

- Higher Secondary Education (2002) SNSM Higher Secondary School, Kundara, Kollam, with 84%
- SSLC (2000) St. Aloysius High School, with 82.5%

4. Experience

- **Scientist-B (October 2021 - till date)**
Advanced Centre for Atmospheric Radar Research,
Cochin University of Science and Technology, Cochin -22
- **Project Scientist-B/Asst. System Engineer (March 2015-October 2021)**
ST Radar Facility, Advanced Centre for Atmospheric Radar Research,
Cochin University of Science and Technology, Cochin -22.
- **Project Assistant (July 2014- March 2015)**
Optoelectronics and Laser Instrumentation lab, DST-BRNS Project,
ToCH Institute of Science and Technology, Arakunnam, Ernakulam
- **Associate Engineer (October 2010 – January 2012)**
Instrumentation Department,
Smart Institute of Control and Instrumentation.
- **Instrumentation Engineer (July 2008- August 2010)**
Saudi Kayan Petrochemical Complex- Saudi Kayan Phenolics Facilities Project,
SABIC, AL-Jubail, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (KSA).
- **Lecturer-Instrumentation (July 2007-June 2008)**
Department of Electronics and Instrumentation engineering
Baselios Mathews II College of Engineering, Kollam
- **Sr. Instrument technician (July 2006- March 2007)**
Instrument Installation and Maintenance Engineers, Bangalore.

5. Awards and Achievements

6. Research Interests

- Radar remote sensing technology
- Ionosphere dynamics and instrumentation
- Space weather

7. Research Projects

NIL

8. Significant Contributions

- Developed the studies on Ionosphere with the ST Radar wind profiler, which was the first time studied with a VHF radar at 205MHz frequency in the near equatorial region

9. Publications

9.1 Journals

1. Neethu Mohan, Samson, T.K., Paul, B. **Rakesh V.**, Rebello, R., Mohanan, P., **A CFI algorithm for estimating the Doppler peak of wind-profiling radar**, Remote Sensing Letters, <https://doi.org/10.1080/2150704X.2022.2121185>, 2022.
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2. **V. Rakesh**, S. Haridas, C. Sivan et al., **Impact of the Hunga Tonga-Hunga Ha'apai volcanic eruption on the changes observed over the Indian near-equatorial ionosphere**, Advances in Space Research, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.asr.2022.07.004>, 2022
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4. Sivan, C., **Rakesh, V.**, Manoj, M.G., Satheesan, K., Abhilash, S. and Mohanakumar, K., 2022. **Detection of the impact of a tropical cyclonic system on the dynamics and energetics of the atmosphere using wind profiler radar**. Journal of Atmospheric and Solar-Terrestrial Physics, p.105896., 2022.
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5. Manoj M.G., Sivan C., **Rakesh V.**, Rejoy Rebello, Abhilash S., K. Mohankumar (2020) **Atmospheric response to the annular solar eclipse of 26 December 2019 over Cochin, India**, Advances in Space Research, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.asr.2021.07.001>, 2021,
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6. Sivan C, **Rakesh V**, Abhilash S, Mohanakumar K. **Evaluation of global reanalysis winds and high-resolution regional model outputs with the 205 MHz stratosphere–troposphere wind profiler radar observations**. QJRMeteorol Soc.2021; 147:2562–2579. <https://doi.org/10.1002/qj.4041>,2021
7. R. Remya, Manoj M.G., **Rakesh V.**, Mohanakumar K. and Sivan C, **Influence of High Latitude Sudden Stratospheric Warming on Tropical Weather: Observations from a 205 MHz Stratosphere Troposphere Radar and Surface Meteorological Parameters**, Earth and Space Science, 2020.
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8. Thara Anna Mathew, Neelam Malap, M.G. Manoj, Y. Jayarao, Kiran Todekar, **V. Rakesh**, Rejoy Rebello, K. Mohankumar, Thara Prabhakaran, **Pre-monsoon convective events**

and thermodynamic features of southwest monsoon onset over Kerala, India: A case study, Atmospheric Research 2020.

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9. Ajil Kottayil, Prince Xavier, K. Satheesan, K. Mohanakumar, **V. Rakesh**, **Vertical structure and evolution of monsoon circulation as observed by 205 MHz wind profiler radar**, Meteorology and Atmospheric Physics 2020.

