



Dr. Basker Sundararaju

Dr. Basker Sundararaju was born in Mettupalayam, a small town in Tamilnadu, South India. He received his undergraduate degree from Bishop Heber college (affiliated to Bharathidasan University) Tiruchirappalli, India. Upon completion of his 1st year Master from St. Joseph's college Tiruchirappalli, he moved to university of Rennes1, Rennes, France in 2007 to continue his second year master in Molecular chemistry. During the Master program he was associated with **Prof. Pierre H Dixneuf** who was director of master international. In 2008, he then undertook his PhD studies in the same group under the guidance of **Dr. Mathieu Achard** and **Dr. Christian Bruneau** at the university of Rennes1, France in collaboration with **Dr. G. V. M. Sharma** from Indian Institute of Chemical Technology, Hyderabad, India. During his doctoral studies he had the opportunity to work with **Prof. Jurgen Klakenmeyer** and **Prof. Walter Leitner**, RWTH Aachen, in 2008 and in 2009-10, with **Prof. Matthias Beller** LIKAT, Rostock from Germany supported European Network. In 2011, he then moved to the laboratory of **Prof. Alois Fuerstner** at Max Planck Institut fuer Kohlenforschung, Muelheim, Germany, where he was a Alexander Von Humboldt Fellow. In Oct 2013, He began his independent career at IIT Kanpur, where his research interests are focused on the development of new methods for organic synthesis, ligand design, C-H & C-C bond functionalization and application in targeted synthesis using first row transition metals. He is a recipient of Thieme journal award and DAE young scientist award (DAE) in 2014 and PK Kelkar young faculty award from IIT Kanpur in 2017.