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Dr. Magesh Thiyagarajan Elected Texas A&M-Corpus Christi Representative to the Texas Space Grant Consortium

CORPORUS CHRISTI, Texas – Dr. Magesh Thiyagarajan, assistant professor of engineering and director of the Plasma Engineering Research Lab, has been elected as the Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi representative to the Texas Space Grant Consortium.

The Texas Space Grant Consortium is a group of 47 universities, industrial organizations, non-profit organizations, and government agencies within Texas that work to ensure that the benefits of space research and technology are available to all Texans. The consortium is part of the National Space Grant Program which consists of 52 Space Grant Consortia nationwide.

Thiyagarajan’s research focuses on developing a state-of-the-art program in the field of plasma science and engineering. In fall 2010, Thiyagarajan was awarded a $700,000 research grant from the U.S. Department of Defense for research and development of novel portable atmospheric cold plasma technologies that can potentially be used in bio-medical applications.

Thiyagarajan also collaborates with regional industries on research projects through the Coastal Bend Business Innovation Center, a component of the University’s College of Business. He is organizer of the annual Coastal Bend Engineering Competition and serves as a faculty advisor for the American Society of Mechanical Engineers student chapter.

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