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• **Academic Qualification (Undergraduate Onwards)**

Institute and Location	Specialization	Degree and Year
Calcutta University, India	Education	B.Ed.; 1990
Calcutta University	Zoology	M.Sc; 1991
Calcutta University	Environmental Science	M. Phil; 1991
Student of ISI, Kolkata; Registered under Jadavpur University, India	Chemistry/Immunology	PhD; 1995

• **Work experience (in chronological order)**

Position	Division/ Department	University/Institution	From (Month Year)	To (Month Year)
Research Associate	MRDG	IISC Bangalore	Jan, 1996	Dec, 1997
Post-Doctoral researcher	Pathology	University of Pennsylvania	Feb, 1997	Sept, 2000
Senior Research Investigator	Microbiology	University of Pennsylvania	Oct, 2002	Sept, 2003
Assistant Professor	Neuroscience	Thomas Jefferson University	Oct, 2004	Sept, 2008
Associate Professor	Biological sciences	IISER Kolkata	Oct, 2008	Feb, 2015
Professor	Biological sciences	IISER Kolkata	Mar, 2015	Till Date
Adjunct Associate Professor	Ophthalmology	University of Pennsylvania	Mar, 2013	Till date

• **Professional Recognition/ Award/ Prize/ Certificate, Fellowship**

Honors, Special Recognitions and Awards

2018	Elected Fellow of West Bengal Academy of Science and Technology (WAST)
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2018	Host for ASM-IUSSTF Indo-US Professorship Award of Professor Sharon Gusky from North Western Connecticut Community College, CT, USA
2018	Institute appreciation for contribution to Science and Administration the occasion of Science Day
2017	ASMCUE Leadership Award for International Educators Sponsored by the American Society for Microbiology (ASM)
2016	ASMCUE Leadership Award for International Educators Sponsored by the American Society for Microbiology (ASM)
2013	ASM-IUSSTF Indo-US International Professorship Award to develop a bi-lateral research relationship between India and the US
2007	Science Horizon Research Internships-Mentor Award Bryn Mawr College, USA
2007	Lind back Distinguished Teaching Award/Junior Faculty Career, Enhancement Award, USA
2002	Dale McFarlin Award, National Multiple Sclerosis Society, USA
2001	Advanced Postdoctoral Fellowship Award, National Multiple Sclerosis Society, USA

Publications

1. Das Sarma J*, Burrows A, Rayman P, Hwang MH, Kundu S, Sharma N, Bergmann C, Sen GC, Ifit2 deficiency restricts microglial activation and leukocyte migration following murine coronavirus (m-CoV) CNS infection, PLoS Pathog. 2020 Nov 30; 16(11): e1009034. doi: 10.1371/journal.ppat.1009034
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 9. Bose, A., Basu, R., Maulik, M., Das Sarma, J.*, "Loss of Cx43-mediated functional Gap junction communication in meningeal fibroblasts following Mouse Hepatitis virus infection", *Molecular Neurobiology* 55(8):6558-6571, 2018; doi: 10.1007/s12035-017-0861-3
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- **Detail of patents.** None

- **Books/Reports/Chapters/General articles etc.**

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- **Details of Projects under implementation**

Department of Biotechnology, India

- Title of the project “**Multi- Dimensional Research to Enable Systems Medicine: Acceleration using a Cluster Approach**” at Kalyani, West Bengal(SyMeC); Tenure: 4 years; Role in the grant: Coordinator; Start Date- 04/04/17; Total Direct Cost: Rs. 10,45,000,00
- Title of the project “**Developing an in vitro neural cell culture model to understand the mechanism of neural cell death in Systemic Lupus erythematosus(SLE)**”; Tnure:3 years; Role in the grant: Principal Investigator; Start Date - 05/06/2018; Total Direct Cost Rs. 52, 53,000
- Title of the project: “**Neuroprotective function of CD40 in Mouse Hepatitis Virus induced central nervous system infection**” Tenure:3 years; Role in the grant: Principal Investigator; Start Date: 01/08/2017; Total Direct Cost: Rs. 58, 00,000

