## Ashwin Srinivasan, professor at BITS Goa Campus amongst the top 2% of scientists of the world



Stanford University has recently released a list that represents the top 2 per cent of the most-cited scientists in various disciplines. The exhaustive list has 1,59,683 persons with nearly 1,500 Indians in it.

The majority of them are from IITs and IISc and other top institutes, representing fields like physics, material sciences, chemical engineering, plant biology, energy and others. The list includes around 7 or 8 scientists from Goa. Our neighbourhood is honoured to be home to one of them – Ashwin Srinivasan professor at BITS Pilani Goa Campus.

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He is presently Class of 1981 Chair Professor Department of Computer Science and Information Systems and Head Anuradha and Prashanth Palakurthi Centre for AI Research at BITS Goa.

Ashwin Srinivasan was previously Professor, IIIT-Delhi, Professor and (Founder) Dean, Faculty of Mathematics and Computer Science, South Asian University, (Research Staff Member, IBM Research -- India, University Lecturer in Computation, University of Oxford and the Co-founder of PharmDM.

His foray in the academic field commenced with a Ph.D. from the School of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science from the University of New South Wales, Australia, in 1991 on the subject of photo-interpretation of remotely sensed data.

During the latter half of 1990, he developed a nonmonotonic logic-based for interpreting system chemical pathology data. This was awarded the Pacific Diagnostic's Prize and recommended for use in all hospitals in the state of New South Wales.

In 1991, Ashwin joined the ILP group at the Turing Institute, Scotland. From 1993, Ashwin was a member of the Oxford University Computing Laboratory, where

he was involved in pioneering applications of ILP systems to difficult real-world problems in molecular biology and chemistry. From 1998-2000 he was the Nuffield Trust Research Fellow in Medical Mathematics and a Research Fellow of Green College, Oxford.

In 2001, he was appointed to a University Lecturership in Computation at Oxford and a Fellowship in Computation at St Peter's College. Prior to this, he has also been a member of Wolfson College, Oxford.

In 2003, he moved to the IBM Research – India, as a Research Staff Member.

In 2009, he was awarded a Ramanujan Fellowship by the Department of Science and Technology of the Government of India. In 2010, he took up the post of Professor at the newly formed South Asian University, and became the founder Dean of the Faculty of Mathematics and Computer Science.

He moved to the IIIT-D in Sept. 2012 and in Jan 2015 to BITS-Pilani, Goa.

He was also a Visiting Professor at the Computing Laboratory, University of Oxford and is a Visiting Professorial Fellow at the School of Computer Science and Engineering, University of New South Wales.

Our neighboorhood is deeply honoured to have such an accomplished scientist and academician.

Ashwin Srinivasan resides at the BITS Goa campus with his family - wife Ruhi Saith and daughter Elahe.