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# **ACADEMICS**

Doctor of Philosophy, Zoology, University of Calcutta, Kolkata, West Bengal, India

2012-2018

Master of Science (1<sup>st</sup> Class, A+), Zoology, University of Calcutta, Kolkata, West Bengal, India

2009-2011

Bachelor of Science (1<sup>St</sup> Class), Zoology (Hons.), University of Calcutta, Kolkata, WB, India

2006-2009

#### **EMPLOYMENT**

- 1. Assistant Professor, Department of Zoology, Cooch Behar Panchanan Barma University, Cooch Behar, West Bengal, India. (18<sup>th</sup> February 2021 Present)
- 2. Post-Doctoral Fellow (DBT-RA) at the School of Medical Science and Technology, Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur, Kharagpur, West Bengal, India. (19th July 2018 4th February 2021)
- 2. **Assistant Professor** at the Department of Zoology (PG & UG), **Arunachal University of Studies**, Arunachal Pradesh, India. (16<sup>th</sup> April 2018 9<sup>th</sup> July 2018)
- 3. **Guest Faculty** at the Department of Zoology (UG), **Bankim Sardar College** (Affiliated to the University of Calcutta), West Bengal, India. ( $1^{st}$  April 2016  $2^{nd}$  April 2018)

#### **ACHIEVEMENTS & AWARDS**

- 1. Qualified for **DBT Research Associateship Program** of Department of Biotechnology, Government of India, conducted by IISC, Bangalore in 2018.
- 2. Qualified National Eligibility Test (NET) on Life science conducted by CSIR & UGC in December 2012.
- 3. Qualified **Graduate Aptitude Test for Engineering (GATE)** on **Life science** conducted by Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Delhi in 2012.
- 4. **Best oral presentation award** for "Bone marrow aplasia and deregulation of vital signaling components: a correlative study in experimental mice", **International Conference on Trends in Biochemical and Biomedical Research (TBBR-2018)** organized by Department of Biochemistry, Institute of Science, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh, India. (13<sup>th</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> February 2018)

- 5. **Best poster presentation award** for "Aplastic anemia related hematopoietic catastrophe and kinase-phosphatase signaling", **3**<sup>rd</sup> **International Conference on Perspective of Cell Signaling and Molecular Medicine** organized by Bose Institute, Kolkata, West Bengal, India. (8<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> January 2017)
- 6. **Best poster presentation award** for "Bone Marrow Pathophysiological Consequences in Aplastic Anemia, MDS and Leukemia in Experimental Mice", **National Symposium on Frontiers in Modern Biology** organized by Indian Science Congress Association and Department of Zoology, Dr. Hari Singh Gour Central University at Sagar, Madhya Pradesh, India. (23<sup>rd</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> March 2014).
- 7. **Best presentation award** for "Aplastic Anemia: Kinase-Phosphatase Regulation Scenario", Symposium organized by **Central Calcutta Society for Advancement of Human Development and Research**, Kolkata, West Bengal, India. (21<sup>st</sup> July 2014)

#### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 1. **DBT-Research Associate** (GOI) (PI: Professor (Dr.) Jyotirmoy Chatterjee) from July 2018. [Research topic: "**Elucidating Malignant Potentiality of Oral Pre-malignant Disorders Using Molecular Pathology and Mechanobiological Attributes."].**
- 2. **Ph.D. Scholar** at the Department of Biochemistry and Medical Biotechnology, **Calcutta School of Tropical Medicine** (Supervisor: Dr. Sujata Law) from 2012 to January 2018.

[Title of the Ph.D. thesis: "Bone marrow aplasia and stem-stromal microenvironmental scenario regarding pathophysiology and kinase-phosphatase balance."

Ph.D. registration: Department of Zoology, **University of Calcutta**]

- 3. Senior Research fellowship in WB-DBT project at the Department of Biochemistry and Medical Biotechnology, Calcutta School of Tropical Medicine (PI: Dr. Sujata Law) from April 2015 to March 2016. . [ Project title: "Regulatory approach of stem cells and stem cells niche in Leukemia, Aplastic anemia and Myelodysplastic syndrome (MDS): A diagnostic and therapeutic intervention."].
- 4. Junior Research fellowship in WB-DBT project at the Department of Biochemistry and Medical Biotechnology, Calcutta School of Tropical Medicine (PI: Dr. Sujata Law) from April 2013 to March 2015. [ Project title: "Regulatory approach of stem cells and stem cells niche in Leukemia, Aplastic anemia and Myelodysplastic syndrome (MDS): A diagnostic and therapeutic intervention."].
- 5. Short term project (for 6 months) under Dr. Sujata Law (Associate Professor on Stem Cell Biology) at Department of Biochemistry and Medical Biotechnology, **Calcutta School of Tropical Medicine** on **Tumor Biology**.