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- Title of the project: “**Impaired Quality control of Connexin43 and Decreased Astrocyte Gap junctional Communication in a Mouse Hepatitis Virus Induced Model of Human Neurological diseases: Multiple Sclerosis**” Tenure: 2 years; Start date -16/05/2019; 1st year cost: Rs. 8, 49,833

Indo-U.S. Virtual Networks for COVID-19 (Press release)

- Title of the project: “**Leveraging reverse genetics strategies to study structure-function interplay of virus host attachment spike protein to design therapies for COVID-19**”, **Jayasri Das Sarma** (Indian Institute of Science Education and Research Kolkata) and **Maria Nagel** (University of Colorado School of Medicine, Aurora), IUSSTF-VN-COVID-107-2020

- **Details of Projects submitted to various funding agencies and status**

Current available funding: Department of Biotechnology, DBT is considering readjusting INR 50,00,000 for COVID Research form Jayasri Das Sarma’s current ongoing System medicine Cluster project.

- **Details of Projects completed during the last 3 years**

Department of Biotechnology, India

- Title of the project: “**Understanding the mechanism of viral induced axonal loss and demyelination in an experimental animal model**” Role in the grant: Principal Investigator; Start Date: 09/09/2011; Total Direct Cost : Rs. 63, 880, 00.
- Title of the project: “**Development of a unique animal model to understand the etiology of human central nervous system autoimmune disease multiple sclerosis (MS)**”; Grant Number BT/PR4530/MED/30/715/2012; Role in the grant : Principal Investigator; Start Date 21/03/2012; Total Direct Cost: Rs. 29, 94,012.

Workshops /Conferences Organized

- August 16-19 2020: “Bilateral INDO-US Webinar on COVID Biology”, organized by IISER Kolkata, India, in collaboration with IISc India, University of Colorado and University of Pennsylvania, USA
- December 3-8, 2019: Indo-US Symposium on New Insights into the Inflammation, Immunity, and Pathobiology of Diseases, Sinclair Bayview, Port Blair, Andaman Islands, India, in collaboration with IISc India, University of Colorado and University of Pennsylvania, USA
- February 24-March 1, 2018: Bioanalytical Workshop on Advanced Bioanalytical methods and applications, Lemon Tree, Gangtok in collaboration with IISER-K and American Society for microbiology (ASM)
- November 13-17, 2016: **Indo-US Symposium on Central Nervous System Viral Infection and its Therapy**, Sinclair’s Retreat, Jalpaiguri, West Bengal, India in collaboration with IISER-Kolkata, Banaras Hindu University, India and University of Iowa, USA
- February 23-25, 2014: **Indo-US Symposium on Viral Infections of the Nervous System**, Hyatt, Gurgaon, New Delhi in collaboration with National Brain Research Centre, India and University of Colorado, USA and University of California, San Francisco, USA
- November 3, 2012: **WWN Symposium; “Opportunities and Challenges for Women Scientists in India”**, NIMHANS, Bangalore

Talks delivered

- **Conference Talks (National and International)**

October 4-7, 2020 Virtual oral presentation on “Neurological manifestations and neuropathogenic mechanism of Murine-Coronaviruses (M-CoVs): implications for the potential neuropathogenic mechanism of SARS-CoV-2” at IAN International E-Conference;

