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hegdeprashant@yahoo.com**Area of specialisation:** Analytical chemistry**Research interest:** Aerosol chemical composition studies**Academic Qualifications:** M. Sc. Ph. D. (Atmospheric Science)**Professional Responsibilities:** Assigned research activities on aerosol chemical characterization (major ions and trace elements) and determination of molecular level organics using different analytical instruments/techniques.**Awards and Honors:**

- Received JSPS (Japan Society for the Promotion of Science) fellowship award (2008)
- Received Best Ph D Thesis Award from Mangalore University (2003)
- Awarded Research Fellowship from DST, Govt. of India (1999)

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