Detailed CV



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Research Areas:

- i. Environmental Radioactivity.
 - ii. Radiation and Radioisotope Applications.
 - iii. Nanoparticles and Nanocomposites.
 - iv. Radiation Dosimetry and Radiation Protection
 - v. Gamma Backscattering Studies and Nucleonic Gauges

Professional Teaching and Research Experience: 25 years

- i. Worked as **Head**, University Science Instrumentation Centre (USIC) during 12.06.1997 08.02.2002 and from 01.06.2006 till date
- ii. Worked as **Centre-in-Charge of Centre** for Application of Radioisotopes and Radiation Technology (CARRT) during 2010-2020.
- iii. Worked as founder **Coordinator** of M. Sc. in Medical Physics Programme offered under Medical Physics Division (created under Department of Physics) during 2018-2020.

Research Guidance (Ph.D.): 10 Nos.

Completed Students' List: 5 Nos.

S1.	Student Name	Title of the thesis	Year of
No.			Award
1	Dr Ravindraswami K	Studies on Gamma Ray Backscattering of Some	2015
		Selected Materials	
2	Dr Kiran K U	Studies on Gamma Backscattering Technique for	2016
		Characterization of Composite Materials	
3	Dr Chandrashekar K	Studies on Concentration of Radionuclides and Trace	2018
		Elements in Some Selected Medicinal Plants	
4	Dr Swaroop K	Gamma Radiation Assisted Synthesis and	2018
		Characterization of Hydrogel Nanocomposites for	
		Biomedical Applications	
5	Dr Thrilochana Shetty	Design, Installation and Characterization of a Walk-	2020
		in Kind of Radon Calibration Chamber	

Ongoing Registered Students' List: 5 Nos.

Sl. No.	Student Name	Status
1	Mr Vinayak Ananda Kamath	Submitted
2	Mr Thirumalesh	Synopsis submitted for Pre-submission
		colloquium
3	Mr Jayachandran	Work in progress
4	Ms Sharmila Charan	Work in progress
5	Ms Geethanjali	Work in progress

Research Projects (List):

Completed:

Sl. N	Jo.	Project title	Funding	Principal investigator
			Agency	
As F	rinci	pal Investigator		
1	Epi	demiological study of Helicobacter pylori	BRNS	Prof. H. M. Somashekarappa
	infe	ction in the communities of coastal region of		USIC, Mangalore University
	Kar	nataka: A diagnostic study by using the ¹⁴ C		
	urea	a capsule breath test and setting up of diagnostic		
	serv	ice.		
2	Prin	cipal Investigator - Development of nucleonic	UGC	Prof. H. M. Somashekarappa
	den	sity gauge funded by UGC (Major Research		USIC, Mangalore University
	Pro	lect)	LIGG	
3	Pole	onium-210 studies in medicinal plants funded by	UGC	Prof. H. M. Somashekarappa
	UG	C (Minor Research Project)		USIC, Mangalore University
		vostigotor		
	Rad	ioiodination of C-peptide and development an	BRNS	Prof K Bhaska Shenoy
1	2662		DINIS	Dept of Applied Zoology
	usse	.y.		Mangalore University
2	Eva	luation and comparison of radioprotective	BRNS	Prof. Rajeshekara K. Patil
-	pote	ential of some bioflavonoids in mice exposed to	Didits	Dept. of Applied Zoology
	gan	ma radiation.		Mangalore University
3	Apr	lication of radiation in forestry: Effect of	BRNS	Prof. K R Chandrashekar
	gam	ma irradiation on storage, viability and		Dept. of Applied Botany
	geri	nination of seeds and relative growth rate and		Mangalore University
	tole	rance of seedlings of some endemic plants of		
	We	stern Ghats.		
4	Syn	thesis and development of novel polymers with	BRNS	Prof. Balakrishna Kalluraya
	enh	anced optoelectronic property by gamma		Dept. of Chemistry
	irra	diation of meso-ionic compounds		Mangalore University
5	Pro	of of concept studies to understand the after	BRNS	Dr. Rajarshi Pal
	effe	cts of ionising radiation IR on human stem cells		Manipal Institute of
				Regenerative Medicine
				Manipal University, GKVK
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0	Fiel	a trails of radiation assisted accelerated		Prof. K K Chandrashekar
	geri	nination of seeds of endemic forest plants.		Dept. of Applied Botany
1	1			Mangalore University

7	Studies on Environmental Radioactivity and Impact	BRNS	Dr Karunakara N
	Assessment of Kaiga power reactors		USIC, Mangalore University
8	Studies on radioactivity in aquatic and atmospheric	BRNS	Dr Karunakara N
	environs of Coastal Karnataka, Kaiga and Goa		USIC, Mangalore University
	(1995 – 2000)		
9	To Study Radon/Thoron levels in Mangalore area	BRNS	Coordinated by Dr Mayya
	(part of the national level coordinated research		BARC, Mumbai
	project on Radon mapping of India, 1996 – 2002).		