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- XXXVIII Annual Meeting of Indian Academy of Neurosciences 'Basic and Clinical Neurosciences: Bridging the Gaps', Hyderabad, Telangana, India
- August 19, 2020 Virtual oral presentation on "m-CoV: A neurological perspective", "Bilateral "Bilateral INDO-US Webinar on COVIDBiology", organized by IISER Kolkata, India, in collaboration with IISc India, University of Colorado and University of Pennsylvania, USA
- August 8-9, 2020 Virtual talk on "COVID-19 Viral Pathogenicity Epidemiology and Therapeutic Approach", a two-day webinar, conducted by Derozio Memorial College, Kolkata
- July 5, 2020 An online faculty development programme on "Teaching, research and innovation in India: A biologists' view" organized by Amity Institute of Biotechnology, Amity University, Kolkata
- June 14, 2020 A panel discussion forum on "Changed role of women in science Education and society" organized by Professors of PGIMER, Chandigarh and NIMHANS, Bangalore
- June 13-17, 2020 Virtual presentation on "CD4+ T cells crosstalk with microglia/macrophage provides protection against mouse Hepatitis virus induced neuroinflammatory demyelination", **American Society for Virology 39th Annual Meeting**, Colorado State University in Fort Collins, Colorado
- June 12, 2020 An online webinar series on "Role of biotechnology in COVID-19 Pandemic: Issues and Challenges" on June 12th, 2020, organized by Brahmananda Keshab Chandra College, Kolkata
- May 08 -12, 2020 "Nexus between CNS resident microglia and migrating peripheral T cells pave the way for host immunity against neurotropic virus infection", international conference "**IMMUNOLOGY 2020**", Honolulu Hawaii, USA
- March 31- April 6, 2020 "Functional regulation of gap junction intercellular communication in viral induced neuroinflammation, 26th **Society of Neuroimmune Pharmacology (SNIP)**, Delhi, India
- March 6-7, 2020 "Need of the hour to train minds and not the hands of women in science and education"- "**Women in Science Education**", **NIMHANS**, Bangalore, India
- December 3-8, 2019 "Crosstalk between CNS resident microglia and migrating peripheral T cells pave the way for host immunity against neurotropic virus infection", "**New insights into the inflammation, immunity and pathobiology of diseases**", INDO-US 2019, Andaman Islands, India
- November 30, 2019 "Molecular and cellular pathogenesis of mouse hepatitis virus induced neuro-inflammatory demyelination", **Neuroupdate 2019, CSIR-IICB**, Kolkata, India
- October 24-26, 2019 "International conference on Neurological disorders and Therapeutics (ICNDT) – 2019", **NIPER**, Ahmadabad, India
- October 2 to 4, 2019 "Ifit2, an interferon-induced protein, attenuates neuropathy in coronavirus-infected mice by promoting microglial activation and leukocyte migration to the central nervous system", The 20th Annual Rocky Mountain Virology Meeting, Pingree Park, Colorado, USA
- July 20-24, 2019 "A proline insertion-deletion in mouse hepatitis virus spike glycoprotein fusion peptide strongly alters neuropathogenesis", 38th Annual Meeting **University of Minnesota, Minneapolis**
- May 9-13, 2019 "Regulatory role of Ifit2 in mouse hepatitis virus-induced neuroinflammation", **IMMUNOLOGY 2019, San Diego, California, USA**
- October 29-31, 2017 "A novel role of gap junction intracellular communication in Gliosis in a model of viral-induced neuro-inflammatory demyelination", **Indian Academy of Neuroscience**

