Name: Dr. Ch. Venkata Reddy

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: Indian Institute of Chemical

Technology, Hyderabad, Telangana

Research Supervisor: Dr. B.M. Choudary

**Topic for which Awarded:** The First Example of Molecular Oxygen in Ni-Al

Hydrotalcite: A Novel Protocol for Selective Oxidation of Alcohols

**Topic of Research:** Synthesis, Modification, Characterisation and Applications Layered Double Hydroxides in Synthetic Organic Chemistry

Current Designation & Organisation: Research Chemist, BioCryst

Pharmaceuticals, Birmingham, Alabama



## **2002**

Name: Dr. Radha Kishan Motukuri

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: Indian Institute of Chemical

Technology, Hyderabad, Telangana

Research Supervisor: Dr. K.V. Raghavan

**Topic for which Awarded:** Synthesis, Characterization of Zeolite Molecular Sieves and its Application in the Cyclization to Macrocycles and Drug Intermediates

**Topic of Research:** Synthesis Characterization of Zeolite Molecular Sieves and its Application in the Cyclization to Macrocycles and Drug Intermediates

**Current Designation & Organisation:** Senior Scientist, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, Richland, Washington, USA



# 2003

Name: Prof. J. Subbalakshmi

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: University of Hyderabad,

Hyderabad

Research Supervisor: Prof. T.P. Radhakrishnan

**Topic for which Awarded:** Linear and Non Linear Optical Properties of Novel Organic Molecular Materials – Based on Diaminodicyanoguinodimethanes

Topic of Research: Organic Molecular Materials

**Current Designation & Organisation:** Associate Professor, Department of Chemistry, BITS-Pilani, Hyderabad Campus, Hyderabad, Telangana







Name: Dr. K.V.S. Ranganath

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: Indian Institute of Chemical

Technology, Hyderabad, Telangana

Research Supervisor: Dr. B.M. Choudary

**Topic for which Awarded**: Bifunctional Nanocrystalline MgO for Chiral Epoxy Ketones via Claisen-Schmidt Condensation – Asymmetric Epoxidation

Reactions

**Topic of Research:** Design and Development of Nanocrystalline Materials for

Selective Asymmetric Organic Transformations

Current Designation & Organisation: Assistant Professor, Department of

Chemistry, Guru Ghasidas University, Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh



Runner-up-I

Name: Dr. Indraganti Jaykumar

Organisation/Institution when awarded: Jawahar Lal Nehru Technological

University, Hyderabad, Telangana

Research Supervisor: Prof. Y. Anjaneyulu

**Topic for which Awarded:** A Client / Server Based Continuous Air Pollution

Monitoring for Episode Warning in Urban Environment

Topic of Research: Assessment of Ambient Air Quality of Hyderabad and

Strategies for Management Using GIS, RS and Field Studies

Current Designation & Organisation: Service Delivery Lead, Corteva

Agri Science, Hyderabad



Runner-up - II

Name: Dr. M. Satish Kumar

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: National Institute of Nutrition,

Hyderabad, Telanganaz

Research Supervisor: Dr. G Bhanuprakash Reddy

**Topic for which Awarded:** Molecular Chaperone Function of  $\alpha$ -Crystallin:

Effect of Post Translational Modifications Cataractogenesis

**Topic of Research:** Molecular Chaperone Function of  $\alpha$  - Crystallin: Effect of

Post Translational Modifications Cataractogenesis

Current Designation & Organisation: Assistant Professor, Cincinnati

Children's Hospital Medical Centre, Cincinnatii

Winner

Name: Dr. Shanti Kalipatnapu

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: Centre for Cellular and Molecular

Biology, Hyderabad, Telangana

Research Supervisor: Dr. Amitabha Chattopadhyaya

Topic for which Awarded: Interaction of Serotonin1 : A Receptor with its

Membrane Environment

**Topic of Research:** Interaction of Serotonin1A Receptor with its Membrane

Environment

Current Designation & Organisation: Consultant, Publication, Indian

Institute of Science Education and Research (IISER), Pune



Runner-up - I

Name: Dr. A Prabhakar

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: Indian Institute of Chemical

Technology, Hyderabad, Telangana

Research Supervisor: Dr. A.C. Kunwar

Topic for which Awarded: Investigating Structural and Conformational Details of Restricted Macromolecules, Sugar Amino Acids and

Peptidomimetics using Modern High Field NMR Techniques

**Topic of Research:** Investigating Structural and Conformational Details of Restricted Macromolecules, Sugar Amino Acids and Peptidomimetics Using Modern High Field NMR Techniques