# RESEARCH EXPERTISE

- 1. Hematopoietic stem cell and cancer stem cell biology.
- 2. Development of murine models for hematopoietic disorders like leukemia, aplastic anemia, myelodysplastic syndrome and study of the alterations of hematopoietic stem/ progenitor cells and hematopoietic microenvironments.
- 3. Hematooncology.
- 4. Kinase-phosphatase biology, cell cycle and apoptosis profiling, p53 cascade, Wnt and NOTCH signaling in hematopoietic system.
- 5. Redox biology, epigenetic status alteration in hematopoietic system under xenobiotic stress.
- 6. Pesticides and hematopoietic stem cell and niche modulation.
- 7. Histopathological analysis of oral pre-cancer and cancer.
- 8. Development of murine model of peritoneal sarcomatosis and therapeutic applications of phytochemicals and probiotics.

# **EXPERTISE IN RELEVANT TECHNIQUES**

Flowcytometry
Immunostaining (Immunohistochemistry and immunocytochemistry)
Scanning electron microscopy
Atomic force microscopy
Fourier Transform Infrared Spectroscopy
Single cell culture, tissue explant culture, CFU-assay
Hematological profiling
Histopathology, cytopathology and cytochemistry
Chromosomal study (metaphase spread analysis)

### **PUBLICATIONS**

TOTAL PUBLICATIONS IN INTERNATIONAL PEER-REVIEWED JOURNALS: 15

TOTAL IMPACT FACTOR: 37.999 (Thompson & Reuters)

TOTAL CITATIONS: 128 (Google Scholar)

GOOGLE SCHOLAR LINK: https://scholar.google.co.in/citations?user=7-XA9zEAAAAJ&hl=en

- 1. Ritam Chatterjee, Biswajoy Ghosh, Mousumi Mandal, Debaleena Nawn, Satarupa Banerjee, Mousumi Pal, Ranjan Rashmi Paul, Swarnabindu Banerjee, and Jyotirmoy Chatterjee. Pathophysiological relationship between hypoxia associated oxidative stress, Epithelial-mesenchymal transition, stemness acquisition and alteration of Shh/Gli-1 axis during oral sub-mucous fibrosis and oral squamous cell carcinoma. European Journal of Cell Biology (2020): 151146. [IF= 3.024]
- **2. Ritam Chatterjee** and Jyotirmoy Chatterjee. ROS and oncogenesis with special reference to EMT and stemness. European Journal of Cell Biology (2020), DOI: https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ejcb.2020.151073. [IF= 3.024]
- **3. Ritam Chatterjee**, Sujata Law. Genomic insult oriented mitochondrial instability and proliferative hindrance in the bone marrow of aplastic mice including stem/progenitor population. Pathology-Research and Practice, 215, pp.784-793 (2019). [IF= 2.05]
- 4. **Ritam Chatterjee**, Sujata Law. Epigenetic and microenvironmental alterations in bone marrow associated with ROS in experimental aplastic anemia. European journal of cell biology, 97, pp. 32-43 (2018). [IF= 3.024]
- 5. **Ritam Chatterjee**, Shubhangi Gupta, Sujata Law. Hematopathological alterations of major tumor suppressor cascade, vital cell cycle inhibitors and hematopoietic niche components in experimental myelodysplasia. Chemico-Biological Interactions, 273, pp.1-10 (2017). [IF= 3.723]

