"Govindjee is a pioneer, and a grand ambassador of Photosynthesis for the World; some call him Mr. Photosynthesis. His major discoveries are on Photosystem II, the oxygen evolving photosystem of plants, algae and cyanobacteria: establishment of the role of chlorophyll (Chl) a in it. Govindjee earned his Bachelors and Masters from the University of Allahabad, and worked for his PhD degree under the guidance of Professor Eugene Rabinowitch [of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign]. He has published more than 500 research papers. He is a Fellow of the American Society for the Advancement of Science, and of the National Academy of Science (India). On the recommendation of the National Screening Committee, the Society of Plant Research confers Prof. B.M. Johri Memorial Award--2015 to Prof. Govindjee. We wish him a long active life."

05 February, 2016, New Delhi, India Prof. S.K. Bhatnagar, Founder Secretary General, Society for Plant Research (SPR) and Prof. R.K. Gupta, President, SPR.