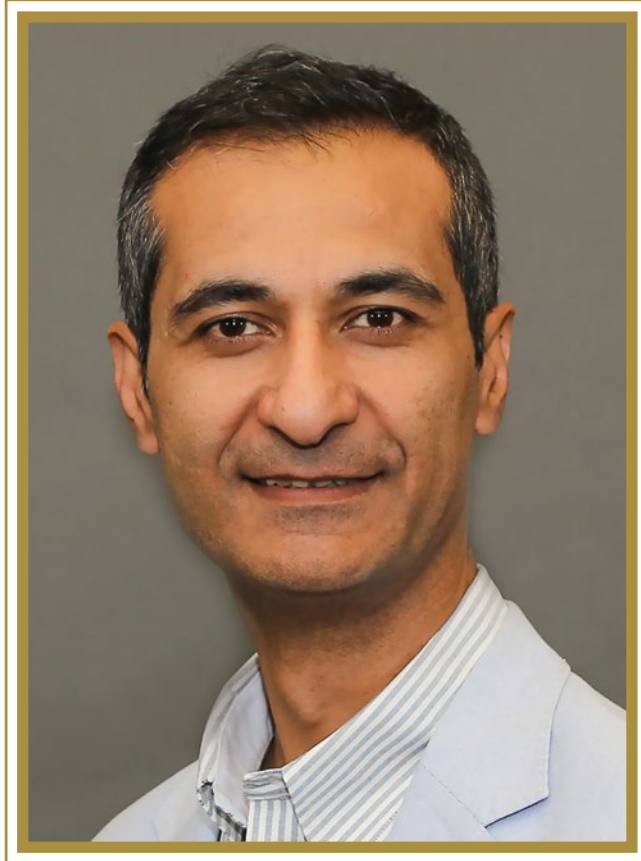




Suzanne Holmes



Kiarash Arangdad

TCR Service Award

AATCC is pleased to recognize **Suzanne Holmes** and **Kiarash Arangdad** as the 2024 recipients of the AATCC Technical Committee on Research (TCR) Service Award.

Holmes is recognized for her continuous service and leadership of RA56 Stain Resistance Research Committee and for spearheading the committee's test method, TM215-2023, Test Method for Soil Release: Household Soils, which measures the ability of fabrics to release household soils during home laundering.

Arangdad is recognized for his continuous service and leadership of RA63 Water Resistance, Absorbency & Wetting Agent Evaluation Test Methods Research Committee and RA114 Moisture

Management Research Committee. Throughout his service as Chair for RA63 and RA114, Arangdad has overseen the development of TM213-2022, Test Method for Vertical Wicking Rate of Textiles: to Specific Times, and TM214, Test Method for Measuring Condensation on Textiles in a Humid Microclimate.

Service, Accomplishments, & Careers

Since 2016, **Suzanne Holmes** has been a member of Stain Resistance Test Methods, Dimensional Change Test Methods, Colorfastness to Washing Test Methods, Appearance Retention Test Methods, Water Resistance Test Methods, and Home Laundering Technology research committees. Holmes is the chair of Stain Resistance Test Methods and is an active member of the Technical Committee on Research.

Holmes is currently Manager of the Product Evaluation Laboratory at Cotton Incorporated. She oversees and participates in delivery of dependable test data from standard fiber, yarn, fabric, and product tests in support of internal research and marketing efforts for cotton breeders and promotes the accomplishment of using quality measurements to increase upland cotton marketability worldwide. Holmes joined AATCC as a staff member in 2006. As a staff member of the association, she was a Lab Technician for the Association from 2003 to 2004, a Technical Associate from 2004 to 2006, a Senior Technical Associate from 2006 to 2012, and Technical Product/Program Manager from 2012 to 2016. Holmes received her BS in Textile Technology and Design and a MS in Textile Management and Technology from North Carolina State University. She also worked as a Laboratory Assistant and a Teaching & Research Assistant at North Carolina State University.

Kiarash Arangdad joined AATCC in 2016. He has been active with Antimicrobial Activity Test Methods, Stain Resistance Test Methods, Global Sustainability Test Methods, Insect Resistance Test Methods, Water Resistance Test Methods, and Moisture Management Test Methods research committees. Arangdad is the chair of Water Resistance Test Methods and is an active member of the Executive Committee on Research and the Education Advisory Board.

Arangdad is currently Director of Raw Material Innovation at Lululemon. Prior to this role, he served as Director of Emerging Chemistries and Technologies at Burlington and Safety Components. Additionally, he collaborates with the College of Textiles at North Carolina State University as an Adjunct Assistant Professor. He holds both a BS and an MS degree in Textile Engineering and earned a PhD in Fiber and Polymer Science with a minor in Chemistry from North Carolina State University in 2015. Throughout his career, Arangdad has managed numerous projects focused on developing sustainable materials for apparel, footwear, and consumer goods. His efforts have led to more than 15 patents and patent-pending innovations, as well as the successful commercialization of sustainable products.

The Award

The Technical Committee on Research Service Award was established in 2008 to recognize those members who have contributed greatly to the AATCC organization in a technical capacity. Individual members of the Association with at least five years of continuous membership in AATCC, who have contributed outstanding technical service to the Association through activity in a research committee, are eligible. Selection is by unanimous choice of the TCR Service Award Committee composed of the current chair, vice chair, and secretary of the Technical Committee on Research, as well as the chair of the Executive Committee on Research.

The Award consists of a plaque and an honorarium. The awards will be presented October 8, 2024, during the Textile Discovery Summit Awards Luncheon held at The Westin Savannah Harbor Golf Resort & Spa in Savannah, GA, USA.

For a description of the TCR Award and a list of past award recipients, visit www.aatcc.org/tcr.



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