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EDUCATION/TRAINING

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PG Institute of Basic Medical Sciences, University of Madras, Chennai, INDIA.	MSc	1999–2002	Medical Microbiology (3 Years)
PG Institute of Basic Medical Sciences, University of Madras, Chennai, INDIA.	PhD	2003–2007	Medical Microbiology
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A. ACADEMIC | RESEARCH POSITIONS

- 2017 – Current, Coordinator, Department of Microbiology, Central University of Tamil Nadu (CUTN), Thiruvarur, India.
- 2017 – Chair, Board of Studies, Microbiology, CUTN, Thiruvarur, India.
- 2016 – Chair, Board of Studies, Life Sciences, CUTN, Thiruvarur, India.
- 2016– Current, Head, Department of Life Sciences, CUTN, Thiruvarur, India.
- 2016– Current, Associate Professor, Department of Life Sciences, CUTN, Thiruvarur, India.
- 2011– 2016, Associate Professor, Department of Medical Microbiology, Faculty of Medicine, University of Malaya, 50603 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.
- 2009–11, Postdoctoral fellow, Molekylär Virologi, Institutionen för Klinisk och Experimentell Medicin, Halsouniversitet, Linköpings Universitet, 58 185 Linköpings, Sweden.
- 2007, Visiting Scholar, Department of Surgery, Duke University Medical Center, Durham, NC, USA.
- 2006–08, Assistant Professor, YRG Centre for AIDS Research and Education, Chennai, India.
- 2006, ICMR-Senior Research Fellow, Department of Microbiology, Faculty of Medicine, PG IBMS, University of Madras, Chennai.
- 2004–06, ICMR-Junior Research Fellow, Department of Microbiology, Faculty of Medicine, PG IBMS, University of Madras, Chennai.
- 2002–03, UGC-SAP Project Fellow, Department of Microbiology, Faculty of Medicine, PG IBMS, University of Madras, Chennai.

B. AWARDS & HONOURS

- March 2017 – Current, District Level Expert Appraisal Committee (DEAC) & District Level Environmental Impact Assessment Authority (DEIAA) Committee Member, Thiruvarur District, Thiruvarur, Tamilnadu (C.No. 771/2017/D, Dated 21.03.2017).
- February 2017 – Current, Associate Editor, *BMC Infectious Diseases*, BioMed Central, Springer, USA.
- October 2015 – October 2018, Academic Editor, *Medicine*[®], Wolters Kluwer Health, USA.
- July 2015 – Current, Academic Editor, *PLoS One*, Public Library of Sciences, USA.
- November 2013 - Current, Associate Editor, *BMC Immunology*, BioMed Central, Springer, USA.
- January 2016 – December 2019, Editorial Board Member, *World Journal of Immunology*, Baishideng Publishers, USA.

- October 2013 - Current, Editorial Board Member, *Microbiology Discovery*, Herbert Publishers, USA.
- 2007, Young Investigator Award: 14th Conference on Retroviruses & Opportunistic Infections, Los Angeles, USA.
- 2006, IOM Travel Award: 16th International Organization of Mycoplasma Congress, St. Johns College, University of Cambridge, United Kingdom.
- 2004, ICMR-JRF (National Eligibility Test), Government of India, New Delhi (Award No. 3/1/3(54)/JRF/2003 – MPD, 10/02/04).
- 1999 - First Rank, Entrance Examinations for MSc (Medical Microbiology, 3 Years Program), University of Madras, Chennai.

C. PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- 2015 – 2016, Malaysian Biosafety & Biosecurity Association (MBBA)
- 2013 – Current, Centre of Excellence for Research in AIDS (CERiA)
- 2012 – 2016, Tropical Infectious Diseases Research and Education Center (TIDREC)
- 2013 – 2015, International AIDS Society (IAS)
- 2010 – 2011, Swedish Society for Virology (SSV)
- 2007 – 2014, American Society of Microbiology (ASM)
- 2011 – 2012, International Society for Infectious Diseases (ISID)
- 2006 – 2007, International Organization for Mycoplasma (IOM)
- 2005 – 2006, Indian Association of Mycoplasma (IAM)
- 2002 – 2004, Indian Association of Medical Microbiologists (IAMM)

D. PUBLICATIONS

Google Scholar h-index: 23; **Source:** <https://scholar.google.com.my/citations?user=eEOGooMAAAAJ&hl=en>
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4. Yong YK, Tan HY, Saeidi A, Rosmawati M, Atiya N, Ansari AW, Rajarajeswaran J, Vadivelu J, Velu V, Larsson M, Shankar EM. Decrease of CD69 levels on TCR Va7.2+CD4+ innate-like lymphocytes is associated with impaired cytotoxic functions in chronic hepatitis B virus-infected patients. *Innate Immunity* 2017, 23(5): 459-467.
5. Yong YK, Tan HY, Jen SH, Shankar EM, Natkunam SK, Sathar J, Manikam R, Sekaran SD. Aberrant monocyte responses predict and characterize dengue virus infection in individuals with severe disease. *Journal of Translational Medicine* 2017, 15(1):121.
6. Ahmad F, Shankar EM, Kong YY, Tan HY, Ahrenstorff G, Jacobs R, Larsson M, Schmidt RE, Kamarulzaman A and Ansari AW. Negative checkpoint regulatory molecule 2B4 (CD244) upregulation is associated with invariant natural killer T cell alterations and human immunodeficiency virus disease progression. *Frontiers in Immunology* 2017, 8; 338.
7. Vignesh R, Swathirajan CR, Solomon SS, Shankar EM, Murugavel KG. Risk factors and frequency of tuberculosis-associated immune reconstitution inflammatory syndrome among HIV/tuberculosis co-infected patients in Southern India. *Indian Journal of Medical Microbiology* 2017, 35(2);279-281.
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101. Mariappan V, Thimma J, Vellasamy K, Shankar EM, Vadivelu J. Adhesion and invasion attributes of *Burkholderia pseudomallei* are dependent on airway surface liquid and glucose concentrations in lung epithelial cells (*Cellular Microbiology*)
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Books/Book Chapters/Book Credits/Book Evaluation Panel