On-going

S1.	Project title	Funding	Principal investigator
No.		Agency	
As P	rincipal Investigator		
1	Synthesis, radiolabelling and characterisation of	BRNS	Prof. H. M. Somashekarappa
	some selected metal and polymer based		USIC, Mangalore University
	nanoparticles.		
As C	Co-investigator		
1	Radiation tolerance mechanisms in insects: possible	BRNS	Prof. Rajeshekara K. Patil
	source of methods for development of future		Dept. of Applied Zoology
	radioprotection strategies		Mangalore University
			Mangalagangotri, Mangalore
2	Effect of gamma radiation on the germination and	BRNS	Prof. K R Chandrashekar
	growth of wild forest species and their		Dept. of Applied Botany
	pharmacological evaluation BRNS		Mangalore University
			Mangalagangotri
			Mangalore
3	C-reactive protein-Development and validation of	BRNS	Prof. K. Bhaska Shenoy
	sensitive radioimmunoassay for the inflammatory		Dept. of Applied Zoology
	marker		Mangalore University
			Mangalagangotri, Mangalore
4	PUFAs as potential radiomodifiers: Implications in	BRNS	Prof Monika Sadanand
	radiotherapy and countermeasures		Dept. of Biosciences
			Mangalore University

Professional Collaboration:

International:

Sl. No.	Organisation with which MoU	Year of	Activities covered under MoU.
	is signed	Signing	
		MoU	
1.	Technical University of Liberec	2015	Cooperation in the field
	Czech Republic		of Research, Education and
			exchange of faculty/
			researchers

National:

S1.	MoU Signed with	Year of	Activities covered under
No.		Signing MoU	MoU.
1.	Mangalore Institute of Oncology	2016	Co-operation in the field of
	Mangalore.		research and Teaching &
			Training (Medical Physics)
2.	A J Hospital and Research Centre	2016	Co-operation in the field of
	Mangalore.		research and Teaching &
			Training (Medical Physics)
3.	NITTE University, Deralakatte	2019	Co-operation in the field of
	Mangalore		research and Teaching &
	_		Training (Medical Physics)

Research Journal Publications (list)

International Journals:

- 1. **Somashekarappa H M**, Narayana Y, Radhakrishna A P & Siddappa K, Atmospheric radon levels and its emanation rate in the environment of Kaiga, Radiation Measurements (USA), Vol. 26, No. 1, (1996), pp. 35-41.
- 2. **Somashekarappa H M**, Narayana Y, Radhakrishna A P, Karunakara N, Balakrishna K M & Siddappa, K, Radioactivity in the tropical forest vegetation of Kaiga environment, Journal of Environmental Radioactivity (UK), Vol. 31, No. 2, (1996), pp. 189-198.
- 3. Radhakrishna A P, **Somashekarappa H M**, Narayana Y & Siddappa K, A New Natural Background Radiation Area on the Southwest Coast of India, Health Physics (USA), Vol. 65, No. 4, (1993), pp. 390-395.
- 4. Narayana Y, **Somashekarappa H M**, Radhakrishna A P, Balakrishna K M & Siddappa K, External gamma radiation dose rates in coastal Karnataka, Journal of Radiological Protection (UK), Vol. 14, No. 3, (1994), pp. 257-264.
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intake, Radiation Protection Dosimetry (UK), Vol. 62, No. 3, (1995), pp. 131-138.

