

## NEWS AND AWARDS

### Celebrating Highly Cited Researchers at MFU

*Kevin D. Hyde, Hiran A. Ariyawansa, Jian-Kui (Jack) Liu, Qing Tian, Rungtiwa Phookamsak, Ruvishika S. Jayawardena, Sajeewa S. N. Maharachchikumbura Sinang Hongsanan, Dong Qin Dai, Satinee Suetrong, Alan J. L. Phillips, Xu Jianchu , Eric H.C. McKenzie and E. B. Gareth Jones received the honour.*

Three researchers, six recent graduates and five collaborators at the Center of Excellence in Fungal Research (CEFR) have been recognized as Web of Science, Highly Cited Researchers in 2018 for their outstanding work in the field of plant and animal science. The annual list from Clarivate Analytics identifies researchers with multiple papers ranking in the top 1% by citations for their field and year. The citation analysis identifies influential researchers as determined by their peers around the globe - those who have consistently won recognition in the form of high citation counts over a decade.



**Prof. Kevin D Hyde**, the Director of the CEFR was also included in previous compilations of this list in 2017, 2016 and 2015.



**Dr. Hiran A. Ariyawansa** received his PhD in Mycology from the CEFR in 2015. He is currently a senior lecturer at the Department of Plant Pathology and Microbiology at National Taiwan University.



**Prof. Jian-Kui (Jack) Liu** earned his PhD in Mycology from the CEFR in 2014. He is currently a professor at the School of Life Science and Technology, University of Electronic Science and Technology of China (UESTC), Chengdu, P.R. China. He is also a Visiting Professor at the CEFR.



**Ms. Qing Tian** currently a PhD student at CEFR and carried out her research on “Determining family and genus limits in ascomycota: Melanommataceae and Chaetothyriales as model systems”.



**Dr. Rungtiwa Phookamsak** obtained her PhD in Mycology from the CEFR in 2016. She is currently a researcher at the Key Laboratory for Plant Diversity and Biogeography of East Asia, Kunming Institute of Botany, Chinese Academy of Science, China.



**Dr. Ruvishika S. Jayawardena** received her PhD in Mycology from the CEFR in 2017 and she is currently researcher at the CEFR.



**Dr. Sajeewa S. N. Maharachchikumbura** obtained his PhD in Mycology from the CEFR in 2014. He is currently a researcher at the Department of Crop Sciences, Sultan Qaboos University, Oman. He also is a Visiting Professor at the CEFR.



**Dr. Sinang Hongsanan** received her PhD in Mycology from the CEFR in 2015 and worked as a research at the CEFR from 2016-2017. She is currently a researcher at the Shenzhen Key Laboratory of Microbial Genetic Engineering, College of Life Sciences and Oceanography, Shenzhen University, Shenzhen, People's Republic of China.



**Dr. Dong Qin Dai** obtained her PhD in Mycology from the CEFR in 2016. She is currently a lecturer at the Center for Yunnan Plateau Biological Resources Protection and Utilization Qujing Normal University, Qujing, China.



**Dr. Satinee Suetrong** is obtained her PhD in Mycology from Prince of Songkla University, Thailand 2011. She is currently a researcher at fungal Biodiversity Laboratory, Biodiversity and Biotechnological Resource Research Unit (BBR), National Center for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology (BIOTECH), Thailand.



**Prof. Alan J. L. Phillips** is a Principal Researcher at the Department of Life Sciences, New University of Lisbon, Portugal and also is a Visiting Professor at the CEFR, Thailand.



**Prof. Xu Jianchu** is professor at Kunming Institute of Botany, Chinese Academy of Sciences. He is currently the Principal Scientist and Regional Coordinator in World Agroforestry Center.



**Dr. Eric H.C. McKenzie** is a visiting professor at CEFR and is currently the herbarium Curator of Landcare Research, Auckland, New Zealand.



**Prof. E. B. Gareth Jones** is a Visiting Prof at the College of Science, King Saud University, Saudi Arabia and is also supervising seven PhDs and involved in the research projects of more than 20 students in CEFR.

Further details of the announcement can be found [here](#).

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