1. Shankar EM, Saeidi A, Velu V, Larsson M. *Mechanistic insights on immune senescence, exhaustion and immune activation in HIV-tuberculosis co-infection*. In: *Handbook of Immunosenescence* (Eds. T. Fulop, C. Franceschi, K. Hirokawa, G. Pawelec) 2nd Edition, 2017. Springer Science+Business Media B.V. ISBN-xxxx. (In Press)
2. *Vector & Vector-Borne Diseases: Pathobiological Insights, Public Health Challenges & Management Strategies* (Eds. Dash AP, Krishnan J, Sigamani P, Shankar EM, Chattopadhyay I. 1st Edition, 2017 Bloomsbury Publishers ISBN-9789386432360.
3. Kumar RK, Shankar EM, Ganapathy E, Raj SS, Ebrahim AS, Farooq SM. *Gastric Carcinoma. A review on epidemiology, current surgical & chemotherapeutic options*. In: *Gastric Carcinoma- New Insights into Current Management*, Edited by Daniela Lazar, 2013, pp. 271 - 293. In Tech Publishers ISBN- 978-953-51-0914-3.
4. Shankar EM, Vignesh R, Rao UA. *Illustration No. 24.13, In: Part 4; Chapter 24, Microbial diseases of the respiratory system. pp. 680-710. Microbiology: An Introduction, 11th Edition* by Gerard J Tortora, Berdell R Funke & Christine L Case, Pearson Education, Inc. 2012 ISBN-13: 978-0-321-79310-2.
5. Textbook Review Panel Member - *Microbiology: A Clinical Approach*. Second Edition. Edited by Edwards, Fahnert, Pryor & Strelkauskas, 2015. Garland Science publishers. ISBN-13: 9780815345138

E. EVALUATION ACTIVITIES AS JOURNAL REFEREE

- 2017 *AIDS Research & Human Retroviruses*
- 2017 *Emerging Microbes & Infections*
- 2017 *Immunotargets & Therapy*
- 2017 *Emerging Infectious Diseases*
- 2017 *Biomedicine & Pharmacotherapy*
- 2017 *Journal of Tropical Medicine*

- 2017 *Antiviral Research*
- 2016 *Immunobiology*
- 2016 *Open Forum Infectious Diseases*
- 2016 *European Journal of Immunology*
- 2016 *Journal of Molecular Medicine*
- 2015 *Journal of Infectious Diseases*
- 2015, 2017 *Archives of Virology*
- 2015 - Present *BMC Immunology*
- 2015, 2016 *Scientific Reports*
- 2015 - Present *Medicine®*
- 2015 *Journal of International Medical Research*
- 2015 *Tumor Biology*
- 2015 *World Journal of Gastroenterology*
- 2015 *Apoptosis*
- 2014 - Present *Journal of Leukocyte Biology*
- 2014 *Acta Pharmacologica Sinica*
- 2014 *Cellular Physiology & Biochemistry*
- 2012 - Present *PLoS ONE*
- 2013 *Medical Microbiology & Immunology*
- 2013 *International Journal of Biological Sciences*
- 2012, 2013 *Journal of Infectious Diseases & Therapy*
- 2012, 2013 *Transactions of the Royal Society of Tropical Medicine & Hygiene*
- 2012, 2013 *Colloids and Surfaces B: Biointerfaces*
- 2012, 2013 *Integrative Cancer Therapies*
- 2012, 2013 *Medical Hypotheses*
- 2013 *Evidence-Based Complementary and Alternative Medicine*
- 2013 *Pharmaceutical Biology*
- 2012 *Clinical & Developmental Immunology*
- 2011- Present *Vaccine*
- 2011 *Expert Review of Vaccines*
- 2011 *Expert Review of Anti-infective Therapy*
- 2011 *Genetics, Infection & Evolution*
- 2010 *Journal of Medical Microbiology*
- 2010 *BMC Pulmonary Medicine*
- 2010 *AIDS Research & Therapy*
- 2010 *Scandinavian Journal of Infectious Diseases*
- 2010 *Journal of AIDS & HIV Research (Member, Editorial Board)*
- 2010 *African Journal of Microbiology Research*
- 2009, 2011 *Canadian Medical Association Journal*
- 2008 *American Journal of Tropical Medicine & Hygiene*
- 2008, 2010 *Chemotherapy*
- 2008, 2009 *Indian Journal of Medical Sciences*
- 2008 *Food & Chemical Toxicology*
- 2007 - Present *Indian Journal of Medical Research*
- 2007 *American Journal of Respiratory & Critical Care Medicine*

a) EDITORIAL BOARD

- 2017 – 2020, Associate Editor, ***BMC Infectious Diseases***, BioMed Central, Springer, USA.
- 2016 – 2019, Editorial Board Member, ***World Journal of Immunology***, Baishideng Publishers, USA.
- 2016 – Current, Department Editor, ***Lapwing Magazine***, Central University of Tamil Nadu, India.
- October 2015 – October 2018, Academic Editor, ***Medicine®***, Wolters Kluwer Health, USA.
- 2015-Current, Academic Editor, ***PLoS One***, Public Library of Sciences, USA.
- 2013-Current, Associate Editor, ***BMC Immunology***, BioMed Central, Springer, UK.