- 6. **Ritam Chatterjee**, Sukalpa Chattopadhyay, Sujata Law. Deregulation of vital mitotic kinase–phosphatase signaling in hematopoietic stem/progenitor compartment leads to cellular catastrophe in experimental aplastic anemia. Molecular and Cellular Biochemistry, 422(1-2), pp.121-134 (2016). [IF= 2.795]
- **7. Ritam Chatterjee**, Sukalpa Chattopadhyay, Sujata Law. Alteration of classical and hematopoiesis specific p53 pathway in the bone marrow hematopoietic stem/progenitor compartment facilitates leukemia progression in experimental mice. Leukemia Research, 47, pp.70-77 (2016). [IF= 2.214]
- 8. **Ritam Chatterjee**, Sukalpa Chattopadhyay, Shalini Sanyal, Suchismita Daw, Sujata Law. Pathophysiological Scenario of Hematopoietic Disorders: A Comparative study of Aplastic Anemia, Myelodysplastic Syndrome and Leukemia in Experimental Animals. Proceedings of the Zoological Society, 69 (1), pp.114-124 (2016).
- 9. Neha Sharma, Debaleena Nawn, Sawon Pratiher, Sayani Shome, **Ritam Chatterjee**, Karabi Biswas, Mousumi Pal, Ranjan Rashmi Paul, Srimonti Dutta, Jyotirmoy Chatterjee. IEEE Sensors. (2021: Accepted article) [IF= 3.076]
- 10. Sujata Law, Shalini Sanyal, **Ritam Chatterjee**, Atrayo Law, Aditya Law, Sukalpa Chattopadhyay. Therapeutic management of peritoneal ascitic sarcomatosis by Ruta graveolens: A study in experimental mice. Pathology-Research and Practice, 214(9), pp.1282-1290. (2018). [IF= 2.05]
- 11. Suchismita Daw, **Ritam Chatterjee**, Aditya Law, Sujata Law. Analysis of hematopathology and alteration of JAK1/STAT3/STAT5 signaling axis in experimental myelodysplastic syndrome. Chemico-Biological Interactions, 260, pp.176-185 (2016). **[IF= 3.723]**
- 12. Sukalpa Chattopadhyay, Malay Chaklader, **Ritam Chatterjee**, Aditya Law, Sujata Law. Differential expression of mitotic regulators and tumor microenvironment influences the regional growth pattern of solid sarcoma along the cranio-caudal axis. Experimental cell research, 340(1), pp.91-101 (2016). [**IF= 3.383**]
- 13. Sukalpa Chattopadhyay, **Ritam Chatterjee**, Sujata Law. Noncannonical Wnt5a-Ca2+-NFAT Signaling Axis in Pesticide Induced Bone Marrow Aplasia Mouse Model. A Study to Explore the Novel Mechanism of Pesticide Toxicity. Environmental Toxicology, 31(10), pp.1163-1175 (2016). [IF= 3.118]
- 14. Malay Chaklader, Ankita Pan, Aditya Law, Sukalpa Chattopadhyay, **Ritam Chatterjee**, Sujata Law. Differential Remodeling of Cadherins and Intermediate Cytoskelital Filaments Influence Microenvironment of Solid and Ascitic Sarcoma. Molecular and Cellular Biochemistry, 382(1-2), pp.293-306 (2013). **[IF= 2.795]**

15. Malay Chaklader, Prasun Das, Jacintha Archana Pereira, Aditya Law, Sukalpa Chattopadhyay, **Ritam Chatterjee**, Abhradeep Mondal, Sujata Law. 17-AAG mediated targeting of HSP90 limits TERT activity in peritoneal sarcoma related malignant ascites by downregulating cyclin D1 during cell cycle entry. Experimental Oncology, 34(2), pp.90-96 (2012).

#### **BOOK CHAPTER:**

Sujata Law and **Ritam Chatterjee**. Association of ROS with epithelial-mesenchymal transition and acquisition of stemness during carcinogenesis. Hand Book of Oxidative Stress and Cancer. (ISBN No. 978-981-15-9412-0)

# **CONFERENCE ATTENDED**

- **1. 8th International Translational Cancer Research Conference (TCR-2020)** organized by Department of Biochemistry, Institute of Science, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh, India & Society for Translational Cancer Research (STCR). (13<sup>th</sup>- 16<sup>th</sup> February 2018)
- **2. 4**<sup>th</sup> **Regional State Science Congress** organized by the University of Burdwan, Burdwan, West Bengal, India. (9<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> December 2019)
- **3. PHYSICON-2019** organized by the Department of Physiology, Bankura Christian College, Bankura, West Bengal, India. (15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> November)
- **4. FDMM 2019** organized by Indian Institute of Chemical Biology (CSIR), Kolkata, West Bengal, India. (1st 3rd March 2019)
- 5. International Conference on Trends in Biochemical and Biomedical Research (TBBR-2018) organized by Department of Biochemistry, Institute of Science, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh, India. (13<sup>th</sup>- 15<sup>th</sup> February 2018)
- 6. INTZOOCON 2018, an International Conference to celebrate 100 years of excellence from 1999-2019 of the Department of Zoology, University of Calcutta, Kolkata, West Bengal, India. (1st 3rd February 2018)
- **7. Frontiers in Biotechnology, 2017** organized by the Department of Biotechnology, St. Xabier`s College (Autonomous), Kolkata, West Bengal, India. (27<sup>th</sup> October 2017)
- **8. 10th Year Celebration of Excellence in Science at IISER Kolkata, "Advances in Life Science"** organized by Indian Institute of Science Education and Research Kolkata, Kalyani, West Bengal, India. (13<sup>th</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> January 2017)
- **9. 3<sup>rd</sup> International Conference on Perspective of Cell Signaling and Molecular Medicine** organized by Bose Institute, Kolkata, West Bengal, India. (8<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> January 2017)
- **10. PHYSIOCON-2016** organized by the Department of Physiology, Midnapore College (Autonomous), Midnapore, West Bengal, India. (18<sup>th</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> November 2016)
- **11. International Seminar on Frontiers in Translational and Regenerative Biology** organized by the Department of Zoology, University of Calcutta and Council of Scientific & Industrial Research, India at Kolkata, West Bengal, India. (31st January 2016)
- 12. FIPSPHYSICON-2015 at University of Calcutta, Kolkata, West Bengal, India. (18<sup>th</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> December 2015)
- 13. 6<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Stem Cells and Cancer (ICSCC-2015) at Pune, Maharashtra, India. (2<sup>nd</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> October 2015)
- 14. 34th Annual Convention of Indian Association for Cancer Research at Jaipur, Rajasthan, India. (19th-21st February 2015)

