

Press Release

**INSA selects Dr Somlata from MCARS, JMI as Young Associate**

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The Indian National Science Academy (INSA) has selected Dr. Somlata from Jamia Millia Islamia (JMI) as a Young Associate in recognition of her outstanding contributions to scientific research in the field of molecular parasitology. This prestigious honour highlights her dedication to advancing knowledge in her field and reinforces JMI's commitment to fostering excellence in research.

Dr. Somlata, a faculty member at Multidisciplinary Centre for Advanced Research and Studies (MCARS), has been acknowledged for her groundbreaking work in endocytic processes of protozoan parasite *Entamoeba histolytica*, which is a pathogen of concern for our country. Her selection as an INSA Young Associate underscores her potential to drive impactful scientific discoveries and contribute to the nation's research ecosystem.

The INSA Young Associate program has been initiated by INSA which is a premier scientific body in India that promotes scientific research and honours excellence in science and technology. This initiative identifies and supports promising scientists, providing them with opportunities for collaboration, mentorship, and professional growth. Dr. Somlata's achievement testifies both her individual brilliance and the robust research environment at Jamia Millia Islamia.

Expressing her gratitude, Dr. Somlata said, "I am deeply honoured to be selected as an INSA Young Associate. This recognition motivates me to further my research endeavours and contribute meaningfully to science. I am thankful to my mentors, colleagues, and Jamia Millia Islamia for their unwavering support."

The university extended its congratulations to Dr Somlata for her outstanding work and achievement which exhibits not only the high quality of research undertaken at JMI but also the university's commitment and efforts towards nurturing world-class researchers who address global challenges through cutting-edge science.

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