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Award

- University Research Fellowship (2016-2018) from Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli

Professional Membership

- Life Member in Indian Association of Physiotherapists

Workshops Attended

- There are nine workshop was attended for professional development in the field of physiotherapy, community rehabilitation programme, social science and scientific research programme in National and International level.

Project Conducted

- **Intramural-funded**
 - Principal investigator, "*Children and adolescents attitude towards having leprosy in an high endemic district of India*" funded by The Leprosy Mission Trust India, New Delhi, (2014-2015).
 - Co-investigator, "*Parental attitude and their influence on the management of leprosy affected children*" funded by The Leprosy Mission Trust India, New Delhi, (2014-2015).
- **Self-funded**
 - "*Social Participation and Quality of Life of Persons Affected with Leprosy in Purulia District, West Bengal*". Doctoral Thesis. Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli, (2015-2018).

Conference Proceedings

1. **G Pitchaimani, S Sampath Kumar, Joydeepa Darlong:** *Quality of Life of persons affected with leprosy in Endemic District of West Bengal, India.* 15th Conference of Indian Association for Social Sciences and Health, National Institute of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj (NIRDPR), Hyderabad; 11/2017. (National).
2. S Sampath Kumar, **G Pitchaimani, Joydeepa Darlong:** *Social Participation of persons affected with leprosy in Endemic District of West Bengal, India.* 15th Conference of Indian Association for Social Sciences and Health, National Institute of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj (NIRDPR), Hyderabad; 11/2017. (National).
3. **Pitchaimani Govindharaj, Sampath Kumar Srinivasan:** *Legal Discrimination Faced By Leprosy Affected Person in Modern India.* National seminar on "Human Rights Violation on Socially Excluded Groups in India: Issues, Challanges and Remedies, Periyar University, Salem, Tamil Nadu, India.; 02/2017. (National).
4. S Sampath Kumar, **G Pitchaimani:** *Understanding of Psychosocial Disabilities and Stigma in Leprosy.* 14th Conference of Indian Association for Social Sciences and Health, Centre for the

Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy Gokhale Institute of Politics and Economics, Pune; 09/2016. (National).

5. **G Pitchaimani**, S Sampath Kumar: *A Retrospective Study on Trends and Facts of Leprosy Prevalence in Purulia District, West Bengal*. 14th Annual Conference of Indian Association for Social Sciences and Health, Centre for the Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy Gokhale Institute of Politics and Economics, Pune; 09/2016. (National).
6. Stephen Walker, Kisty Knight, Vivek Pai, Peter Nicholls, Medhi Alinda, C Ruth Butlin, Joydeepa Darlong, Deanna Hagge, Saba Lambert, M Yulianto Listiawan, Armi Maghanoy, Jose Augusto Nery, Kapil Dev Neupane, **G Pitchaimani**, Anastasia Polycarpou, Anna Sales, Mahesh Shah, Diana Lockwood: *The Development of a Severity Scale for Erythema Nodosum Leprosum – the ENLIST ENL Severity Scale*. 19th International Leprosy Congress, Beijing, China; 09/2016. (International).
7. Joydeepa Darlong, **Pitchaimani Govindharaj**, Narayan Mahato, Famkima Darlong: *Trends of Leprosy at Leprosy Referral Hospital in High Endemic District Purulia, West Bengal, India*. 19th International Leprosy Congress, Beijing, China; 09/2016. (International).
8. Joydeepa Darlong, **Pitchaimani Govindharaj**, Narayan Mahato, Ranjan Roy: *A Profile with resistance pattern among relapsed patients at The Leprosy Mission Hospital, Purulia*. 19th International Leprosy Congress, Beijing, China; 09/2016. (International).
9. Joydeepa Darlong, **Pitchaimani Govindharaj**, Bhabananda Mahato, Diana Lockwood, Stephen L Walker: *The Impact of Erythema Nodosum Leprosum and Nerve Function Impairment on Health Related Quality of Life in Purulia, West Bengal, India – an ENLIST Group Stud*. 19th International Leprosy Congress, Beijing, China; 09/2016. (International).
10. Joydeepa Darlong, **Pitchaimani Govindharaj**: *Parental attitude and their influence on the management of leprosy affected children*. 19th International Leprosy Congress, Beijing, China; 09/2016. (International).
11. **Pitchaimani Govindharaj**, Joydeepa Darlong, Annamma S John, Suresh Mani: *Children and Adolescents Attitude Towards Having Leprosy in an High Endemic District of India*. 19th international leprosy congress, Beijing, China; 09/2016. (International).
12. Joydeepa Darlong, Duke Ebenezer Charles, **G Pitchaimani**: *Experiences with Thalidomide for Erythema Nodosum Leprosum -a retrospective study*. Indian Association of Leprologist Mid-Term Conference, Hyderabad, India; 04/2015. (International).
13. D N J Lockwood, Joydeepa Darlong, **G Pitchaimani**, Royce K, A S John, P S Rao: *Azathioprine in the treatment of leprosy type 1 reactions: a randomised controlled trial*. LEPCON 2014, 29th biennial conference, IAL PGIMER Chandigarh, India; 03/2014. (International).
14. Joydeepa Darlong, Diana Lockwood, **G Pitchaimani**, P S Rao, A S John, R Kurien: *Adverse effects of azathioprine and prednisolone in an rct in leprosy reactions and neuritis*. LEPCON 2014, 29th biennial conference, IAL PGIMER Chandigarh, India; 03/2014. (International).
15. **G Pitchaimani**, Joydeepa Darlong, Narayan Mahato, Famkima Darlong: *Demographical profile of untreated leprosy patients register in 2013 at leprosy referral hospital in high endemic district purulia, west bengal*. LEPCON 2014, 29th biennial conference, IAL PGIMER Chandigarh, India; 03/2014. (International).

