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Research Interests:

- Vaccine-preventable Diseases, particularly in the Elderly and Children
- Infections in the Elderly, Particularly Influenza
- Emerging Infectious Diseases
- Global Health and Travel Medicine
- Clinical Trials
- Sero-epidemiology
- Climate Change & Environmental Health

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Biography

Dr Sapna Sadarangani received her MBBS from the Yong Loo Lin school of Medicine, National University of Singapore. She completed her Internal Medicine-Pediatrics Residency training at the Western Michigan University, USA in 2012 being Chief Med-Peds resident from 2011-2012. Her Infectious Diseases Fellowship training was at the Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN, USA in 2012-2015 where she won the Joseph Geraci Award in Infectious Diseases in 2015. She is board certified with ABIM for Internal Medicine and Infectious Diseases and with ABP for Paediatrics, and Fellow of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore. Dr. Sadarangani is an Infectious Diseases physician at NCID and completed her MSc in Public Health with the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine with Distinction. Her interests are in vaccinology/vaccine-preventable diseases, global health, emerging infectious diseases, outbreak preparedness, tropical medicine, climate change, sustainable healthcare and environmental health.

Selected Publications

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Notable Research/Innovation Awards & Grants from Past 5 Years

Name of Awards & Grants	Year Obtained
Clinician Scientist Salary Support programme (CSSSP)	
Probing the Immunometabolic Factors of Influenza Vaccine Immune	2020
Response in Singapore Elderly	
RIE2020 Collaborative CG Seed Funding	
A seroepidemiology study of healthcare workers and employees	2020
during the 2019-nCoV (COVID 19) outbreak at the National Centre for	
Infectious Diseases, Singapore	

Translating Research/Innovation Into Healthcare

2025:

 Global Outbreak Alert and Response Network partners surge in response to disease outbreaks in the Western Pacific Region. WHO is leveraging its GOARN partners in the Western Pacific Region to enable surge deployment in response to increasing measles cases in Mongolia and Viet Nam, as well as an HIV outbreak in Fiji.

WHO's Operational Update on Health Emergencies - May 2025 (Page 8), published 2 May 2025

2024:

调查:低维他命D者若感染骨痛热症 出现重症几率较高 (Investigation: Low vitamin D individuals are more susceptible to severe symptoms when infected with dengue). Published 7 June 2024.

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- Mongolia's measles response: a swift and proactive approach deploying experts from the Global Outbreak Alert and Response Network. Published 12 December 2024 https://www.who.int/westernpacific/newsroom/feature-stories/item/mongolias-measles-response-a-swift-and-proactive-approach-deploying-experts-from-the-global-outbreak-alert-and-response-network

2022:

• Move to let patients get flu, pneumococcal jabs at their designated TTSH specialist outpatient clinic. Published 16 Dec 2022.

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 TTSH expands scheme for seniors to get flu vaccines without booking or prescription in bid to drive take-up. Published on 17 Dec 2022.

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