Current Designation & Organisation: Application Scientist, Bruker

Corporation, Biospin, Billerica, United States



Name: Dr. M Sharath Chandra

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: University of Hyderabad,

Hyderabad, Telangana

Research Supervisor: Prof. T.P. Radhakrishnan

Topic for which Awarded: Polyelectrolyte Templated Langmuir / Langmuir-

Blodgett Films and Their Applications

**Topic of Research:** Polyelectrolyte Templating in Langmuir-Blodgett Films: Enhanced Second Harmonic Generation in Molecular Materials and Chain

Organization in Polymer Assemblies

**Current Designation & Organisation:** Principal Research Scientist at Applied Research and Technology at Schlumberger, Cambridge,

Massachusetts









Name: Dr. Shatabdi Porel

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: University of Hyderabad,

Hyderabad, Telangana

Research Supervisor: Prof. T.P. Radhakrishnan

Topic for which Awarded: In Situ Synthesis of Nanoparticles and their

Application

Topic of Research: In Situ Synthesis of Metal Nanoparticles and their

Application

Current Designation & Organisation: Scientist, Physical & Materials

Chemistry Division, CSIR-National Chemical Laboratory, Pune



Runner-up-I

Name: Dr. Meenal Vyas

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: Centre for Cellular and Molecular

Biology, Hyderabad, Telangana

Research Supervisor: Dr. Durgadas P. Kasbekar

Topic for which Awarded: Chromosome Segment Duplications in

Neurospora Crassa and their Effects on Repeat - Induced Point Mutation (RIP)

and Meiotic Silencing by Unpaired DNA

Topic of Research: Duplication and Gene Silencing in Neurospora

Current Designation & Organisation: Research Associate, Indian Institute

for Horticultural Research (IIHR), Bengaluru



Runner-up-II

Name: Dr. Sandip Banthia

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: University of Hyderabad,

Hyderabad, Telangana

Research Supervisor: Prof. Anunay Samanta

**Topic for which Awarded:** Studies Towards the Design and Development of

Photoactive Super molecules for Signalling Transition Metal Ions

Topic of Research: Studies Towards the Design and Development of

Photoactive Super Molecules for Signalling Transition Metal Ions

Current Designation & Organisation: Deputy General Manager, LGC

Promochem India Pvt Ltd. Bengaluru, Karnataka

Winner

Name: Dr. M Ravi Kumar

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: Indian Institute of Chemical

Technology, Hyderabad, Telangana

Research Supervisor: Dr. M Vairamani

**Topic for which Awarded:** Chiral Discrimination of  $\alpha$ -AminoAcids by the DNA

Triplet GCA

**Topic of Research:** Chiral Recognition and Mechanistics Study of Gas Phase

Metal Complexes using Electroscopy Ionization Mass Spectrometry



Runner-up I

Name: Dr. M. Jaya Prakash

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: University of Hyderabad,

Hyderabad, Telangana

Research Supervisor: Prof. T.P. Radhakrishnan

Topic for which Awarded: Remote Functionality and Templating Chiral Surfaces for Noncentrosymmetric Crystal Lattice Formation for Second

Harmonic Generation Application

Topic of Research: Organic Salts and Cocrystals for Nonlinear Optical

**Applications** 

Current Designation & Organisation: Assistant Professor, National Institute

of Technology, Rourkela



Name: Dr. B Surender Reddy

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: Indian Institute of Chemical

Technology, Hyderabad, Telangana

Research Supervisor: Dr. Rajkumar Banerjee

**Topic for which Awarded:** Development of Estrogen Receptor Targeted Breast Cancer Therapeutics: Novel Gene Therapeutic and Chemothera-

peutic Approaches

**Topic of Research:** Development of Estrogen Receptor Targeted Breast Cancer Therapeutics: Novel Gene Therapeutic & Chemotherapeutic

Approaches









Name: Dr. Abhijit Patra

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: University of Hyderabad,

Hyderabad, Telangana

Research Supervisor: Prof. T.P Radhakrishnan

Topic for which Awarded: Synthesis and Fabrication of Novel Fluorescent

Molecular Nanomaterials: Optical Properties and Applications

Topic of Research: Synthesis and Fabrication of Novel Fluorescent

Molecular Nanomaterials: Optical Properties and Applications

**Current Designation & Organisation:** Assistant Professor, Department of Polymer and Material Chemistry, Indian Institute of Science Education and

Research, Bhopal



Name: Dr. N. Jagadeesh Babu

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: University of Hyderabad,

Hyderabad, Telangana

Research Supervisor: Prof. Ashwini Nangia

**Topic for which Awarded:** Studies on Polymorphism, Cocrystals & Pharmaceutical Cocrystals and Strong Hydrogen Bonds Under the Broad

