

## CV of Prof S M Chandramohan

Professor S.M.Chandramohan was the first Director of the Institute of Surgical Gastroenterology, Madras Medical College, Chennai, India-the oldest medical college in the country which caters to the need of about twelve thousand patients per day.

As gastric cancer, esophageal cancer and corrosive injury to upper GIT are very common in India, he took special interest in problems of upper GIT.

His work and research were responsible for making the Department “The Centre for Excellence in Upper GI surgery”-a regional referral centre to manage complex GI problems.

Apart from managing complex upper GI situations with “Innovative techniques” to suit Indian patients, he has done original research in gastric cancer, esophageal cancer and complex corrosive strictures of the upper GI tract.

He has been a guide for several research projects and helps several postgraduate and undergraduate students in original research in gastro-esophageal cancer. He was the first professor to help undergraduate medical students to present their work in the IGCC and KINGA. Those papers have won awards in regional, national and international conferences.

He has held several positions in the Association of Surgeons of India and has served as the Secretary of Indian Association of Surgical Gastroenterology and is currently the president of ESOINDIA.

He conducts awareness programmes on gastric cancer along with the general public, college and school students with an intention to educate them on the early warning symptoms of gastric cancer, as most of them now present at an advanced stage.

He is the founder of the Gastric Cancer Help group and Esophageal Patients Support Organisation-which is formed by doctors, nurses, students, philanthropists, survivors and their family members.

He is also the founder of ESOINDIA-which supports patients with diseases related to the esophagus, stomach and obesity. The Government has recognized his work with the Tamil Nadu scientist award, Best Teacher award, Best Performing Doctor award and Sanjeevi award for his service to the society.