Vice President and Manager Inhalation Toxicology Division Life Sciences Group IITRI (IIT Research Institute)

Technical Areas

Generation, measurement, and characterization of test atmospheres for inhalation toxicology studies; therapeutic aerosol generation and monitoring for inhalation studies; cigarette smoke generation for inhalation studies; smoke aerosol characterization; bioaerosol generation and sampling; droplet evaporation; particle deposition studies in human respiratory tracts; dynamics of aerosol systems; high concentration dust measurement; mist suppression and dust explosions

Education

Ph.D., Engineering Sciences, State University of New York, 1977; M.S., Engineering Sciences, State University of New York, 1974; B.S., Mechanical Engineering, Madras University, India, 1969

Experience

IIT Research Institute, Inhalation Toxicology Division, Life Sciences Group: *Vice President*, since 2005; *Section Head*, Inhalation Toxicology Section, since 2003; *Manager*, since 1999; *Assistant Vice President*, 2000-2005; *Science Advisor*, 1993-1999; *Senior Engineer*, 1986-1993; *Research Engineer*, 1981-1986; *Associate Engineer*, 1977-1981; State University of New York, Buffalo: *Research Fellow*, 1975-1977; *Teaching Fellow*, 1972-1975

As Vice President and Manager, Dr. Rajendran is responsible for maintaining the financial and technical integrity of the Inhalation Toxicology Division's testing programs, supporting business development, preparing proposals to clients, and providing state-of-the-art inhalation exposure procedures. He currently manages several multi-million dollar projects including a multi-year testing program for industrial clients. As an Aerosol Scientist, Dr. Rajendran provides scientific input in the design and development of all study-specific test atmosphere generation and monitoring systems.

Since the early 1980s, Dr. Rajendran has been involved in solving test atmosphere generation and monitoring problems encountered in inhalation studies. He has worked since 1978 on a number of inhalation toxicology programs, including studies for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, a red phosphorus/butyl rubber obscurant smoke exposure study for the U.S. Army, and subchronic inhalation toxicity studies with 2-mercaptobenzimidazole (2-MBI), and vanadium pentoxide for the National Toxicology Program (NTP). For the 2-MBI studies, he devised a unique approach to aerosolize sticky powders, a very complex and difficult problem. Dr. Rajendran developed aerosol/vapor generation systems for nose-only inhalation toxicity studies conducted for pharmaceutical companies, which employed a powder dispenser, metered-dose inhalers, or flash evaporator.

In other completed studies, he devised techniques to generate highly dispersed aerosols from bulk powders including several metal compounds and viscous liquids and developed methods for *in situ* measurement of the aerosol concentrations and aerosol output from metered-dose inhalers.

In his university research, Dr. Rajendran examined the acoustic agglomeration of aerosols and theoretical modeling of aerosol deposition in the human respiratory tract.

Professional Affiliations

American Association of Aerosol Research

Awards

Listed in American Men and Women of Science; Who's Who in the Midwest

Publications, Presentations, and Patents

Author or coauthor of over 60 publications, abstracts, and presentations, and one patent in the fields of inhalation toxicology, developmental toxicity, particle deposition in the human respiratory tract, filtration of aerosols and acoustic agglomeration of aerosols.

