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Education:

B.Sc. Bangalore, 1966

M.Sc. Bangalore, 1968

Ph.D. Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore, 1973

Professional Positions:

2019-Present	Honorary Professor and SERB-YOS Chair Professor Jawaharlal Nehru Centre for Advanced Scientific Research, Bangalore
2013-2019	Honorary Professor & SERB Distinguished Fellow Jawaharlal Nehru Centre for Advanced Scientific Research, Bangalore
2003-2013 (April-Sept)	President, Jawaharlal Nehru Centre for Advanced Scientific Research, Bangalore
2001-2003	Astra Professor, Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore
1998	Visiting Scientist, Ludwig Institute for Cancer Research, Univ.of California at San Diego
1998-2003	Chairman Department of Biochemistry, Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore
1993	Visiting Professor – 6 months, Harvard Medical School, USA
1998-1990	Visiting Associate Professor – 3 months each year, Harvard Medical School, USA

Curriculum Vitae

1986 (June-Oct)	Research Associate Professor, Baylor College of Medicine, USA
1983 (April-July)	Visiting Assistant Professor, Baylor College of Medicine, USA
1990-1993	Chairman, Centre for Genetic Engineering, Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore
1991-2009	Professor, Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore
1987- 1991	Associate Professor, Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore
1982-1987	Assistant Professor, Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore
1978-1982	Sr. Research Fellow of IISc, Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore
1976-1978	Assistant Professor, Baylor College of Medicine, USA
1975-1976	Instructor, Baylor College of Medicine, USA
1974-1975	Research Associate, Baylor College of Medicine, USA

Membership of Professional Bodies/Societies:

- Member, Society of Biological Chemistry (India), (Hon. Treasurer and Hon. Secretary)
- Member, American Society of Cell Biology
- Member, American Society of Microbiology
- Member, American Society of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
- Member, Human Genome organization
- President, Society of Biological Chemists (India), 2001-2004, (Two terms)
- Vice President, Indian Academy of Science, Bangalore 2013-2015

Membership in Advisory Boards/Editorial Boards:

- Member, Research Council of IMTECH, Chandigarh 1992-95; 1995-98
- Member, Research Advisory Panel of NII, New Delhi 1993-98, 1999-2003
- Member, Editorial Board (J.Bio Sciences) (Associate Editor), 1988-89
- Member, Editorial Board, Indian J. Biochem. Biophys, 1990-93
- Member, Programme Advisory Committee of DST on Reproductive Biology 1988 -1991
- Member, Programme Advisory Committee of DST on Molecular Biology, 1991 – 1994
- Member, Task Force of DBT on Man Power Development 1994-97
- Member, Sub Committee of Task Force of DBT on Human Genetics 1995-97
- Member, Sectional Committee on Biochemistry of INSA, 1996-1998

Curriculum Vitae

- Convener, Sectional Committee on Biochemistry of INSA, 1999-2001
- Member, Research Council, CCMB, Hyderabad 1998-2000
- Member, Scientific Advisory Committee, CDFD, Hyderabad 1997-99 & 2000-2002
- Consulting member of IUBMB to formulate guidelines for Ph.D. degree in Biological Sciences, 1998
- Member, Review Committee on Genetic Manipulation, DBT 1999-2001
- Member, Research Advisory Committee of SPIC Science Foundation, 2000-2004
- Member, Academic Advisory Committee of JNCASR, Bangalore, 2001-2003
- Member, Task Force on Human Genetics and Genome Analysis, DBT, 2000-2002
- Member, Council of Indian Statistical Institute, Calcutta, 2000-2002
- Convenor, Sectional Committee on Interdisciplinary (Biology) of INSA, 2001
- Member, Council of Indian National Science Academy, 1999-2001
- Member, Committee to Restructure the Sectional Committees of INSA, 2001
- **Chairman, Research Council, CCMB, Hyderabad 2001-2003**
- Member, Evaluation Committee of CSIR to assess Scientists 'F', 2001
- Member, Scientific Advisory Committee of Madras Diabetic Research Foundation 2002-2004
- Member, Scientific Advisory Committee on GENOMICS, ICMR, 2001
- Member, Scientific Advisory Committee on Cancer Research, ICMR, 2002
- Member, UGC committee for National Accreditation of University Departments, 2001
- Chairman, Steering Committee of NMITLI project of CSIR on Cancer Genomics
- Member, Editorial Board of Int. Journal of Human Genetics
- Member, Scientific Advisory Committee on Molecular Diagnostics Center of Dabur Research Foundation, 2002-2004
- **Chairman, Organizing Committee of the FAOBMB Congress 2003**
- **Chairman, Research Council, Indian Institute of Chemical Biology, Kolkata 2004-2006**
- **Co-Chairman, Recruitment and Assessment Board, CSIR.**
- Member, Pharmaceuticals R&D Support Fund (PRDSF), DST
- Member, Scientific Advisory Committee of NICED, Kolkata
- Member, Selection/Search Committee of CSIR Directors
- **Chairman, Task Force on Human Genetics and Genome Analysis, DBT: 2003-2005 and 2006-2009**
- Member, Sectional Committee of Biochemistry, INSA 2004-2006
- Member, Sectional Committee of Medicine, Indian Academy of Sciences 2004-2006
- Member, Scientific Council of Indo French Centre for Promotion of Advanced Research (2002-2006)
- Member, Governing Board of IBAB, Bangalore
- Member, Indo-Japan JSPS Science Council

