## Brief CV of Dr. Ujjal Poddar, MD, DNB, DM

Dr. Ujjal Poddar is presently serving as Professor and Head of the Department of Pediatric Gastroenterology at Sanjay Gandhi Postgraduate Institute of Medical Sciences, Lucknow, India. Dr. Poddar has graduated from North Bengal Medical College, West Bengal and received his postgraduate (MD) degree as well as doctorate in Gastroenterology (DM) from Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education and Research (PGIMER), Chandigarh, India. Dr. Poddar's main contributions include:

He was actively involved in establishing the first academic super-specialty department of Pediatric Gastroenterology in India, actively involved in awareness campaign about celiac disease in North India and neonatal cholestasis across India. He is the author of more than 190 publications, including original papers, reviews, and book chapters. His main research interest has been in the areas of celiac disease, portal hypertension, viral hepatitis B, neonatal cholestasis, inflammatory bowel disease (IBD), and Pediatric therapeutic endoscopy including ERCP. He is the Section Editor (Gastroenterology) of Indian Pediatrics, the official journal of Indian Academy of Pediatrics, Section Editor (Pediatric Gastroenterology) of Indian Journal of Gastroenterology, the official journal of Indian Society of Gastroenterology, and Associate Editor of Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology, & Nutrition: Frontiers of Pediatrics. Dr. Poddar received several National and International Awards including Pfizer Gold Medal for standing first in final MBBS of University of North Bengal 1986, V Balagopal Raju Gold Medal for best scientific paper, Pedicon, 1994, Young Investigator fellowship of European School of Oncology, Turin, Italy, 1998, Visiting Fellowship of the Royal College of Pediatrics and Child Health, London, 1999, 'Young Clinician Award' from Asia Pacific Digestive Week at Hong Kong, 2000, Clinician from developing country Award for Asia Pacific Digestive Week, Sydney, Australia, 2001, prestigious Olympus Mitra Endoscopy Award" by Indian Society of Gastroenterology in 2010, Presidential Poster of Distinction, American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases (AASLD), 2010.

He is an active member of several International and National medical organizations, including European Society of Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology, and Nutrition (ESPGHAN), Indian Society of Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology, and Nutrition (ISPGHAN), Indian Academy of Pediatrics, Indian Association for Study of the Liver (INASL), Indian Society of Gastroenterology (ISG), Society of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy of India (SGEI), etc.

Dr. Poddar's name featured in the World's top 2% scientists in their respective field (Gastroenterology/Hepatology) list prepared by a group of scientists from Stanford University, USA and published by Elsevier in October 2021 and again in October 2022. He is the one of the two Pediatric Gastroenterologists (the other one, Yen Hsuan Ni from Taiwan) from Asia in this list in 2021 and the sole pediatric gastroenterologist from Asia in 2022. There are only 58 (3%) Pediatric Gastroenterologists in the whole world's list of 2% gastroenterologists/ hepatologists (n=1,895) and he is one of them. [https://elsevier.digitalcommonsdata.com/dataset/btchxktzyw/3]