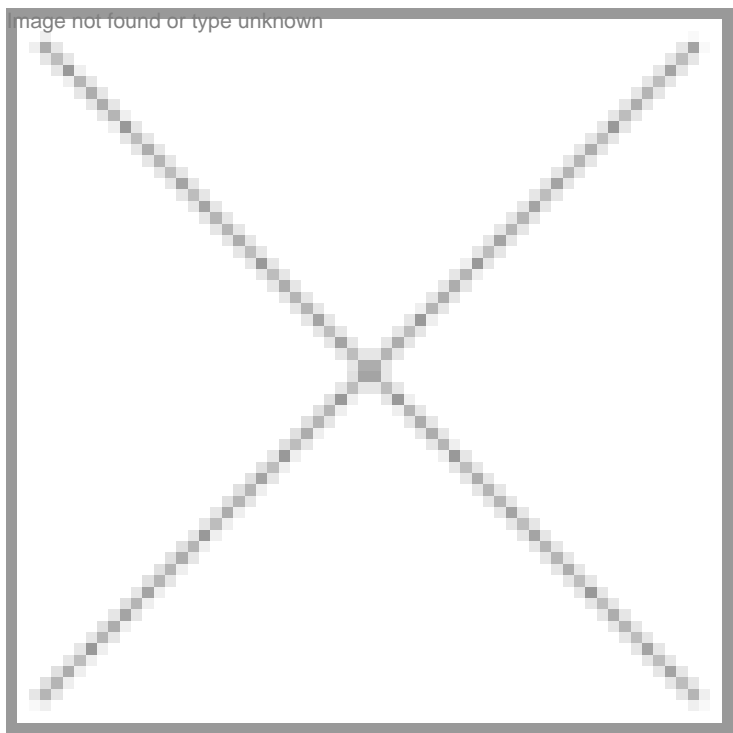
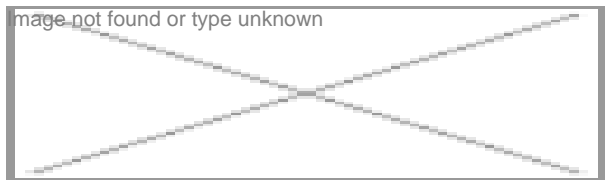


Five Padma Awards go to life sciences

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Distinguished scientist Dr S Ramachandran; Dr K Anji Reddy, founder and chairman, Dr Reddy Group of Companies; Dr K Raghavendra Rao, founder, Orchid Chemicals; Dr Suman Sahai, founder of Gene Campaign with a distinguished scientific career in the field of genetics; and Mr Analjit Singh, founder and chairman, Max India; are among the 128 dignitaries who have been selected for the Padma civilian awards this year.



Dr S Ramachandran who has been chosen for the Padma Bhushan was the first secretary of the Department of Biotechnology (DBT), Government of India. The Chennai-born scientist's works aimed at developing modern biology through various DBT programs.

Mr Analjit Singh, founder and chairman of Max India Group, a clinical research and healthcare company, has been conferred with Padma Bhushan Award. He has been the driving force behind the group's sustained growth and success since the mid-1980s.

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Dr K Anji Reddy, a recipient of Padma Shri in 2001, has been chosen for Padma Bhushan for his leadership in ranking Dr Reddy's Laboratories as a top innovative drug research and discovery firm in India.

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ranked among the top 5 cephalosporin producers in the world. Dr. S. Venendra Rao, founder of Orchid Chemicals, a leading pharmaceutical company headquartered in Hyderabad, has been selected for Padma Shri Award. With exports covering more than 75 countries, Orchid is

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conferred with the Padma Shri in social work category. Dr. S. Mahai, founder of Gene Campaign with a distinguished scientific career in the field of genetics was

Who's presenting where

Dr Anji Reddy, Chairman, Dr Reddy's Laboratories, @ BioAsia 2011, India

Dr Lukas Utiger, Head, Lonza Bioscience, Switzerland @ BioAsia 2011, India

Mr Krishna M Ella, Chairman & Managing Director, Bharat Biotech, India @ Vaccine World Summit, India

Prof Nikolai Petrovsky, Research Director Vaxine, Australia @ Vaccine World Summit, India

FABA announces Special Award 2011

Dr Davinder S Brar, chairman, GVK Biosciences and Dr Roger L Williams, CEO, United States Pharmacopeia (USP) have bagged Federation of Asian Biotech Associations (FABA) Special Award 2011. The awards will be presented to them on the inaugural day of BioAsia 2011 on February 22, 2011, in Hyderabad.