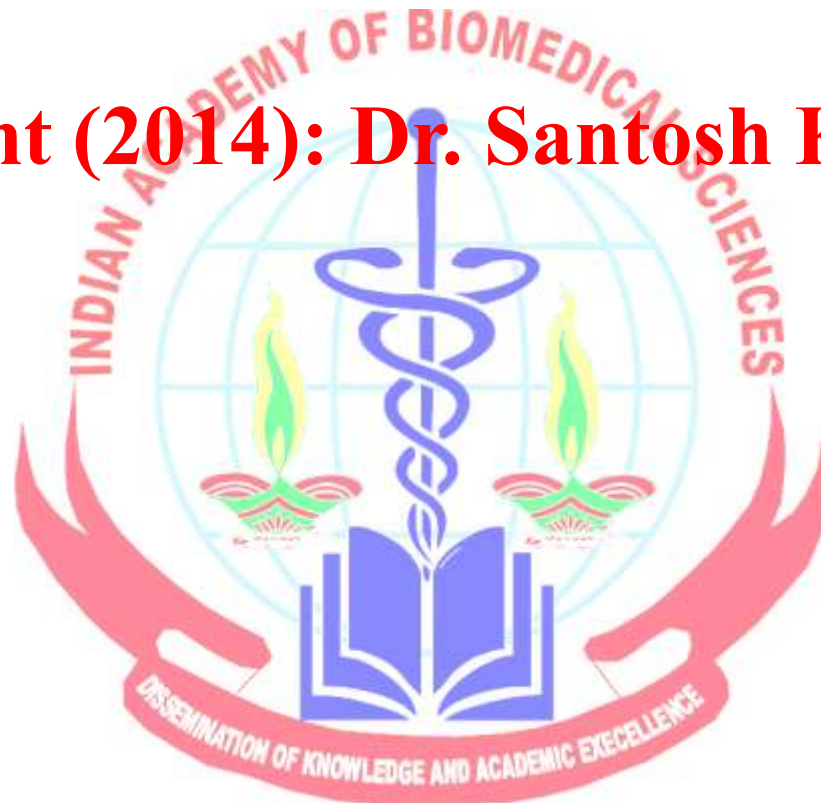


**Professor Nurul Islam Award
(for Best Paper Presentation)**

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Prof. Nurul Islam

(4th February, 1937 - 2nd October, 2013)



Prof Nurul Islam was born in Mughal Sarai, District Chandauli, on 4th of February 1937. He passed his high school from Mughal Sarai, Intermediate from Lucknow and B.Sc. (Hon.) from B.H.U., Varanasi.

Thereafter, he passed his M.Sc. (Physical Chemistry) from AMU, Aligarh, where he topped in M.Sc. Chemistry and received the Faculty's Gold Medal in 1957. He joined as Lecturer in the Department of Chemistry, AMU, Aligarh in 1958. Thereafter, he proceeded on leave from AMU for pursuing his Ph. D programme in USA. He earned his PhD from University of New York where he was the first Asian to receive Founders Day award. He was a co-inventor / co-worker at the rocket fuel team in USA for Apollo 1. He worked at NASA for some time but returned to India due to the insistence of his parents. His basic work was on molten salts, fusion and fission. Also, later on he did some research work on ion transport across cardiac membrane. He has published more than 125 research papers in National and International Journals of repute. Also, he guided more than twenty students under Ph.D. program. He was a member of Hydrogen Atomic Energy Commission of India. He retired as Professor in Physical Chemistry at AMU Aligarh. He was also the Chairman of the Department as well as Dean, Faculty of Science, Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh. He passed away on 2nd of October 2013 after a seven-year-long struggle with cancer and is survived by his wife, two sons and two daughters.