- 2013-2016, Editorial Board Member, *Microbiology Discovery* (Herbert Open Access Journals)
- 2013-Current, Editorial Board Member, *Indian Journal of Applied Microbiology* (Wisdom Academic Publishers)
- 2007-2011, *The HIV/AIDS Newsletter* (Edited & Published by Prof. Suniti Solomon on behalf of YRG CARE, Chennai, India).

b) THESIS EVALUATION | EXTERNAL | INTERNAL EXAMINER

- 2017 February – External Examiner – *The role of sirt4 in regulation of leydig cell function in inflammation* by R. Balamurugan, Department of Biochemistry, Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli, India (Ref. No. PhD/CE/07473/ Biochemistry/2075, dated 01/2017).
- 2016 November – External Examiner – *Study of sensor protein expression in nasopharyngeal carcinoma* by Kaliswaran A/L Pannirselvam - Master of Medical Sciences (Hons), Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman, Kanjang, Malaysia.
- 2016 January – 2017 December – External Examiner, Bachelor of Science (Hons), Biomedical Science Programme, International Medical University (IMU), Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.
- 2015 – Grant Application Review Panel Member – Wellcome Trust-DBT India Alliance, Biomedical Research Fellowship Programme for India, Ref: IA/E/15/1/502345
- 2015 – Research External Examiner – *Diagnosis of extrapulmonary tuberculosis employing conventional and some new diagnostic tools on microbiological samples in a tertiary care hospital* by G. Kandha Kumari (SBD10971) (SBV/PhD/2015), Sri Balaji Vidyapeeth, Pondicherry, India, Thesis
- 2015 – Research External Examiner – *Studies on the cardioprotective role of *Desmodium gangeticum* root extract against isoproterenol-induced cardiac hypertrophy and fibrosis in experimental rats* by H. Divya, Department of Biochemistry, University of Madras, Chennai 600 025, India, Thesis
- 2015 – Research External Examiner – *Study on glucose dependent expression of Pax6 and HDAC7 in regulation of pancreatic beta cell function* by B. Sivasangari, Department of Biochemistry, Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli 620 024, India, Thesis
- 2015 – Research Internal Examiner – *Antiviral activity and bioavailability of the metabolites of baicalein and quercetin as anti-dengue virus agents* by Mr. Ehsan Moghaddam (MGN 120020), Department of Medical Microbiology, University of Malaya, Dissertation
- 2015 - Research External Examiner - *CRS-induced behavioural and biological variations in rats challenged by a flavanol* by V.C. Nathiya (PhD. Eval/225/2014/444), University of Madras, Chennai, India, Thesis
- 2014 - Research External Examiner - *Chemopreventive potential of essential oil compounds citral, limonene, menthone and thymol on colorectal cancer* by M Vimal (R-PhD-E-2009-1365), Bharathiar University, Coimbatore, India, Thesis
- 2014 - Research Internal Examiner - *Dengue Pathogenesis: Endothelial dysfunctions* by Ms. Anusyah Rathakrishnan (MHA 120021), Department of Medical Microbiology, University of Malaya, Thesis
- 2013 - Research External Examiner - *Extraction, identification and characterization of two anticancer compounds of *Alangium salivifolium** by P Bama, Department of Industrial Biotechnology, Dr. MGR Educational & Research Institute University, Chennai 600095, India, Thesis
- 2013 - Research Internal Examiner - *Phyllanthus inhibits proliferation, metastasis, angiogenesis and induced apoptosis of human melanoma (MEWO) and prostate adenocarcinoma (PC-3) cells through modulation of multiple cell signaling pathways* by Tang Yin Quan (MHA100038), Department of Medical Microbiology, University of Malaya, Thesis
- 2013 - Scientific Committee (Internal Examiner) - *Molecular characterization of multi-drug resistant *Klebsiella pneumoniae* isolated from Malaysian patients* by Farah Ibrahim Khalil, Department of Medical Microbiology, University of Malaya, Thesis
- 2012 - Research Internal Examiner - *Cytokine correlates of hepatitis B infection* by Teo Ching Yee (MGN100024), Department of Medical Microbiology, University of Malaya, Thesis
- 2012 - Scientific Committee (Internal Examiner) - *A molecular epidemiology and evolutionary study of HIV-1 among a sample of people who inject drugs in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia* by Ms. Chow Wei Zhen, Department of Medicine, University of Malaya, Thesis
- 2012 - Scientific Committee (Internal Examiner) - *Characterization of *Burkholderia pseudomallei* colony morphology variants by proteomics and microarray* by Anis Rageh Al-Maleki (MHA 100045), Department of Medical Microbiology, University of Malaya, Thesis