Area of Crystal Engineering and Supramolecular Chemistry

Topic of Research: Hydrogen Bonding in Isostructurality, Polymorphism and

Cocrystal Design

Current Designation & Organisation: Senior Scientist, CSIR - Indian Institute

Chemical Technology, Hyderabad



Name: Dr. Mohd Naseer Ahmed Khan

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: Indian Institute of Chemical

Technology, Hyderabad, Telangana

Research Supervisor: Dr. Ahmed Kamal

**Topic for which Awarded:** Synthesis, Structure Analysis, and Antibacterial Activity of Novel 10-Substituted 2-(4-Piperidyl / Phenyl)-5,5-Dioxo [1,2,4]

Triazolo[1,5-b] [1,2,4] Benzothiadiazine Derivatives

**Topic of Research:** New Pyrrolo [2,1-e] [1,4] Benzodiazepine: Synthesis and

Biological Evaluation

Current Designation & Organisation: Research Scientist-II, Department of

Medicinal Chemistry, Sai Life Sciences, Hyderabad



Winner

Name: Dr. M Srujan Kumar

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: Indian Institute of Chemical

Technology, Hyderabad, Telangana

Research Supervisor: Dr. Arabinda Chaudhuri

**Topic for which Awarded:** Cationic Glycolipids with Cyclic and Open Galactose Head Groups for the Selective Targeting of Genes to Mouse Liver

**Topic of Research:** Probing Unresolved Structure Activity Issues in Liposomal Gene Delivery and a Novel Therapeutic Use of Lipofection

**Current Designation & Organisation:** Scientist, Centre for Stem Cell Research, Christian Medical College, Vellore



Runner-up - I

Name: Dr. M Udaya Kiran

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: Indian Institute of Chemical

Technology, Hyderabad, Telangana **Research Supervisor:** Dr. B Jagadeesh

**Topic for which Awarded:** Design and NMR Structural and Conformational Studies of Unnatural Peptidic Foldamers and their Hybrids with Natural Amino Acids

**Topic of Research:** Design and Structural Investigation of Novel Peptidomimetic and Peptide Nucleoside Oligomers: NMR Spectroscopic Studies

**Current Designation & Organisation:** Scientist, Central NMR Facility, CSIR-National Chemical Laboratory (NCL), Pune



Runner-up - II

Name: Dr. Bipul Chandra Sharma

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: University of Hyderabad,

Hyderabad, Telangana

Research Supervisor: Prof. Ashwini Nangia

**Topic for which Awarded:** Synthesis and Characterization of New Crystalline Solids. Develop Solvent-Free Methods for Polymorph Growth of Host Molecule for Easy Uptake of Solvent Molecules from Crystallization Media.

**Topic of Research:** Study on Polymorphism, Cocrystals, Molecular Salts, Organic Zeolite like Materials, Porous and Network Solid Under the Broad Area of Crystal Engineering and Supramolecular Chemistry Using Various Spectroscopic Techniques, Thermal and X-ray Data Analysis

**Current Designation & Organisation:** Assistant Professor, Department of Chemical Sciences, Tezpur University (A Central University) Tezpur, Assam







Runner-up II

Name: Dr. N Guravaiah

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: National Institute of Technology,

Warangal, Telangana

Research Supervisor: Dr. V. Rajeswar Rao

Topic for which Awarded: New Route Design for the Synthesis of Styryl

Sulfones as Anticancer Agents

**Topic of Research:** Synthesis and Biological Studies of New Heterosulfones

and Styryl Sulfones

Current Designation & Organisation: Senior Manager BD, Taizhou City,

Zhejiang, China





Winner

Name: Dr. G G K S N Kumar

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: Indian Institute of Chemical

