

# SHRUTHI GOKUL

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## EDUCATION

- **Bachelor of Engineering, Electronics and Communication Engineering** Nov 2020 - Apr 2024  
*Anna University, Chennai, India*
- **Central Board of Secondary Education, Class 12th Examination** Apr 2019 - Mar 2020  
*Velammal Vidyalaya, Chennai, India*

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- **Indian Institute of Technology Madras** Oct 2024 – Jun 2025  
*Project Associate, Non-Invasive Imaging and Diagnostic Lab (NIID)* Chennai, India
  - **Project 1: Graph-Theoretic Characterization of Nuclear Spatial Organization in Renal Cell Carcinoma Images**
    - \* Extracted Betti numbers ( $\beta_0, \beta_1$ ) and clustering coefficients to quantify nuclear connectivity in RCC histopathology.
    - \* Optimized segmentation thresholds using the elbow method and validated statistical significance in tumor vs. normal tissues.
  - **Project 2: Analysis of Mechanics of Cellular Nucleus in Renal Carcinoma Using Fractal Dimensions**
    - \* Processed renal cell carcinoma histological images to compute fractal dimensions of nuclei for classification.
    - \* Developed segmentation and analysis pipeline using Detectron2 and box-counting methods.
  - **Project 3: Development of an Intelligent System for Pervasive Sepsis Detection and Monitoring**
    - \* Contributed to the development of a real-time, non-invasive monitoring system for early-stage sepsis detection by integrating physiological, omics, and non-omics data.
    - \* Built and validated machine learning models for sepsis stage classification and progression prediction using clinical datasets.
    - \* Designed and implemented a hypergraph neural network to identify subtypes within sepsis stages, enabling personalized risk stratification.
    - \* Attempted to deploy a TinyML version of the AI model for energy-efficient, embedded real-time inference on low-power hardware.
  - **Course Design for ISRO Human Space Flight Engineers Training**
    - \* Collaborated with a team to design and develop training modules on biomedical engineering tailored for ISRO engineers preparing for human space flight missions.
  - Reviewed and applied regulatory frameworks and international standards governing medical device development and compliance.

**Supervisor:** Dr. Ramakrishnan Swaminathan ([sramki@zmail.iitm.ac.in](mailto:sramki@zmail.iitm.ac.in))

- **Centre for Sponsored Research and Consultancy, Anna University** Mar 2022 - Feb 2023  
*Project Assistant - Government-Funded Innovation Grant* Chennai, India
  - Developed a highly customizable chatbot that serves as a pedagogical tool for Natural Language Processing and Generation in an educational setting.
  - Researched and implemented pruning techniques for LLMs and HuggingFace BERT models.
  - Achieved 4× model compression by reducing weights from 32-bit to 8-bit with only 2% loss in accuracy.
  - Pruned up to 45% of the model structure while maintaining output fidelity.
  - Designed a frontend optimized for deployment on Raspberry Pi for edge inference.
  - Presented on National Science Day in front of various jury members and research scholars.

**Supervisor:** Dr. V R Vijaykumar ([vr@annauniv.edu](mailto:vr@annauniv.edu))

## PUBLICATIONS

- Palanisamy, R., Gokul, S., Manoj, G., Srinivasan, A., Sundaram, S., Swaminathan, R., *Graph-Theoretic Characterization of Nuclear Spatial Organization in Renal Cell Carcinoma, Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine*. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cmpb.2025.108930>

## POSTERS AND CONFERENCES

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- **Gokul, S.,** Manoj, G., Srinivasan, A., Pugazhendhi, S., Sundaram, S., Swaminathan, R., *Multifractal Analysis of H&E Stained Nuclear Images for Differentiation of Early-Grade Renal Cell Carcinoma*  
(Accepted at EMBC 2025, Copenhagen)
- Manoj, G., Srinivasan, A., **Gokul, S.,** Pugazhendhi, S., Sundaram, S., Swaminathan, R., *Evaluation of Bending Energy as an Imaging Biomarker for Differentiation of Nuclei for the Detection and Classification of Renal Cell Carcinoma*  
(Accepted at ISBI 2025, Texas)
- Srinivasan, A., **Gokul, S.,** Manoj, G., Pugazhendhi, S., Sundaram, S., Swaminathan, R., *Analysis of Mechanics of Cellular Nucleus in Renal Carcinoma Using Fractal Dimensions*  
(Accepted at ESB 2025, Zurich)

## UNDERGRADUATE PROJECTS

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### *Enhancing Ovarian Cancer Subtype Classification Using Modified FractalNet Architectures (Bachelors thesis work)*

- Developed and trained a modified FractalNet architecture for ovarian cancer subtype classification, achieving 95% accuracy.
- Preprocessed ultra-high-resolution whole slide images (100K × 50K pixels) through strategic downsampling to enable efficient training while retaining diagnostic integrity.
- Applied Gaussian blur and bicubic interpolation techniques to preserve critical morphological features during resolution reduction.

### *CancerVision: Advanced Breast Cancer Prediction with Deep Learning*

- Built a clinical decision support tool using neural networks and IBM Watson to assist in early detection, diagnosis, and classification of breast cancer from histogram images.
- Developed a web-based interface to demonstrate model outputs and usability in clinical settings.
- Leveraged IBM Watson's visual recognition and machine learning capabilities for robust performance.

### *IoT-based Smart Irrigation System*

- Designed an IoT-based irrigation system utilizing a Soil Moisture Sensor and Arduino board.
- Automatically activates the motor pump to water crops when soil moisture levels fall below a threshold, eliminating the need for manual irrigation.
- Highly customizable to adapt to specific user requirements and environmental conditions.

## HONORS AND AWARDS

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- Secured a funding of 25,000 INR from the Centre for Sponsored Research and Consultancy (CSRC) at Anna University, Chennai for the project proposal "Alt GPT- Alternative Language Technology-driven Pedagogy Tool" (2022)
- Selected among 48 teams statewide for a government-funded innovation challenge to develop a Raspberry Pi-based AI educational tool (2022)

## ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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- Participated in the **Latest Trends in VLSI Devices, Circuits and Tools** workshop organised by National Institute of Technology Delhi.
- Completed the **Machine Learning Specialisation** offered by DeepLearning.AI and Stanford through Coursera.
- Completed courses on C programming, Python programming, Data Science, Data Structures and Algorithms, Deep Learning
- Completed the course on **Introduction to the Biology of Cancer** offered by **Johns Hopkins University** through Coursera.

## LEADERSHIP AND ORGANISATIONAL ENGAGEMENT

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- **Social Media Lead – Anna University**

*Jun 2022 – Jun 2024*

*Digital Governance and Technology Enhancement Cell*

- Led a cross-functional team of 5+ social media managers and designers to plan, schedule, and execute multi-platform social media campaigns.
- Designed and maintained a monthly content calendar; increased audience engagement through targeted, platform-specific strategies.
- Collaborated with university departments to coordinate content for events, academic programs, and student outreach.

- **Event Co-organiser**

*Apr 2024*

*16th National Conference on Signal Processing, Communication and VLSI Design*

- Coordinated logistics, event and digital promotions for a national-level IEEE conference hosted at Anna University Regional Campus Coimbatore.
- Managed communications with 100+ participants, speakers, and sponsors.