#### **CURRICULUM VITAE**

# Aruna Dhathathreyan

Current position
Emeritus scientist and professor (AcSIR)
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#### **Education**

Ph.D., Dept. of Crystallography& Biophysics, Univ. of Madras, Chennai 600025 (1984) M.Sc.(physics), Madras Christian College (Univ. of Madras), Chennai 600059 (1975-77)-First class

B.Sc. (physics), Women's Christian college (Univ. of Madras), Chennai 6000006 (1971-74), First class

Delhi Higher Secondary Board Certificate, Delhi Tamil educational Association Senior Secondary School, Pusa Road, New Delhi (1971)-First class

## Awards and recognitions

- Part of Compendium of 98 Women Scientists of India 'Leelavathi's daughters' brought out by Indian Academy of Sciences, Bangalore, 2006
- Research Ambassador- German Academic Exchange Program (DAAD) in Chennai Since June 2018
- Prof.G.S. Endowment Award (Univ. of Madras 2017) (Best Biophysics Alumna)
- Fellow, Madras Science Foundation, 2011
- INSA DFG visiting Prof., 2010 (FRG) University of Gottingen, FRG
- Visiting Prof. DAAD Revisit July-Sept., 2009 (FRG)
- Best woman Biophysicist, Mother Teresa Women's University-Silver jubilee year award, 2009
- Lily Pithavadian endowment speaker, Women's Christian College, 2010
- Stree Shakti Samman award for Best Woman scientist, physical Sciences, awarded by the Stree Shakti Trust, Kolkata, 2005
- Bronze medal in Physical Chemistry, Chemical Research Society of India, Feb., 2003
- Raman Research Fellow, (Awarded by Council of Scientific and Industrial Research, Govt. of India, 1999)
- B.C.Deb memorial award for Physical Chemistry 1997-98 awarded by the 85th

session of the Indian Science Congress, India

#### Other academic merits

- TED X speaker on 'Knowledge management in Government research Labs' at Tidel Park, Chennai 2014
- o Non EU reviewer Polish Academy of Sciences, Poland
- o Expert, Principal Advisory Committee (PAC)- Physical chemistry, Dept. Of Science & Technology (2012-2015), SERB
- o Expert, PAC Chemical Sciences committee, Fast Track research program for Young Scientist, Dept. of Science & Technology, Govt. Of India (2008- 2010)
- o Subject Expert (Physical Chemistry-Chemical Sciences), Women's Research program, Dept. of Science and Technology, Government of India, (2003-2007)
  - o Member Editorial Team-German alumni network magazine online (2020 till date)
  - o Reviewer for Langmuir, Colloids and Interfaces, Adv. In colloid Sci., J.Phys.Chem.
  - Editorial board member Colloids and Interfaces (MDPI)

# Research merits - Research funding

Principal investigator of Dept. of Science and Technology, Govt. of India sponsored projects: Total No. of projects 9 (since 1992-till date)

- Consultancy projects with industry: 4
- o DRDO-LSRB project: 1

## Role in the funding applications/Research work

PI in all the DST, SERB, DRDO projects and in 2 Industrial consultancy projects

- Lead scientist- research group on interface sciences and applications to biomolecules since 1992 Chemical Lab., CSIR-CLRI
- Have supervised Ph.D., M.Tech, M.Phil, M.Sc. and B.Tech students

No. of Ph.D s: Produced: 11, ongoing 1

No. of M.Phil.: 7 No. of B.Tech.: 12 No. of M.Tech.: 4 No. of M.Sc.: 31

- Involved in local school and under graduate level projects on popularization of Science organized by CSIR, Govt. of India (including CPYLS for 10 years)
- Recognised research supervisor of the University of Madras, Anna University and AcSIR
- Team member and Work package leader in research projects as part of the CSIR supra projects, Network projects in the area of surface and colloid science

## Professional associations/Membership

- Member OWSD
- Member, Biophysical Society, Maryland, USA
- Life Member, Indian Society for Surface Science, Calcutta, India
- Member, International Federation for University Women., Switzerland
- Life member, Chemical Research Society of India, Bangalore, India
- Life Member, Materials Research Society of India, Bangalore, India