Technology, Hyderabad, Telangana

Research Supervisor: Dr. J.S. Yadav

Topic for which Awarded: Studies for Directed Prins Cyclization and

Application to the Synthesis of (+) – Neopeltolide

**Topic of Research:** Studies for Directed Prins Cyclization and Application to

the Synthesis of (+) - Neopeltolide

Current Designation & Organisation: Post-Doctoral Associate, Israel

Institute of Technology (Technion) & University of Haifa (UH), Haifa, Israel



Name: Dr. K Rajesh

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: University of Hyderabad,

Hyderabad

Research Supervisor: Prof. T.P. Radhakrishnan

Topic for which Awarded: Novel Optical Materials Based on Molecular

Ultrathin Films and Nanocomposites

Topic of Research: Fabrication of Ultrathin Films for Optical and Nonlinear

**Optical Applications** 

Current Designation & Organisation: Assistant Professor, Physics, AMET

University, Chennai



Runner-up-II

Name: Dr. M Vasavi

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: Nizam College, Osmania

University, Hyderabad, Telangana **Research Supervisor:** Prof. V Uma

Topic for which Awarded: Study of Interactions Between Mycobacterium

Tuberculosis Proteins – TB1 and anti TB1

Topic of Research: Identification of New Lead Molecules - A Molecular

Modeling Study

Current Designation & Organisation: Assistant Professor, Chemistry, PG

College, Saifabad, Hyderabad



#### **Special Out-station Award**

Name: Dr. Veeranki Nagavani

Organisation/Institution when awarded: Andhra University,

Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh

Research Supervisor: Dr. T Raghava Rao

**Topic for which Awarded:** Evaluation of Anti-oxidant Potential and Qualitative Analysis of Major Polyphenols by RP-HPLC in the Flowers of Medicinal Plants

**Topic of Research:** Evaluation of Anti-oxidant Potential and Qualitative Analysis of Polyphenols by RP-HPLC in the Flowers of Medicinal Plants

**Current Designation & Organisation:** Sr. Assistant Professor, Department of Biochemistry, Aurora's Degree & PG College, Hyderabad



#### 2011

Winner

Name: Dr. N Chandrasekhar

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: University of Hyderabad,

Hyderabad, Telangana

Research Supervisor: Prof. Rajadurai Chandrasekar

**Topic for which Awarded:** Fabrication of Multi-dimensional (0-3D) Shapedefined and Shape-shifting Functional Nano-structures from Diverse Π-Conjugated Organic Back-to-back Coupled Ligand Molecules and Study of their Electronic Properties

**Topic of Research:** Organic Nano-Photonics: Synthesis, Bottom-Up Self-Assembly, Multi-Dimensions, and Optical Waveguiding Studies

Current Designation & Organisation: Postdoctoral Fellow, Prof. Xinliang

Feng group, Dresden, Germany







Runner-up-I

Name: Dr. Palash Sanphui

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: University of Hyderabad,

Hyderabad, Telangana

Research Supervisor: Prof. Ashwini Nangia

**Topic for which Awarded:** Novel Polymorphs of Indian Spice Turmeric Curcumin and Their Characterization Using Single Crystal and Powder X-ray

Diffraction, Spectroscopic Techniques and Thermal Analysis (HSM)

Topic of Research: Physicochemical Properties Improvement of APIs by

Solid Form Screening

Current Designation & Organisation: Assistant Professor, Chemistry, SRM

University, Kanchipuram



Runner-up-II

Name: Dr. L Yamini

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: Nizam College, Osmania

University, Hyderabad, Telangana

Research Supervisor: Dr. M Vijjulatha

**Topic for which Awarded:** Drug Design and Synthesis of Privileged Molecules as Anticancer Agents Towards the Inhibition of DHFR Enzyme

Topic of Research: Drug Designing for Inhibition of Cancer

Current Designation & Organisation: Assistant Professor, Department of

Chemistry, Nizam College, Hyderabad, Telangana



**Special Out-station Award** 

Name: Dr. S Vijaya Laxmi

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: National Institute of Technology,

Warangal

Research Supervisor: Dr. B Rajitha

Topic for which Awarded: Synthesis, Antimicrobial Activities of Indole

Barbiturates and Their Single Crystal X-ray Studies

Topic of Research: Synthesis of New Heteroaryl Compounds by Green

Methodologies and Study of their Biological Activities

Current Designation & Organisation: Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry, University College of Arts & Science, Palamuru University,

Mahabubnagar, Telangana

Winner

Name: Dr. Monima Sarma

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: University of Hyderabad,

Hyderabad, Telangana

Research Supervisor: Prof. Samar K Das

**Topic for which Awarded:** D $-\Pi$ -A-A- $\Pi$ -D Prototype 2,2 $\alpha$ - Bipyridine Dyads Exhibiting Large Structure and Environment–Sensitive Fluorescence: Synthesis, Photophysics and Computation

**Topic of Research:** Spectroscopic and Supramolecular Aspects of Inorganic-Organic Hybrid Solids Based of Nitrogen Containing Ligands: Approaches Towards Non-linear Optics and Spontaneous Resolution

**Current Designation & Organisation:** Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry, KL University, Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh



Runner-up-I

Name: Dr. Joydeb Manna

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: Indian Institute of Chemical