- 2011 - Research Internal Examiner - *Effect of dendritic cells on the mesenchymal stem cells cultured on electrospun polycaprolactone in vitro* by Sandeep Koppal, Department of Medical Biosciences & Medical Biology, Linköping University, Sweden, Thesis

F. SUPERVISION

N^o	Name & Degree	Title of Thesis	Duration	Status
1	Jaisheela Vimali, PhD	Studies on <i>Helicobacter pylori</i> infection in individuals with chronic gastric disease	2017 – Till date	In Process
2	Tan Hong Yien, PhD MHA090029	Immunological determinants of tuberculosis-associated immune reconstitution inflammatory syndrome (TB-IRIS) in HIV-infected patients on antiretroviral therapy	2012 – 2016	Awarded
3	Yong Yien Kong, PhD MHA090003	The role of CD14 and TLR4 single nucleotide polymorphisms in CD4 T-cell recovery and cardiovascular disease in HIV-infected patients following cART	2012 – 2016	Awarded
4	Alireza Saeidi, PhD MHA120008	Studies on immune exhaustion and senescence of certain CD8 ⁺ T-cell phenotypes in HIV-TB co-infected individuals	2012 – 2017	Awarded
5	Barathan Muttiah, MBMedSc MGN130035	Studies on immune impairment in chronic hepatitis C virus infection	2012 – 2016	Awarded
6	Aw Yong Kam Leng, MBMedSc MGN120036	Characterization of the adaptive immune responses in enterovirus A71 infection	2012 – 2016	Awarded
7	Jia-Xiang See (MBMedSc) MGN140045	Studies on T-cell exhaustion in BALB/c experimental mice with persistent <i>Burkholderia pseudomallei</i> infection	2014 – 2017	Awarded
8	Chong Yee Kien (BBMedSc) MEB900401	Comparative investigations on immunosenescence of T lymphocyte phenotypes in HIV-1/tuberculosis co-infection	2013 – 2014	Awarded
9	Vicky Lau Tien Tien (BBMedSc) MEB110038	Molecular alterations on MR1-restricted mucosal-associated invariant T (MAIT) cells in HIV-1/tuberculosis co-infection	2014 – 2015	Awarded
	Philip Olof Fredrik Enström (MBCbB) PIN910623-1195 Linköping University, Sweden	Peripheral CD8 ⁺ CD161 ⁺⁺ TCR V α 7.2 ⁺ MAIT cells in chronic hepatitis B virus infection	Feb'2015– Aug'15	Awarded

G. ADMINISTRATIVE DUTIES

- DBT Representative in the IBSC of M/s. Virtis Biolabs Pvt. Ltd. (VIRTIS), Salem, Tamilnadu (BT/BS/17/682/2016-PID, Dated 11.04.2017)

- Moderator CUCET Entrance Examinations 2017, Central University of Tamil Nadu, Thiruvavur.
- External Examination Committee Member, JSS University, Mysuru, Karnataka.
- Member, Committee for Clean & Green CUTN Campus, Central University of Tamil Nadu, Thiruvavur
- Chairperson, Board of Studies for Life Sciences, Central University of Tamil Nadu, Thiruvavur, CUTN-13(81)/2016-AC/1017.
- Educationist Member (2016-17), Vidyalaya Management Committee, Kendriya Vidyalaya, Thiruvavur, CUTN-29(9)/2014-Reg. Sec/193, dated 29th August, 2016.
- Committee Member, Feasibility of collaboration with Indian Institute of Crop Processing Technology (IICPT), Tanjavur, with CUTN, 10th August, 2016 9CUTN-13(87)/2016-AC/619, dated 26th July, 2016.
- 13th January, 2016, Audit Committee Member, ISO 15189 Diagnostic Microbiology Internal Audit, University of Malaya Medical Center
- 23-27 July 2013, Organizing Committee Secretary, Basic & Clinical Immunology by Abul K Abbas, Andrew H Lichtman & Shiv S Pillai, University of Malaya
- 2013-14, Department Coordinator, Introductory Diagnostic Microbiology (MFEB2402) Course Biomedical Sciences Program, University Malaya
- 2012-16, Department Coordinator, Advanced Medical Microbiology (MFEB4401) Course Biomedical Sciences Program, University Malaya
- 2012, MBBS Phase II PBL Case-Writer : George, University Malaya
- 2011 – 2012, Department Coordinator, Advanced Medical Microbiology (MFEB3402) Course Biomedical Sciences Program, University Malaya
- 2011 – 2012, Department Coordinator, Pharmaceutical Microbiology (MWEF2111) Program, University Malaya
- 2004 – 06, General Secretary, Post Graduate Hostel for Men, PGIBMS, University of Madras, Taramani, Chennai 600 113, India.

