# DEPARTMENT OF BIOTECHNOLOGY INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY GUWAHATI



### **ANNUAL REPORT**

APRIL 2012 to MARCH 2013

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

Contributing to the fascinating and emerging areas of Science, Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati established Department of Biotechnology in the year 2002. The Department is one of its kinds in the north-eastern region of Indian and is dedicated for promoting goal-oriented interdisciplinary research by interfacing modern biology with applied engineering sciences, addressing problems affecting human health/welfare, and training students to be the next generation engineers and researchers. As of now, the department has 30 faculty members from diverse streams and specializations, eight well-trained scientific staff members, and two administrative staff members. The department has developed extensive research facility and infrastructure to support the ongoing teaching and research initiatives.

The major thrust of the department includes biochemical engineering, tissue engineering, plant biotechnology, nanobiotechnology, computational biology, cancer biology, infectious diseases and proteomics. The department has initiated efforts to establish advanced research laboratories in all the thrust areas. Apart from fundamental research, the department aims to meet the targeted demands to cater the requirements of biotechnology based industries.

#### 2. ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

The Department offers B. Tech., M. Tech., and PhD programmes. Time to time conferences; workshops are organized by the Department for manpower training along with provisions for summer internship programmes for external students.

#### 3. STUDENT INTAKE

Total student intake for the year is as follows: 51 in B. Tech., 31 in M. Tech, and 35 in Ph. D (numbers as provided from BT office for 2012)

#### 4. FACULTY STRENGTH

Thirty (30)

#### 5. MAJOR EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES

Atomic force microscope
Bioreactor
Trinocular stereo zoom microscope
Compact spectrofluorometer
Digital imaging system
HPLC System
Gas chromatography system
Manual rotary microtome
Real-Time PCR System
Etc....

Autotensiometer
Trinocular phase contrast microscope
Flowcytometer
FPLC System
Gradient PCR thermal cycler
Ion chromatography system
Freeze dryer
Microplate reader
Ultracentrifuge

#### 6. RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

The major thrust of the department includes biochemical engineering, tissue engineering, plant biotechnology, environmental biotechnology, nanobiotechnology, molecular biology, stem cell biology and gene therapy, computational biology, cancer biology, infectious diseases and proteomics. Keeping in mind the demands of the modern biotechnological research, the plans for establishing advanced research facilities are underway. In 2012, the department has started two new elective courses open to all B-tech students and several departmental elective courses covering diverse areas of biology. In addition department is also involved in promoting science and education in the north east pertaining to the field of biotechnology by organizing workshops, symposium and seminar.

#### List of conferences and workshops in 2012 -2013:

- -Brain storming session on biotechnology in North Eastern region.
- -Workshop on "Analysis of Biological Networks" 6th -7th November 2012
- -13th Indo-US Cytometry Workshop on "Applications of Flow Cytometry in Nanotechnology and Plant Genomics" 8th 10th October 2012

#### 7. RESEARCH PROJECTS (In tabular format as given below)

#### a. New Sponsored Projects

Principal Investigator	Name of Project	Sponsoring Agency	Amount Sanctioned (Rs. in Lakh)	Co- Investigator	Duration (Years)
Anand, B.	Molecular Mechanism of Target Recognition and Cleavage by the CRISPR- Cas Bacterial Immune System	DBT	122.96	Prof. S. Ramaswamy (PI, inStem)	3
Anand, B.	Structural and Functional Characterization of Adaptation Stage of CRISPR-Cas System in Mycobacterium tuberculosis	DBT	59.182	Dr. Nitin Chaudhary	3
Biplab, B.	Integrative investigation on critical transcriptional modules involved in proliferation of malignant cells	DBT	37.2	Dr. Sudip Sen, AIIMS, New Delhi	3
Bora, U.	Identification and characterization of bio-active molecules from some indigenous plants of NE region of India with special references to antioxidant and hypolipidemic properties	DBT	78.42	Dr. Rajyalakshmi Devi (PI-1), Co-Ordinator, Dr.Ranjan Tamuli	3
Dubey, V.K.	X-ray crystallographic structure elucidation of key drug target enzymes of <i>Leishmania donovani</i> .	DBT	72.69	Dr. S. Patra	3
Goyal, A.	Cloning, expression, biochemical and structural studies of family 5 Glycoside Hydrolase (GH5) cellulase and its derivatives from Clostridium thermocellum	Department of Biotechnology— Cutting-edge Research Enhancement and Scientific Training (DBT- CREST)	14.5	None	1

Jaganathan, B.G.	Study of bone marrow	ICMR	9.988	Dr. Jina	1
	microenvironment in patients with acute leukemia from north east India			Bhattacharyya Dr. Damodar Das, Dr. Anil Agarwal (GMCH)	
Kanaujia, S.P.	Structural and functional studies of translation initiation factors from <i>Pyrococcus horikoshii</i> OT3.	DBT	52.9	Dr. Vikash Kumar Dubey	3
Kumar, M.	Characterization of immunogenic outer membrane proteins of <i>Leptospira interrogans</i> for vaccine and diagnostics	ICMR	10	None	3
Kumar, M.	Modulation of gene expression in <i>Leptospira</i> interrogans exposed to human catecholamine hormone	DST	23	None	3
Kumar, S.	INSPIRE faculty award for New castle disease virus	DST	35	None	5
Kumar, S.	Improved Infectious Bursal Disease Virus Vaccines Using Newcastle Disease Virus Vector	DBT	47.34	Dr N. Choudhury	3
Kumar, S.	Role of N-glycans of Newcastle disease virus fusion protein in the host immune signaling molecules	BRNS	16.8	None	3
Kunnumakkara, A.B.	"An Investigation of the Therapeutic Potential of Butein Isolated from Toxicodendron vernicifluum Against Human Oral Squamous Cell Carcinoma"	DST	23	None	2
Mandal, B.B.	Stimulation of stem cell differentiation on silk fiber reinforced composite with tunable strength and degradation towards enhanced osteogenesis	SERB-DST	23.00	None	3
Pakshirajan, K.	Strategy Development for the mitigation of heavy metals in surface waters around coal mining areas using native cyanobacterial strains	DBT	14.65	None	2
Ramakrishnan, V.	Design synthesis and Characterization of self-assembled molecular materialsfromheterotactic polypeptide constructs. Application in drug delivery and nanoscale energy storage devices.	DBT	60.00		3
Sahoo, L.	Molecular cloning and functional characterization of cowpea drought responsive transcription factor gene DREB2A	DBT	82.70	Prof. S.K. Panda (AUS)	3
Sahoo, L.	Generation of transgenic blackgram for aluminium tolerance in acidic soil	DBT	56.26 (Phase I)	Prof. S.K. Panda (AUS)	2
Sahoo, L.	Cloning and characterization of STOP1 transcription factor from cowpea and its functional analysis	DST Indo-Japan	22.50	Prof. H. Koyama, Gifu University, Japan; Prof. S.K. Panda (AUS)	3

Goud, V.V. (Chemical	Development and	CSIR	18.96	Sahoo, L.	3
Engineering)	establishment of efficient				
	ultrasonic-assisted oil				
	extraction process from				
	microalgae for biodiesel				
	production				
Goud, V.V. (Chemical	Super critical fluid extraction	DBT	75.65	Sahoo, L.	3
Engineering)	of natural antioxidants for				
	food preservation from spices				
	and non conventional fruits				
	endemic in North eastern				
	region				

#### b. Ongoing Sponsored Projects

Principal Investigator	Name of Project	Sponsoring Agency	Amount Sanctioned (Rs. in Lakh)	Co- Investigator	Duration (Years)
Anand, B.	Structural Basis for the Maturation of the Prokaryotic siRNA	DBT	38.48	-	3
Anand, B.	Dynamical Aspects of Era GTPase - 16S rRNA Interactions and its Implication in Ribosome Assembly	DAE-BRNS	16.85	-	3
Bora, U.	Silk Based scaffolds for Neural Tissue Engineering.	DBT	58.44	Dr.Ranjan Tamuli	3
	Establishment of Institutional Biotech Hubs (IBThubs) by DBT under special programme for North Eastern States of India.	DBT	27.00	Dr.Ranjan Tamuli	3
	Development of Aptamer- Based Molecular Diagnostics for Breast Cancer	DBT	154.85	Dr. Ranjan Tamuli	3
	Development of silk silk protein derived artificial nerve growth conduction for neural tissue engineering	Central Silk Board	45.3	Dr. Ranjan Tamuli	3
Chaudhary, N.	Understanding the role of cation- interaction in the self-assembly of amyloidogenic and <i>de novo</i> designed peptides	DBT	31.03	Dr. R. Nagaraj (PI) CCMB, Hyderabad	3
Chaturvedi, R.	Yield enhancement strategies for production of therapeutic compounds by cell and tissue cultures of Tinospora cordifolia (willd.) Miers ex Hook. F. & Thoms.	DBT- Twinning	82.52	Prof. B.K. Patel, IITG Prof. V.S. Bisaria,IIT Delhi Dr B.S. Bhau, NEIST, Jorhat	3
Das, D.	Process optimization for microbial synthesis of Hyaluronic Acid from new isolates: Development of structured kinetic model and experimental validation	CSIR, New Delhi	14.0	Dr. Arun Goyal	3
Dubey, V.K.	Betraying the parasite's redox system: Studies on spermidine synthase of <i>Leishmania donovani</i> .	DBT	82.18	Dr. V. Trivedi, BT, Dr. P.K.Iyer, Chem	3
	An integrated computational and biochemical approach to target ornithione decarboxylase, a key enzyme involved in synthesis of trypanothione for antileishmanial drug discovery"	ICMR	43.00	Dr. V. Trivedi	3
	Studies on Peptide conjugated Nanoparticles mediated	DBT	31.83	Dr. S. Patra	3