Technology, Hyderabad, Telangana

Research Supervisor: Dr. Rohit Kumar Rana

**Topic for which Awarded:** Polyamine Mediated Mineralization of Nanostructured ZnO and Ag-ZnO Under Mild Conditions and Their Application as Photocatalyst

**Topic of Research:** Biomineralization, Synthesis of Nanomaterials under Mild Conditions, Applications of Nanomaterials in Various Fields

Current Designation & Organisation: Assistant Professor, Mahishadal Raj College, Purba Medinipur, West Bengal



Runner-up – II

Name: Dr. T Sheshashena Reddy

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: Osmania University, Hyderabad

Research Supervisor: Prof. A Ram Reddy

**Topic for which Awarded:** Synthesis of 2/3/4-Alkylimidonaphthalimides and

**Luminescent Properties** 

**Topic of Research:** Synthesis of Naphthaline imids and Investigation of their Luminescent Properties

**Current Designation & Organisation:** Postdoctoral Fellow Department of Chemical Engineering, Konkuk University, Seoul, Republic of Korea (South)







Name: Dr. M. Hanumantha Rao

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: Advanced Centre of Research in

High Energy Materials (ACRHEM), Hyderabad, Telangana

Research Supervisor: Dr. K Muralidharan

Topic for which Awarded: Syntheses, Characterization and Energetic

Properties of Closo-(B12H12) -2 Salts of Imidazolium Derivatives

Topic of Research: Syntheses, Characterization and Energetic Material

Properties of Boron and Nitrogen Rich Compounds

Current Designation & Organisation: Research Associate, ACRHEM,

University of Hyderabad, Telangana



Runner-up-I

Name: Dr. Supratim Basak

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: University of Hyderabad,

Hyderabad, Telangana

Research Supervisor: Prof. Rajadurai Chandrasekar

Topic for which Awarded: Top Down and Bottom Up Approaches for the

Fabrication of Functional Molecular Nano/Micro Structures

Topic of Research: Novel Molecular and Metallo-Supramolecular Nano-

Materials: Design, Synthesis, Processing and Functional Aspects



Runner-up-II

Name: Dr. Sk. Mohammadunnisa

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: Indian Institute of Technology,

Hyderabad, Telangana

Research Supervisor: Dr. Ch. Subrahmanyam

Topic for which Awarded: Abatement of Greenhouse Gases by Novel,

Eco-friendly Technique (NTPDBD Reactor)

**Topic of Research:** NiO/Cel-x Ni $_{x}$ O<sub>2</sub>- $\Delta$  as an Alternative to Noble Metal

Catalyst for CO Oxidation

Winner

Name: Dr. Pramiti Hui

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: University of Hyderabad,

Hyderabad, Telangana

Research Supervisor: Prof. Rajadurai Chandrasekhar

**Topic for which Awarded:** Syntheses of Novel Hetero Cyclic Ligands Exhibiting Paramagnetic Property. Photonic and Spintronic Device Fabrication from the Nano/Micro Structure by Bottom Up/Top Down (Lithography) Technique

**Topic of Research:** Nano-/Micro-Scale Organic Paramagnetic Materials: Synthesis, Characterization, Self-Assembly, Optical Wave Guiding and Device Structure

**Current Designation & Organisation:** Post-Doctoral Researcher, IIT - Bombay, Mumbai



Runner-up I

Name: Dr. D. Srinivas

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: ACRHEM, University of

Hyderabad, Hyderabad

Research Supervisor: Dr. K Muralidharan

**Topic for which Awarded:** Synthesis of Amino, Azido, Nitro and Nitrogen-rich Azole Substituted Derivatives of 1H-Benzotriazole for High Energy Materials Applications and Tetra Anionic Nitrogen-Rich Tetrazole-Based Energetic Salts

**Topic of Research:** High Energy Material Synthesis and Study of their Energetic Properties

**Current Designation & Organisation:** Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry, Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur



Runner-up - I

Name: Dr. Kottalanka Ravi Kumar

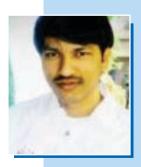
Organisation/Institution when Awarded: Indian Institute of Technology, Hyderabad, Telangana

Research Supervisor: Dr. Tarun Kanti Panda

**Topic for which Awarded:** Novel Amidophosphine Ligands into the Alkaline Earth & Rare Earth Metal Coordination Sphere –Syntheses, Structures and Polymerization Study

**Topic of Research:** Novel Amidophosphine Ligands into the Alkaline Earth & Rare Earth Metal Coordination Sphere - Syntheses, Structures and Polymerization Study