- (IAN) 2017 and International Conference on**
- December 18-20, 2016 “Neuroglial gap junctional intercellular communication in Neuroinflammation”, **3rd International Meet on Advanced Studies in Cell Signaling Network (CeSiN 2016)**, Indian Institute of Chemical Biology (IICB), Jadavpur, India
- December 9-11, 2016 “Bridging innate and adaptive immune response in the induction of neuroinflammatory Demyelination”, **National Conference on Recent Trends in Neurological and Psychiatric Research, Society for Neurochemistry India (SNCI)**, Centre for Cellular and Molecular Biology (CCMB), Hyderabad, India
- November 14-17, 2016 “Viral-neural cell interphase and neuroimmune modulation in demyelination”, **Indo-US Symposium on central Nervous System Viral Infection and its Therapy**, Sinclair’s Retreat Dooars, Chalsa Hilltop, Jalpaiguri, West Bengal, India
- October 19-21, 2016 “Neuro-immune crosstalk in virus induced central nervous system demyelination and axonal loss”, **Indian Academy of Neuroscience 34th Annual Meeting, Molecules to Mind**, National Brain Research Centre, Maneswar, Haryana
- September 20, 2014 “Immunopathogenesis of viral induced chronic inflammatory demyelination in an experimental animal model”, **Research Workshop on Diagnostic and Therapeutic Immunology**, College of medicine and JNM Hospital, WBUHS, Kalyani, Nadia
- February 23-25, 2014 “Mechanism of direct viral induced demyelination”, **Indo-US Symposium on Viral Infections of the Nervous System**, Hyatt Regency, Gurgaon, New Delhi, India
- November 9-11, 2013 “Innate neuroimmune system upon which adaptive immunity is built”, **Brain Plasticity and Neurological disorder**, Ravenshaw University, Cuttack, India
- November 3, 2012 “Current trends: Challenges and opportunities for women scientists in India”, **2012 WWN Symposium “Opportunities and Challenges for Women Scientists in India”**, NIMHANS, Bangalore, India
- November 1-2, 2012 “Mechanisms Underlying Inflammation in in Neurodegeneration” **Satellite Symposium-Indian Academy of Neurosciences, Bangalore Chapter “Neurobiology of cognition”**, Convention Centre, NIMHANS, Bangalore, India
- October 12-13, 2012 “Delineation of adaptive and non-adaptive immune of mechanisms demyelination in experimental animal models of Multiple Sclerosis”, **5th Annual Meeting of the Cytometry Society**, Centre for Research in Nanoscience & Nanotechnology, University of Calcutta, Kolkata, India
- December 16-18, 2011 “Neural Cell Biology of Viral Induced Concomitant Axonal and Loss and Demyelination”, **XXXV ALL India Cell Biology Conference**, NISER, Bhubaneswar, India
- December 16-19, 2009 “Immunosuppression or Neuroprotection: Multiple approaches to Autoimmune Disease Multiple Sclerosis”, **36th Annual Conference of Indian Immunology Society/ IMMUNOCON- 2009, NIMHANS, Bangalore, India**

- **Invited talks (National and International Institutes/Universities)**

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- January 25, 2021 “CD40-CD40 Ligand interaction in bridging innate and adaptive immune responses in m-CoV, Mouse Hepatitis Virus-Induced Neuroinflammatory demyelination’, **Bio-Wissen** talks series, **IISER-Tirupati**, Tirupati, India
- February 3rd, 2020 “Interaction between CNS resident microglia and migrating peripheral T cells pave the way for host immunity against neurotropic virus infection”, **IISER-Mohali**, Mohali, India
- October 24-26, 2019 “International conference on Neurological disorders and Therapeutics (ICNDT) – 2019”, **NIPER**, Ahmadabad, India
- 3rd October, 2019 “Regulatory role of Interferon-induced protein Ifit2 in developing host immunity against CNS viral infection”, ID Research in Progress Seminar, **School of Medicine, Division of Infectious Diseases, University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus**
- April 17, 2019 “Gap junction protein Connexin 43/47 axis in the perspective of mouse hepatitis virus induced demyelination”
Wednesday, **Emory University School of Medicine**
- 2019 “Ifit2, an interferon-induced protein, attenuates neuropathy in coronavirus-infected mice by promoting microglial activation and leukocyte migration to the central nervous system”, **Lecture series on Infection and Immunity**, Department of inflammation and immunity, **Cleveland Clinic**, OH 44195, USA
- February, 2019 “Neuroinflammation: An amplifier of virus induced Demyelination pathology”, at Department day, **IISER Kolkata**
- December 4, 2018, “Innate and adaptive immune regulation during chronic Mouse Hepatitis Virus infection”, RC2-5th floor, **Colorado**
- October 26, 2018 “Immunoregulatory function of CD40 in mouse hepatitis virus-induced neuropathogenesis”, **University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, USA**
- March 11, 2018 “A novel role of gap junction intercellular communication in Gliosis: Studies in a viral model of demyelination”, **National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research (NIPER)**, Ahmadabad, India
- July 25, 2017 “Remodeling of Central Nervous System Gap Junction Intercellular Communication in viral induced Gliopathy”, Department of Neurology, **University of Colorado, Denver, Colorado, USA**
- July 13, 2017 “A novel role of Gap Junction Intercellular Communication in Gliosis: Study in a model of virus-induced demyelination”, Department of Immunology, **Lerner Research Institute, Cleveland, Ohio, USA**
- March 16, 2017 “Gliopathy are the early events in mouse hepatitis virus induced demyelination and axonal loss”, **National Institute of Health/National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIH/NIAID)**, Rocky Mountain Laboratories, Hamilton, Montana, USA
- February 15, 2017 “Gliopathy in viral induced demyelination”, **Centre for Cellular and Molecular Biology (CCMB)**, Hyderabad, India
- June 3, 2013 “Neural cell biology of a viral induced demyelination and Axonal loss in an experimental animal Model”, **Focused Multiple Sclerosis Group Colloquium Series, University**