- **Chairman, Indian Joint Working Group for the Indo-US Programme on Contraceptive and Reproductive Health Research, 3 years from 7th July 2004.**
- Member, Scientific Advisory Committee of National Institute of Cholera and Enteric Diseases (under ICMR) - 2005
- Member, CSIR Monitoring Committee of Network Project on Toxicogenomics of polymorphism in Indian population to industrial chemicals for development of biomarkers (2004-2007).
- Member, ICMR National Laboratory Animal Welfare Committee (NLAWAC).
- Member, Governing Council of NCPGR, New Delhi
- Member, Indo-Brazil Science Council
- Member, Board of Dabur Research Foundation
- Member, Swarnajayanti Fellowship Committee (Life Sciences)
- **Member, Board of Governors of Indian Institute of Science Education and Research (IISER), Kolkatta**
- Expert Member, Scientific Advisory committee (Molecular Biology), Bose Institute, Kolkatta.
- Expert Member for the working group under the steering committee on Science and Technology for the formulation of Eleventh Five Year Plan (2007-2012)
- Member, Advisory committee for Medical Biosciences Park, Internaional Centre for Cardio Thoraic and Vascular Diseases, Chennai
- Chairman, Monitoring Committee of Dosha Prakruta project of PSA office.
- **Member, TWAS Prize committee for Biology, 2009-2013**
- **Chairman of the Society and the Governing Board of IISER, Trivandrum, 2010-2012**
- **Member, International Jury for King Faisal Foundation Prize in Biology,2012**
- **Chairman, Sectional Committee on Health Sciences, INSA, 2012-2015**
- **Member, Science and Engineering Research Board (SERB), 2010-2014**
- **Member, Council of Management, Bose Institute, Kolkata, 2014-2019**
- **Member, Karnataka Knowledge Commission, 2014-2017; 2017-2020**
- **Chairman, Basic Medical Sciences, ICMR, 2014-2017**
- Member, Scientific Advisory Group/BMS, ICMR, 2012-2017
- **Member, Vision Group of IFCPAR/CEFIPRA, 2016**
- **Member, Governing Body and Socity of CSIR (2017-2020)**
- **Chairman, DBT Task Force on Human genetics and Genomics (2017-2020)**
- **Chairman, Ramalingaswamy Fellowship selection committee, DBT, 2017-2020.**
- **Member, International Review committee Spanish Government to review Spanish Research Institutes, 2016, 2017 and 2018**
- **Member, J.C.Bose and Ramanujan Fellowship Committee of SERB 2018-2020**

AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS:

- Sarma Memorial Award of S.B.C. (I), 1985
- Elected to Guha Research Conference 1986
- Fellow of Indian Academy of Sciences, 1988
- S.S.Bhatnagar Award of CSIR for Biological Sciences, 1988
- INSA Research Fellowship 1988-90
- Rockefeller Biotechnology Career Fellowship 1988-90
- Fellow of Indian National Science Academy, 1992
- Hon. Senior Fellow, Jawaharlal Nehru Centre for Advanced Scientific Research, 1990.
- Platinum Jubilee Lecture of Indian Science Congress Association, 1991
- Fellow of the National Academy of Sciences, India, Allahabad, 1993
- Eleanor Roosevelt Fellowship of American Cancer Society, 1993
- Senior Associate of National Institute of Advanced Studies, 1996
- Hon. Professor, Jawaharlal Nehru Centre for Advanced Scientific Research, 1998.
- Elected to Council of Indian National Science Academy (1999-2001).
- Ranbaxy Science Foundation Award for Basic Medical Sciences, 1999
- Jawaharlal Nehru Birth Centenary Lecture of INSA for the year 2000
- J.C.Bose Medal of the Indian National Science Academy, 2001
- Sir Mellanby Memorial Lecture of CDRI, Lucknow, 2002
- Elected to Human Genome Organization 2002
- Elected to Third World Academy of Sciences, 2002
- O.P. Bhasin Award for Biotechnology, 2002
- Prof. J. Das Memorial Lecture of Indian Society of Cell Biology 2003
- FICCI Award 2004-05 for the significant work in the category of R&D in Life Sciences
Including Agriculture and Biotechnology
- JC Bose National Fellowship in recognition of outstanding performance and contributions in the area of Life Sciences (2006-16)
- Sir M. Viseveswaraih Senior Scientist State award for the year 2004 for life time contributions for the development of Science and Technology, Government of Karnataka.
- Dr.B.R.Ambedkar Centenary Award for Bio Medical Research of ICMR, 2005
- TWAS Medal Lecture 2008
- Member of Planning Board of Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences, Bangalore
- Dr. Abhijit Guha Oration Lecture of the Indian Society of NeuroOncology 2010
- Fellow of the National Academy of Medical Sciences, India 2011
- Prof. N. Appaji Rao Best Mentor Award for the year 2011.
- Hon. Visiting Professor, Department of Biochemistry, IISc. 2012 to date
- Nuggenahalli Narayana Rao Memorial Lecture, Department of Biochemistry, IISc.2012
- **Distinguished Alumni award of IISc. 2014**