- **15. National Seminar on Molecular Aspects of Human Diseases** organized by Dept. of Zoology, University of Calcutta, Kolkata, India. (31<sup>st</sup> January 2015)
- **16. PHYSICON-2014**, Berhampur, West Bengal, India. (19<sup>th</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> December 2014)
- **17.** Symposium organized by **Central Calcutta Society for Advancement of Human Development and Research**, Kolkata, West Bengal, India. (21<sup>st</sup> July 2014).
- **18. National Symposium on Frontiers in Modern Biology** organized by Indian Science Congress Association and Department of Zoology, Dr. Hari Singh Gour Central University at Sagar, Madhya Pradesh, India. (23<sup>rd</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> March 2014).
- **19.** Hematology Update **2013 (CME)** organized by the Department of Hematology, NRS Medical College, Kolkata, India.  $(2^{nd} 3^{rd} \text{ March 2013})$ .
- **20. 100th Indian Science Congress** at University of Calcutta, Kolkata, India. (3<sup>rd</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> January 2013).
- **21.** Satellite symposium on "Biodiversity: Technology domains and spatial scale analysis" organized by Department of Zoology, University of Calcutta, Kolkata, India. (30<sup>th</sup> March 2011).

# **WORKSHOP ATTENDED**

- 1. "Workshop and Hands on Training on Biomedical Techniques" organized by The Department of Biochemistry and Medical Biotechnology, Calcutta School of Tropical Medicine, Kolkata, West Bengal, India. (13th 15<sup>th</sup> February 2017)
- 2. Training on "Clinical of Flowcytometry" organized by University of Calcutta and BD Bioscience at CRNN, Kolkata, West Bengal, India.  $(11^{th} 13^{th})$  June 2013)
- 3. Training on "Fluorescence Microscopy" organized by USIC and Department of Microbiology, University of Burdwan, Burdwan, West Bengal, India. (22<sup>nd</sup> 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2012)

# **PRESENTATIONS**

#### **INVITED TALKS:**

- 1. Therapeutic potential of Stem Cell and its current status and future prospects. **ZOOLOGY WEB LECTURE SERIES** organized by the Department of Zoology, Raidighi College, West Bengal, India. (2<sup>nd</sup> August 2020)
- 2. Maintaining mental health in COVID pandemic situation: Vedantic Approach. **National Level Webinar on COVID-19 Pandemic: Impact on Human Health and Population** organized by the Department of Zoology, Karimpur Pannadevi College, West Bengal, India. (28<sup>th</sup> July 2020)
- 3. Oxidative stress in the perspective of hematopathology and oncology. **ZOOLOGY WEB LECTURE SERIES** organized by the Department of Zoology, Vivekananda College, West Bengal, India. (12<sup>th</sup> July 2020)

# **CONFERENCE TALKS:**

- 1. Attribution of oxidative stress in pre-malignant and malignant oral pathophysiologies. **8th International Translational Cancer Research Conference (TCR-2020)** organized by Department of Biochemistry, Institute of Science, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh, India & Society for Translational Cancer Research (STCR). (13<sup>th</sup>- 16<sup>th</sup> February 2020)
- 2. Elucidation of the association of oxidative stress, EMT and pathophysiological alterations of buccal mucosa during sub-mucous fibrosis and Squamous cell carcinoma. **4**<sup>th</sup> **Regional State Science Congress** organized by the University of Burdwan, Burdwan, West Bengal, India. (9<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> December 2019)