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- 10. Narayana Y, **Somashekarappa H M**, Karunakara N, Balakrishna K M, Siddappa K, Kumar S, Gopalani D & Ramaseshu P, Seasonal variation of indoor radon levels in coastal Karnataka on the south west coast of India, Radiation Measurements, USA, Vol.29, No.1, pp.19-25, 1998.
- 11. Karunakara N, **Somashekarappa H M**, Narayana Y, Avadhani D N, Mahesh H M, Balakrishna K M & Siddappa K, Caesium-137 concentration in Kaiga Environment, Radiation Physics and Chemistry, (UK), Vol.51, No.4-6, pp.623-624, 1998.
- 12. Karunakara N, Avadhani D N, Mahesh H M, **Somashekarappa H M**, Narayana Y and Siddappa K, Distribution and Enrichment of ²¹⁰Po in the environment of Kaiga in South India, J. Environmental Radioactivity (UK), Vol. 51, No. 3, pp.349-362, 2000.
- 13. Karunakara N, **Somashekarappa H M**, Avadhani D N, Mahesh H M, Narayana Y and Siddappa K, ²²⁶Ra, ²³²Th and ⁴⁰K Distribution in the environment of Kaiga of South West Coast of India, Health Physics , Vol 80, No.5, 2001
- 14. Avadhani D N, Mahesh H M, **Somashekarappa H M,** Karunakara N, Narayana Y and Siddappa K. Distribution and Behaviour of ²¹⁰Po and ²¹⁰Pb in Soil samples of Goa, South West coast of India. Journal of Radiation Protection and Environment. India. Vol. 24, Nos. 1&2, pp 401-405, 2001.
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- 23. Karunakara N, Somashekarappa H M, Narayana Y, Avadhani, D N, Mahesh, H M and Siddappa, K. ²²⁶Ra, ⁴⁰K and ⁷Be activity concentrations in plants in the environment of Kaiga of south west Coast of India. Journal of Environmental Radioactivity, Vol. 65, pp 255-266, 2003.
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- 39. Kiran K U, K Ravindraswami, K M Eshwarappa, **H M Somashekarappa**, "An investigation of energy dependence on saturation thickness for 59.54, 123, 360, 511, 662, 1115 and 1250 keV gamma photons in carbon and aluminium, Radiation Physics and Chemistry, (2014) Vol.97; 107-112.
- 40. R. R. Rasmi, K. Bhasker Shenoy, V. B. Kadwad, Jayula Sarnaik, **H. M. Somashekarappa**, "Application of novel magnetizable cellulose particles in the development of immunoradiometric assay for C-peptide", J Radioanal Nucl Chem; (2014); DOI 10.1007/s10967-015-3925-8.
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Conferences /Seminars / Workshops / Symposia organized (if applicable)

- i. **Convener** One week workshop on "*Maintenance of Opto-analytical Instruments*" in collaboration with Western Regional Instrumentation Centre (WRIC), Mumbai during Sept. 18-23, 2000, USIC, Mangalore University.
- ii. **Organising Secretary** One day seminar on *"Radiotracer and Sealed Source Applications in Industrial Troubleshooting and Process Optimisation"* in collaboration with Isotope Application Division (IAD), Bhabha Atomic Research Centre (BARC), Mumbai on January 25, 2000, USIC, Mangalore University.
- iii. Coordinator National level "Radiography Testing Level-II" training program during January 04
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- iv. Convener Two-day regional (South Indian) seminar on "Applications of Radioisotopes and Radiation Technology" and an exhibition on "Peaceful Uses of Nuclear Energy" in collaboration with National Association for Applications of Radioisotopes and Radiation in Industries (NAARRI), and Department of Atomic Energy, Mumbai during November 29-30, 2006, USIC, Mangalore University.
- v. **Convener** Four-day national workshop on "*Applications of Radioisotopes in Biology*" (handson-training) in collaboration with BRIT, DAE, Mumbai during March 7-10, 2008, USIC, Mangalore University.
- vi. **Organising Secretary** One day national workshop on "*Nuclear Technology for Human Welfare*" in association with BARC & BRIT, DAE, Mumbai on 28.04.2012, CARRT, Mangalore University.
- vii. Coordinator One day training programme on " ${}^{14}C$ Urea Breath Test (${}^{14}C$ –UBT)" for Helicobacter Pylori Infection on 29.04.2012, CARRT, Mangalore University.
- viii. **Coordinator** One month *Summer Vacation Fellowship Programme* for M. Sc. students of science disciplines from 20.06.2012 to 20.07.2012, CARRT, Mangalore University.
- ix. **Organising Secretary** Six day workshop on *"Radioimmunoassay (RIA)"* in association with BRIT, Mumbai from 04.02.2013 to 09.02.2013, CARRT, Mangalore University.
- x. Organising Secretary Three day workshop on "Hybridoma Technology" in association with

BRIT, Mumbai; IIT-Madras and Sri Ramachandra University, Chennai from 02.12.2014 to 04.12.2014, CARRT, Mangalore University.