- Goyal Prize 2012-2013
- SERB Distinguished Fellowship, 2014-2017
- SERB-Year of Science Chair Professor-2019-2024

Civilian Honour: PADMASHRI, Govt of India, 2010

Mentorship		Research Areas
Number of students received Ph.D.	40	Molecular and Cellular Biology
Number of students received MS	12	Genomics and Cancer Biology
Presently working for Ph.D.	3	Molecular genetics of Type II Diabetes
Number of Postdocs trained	15	Chromatin Biology
Number of Project Assistants trained	>80	RNA Biology

List of Publications of Prof. M.R.S.Rao

* **Important Publications**

H-Index: 36

Total number of citations: 6200

1. **Rao, M.R.S.,** Padmanaban, G., Muthukrishnan, S. and Sarma, P.S. Feedback inhibition of δ -Aminolaevulinate dehydratase by coproporphyrinogen III *Ind. J. Biochem.* **7**, 132-133 (1970).
2. **Rao, M.R.S.,** Padmanaban, G. and Sarma, P.S. Porphyrin synthesis in drug induced hepatic porphyria *Biochem. Pharmacol* **20**, 2001-2007 (1971).
3. **Rao, M.R.S.,** and Padmanaban, G. δ -Aminolaevulinate synthetase induction and catalase repression by porphrinogenic drugs *Biochem. J.* **122**, 593-595 (1971).
4. ***Rao, M.R.S.,** and Malathi, K. and Padmanaban. G. Relationship between δ -Aminolaevulinate synthetase induction and the concentration of catalase and cytochrome p-450 *Biochem. J.* **127**, 5530559 (1972).
5. Gayathri, A.K., **Rao, M.R.S.,** and Padmanaban, G. Studies on δ -Aminolaevulinate synthetase induction in mouse liver. *Arch. Biochem. Biophys.* **129**, 299-306 (1972)
6. Rajamanickam, C., Amruthavalli, J., **Rao, M.R.S.,** and Padmanaban, G. Effect of hexachlorobenzene on haem synthesis *Biochem. J.* **129**, 381-387 (1972).

7. Gayathri, A.K., **Rao, M.R.S.**, and Padmanaban, G. Drug metabolism in cold exposed animals. *Ind. J. Biochem. Biophys.* **10**, 71-74 (1973).
8. **Rao, M.R.S.**, and Padmanaban, G. Biochemical effects of the porphyrinogenic drug allyl isopropylacetamide *Biochem. J.* **134**, 859-868 (1973).
9. Padmanaban, G., **Rao, M.R.S.**, and Malathi, K. A model for the regulation of δ -Aminolaevulinate synthetase induction in rat liver. *Biochem. J.* **134**, 847-857 (1973).
10. *Rajamanickam, C., **Rao, M.R.S.**, and Padmanaban, G. **On the sequence of reactions leading to cytochrome p-450 synthesis-Effect of drugs.** *J. Biol. Chem.* **250**, 2305-2310 (1975).
11. Sardana, M.K., **Rao, M.R.S.**, and Padmanaban, G. Effect of allyl isopropylacetamide on nuclear RNA synthesis in rat liver *Biochem. J.* **147**, 185-187 (1975).
12. Sakamoto, S., **Rao, M.R.S.**, Spohn, W.H., Wu, B.C., Long, S. and Busch, J. Studies on chromatin and other poly A containing RNA of Novikoff hepatoma ascites cells. *Proc. Am. Soc. Cancer Res.* **16**, 45 (1975).
13. Sakamoto, S., **Rao, M.R.S.**, Wu, B.C., Spohn, W.H. and Busch, H. Characterization of nuclear and chromatin poly A containing RNA. *Physiol. Chem. Phys.* **7**, 309-324 (1975).
14. ***Rao, M.R.S.**, Wu, B.C., Waxman, J. and Busch, H. Rigid structural requirement of the 5'-terminus of mRNA for translational activity. *Biochem. Biophys. Res. Commun.* **66**, 1186-1193 (1975).
15. Busch, H., Choi, Y.C., Daskal, Y., Liarkos, C.D., **Rao, M.R.S.**, Ro-Choi, T.S. and Wu, B.C. Methods for study of messenger RNA. *Methods in Cancer Research.* **13**, 101-197 (1976).
16. Busch, H., Yeoman, L.C., Busch, R.K., Jordan, J.J., **Rao, M.R.S.**, Taylor, C.W., and Wu, B.C. Antigenically active nonhistone chromatin proteins in cancer cells. *Cancer Research* **36**, 3399-3408 (1976).
17. Busch, H., Henning, D., Hirsch, F.W., **Rao, M.R.S.**, Ro-Choi T.S., Spohn, W.H. and Wu, B.C. Structural aspects of low molecular weight RNA and the implications of the 5'-CPA for messenger and protein synthesis. *Molecular Biology of the mammalian Genetic Apparatus* (P. Ts'o, Ed.) p.165 (1976)