- 3. Association of oxidative stress with EMT and pathophysiological alterations of buccal mucosa in pre-malignant and malignant conditions. **PHYSICON-2019** organized by the Department of Physiology, Bankura Christian College, Bankura, West Bengal, India. (15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> November 2019)
- 4. Bone marrow aplasia and deregulation of vital signaling components: a correlative study in experimental mice. **International Conference on Trends in Biochemical and Biomedical Research (TBBR-2018)** organized by Department of Biochemistry, Institute of Science, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh, India. (13<sup>th</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> February 2018) (**Best Presentation Awarded**)
- 5. Bone Marrow Aplasia and Kinase-phosphatase Signaling Deregulation: A Study in Experimental Mice. **PHYSIOCON-2016**, Midnapore, West Bengal, India. (18<sup>th</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> November 2016)
- 6. Dysregulated Haematopoiesis in Bone marrow of Experimental mice. **PHYSICON-2014**, Berhampur, West Bengal, India. (19<sup>th</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> December 2014)
- 7. Aplastic Anemia: Kinase-Phosphatase Regulation Scenario. Symposium organized by **Central Calcutta Society for Advancement of Human Development and Research**, Kolkata, West Bengal, India. (21<sup>st</sup> July 2014) (**Best Presentation Awarded**)

#### **SCIENTIFIC POSTERS:**

- 1. Expressional alteration of signaling components and associated hematopoietic catastrophe during bone marrow aplasia in experimental mice. **FDMM 2019** organized by Indian Institute of Chemical Biology (CSIR), Kolkata, West Bengal, India. (1st 3rd March 2019)
- 2. ROS associated hematopoietic devastation and development of aplastic anemia: a mechanistic study in experimental mice. **INTZOOCON 2018** organized by the Department of Zoology, University of Calcutta, Kolkata, West Bengal, India. (1st 3rd February 2018)
- 3. Signaling deregulation regarding kinase-phosphatase scenario behind hematopoietic failure during experimental aplasia, **Frontiers in Biotechnology, 2017** organized by the Department of Biotechnology, St. Xabier's College (Autonomous), Kolkata, West Bengal, India. (27<sup>th</sup> October 2017)
- 4. Bone marrow failure and kinase-phosphatase signaling in experimental aplastic anemia. **10th Year Celebration of Excellence in Science at IISER Kolkata, "Advances in Life Science"** organized by Indian Institute of Science Education and Research Kolkata, Kalyani, West Bengal, India. (13<sup>th</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> January 2017)
- 5. Aplastic anemia related hematopoietic catastrophe and kinase-phosphatase signaling. **3**<sup>rd</sup> **International Conference on Perspective of Cell Signaling and Molecular Medicine** organized by Bose Institute, Kolkata, West Bengal, India. (8<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> January 2017) (**Best Poster Awarded**)
- 6. Hematopoietic Pathophysiologies: A Comparative Study through Animal Models. **International Seminer on Frontiers in Translational and Regenerative Biology** organized by University of Calcutta and Council of Scientific & Industrial Research, India at Kolkata, West Bengal, India. (31st January 2016)
- 7. Comparative Study of Hematopoietic Pathophysiologies using Murine Models. **FIPSPHYSICON-2015** at University of Calcutta, Kolkata, West Bengal, India. (18th 20th December 2015)
- 8. Involvement of Vital Kinases and Phosphatases behind Hematopoietic Catastrophe during Bone Marrow Aplasia. **6th International Conference on Stem Cells and Cancer (ICSCC-2015)** at Pune, Maharashtra, India. (2nd 5th October 2015)
- 9. Hematopoietic Pathophysiological Scenario of Leukemia Involving some of the Mitotic Kinases and Phosphatases. **34**<sup>th</sup> **Annual Convention of Indian Association for Cancer Research** at Jaipur, Rajasthan, India. (19<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> February 2015)

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- 10. Aplastic anemic bone marrow: pathophysiology and enzymatic signaling study. **National Seminar on Molecular Aspects of Human Diseases** organized by Dept. of Zoology, University of Calcutta, Kolkata, West Bengal, India. (31st January 2015)
- 11. Bone Marrow Pathophysiological Consequences in Aplastic Anemia, MDS and Leukemia in Experimental Mice. **National Symposium on Frontiers in Modern Biology** organized by Indian Science Congress Association and Department of Zoology, Dr. Hari Singh Gour Central University at Sagar, Madhya Pradesh, India. (23<sup>rd</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> March 2014). ( **Best Poster Awarded**)

# **MEMBER OF HONORARY SOCIETIES**

- 1. The Indian Science Congress Association. (Life Member)
- 2. Indian Society of Cell Biology. (Life Member)
- 3. The Zoological Society. (Life Member)
- 4. The Physiological Society of India. (Life Member)