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ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Doctor of Philosophy (Natural Products Chemistry) <i>Friedrich-Schiller-University, Jena, Germany</i> (Sep 2014) - Master of Philosophy (Chemical Sciences) <i>University of Peradeniya, Sri Lanka</i> (Dec 2005) - Postgraduate Certificate Course in Advanced Organic Chemistry <i>University of Peradeniya, Sri Lanka</i> (Mar 2004) - Graduateship Examinations in Chemistry (Equivalent to Bachelor of Science Special Degree in Chemistry) <i>Institute of Chemistry Ceylon, Sri Lanka</i> (Dec 2003) - Bachelor of Science (Special Degree in Botany) - First Class Honors <i>University of Colombo, Sri Lanka</i> (Dec 2001)
EMPLOYMENT HISTORY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Senior Lecturer in Biochemistry Faculty of Medicine, University of Ruhuna, Sri Lanka (Jun 2010-to date) - Head of the Department of Biochemistry Faculty of Medicine, University of Ruhuna, Sri Lanka (Jan 2016 -Dec 2018) - Lecturer in Biochemistry Faculty of Medicine, University of Ruhuna, Sri Lanka (Jun 2005 -May 2010) - Research Assistant, Natural Products Research Group National Institute of Fundamental Studies, Kandy, Sri Lanka (Jul 2002 -May 2005) - Teaching Assistant, Department of Plant Sciences University of Colombo, Sri Lanka (Dec 2001-Jun 2002) - Visiting Scientist Max Planck Institute for Chemical Ecology , Jena, Germany (March 2010-to date) - Visiting Scientist Friedrich-Schiller-University, Jena, Germany (March 2010-to date)
LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - English: Excellent - German : Basic Knowledge (Certificate course for German language, A1+ : 93%, A2 : 80%)

**ACADEMIC &
RESEARCH
AWARDS,
FELLOWSHIPS,
GRANTS**

INTERNATIONAL :

- International Max Planck Research School (IMPRS) fellowship, Germany (2010-2013)
- Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst Fellowship (2019-2020)
- Competitive Research Grant- International Foundation for Science, Sweden (2020)
- Max Planck Travel Stipendium 2019 - Max Planck Society, Germany (2019)
- Max Planck Travel Stipendium 2018 - Max Planck Society, Germany (2018)
- Max Planck Travel Stipendium 2017- Max Planck Society, Germany (2018)
- PSE (Phytochemical Society of Europe) Award for the Best Poster Presentation at 30th International Symposium on the Chemistry of Natural Products and the 10th International Congress on Biodiversity, Athens, Greece, Nov 2018
- Chirantan Rasayan Sanstha Bronze Medal- 2021, Chirantan Rasayan Sanstha, India
- Indo-Sri Lanka Research Grant 2017 - Governments of Sri Lanka and India

NATIONAL :

- Award for the Best Paper in Pharmacology-2018, Sri Lanka Medical Association, Sri Lanka
- NRC Merit Award for Scientific Publications in 2016- National Research Council, Sri Lanka
- International Travel Grant 2018 - National Science Foundation, Sri Lanka
- Competitive Research Grant 2017- National Science Foundation, Sri Lanka
- "University of Ruhuna Oration -2017" - University of Ruhuna, Sri Lanka (2017)
- Award for the Best Poster Presentation in Medical, Social and Environmental Sciences - 14th Academic Sessions, University of Ruhuna, Sri Lanka (2017)
- Award for the Best Oral Presentation - 76th Annual Academic Sessions of the Galle Medical Association, Sri Lanka (2017)
- Award for the Best Oral Presentation - 75th Annual Academic Sessions of the Galle Medical Association, Sri Lanka (2016)
- Competitive Research Grant 2015 - National Science Foundation, Sri Lanka

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - International Travel Grant 2015 - National Science Foundation, Sri Lanka - Hiran Tillekeratne Award for the Outstanding Postgraduate Research in Medicine - University Grants Commission, Sri Lanka (2008) - Kandiah Memorial Graduateship Award for the Outstanding Postgraduate Research in Chemistry - Institute of Chemistry Ceylon, Sri Lanka (2006) - Award for the Best Scientific Paper (Oral) in Medicine - Third Academic Sessions, University of Ruhuna, Sri Lanka (2006) - Swarna Senathirajah Memorial Award for Academic Excellence - University of Colombo, Sri Lanka (2001) - Institute of Chemistry Merit Bursary, Institute of Chemistry Ceylon, Sri Lanka (1998)
OTHER RESEARCH CONTRIBUTIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Abstract reviewer of international conferences - Manuscript reviewer/ Editorial board member of scientific journals - Reviewer of research grant applications at the National Science Foundation, Sri Lanka - Moderator of the “Global partnership program” of National Science Foundation, Sri Lanka to strengthen the research cooperation between Sri Lanka and Germany - Supervisor of postgraduate and undergraduate research students, University of Ruhuna, Sri Lanka - Member of the organizing committee in international conferences/workshops related to Natural Products Chemistry in Sri Lanka - Examiner of postgraduate research thesis