H. SHORT COURSES | TRAINING

- *Two-days Research Methodology Workshop Series-I*, Central University of Tamil Nadu, 1st – 2nd November, 2016
- *Interactive Learning*, Academic Development Centre (ADEC), University of Malaya (UM), May 19, 2016.
- *Student-Centred Learning, Workshop on Cooperative Learning*, ADEC, UM, April 18, 2016.
- *Scholarship of Teaching & Learning Workshop*, ADEC, UM, Dec 22-23, 2015.
- *Basic & Clinical Immunology Course* by Abul K Abbas, Andrew H Lichtman & Shiv S Pillai, Faculty of Medicine, UM, July 23-27, 2013.
- *Confocal Laser Scanning Microscopy Hands-on Workshop*, Electron Microscopy Unit, UM, Malaysia, Sept 5-6, 2012.
- *FACSCantoII[®] Flow Cytometry Hands-on Workshop*, Medical Microbiology, UM, Malaysia, July 3-5, 2012.
- *Quantitative Research Workshop* at ADEC, UM, June 26-27, 2012.
- *How to supervise worthy research? Hands-on Workshop* at ADEC, UM, May 23, 2012.
- *Multiplex Proteomics Analysis Hands-on Workshop*, Medical Biotechnology, UM, Malaysia, May 16-17, 2012.
- *Designing Triggers for Problem Based Learning (PBL) Workshop*, ADEC, UM, March 1, 2012.
- *Assessing Problem Based Learning (PBL) Workshop*, ADEC, UM, February 21, 2012.
- *Facilitating Problem Based Learning (PBL) Workshop*, ADEC, UM, February 8, 2012.
- *Introducing Problem Based Learning (PBL) Workshop*, ADEC, UM, January 18, 2012.
- *Hands-on Course on Flow Cytometry*, Flow Cytometry Core, Linköping University, Sweden, November 30-Dec 2, 2010.
- *ICI/FOCIS, Molecular Immunology*, by Abul K Abbas & Andrew H Lichtman, Kansai, Japan, August, 2010.
- *Genome Analysis Hands-on Course*, SBRI, Chennai, India, 3rd Oct-3rd November, 2008.
- *Neutralizing antibody Assay Training*, Duke University Medical Center, Durham, NC, USA, Sep-Oct, 2007.
- *Good Clinical Practice & Source Documentation Hands-on Workshop*, 16th September, 2006, YRG CARE, Chennai.
- *Health Data Management & Statistical Software Hands-on Workshop*, 27th Feb-4th March, 2006, CMC & Hospital, Vellore.

- *Human Subjects Research Education*, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, 8th July, 2004, YRG CARE, Chennai.

I. ABSTRACTS | CONFERENCES | SYMPOSIA | MEETINGS

International

- Hong TC, Bee J, Kong YY, Shankar EM, Keng TT, Mohamed R. Circulating cytokines and their association with HBsAg and HBV DNAemia levels in chronic hepatitis B infection, 26th APASL Annual Meeting, 15-19 February 2017, Shanghai, China.
- Saeidi A, Ussher JE, Yong YK, Enström PF, Rosmawati M, Rajarajeswaran J, Larsson M, Shankar EM. Peripheral CD161⁺⁺TCR iV α 7.2⁺ MAIT cells are exhausted and dysfunctional in chronic hepatitis B virus infection. Poster Presentation at 46th Annual Meeting of German Society for Immunology (DGfI), September 27 - 30, 2016, Hamburg, Germany.
- Shankar EM. Biosignatures of negative costimulation in HIV-1 *in vitro*. Molecular Virology 'kick-start' Annual Meeting, Soderkoping, Sweden, *May 31-June 1, 2010*.
- Shankar EM, et al., Challenging T cells with HIV pulsed dendritic cells hardware's T cell expansion with a broad array of inhibitory genes. *International Immunology*. 2010, 22 (Suppl. 1 Pt 4): 63 -69. 14th International Congress of Immunology, Kobe, Japan. August 22-28th 2010.
- 5th Summer Symposium on Virology, Smögen Havsbad, Smögen, Sweden, *Aug 20 – 22, 2009*.
- Performance of the TZM-bl pseudovirus NAb assay in a GCLP environment & GCLP principles, USAMC-AFRIMS, Bangkok, Thailand, *Mar 18-21, 2008*.
- Indo – US DBT Meeting on HIV/AIDS: Biology, Immunology & Vaccinology, Hotel Ashok, New Delhi, India, *Mar 13-14th, 2007*.
- Shankar EM, et al., Seroevidence & immune correlates of *Mycoplasma pneumoniae* infection among subjects with pulmonary symptoms determined by a particle agglutination test. In: *Proceedings: 34th Annual Conference of the Indian Immunology Society, NARI, Pune, Dec 16-18th, 2007*.
- Shankar EM, et al., Etiology of *Mycoplasma pneumoniae* in HIV infected & HIV uninfected patients with & without community-acquired pneumonia in Chennai, India. In: *Proceedings: 14th CROI 2007, Los Angeles, USA, Feb 25 -28th*.
- Shankar EM, et al., Detection of *Mycoplasma pneumoniae* in HIV infected patients using culture & serology. In: *Proceedings: 16th Congress of the IOM, P 110. Nominated for Harry-Mortan Award, St. Johns College, University of Cambridge, UK, Jul 9-15th, 2006*.
- Indo-UK Workshop on Designing of Doctoral Research for PhD Scholars, 23rd Mar, 2005, Department of Microbiology, Dr. ALM PG IBMS, University of Madras, Chennai.
- Shankar EM, et al., Detection of *Mycoplasma pneumoniae* in induced sputum & throat swab specimens from HIV infected patients with upper & lower respiratory complaints in Chennai. In: *Proceedings: Indo-Australian Conference on Biotechnology in Infectious Diseases. KMC & Hospital, Manipal, 1-3rd Mar, 2005; P3*.
- Shankar EM, et al., Electrophoretic resolution of the outer membrane proteins of *Burkholderia pseudomallei* by sodium dodecyl sulphate-polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis method. In: *Proceedings: Indo-Australian Conference on Biotechnology in Medicine. IISc, Bangalore, 9-11th Feb, 2004; P56*.
- Muthu SE, et al., Colonization of *Mycoplasma* in the upper respiratory tract of HIV/AIDS seropositive patients with pulmonary complications in Chennai. In: *Proceedings: 4th International Conference on AIDS INDIA, The Tamilnadu Dr. MGR Medical University, Chennai, 9-12th Nov, 2003; P 19.4*.
- First CMC Winter Symposium on Cell Biology & Molecular Medicine, 30-31st Jan, 2003, CMC & Hospital, Vellore.
- Muthu SE, et al., *Mycoplasma* in sputum of HIV positive patients in Chennai – A preliminary study. In: *Proceedings: 3rd International Conference on AIDS INDIA, The Tamilnadu Dr. MGR Medical University, Chennai, 1-5th Dec, 2001; TB8*.