	antileishmanial				
	drug delivery to macrophages.				
	Deciphering the molecular mechanism	DBT	40.68	None	3
	underlying the activity of antitumor				_
	agents as antileishmanial agents and				
	their potential for therapy.				
	Studies on trypanothione synthetase, a	DBT	27.73	None	3
	key enzyme of redox metabolism of				
	Leishmania donovani				
	*Variation in proteome profile of	DST	23.5	Dr. Anil Verma,	3
	legume plants in response to heavy			Chemical Engg	
~	metal toxicity				
Ghosh, S.S.	Fundamental Molecular	DBT	1133.68	Prof. P.	5
	Investigations in Biotechnology (Core Project)			Goswami Prof. L. Sahoo	(2008- 2013)
	Bioleciniology (Core Project)			Dr. B. Bose	2013)
				Dr. A. Ramesh	
				Dr. S. Patra	
	Novel nanoscale materials targeted	DBT	169	Prof. A.	3
	towards antimicrobial and anticancer	*Implemented	10)	Chattopadhyay	3
	activities.	at the Centre		(Chemistry)	
		for		Dr. Biplab Bose	
		Nanotechnolog		(BT)	
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Goswami, P.	Studies and application of redox	DBT India	98 lacs	Dr. S. Patra	5 (2008 -
	enzymes for bioelectornics devices				2013)
Goyal, A.	Molecular and functional	Indo-Finland	77.03	None	3
	characterization of dextran production	Joint Project,			
	in Weissella spp Superior dextran	DBT, New			
	producers for cereal applications	Delhi DBT	64.35	(Duof D. Covol	3
	Development and application of recombinant and other cellulases for	DB1	64.33	(Prof D. Goyal,	3
	large scale recycling of cellulosic			Thapar Univ)	
	biomass				
	Prebiotics and neutraceuticals	Indo-Bulgarian	16.0	None	2 (to be
	production from Lactic acid bacteria.	Joint project,	10.0	Tione	extended)
	production from Eache acid bacteria.	DST, New			extended)
		Delhi			
	Bioinformatics Infrastructure Facility	DBT,	20.0	Co-coordinator:	Jul 2010-
		New Delhi		Dr. V. Dubey	
	M. Tech. Program Support	DBT	170.0	Coordinator	3
Jaganathan, B.G.	Role of Rho GTPase RhoA on	DBT	39.26	Dr. Anil M	3
	interaction between Human			Limaye and Dr.	
	Mesenchymal Stem Cells and			Bosanta Boruah	
	Hematopoietic Stem Cells				
	Cytoskeletal organization and	DST	24.2	None	3
	migration potential of				
	Mesenchymal Stem Cells (MSC)				
	during different stages of				
		1			
	differentiation	ICMP	4.00	Dr. Domeserie	2
	differentiation  Isolation of Stem Cells from	ICMR	4.99	Dr. Damaris	2
	differentiation  Isolation of Stem Cells from Human Limbal and Extra ocular	ICMR	4.99	Magadalene	2
	differentiation Isolation of Stem Cells from Human Limbal and Extra ocular muscle tissues and differentiation	ICMR	4.99	Magadalene (Sri	2
	differentiation  Isolation of Stem Cells from Human Limbal and Extra ocular	ICMR	4.99	Magadalene (Sri Sankaradev	2
	differentiation Isolation of Stem Cells from Human Limbal and Extra ocular muscle tissues and differentiation	ICMR	4.99	Magadalene (Sri Sankaradev Nethralaya	2
	differentiation  Isolation of Stem Cells from Human Limbal and Extra ocular muscle tissues and differentiation into retinal progenitor cells	ICMR  DBT	4.99	Magadalene (Sri Sankaradev Nethralaya Hospital)	3
	differentiation  Isolation of Stem Cells from Human Limbal and Extra ocular muscle tissues and differentiation into retinal progenitor cells			Magadalene (Sri Sankaradev Nethralaya	
	differentiation  Isolation of Stem Cells from Human Limbal and Extra ocular muscle tissues and differentiation into retinal progenitor cells  Study of Apoptotic Signalling			Magadalene (Sri Sankaradev Nethralaya Hospital) Dr. Rajesh Singh	
	differentiation  Isolation of Stem Cells from Human Limbal and Extra ocular muscle tissues and differentiation into retinal progenitor cells  Study of Apoptotic Signalling Pathways in Mesenchymal Stem Cells			Magadalene (Sri Sankaradev Nethralaya Hospital) Dr. Rajesh Singh (IIAR)	
	differentiation  Isolation of Stem Cells from Human Limbal and Extra ocular muscle tissues and differentiation into retinal progenitor cells  Study of Apoptotic Signalling Pathways in Mesenchymal Stem Cells during Normal and Differentiated			Magadalene (Sri Sankaradev Nethralaya Hospital) Dr. Rajesh Singh (IIAR) Dr. Chandramani Pathak	
	differentiation  Isolation of Stem Cells from Human Limbal and Extra ocular muscle tissues and differentiation into retinal progenitor cells  Study of Apoptotic Signalling Pathways in Mesenchymal Stem Cells during Normal and Differentiated State	DBT	91.05	Magadalene (Sri Sankaradev Nethralaya Hospital) Dr. Rajesh Singh (IIAR) Dr. Chandramani Pathak (IIAR)	3
Mandal, B.B.	differentiation  Isolation of Stem Cells from Human Limbal and Extra ocular muscle tissues and differentiation into retinal progenitor cells  Study of Apoptotic Signalling Pathways in Mesenchymal Stem Cells during Normal and Differentiated State  Bioengineered silk vascular grafts for			Magadalene (Sri Sankaradev Nethralaya Hospital) Dr. Rajesh Singh (IIAR) Dr. Chandramani Pathak	
Mandal, B.B.	differentiation  Isolation of Stem Cells from Human Limbal and Extra ocular muscle tissues and differentiation into retinal progenitor cells  Study of Apoptotic Signalling Pathways in Mesenchymal Stem Cells during Normal and Differentiated State  Bioengineered silk vascular grafts for blood vessel engineering	DBT  DAE-BRNS	91.05	Magadalene (Sri Sankaradev Nethralaya Hospital) Dr. Rajesh Singh (IIAR) Dr. Chandramani Pathak (IIAR) None	3
Mandal, B.B.	differentiation  Isolation of Stem Cells from Human Limbal and Extra ocular muscle tissues and differentiation into retinal progenitor cells  Study of Apoptotic Signalling Pathways in Mesenchymal Stem Cells during Normal and Differentiated State  Bioengineered silk vascular grafts for	DBT	91.05	Magadalene (Sri Sankaradev Nethralaya Hospital) Dr. Rajesh Singh (IIAR) Dr. Chandramani Pathak (IIAR)	3

