

## Professor Isurani Ilayperuma

Professor Isurani Ilayperuma graduated from the University of Peradeniya in 1992 and obtained her PhD from the University of Otago, New Zealand, in 2000, specializing on Molecular Reproductive Biology. Professor Ilayperuma has joined the Department of Anatomy, University of Ruhuna in 1992 as a Probationary Assistant Lecturer, promoted to Senior Lecturer in 2000, Professor in 2008 and serving as a Professor in Anatomy until to date. She also obtained the Certificate

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