16. Annama S. John, **Pitchaimani Govindharaj**, Dillip Gope, Pradip Gope, Makru Mahato: *Innovative methods for leprosy new case detection by leprosy tent awareness programme in urban.* LEPCON 2014, 29th biennial conference, IAL PGIMER Chandigarh, India; 03/2014. (International).
17. **G Pitchaimani**, M Suresh, Joydeepa Darlong, A S John: *Readymade micro cellular rubber footwear acceptability, durability and effectiveness in endemic district purulia, westbengal.* LEPCON 2014, 29th biennial conference, IAL PGIMER Chandigarh, India; 03/2014. (International).
18. D N Lockwood, A S John, Joydeepa Darlong, **G Pitchaimani**, P S Rao: *RCT of azathioprine versus prednisolone in the treatment of type 1 reaction and neuritis.* International Leprosy Congress—Hidden Challenges, Brussels; 09/2013. (International).
19. A S John, **G Pitchaimani**, G Dillip, P Dillip, M Mahato: *Participation of AYUSH practitioners in the National Leprosy Eradication Programme in India - a pilot study.* 18th international leprosy congress, Brussels, Belgium; 09/2013. (International).
20. A S John, **G Pitchaimani**, P S Rao: *Early nerve function impairment in leprosy and its correlates in the post elimination era.* 18th international leprosy congress, Brussels, Belgium; 09/2013. (International).
21. Annamma S. John, **Pitchaimani Govindharaj**, Dillip Gope, Pradip Gope, Makru Mahato: *A population based registry—a possible strategy for leprosy in urban areas?* 18th international leprosy congress, Brussels, Belgium; 09/2013. (International).
22. A S John, P S Roa, **G Pitchaimani**: *Early detection of sensory nerve function impairments in the field.* 18th international leprosy congress, Brussels, Belgium; 09/2013. (International).
23. Suresh Mani, Johnson Dillip, Ruplekha K, **Pitchaimani G**: *Ergonomic Conditions at Video Display Terminals.* Ergonomics for Everyone: International Conference on Ergonomics (HWWE 2009), Calcutta University; 12/2009. (International).

Peer Reviewed Publications

As a Corresponding or First Author

1. **Pitchaimani Govindharaj**, Sampathkumar Srinivasan, Joydeepa Darlong: *Quality of life of persons affected by leprosy in an endemic district, West Bengal, India.* Indian Journal of Dermatology 2018 Nov;63(6):459. (**Indexed in WoS, Pubmed**).
2. **Pitchaimani Govindharaj**, Sampathkumar Srinivasan, Joydeepa Darlong, Bhabananda Mahato, Premendra Acharya: *A New Instrument to Measure Leprosy Internalised Stigma: the Leprosy Internalised Stigma Scale (LISS).* Leprosy Review 2018;89(3):242-55. (**Indexed in WoS, SCOPUS, Pubmed**).
3. **Pitchaimani Govindharaj**, Sampathkumar Srinivasan, Joydeepa Darlong: *Perception towards the disease of the people affected by leprosy.* International Journal of Mycobacteriology, 2018;7(3):247-250. (**Indexed in WoS, SCOPUS**).
4. Senthilkumar Ramasamy, Archana Kumar, **Pitchaimani Govindharaj**: *Household Contacts Screening of Children Affected with Leprosy in a Tertiary Referral Center, Chhattisgarh State, India.* Leprosy Review, 2018; 89(2): 117-123. (**Indexed in WoS, SCOPUS, Pubmed**).

