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Education

1989 Master of Science in Botany, Bharathiar University, Coimbatore (I Rank)
1990 Master of Philosophy in Botany, Bharathidasan University, Tiruchi (Distinction)
2005 Doctor of Philosophy in Botany, Bharathiar University, Coimbatore

Professional Positions

Details of posts held

| Sl No. | Institution | Position | From (Date) | To (date) |
|--------|--|-------------------------|-------------|------------|
| 1 | Institute of Forest Genetics and Tree Breeding | Scientist G | 01.07.2017 | Till date |
| 2 | Institute of Forest Genetics and Tree Breeding | Scientist F | 01.01.2012 | 30.06.2017 |
| 3 | Institute of Forest Genetics and Tree Breeding | Scientist E | 01.01.2006 | 8.6.2012 |
| 4 | Institute of Forest Genetics and Tree Breeding | Scientist D | 01.01.2002 | 01.01.2006 |
| 5 | Institute of Forest Genetics and Tree Breeding | Scientist C | 31.07.1997 | 31.12.2001 |
| 6 | Institute of Forest Genetics and Tree Breeding | Scientist B | 31.07.1992 | 30.07.1997 |
| 7 | Institute of Forest Genetics and Tree Breeding | Research Assistant Gr-I | 26.11.1990 | 30.07.1992 |

Research Interests

Tissue culture and DNA markers for genetic improvement of trees.

Awards

- Study tour on tree crop improvement sponsored by MoEF/USAID/USFS was undertaken to USA from 2-12 September 2014.
- Received Scientist Assistance Program Award from IUFRO for attending XXIV IUFRO World Congress at Salt Lake City, Utah in USA held from 5-11 October 2014 with the theme of "Sustaining Forests, Sustaining People: The Role of Research".
- Received Scientist Assistance Program Award from IUFRO for attending the XXIII IUFRO World Congress; Forests for the future: Sustaining Society and the environment, 23-28 August, 2010, Seoul, Republic of Korea.
- Received (a team of six researchers) Forest Biotechnology award from ICFRE (awards for the excellence) for the year 2001-2002.
- FAO Fellowship on Forest Genetics, University of Melbourne, Australia, April 1995- July 1995

Patent

Obtained a **Patent** (a team of four researchers) on "A process for *in vitro* plantlet production of the bamboo, *Oxytenanthera stocksii*" The patent was granted on 31.08.2006 for a term of 20 years. The financial support was granted by the National Research Development Council (NRDC), New Delhi.

Consultancy

A consultancy was provided on DNA profiling of Acacia hybrids and Eucalyptus species was provided to Mysore paper mills Ltd., Bhadravathi, Karnataka during 2009 to 2010.

Selected Publications

- Sumathi M, **Yasodha R** (2017) Microsatellite allele length variations in inter-specific hybrids of Eucalyptus *Acta Botanica Croatica* 76 (1), 103-106.
- Shanthi K, Bachpai V. K. W., Anisha S., Ganesan M., Anithaa R. G., Subashini V., Chakravarthi M., Sivakumar V, **Yasodha R** (2015) Micropropagation of Eucalyptus camaldulensis for the production of rejuvenated stock plants for microcuttings propagation and genetic fidelity assessment. *New Forests*. DOI: 10.1007/s11056-014-9465-1

