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Sprout Agritech has appointed Dr Sandhya Sriram as CEO. Dr Sandhya Sriram is the former Group CEO and Co-founder of Shiok Meats Pte. Ltd., Singapore, the first cultivated seafood & meat company in Southeast Asia and the first cultivated Crustacean company globally. She joins New Zealand company Sprout Agritech, an early-stage investor specialising in transformational technologies that impact how life on Earth is nourished and sustained.

Dr Sriram comes with an impressive background in the global early-stage tech industry. A stem cell biologist and scientist by training and education, a former business development professional, a serial entrepreneur, an angel investor and a thought leaderÂ - Sandhya was named as part of the 2021 class of Bloomberg New Economy Catalysts, featured in TIME magazine and Forbes Women in Tech. She has completed two M&As and successfully exited from Shiok Meats via a merger.Â

Established in 2015 as the Sprout Accelerator, Sprout Agritech was incorporated in 2020 and established an early-stage investment fund with partners US-based Finistere Ventures, Kiwi dairy giant Fonterra, and Israeli venture builder OurCrowd, alongside the support of New Zealand government agency Te PokapÅ« Auaha Callaghan Innovation. Their growing portfolio includes Scentian Bio and newcomer Metrovate.