



Dr. P S Raman studied Pre-University, BSc and MSc at St. Thomas College, Thrissur and followed by that he served as a faculty of the same Department during 1969-1970. Dr. Raman earned PhD from IIT Madras in Applied Polymer Chemistry. In the year 1975 he joined National Aerospace Laboratories (NAL), Bangalore as a scientist. He has served 28 years in the Materials Science Division of NAL as a highly accomplished scientist. He has made significant contributions to the development of High Modulus and Fire-resistant Fibers, Space-grade High temperature Resins of Polyimides and Amide-Imide, Fiber-reinforced Plastics, for aerospace applications. He was an integral part of several R&D programs including the formulation, synthesis and testing of explosives for Indian Armed Forces.



Dr. Meledath Govindan, one of the prestigious alumni of this institution is currently a Professor of Chemistry and Chair of the Department of Biology and Chemistry at Fitchburg State University in Massachusetts, USA. His research interest is in natural products chemistry, especially marine natural products. He has conducted extensive research on marine natural products with funding from the National Institutes of Health and National Cancer Institute, USA. He has been collaborating with the Biomaterial Sciences and Engineering Laboratory of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), USA.

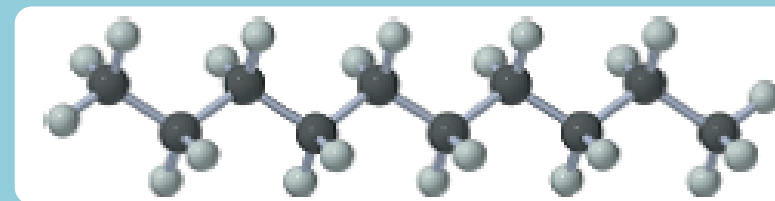
He has been active in developing new teaching methodologies and techniques, such as POGIL (Process Oriented Guided Inquiry Learning) and CPR (Calibrated Peer Review). Dr. Govindan serves as the pre-medical advisor for his university and guides students towards admission to various health professional programs. He has served as an elected member of the Nashoba Regional School Board. Dr. Govindan has been active in the North South Foundation which supports the college education of economically disadvantaged but meritorious students in India (www.northsouth.org).



RESEARCH & POSTGRADUATE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY
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Prof. Dr. Jose Mechery & Prof. K. P. Antony
Endowment Lectures
And
Merit Day Celebrations



29th January, 2018
Menachery Hall

Dear Sir/Madam,

We proudly invite you to the 3rd Dr. Jose Mechery Endowment Lecture, 10th Prof. K. P. Antony Endowment lecture and the Merit Day celebrations which is scheduled to be conducted on 29th January 2018 (Monday) by the Research and Postgraduate Department of Chemistry, St. Thomas College, Thrissur.

We solicit your esteemed presence and active participation in the lectures and Merit Day celebrations.

Dr. Joby Thomas K
HoD Chemistry

Dr. Joseph Joly V L
Convener

Dr. P. O. Jenson
Principal

Sr. Jisha Joseph
Joint Convener



Dr. rer. nat. Jose Mechery (1932 – 2015)

Former Faculty & HoD of Department of Chemistry, St. Thomas' College, Thrissur from 1955 to 1992. He completed his doctoral research work from the Technical University of Munich, under the supervision of Prof. F. Weygand, and synthesized suspected intermediates of the biosynthesis of folic acid and tested them biologically, and was awarded doctoral degree in 1962. During 1964-'65, Dr. Mechery was attached to the Physiological Chemistry Institute, and then to the Hygiene Institute, of the University of Münster. Government of India appointed him a Scientist-Officer to the Scientists Pool during 1965-'67. The University of Erlangen-Nurnberg invited him in 1971 to be a 'Scientific Co-Worker' to Prof. H. J. Bestmann at the Organic Chemistry Institute at Erlangen, where he also underwent training in nuclear magnetic resonance spectroscopy.



Prof. K. P. Antony (1929 – 2008)

Former Faculty of Department of Chemistry, St. Thomas' College Thrissur from 1950 to 1983. Professor K. P. Antony is one the most inspiring teachers of chemistry in the history of St. Thomas' college. His passion towards, chemistry, teaching profession and St. Thomas' college has made him a legendary figure. His teaching methodology was highly appreciated by both the teaching as well as student communities. His students are spread across the world in various capacities of research and academics.

PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

29th January 2018

09:30 - 10:30 *Tenth Prof. K P Antony Endowment Lecture*

Speaker: **Dr. P. S. Raman**
Former Scientist, National Aerospace Laboratories, Bangalore

Title: ***Search May Fail, But Research May Not!***

10:30 - 10:45 **Tea Break**

10:45 - 11:45 **Inaugural Session & Merit Day Celebrations**

Welcome: **Dr. Joby Thomas K**
Head, Department of Chemistry

Presidential Address: **Dr. Jenson P O**
Principal, St. Thomas' College, Thrissur

Inaugural Address: **Msgr. Thomas Kakkassery**
Vicar General, Arch Diocese, Thrissur

Guests of the Day: **Prof. Dr. Meledath Govindan**, *Fitchburg University, USA*
Dr. P. S. Raman, *NAL Bangalore*

Felicitations: **Rev. Dr. Martin Kolambrath**
Bursar & Vice Principal, St. Thomas' College, Thrissur

Dr. K. P. Johnny
President, Chemistry Alumni Association

Vote of Thanks: **Dr. Joseph Joly V L**
Convener

11:45– 13:00 *Third Prof. Dr. Jose Mechery Endowment Lecture*

Speaker: **Dr. Meledath Govindan**
Professor of Chemistry and Chair of the Department of Biology and Chemistry, Fitchburg State University, USA.

Title: ***Bioactive Marine Natural Products***

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