## Scientific impact of research

Total number of publications (from 1984)

International: 165, National 15, Book Chapter 2 (Incl. Invited Review for Encyclopaedia of Surface and Colloid Sci.., Handbook of Biotechnology)

H index 24 (Source - Google Scholar)

Patent :An improved post tanning process for leather, Inventors, G.C. Jayakumar K.J. Sreeram Usha Ramamurthy, Aruna Dhathathreyan J. Raghava Rao, B.C. Unni Nair, Application no. 3812DEL2013, Grant date 04-01-2021, Patent No.355182

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- 2. Women's Day: Gender gap in Science awaits closure (Deccan Harald, March 2021) <a href="https://www.deccanherald.com/specials/womens-day-gender-gap-in-science-awaits-closure">https://www.deccanherald.com/specials/womens-day-gender-gap-in-science-awaits-closure</a> 959464.html
- 3. The Importance of Busting Gender, Sex Stereotypes in STEM, (Science, the wire, 2020) <a href="https://science.thewire.in/the-sciences/womxn-gender-sex-stereotypes-stem/">https://science.thewire.in/the-sciences/womxn-gender-sex-stereotypes-stem/</a>
- 4. It is all about promoting equity and inclusion: A Chennai teacher's experience <a href="https://www.alumniportal-deutschland.org/aktuelles/mitmachaktionen/ihre-beitraege-zum-thema-gleichberechtigung/abstimmung-zur-mitmach-aktion-gleichberechtigung/it-is-all-about-promoting-equity-and-inclusion/">https://www.alumniportal-deutschland.org/aktuelles/mitmachaktionen/ihre-beitraege-zum-thema-gleichberechtigung/abstimmung-zur-mitmach-aktion-gleichberechtigung/it-is-all-about-promoting-equity-and-inclusion/</a>
- 5. Interview in DAAD Newsletter, Jan., 2021 https://www.daad.de/kataloge/daadletter/2021-01/
- 6.Meet Aruna Dhathathreyan, the leather scientist The Hindu www.thehindu.com > behind-the-hides > article21821298

7. Aruna, the Leather Detective

A conversation with a senior biophysicist at a leather institute in Chennai The Life of Science, Nandita Jayarai, https://thelifeofscience.com/2016/03/07/aruna/

8.Indian Science Congress: Rise of pseudo-scientific public proclamations has broad and ominous implications

https://www.firstpost.com/author/aruna-dhathathreyan/page/1

- 8. Scientists making sense and being sensitive, Current Science, 84 (10). p. 1281. (2003).
- 9. Teaching and research programmes in science in Indian universities , December 2003, Current science 85(11):1513-1514
- 10.'To be a techie or not to be' Science and technology scenario in India Aruna Dhathathreyan, Current Science, Vol. 92, No. 11 (10 June 2007), pp. 1479-1480

11.Science what is masculine about it? , The Hindu (2008) <a href="http://www.hinduonnet.com/stories/08160005.htm">http://www.hinduonnet.com/stories/08160005.htm</a>

# **Societal Programs**

Volunteer Scribe for Visually Challenged students of Univ. of Madras (2010-2015) Volunteer Teacher at Avvai Home for Girls- teaching soft skills and Mathematics economically weak and vulnerable girl students (2015-2017) Volunteer Teacher at Olcott memorial High School -teaching Physics, Chemistry

Volunteer Teacher at Olcott memorial High School -teaching Physics, Chemistry and Mathematics to economically weak students of Classes 10 and 11 (2018-March 2020)

Volunteer for Speak out and guidance program -1<sup>st</sup> generation Graduates through Team Everest, Chennai 2020- till date

# Linguistic and other skills

Mother tongue: Tamil- read, write and speak fluently

Other languages: Hindi, English, German - read, write and speak fluently

Italian (read and write -Intermediate level) Speak (Basic)

Diploma in Psychological Counselling (March-Aug.2020)

Certificate in Advanced Course in Science Communication (Udemy, 2021)

Invited lectures on science 75 Invited popular lectures 25