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Galloway Twp., NJ – Dr. Suryakumar Shah, associate professor of occupational therapy at The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey, has received an invitation from the American Occupational Therapy Foundation (AOTF) to join its Academy of Research, the group's highest

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Dr. Shah has been an occupational therapist for more than a half century and a member of AOTA for more than 40 years. Before coming to Stockton in 2008, he was a professor of occupational therapy at the University of Tennessee, Memphis and a visiting professor of neurorehabilitation with Leeds Metropolitan University in England. His work in the field began with an occupational therapy practice in his native country, India, and has taken him to Queensland, Australia, where he worked for 27 years.

“Being admitted to the ‘Roster of Fellows’ by the AOTA for advancing ‘evidence-based occupational therapy and science’ and being recognized with this highest honor by the AOTF for ‘outstanding contributions through research to the advancement of occupational therapy’ are my greatest achievements in my short time span in the U.S.,” said Dr. Shah.

He continued, “I am indebted to my three distinguished nominators for nominating me to the AOTF and to the members of the Academy of Science for recognizing my generating, disseminating and evaluating new knowledge in occupational therapy. I am also indebted to my wife, Anamika, who has always been my backbone and daughterboCbeen m0[oa2 T.u2 T.u2 T.u2 T.u2 T.