

## ***Curriculum Vitae***

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<b><u>Education:</u></b>	<b><u>Degree</u></b>	<b><u>Year</u></b>	<b><u>Field of Study</u></b>
Indian Institute of Technology,	B. Tech.	1984	Electrical Engineering
Syracuse University	Ph.D.	1990	Neuroscience

### **Honors & Awards**

1979	National Merit Scholarship, India
1984-1986	Syracuse University Graduate Fellowship
1993-1996	National Research Council Associate
1999	<i>Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers</i>
2016-2017	President, Vision Sciences Society

### **Professional Experience**

1990-1993	Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Psychology, Harvard University
1993-1996	National Research Council Fellow, NASA Ames Research Center
1996-2000	Associate Scientist, The Smith-Kettlewell Eye Research Institute, San Francisco
2001-2013	Scientist, The Smith-Kettlewell Eye Research Institute, San Francisco
2013-present	Senior Scientist, The Smith-Kettlewell Eye Research Institute, San Francisco

### **Professional Service**

1991-present	Ad hoc reviewer for NIMH, NEI, NSF, <i>Journal of Vision</i> , <i>Neuron</i> , <i>Nature Neuroscience</i> , <i>Vision Research</i> , <i>Journal of Neuroscience</i> , <i>PLOS Biology</i> , <i>PLOS Computational Biology</i> , <i>PLOS One</i> , <i>Investigative Ophthalmology and Vision Science</i> , <i>Attention</i> , <i>Perception &amp; Psychophysics</i> , <i>Perception</i> , <i>Journal of Experimental Psychology: Human Perception and Performance</i> , etc.
2002, 2004	Instructor, Computational Neuroscience, Cold Spring Harbor, NY
2003, 2007	Organizing Committee, International Workshop on Visual Attention
2007	Member, NSF Review Panel, Perception Action and Cognition
2007-present	Member, Editorial Board, <i>Vision Research</i>
2008-present	Member, Review Committee, <i>Vision Sciences Society</i>
2011	Chair, 3 <sup>rd</sup> International Workshop on Visual Attention
2013- present	Member, Editorial Board, <i>Journal of Vision</i>
2013	Chair, Young Investigator Award Committee, <i>Vision Sciences Society</i>
2013-2018	Board Member, <i>Vision Sciences Society</i>
2018- 2024	<i>Regular Member, NIH Study Section on Mechanisms of Sensory, Perceptual and Cognitive Processes (SPC)</i>

## **Membership**

Vision Sciences Society  
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## **Peer-reviewed Publications**

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- Palmer J, **Vergheese P**, Pavel M. (2000) The psychophysics of visual search. *Vision Research* **40**: 1227-68.
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- Vergheese P**. (2001) Visual search and attention: a signal detection theory approach. *Neuron* **31**: 523-35.
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