

**Broad area of Research:** Development of novel therapeutic targets and drugs for the treatment of cancer

### Projects:

1. An investigation on the therapeutic potential of butein isolated from *Toxicodendron vernicifluum* against Human Oral Squamous Cell Carcinoma (DST-SERB).
2. Liposome encapsulated Azadiradione for triple negative breast cancer treatment (DST-SERB).
3. DBT-AIST International Center for Translational and Environmental Research (DAICENTER), DBT.
4. Synthesis and characterization of noble metal nanoparticles and its anticancer activities against oral cancer cells (DBT)
5. Deciphering the role of different isoforms of AKT in the development of human oral squamous cell carcinoma (ICMR)

### Objectives:

- To develop novel molecular targets for various cancers in North East Region
- To develop novel drugs for the treatment of various cancers by exploring the biodiversity of North East Region
- To enhance the efficacy of novel drugs by different nanotechnological approaches

### Deliverables:

Highly specific molecular targets and highly efficacious safe and affordable drugs for cancer treatment.

### Outcome:

- Developed novel molecular targets for the treatment of oral, lung and triple negative breast cancers.
- Developed safe and efficacious drugs for cancer treatment by in vitro methods.

### Societal impact:

North East Region of India is known as the “**Hub of cancer**” in country and many people succumb to death in this region due to cancer. Therefore, outcome of these projects would help us to save the life of many patients and to improve the quality of life.

### Current status:

- We are currently working on to develop more specific molecular targets and personalized medicines for the treatment of commonly occurring cancers in the North East Region of India.
- In addition, we are also engaged taking already established targets and drugs to the bed side.
- Moreover, development of internationally competent manpower in North East Region of India in Cancer Research is our priority area.


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### Isoform-Specific Role of Akt in Oral Squamous Cell Carcinoma

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### TIPE2 Induced the Proliferation, Survival, and Migration of Lung Cancer Cells Through Modulation of Akt/mTOR/NF-κB Signaling Cascade

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REVIEW


### Current clinical developments in curcumin-based therapeutics for cancer and chronic diseases

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