

## Biodata of the Investigator(s)

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### 2. Educational Qualifications

Degree	Institution conferring the degree	Subject/Discipline	Year
B.E.	PSG College of Technology, Bharathiyar University, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu	Metallurgical Engineering	1999
Ph.D. (Direct Ph.D. based on the research experience at CSIR-NML)	IIT BHU, Varanasi	Metallurgical Engineering	2009

### 3. Past Experience in the field of research & industry

Duration	Institution	Name of work done
Aug. 1999- Nov.2000	Ennore Foundries	Trainee Engineer
Dec. 2000 – Dec. 2002	CSIR-NML, Chennai Centre	Project Assistant
Jan. 2002 – Dec. 2009	CSIR-NML, Chennai Centre	Research Fellow
Jan.2010- July 2010	CSIR-NML, Jamshedpur	Scientist Fellow
July 2010 to Till Date	MANIT Bhopal,M.P., India	Assistant Professor

No of Ph.D. thesis Guided : 05 awarded + 02 ongoing  
No of M.Tech. thesis Guided : more than 45  
No of B.Tech. Projects Guided : More than 50

### 4. Number of research projects handled

## Ongoing Projects

- 1) **Project Title:** "Process optimization using indigenously developed plasma assisted photo-catalytic reactor and regeneration of catalysts",  
**Sponsoring Agency:** ONGC Energy Centre, New Delhi **Principal Investigator:** Dr. S. Suresh **Co-Project Investigator:** Dr. C. Sasikumar, **Budget:** Rs 10.63 L
- 2) **Project Title:** Analysis and Investigation of Indian Climate Atmospheric Effect on Corrosion of Galvanized Steel Sheets,  
**Sponsoring Agency :** Panasonic India Pvt Ltd., Gurgaon, Haryana -122002, **Principal Investigator:**Dr. S. Sanjay Srivastava **Co-Project Investigators:**Dr. C. Sasikumar **Budget:**30.5 L
- 3) **Project Title:** High Temperature Materials for Thermal Protection Systems,  
**Sponsoring Agency:** MHRD & DST under IMPRINT –II  
This project is in collaboration with IIT Kanpur, IIT Patna  
**Principal Investigator:** Prof.. Kantesh Balani **Co-PI :** Dr C Sasikumar
- 4) **Project Title:** Design and Development of Ultrasonic Transducer  
**Sponsoring Agency:** ISRO under Yukthi Sanchita  
This project is in collaboration with Chemical Engineering Dept.  
**Principal Investigator:** Dr Bharat Kr. Modhera **Co-PI :** Dr C Sasikumar

## Projects Completed

- 5) **Project Title:** Mechano-chemical leaching studies of studies of Cu slag in sea water  
**Sponsoring Agency:** Consultancy project for M/S Sterlite India (p) Ltd.  
**Investigators:** C Sasikumar, Dr S Srikanth **Duration:** 2008-2009
- 6) **Project Title:** Mechanical Activation and Leaching of Indian Beach Sand Ilmenite  
**Sponsoring Agency:** in-house project at CSIR-NML  
**Investigators:** C Sasikumar, Dr. D S Rao, Dr S Srikanth **Duration:** 2002-2007 **Budget:**N.A.
- 7) **Project Title:** Failure analysis of Steel Wire Ropes used for Lifting Goods and Materials  
**Sponsoring Agency:** Consultancy project for M/s AVGOL India Pvt. Ltd.  
**Investigators:;** Dr C Sasikumar, Dr S Das **Duration:** 2019-2020
- 8) **Project Title:** Root cause analysis of premature failure of NHT Trim Condenser  
**Sponsoring Agency:** Consultancy project for M/s BORL, INDIA.  
**Investigators:;** Dr C Sasikumar, Dr S Das **Duration:** 2017-2018.
- 9) **Project Title:** Failure analysis of Tie bar used in plastic injection moulding machine  
**Sponsoring Agency:** Consultancy project for L&T Demag Chennai, INDIA  
**Investigators:;** Dr S Srikanth, C Sasikumar **Duration:** 2007-2008
- 10) **Project Title:** Failure analysis of super heater boiler tube  
**Sponsoring Agency:** Consultancy project for M/S Hindustan Zinc Limited, INDIA

**Investigators:**, Dr S Srikanth, C Sasikumar *Duration: 2007-2008*

- 11) **Project Title:** Failure analysis of super heater boiler tube  
**Sponsoring Agency:** Consultancy project for M/S Neiveli Lignite Corporation, INDIA.  
**Investigators:**, Dr S Srikanth, C Sasikumar *Duration: 2005-2006*
- 12) **Project Title:** Failure analysis of super heater boiler tube  
**Sponsoring Agency:** Consultancy project for M/S TTPS Ltd, Tamilnadu, INDIA.  
**Investigators:**, Dr S Srikanth, C Sasikumar *Duration: 2004-2005*
- 13) **Project Title:** Failure analysis of super heater boiler tube  
**Sponsoring Agency:** Consultancy project for M/S Alstom India (p) ltd, INDIA.  
**Investigators:**, Dr S Srikanth, C Sasikumar *Duration: 2002-2003*
- 14) **Project Title:** Kinetic studies of sugarcane bagasse used for cogeneration of green power  
**Sponsoring Agency:** Consultancy project for M/s Murugappa Group, E.I.D Parry, Tamil Nadu, India  
**Investigators:** Dr S Srikanth, C Sasikumar, *Duration: 2004-2006.*
- 15) **Project Title:** Kinetic studies of Groundnut Shells used for cogeneration of green power  
**Sponsoring Agency:** Consultancy project for M/s Murugappa Group, E.I.D Parry, Tamil Nadu, India  
**Investigators:** Dr S Srikanth, C Sasikumar, *Duration: 2004-2006.*
- 16) **Project Title:** Surface modification of carbon and alloy steels using Boronizing technology  
**Sponsoring Agency:** In-house project at CSIR-NML, Tamil Nadu, India  
**Investigators:** Dr Gopala Krishna, C Sasikumar, *Duration: 2000-2001*

5. **Potential application of research findings of other research projects handled by the investigator(s) in the past**

We have developed only lab scale conversion/processing technologies for the following. Efforts are being continued to go for pilot scale conversion/patent

1. Plasma assisted photo-catalytic conversion of CO<sub>2</sub> into CO
2. Room Temperature Case Carburization of Steel using Surface Mechano-chemical Process
3. Microwave reduction of Iron Ore and alternate method for DRI production
4. Rapid Sintering of Metal Powders
5. Carbon films and nanostructures for super capacitors
6. Development of Piezoelectric Materials for Transducers
7. Carbon films for Thermal Management in PCBs

8. **Papers published (India / Abroad) by the Investigators, etc.**

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| [14]. | P Tadge, PK Gupta, C Sasikumar<br>Materials Today: Proceedings 2 (4-5), 3245-3250   |   |      |
|       | <a href="#">Effect of vanadium addition to Al-Si alloy on its mechanical, tribological and microstructure properties</a>  | 6 | 2017 |
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