**Current Designation & Organisation:** Associate Professor, Chemistry Department, Vignan's University, Guntur, Andhra Pradesh







Runner-up - II

Name: Dr. Y Dattu Reddy

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: Jawahar Lal Nehru Technology

University, Hyderabad, Telangana

Research Supervisor: Dr. Ch. Venkata Ramana Reddy

**Topic for which Awarded:** Water Mediated, Environmentally Friendly, Stepwise, Tandem & One-pot Syntheses of 2-(1H-Benzo-2-yl)-N-

Arylbenzamides

Topic of Research: Studies on Syntheses of Phthalimide and Phthalazine

**Derivatives Under Green Conditions** 

Current Designation & Organisation: Manager, MSN Laboratories Pvt. Ltd.,

Pashamylaram, Hyderabad

2015



Winner

Name: Dr. M Sreekanth

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: International Advanced Research

Centre for Powder Metallurgy and New Materials (ARCI), Hyderabad

Research Supervisor: Dr. Suhash Ranjan Dey

Topic for which Awarded: Electrodeposition Technique for the Fabrication of

CIGS Thin-films

**Topic of Research:** Fabrication of CulnSe2 and Cu(In, Ga)Se2 Absorber Layers by Pulse and Pulse-reverse Electrochemical Techniques for Solar

Photovoltaic Applications

Current Designation & Organisation: Project Scientist, Center for Solar

Energy Materials, ARCI, Hyderabad



Name: Dr. A Srinivasan

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: Anna University, Chennai,

Tamil Nadu

Research Supervisor: Prof. N Rajendran

Topic for which Awarded: Electrochemical Corrosion Behavior of Chemical

Conversion Coated AZ31 Magnesium Alloy in Simulated Body Fluid Solution

**Topic of Research:** Corrosion Behavior of Chemical Conversion Coated AZ31 Magnesium Alloy and Extruded Pure Magnesium in Chloride

Containing Environments

Current Designation & Organisation: Research Fellow, School of

Mechanical Engineering and Automation, Beihang University, Beijing, China

Runner-up - I

Name: Dr. Manish Kumar Mishra

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: Indian Institute of Science,

Bangalore, Karnataka

Research Supervisor: Prof. Gautam R Desiraju

Topic for which Awarded: Solid Solution Hardening of Molecular Crystals:

Tautomeric Polymorphs of Omeprazole

Topic of Research: Mechanical Properties of Molecular Crystals Through

Nanoindentation

Current Designation & Organisation: Postdoctoral Researcher at University

of Minnesota



Runner-up - II

Name: Dr. M Madhumala

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: Indian Institute of Chemical

Technology, Hyderabad, Telangana

Research Supervisor: Dr. S Sridhar

Topic for which Awarded: Recovery of Valuable Organic / Inorganic

Compounds Using Membrane Contractor Systems

**Topic of Research:** Synthesis and Characterization of Novel Solvent-Resistant Polymeric Barriers and their Application in Membrane Contactor

Systems

Current Designation & Organisation: Research Associate, CSIR- IICT,

Hyderabad



2016

Winner

Name: Dr. Sudip Mukherjee

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: Indian Institute of Chemical

Technology, Hyderabad, Telangana

Research Supervisor: Dr. Chitta Ranjan Patra

**Topic for which Awarded:** Graphene Oxides Show Angiogenic Properties

**Topic of Research:** Design, Fabrication and Characterization of Nanoparticles / Nanoconjugates (Gold, Silver, Platinum, Prussian Blue Analogue, Graphene Oxides) and their Potential Theragnostic Applications in

**Biomedical Sciences** 

Current Designation & Organisation: Postdoctoral Research Associate,

Department of Bioengineering, Rice University, Texas, USA







Runner-up - I

Name: Dr. R Kavitha

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: Bangalore University, Bangalore,

Karnataka

Research Supervisor: Dr. L Gomathi Devi

**Topic for which Awarded:** Synergistic Effect Between Carbon Dopant in Titania Lattice and Surface Carbonaceous Species for Enhancing the Visible

Light Photocatalysis

**Topic of Research:** Synthesis, Characterization and Electronic Structure of Highly Efficient Visible Light Tunable Non-metal Ion Doped TiO<sub>2</sub> Photocatalysts and Their Applications in the Decomposition of Organic Pollutants by Photocatalysis and Photoelectrocatalysis

Current Designation & Organisation: Assistant Professor, Department of

Chemistry, Vijaya College, Bangalore

Runner-up - II

Name: Dr. Paulami Manna

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: University of Hyderabad,

Hyderabad, Telangana

Research Supervisor: Dr. Samar K Das

Topic for which Awarded: A Mononuclear Co(II) Coordination Complex Locked in a Confined Space Acting as an Electrochemical Water Oxidation

