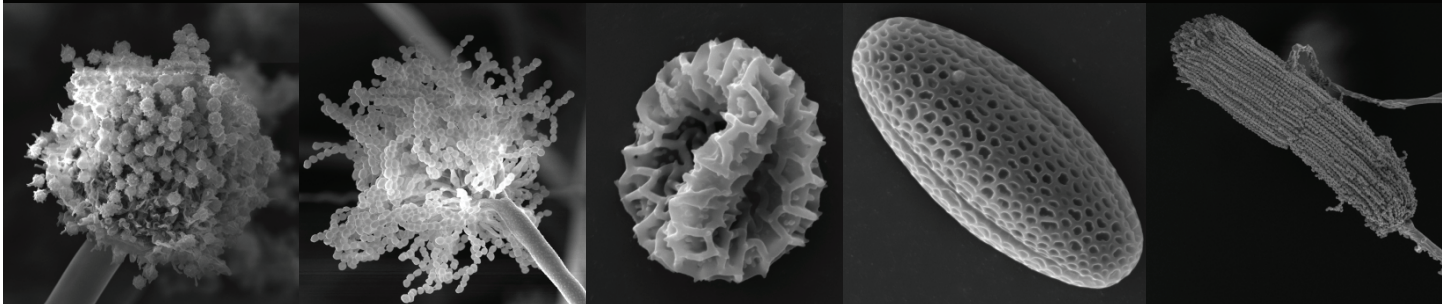
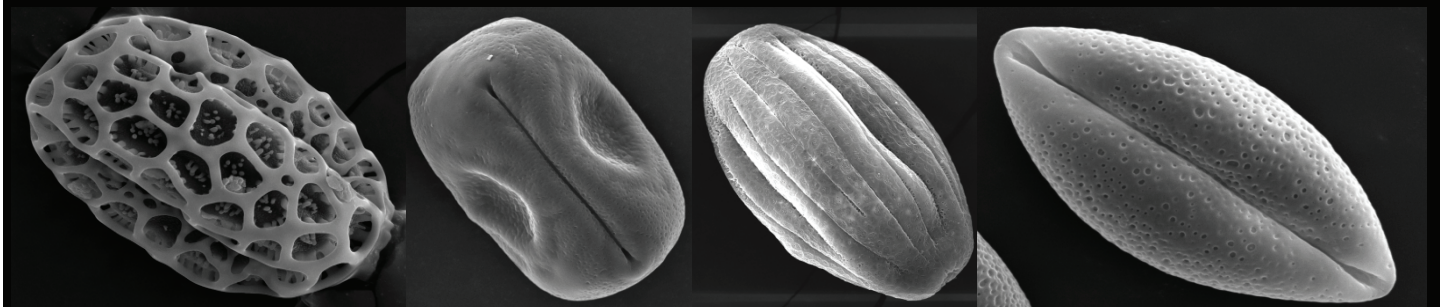


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## Editorial

I am happy to present this special commemorative volume of the Indian Journal of Aerobiology dedicated to the esteemed Prof. S.N. Agashe, an internationally acclaimed scientist in the fields of Palaeobotany, Palynology, and Aerobiology. Prof. Agashe, a revered figure, imparted invaluable knowledge, instilled a strong work ethic. As the founder Secretary-Treasurer of our society, Prof. Agashe played a pivotal role in shaping Indian aerobiology and stood as a fatherly figure in the field.

This volume serves as a tribute to Prof. Agashe's contributions, encapsulating the latest research in Aerobiology, applied Immunology, and fundamental Palynology. It includes memorial messages from leading experts with whom Prof. Agashe shared a close association.

Above all, this volume stands as a testament to the merit of Prof. S.N. Agashe's legacy, reflecting his lifelong dedication to advancing Palynology and Aerobiology. His efforts have notably led to the establishment of Aerobiological research in Bangalore and various parts of our country.

Gratitude is extended to Prof. Kashinath Bhattacharya, Former Professor of Visva-Bharati University, for his invaluable assistance in composing this volume. Special thanks are also due to Associate Editors Dr. Pampa Chakraborty, Dr. Pramod Kumar Mahish, and Dr. Dola Boral.

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We trust that you will find this volume to be a valuable resource and encourage you to consider submitting your own work for subsequent volumes. The forthcoming Volume 37, No.1 (2024), is scheduled for publication in June 2024. We welcome your feedback and comments, which will aid us in enhancing the journal in the future.

The year 2023 was not very congenial for Indian Aerobiologists as it brought out a blowing message of the sad and untimely demise of Dr. Nandini Ghosh, a 35-year-old Assistant Professor in the Department of Microbiology at Vidyasagar University, Medinipur, West Bengal. Dr. Ghosh, our society's youngest Fellow, made significant contributions to Aerobiology, particularly in purification and molecular characterization of pollen/spore allergens in India. Her premature demise is profoundly shocking and saddening. Having supervised her Ph.D. thesis, I am deeply affected by this loss. We pray for her soul to rest in peace.

Om Shanti ! Om Shanti ! Om Shanti !

**Dr. Swati Gupta Bhattacharya**

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