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#### **Research Area**

- Molecular Toxicology
- Neuropharmacology and Neurtoxicology
- Cancer Biology

#### **Education & Career**

#### **Education**

#### Ph. D.

Subject: Pharmacology and Environmental Toxicology

Institution: Dr. ALM PG Institute for Basic Medical Sciences

Affiliated University: University of Madras

Year of Award: 2001

#### M.Phil.,

Subject : Zoology

Institution: Madras Christian College

Affiliated University : University of Madras

Year of Award: 1997

#### M. Sc.,

Subject : Zoology

Institution: Madras Christian College

Affiliated University : University of Madras

Year of Award: 1995

#### Career

#### At Bharathiar University (Reverse Order)

Associate Professor :01.07.2015 to Till Date
Assistant Professor : 23.06.2005 to 30.06.2015

#### **Past Experience**

Scientist B:13.12.2004 to 20.06.2005 at Zoological Survey of India

Lecturer: 21.08.2001 to 05.08.2003 at Bharathiar university, coimbatore

#### **Awards**

#### **Academic Awards**

Awarding agency: University of Madras.

Country: State.

Purpose of award: RDBSK - JRF.

Date of Award: 28-11-1996-31-03-1997.

Awarding agency: Council of Scientific and Industrial research.

Country: National.

Purpose of award: CSIR-JRF.

Date of Award: 01-04-1997-31.03.1999.

Awarding agency: Council of Scientific and Industrial research.

Country: National.

Purpose of award : CSIR-SRF.

Date of Award: 01.04.1999 -31.03.2001.

Awarding agency: Marquis Who's who Publications.

Country: International.

Purpose of award : Who's Who in the World. Date of Award : 01-07-2012-31-06-2015.

#### Membership

#### **Professional Bodies**

Organization: Social Environmental and Biological Association (SEBA)

Type of Membership :Life Member

Period: 2005

Organization : Who's who in the World

Type of Membership: Member

Period:2012

Organization :International Society for Fluoride Research

Type of Membership:Life Member

Period:2015

#### **Academic Bodies**

Organization: Department of Biotechnology, Bharathiar University,

Coimbatore

Type of Membership: Member Board of Studies in Biotechnology

Period: 2005-Till Date

Organization: Periyar University Salem

Type of Membership: Chairman/Member Question Paper Setting

Board/Evaluation

Period: 2005-Till Date

Organization: Bharathiar University, Coimbatore

Type of Membership : Member Question Paper Setting Board/Evaluation

Period: 2005-Till Date

Organization: Bharathidasan University, Trichirappalli

Type of Membership : Member Question Paper Setting Board/Evaluation

Period: 2005-Till Date

Organization: University of Madras, Chennai

Type of Membership: Member Question Paper Setting Board/Evaluation

Period: 2017-2011

Organization : Alagappa University, Karaikudi

Type of Membership: Member Question Paper Setting Board/Evaluation

Period: 2008-2009

Organization : Annamalai University, Chidambaram

Type of Membership : Member Question Paper Setting Board/Evaluation

Period: 2008-Till Date

Organization : Karunya University, Coimbatore

Type of Membership : Member Question Paper Setting Board/Evaluation

Period: 2008-Till Date

Organization: Vinayaka Missions University, Salem

Type of Membership : Member Question Paper Setting Board/Evaluation

Period: 2008-Till Date

Organization: Department of Environmental Sciences, Bharathiar University,

Coimbatore

Type of Membership: Member Board of Studies in Biotechnology

Period: 2009 - 2010

Organization : Kumaraguru College of Technology, Coimbatore

Type of Membership: Member Question Paper Setting Board/Evaluation

Period: 2009-Till Date

Organization: Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam

Type of Membership: Chairman/Member Question Paper Setting

Board/Evaluation

Period: 2009-Till Date

Organization: Osmania University, Hyderabad

Type of Membership : Member Question Paper Setting Board/Evaluation

Period: 2012-2013

Organization :SNR & Sons College, Coimbatore

Type of Membership: Member Board of Studies in Biotechnology

Period: 2012-2015

Organization: Adhiparasakthi College of Arts and Science, Vellore

Type of Membership : Member Question Paper Setting Board/Evaluation

Period: 2012-Till Date

Organization :Bannari Amman Institute of Technology, Sathyamangalam

Type of Membership: Member Question Paper Setting Board/Evaluation

Period: 2013-Till Date

Organization: Vivekanandha College of Arts and Sciences for Women,

Trichengode

Type of Membership : Member Question Paper Setting Board/Evaluation

Period: 2014-Till Date

Organization :K.S. Rangasamy College of Arts and Science, Trichengode

Type of Membership : Member Question Paper Setting Board/Evaluation

Period: 2014-Till Date

Organization: Tamilnadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore

Type of Membership: Member Question Paper Setting Board/Evaluation

Period: 2014-Till Date

Organization: PSG College of Arts and Sciences, Coimbatore

Type of Membership: Member Board of Studies in Biotechnology

Period: 2015-2018

Organization : CMS College of Science and Commerce

Type of Membership: Chairman/Member Board of Studies in Biotechnology

Period: 2016-2019

**Country Visited :** Taiwan. **Duration of Visit :** 9 months

Month and Year: August 2003 - April 2004

Purpose of Visit: Postdoctoral Research.

