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Brief bio sketch

Ravi Manjithaya received his PhD degree studying Post-transcriptional Gene Regulation from Indian Institute of Science (Advisor: Prof. Rajan Dighe). He did his postdoctoral training in the autophagy related pathways at the University of California, San Diego (Mentor: Prof. Suresh Subramani) before joining JNCASR in 2011. He was a Wellcome Trust-DBT Intermediate fellow (2011-2016). His lab is interested in understanding the mechanisms that govern autophagy and related pathways in health and disease. He was a Wellcome Trust-DBT Intermediate fellow (2011-2016). He has received the CDRI Award 2020 for Excellence in Drug Research in Life Sciences category and S Ramachandran-National Bioscience Award for Career Development by the Department of Biotechnology, Government of India.

Education

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2004-2009	Post-doctoral research scholar, Subramani lab, University of California, San Diego, USA
1998-2004	Ph.D. in Molecular Biology
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Publications

Research publications

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Review Editor for the journal Frontiers in Nanobiotechnology.

Awards and membership

S Ramachandran-National Bioscience Award for Career Development from the Department of Biotechnology, Govt. of India 2020-21

CDRI Awards 2020 for Excellence in Drug Research in Life Sciences category awarded jointly to Dr. Ravi Manjithaya, JNCASR.

Sir C.V. Raman Young Scientist State Award in the field of Life Sciences for the year 2019
Wellcome Trust-DBT India Alliance Intermediate Fellow (2011-2016)

American Society of Cell Biology member

Elected member of Guha Research Conference