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- 4. Theoretical modeling of fine particle deposition in three-dimensional bronchial bifurcations. Am. Ind. Hyg. Assoc. J., **39**(3), 195-201 (1978). D. T. Shaw, N. Rajendran, and N. S. Liao.
- 5. Transport effect on liquid therapeutic aerosols. Presented at the Powder and Bulk Conference, Philadelphia, PA, May 15-17, 1979. N. Rajendran and S. Katz.
- 6. Study of therapeutic aerosols. Presented at the 19th Annual American Industrial Hygiene Association Conference, Chicago, IL, May 27-June-1, 1979. N. Rajendran and S. Katz.
- Application of acoustic agglomerators for emergency use in LMFBR plants. Nucl. Sci. Eng., 70, 127-134 (1979). N. Rajendran.
- 8. Acoustic precipitation of aerosol understanding wave conditions. J. Aerosol Sci., **10**, 329-338 (1979). N. Rajendran, J. Wegrzyn, M. T. Cheng, and D. T. Shaw.
- 9. Acoustic agglomeration of aerosols. Presented at the Powder and Bulk Solids Conference, Chicago, IL, May 13-15, 1980. N. Rajendran.
- 10. Theoretical investigation of inlet characteristics of personal samplers. Presented at the 13th Aerosol Technology Meeting, Boston, MA, August 18-20, 1980. N. Rajendran.
- 11. Sampler inlet characteristics. Presented at and published in the proceedings of the ASME Symposium on Cotton Dust, October 7-8, 1980. N. Rajendran.
- 12. Liquid aerosols. Presented at the First American Association of Aerosol Research Annual Meeting, Santa Monica, CA, February 17-19, 1982. N. Rajendran.
- 13. Safe and efficient grease extractor. U.S. Patent. K. Otzen and N. Rajendran.
- 14. Grain dust measurement. Presented at Fine Particle Society Meeting, Hawaii, August 1983. J. D. Stockham and N. Rajendran.
- 15. Reliable techniques to measure grain dust. Presented at Pittsburgh Conference and Exposition, Atlantic City, NJ, March 5-8, 1984. J. D. Stockham and N. Rajendran.
- 16. Comparison of methods for measuring dust concentration. Presented at American Society of agricultural Engineers Winter Meeting, Chicago, IL, December 17-20, 1985. N. Rajendran and B. Moechnig.
- 17. Grain dust measurement techniques: An evaluation. Trans. Am. Soc. Agr. Eng., **28**(6), 2030-2036 (1985). N. Rajendran and J. D. Stockham.

- Grain dust measurements in active grain elevators. Proceedings of the ASTM Symposium on Industrial Dust Explosions at Pittsburgh, PA, June 10-12, 1986.
- 19. Emissions from locomotive brakes. Presented at Symposium on Friction Materials, Atlantic City, NJ, October 5-7, 1987. A. Anderson and N. Rajendran.
- Subchronic inhalation toxicity study of 2-mercaptobenzimidazole aerosols. Presented at Society of Toxicology Annual Meeting, Miami, FL, February 1989. C. L. Gaworski, C. Aranyi, S. Vana, N. Rajendran, A. Hall, and K. Abdo.
- 21. High concentration dust measurement techniques. Presented at American Association of Aerosol Research Annual Meeting, Reno, NV, October 1989. N. Rajendran.
- Prechronic inhalation toxicity studies of 2-mercaptobenzimidazole (2-MBI) in F344/N rats. Fundam. Appl. Toxicol., 16, 161-171 (1990). C. L. Gaworski, C. Aranyi, S. Vana, N. Rajendran, K. Abdo, B. S. Levine, and A. Hall, III.
- Inhalation exposure of F344/N male rats to aerosol mixtures used as military obscurants. J. Am. College Toxicol., 10(5), 620 (1991). C. Aranyi, N. Rajendran, S. Vana, J. Bradof, R. Sherwood, J. Drummond, M. Tomlinson, B. Levine, R. Gibbons, and J. Dacre.
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- 25. Inhalation exposure of F344/N male rats to aerosol mixtures used as military obscurants. Presented at and published in the proceedings of the 13th Annual Meeting of the American College of Toxicologists, San Francisco, CA, October 22-24, 1992. J. Am. College Toxicol., 12(1), (1993). C. Aranyi, N. Rajendran, S. Vana, J. Bradof, R. Sherwood, J. Drummond, M. Tomlinson, B. Levine, R. Gibbons, and J. Dacre.
- Subchronic nose-only inhalation toxicity study in rats with Atrovent HFC 134A formulation using an aerosol generation system with metered dose inhalers. Toxicologist, 45, 102 (1996). N. Rajendran, J. Gerhart, S. Vana, D. Ball, T. MacGregor, F. Pack, R. Stoll, and C. Aranyi.
- 27. Fourteen-day inhalation toxicity study of N-ethyl-M-toluidine in rats. Toxicologist, **48**, 115 (1999). E. Stephens, N. Rajendran, D. Sullivan, and J. Gerhart.
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