18. Busch, H., Henning, D., Hirsch, F.W., **Rao, M.R.S.**, Ro-Choi, T.S., Spohn, W.H. and Wu, B.C. The 5'-cap of LMW and mRNA-its importance in approaches to comparisons of tumor and non-tumor cell function. *Control mechanisms of Cancer* (Criss, W.E., Ono, T. and Sabine, J.R., Eds.) p.241-268 (1976).
19. Wu, B.C., **Rao, M.R.S.**, Kumar, K. and Busch, H. Comparative analysis of ³⁵S-labeled proteins produced in the wheat germ translation system by liver and Novikoff hepatoma mRNA by autoradiography after 2D-gel electrophoresis. *Proc. Am. Soc. Cancer Res.* **17**, 13 (1976).
20. Busch, H., Wu, B.C., **Rao, M.R.S.**, Gupta, K.K., Hirsch, F.W. and Spohn, W.H. Evidence for coupled synthesis of rRNA and mRNA for ribosomal proteins in growing cells. *Fed. Proc.* **35**, 1582 (1976).
21. Busch, H., Hirsch, F.W., Gupta, K.K., **Rao, M.R.S.**, Spohn, W.H. and Wu, B.C. Structural and functional studies on the 5'-cap. *Progr. Nucl. Acid Res.* **19**, p.39-61 (1976).
22. **Rao, M.R.S.**, Hirsch, F.W., Wu, B.C., Spohn, W.H. and Busch, H. Comparative studies on the 5'-cap and *in vitro* translational activity of cytoplasmic and nuclear poly(A)⁺ RNA. *Mol. Cell Biochem.* **7**, 3-15 (1977).
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24. **Rao, M.R.S.**, Blackstone, M., Danziger, W. and Busch, H. inhibitory effects on U1-nuclear RNA on translation of messenger RNA in wheat germ cell-free system. *Fed. Proc.* **36**, 871 (1977).
25. Busch, H., Wu, B.C., **Rao, M.R.S.**, Gupta, K.K., Hirsch, F.W. and Spohn, W.H. Evidence for coupled synthesis of rRNA for ribosomal protein mRNAs. *J.Cell Biol.* **70**, 148 (1976).
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33. **Rao, M.R.S.**, Prasad, V.R., Padmanaban, G. and Ganguly, J. Isolation and characterization of retinol binding protein from the cytosol, nucleosol and chromatin of hen oviduct. **Biochem. J. 183, 501-505 (1979).**
34. Aswani Kumar, **Rao, M.R.S.** and Padmanaban, G. A comparative study of the early effect of phenobarbital and 3-methylcholanthrene on the synthesis and transport of RNA in rat liver. **Biochem. J. 186, 81-87 (1980).**
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36. ***Rao, M.R.S.**, Singh, J. and Ganguly, J. Effect of deprivation of vitamin A on the basic nuclear proteins of rat testes. **Biochem. Biophys. Res. Commun. 54, 108 (1980).**
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38. **Rao, M.R.S.** Structure and function of eukaryotic chromatin. **J.Sci. Ind. Res. 41, 258-271 (1982).**
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40. Unni E., **Rao, M.R.S.** and Ganguly, J. Histological and ultrastructural studies on the effect of vitamin A deprivation and subsequent repletion with vitamin A in the rat testes. *Ind. J. Exptl. Biol.* **21**, 180-192 (1983).
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45. Unni, E., Kesari, K.V. and **Rao, M.R.S.** Effect of vitamin A deprivation on the mitotic factor activity in rat testes. *Biochem. Biophys. Res. Commun.* **125**, 454-462 (1984).
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