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Dr. Chengappa has been actively involved academic research in the pathogenesis of important infectious diseases of animals, primarily focusing on identification, molecular characterization and functional analysis of antigen/toxins of *Streptococcus suis*, *Mannheimia haemolytica*, and *Fusobacterium necrophorum* for over 50 years, 35 of those at Kansas State University, with 18 years serving as head of the Department of Diagnostic Medicine/Pathobiology and as a university distinguished professor. Dr. Chengappa received his Doctor of Veterinary Medicine and Master of Veterinary Science at Mysore Veterinary College in Bangalore, India. He received his Master of Science and his doctorate from Michigan State University.

The recipient of numerous awards, Dr. Chengappa earned the prestigious Beecham Award for Research Excellence from Kansas State University's College of Veterinary Medicine in 1990; the Distinguished Veterinary Postdoctoral Award from Michigan State University in 2004; and the Karuna Award for Outstanding Contributions to National and Global Progress from India in 2007.

Dr. Chengappa has made significant contributions to scientific literature reflecting fundamental discoveries and/or innovative applied research in animal health and disease in that he has authored or co-authored more than 130 refereed publications and 135 abstract presentations, numerous book chapters, has nine U.S. patents and has made numerous presentations as an invited guest speaker locally, regionally, nationally and internationally. Dr. Chengappa, G.R. Carter and A.W. Roberts wrote the textbook "Essentials of Veterinary Microbiology" providing the latest information of all facets of animal pathogens but particularly the antigenic nature, pathogenicity, pathogenesis, and antimicrobial susceptibility. The book was being used as a textbook in many Veterinary Colleges around the world in three different languages. Dr. Chengappa served as the president of the CRWAD Council in 2021.