	Mechanically strong silk composite matrices for bone tissue engineering	ICMR-NE seed grant	10.00	None	3
Patra, S.	Structure, Function, Dynamics and Inhibition of Matrix Metalloproteinases (MMPs)	DBT	60	Dr. V.K. Dubey	3
Ramakrishnan, V.	Computational engineering of protein folding pathways: Implication on stability, misfolding and aggregation	DBT India Scheme: Innovative Young Biotechnologis t Award.	6.39		1
Ramesh, A.	Evaluation of probiotic attributes of lactic acid bacteria based on bacteriocinogenic activity and <i>in vitro</i> adhesion properties	CSIR	11.30	Dr. Biplab Bose	3 years (2010- 2013)
Rangan, L.	Molecular and physico-chemical characterization of selected ginger species from North Eastern Region	DBT	52.75	Dr A Parida (MSSRF Chennai) Dr S Mitra (JNU New Delhi)	3
	DNAB (DNA Barcoding) based biodiversity inventory in Zingiberaceae of Northeast India	DIT, Ministry of Information Tech, Govt of India	71.18	Dr U Bora Dr L Sahoo	5 (2008- 2013)
Sahoo, L.	Development of Transgenic Cowpea for Virus Resistance Using the Tool of RNA Interference (RNAi)	DBT	83.34	Dr. Sunil Kumar Mukherjee, ICGEB, New Delhi	3
	Development of Pod Borer Resistant Transgenic Pigeonpea and Chickpea	ICAR	58.0	Coordinator: Prof. S. K. Sen, BREF Biotech, IIT Khragpaur	3
	Development and evaluation of transgenic mungbean over expressing AtNHX1 and AVP1 for salt tolerance	DBT	78.75	-	3
	Molecular cloning and functional characterization of heavy metal stress specific phytochelatin synthase gene from Eichhornia crassipes	DBT	78.40	-	5
Saini, G.K.	Isolation, characterization and identification of natural pigments of food and industrial values from filamentous fungi	DBT	56.76	Dr. Suresh (PI, North east Institute(NERIST)) Dr. N.C. Talukdar (PI, Collaborating Institute (IBSD)	3
Swaminathan, R.	Single molecule fluorescence investigations on the mechanism of lysozyme aggregation and RNA helicase activity	DBT	60.50	Dr. B. Anand and Dr. S. Maiti (TIFR, Mumbai)	3
	Protein aggregation: Early molecular events, mechanisms and inhibition	DST	53.40	None	3
	Conjugating luminescent quantum dots to proteins: Consequences on protein function and development of sensitive assays.	CSIR	12.50	None	3
Tamuli, R.	Studies on the cellular roles of calcium signaling proteins in <i>Neurospora crassa</i> (NE-Twining project)	DBT	50.70	Dr. Utpal Bora	3
	Functional analysis of calcium signaling proteins in <i>Neurospora</i>	DST	15.352	None	3

	crassa.				
Trivedi, V.	Molecular Modeling, Design and Synthesis of Macrophage Phagosome - Lysosome Fusion Activators in Development of anti-malarials	BRNS	16.86	None	3
	Biochemical and Functional Characterization of RIO kinase (s) from Plasmodium falciparum as a Potential Drug Target	DBT	31.48	Dr. V.K. Dubey	3
	Winged Helix domain-oligonucleotide recognition as an axis to develop PfRIO-2 specific inhibitor: implication in anti-malarial drug development	DBT	82.10	Dr. Sanjukta Patra Dr. Chandra lata Bal (BIT Ranchi)	3
	Regulation Of Macrophage CD36 Mediated Immune Response During Malaria.	DST	24.41	None	3

#### c. Completed Sponsored Projects

Principal Investigator	Name of Project	Sponsoring Agency	Amount Sanctioned (Rs. in Lakh)	Co- Investigator	Duration (Years)
Bora, U.	Synthesis of Biodegradable Nanocarriers for Targeted Drug Delivery	DBT	14.686	Prof.Pranab Goswami	3
	Electrospun nanofiber Scaffolds For Hepatic Tissue Engineering	DBT	52.55	Dr. R R Bhonde, Prof.Pranab Goswami	3
	Nanoparticle mediated targeted siRNA delivery to cancer cell lines.	DST	12.96	None	3
	Ganga river basin management plan: Thematic group-Ecology and Biodiversity.	Ministry of Environment and Forests (MOEF)	1600.00 (Total)	Dr. Ranjan Tamuli and Dr. Mrinal Kanti Dutta	1
Dasu, V.V.	Process Development for the Production of Recombinant Cutinase	DST	33.49	None	4
Dubey, V.K.	Studies on effect of small molecule compounds on folding and amyloid formation of proteins	CSIR	23.50	Dr. S. Patra	3
	Studies on trypanothione Reductase from Leishmania Parasites: Structure, Function, Folding and Potential for Chemotherapy	DBT	35.76	Dr. S. Patra	3
Goyal, A.	Production of microbial carbohydrates and carbohydrate active enzymes for healthcare	DBT	11.74	None	3
	Probiotic fermentation as a platform for production of neutraceuticals.	CSIR	20.1	None	3
Rangan, L.	Cloning of fatty acid saturation genes and analysis of spatial and temporal expression from seeds of candidate plus tree Karanj ( <i>P. pinnata</i> L.).	DST	22.64	Dr B.G. Jaganathan	3
Sahoo, L.	Molecular cloning and functional Analysis of Na+/H+ antiporter gene in Cowpea (Vigna unguiculata L Walp)	DBT	44.88	Dr. S. K. Panda (AU, Assam)	3
	Amino acid polymorphism in conserved Motifs in HMA proteins and Heavy Metal Resistance in Plants	Indo-Japan DST Project	4.20	Prof. H. Koyama, Gifu University, Japan; Dr. Satoshi Iuchi, RIKEN BRC, Japan; Dr. S. K. Panda (AUS)	3
	Genetic engineering of Cowpea	DBT	11.62	Dr. L. Rangan	3

(Vigna unguiculata) for resistance to pod borer and bruchid				
Cloning of elite germplasm of	DRDO (Center	9.98	None	3
Jatropha for large scale plantation	for Energy)			
Genetic engineering of Cowpea	DST	4.92	None	3
(Vigna unguiculata L. Walp) for				
storage pest resistance				
Development of micropropagation	NEDFi	4.0	None	3
technology for Jatropha: A potential				
biofuel plant				

#### 8. CONSULTANCY

Principal Investigator	Name of Project	Sponsoring Agency	Amount Sanctioned (Rs. in Lakh)	Co- Investigator	Duration (Years)
Sahoo, L.	Oil analysis and DNA fingerprinting of Jatropha and Patchouli accessions	NEDFi	0.55	Prof. P. Mahanta	1.6

#### 9. RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS (PLEASE USE SERIAL NUMBERS)

#### **International Journal**

- 1. M. Gulati, N. Jain, **B. Anand**, B. Prakash, R.A. Britton. 'Mutational analysis of the ribosome assembly GTPase RbgA provides insight into ribosome interaction and ribosome -stimulated GTPase activation', *Nucleic Acids Res.* 41, 3217-3227, 2013.
- 2. **B. Anand**, S. Majumdar, B. Prakash. 'The Structural Basis Unifying Diverse GTP Hydrolysis Mechanisms', *Biochemistry*, 52, 1122–1130, 2013.
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- 11. A. Sett, S. Das, P. Sharma and **U. Bora.** 'Aptasensors in Health, Environment and Food Safety Monitoring', *Open Journal of Applied Biosensor*, 1, 9-19, 2012.
- 12. P. Nahar, **U. Bora**, G.L. Sharma and D.K. Kannoujia. 'Microwave-mediated enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay procedure', *Analytical Biochemistry*, 421(2), 764-766, 2012.

- 13. N. Kasoju and **U. Bora.** 'Silk fibroin based biomimetic artificial extracellular matrix for hepatic tissue engineering applications', *Biomed. Mater*, 7, 045004-16, 2012.
- 14. D. Moirangthem, N.C Talukdar, N. Kasoju, R.K Das and **U. Bora.** 'Antioxidant, antibacterial, cytotoxic and apoptotic activity of extracts of Cephalotaxus griffithii Hook. f. (stem bark)', *BMC Complementary and Alternative Medicine*, 12-30, 2012.
- 15. N. Kasoju and **U. Bora.** 'Silk fibroin in tissue engineering', *Advanced Healthcare Materials*, 1(4), 393–412, 2012.
- 16. N. Kasoju and **U. Bora.** 'Fabrication and charecterization of curcumin releasing silk fibroin scaffold' *Journal of Biomedical Materials Research: Part B Applied Biomaterials*, 100(7), 1854–1866, 2012.
- 17. A. K.umar and **U. Bora.** 'In silico inhibition studies of Jun-Fos-DNA complex formation by curcumin derivatives', *International Journal of Medicinal Chemistry*, 2012, 8 pages, (doi:10.1155/2012/316972), 2012.
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- 24. M. Singh and **R. Chaturvedi**. 'Screening and quantification of an antiseptic alkylamide, spilanth ol from in vitro cell and tissue cultures of *Spilanthes acmella Murr'*, *Industrial Crops Products*, 36, 321-328, 2012.
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- 13. **V.K. Dubey**. 'The complexity in Biology derives from simple Biochemistry'. *9th BRSI Convention & International Conference on Industrial Biotechnology*, Punjabi University, Patiala, 21-23 November 2012. (*Malviya Memorial Award lecture*).
- 14. S. Singh, A.N. Singh, A. Verma and V.K. Dubey. 'Nanoencapsulating superoxide dismutase/catalase towards enhancing antioxidative defense against generated oxi dative stress', 81<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society of Biological Chemists (India) & Symposium on Chemistry and Biology: Two Weapons against Diseases, Science city, Kolkata. 8-11 November 2012.
- 15. N. Singh and V.K. Dubey. 'Procerain B: an industrially important cysteine protease', 81<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society of Biological Chemists (India) & Symposium on Chemistry and Biology: Two Weapons against Diseases, Science city, Kolkata. 8-11 November 2012.
- 16. A.K. Shukla, S. Patra and **V.K. Dubey**. 'Redox metabolism of Leishmania parasite: Ideal target for drug development against leishmaniasis', 15<sup>th</sup> International Congress on Infectious Diseases, Bangkok, Thailand, 13-16 June 2012.
- 17. S. Singh, A.N. Singh, A. Verma and **V.K. Dubey**. 'Response to metal stress in plant: Superoxide dismutase, its purification and characterization from *Cicer arietinum* L.seedlings', *Environment and Us*, IIT Guwahati, 05 June 2012.