- xi. **Convener** National Seminar on "Radiation and Radioisotopes: Tools for Scientific Research" in association with NAARRI, Mangalore Chapter on April 28th, 2014, CARRT, Mangalore University.
- xii. **Organising Secretary** Inauguration of "Blood Irradiator" and national workshop on "Blood Irradiation: Application in Transfusion Medicine" in association with NAARRI, Mangalore Chapter on April 28th, 2014, CARRT, Mangalore University.
- xiii. Course Coordinator GIAN course on "Nanofibers and their applications" in collaboration with Prof (Dr) Miroslav Cernik, Technical University of Liberec, Czech Republic during 27.02.2017 07.03.2017 (9 days), CARRT, Mangalore University

Membership of Professional Bodies (Life Membership)

- i. Indian Physics Association (IPA)
- ii. Indian Association for Radiation Protection (IARP)
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- iv. Association of Environmental Geochemists (AEGC)
- v. Indian Aerosol Science and Technology Association, (IASTA)
- vi. National Association for Application of Radioisotopes & Radiation in Industry (NAARRI)
- vii. Secretary, NAARRI Mangalore Chapter.

Any other Information

1. Special Training Programs Undergone:

- i. **Radiography Testing Level 2 Training:** Completed the Training Course (27 days) conducted at Mangalore University by Bhabha Atomic Research Centre (BARC), Mumbai during January 04 31, 2002 (28 days). Qualified to register as *Radiological Safety Officer (RSO)*.
- ii. Radiological Safety Aspects in the Research Application of Ionising Radiation (10 days Training): Successfully completed the course organized by Radiological Physics and Advisory Division, Bhabha Atomic Research Centre (BARC), Mumbai during May 31 June 8, 2010 (9 days). Qualified to register as *Radiological Safety Officer (RSO)*.

2. Other Research Projects:

(Responsible for initiating collaborative research programmes with the support of BRNS using CARRT facilities):

Sl.	Project title	Principal investigator
No.		
1	Effect of irradiation on coffee berry borer,	Dr. M G Venkatesha
	Hypothenemus hampei in the harvested coffee	Dept. of Zoology
		Bangalore University Bangalore.
2	Isotope base in vivo studies on triazole ring to	Dr. Bijul Lakshman A.
	develop new intact ring or its metabolite as	Selvamm Arts and Science College,
	nitrification inhibitor	Namakkal
		Tamilnadu.
3	Isolation and characterization of noval	Dr. Chandrashekar Gajanana Joshi
	radioprotective flavanoids from Tragia	Dept. of Biochemistry

	involucrate	Mangalore University
4	Application of irradiation for preventing post harvest losses in fish and fisheries products	Dr. B. Mnaja Naik Dept. of Fish Processing Technology
		College of fisheries
		Mangalore.
5	Development and validation of	Shri. Srikant L Patil
	radioimmunoassay for the <i>in vitro</i> quantitative	Dept. of Physiology
	estimation of melatonin in human serum and	KSHEMA, Nitte University
	plasma sample	Mangalore
6	Influence of gamma irradiation on pollen	Prof. H. Niranjana Murthy
	viability, germinability, fruit set, seed set and	Dept. of Botany
	induction of pathogenetic plants in Cucumis	Karnataka University, Dharwad.
	melo	
7	Adrenergic receptor subtype functional	Dr. Asha Abraham
	correlation in the brain and pancreas of high fat	PG dept. of Biotechnology
	simple carbohydrate c57bl/6j mice: implication	St. Aloysius College, Mangalore.
	in metabolic syndrome	

3. Summer Fellowship Programme (2 batches in 2 years) (Conducted in CARRT with the financial support of BRNS)

i. Summer Fellowship Programmes Organised - 2012 Batch: 10 students

(10 students from different science post graduate departments with a fellowship of Rs. 5,000/- per month plus cost towards conducting experiments and preparing the report).

ii. Summer Fellowship Programmes Organised- 2013 Batch: 10 students

(10 students from different science post graduate departments with a fellowship of Rs. 5,000/- per month plus cost towards conducting experiments and preparing the report)

4. M. Sc. Student Projects Conducted in CARRT during 2015-2019: 4

[1 project (2 students) for Dept. of Physics, Mangalore University and 3 projects (3 students each) for St. Aloysius College, Mangalore with charges for students from other institutes]

5. Major Contributions to the Teaching, Research and Development:

- i. Instrumental in getting first mega research project from BRNS and establishing a "Centre for Application of Radioisotopes and Radiation Technology (CARRT)" a multidisciplinary and central research facility and working as its Centre-in-Charge from 2010 to 2020.
- ii. Instrumental in initiating a new teaching programme M Sc in Medical Physics in collaboration with medical institutes and hospitals and working as a founder Coordinator of Medical Physics Division from 2019 to 2020.
- iii. Instrumental in in initiating *Collaborative Research Programs* with other universities and institutes using CARRT facilities funded by BRNS (10 research projects have been sanctioned to other universities and institutes under CARRT programme).
- iv. Instrumental in getting sanctioned and installed an "Automatic Whether Station under ISRO-BARC programme".

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