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B.Tech, Mechanical Engineering,	
Indian Institute of Technology, Madras, India	1999-2003
Professional experience	
Adjunct Professor, University of Hyderabad, India	2023 - present
Scientist F, ARCI, Hyderabad, India	2021 - present
Scientist E, ARCI, Hyderabad, India	2016 - 2021
Staff Scientist, Nanomechanics Inc., Oak Ridge, USA	2013 - 2016
Graduate research assistant, EFRC, ORNL, Oak Ridge, USA	2011 - 2012
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Visiting scientist, Laboratoire SIMaP – GPM2, INPG, Grenoble, France	2007 - 2007
Scientist B, ARCI, Hyderabad, India	2004 - 2008

Awards and honors

- Recognized as Early Career Scholars in Materials Science 2020, by Materials Research Society.
- Developed high speed mapping tool NanoBlitz3D+ and launched globally in San Antonio, TX
- **3 invited feature papers** in Journal of Materials Research 2018 featuring the first report on nanomechanical characterization of pure Lithium films
- The work on pure Lithium films has been recognized by **Department of Energy (DOE)**, USA and widely acknowledged / published by several science reporting agencies
- Recipient of Stainless steel indenter award 2014, for excellence in R&D at Nanomechanics Inc
- Won **Best poster award** at Gordon Research Conference on Thin films and mechanical properties, 2014
- Recipient of Stainless steel indenter award 2013, for excellence in R&D at Nanomechanics Inc
- Selected for inclusion in 2009 edition of Who's Who in the World® by Marquis, USA
- Recipient of Joint Institute for Advanced Materials (JIAM) fellowship
- Recipient of National Merit Scholarship for excellence in twelfth grade, 1999
- Won Special award in Regional Mathematical Olympiad (RMO), 1997

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