- 18. S. Sharma, M. Banerjee, P. Sanpui, A. Chattopadhyay and **S.S. Ghosh**. 'Metal nanoparticles and nanocomposites as antibacterial agents', *Young Scientists' Colloquium 2012*, Materials Research Society of India (MRSI), Kolkata Chapter, 8 August 2012.
- 19. V. Kohila, A. Jaiswal, **S.S. Ghosh**. 'Redesigning of *E. coli* Cytosine deaminase in the Perspective of Cancer Therapeutics', 3<sup>rd</sup> International Conference on Stem Cells and Cancer: Proliferation, Differentiation and Apoptosis (ICSCC 2012), PGIMER, New Delhi, 27-30 October, 2012.
- 20. A. Jaiswal, **S.S. Ghosh** and A. Chattopadhyay. 'Cation Exchange Based Chemical Transformation of ZnS Q-dots and its Application in Heavy Metal Ion Sensing and Removal', *National Fluorescence Workshop FCS 2012*, Saha Institute of Nuclear Physics and IICB, Kolkata, 3-7 December 2012.
- 21. A. Jaiswal, **S.S. Ghosh** and Chattopadhyay A. 'Carbon Dots: Emergence of a Newer 'Nanolight', *Conference on Photochemistry & Luminescence (CPL-2012)*, IIT Guwahati, 9-10 March 2012.
- 22. A. Jaiswal, **S.S. Ghosh** and A. Chattopadhyay. 'Facile Synthesis of Carbon Dots using Poly(ethylene glycol) as Precursor and Passivizing Agent', *International Conference On Nanoscience And Technology (ICONSAT-2012)*, International Advanced Research Centre for Powder Metallurgy & New Materials (ARCI), Hyderabad, 20-23 January 2012.
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- 24. R. Khandelia, A. Jaiswal, **S.S. Ghosh** and A. Chattopadhyay. 'Interaction of Gold Nanoparticles with biomolecules', 21<sup>st</sup> International Symposium on Processing and Fabrication of Advanced Materials (PFAM-2012), IIT Guwahati, 10-13 December 2012.
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- 28. S. Chockalingam and **S.S. Ghosh**. 'Overexpression of MCSF increases the sensitivity of human glioblastoma cells to 5-fluorouracil', 3<sup>rd</sup> International Conference on Stem Cells and Cancer (ICSCC-2012): Proliferation, Differentiation and Apoptosis, New Delhi, 27-30 October 2012.
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- 34. M. Das, P. Das, L. Barbora and **P. Goswami**. 'Electroactive Nanomaterials based Alcohol Oxidase Bioanode and Laccase Biocathode for Biofuel cell development', *Indo-US workshop on Electrocatalytic Materials for Fuel and Biofuel Cells (Indo-US ECM 2013)*, jointly organised by Indo-US science and technology forum and Banaras Hindu University (BHU), 25-28 February 2013.
- 35. M. Das and **P. Goswami**. 'Development of nanocomposite based enzymatic bioanode and biocathode for biofuel cell application', *Advanced materials for Future Energy requirements."* (WAMFER 2012) jointly organized by Max Planck Institute for Polymer Research, Mainz, Germany and University of Delhi, New Delhi, 29<sup>th</sup> November-1<sup>st</sup> December 2012.

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- 37. S.S.R. Chinnadayyala, M. Santhosh and **P. Goswami**. 'Bioengineering of Alcohol Oxidase by entrapping 1,1'Ferrocene-di-carboxylate in the Protein Matrix Using Microwave Based Reversible Refolding Technique', *WORLD CONGRESS ON BIOTECHNOLOGY*, Hyderabad, 4-6 May 2012.
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- 39. R. Shukla, I. Iliev, I. Ivanova and **A. Goyal**. 'Leuconostoc mesenteroides NRRL B-1149 as probiotic and its dextran displaying anti-cancer properties', 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of Association of Biotechnology and Pharmacy and International Conference on Environmental Imp act on Human Health and Therapeutic Challenges, ICEHT-2012, Sri Venkateswara University, Tirupati, Andhra Pradesh, 20-22 December 2012.
- 40. D. Kothrai and **A. Goyal**. 'Non-digestibility of glucan produced by *Leuconostoc mesenteroides* NRRL B-1426 glucansucrase', 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of Association of Biotechnology and Pharmacy and International Conference on Environmental Impact on Human Health and Therapeutic Challenges, ICEHT-2012, Sri Venkateswara University, Tirupati, Andhra Pradesh, 20-22 December 2012.
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- 42. N. Akhtar, D. Kaur, D. Goyal and **A. Goyal**. 'Ethanol production from agricultural waste biomass', *International Conference on Industrial Biotechnology*, Punjabi University, Patiala, 21-23 November 2012.
- 43. S. Singh, V.S. Moholkar and **A. Goyal**. 'Stability and specificity studies of cellulase produced from a facultative thermophilic and acidophilic *Bacillus amyloliquefaciens* SS35', *International Conference on Industrial Biotechnology*, Punjabi University, Patiala, 21-23 November 2012 (Received Best Poster Award).
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- 48. D. Das and **A. Goyal**. 'Structural analysis and effective purification of glucan produced by *Lactobacillus plantarum* DM5 isolated from fermented beverage Marcha of Sikkim', 81<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting of Society of Biological Chemists, India, Kolkata, 8-11 November 2012.
- 49. T.J.M. Rao and **A. Goyal**. 'Dextran from *Weissella cibaria* with potential application in gluten free cereal products', *V International Symposium on Sourdough Cereal Fermentation for Future Foods*, Helsinki, Finland, 10-12 October 2012.
- 50. S. Shukla and **A. Goyal**. 'Potentials of dextran hyper-producing *Weissella confusa* Cab3 isolated from fermented cabbage for sourdough', *V International Symposium on Sourdough Cereal Fermentation for Future Foods*, Helsinki, Finland, 10-12 October 2012.
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- 57. A., H. Sonowal, J. Bhattacharyya and **B.G. Jaganathan**. 'CD90 expression in Mesenchymal Stem Cells from hematologic malignancies', *EMBL conference on Stem Cells in Cancer and Regenerative Medicine*, Heidelberg, Germany, 29<sup>th</sup> August to 1<sup>st</sup> September 2012.
- 58. C. Somaiah, A. Kumar, J. Bhattacharyya, R. Singh and **B.G. Jaganathan**. 'Study of Apoptosis in Mesenchymal Stem Cells', 3<sup>rd</sup> International Conference on Stem Cells and Cancer (ICSCC -2012): Proliferation, Differentiation and Apoptosis, New Delhi, 27-30 October 2012.
- 59. D. Mawrie, H. Vyas, D. Magdalene and **B.G. Jaganathan**. 'Isolation and characterization of stem cells from extra ocular muscle tissue', 3<sup>rd</sup> International Conference on Stem Cells and Cancer (ICSCC-2012): Proliferation, Differentiation and Apoptosis, New Delhi, 27-30 October 2012.
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- 61. **B.B. Mandal**, A. Grinberg, E.S. Gil, B. Panilaitis, D. L. Kaplan. 'High strength silk protein scaffolds for bone repair', *3<sup>rd</sup> TERMIS World Congress 2012*, Vienna, Austria, 05-08 September, 2012.
- 62. J. Rnjak-Kovacina, L.S. Wray, **B.B. Mandal**, E.S. Gil, A.S. Weiss, D.L. Kaplan. 'Versatile biomaterial scaffold platform for critical-sized tissue construct', 3<sup>rd</sup> TERMIS World Congress 2012, Vienna, Austria, 05-08 September 2012.
- 63. P. Saravanan and S. Patra. 'Identification of potential multi-target inhibitors for tuberculosis' *International conference on Biomolecular forms and functions*, IISc Bangalore, 8-11 January 2013.
- 64. D. Charavorty and **S. Patra**. 'Enhancing thermostability of Bacillus lipases by increment of -turns', *Biomolecular forms and functions*, IISc Banglaore, 8 11 January 2013.
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- 66. I. Ray, G.K. Sharma, P.K. Hazam and **V. Ramakrishnan**. Quantification of *Local Vs Global* effects in Protein Conformational Fold Selection', *International Conference on Biomolecular Forms & Functions*. . IISc Bangalore, 8-11 January 2013.
- 67. D. Thiyagarajan, M. D. Adhikari, S. Goswami, C. Kar, G. Das and **A. Ramesh**. 'Membrane-targeting bactericidal activity of a Janus amphiphile', Abstract PD2 -624 (MVM). Presented in 53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference of Association of Microbiologists of India (AMI), Bhuba neswar, 22-25 November 2012.
- 68. U. S. Pallavi, S. Goswami, M. D. Adhikari, G. Das and **A. Ramesh**. 'Potential therapeutic applications of a membrane-acting bactericidal amphiphile', Abstract PD2-510 (MVM). Presented in 53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference of Association of Microbiologists of India (AMI), Bhubaneswar, 22-25 November 2012.