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10. Neethu Mohan, **Rakesh V**, M. G. Manoj, Titu K. Samson, Rejoy Rebello, K. Mohankumar, P. Mohanan, Binu Paul, **Potential application of 205 MHz Stratosphere-Troposphere Wind Profiling Radar in Ionospheric Studies: Preliminary Results**, IEEE Geoscience and Remote Sensing Letters 2019.

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11. **Rakesh V.**, M.G. Manoj, K Mohankumar, Neethu Mohan, Titu K. Samson, **Detection of sub-metre scale irregularities in the low latitude Ionospheric E- layer using high VHF Radar at 205 MHz**, , Journal of Geophysical Research - Space Physics, 2019.

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12. K. Mohanakumar, Santosh K. R., P. Mohanan, K. Vasudevan, M. G. Manoj, Titu K. Samson, Ajil Kottayil, **Rakesh V**, Rejoy Rebello, and Abhilash S., **A Versatile 205 MHz Stratosphere Troposphere Radar at Cochin – Scientific Applications**, Current Science, 2018,

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14. T. K. Samson, Ajil Kottayil, Manoj M. G., Binoy B., **Rakesh. V.**, R. Rebello, Vasudevan K., Mohan. P. Santosh K. R., Mohanakumar, **Technical Aspects of 205 MHz VHF Mini Wind Profiler Radar for Tropospheric Probing**, K, IEEE Geoscience and Remote Sensing Letters, doi: 10.1109/LGRS, 2016. Impact factor: 3.833

15. Kottayil, A., K. Mohanakumar, T. Samson, R. Rebello, M. G. Manoj, **R. Varadarajan**, K. R. Santosh, P. Mohanan, and K. Vasudevan, **Validation of 205 MHz wind profiler radar located at Cochin, India, using radiosonde wind measurements**, Radio Science, 51, 106–117, doi: 10.1002/2015RS005836. 2016.

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16. **Chromatic and Polarization Mode dispersion using Delay line filter in optical communication networks**, **Rakesh V**, and Arun Jose, International Journal of Science and Research Development, Volume 2 Issue 1 March 2014.
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2. Sreekumar Haridas, **Rakesh V.**, Manoj M.G., Unnikrishnan K, Binu Paul, Abhilash S., Mohanakumar K., **Geomagnetic storm-induced ionospheric perturbations over near-equatorial Indian stations**, Advances in Space Research
3. Syam Sankar, Achanya Unni V, Abhilash S., Abhiram Nirmal C. S., Vijaykumar P., Mohanakumar K., Rejoy Rebello, **Rakesh Varadarajan, Contrasting Response of the Delayed Withdrawal of South West Monsoon on the North East Monsoon Rainfall over Kerala during 2019 and 2020**, (*Under Review*).

9.2 Books and Book Chapters

9.3 Reports with ISSN/ISBN number

9.4 Conference Publications

1. Titu K Samson; Binoy Babu; V. K. Anandan ; **Rakesh V** ; Rejoy Rebello ; K Mohanakumar ; P Mohanan **Phased array of 619-element Yagi-Uda antenna for Wind Profiler Radar at Cochin University of Science and Technology**, 2019 URSI Asia-Pacific Radio Science Conference (AP-RASC), 2019, New Delhi, India. (*conference paper*)

9.5 Popular Articles

10. Popular Lectures/Invited Talks

1. Topic: **Virtual tour to Advanced Centre for Atmospheric Radar Research (ACARR), CUSAT, Kochi.**
Faculty Development Program- FDP on Climate change, organized by School of Environmental Studies, Cochin University of Science and Technology and sponsored by AICTE – Training and Learning (ATAL) Academy.
2. Topic: **Radar Remote Sensing**, in the workshop on Atmospheric studies as part of Tech Talent Programme of State Institute of Educational Technology (SIET Kerala), General Education Department, Government of Kerala held on 08th & 09th of June 2022 organized by SIET, Kerala in association with Cochin University of Science and Technology, at Advanced Centre for Atmospheric Radar Research.

11. Guidance-

Phd: (nos) - NIL

PG/UG: (nos) – 9 nos

12. Countries Visited as part of Professional Career

1. Kingdom of Saudi Arabia- Instrumentation engineer -Quality Control 2008-2011
2. United Arab Emirates – Consultant Engineer-Instrumentation and Control-2012
3. Chicago, USA- For AMS conference -2017

13. Expert Member in Research Committees

- Invited member of TRC sub committee ST Radar Facility, Calcutta University 2021-22

14. Any other information's