

GLOBAL INDIAN PHYSICIANS IN THE NEWS



Dr. Reshma Jagsi

TWO INDIAN-ORIGIN FACULTY AMONG THREE AT UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN RECEIVE PRESTIGIOUS AWARD

*University of Michigan faculty members **Dr. Reshma Jagsi**, and **Prof. Bhramar Mukherjee** of the School of Public Health, received the prestigious 2022 Sarah Goddard Power Awards.*

Dr Jagsi is the Deputy chair of the Department of Radiation Oncology and director of the Center for Bioethics and Social Sciences in Medicine at the U-M of the Medical School. She has led seminal studies quantifying under representation of women in authorship, editorial, principal investigator and leadership positions in medicine and in comparable compensation. She also is internationally recognized for research to strengthen autonomy in breast cancer patients and to individualize breast cancer care.



Prof. Bhramar Mukherjee

Dr. Mukherjee is the Professor of epidemiology and global public health, Chair of the biostatistics department and Associate director for quantitative data sciences in the Rogel Cancer Center. is highly engaged in the Precision Health Initiative and serves as the associate director for cohort development. Her research interests include statistical methods for the analysis of electronic health records, studies of gene-environment interaction, Bayesian methods, shrinkage estimation and analysis of high dimensional exposure data.

[Source: Michigan Medicine Headlines, 20th January 22

Link : <https://mmheadlines.org/2022/01/three-faculty-with-ties-to-medical-school-to-receive-sarah-goddard-power-award-for-2022/> |

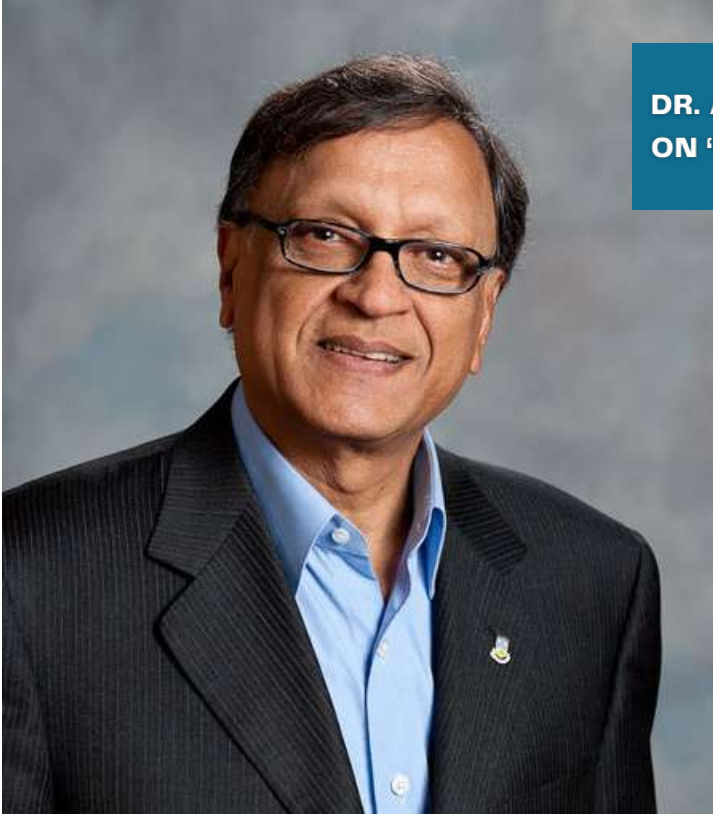
AN INDIAN DOCTOR WHO HELPED LAUNCH NASA TELESCOPE

***Dr Hashima Hasan**, an Indian-origin scientist has played a key role in the launch of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's (NASA) Webb Space Telescope. Her roles included oversight during the mission development phase to make sure that the science requirements were being met, and the best science observation program selected for the operation phase. She is currently serving as a spokesperson for the James Webb Space Telescope (JWST) to the media and delivers talks to school students.*

[Source: [siasat.com](https://www.siasat.com), 22nd January 22

Link : <https://www.siasat.com/meet-indian-scientist-hashima-hasan-who-helped-launch-nasa-telescope-2257764/> |





DR. ARUN GARG : A SPEAKER FOR ONLINE PROGRAM ON “INTEGRATIVE MEDICINE AND GOOD HEALTH”.

Dr. Arun Garg, President CINS (Canada-India Network Society) and Member of EC of GAPIO, was invited as a speaker to share his views on “Taking control of our health and focuses on Integrative medicine as the route to good health” during an online program (The Harpreet Singh Show) on “Integrative Medicine and Good Health” that aired on 4th January 2022.

[Source: youtube.com, 4th January 22

Link : <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IMN-kMNIU50>]

PROFESSOR RAVI MAHAJAN, IS MADE A CBE IN THE QUEEN'S NEW YEAR'S HONOURS

Professor Ravi Mahajan, who was the President of the Royal College of Anaesthetists until September 2021 has been named a Commander of the Order of the British Empire in the Queen's New Year's Honours list.

Professor Mahajan has been a role model for international medical graduates who aspire to achieve senior leadership positions in Anaesthesia. He acted as one of a team of key advisors to the NHS and Government. He also brought together leading organisations in anaesthesia and intensive care medicine to disseminate clinical guidance on patient care in the pandemic.