Catalyst: 'A Ship in a Bottle' Approach

**Topic of Research:** Synthesis, Characterization and the Self-assembly Studies of Metal-Organic Materials and the Investigation on Applications Towards the Molecular Magnet and Water Oxidation

**Current Designation & Organisation:** Post Doctoral Associate, The Institute of Chemistry, The Hebrew University of Jerusalam

**2017** 



Winner

Name: Dr. J Haribabu

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: National Institute of Technology,

Trichy

Research Supervisor: Dr. R Karvembu

**Topic for which Awarded:** Unprecedented Formation of Pd(II)- Pyrazole Based Thiourea Complexes from Chromone Thiosemicarbazone and [PdCl<sub>2</sub>(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]: Complexes Induced Apoptosis Through Mitochondrial

Signalling Pathway and G0/G1 Cell Cycle Arrest in HepG2 Cells

**Topic of Research:** DNA/Protein Binding and Anticancer Activity of Ni(II), Pd(II) and Ru(II) Complexes Bearing Heterocyclic Thiosemicarbazone

Ligands

**Current Designation & Organisation:** JSPS Postdoctoral Fellowship at Tokyo University of Science, Japan

Runner-up-I

Name: Dr. Dasari Venkatakrishnarao

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: University of Hyderabad,

Hyderabad, Telangana

Research Supervisor: Prof. Rajadurai Chandrasekar

**Topic for which Awarded:** Linear and Non-Linear Single Particle Organic Optical  $\mu$ -Resonance: Syntheses, Self-Assembly and Enhancement Studies

**Topic of Research:** Linear and Non-Linear Single Particle Organic Optical  $\mu$ -Resonators: Syntheses, Self-Assembly and Enhancement Studies

**Current Designation & Organisation:** Research Fellow at National University of Singapore, Singapore



Runner-up - II

Name: Dr. Jana Poorna Bindu

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: ICAR – Central Tobacco Research

Institute, Rajahmundry, Andhra Pradesh

Research Supervisor: Dr. P Santhy

**Topic for which Awarded:** Effect of Organic and Inorganic Soil Amendments on Dynamics of Nitrogen and Potassium in Light Textured Alfisol

Topic of Research: Evaluation of Tobacco Stalks Biochar (TS Biochar) as an

Amendment for Light Textured Alfisols

**Current Designation & Organisation:** Scientist, Division of Crop Chemistry and Soil Science, ICAR-Central Tobacco Research Institute, Rajahmundry



Runner-up - II

Name: Dr. P. Naresh Kumar

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: Indian Institute of Technology,

Hyderabad, Telangana

Research Supervisor: Dr. Melepurath Deepa

**Topic for which Awarded:** Larger Area Quantum Dot Solar Cells with Improved Efficiency by Carbonate Buffering Layer

**Topic of Research:** Metal Nanostructure in Photo Anodes and Counter Electrodes for Cadmium Sulfide Based Quantum Dot Solar Cells

**Current Designation & Organisation:** Postdoctoral Researcher, Hebrew University, Israel







Name: Dr. Sathya Ramalingam

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: CSIR-Central Leather Research

Institute, Adyar, Chennai, Tamilnadu

Research Supervisor: Dr. J Raghava Rao

Topic for which Awarded: Sustainable, Auxiliaries-free Leather Dyeing

Process using Fabricated Dyes

Topic of Research: Studies on Development of Nano Feel Modifiers and

Their Evaluation in Leather Making

Current Designation & Organisation: CSIR-Research Associate, Indian

Institute of Technology-Madras, Chennai



Runner-up-I

Name: Ms. S Manasa

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: International Advanced Research Centre for Powder Metallurgy and New Materials (ARCI), Balapur, Hyderabad,

Telangana

Research Supervisor: Dr. R Subasri

Topic for which Awarded: Sol-Gel Derived, Smart, Self-Healing Coatings for

Corrosion Protection of Aluminum Alloy A356.0

Topic of Research: Nanoclay Based, Self-Healing Corrosion Protection

Coatings on Aluminium Alloys A356.0 and AA2024-T4

Current Designation & Organisation: Senior Research Fellow, ARCI,

Hyderabad



Name: Dr. P Sruiana

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: University of Hyderabad,

Hyderabad, Telangana

Research Supervisor: Prof. T. P. Radhakrishnan

Topic for which Awarded: Synthesis of Novel Fluorescent Molecular Materials: Functional Phase Change Materials and Effect of Oriented

