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2. Kavya, S., Viswanathan, P., Perumal, R. C., & Charan, S. M. P. (2022). Impact of communication difficulty on the quality of life in individuals with Parkinson's disease. *Annals of Movement Disorders*, 5(1), 49.
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Dr. R.C. Perumal is the co-investigator of an extramural project titled ““An artificial Intelligence based non-Invasive system for the identification and assessment of children with autism spectrum disorders”, funded by Science for Equity Empowerment and Development Division/ Technology for Intervention of Disabled and Elderly, Department of Science and Technology, (2018-2021). This project is a collaborative effort with VIT university. He was also the co-investigator of a project funded by the GATE grant, SRIHER (DU) titled ““Effect of stimulation frequency on quality of speech in individuals with Parkinson's disease who have undergone sub thalamic nucleus Deep Brain Stimulation surgery” (2020 - 2021).

Dr. Perumal has more than 20 years of clinical and teaching experience and has mentored numerous students. He has guided and supervised the publication of multiple Master's theses since 2006 and is currently guiding three PhD full time PhD candidates.

Throughout his career, he has garnered a number of prizes and recognitions. He is a member of the Visiting Experts Committee (Speech & Hearing) for inspection of Training Programs in India, since 2008. He has served as the Treasurer of The Indian Speech and Hearing Association- Tamil Nadu chapter between 2011-2013. At the University level, he is the EC Member, Sri Ramachandra Institute of Higher Education and Research (DU) Alumni Association, a member of the Central Placement Cell, Co-ordinator of the Central Entrepreneurship Cell, and a member of the College Quality Cell. He is an RCI certified specialist and a life member of the Indian Speech and Hearing Association (ISHA), Tamil Nadu chapter of the Indian Speech and Hearing Association (TAN-ISHA), AIISH Alumni Association (AAA).