- March 23, 2010 **of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, USA**
“Understanding complex mechanisms of neuro-inflammatory demyelinating disease Multiple Sclerosis”, **Seminar Series of the Centre for Infection and Immunity in the School of Medicine, Dentistry and Biomedical Science, Queen’s University Belfast, North Ireland**
- November 2009 “Complexity in human neuroinflammatory demyelinating disease multiple sclerosis: The advent of System Biology”, **Indian Institute of Mathematical Science, Chennai, India**
- November 2009 “Deciphering complex mechanisms of neuroinflammatory demyelinating disease multiple sclerosis in an experimental mouse model”, **Shankar Netralaya, Ophthalmology Research and development, Chennai, India**
- September 2, 2009 “Mechanisms of demyelination in a viral model of multiple sclerosis”, **Neurology Grand Round, University of Colorado, Denver School of Medicine, Aurora, CO, USA**
- May 7, 2009 “Mouse hepatitis virus infection in mice—an experimental model to understand the molecular and cellular of demyelination and axonal loss in multiple sclerosis”, **Society for Neuroscience-Bangalore chapter seminar, NIMHANS, Bangalore, India**

• **Research Collaborations:**

1. Dr. Kenneth S. Shindler, University of Pennsylvania, USA
2. Dr. Debnath Pal, India Institute of Science, India
3. Dr. Ashima Mukhopadhyay, Tata Medical Centre Cancer Hospital, Kolkata
4. Dr. Randall Cohrs, University of Colorado, Denver, USA
5. Dr. Michael Koval, Emory University, USA
6. Dr. Ujjwal Neogi, Karolinska Institute, Sweden
7. Dr. Raja Shunguman, IISER-Kolkata, India
8. Dr. Sharmila Sengupta, NIGMB, Kolkata

• **BS-MS /IPHD maters student trained:**

1. **Shubham Dipt- Former Doctoral Student at Max Planck Institute** for Dynamics and self-organization, Germany, and now **Data Scientists at Nexem**.

2015:

1. **Sreeparna Vappala**, Department of Pathology, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada
2. **Neha Patil**, Luxembourg Institute of Health, Luxembourg
3. **Nishta Ranawat**, Ph.D. from Okinawa Institute of Science and Technology Graduate University, Japan
4. **Kaveri Banerjee**, Tel Aviv University, Israel
5. **Madhurima Chatterjee**, **Post Doctoral Researcher** at German Center for Neurodegenerative Disease (DNZE), Bonn, Germany; **Ph.D. from VU University of Goettingen, Germany**

2016:

1. **Jibin Sadasivan**, Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada
2. **Swathy Babu**, Okinawa Institute of Science and Technology Graduate University, Japan
3. **Gisha Rose Antony**, Regional Cancer Centre, Thiruvananthapuram, India
4. **Soumen Jana**, Okinawa Institute of Science and Technology Graduate University, Japan
5. **Damayantee Das**, Department of Pharmacology, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada

2017:

1. **Rahul Kumar**, Montreal Neurological Institute, McGill University, Canada
2. **Deepthi Thomas**, SickKids, University of Toronto, Canada

