collaborate with them.

I look forward to witnessing the continued success of Dr. Kesharwani in academia and

research.

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