- 69. **L. Rangan**, S. Basak, A.M. Ramesh. 'Ploidy levels of potential biodiesel crops determined by flow cytometry', *World Congress on In Vitro Biology*, Seattle, USA, 3-7 June 2012.
- 70. A.M. Ramesh, Tushar, **L. Rangan**. 'Next generation sequencing and selective analysis of non-coding DNA in *Pongamia pinnata*', *Industrial conference on industrial biotechnology*, Patiala, 21-23 November 2012.
- 71. S. Basak and L. Rangan. 'Genome size estimation for selected species of Zingiberaceae from NE India', 6th International symposium on the family Zingiberaceae, Calicut, 10-13 September 2012.
- 72. S. Ghosh, U. Bora and L. Rangan. 'Phytochemical analysis and anticancer property of seed extracts of *Alpinia nigra* (Gaertn.) B.L.Burtt', *6th International symposium on the family Zingiberaceae*, Calicut, 10-13 September 2012.
- 73. M.V.S. Kumar and **R. Swaminathan**. 'Human Lysozyme Amyloidosis: MD Simulations Reveal Increased Structural Destabilization in Disease Causing Mutants Compared to Wildtype', 2013 Biophysical Society Meeting Abstracts, Biophysical Journal, Philadelphia, USA, 2-6 February 2013.
- 74. V. Laxmi and **R. Tamuli**. 'Cellular roles of calmodulin in *Neurospora crassa*', 4<sup>th</sup> Asian chromatin meeting on epigenetic mechanisms in development and disease, CCMB, Hyderabad, 22-24 November 2012.
- 75. R. Kumar and **R. Tamuli**. 'Involvement of the *Neurospora crassa*Ca<sup>2+</sup>/ CaM-dependent protein kinases in full fertility, survival in exposure to heat shock and oxidative stress', 4<sup>th</sup> Asian chromatin meeting on epigenetic mechanisms in development and disease, CCMB, Hyderabad, 22-24 November 2012.
- 76. K. Jagadeesh and **R. Tamuli**. 'Analysis of mitochondrial carrier proteins from *Bombyxmori* and *Neurospora crassa*', *International consultative meeting on seribiotechnology*, ICMS-2012, Institute of Bioresearches and Sustainable Development (IBSD), Manipur, 5 -7 December 2012.
- 77. A. Barman and **R. Tamuli**. 'Comparative analysis of cell signaling pathways and methylation patterns in *Bombyxmori* and *Neurospora crassa*', *International consultative meeting on seribiotechnology*, ICMS-2012, Institute of Bioresearches and Sustainable Development (IBSD), Manipur, 5-7 December 2012.

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- 2. V. Gupta and **A. Goyal**. 'Molecular cloning of family 39 glycoside hydrolase (GH39) from *Clostridium thermocellum*', *National Seminar on Micro- and Macro- resources in Biomolecular Technology*, North Bengal University, Siliguri, West Bengal, 25-26 February 2013.
- 3. S. Shukla, R. Baruah and A. Goyal. 'Biochemical characterization of dextransucrase from *Weissella confusa* Cab3', *National Seminar on Micro- and Macro- resources in Biomolecular Technology*, North Bengal University, Siliguri, West Bengal, 25-26 February 2013.
- 4. R.H.R. Juvonen, K. Katina, M. Tenkanen and A. Goyal. 'Production, purification and biochemical characterization of dextransucrase from *Weissella cibaria* VTT-072749', *National Seminar on Micro- and Macro- resources in Biomolecular Technology*, North Bengal University, Siliguri, West Bengal, 25-26 February 2013..
- 5. S. Khanna, **A. Goyal** and V.S. Moholkar. 'Comparative assessment of amberlite, polyurethane foam and silica as immobilization supports for glycerol utilizing *Clostridium pasteurianum* cells', *SECONE 2012*, Oil India Limited, Guwahati, 28 April 2012.
- 6. A. Goyal. 'Brainstorming Meeting', Guwahati Biotech Park and IIT Guwahati, 27 December 2012.
- 7. R. Choudhury, R. Swaminathan and **L. Rangan**. 'Comparative flow cytometric estimation of nuclear genome size of *Pongamia pinnata* and *in vitro* raised plants', 5<sup>th</sup>Annual Meeting of the Cytometry Society, Kolkata, 12-13 October 2012.

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- 2. M. Singh and **R. Chaturvedi**. 'Somatic Embryogenesis in neem (*Azadirachta indica* A. Juss.): Current status and biotechnological perspectives. *In: P.S. Srivastava (Editor) Somatic Embryogenesis and Plant Regeneration*. Kluwer Academic Publishers, 2012.
- 3. R.R. Hazarika, V.K. Mishra and **R. Chaturvedi**. 'In vitro haploid production- A fast and reliable approach for crop improvement', *In: N. Tuteja and S.S. Gill (Editors) Crop Improvement Under Adverse Conditions*. Springer, New York, NY, USA. 2012.
- 4. **N. Chaudhary** and R. Nagaraj. 'Tau fibrillogenesis', *Subcellular Biochemistry*, 65, 75-90, 2012.
- 5. N.K. Sahoo, A. Ramesh and **K. Pakshirajan.** 'Bacterial degradation of aromatics: An overview on metabolic pathways', *In: Microorganisms in Environmental Management*, Satyanarayana, T., Johri, B.N. and. Anil Prakash (Eds), Springer, New York, pp 201 -220, 2012.
- 6. D. Chakravorty, A. Shreshtha, V.R. SarathBabu and **S. Patra.** 'Molecular evolution of extremophiles', In: Exremophiles: Sustainable resources and Biotechnological Implications. Ed. Singh OV; Wiley-Blackwell; USA.Page 1-28, 2012.
- 7. A. Sebastian and **V. Ramakrishnan**. 'Computational Biology Applications. *NutriHorti-culture.Ed. K. V. Peter. DPH New Delhi. pp 123-142*.ISBN 13: 9788170357766, 2012.
- 8. H. Upadhyaya, **L. Sahoo** and S.K. Panda. 'Molecular Physiology of Osmotic Stress in Plants', *Molecular Stress Physiology of Plants*, G.R. Rout and A.B. Das (eds.), Springer India (DOI 10.1007/978-81-322-0807-5\_7), 2013.
- 9. Md. Z. Ansari and **R. Swaminathan**. 'Beyond the green fluorescent protein, tryptophan and kappa squared', *ISRAPS Bulletin*, Vol 25 (1&2), 25-28, 2013.
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## 10. CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/SYMPOSIA ATTENDED: INTERNATIONAL, NATIONAL (In tabular format as given)

Name of	Name of Conf./Workshop	Place	Date	International
Faculty				/National
Anand, B.	International Conference on Biomolecular Forms and Functions: A Celebration of Fifty Years of Ramachandran Map	IISC, Bangalore	Jan 8-11, 2013	International
	Young Scientist Research Award Meet	BARC, Mumbai	November 26- 27, 2012	National
Bora, U.	Conference on `International Consultative Meeting on SERIBIOTECHNOLOGY 2012' (ICMS 2012) held at, Imphal from 05-12-2012 to 07-12-2012.	Imphal	05-07 Dec, 2012	National
	National workshop cum training programme on Advanced techniques and technologies in sericulture' held at CMER&TI, Lahdoigarh, Assam from 19-03-2013 to 21-03-2013.	Jorhat	19-21 March, 2013	National
Dubey, V.K.	International Meeting on Emerging Diseases and Surveillance (IMED 2013).	Vienna, Austria	February 15–18, 2013.	International
	International Conference on Industrial Biotechnology,	Punjabi University, Patiala	November 21- 23, 2012	International
	Interdisciplinary Science Conference 2012 on protein folding and Diseases.	Jamia Milia Islamia University, New Delhi	December 8-10, 2012.	International
	Integrated computational and Biochemical approaches. Workshop on "Basics of Molecular Modelling and Computer-Aided Drug Designing".	College of Veterinary Science, Assam Agricultural University, Guwahati	January 8-10, 2013	National