2018:

1. **Vineeth A.R.** – University of Toronto, Canada
2. **Lakshmy Vasan** – University of Toronto, Canada

2019:

1. **Saurav Saswat Rout**- University of Saskatchewan, Saskatchewan. Canada

• **Students' Achievement (2009-2020):**

- **Ms. Mithila Ashok Kamble** was awarded the **S.S. Parmar Research Foundation award for the best poster presentation** at the XXXVIII Annual Conference of Indian Academy of Neurosciences, November 2020.
- **Ms. Lucky Sarkar** received International '**American Society for Virology (ASV)**' travel award to present her work in the Pathogenesis session at 39th Annual Meeting of the 'American Society for Virology ASV, June 2020', Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO, USA (cancelled due to COVID-19 pandemic).
- **Ms. Lucky Sarkar's** work '**Azadirachta indica A. Juss ameliorates Mouse Hepatitis virus-induced neuroinflammatory demyelination**' was **highlighted and selected to present for a 5' flash talk plus a poster** in the Pathogenesis session at 39th Annual Meeting of the 'American Society for Virology ASV, June 2020', Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO, USA (cancelled due to COVID-19 pandemic).
- **Mr. Soumya Kundu** received the **ASBMB travel award** to attend the Annual meeting of American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, 2020 at San Diego, California, USA (cancelled due to COVID-19 pandemic).
- **Mr. Abhishek Bose** got selected to deliver an **oral presentation** in the Society for Neuroimmune Pharmacology (SNIP 2020) international conference, April 2020 (cancelled due to COVID-19 pandemic).
- **Mr. Abhishek Bose achieved Best poster award** at 'New Insights into the Inflammation, Immunity, and Pathobiology of Diseases, INDO-US Symposium' organized by IUSSTF/IISER Kolkata, December 2019.
- **Ms. Debanjana Chakravarty and Mr. Soumya Kundu** got selected for the oral presentation at the 'Indo-US Symposium on New Insights into the Inflammation, Immunity, and Pathobiology of Diseases', 2019.
- **Ms. Fareeha Saadi** received the Young scientist best oral presentation award at Neuroupdate 2019, organized by CSIR-IICB, Kolkata, India.
- **Mr. Manmeet Singh** received the **DuPre fellowship** 2015 by Multiple Sclerosis international federation society UK.
- **Mr. Rahul Basu** received the **Best poster award** at the Indo-US symposium on Neurovirology, organized by IISER Kolkata and NBRC, 2014.
- **Mr. JibinSadasivin** received the **DuPre fellowship** 2014 by Multiple Sclerosis international federation society, UK.
- **Ms. Kaushiki Biswas** was selected for **Oral presentation** at Indo-US symposium on Viral Infections of the Nervous System at National Brain Research Centre (NBRC), India, 2014.
- **Ms. Kaushiki Biswas** was awarded **3rd prize in poster presentation** competition at 1st departmental day of IISER-K, 2013.
- **Mr. Rahul Basu** received the **DuPre Grant**, Multiple Sclerosis International Federation (MSIF), in the year 2012.
- **Mrs. Dhriti Chatterjee** received **best poster presentation** award at Immunocon 2009 (Indian immunological conference 2009).
- **Ms. Lucky Sarkar** got selected under '**Dr. DM Kar**' Prize category and presented her paper at 'XXXVII Annual Meet of Indian Academy of Neurosciences (IAN 2019)-Neuron to Behavior', AIIMS New Delhi, India, November 2019.
- **Mr. Sourodip Sengupta** received **Best poster presentation** on "Role of matrix metalloproteinases (MMPs) and tissue inhibitor of MMPs (TIMPs) in Mouse Hepatitis Virus (MHV) induced neuroinflammation" at IBRO-APRC School on Blood-Brain-Barrier, November 4-9, 2019.