National

- Two-days Research Methodology Workshop Series-I, Central University of Tamil Nadu, 1st – 2nd November, 2016.
- HIV SCIENCE 2008, 1st Annual Science Symposium on HIV/AIDS, VIGYAN Auditorium, CSIR Campus, Taramani, *Sep 22 – 23rd, 2008*.
- Seminar on Introduction to GCLP Principles organized by the Central Quality Assurance Unit of the Comprehensive Antibody-Vaccine Immune Monitoring Consortium, YRG CARE, Chennai, *Aug 22, 2008*.

- 34th Annual Conference of the Indian Immunology Society, NARI, Pune, Dec 16 – 18, 2007.
- Symposium on Emerging and Re-emerging Pathogens & Alternative Approach to Treatment, Dept. Microbiology, Dr. ALM PG IBMS, University of Madras, Chennai, Feb 11, 2006.
- IAMM, Tamilnadu – Pondicherry Chapter, CME on ‘Neurocysticercosis – A Modern Plague’, Madras Medical College, Chennai, Nov 11, 2005.
- Rao UA, Shankar EM, Kumarasamy N, et al., Serosurveillance of acute *Mycoplasma pneumoniae* infection among different categories of HIV infected patients with pulmonary complaints in the Chennai conurbation of Southern India. In: *Proceedings: XXIXth Annual Conference of IAMM, SRMC & RI, Chennai, 19 - 23rd Oct, 2005; IP 7.*
- Shankar EM, et al., A comparative analysis on the recovery rates of *Mycoplasma pneumoniae* in induced sputum & throat swab specimens of HIV infected patients with upper & lower respiratory complaints in Chennai. In: *Proceedings: VIIth Annual Conference-cum-Workshop, VP Chest Institute, University of Delhi, Delhi, 28 – 29th Apr, 2005; A 4. Nominated for Snehlata Memorial Oration Award.*
- Shankar EM, et al., Incidence of *Mycoplasma pneumoniae* infection in HIV infected patients with underlying upper & lower respiratory complaints and correlation with various immunological & haematological findings. In: *Proceedings: 1st National Conference of AIDS Society of India, ASICON, New Delhi, 2 – 4th Apr, 2005; O 82.*
- Shankar EM, et al., Aerobic bacteriology of the infected foot of diabetic patients in Chennai, India: Gram negative bacteria exceed gram positives in isolation rate. In: *Proceedings: XXVIIIth Annual Conference of IAMM, SGPGIMS, Lucknow, 25 – 28th Nov, 2004; BP 72.*
- Seminar on ‘Recent Advancements in Physiology’, 20th Feb, 2004, Department of Physiology, Dr. ALM PGIBMS, Chennai.
- IAMM, Tamilnadu – Pondicherry Chapter, ‘Challenging Frontiers in Infectious Disease Surveillance’, 14th Feb, 2004, Pondicherry Institute of Medical Sciences, Pondicherry.
- IAMM, Tamilnadu – Pondicherry Chapter, ‘Infectious Diseases’, 22nd Dec, 2003, King Institute of Preventive Medicine, Chennai.
- Muthu SE, et al., Studies on the phenotypic characteristics & outer membrane protein analysis of *Burkholderia pseudomallei* by SDS-PAGE method. In: *Proceedings: XXVII National Conference of IAMM, MICROCON Mumbai-2003, 5 – 9th Nov, P 86.*
- Vision Research Foundation, Sankara Nethralaya & Indian Association of Medical Microbiologists, Tamilnadu – Pondicherry Chapter, ‘Application of RT-PCR & Microarray in Microbiology’, 23rd Aug 2003, L & T Microbiology Research Centre, Sankara Nethralaya, Chennai.
- Kownhar H, et al., Isolation & identification of aerobic bacteria from trauma & post-operative surgical wounds & their antibiotic susceptibility pattern. In: *Proceedings: VIth Annual Conference of Indian Society of Wound Management, “Woundcon 2003” CLRI, Chennai, 22 – 23rd Feb, O 5. Nominated for Best paper Award.*
- Muthu SE, et al., Isolation of *Mycoplasma* sp. from HIV patients in Chennai: A preliminary study. In: *Proceedings: XXVth National IAMM Congress, Department of Microbiology, AIIMS, New Delhi, 21 – 25th Nov, 2001. OB – 49.*
- Tamilnadu & Pondicherry IAMM Chapter Meeting IAMM Silver Jubilee 2001, 8th Sep, Dept. Microbiology, CMC & Hospital, Vellore.
- IAMM, Tamilnadu – Pondicherry Chapter, ‘Overview of Microbial Infections in India’ 26th Aug, 2000, Dept. Microbiology, SRMC & RI, Chennai.
- Satellite Symposium on ‘Free-radicals in Health & Diseases’, 20 – 22nd Dec, 1999, Dept. Medical Biochemistry, Dr. ALM PG IBMS, Chennai.
- XXII Annual Conference of the Association of Anatomists – Tamilnadu, ANACON’ 99, 25 -26th Sep, Dept. Anatomy, SRMC & RI, Chennai.