Assembly on Solid State Emission Enhancement

**Topic of Research:** Synthesis of Novel Fluorescent Molecular Materials: Functional Phase Change Materials and Effect of Oriented Assembly on Solid

State Emission Enhancement

Runner-up - II

Name: Dr. P Manjunathan

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: Poornaprajna Institute of

Scientific Research, Bangalore, Karnataka

Research Supervisor: Dr. Ganapati V Shanbhag

Topic for which Awarded: Mesoporous Tin Oxide: An Efficient Catalyst with

Versatile Applications in Acid and Oxidation Catalysis

**Topic of Research:** Designing Heterogeneous Catalysis for the Conversion

of Glycerol and Furfuryl Alcohol into Value-added Chemicals

Current Designation & Organisation: Postdoctoral Research Associate,

Poornaprajna Institute of Scientific Research, Bangalore



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Winner

Name: Dr. Sneha Paul

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: University of Hyderabad,

Hyderabad

Research Supervisor: Prof. Anunay Samanta

Topic for which Awarded: Targeting G-Quadruplex DNA with Small

Molecules: Towards Development of Novel Anti-Cancer Strategies

**Topic of Research:** Photophysical Studies on Canonical and Non-Canonical

**DNA Structures** 

Current Designation & Organisation: Postdoctoral Researcher, Department

of Chemistry, McGill University, Montreal, Canada



#### Runner-up-I

Name: Mr. Bakuru Vasudeva Rao

Organisation/Institution when awarded: Poornaprajna Institute of

Scientific Research, Bangalore, Karnataka

Research Supervisor: Dr. Suresh Babu Kalidindi

**Topic for which Awarded:** Metal-Organic Frameworks (MoFs) and its Hybrids as Designable Catalysts for Selective Hydrogenation Reactions

Topic of Research: Metal-Organic Frameworks (MoFs) and its Hybrids as

Designable Catalysts for Selective Hydrogenation Reactions

Current Designation & Organisation: Research Scholar, Poornaprajna

Institute of Scientific Research, Bangalore





Runner-up - II

Name: Dr. Katchala Nanaji

**Organisation/Institution when Awarded:** International Advanced Research Centre for Powder Metallurgy & New Materials (ARCI), Hyderabad, Telangana

Research Supervisor: Dr. S Anandana

**Topic for which Awarded:** Robust, Environmentally Benign Synthesis of Nanoporous Graphene Sheets from Jute Stick Bio-waste for Ultrafast Supercapacitor Application

**Topic of Research:** Synthesis and Application of Porous Carbon Materials with Enhanced Electrochemical Properties for Energy Storage Devices: Supercapacitor and Li-ion Battery

Current Designation/Organisation: Scientist B, ARCI, Hyderabad





Winner

Name: Ms. Marilyn Eslance D Mello

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: Poornaprajna Institute of

Science, Bangalore

Research Supervisor: Dr. Suresh Babu Kalidindi

Topic for Which Awarded: Design and Development of Metal-Organic

Frameworks (MOFs) based Materials for Gas Sensing Application

**Topic of Research:** Design and Development of Metal -Organic Frameworks (MOFs) based Materials for Gas Sensing and Photocatalytic Applications

**Current Designation/Organisation:** Research Scholar, Poornaprajna Institute of Science, Bangalore



Runner-Up-I

Name: Mr. Krishnakanth Sada

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: Indian Institute of Science,

Bangalore

Research Supervisor: Dr. Prabeer Barpanda

Topic for Which Awarded: Structural and Electrochemical Investigations of

 $A_2Mn_3O_7$  Class of Versatile Cathode Materials for Energy Storage.

**Topic of Research:** Layered  $Na_2Mn_3O_7$  as a 3.1 V Insertion Material for Li-Ion

Batteries

Current Designation/Organisation: Research Scholar, Indian Institute of

Science, Bangalore

Runner-Up - II

Name: Ms. Ankita Kolay

Organisation/Institution when Awarded: Indian Institute of Technology,

Hyderabad, Telangana

Research Supervisor: Prof. M Deepa

**Topic for Which Awarded:** A Dual-Fnction Photoelectrochemical Solar Cell which Assimilates Light-harvesting, Charge Transport and

Photoelectrochromic Nanomaterials in a Tandem Design

**Topic of Research:** A Dual-Fnction Photoelectrochemical Solar Cell which Assimilates Light-harvesting, Charge Nanomaterials in a Tandem Design

**Current Designation & Organisation:** Research Scholar, Indian Institute of Technology, Hyderabad, Telangana