- **Mr. Abhishek Bose** received International **SERB travel award** from Science and Engineering Research Board, India to present his work at 'Society for Neuroscience SFN meeting (Neuroscience 2019)' at Chicago, Illinois, USA.
- **Ms. Debanjana Chakravarty** received the **American Association of Immunologist Laboratory grant** 2019 to attend international conference "IMMUNOLOGY 2019" at San Diego, California, USA.
- **Mrs. Fareeha Saadi (SRF)** received **Department of Biotechnology, India travel grant** to attend international conference "IMMUNOLOGY 2019" at San Diego, California, USA.
- **Mr. Soumya Kundu** received **best poster award** at 43rd Indian Biophysical Society Meeting 2019, from 15-17th March, 2019, at IISER Kolkata.
- **Ms. Debanjana Chakravarty** received **3rd best poster award** at DBS Departmental Day, 2019 at IISER Kolkata.
- **Dr. Mahua Maulik** received **Wellcome Trust-DBT India Alliance Early Career fellowship** (2018).
- **Mr. Abhishek Bose** got selected for **Poster** presentation at 2018 **ASCB/EMBO Meeting**, San Diego, California, USA from 8th-12th December and he received the **prestigious CSIR travel award** for this conference.
- **Mr. Sourodip Sengupta** received **Best Poster award (Stutee Nag Prize)** at XXXVI Annual Conference of Indian Academy of Neurosciences (29th-31st October, 2018) at Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi, India.
- **Mr. Abhishek Bose** got selected for the **oral presentation (Dr. D. M. Kar Prize)** at XXXVI Annual Conference of Indian Academy of Neurosciences (29th-31st October, 2018) at Banaras Hindu University 2018, Varanasi, India.
- **Mr. Manmeet Singh** received **Travel award** to attend 34th congress of ECTRIMS (European committee for Treatment and Research in Multiple Sclerosis) in Berlin from 10th-12th October 2018.
- **Ms. Lucky Sarkar** received **third best oral presentation award** in the **young scientistcategory** at "International Conference on Nutraceuticals and Chronic Diseases (INCD 2018)", 14th-16th September 2018, held at Dehradun, India.
- **Mr. Afaq Hussain** received the **travel award** to attend the International congress of Cell Biology 2018, Hyderabad.
- **Mr. Sourodip Sengupta** was selected to give **oral presentation** at Frontiers in Molecular biology conference (FIMB-2018) at IISER Kolkata, India.
- **Ms. Debanjana Chakravarty** and **Ms. Fareeha Saadi** were awarded the **Stutee Nag prize for the best presentation** in the poster session at the XXXV Annual Conference of Indian Academy of Neurosciences and International Conference on Translational Neurosciences and its application in protection of Mental health, Cuttack, Odisha, 2017.
- **Mr. Soumya Kundu** was awarded the **S.S. Parmar Research Foundation award for the best poster presentation** the XXXV Annual Conference of Indian Academy of Neurosciences and International Conference on Translational Neurosciences and its application in protection of Mental health, Cuttack, Odisha, October 2017.
- **Mr. Manmeet Singh** was awarded the **Travel award** to attend the XXXV Annual Conference of Indian Academy of Neurosciences and International Conference on Translational Neurosciences and its application in protection of Mental health, Cuttack, Odisha, October 2017.
- **Mr. Abhishek Bose** was selected for the **Oral presentation** in the category of **TulsabaiSomani Education Trust** at the XXXV Annual Conference of Indian Academy of Neurosciences and International Conference on Translational Neurosciences and its application in protection of Mental health, Cuttack, Odisha, October 2017.
- **Mr. Manmeet Singh** received **Prof. Don Gilden Memorial Award** in an International Indo US Symposium on Central Nervous System viral infection and its Therapy 2016, India.
- **Mr. Soumya Kundu** received **Best Poster Award** at "3rd International Meet on Advanced Studies in Cell Signaling Network (CeSiN 2016), Indian Institute of Chemical Biology (IICB), Jadavpur, Kolkata
- **Mr. Manmeet Singh** received the **best poster award** in Frontiers in Modern Biology, organized by Dept of Biological Sciences IISER Kolkata, 2015.