[Source: <https://rcoa.ac.uk/news/past-rcoa-president-professor-ravi-mahajan-made-cbe-queens-new-years-honours>]





DR. SOUMYA SWAMINATHAN : APPOINTED HONORARY DOCTORS AT KAROLINSKA INSTITUTET

Dr. Soumya Swaminathan (Chief scientist of the World Health Organisation (WHO)) has been conferred honorary doctorate by Karolinska Institutet (KI).

She has been vital in fostering collaborations between the WHO and KI. She has supported and actively promoted greater international engagement for KI in a variety of ways, such as her recent participation in the Rosling Seminar, as well as many other events and development projects involving both organisations.

Dr. Swaminathan is an inspirational leader within the global health arena and has also headed the Indian Council of Medical Research and India's governmental Department of Health Research prior to joining WHO.

[Source: Eureka alert, 25 January 2022

Link : <https://www.eurekaalert.org/news-releases/941118>

DR JONATHAN IRALU DAY : IN HONOR OF AN INDIAN-ORIGIN DOCTOR

Dr Jonathan Vilasier Iralu, a Nagaland-origin doctor, was honoured by the US state of New Mexico for his services during the pandemic.

New Mexico Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham declared 19 July as 'Dr Jonathan Iralu Day' throughout the state in honour of the physician who took several measures to protect residents of the state from the virus such as establishing a drive-in Covid testing centre weeks before the first confirmed case was reported in the state.

[Source: The Print,

Link : <https://theprint.in/neye/new-mexico-now-has-a-dr-jonathan-iralu-day-in-name-of-naga-origin-doctor-on-covid-frontline/704677/1>



GAPIO CONGRATULATES ALL THE DOCTORS AWARDED WITH PADMASHRI

Dr Himmatrao Bawaskar, an Indian Physician from Malad, is world famous for his path-breaking research on deaths caused by the sting of the red scorpion. His reputed publications about the issue through case studies in various journals drew the interest of the international medical fraternity in the subject. For the past 40 years, he has been working at a health centre at Mahad of Raigad District - Maharashtra focusing on saving the locals and tribals from scorpion and snake bite poisoning



Dr Prokar Dasgupta an Indian-origin Physician from United Kingdom is the Professor and Chair of Urology at King's College London. He is a pioneer in the field of Robotic Surgery. He has numerous firsts in the field including first randomized controlled trial of robotic urology as well as being the founder of what is called the "Dasgupta Technique" which is a method of injecting Botox into the bladder wall using a flexible cystoscope. His team is recognised internationally for the Guy's robotic cystoprostatectomy technique for bladder cancer and is the leading European group among the International Robotic Cystectomy Consortium (IRCC). He was the first to Use of da Vinci robot to perform keyhole surgery as part of kidney transplant.

Dr Lata Desai a 80 year old doctor along with her husband Dr Anil, left her life in the US and came back to dedicate to rural development. In 1980 they founded Society for Education, Welfare and Action-Rural (SEWA Rural) in Jhagadia, Bharuch. The society runs various programmes for health and welfare for the rural population in the area including a 200 bedded Kastubra Hospital serving patients from 3,000-odd villages as well as neighbouring states., health training, eye checkup, Mahila Vikas society and many more



Dr Sunkara Venkata Adinarayana Rao, a 82-year-old orthopedic surgeon from Andhra Pradesh is noted for his work for poor people particularly polio victims under his Free Polio Surgical and Research Foundation. He has gained respect across India, especially in North India, for his treatment of polio victims. He performed more than one lakh surgeries to date. He won many awards in his six decades of service as a doctor.

Dr Veeraswamy Seshiah- A Tamil Nadu- Renowned Diabetologist, he was the first professor of Diabetology in India and was responsible for the establishment of the first Department of Diabetology in India at the Madras Medical College. He is Founder Patron, Diabetes in Pregnancy Study Group of India. In the past also he has received the number of awards for his contributions to the field of Diabetology, including the Dr. B C Roy National Award



Late Dr Balaji Tambe A pioneer in the field of Ayurveda, is well known to take the field of Ayurveda and Yoga to the world. He was the founder and source of inspiration for all the activities carried out at Atmasantulana Village. A Spiritual Leader, Dr Tambe passed away last year at a private hospital in Pune on Tuesday following a brief illness

Dr Bhimsen Singhal A popular Neurologist from Maharashtra is the Director of Neurology at Bombay Hospital Institute of Medical Sciences in Mumbai, India. Prior to this appointment, he was the Honorary Professor and Head of Department of Neurology at The Grant Medical College, Mumbai. He has helped train over 200 neurologists and prominent in the promotion of neurology including Multiple Sclerosis, Parkinson's Disease etc. He discovered the entity of megalencephalic leukodystrophy with a specific gene defect in Agarwal community. In the past also he has received the number of awards for his contributions to the field of Neurology including the Dr. B C Roy National Award



Dr Vijaykumar Vinayak Dongre Known for his work for Leprosy Treatment, Dr Dongre dedicated his entire life in leprosy control in urban and rural areas in Maharashtra .

Dr Kamlakar Tripathi from Uttar Pradesh is a Nephrologist and Diabetologist and the former professor Department of Medicine, Banaras Hindu University, India



Dr Narendra Prasad Misra , one of Madhya Pradesh's senior-most doctors, late Narendra Prasad Misra was responsible for developing treatment protocols for victims of Bhopal Gas Tragedy as well as COVID-19.