5. Senthilkumar Ramasamy, Suganya Panneerselvam, **Pitchaimani Govindharaj**: Archana Kumar, Rashmi Nayak: *Progressive Muscle Relaxation Technique on Anxiety and Depression among Persons affected by Leprosy affected Persons*. Journal of Exercise Rehabilitation, 2018; 14(3): 375-381. (**Indexed in WoS, SCOPUS, Pubmed**).
6. Manivel Arumugam, **Pitchaimani Govindharaj**: *Self-Stretching in standing position to Improve flexibility of Ilio-tibial band tightness*. International Journal of Physical Education and sports, 2018; 3(4): 26-30 (UGC approved Journal).
7. Senthilkumar Ramasamy, **Pitchaimani Govindharaj**, Suganya Panneerselvam, Archana Kumar: *Factors Associated with Social Participation of Women affected with Leprosy Reporting at a Referral Centre in Chhattisgarh, India*. Leprosy Review 2018; 89(1):56-64. (**Indexed in WoS, SCOPUS, Pubmed**).
8. **Pitchaimani Govindharaj**, Sampathkumar Srinivasan, Joydeepa Darlong: *Quality of Life of People Affected with Leprosy Disability Living in Purulia, West Bengal*. International Journal of Health Sciences Research 2018; 8(2): 221-225. (**Indexed in Index Copernicus, Scopemed**).
9. **Pitchaimani Govindharaj**, Sampathkumar Srinivasan: *Trends and Facts of Leprosy Prevalence in Purulia District, West Bengal, India*. International Journal of Trend in Scientific Research and Development 2018;2(2):612-616 (UGC approved Journal).
10. **Pitchaimani Govindharaj**: *Role of Continuous Passive Motion in Tibial Plateau Fracture*. Journal of Riphah College of Rehabilitation Sciences 2017; 5(1): 42-45. (**Indexed in Scopemed**).
11. **Pitchaimani Govindharaj**, Suresh Mani, Joydeepa Darlong, Annamma S John: *Acceptance and satisfaction of micro-cellular rubber ready-made footwear among patients with insensitive feet due to leprosy*. Leprosy Review 2017; 88(3):381-390. (**Indexed in WoS, SCOPUS, Pubmed**).
12. Baraneeswari Paulpandi, **Pitchaimani Govindharaj**: *Academic Achievement in Mathematics Subject among Secondary School Students in Madurai, Tamil Nadu*. The International Journal of Indian Psychology 2017; 4(3):57-63., DOI:10.25215/0403.108 (UGC approved Journal).
13. **Pitchaimani Govindharaj**, Joydeepa Darlong, Annamma S John, Suresh Mani: *Children and adolescents' attitude towards having leprosy in a high endemic District of India*. Leprosy Review 2016; 87(1):42-52. (**Indexed in WoS, SCOPUS, Pubmed**).

As a Co-Author

14. Geetah Jeganathan, Sampathkumar Srinivasan, **Pitchaimani Govindharaj**; *Social Factors on Fertility Behaviour among Rural Women in Tiruchirappalli District, Tamil Nadu*. International Journal of Health Sciences and Research, 2018;8(10):69-73. (**Indexed in Index Copernicus, Scopemed**, UGC approved journal).
15. Joydeepa Darlong, **Pitchaimani Govindharaj**, Famkima Darlong, Narayanan Mahato: *A study of untreated leprosy affected children reporting with Grade 2 disability at a referral centre in West Bengal, India*. Leprosy Review 2017; 88(3):298-305. (**Indexed in WoS, SCOPUS, Pubmed**).
16. Diana N. J. Lockwood, Joydeepa Darlong, **Pitchaimani Govindharaj**, Royce Kurian, Pamidipani Sundarrao, Annamma S. John: *AZALEP a randomized controlled trial of azathioprine to treat leprosy nerve damage and Type 1 reactions in India: Main findings*. PLoS Neglected Tropical Diseases 2017; 11(3):e0005348., DOI:10.1371/journal.pntd.0005348. (**Indexed in WoS, SCOPUS, Pubmed**).

17. Stephen L. Walker, Kirsty L. Knight, Vivek V. Pai, Peter G. Nicholls, Medhi Alinda, C. Ruth Butlin, Joydeepa Darlong, Deanna A. Hagge, Saba M. Lambert, M. Yulianto Listiawan, Armi Maghanoy, Jose' A.C. Nery, Kapil D. Neupane, **Pitchaimani Govindharaj**, Anastasia Polycarpou, Anna M. Sales, Mahesh Shah, Diana N.J. Lockwood: *The development of a severity scale for Erythema Nodosum Leprosum – the ENLIST ENL severity scale*. Leprosy Review 2016; 87(3):332-346. (**Indexed in WoS, SCOPUS, Pubmed**).
18. Joydeepa Darlong, **Pitchaimani Govindharaj**, Duke Ebenezer Charles, Alasdair Menzies, Suresh Mani: *Experiences with Thalidomide for Erythema Nodosum Leprosum– a retrospective study*. Leprosy Review 2016; 87(2):211-220. (**Indexed in WoS, SCOPUS, Pubmed**).
19. Suganya Pannerselvam, **Pitchaimani Govindharaj**: *Effectiveness of Guided Imagery in Reducing Examination Anxiety among Secondary School Students in South India*. The International Journal of Indian Psychology 2016; 3(3):54-61 (UGC approved Journal).
20. Suresh Mani, Joydeepa Darlong, Annamma S John, **Pitchaimani Govindharaj**: *Non-adherence to steroid therapy in leprosy reaction and neuritis*. Leprosy Review 2015; 86(4):356–367. (**Indexed in WoS, SCOPUS, Pubmed**).