Goyal, A.	V International Symposium on Sourdough - Cereal Fermentation for Future Foods	Helsinki, Finland	October 10- 12, 2012	International
	5 <sup>th</sup> International Conference on Industrial Bioprocesses	National Taiwan University of Science and Technology Taipei, Taiwan	October 7-10 2012	International
Mandal, B.B.	3 <sup>rd</sup> TERMIS World Congress 2012	Vienna, Austria	05-08 September, 2012	International
	MIBISEM-2013 conference, North Bengal University (NBU)	Siliguri	February 25-26, 2013	National
	International Conference on Design of Biomaterial, BIND-2012, IISC	Bangalore	9-11 December 2012	International
Patra, S.	ECCB 2012 from Basel, Switzerland.	Basel, Switzerland	9-12 <sup>th</sup> September 2012.	International
Ramakrishnan, V.	Third International conference on Natural Polymers, Biopolymers ICNP 2012	Kottayam, Kerala	Oct 26-28 2012	International
	Workshop on modeling biological systems II. Mizoram University. Aizwal	Mizoram University, Aizwal	Aug 21-25, 2012.	National
Rangan, L.	Colloquium of DBT Associates of NER	Khanapara	20 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2012	National
	World Congress on In vitro Biology (SIVB-2012)	Seattle, USA	3-7 <sup>th</sup> June 2012	International
	National Academy of Biological Sciences (NABS 2012)	Chennai	13-15 <sup>th</sup> May 2012	National
Sahoo, L.	The 1st UGSAS Round table & Symposium 2012	Gifu University, Japan	19 – 21 July 2012	International
Saini, G.K.	National Seminar on "Current Perspectives of Fungi in Health Care and Environment" (KAVAASTHA) And 39 <sup>th</sup> Annual MSI (Mycological Society of India) Meeting	Bangalore	13.03.13 - 14.03.13	National
Swaminathan, R.	FCS 2012 National fluorescence workshop	Saha Institute of Nuclear Physics and Indian Institute of Chemcal Biology, Kolkata	3-7 Dec 2012	National
	57 <sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of Biophysical Society	Philadelphia, USA	2—6 Feb 2013	International
	1st International Symposium on Prion Chemical Biology and Enabling Technology - Towards a Cure for Alzheimer's Disease	University of Sheffield	9-10 July 2012	International
	National Symposium on Radiation and Photochemistry	North-Eastern Hill University, Shillong	20-22 March 2013	National
Tamuli, R.	Biology 2012 and Beyond (B12B)	CCMB, Hyderabad	25-27 November, 2012	International

## 11. INVITED LECTURES OF FACULTY: IN INDIA, ABROAD (In tabular format as given below)

Name of Faculty	Name of Lecture	Name of Inst./Org.	Place	Date
Bose, B.	Beyond data: understanding the story	All India Institute of	New Delhi	16 <sup>th</sup> February
	hidden in connections	Medical Sciences		2013
Bora, U.	Silk in Tissue Engineering and Regenerative Medicine, Rangia College, 2012	Rangia College	Rangia	Jan, 2013
	Seribioresource Database, ISBD, Imphal, December, 2012	ISBD	Imphal	Dec, 2012
	Silkworm Related Database, Current and Future prospects, CMERTI, Jorhat, March, 2012	CMERTI,	Jorhat	19-21 March, 2013
	Interaction of curcumin with its molecular targets, Gauhati University	Gauhati University	Gauhati	-
Chaturvedi, R.	Androgenesis: an efficient in vitro	Department of	Patiala, India	November

	tissue culture technique to induce homozygosity in single step in cross	Biotechnology, Punjabi University		21-23, 2012
	pollinating and long geneneration woody plants	•		
	In vitro haploid production and analysis of cell lines for metabolite accumulation using plant tissue culture techniques	International Centre for Biotechnology, Osaka University	Osaka, Japan	September 18, 2012
	Interventions of tissue culture techniques for sustainable development of plant resources	North East Centre for Research and Development (NECRD), IGNOU	Guwahati, Assam, India,	October 1-3, 2012
Dubey, V.K.	Discovery of novel anti-leishmanial compounds by targeting redox metabolism of the parasite: Integrated computational and Biochemical approaches.	College of Veterinary Science, Assam Agricultural University,	Guwahati	January 10, 2013
	The complexity in Biology derives from simple Biochemistry. 9th BRSI Convention & International Conference on Industrial Biotechnology,	Punjabi University	Patiala,	November 21, 2012
	Biomarkers: effect of pollutants on biological systems. Quality improvement programme (QIP) on "Green Chemistry and Clean Technology	IIT Guwahati	Guwahati	November 26-28, 2012
	Basics of Molecular Modelling and Computer-Aided Drug Designing	College of Veterinary Science, Assam Agricultural University	Guwahati	January 8-10, 2013
Ghosh, S.S.	Gene Therapy: prospects in combination therapy	5 <sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of The Cytometry Society, India 12th-13thOctober, 2012, Organized by the Centre for Research in Nanoscience and Nanotechnology, Kolkata	Centre for Research in Nanoscience and Nanotechnology, JD -2, Sector -III, Salt Lake, Sector III, Kolkata -700 098, India	12 <sup>th</sup> October 2012
	Molecular Biology of Cancer Therapeutics	FICS-2012 (2 <sup>nd</sup> -3 <sup>rd</sup> December 2012) Organized by the Department of Chemistry, IITG	IIT Guwahati	2 <sup>nd</sup> December 2012
	Prospects of Nanobiotechnology	Indian Institute of Chemical Engineers, Organized by the IIChE Guwahati Regional Centre	IIT Guwahati	20 <sup>th</sup> October 2012
	Flow Cytometry for Potential Therapeutic Nanomaterials	13th INDO-US workshop on Flow Cytometry	IIT Guwahati	9 <sup>th</sup> October 2012
	Nanobiotechnology: an emerging area for detection, delivery and therapy	National workshop on nanoscience and nanotechnology	M.C College Barpeta	1 <sup>st</sup> September 2012
	Nanomedicine: Perspectives in Theranostics	i	IIT Roorkee	4 <sup>th</sup> June 2012
Goswami, P.	Biofuelcell	Tezpur University	Tezpur	23 <sup>rd</sup> Aug 2012
	Enzymatic Biofuelcell	Sibsagar College, , Assam,	Jaysagar	14th October, 2012.
	Microbial enzymes and their applications for developing biosensors and biofuelcell	National workashop on"Faculty training and motivation and adoption of school and colleges by	St. Edmund College, Shillong	22nd March 2013

		CSIR lab"		
Goyal, A.  Hyper dextran producing Weissella confusa isolated from fermented cabbage		University of Helsinki,	Helsinki, Finland	Oct 18, 2012
	In vitro analysis of probiotic properties of Lactobacillus plantarum DM5 isolated from fermented beverage Marcha of Sikkim	National Taiwan University of Science and Technology	Taipei, Taiwan	Oct 7-10 2012
Kanaujia, S.P.	In Silico Characterization of Proteins from Sequences and Molecular Modelling Approaches	Assam Agricultural University, Khanapara, Guwahati, Assam	Guwahati, Assam	November 07-09, 2012
Kunnumakkara, A.B.	Research Methodology for Science	Handique's College	Guwahati	05/12/2012
	Curcumin as a Potential chemsensitising agent for cancer cells	5 <sup>Th</sup> International Symposium on Human Health Effects of Fruits and Vegetables, University of Agricultural Sciences	Dharwad, Karnataka	10/01/2013
	Understanding the Mechanism of Drug delivery, Action and Resistance	"Perspectives of Chemoinformatics for Drug Discovery" Pondichery University	Pondichery	21/01/2013
	Dietary Agents- Potential Chemosensitizing Agents for Cancer Cells	"Perspectives of Chemoinformatics for Drug Discovery" Pondichery University	Pondichery	22/01/2013
Mandal, B.B.	Silk a versatile biomaterial for tissue engineering	Nanyang Technological University (NTU)	Singapore	December 21, 2012
	Silk based regenerative medicine	Sastra University	Thanjavur	March 28, 2013
	Silk biomaterials: A versatile platform for human tissue engineering	Indian Institute of Science	Bangalore	December 10, 2012
Pakshirajan, K.	Microbial surfactants and their role in environmental applications	Centre for Petroleum Biotechnology, Department of Molecular Biology and Biotechnology, Tezpur University	Tezpur	24/08/2012
	Waste Management in Business Organizations	Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS), Guwahati	Guwahati	16/11/2012
	Microbial Removable of Metal Ions	Department of Chemical Engineering, IIT Madras	Chennai	16/03/2013
Ramakrishnan, V.	Ying-yang hypothesis for conformational fold selection and its implications in designing peptide assemblies	Mahathma Gandhi University	Kottayam, Kerala	Oct 26-28 2012.
	Topology based prediction of Protein folding pathways.	Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkota& Mizoram University	Aizwal, Mizoram. India	Aug 21-25, 2012
Rangan, L.	Versatility of P. pinnata	TERI	New Delhi	13.03.2013
Sahoo, L.	Genome mining in Zingibereceae  Translational Agriculture Research –	AAU The United Graduate	Guwahati Gifu, Japan	20.12.2012 19 <sup>th</sup> July
Sanoo, L.	Avenues for International Collaboration	School of Agricultural Science Gifu University, Japan		2012
	Translational Agriculture Research in India	To Graduate students of Gifu University	Gifu University, Japan	19 <sup>th</sup> July 2012
	Enhancing sustainable development, management and utilization of bioresources of Northeast India	RIKEN Biological Resource Center	Tsukuba, Japan	23 <sup>rd</sup> July 2012
	Plant functional genomics for crop improvement	Tezpur University	Tezpur, Assam	2 <sup>nd</sup> August 2012
	Plant biotechnology – applications in agriculture	Tezpur University	Tezpur, Assam	1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sept. 2012
	Application of molecular techniques	College of Veterinary	Khanapara,	19 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2013

