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- ❖ **Name of the International Conference/ Seminar/Symposium/ Workshop** : 8th International Crustacean Congress, ICC – 8
- ❖ **Title of the abstract accepted** : Isolation and characterization of the functional domains of the ecdysteroid receptor gene (EcR) from an estuarine crab (*Metopograpsus messor*) from the Indian peninsula.
- ❖ **Venue & Date** : Senckenberg, Germany, 18-23rd August 2014.
- ❖ **Money sanctioned** : ₹ 84,167/-
- ❖ **Money reimbursed** : ₹ 84,167/-

### Participation Report

The 8<sup>th</sup> International Crustacean Congress held between 18-23 August 2014 in Frankfurt, Germany was a platform where I could interact with scientists in all disciplines related to crustacean biology.

I presented an oral paper titled, "Isolation and characterization of the functional domains of the Ecdysteroid receptor gene (EcR) from an estuarine crab (*Metopograpsus messor*) from the Indian peninsula" in the 8<sup>th</sup> International Crustacean Congress (ICC-8) [[http://www.senckenberg.de/root/index.php?page\\_id=15713&preview=true](http://www.senckenberg.de/root/index.php?page_id=15713&preview=true)]. **The research paper was also published in General and Comparative Endocrinology, with an Impact factor of 3.055** [<http://www.journals.elsevier.com/general-and-comparative-endocrinology/>]

The conference hosted scientists from all over the world including USA, Brazil, Australia, Japan and throughout Europe.

I also got a unique opportunity to learn leading edge advanced technologies, which I could implement after my return in the laboratory.