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Dr. Shaku Nair is an entomologist by passion and profession, and a strong advocate of integrated pest management (IPM) - a holistic approach to manage pests with the least risk to people, property and the environment. She is a nationally recognized educator about integrated pest management in community environments with over 20 years of experience in the field. She currently serves as Associate in Extension, Community IPM at the Arizona Pest Management Center, University of Arizona.

Shaku has expertise in integrated pest management in natural (plants) and structural environments (urban). Her program is focused on community education and outreach aligned with national EPA priorities (school IPM) and IPM in community environments. She is involved in translational research on vectors and venomous arthropods, pests of public health concern, and pests of turf and landscapes. Her other activities include planning and coordinating training events, developing Extension publications and other outputs and outreach to clientele and other stakeholder groups such as school personnel, pest management professionals, turf and landscape managers, public housing management teams, homeowners, Master Gardeners and others.