	in crop biotechnology research	Science, Assam	Guwahati	
	Plant Genetic Improvement for Crop	Agricultural University North-Eastern Hill	Shillong,	7 <sup>th</sup> March
	Improvement	University (NEHU)	Meghalaya	2013
Swaminathan, R.	Controlling the Self-assembly of Hen	FCS 2012 National	Kolkata	7 Dec 2012
	Lysozyme Nanostructures	Fluorescence Workshop,		
		Saha Institute of Nuclear		
		Physics		
	Investigating hen lysozyme	Cambridge University	Cambridge,	24 July 2012
	aggregation at alkaline pH		United Kingdom	
	Engineering Size-restricted	University of Sheffield	Sheffield, United	19 July 2012
	Polycationic Hen Lysozyme Protein	•	Kingdom	
	Nanoparticles by Exploiting Protein			
	Aggregation			
	Effect of SDS micelles on the	National Symposium on	Shillong	22 March
	absorption and fluorescence spectrum	Radiation and		2013
	of Thioflavin T	Photochemistry 2013,		
		North_eastern Hill		
		University		
	Fluorescence Spectroscopy and its	Student Chapter, Optical	IIT Guwahati	15 Nov 2012
	Applications in Biology	Society of America		
Tamuli, R.	Biological data base(theory) and	IASST	Guwahati-35	
	Hands on Training Session on			19.09.2012
	Biological data base in the workshop			
	titled Basics of Bioinformatics			

## 12. VISITORS FROM OTHER INSTITUTES/UNIVERSITIES/ORGANISATIONS / INVITED LECTURES (In tabular format as given below) (Only distinguished visitors invited by appropriate authority)

Name	Name of Inst./Univ./Org.	Purpose/ Name of Lecture	Date	Remarks
Malcolm J. Fraser, Jr.	University of Notre Dame, USA	Piggy Bac Technology and Spider Silk	25 March, 2013	
Prof. Hiroyuki Koyama	Gifu University, Japan	How Arabidopsis activates malate excretion for protecting root tips? -Al sensing and promoter regulation	28 <sup>th</sup> Sept 2012	
Dr. Kazuhiko Sugiura	Senior Manager, R&D Group, Nutrition Division, Taiyo Kagaku Co., Ltd., Japan	Functional food and worldwide venture of Taiyo Kagaku	8 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2012	
Dr. Varsha Pardesi	National Chemical Laboratory, Pune	Understanding flax (Linum usitatissimum L.) seed biology: An unique source of functional foods	21st Jan 2013	
Mr. K. K. Roy	Sr. Manager of FITT (the industry interface unit of IIT Delhi	To discuss the opportunities to incubate the ideas/concepts/proof of concepts on biotechnology for commercialization for funding from BIRAC	15 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2013	
Dr. Raj Kumar	CEO of a Biotech Company, Chennai	Interaction meeting	21 <sup>st</sup> Feb 2013	
Dr. Suman Govil	Advisor (DBT), Govt. of India, New Delhi	To attend Executive Committee Meeting and visit the biotechnology department facilities	1 <sup>st</sup> March 2013	
Dr. P.K. Seth,	CEO,Biotech Park, Former Director, Indian Institute of Toxicology Research, Lucknow	To visit the biotechnology department facilities and interact with faculties	8 <sup>th</sup> March 2013	
Prof. B.N.Dhawan	Former Director, CDRI, Lucknow			
Dr. V. P. Khamboj	Former Director, CDRI, Lucknow			

## 13. SEMINARS/WORKSHOPS/CONFERENCES /SHORT-TERM COURSES ORGANISED (In tabular format as given below)

Name of	Name of Sem./Wor./Con.	Funded By	Date	International/
Faculty				National
Bose, B.	Workshop on Analysis of Biological	DBT	6 <sup>th</sup> November, 2012	National
	Networks			
Bora, U.	International symposium entitled "BIOENGINEERING 2012" (ISBE 2012) Organized by Biotech Hub on 10 <sup>th</sup> December	DBT	10 <sup>th</sup> Dec, 2012	National
	2012			
Rangan, L.	13th INDO-US Cytometry Workshop on	DBT	8-10 October 2012	International
	"Applications of Flow cytometry in			
	Nanotechnology and Plant Genomics"			
Sahoo, L.	Sustainable Entrepreneurship Development	Biotech Park,	27 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2012	Brainstorming
	in Biotechnology and Allied Areas through	Guwahati		Meeting (National)
	Industry-Academia Partnership			
	Fostering Research, Collaboration and	DBT Program	1st Oct 2012	Indo-Japan
	Innovation in Translational Bioresources in	Support		workshop
	Northeast India	Project		(International)

#### 14. PATENT FILED

1. **Dasu, V.V.** and Krishnamoorthy, H. (2012): Development of Bioprocess for production of novel cutinase from Thermobifida fusca in E. coli BL21(DE3) (1416/KOL/2012).

## 15. AWARDS AND HONOURS (Only awards/honours at national/international level from reputed organizations)

- 1. **Dasu, V.V.:** Talented Industrial Biotechnologist Award for 2012 by Association of Biotechnology and Pharmacy, India [The award consists of a citation and Gold medal].
- 2. **Dubey, V.K.:** Malviya Memorial Award (Young Faculty) for 2011 by Biotech Research Society of India (Nov., 2012).
- 3. **Dubey, V.K.:** Editorial Board member: Dataset Papers in Biology [Biotechnology section and Biophysics section] (Hindawi Publication.
- 4. **Dubey, V.K.:** Editorial Board member: ISRN Structural Biology (Hindawi Publication)
- 5. **Goyal, A.:** Awarded FIFIB (Fellow, International Forum on Industrial Bioprocesses) Taipei, Taiwan, Oct. 7, 2012.
- 6. **Goyal, A.:** DBT- Cutting edge Research Enhancement and Scientific Training (DBT-CREST) Award for 2011-2012 for visiting Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Lisbon, Portugal.
- 7. **Goyal, A.:** Nominated as a distinguished member for consultative programme to prepare a "Draft Biotechnology Policy" for the state of Assam by Assam Science Te chnology & Environment Council (ASTEC) to submit the Draft Biotechnology Policy to the Department of Science & Technology, Government of Assam for necess ary approval and implementation, 2012.
- 8. **Goyal, A.:** Mentor, DBT-MSc teaching program, Department of Biote chnology, University of North Bengal, Siliguri, West Bengal, 2012.
- 9. **Goyal, A.:** Nominated by DBT (GOI) as representative for Institutional Bio -safety Committee (ISBC) at North Eastern Hill University, Shillong Meghalaya. (Nov 2012).
- 10. **Goyal, A.:** Invited as a member "Expert Committee for North Eastern Region Biotechnology Programmes" by DBT, New Delhi, May 2, 2012.
- 11. Goyal, A.: Member, Editorial Advisory Board, Journal of Bioscience and Biotechnology, Bulgaria.
- 12. **Kumar, S.:** 2012 Young Scientist Research Award, Board of Research in Nuclear Sciences, Department of Atomic Energy.
- 13. **Kumar**, S.: 2012 Inspire Faculty Fellowship Award, Department of Science and Technology, Government of India.

- 14. **Mandal, B.B.:** Received MAHE Award 2012 for Best Scientist Presentation at BIND International Conference, IISc, December 9-11, 2012 Bangalore.
- 15. **Mandal, B.B.:** Department of Science and Technology (DST) travel grant award 2012 for attending TERMIS World Congress in Vienna, Austria.
- 16. **Rangan, L.:** NABS WOMEN SCIENTIST AWARD in the area of Biological Sciences for the year 2011-2012.
- 17. **Swaminathan, R.:** visited University of Sheffield, UK during 1-30 July 2012, under the UK-India Staff Exchange Programme under the Enhancing Mobility Strand of UK India E ducation and Research Initiative (UKIERI).
- 18. **Trivedi, V.**: National Academy of Sciences-India (NASI) Platinum Jubilee Young Scientist Award (2011) in the field of Biological sciences.