Conferences | Meetings Organized

- Convenor, World Wildlife Week, Central University of Tamil Nadu, Thiruvarur, 05th – 07th October, 2017.
- Co-Director, National Seminar on Emerging & Re-emerging Infectious Diseases, Central University of Tamil Nadu, Thiruvarur, 21st April, 2017.
- Co-Organizing Secretary, 13th International Conference on Vector & Vector-Borne Diseases, Hotel Crowne Plaza, Chennai, 27th February – 1st March, 2017.

- Co-Director, Winter School Workshop on Dengue Awareness, Central University of Tamil Nadu, 11th November 2016.
- Organizing Advisor: Two-day Research Methodology Workshop Series I, Organized by Department of Life Sciences, Department of Social Work & Department of Epidemiology & Public Health, Central University of Tamil Nadu, 1st – 2nd November 2016.
- Organizing Committee Secretary cum Chair: Basic & Clinical Immunology Course by Abul K Abbas, Andrew H Lichtman & Shiv S Pillai, University of Malaya, July 23 – 27, 2013.
- Joint Organizing Secretary: HIV SCIENCE 2008, 1st Annual Science Symposium on HIV/AIDS, VIGYAN Auditorium, CSIR Campus, Taramani, Chennai, September 22 – 23, 2008.
- Organizing Committee Member: Symposium on Emerging and Re-emerging Pathogens & Alternative Approach to Treatment, Dept. Microbiology, Dr. ALM PG IBMS, University of Madras, Chennai, February 11, 2006.

Invited Guest Speaker at Conferences/Meetings/Forums

Title	Title of Conference/Seminar	Organized by
<i>Interdisciplinary research</i>	PhD Orientation Program, 28 August, 2017	Department of Social Work, Central University of Tamil Nadu, Thiruvarur, India
<i>Writing quality research papers</i>	Special Lecture Series-2017, Periyar University Microbiology Club (PUMIC), 24 August, 2017	Department of Microbiology, School of Biosciences, Periyar University, Salem 630 011, India.
<i>Genetics and Evolution</i>	CHAIR PERSON for Revising the Biology Curriculum at Higher Secondary Level, 22 July 2017	Curriculum Team, State Council of Educational Research and Training (SCERT), Government of Tamilnadu, Chennai 600 006, India.
<i>Emerging concepts on immunopathogenesis of experimental melioidosis</i>	Two-day Symposium on Emerging Infectious Diseases & Novel Drug Development, 7 – 8 July 2017	Department of Microbiology, Vivekanandha Arts & Science College for Women, Thiruchengode, India.
<i>Human papilloma virus and cancer: An immortal affair</i>	Biological Sciences Seminar, 6 January 2017	Department of Biochemistry, Karpagam Academy of Higher Education (KAHE), Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu, India
<i>Immune exhaustion as an escape mechanism for HIV from host immune armory</i>	Refresher Course on Environmental Sciences, 1 – 21 December 2016	Human Resource Development Center (HRDC), Pondicherry University, University Grants Commission, New Delhi.
<i>Burkholderia pseudomallei: From a soil saprophyte to a successful human pathogen</i>	Refresher Course on Environmental Sciences, 1 – 21 December 2016	Human Resource Development Center (HRDC), Pondicherry University, University Grants Commission, New Delhi.
<i>Immune exhaustion: HIV's escape mechanism from immune armory</i>	Indian Association of Medical Microbiologists (IAMM), Tamilnadu Chapter: CME on HIV/AIDS – An update, 1st December 2016	Department of Microbiology, Meenakshi Ammal Dental College & Hospital, Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research, Meenakshi University, Madhuravoyal, Chennai
<i>Immunopathogenesis of clinical dengue infection & diagnostics</i>	Winter School Workshop on Dengue Awareness, 11 November 2016	Department of Life Sciences, Department of Social Work & Department of Epidemiology & Public Health, Central University of Tamil Nadu.
<i>Essentials of academic writing</i>	Two-day Research Methodology Workshop Series-I, 1 st – 2 nd November, 2016	Department of Life Sciences, Department of Social Work & Department of Epidemiology & Public

