

# Department of Botany Faculty of Science / University of Peradeniya



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#### **About Me**

I am a teacher in Microbiology and Botany, and a researcher in Water, Pharmaceutical and soil Microbiology.

### **Higher Education Qualifications**

PhD

Australian National University
Australia
(2019)

MSc

University of Peradeniya Sri Lanka (2014)

**BSc** 

University of Peradeniya Sri Lanka (2012)

# Awards, Scholarships, Memberships & Fellowships



The Australian National University HDR Fee Remission Merit Scholarship (2015)

University award for academic excellence, University of Peradeniya (2010/2011)

Poster Award from the Australian Society for Microbiology (2017)

Australian Society for Microbiology

Sri Lankan Society for Microbiology

#### **Positions Held**



Secretary of the Committee for Ethical Clearance, Postgraduate Institute of Science, University of Peradeniya.- (2020 - present)



Treasurer of the University of Peradeniya Science Alumni Association- (2020 - 2021)



Secretary of the Research Congress, Faculty of Science, University of Peradeniya.- (2019)



Co-coordinator of the M.Sc. programme in Pharmaceutical Botany, PGIS- (2021 - present)



Secretary of the Department of Botany- (2019 - present)



Visiting Instructor for Pharmacognosy I (PM 2103), B.Pharm Degree Programme, Department of Pharmacy, Faculty of Allied Health Sciences, University of Peradeniya, Sri Lanka (2012)

## My Teachings

BIO1022: Plant and Animal Form and Function

BIO1072: Introductory Microbiology

BL107: Basic Microbiology

BT301: Analytical Methods

BT302: Advanced Microbiology

BT412: Applied Microbiology

BT420: Biological Nitrogen Fixation

#### Research Interests (Research Fields/ Projects)

Water Microbiology Pharmaceutical Microbiology Soil Microbiology Phytopathology

#### **Ongoing Research and Projects**

- Recreational water quality of the river Mahaweli in selected locations between Peradeniya and Katugastota
- Antimicrobial activity of plants in Sri Lanka: an overview
- Antimicrobial activity of selected plants of the Family Lamiaceae in Sri Lanka

# **Key Publications**

Research paper - (2019)

Diversity and distribution of Klebsiella capsules in Escherichia coli.

Research paper - (2019)

Phenotypic characteristics contributing to the enhanced growth of Escherichia coli bloom strains.

#### Conferences



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## **My Publications**

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