#### 16. ANY OTHER (SPECIAL MENTION)

- 1. **Mr. S. Prakash (Dr. V.K. Dubey)**, a PhD student received travel award form DBT and DST Govt of India to attend International Meeting on Emerging Diseases and Surveillance (IMED 2013, Vienna, Austria, 15–18 February 2013.
- 2. **Mr. Mitun Chakraborty (Prof. P. Goswami and Prof. S.S. Ghosh)**, doctoral student received best Poster Presentation Award for presenting his paper 'Molecular Characterization and Structure Function Relationship Studies of a Novel Alcohol Oxidase from *Aspergillus terreus* MTCC 6324' at WORLD CONGRESS ON BIOTECHNOLOGY, Hyderabad, 4-6 May 2012.
- 3. Research Highlight of the article: **M. Das and P. Goswami**: Direct electrochemistry of alcohol oxidase using multiwalled carbon nanotube as electroactive matrix for biosensor application. *Bioelectrochemistry* 89: 19-25 (2013) published as: Alcohol Sniffer *Nature India*: Doi:10.1038/nindia.2012.142; Published online 26 September 2012.
- 4. **Mr. Chockalingam S (Prof. S.S. Ghosh)**, a PhD student has received the "Best Oral presentation award" in the 3rd International Conference on Stem Cells and Cancer (ICSCC-2012): Proliferation, Differentiation, and Apoptosis in New Delhi, India.
- 5. **Ms. V. Kohila** (**Prof. S.S. Ghosh**), a PhD student has received the "Best Poster presentation award" in the 3rd International Conference on Stem Cells and Cancer (ICSCC-2012): Proliferation, Differentiation, and Apoptosis in New Delhi, India.
- 6. **Mr. S Ghosh (Dr. L. Rangan)**, doctoral student participated in the Training Course on "Extraction and modification of bioactive components and specialty chemicals from plants" held from 23 to 27 April 2012, at Anadolu University in Eskisehir-Turkey, Organized by ICS-UNIDO. He received full travel support and assistance from ICS-UNIDO to participate in this training program.
- 7. **Mr. A. Sadhukhan (Prof. L. Sahoo**), doctoral student availed a fellowship from Gifu University to carry out part of his PhD work at Gifu University, Japan for a year (Jan -Dec 2013). The Department of Biotechnology and Center for Nanotechnology, IIT Guwahati signed MOU with the United Graduate School of Agricultural Science, Gifu University, Japan on 19 th July 2012 for bilateral exchange of doctoral and master students, faculties between the signatories departments of both Institutes.
- 8. **Ms. A. Barman (Dr. R. Tamuli)**, a doctoral student, has been awarded "Best Poster Presentation Award" for presenting her poster titled 'Comparative analysis of cell signaling pathways and methylation patterns in Bombyx mori and Neurospora crassa', in International consultative meeting on seribiotechnology (ICMS-2012), Institute of Bioresearches and Sustainable Development (IBSD), Takyelpat Institutional Area, Imphal-795001, Manipur, India, 5-7 December 2012.

## 17. LIST OF FACULTY MEMBERS ALONG WITH PhD, DESIGNATION, AND AREAS OF INTEREST (In alphabetical order according to surname)

S. No.	Faculty Member	Designation	Areas of Interest
1.	Anand B., Ph.D.	Assistant Professor	Structural Biology, Bioinformatics & Computational Biology, RNA Biology, Molecular Evolution
2.	Bora U., Ph. D.	Associate Professor	Biomaterials, Nanotechnology, Drug Delivery and Tissue Engineering
3.	Bose B., Ph. D.	Assistant Professor	Cell Signaling, Computational Biology, Recombinant Proteins
4.	Chaturvedi R., Ph. D.	Associate Professor	Plant Cell, Tissue & Organ Culture, Protoplast Isolation and Regeneration, Isolation, Purification and Characterization of Plant Secondary Metabolites
5.	Chaudhary N., Ph. D.	Assistant Professor	Peptide self-assembly and amyloid aggregates, Peptide-membrane interactions, Curvature inducing proteins
6.	Das D., Ph. D.	Assistant Professor	Metabolic engineering, Biochemical engineering, Modelling of fermentation process, Biofuel
7.	Dasu V. V., Ph. D.	Associate Professor	Bioprocess Development (upstream to downstream), Metabolic Engineering, Bioenergy
8.	Dubey V. K., Ph. D.	Associate Professor	Protein Biochemistry; Parasite Biochemistry
9.	Ghosh S. S., Ph. D.	Professor	Gene Therapy, Expression Cloning (Mammalian Systems), Nanobiotechnology
10.	Goswami P., Ph. D.	Professor	Biocatalysis, Biosensor, Enzymatic Biofuel cell, and Biotransformation
11.	Goyal A., Ph. D.	Professor	Molecular Biology, Protein Engineering, Structural and Functional Proteomics of Carbohydrate active enzymes and other industrial microbial enzymes
12.	Jaganathan B.G., Ph. D.	Assistant Professor	Mesenchymal Stem Cells (Biology, For Tissue repair, In health and disease), Cell Therapy, Rho GTPases and Haematopoietic Stem Cells
13.	Kanaujia S. P., Ph.D.	Assistant Professor	Structural and Computational Biology
14.	Kumar M., Ph.D.	Assistant Professor	Molecular interaction of host-pathogen-vector of infectious diseases, Gene expression analysis of Spirochete, <i>Leptospira interrrogans</i> and <i>Borrelia burgdorferi</i> , Development of vaccine against outer membrane protein of <i>Leptospira interrogans</i> and <i>Borrelia burgdorferi</i> , Vector borne diseases of Zoonotic importance.
15.	Kumar S., Ph.D.	Assistant Professor	Identification of molecular determinants of avian paramyxovirus virulence, Reverse genetics study of avian paramyxoviruses: Newcastle disease virus as a model, Vaccine development against avian paramyxoviruses using reverse genetics system, Viral vector study - Avian paramyxoviruses and adenoviruses.
16.	Kunnumakkara A.B., Ph.D.	Assistant Professor	Role of inflammatory pathways in cancer development, Identification of novel biomarkers for cancer diagnosis and prognosis, Cancer drug discovery, Development of transgenic and gene knockout mouse models for biomedical research
17.	Limaye A. M., Ph. D.	Assistant Professor	Molecular endocrinology, Cancer biology, Gene expression and regulation in Eukaryotic and Prokaryotic systems
18.	Mandal B. B., Ph.D.	Assistant Professor	Cell based tissue engineering, Biomaterials, Stem cells, Drug delivery systems
19.	Pakshirajan K., Ph. D.	Associate Professor	(a) Environmental Biotechnology: biological removal of organic and inorganic pollutants from water and wastewaters (b) Biotechnological Products and Process Engineering: production, characterization and properties, process design, kinetics and optimization (c) Biohydrometallurgy and (d) Biofuels
20.	Patra S., Ph. D.	Assistant Professor	Enzymes - applications in pharma and food industry
21.	Ramakrishnan V., Ph.D.	Assistant Professor	Computational Biology, Bioinformatics, Biophysics, Bio-Organic Chemistry, Bionanotechnology

22.	Ramesh A., Ph. D.	Associate	Nanobiotechnology, Biological Activity of Synthetic Amphiphiles and
		Professor	Metal Complex, Probiotics and Antimicrobial Peptides
23.	Rangan L., Ph. D.	Associate	Molecular systematics, Biofuel, IPR
		Professor	
24.	Sahoo L., Ph. D.	Professor	Genetic engineering and functional genomics of plants
25.	Saini G. K., Ph. D.	Associate	Fungal Biotechnology, Biological Control, DNA fingerprinting and
		Professor	Transformation studies, Studies on extracellular enzymes and toxic
			metabolite production, Development of a potent biopesticide
26.	Sivaprakasam S.,	Assistant	Bioprocess Analytical Technology (BioPAT), Biocalorimetry,
	Ph.D.	Professor	Bioprocess Monitoring and Control Environmental Bioprocess Sytems
27.	Sukumar P., Ph.D.	Assistant	Smooth muscle and endothelial cell function, Cardiovascular diseases,
	University of	Professor	Diabetes, Obesity
	Leeds, UK		
28.	Swaminathan R.,	Professor	Spectroscopic and computational approaches to investigate the
	Ph. D.		following: Intrinsically Disordered Proteins: Their identity and
			prevalence in the Proteome, Protein Aggregation: Their mechanisms
			and approaches to inhibit aggregation, Biochemical consequences of
			Macromolecular Crowding inside living cells.
29.	Tamuli R., Ph. D.	Assistant	Calcium signaling, DNA repair
		Professor	
30.	Trivedi V., Ph. D.	Assistant	Intracellular Signaling in Plasmodium falciparum.
		Professor	

#### **LIST OF Office Staff Members**

S. No.	Staff Member	Designation
1.	Barah Niranjan	Junior Technical Superintendent
2.	Barman Dipankar, Diploma in Electronics &	Junior Technical Superintendent
	Telecommunication Engg.	
3.	Baruah Rashmi, M.Sc. Botany, BEd	Junior Technical Superintendent
4.	Das Anita, M.Sc. Biotechnology	Junior Technical Superintendent
5.	Islam Nurul, M.Sc. Agril. Biotech.	Junior Technical Superintendent
6.	Swargari Prarthana, M.Sc. Biochemistry	Junior Technical Superintendent
7.	Nath Chandan Kumar, M.Sc. Computer Science	Junior Technical Superintendent
8.	Yadav, P. Raghuveer, M.Sc. Biotechnology	Junior Technical Superintendent
9.	Kalita, Pranita	Junior Assistant
10.	Gogoi, Bidyut Kr.	Junior Assistant
11.	Bhuyan, Pankaj	Attendant