		Health, Central University of Tamil Nadu.
<i>Essentials of literature review</i>	Two-day Research Methodology Workshop Series-I, 1 – 2 November, 2016	Department of Life Sciences, Department of Social Work & Department of Epidemiology & Public Health, Central University of Tamil Nadu.
<i>Suppressor T cell expansion: Unveiling additional immune evasion strategies of HIV-1</i>	National Conference/ MIMLS 23 rd National Scientific Conference, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia	Malaysian Institute of Medical Laboratory Sciences
<i>Biosignatures of negative T-cell costimulation: Unveiling additional preprints of T-cell dysfunctions in HIV infection</i>	National Symposium/ HIV SCIENCE 2010, 3 rd Annual Science Symposium on HIV/AIDS, 2010	YRG Center for AIDS Research & Education, VHS, Chennai
<i>Immunoregulatory roles of mesenchymal stem cells</i>	Stem cells on molecular perspective, National seminar and Workshop, 28 & 29 April 2015	National Orthopaedic Centre of Excellence for Research & Learning, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, University of Malaya
<i>Newer scientific approaches to prevent HIV transmission & disease progression</i>	First Annual Science Symposium on HIV/AIDS, HIV SCIENCE 2008	YRG Center for AIDS Research & Education, VHS, Chennai
<i>GB virus: An anti-HIV panacea from within?</i>	National Seminar-Biozephyr'08, Molecular Basis of Microbes, March 29 March 2008	National Biological Association for Students, All India Biotech Association

Research Grants | Projects | International Collaborations

Ongoing: (Cumulative Total: RM 465,700.00)

- 1. Research Title:** UM Research Grant - Investigations on inhibitory molecules in T cells of antiretroviral therapy naive and treated HIV-1 infected individuals (PG011-2014B); **Year:** 02/03/2015 - 02/03/2018; **Field of Research:** Medical and Health Sciences; **Source of Funding:** UMRG; **Total:** RM21,000.00
- 2. Research Title:** Postgraduate Research Grant (PPP) - Association between Toll-like receptors expression and human hepatitis C virus persistence (PG118-2014A); **Year:** 29/01/2015 - 29/01/2016; **Field of Research:** Advanced Engineering & Technology; **Source of Funding:** IPPP; **Total:** RM5000.00
- 3. Project Title:** UM Research Grant - Mechanism study of silymarin as a novel antiviral against chikungunya virus (Frontier Science Research Cluster Research Cluster) (RG356-15AFR); **Year:** 30/01/2015 - 30/01/2016; **Field of Research:** Medical and Health Sciences; **Source of Funding:** UMRG; **Total:** RM34,000.00
- 4. Research Title:** UM Research Grant - Characterization of enterovirus 71-specific adaptive immune responses in patients with hand, foot and mouth disease (RG522-13HTM); **Role:** **Co-Investigator**; **Year:** 2012 – 2014 (Ongoing) (Principal Investigator: Chan Yoke Fun); **Field of Research:** Medical and Health Sciences; **Source of Funding:** UMRG; **Total:** RM93,000.00
- 5. Research Title:** UM Research Grant – Suppression of host cell-mediated immune responses by *Burkholderia pseudomallei* (RP013A-13HTM); **Role:** **Principal Investigator**; **Year:** 11/11/2013 - 31/12/2015; **Field of Research:** Medical and Health Sciences; **Source of Funding:** UMRG; **Total:** RM178,600.00 (Ongoing)
- 6. Research Title:** UM Research Grant – RNA Interference mediated inhibition of chikungunya virus entry in target cells (RG309-14AFR); **Role:** **Co-Investigator**; **Year:** 2014 – 2016 (Principal Investigator: Hussin A Rothan); **Field of Research:** Medical and Health Sciences; **Source of Funding:** UMRG; **Total:** RM29,600.00

Completed:

1. **Research Title:** UM Research Grant – Immunology of persistent bacterial infections with *Burkholderia pseudomallei* as a model (RG505-13HTM); **Role:** Co-Investigator; **Year:** 2013 – 2016 (Principal Investigator: Jamuna Vadivelu); **Field of Research:** Medical and Health Sciences; **Source of Funding:** UMRG; **Total:** RM200,000.00
2. **Research Title:** High Impact Research Grant - Mechanisms of T cell dysfunctions in hepatitis C infection (UM.C/625/1/HIR/139); **Role:** Principal Investigator; **Year:** 2012 – 2014; **Field of Research:** Medical and Health Sciences; **Source of Funding:** HIR; **Total:** RM180,000.00
3. **Research Title:** UM Research Grant - Investigations on regulatory molecules in T cells of antiretroviral therapy (ART) naive and treated HIV-1 infected individuals (RG448-12HTM); **Role:** Principal Investigator; **Year:** 2013 – 2014; **Field of Research:** Medical and Health Sciences; **Source of Funding:** UMRG; **Total:** RM110,000.00
4. **Research Title:** Indian Council of Medical Research, Junior & Senior Research Fellowship Grant – Pulmonary infections in HIV-1 infected individuals with special reference to *Mycoplasma pneumoniae*; **Role:** Junior Research Fellow & Senior Research Fellow; **Year:** 2004 – 2006 (Supervisor: Usha Anand Rao); **Field of Research:** Health Sciences; **Source of Funding:** ICMR, Ministry of Human Resources, Government of India, New Delhi (Award No. 3/1/3(54)/JRF/2003 – MPD, 10/02/04).

Consultancy

- July 1, 2015 – 2016 - **Visiting Consultant Immunologist**, Geneflux Biosciences Sdn Bhd, Molecular Diagnostics Laboratory, Puchong, Malaysia.

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Tamil		Tamil		Tamil	
English		English		English	
Hindi		Hindi		Hindi	
Malayalam		Malayalam		Malayalam	
Kannada		Kannada	Kannada		
French		French			French (Alter Ego)

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