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AWARD OF MERIT
2016 Recipient

R. Mohan Srivastava, P.Geo.

R. Mohan ("Mo") Srivastava was born in Newcastle, England, and moved to Canada as a child. After attending high school in Mennonite country near Elmira, Ontario, he went to MIT, where he first learned that it might be possible to make a living combining his love of the outdoors and his enjoyment of mathematics. Following his Bachelor's degree in Earth Sciences from MIT, he went on to earn a Master's degree in Geostatistics from Stanford University. During his time at Stanford, Mo wrote the book "An Introduction to Applied Geostatistics", which remains the most widely used textbook on the subject.

He has spent almost all of his professional career as a consultant, applying geostatistics and numerical methods to a wide range of earth science problems, from resource estimation in the mining and petroleum industries, to fracture modeling for nuclear waste repositories and carbon sequestration, to studies of animal populations, climate change and groundwater modeling.

When Mo decided not to do a PhD, his advisor at Stanford accused him of being an "intellectual butterfly", never able to settle for long on any one idea. In recent years, his butterfly trails have led him to crack instant scratch lottery games (http://www.wired.com/2011/01/ff_lottery/), and into writing (http://www.cbc.ca/news/arts/mohan-srivastava-wins-canada-writes-competition-1.1409030). He has recently managed to settle on one good idea, and is now the Vice President of TriStar Gold, where he works to advance their Castelo de Sonhos gold project in Brazil.

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