**Country Visited :** Malaysia. **Duration of Visit :** 2 days

Month and Year: November 2015

Purpose of Visit: Oral Presentation - Malaysia Zebrafish Disease Model

Workshop.

#### **Collaborators**

#### **Others**

#### **Projects**

Funded Projects(National level)

- Ongoing-3
- Completed-5
- 1. Mitigation of fluorosis and fluoride sensing: An amalgamation of biology and chemistry.

Principle Investigator:Dr. P. Ekambaram

Funding Agency: TANSCHE, Government of Tamilnadu,

Amount: Rs. 60,00,000

Duration: May 2021 to April 2024

2.Identification, validation, analysis and characterization of molecular activators and antioxidant response elements of Keap1/Nrf2/ARE signaling pathway in zebrafish.

Principle Investigator:Dr. P. Ekambaram

Funding Agency: Department of Science and Technology, Science and

Engineering Research Board, EEQ, New Delhi

Amount: Rs. 46, 19,000.

Duration: March 2019 to February 2022

#### 3. Novel STAT3 Inhibitors from Plants for Cancer Treatment.

Principle Investigator:Dr. P. Ekambaram

Funding Agency: RUSA 2.0 BCTRC, Bharathiar University,

Amount :Rs. 14,88,000.

Duration: December 2020 to November 2022

### 1.Effects of tamarind seed coat extract on fluoride induced apoptosis in MRC-9 cells.

Principle Investigator:Dr. P. Ekambaram

Funding Agency: University Grants Commission, New Delhi,

Amount :Rs.13,22,380.

Duration: February 2010 to January 2013,

### 2. Catecholaminergic activity enhancer compounds for performance enhancement in vitro and in vivo models.

Principle Investigator: Dr. P. Ekambaram

Funding Agency: Defence Research and Development Organization, New

Delhi,

Amount: Rs. 20, 20, 000.

Duration: April 2014 to March 2018

### 3. Role of fisetin on the interrelationship between autophagy and apoptosis in hepatocellular carcinoma.

Principle Investigator:Dr. P. Ekambaram

Funding Agency: Department of Science and Technology, Science and

Engineering Research Board, EMEQ, New Delhi,

Amount :Rs.11,00,000.

Duration: April 2016 to March 2018

# 4.Elucidating the molecular mechanisms of necroptosis in fluoride induced neurotoxicity: Therapeutic potential of Naringenin, through NFKB and NRF2 signaling pathways.

Principle Investigator:Dr. P. Ekambaram

Funding Agency: Department of Science and Technology, Science and

Engineering Research Board, New Delhi,

Amount: Rs. 33,77,625.

Duration: December 2015 to November 2018

### 5. Screening and Analysis of Phytochemicals for Defluoridation of Groundwater.

Principle Investigator:Dr. P. Ekambaram

Funding Agency: RUSA 2.0 BEICH, Bharathiar University,

Amount: Rs. 7,00,000.

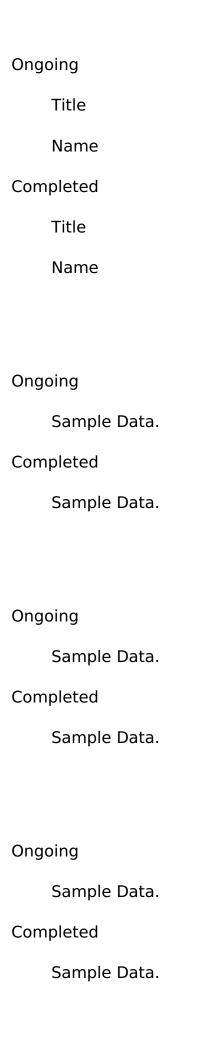
Duration: January 2020 to June 2020

#### **Consultancy Projects**

- Ongoing
- Completed

#### **Research Guidance**

- Post Doc.
- Ph.D.
- M.Phil.
- M.Sc.



#### **Research Publication**

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International

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National

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Patents

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• Conferences

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Books / Chapters

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- Database
- 1. <u>Mitigation of arsenic induced developmental cardiotoxicity by ferulic acid in</u> zebrafish,
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R. Mani, S. Balasubramanian, A. Raghunath, and **E. Perumal**, Environmental Science and Pollution Research, 27, 27358-27369(2020).

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   V. Manickam, V. Dhakshinamoorthy, and E. Perumal,
   Neurochemical Research, 44, 1533-1548, (2019).
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  - A. Raghunath, R. Nagarajan, K. Sundarraj, K. Palanisamy, and **E. Perumal,** Basic & Clinical Pharmacology & Toxicology, 125, 259-270(2019).
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