- Modhumita Ghosh Dasgupta and **Yasodha R** (2014) DNA Markers in Tree Improvement of Tropical Plantation Species. In *Tree Biotechnology* (eds: K. G. Ramawat Jean-Michel Mérillon M. R. Ahuja) CRC Press 2014, DOI: 10.1201/b16714-24.
- Sumathi M and **Yasodha R** (2014) Microsatellite resources of *Eucalyptus*: current status and future perspectives. *Botanical Studies* 2014, 55:73
- Shanmugapriya A., Bachpai VKW., Ganesan M., **Yasodha R.** (2014) Association analysis for Vegetative Propagation Traits in *Eucalyptus tereticornis* and *Eucalyptus camaldulensis* Using Simple Sequence Repeat Markers. *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci., India, Sect. B Biol. Sci.* DOI 10.1007/s40011-014-0360-5.
- Shanmugapriya A. and **Yasodha R.** (2014) Unique Pattern Information Combinations for Clonal Discrimination in *Eucalyptus camaldulensis* using Microsatellite Markers. *Indian Journal of Biotechnology* Vol 13, pp 75-80
- Subashini V., Shanmugapriya A and **Yasodha R** (2013) Hybrid purity assessment in *Eucalyptus* F1 hybrids using microsatellite markers. *3 Biotech* 08/2013; DOI 10.1007/s13205-013-0161
- Chezian P, **Yasodha R**, Ghosh Dasgupta M. (2012) Molecular Discrimination of Eucalypt Clones Using the ISSR Marker System. *Journal of Sustainable Forestry* 31 (6) 537-548.
- Arumugasundaram, S. , Ghosh, M, Veerasamy S, **Yasodha R** (2011) Species discrimination, population structure and linkage disequilibrium in *Eucalyptus camaldulensis* and *Eucalyptus tereticornis* using SSR markers. *PLoS ONE* 6:12, OI: 10.1371/journal.pone.0028252.
- Ghosh, M., Chezian, P., Sumathi, R., **Yasodha, R** (2011) Development of SCAR marker in *Casuarina equisetifolia* for species authentication. *Trees - Structure and Function* 25 (3) pp. 465-472.
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- Chezian P, **Yasodha R** and Modhumita Ghosh (2010). Genetic diversity analysis in a seed orchard of *Eucalyptus tereticornis*. *New Forests*. **40**: 85–99.

- **Yasodha R**, Sumathi R, Modhumita Ghosh and Gurumurthi K (2009) Identification of simple sequence repeats in *Casuarina equisetifolia*. *The Icfai University Journal of Genetics & Evolution*, Vol. 2, No. 1, 46-55.
- **Yasodha R.**, Sumathi R., Chezhan P., Kavitha, S. and Ghosh, M. 2008 *Eucalyptus* microsatellites mined *in silico*: survey and evaluation. *Journal of Genetics* 87:21-5.
- **Yasodha R**, Kamala S., Anand Kumar S.P., Durai Kumar P., Kalaiarasi K. (2008) Effect of glucose on *in vitro* rooting of mature plants of *Bambusa nutans*. *Scientia Horticulturae*. 116: 113-116.
- Balasaravanan, T., Chezhan, P., Kamalakannan R, **Yasodha R**, Varghese, M., Gurumurthi, K. and Ghosh, M. (2006). Identification of species-diagnostic ISSR markers for six *Eucalyptus* species. *Silvae Genetica* 55:119-122.
- Kamalakannan, R., Barthwal, S., Chezhan, P., Balasaravanan, T., **Yasodha R.**, Gurumurthi, K. and Ghosh, M. (2006) Morphological and molecular diversity among *Casuarina* and *Allocasuarina* species. *Biotechnology* 5:301-307
- Balasaravanan T, Chezhan P, Kamalakannan R, Ghosh M, **Yasodha R**, Varghese M and Gurumurthi K (2005) Analysis of inter- and intra-species genetic relationships among six *Eucalyptus* species by inter-simple sequence repeats (ISSR). *Tree Physiology* 25:1295-1302.
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- **Yasodha R**, Ghosh M, Sumathi R and Gurumurthi K (2005) Cross-species amplification of eucalypts SSR markers in Casuarinaceae. *Acta Botanica Croatica* 64 : 115-120
- **Yasodha R**, Modhumita Ghosh, Santan Barthwal, & Gurumurthi K (2004) Importance of biotechnological research in tree species of dashmula. *The Indian Forester* 130:79-88.
- **Yasodha R**, M. Kathirvel, R. Sumathi, K. Gurumurthi, J. Nagaraju (2004) Clonal identification of *Casuarina equisetifolia* using DNA polymorphisms generated by PCR with arbitrary primers. IUFRO NFT News, Working party 2.08.02, Vol. 7(1); 5-6.

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