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OBJECTIVE



Passionate about healthy and nutritious food, I am seeking an opportunity in Food Technology where I can apply my knowledge, skills, and experience to drive innovation and contribute to the development of healthier food solutions. With a strong commitment to quality, creativity, and continuous learning, I aim to thrive in a dynamic environment, delivering value to the organization while advancing my own growth and expertise.

EXPERIENCE



Lab Analyst - Reliance R&D, Reliance Corporate Park, Ghansoli, Mumbai

27th June 2024 - Present

- Developed Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for advanced instruments, including Scanning Electron Microscope (SEM), Raman spectrometers, and various other microscopy tools.
- Prepared comprehensive documentation for the operation, maintenance, and troubleshooting of laboratory instruments.
- Conducted detailed product analyses for diverse sample products, ensuring thorough evaluation and reporting.
- Performed and assisted in the execution of safety audits to ensure compliance with safety standards and regulations.

PROJECTS AND TRAINING



Masters Thesis

8th December 2022 - 8th April 2024

- Development and Quality Evaluation of Multi-Millet Snack Enriched with Bottle Gourd and Bitter Gourd Powder
- The study explores the development of a nutritious snack made from multiple millet flours enriched with bitter gourd and bottle gourd powders.
- It discusses the health benefits of millets, the nutritional value of bitter gourd and bottle gourd, and the sensory and microbial analysis conducted on the snack.
- The snack is recommended for diabetic and heart disease patients, catering to diverse dietary needs.

Analytical methods of detection of adulteration in dairy and food products

28th - 30th November 2022

- A comprehensive 3-day training program
- Conducted by the Department of Science and Technology, Government of Gujarat, in collaboration with the Department of Dairy and Food Technology, Parul University.
- Gained hands-on experience and theoretical knowledge in various analytical techniques utilized for detecting adulterants in dairy and food products.

Online course on 'Wine Technology'

Self-Paced Course on Coursera

- Wine Tasting: Sensory Techniques for Wine Analysis
- Offered by University of California, Davis at Coursera Learning Platform

National Level High End Workshop at NIFTEM-T

22nd May - 18th June 2023

- Application of Multiple Biomarkers for the Detection And Identification of Food-Borne Diseases
- Organized by National Institute of Food Technology, Entrepreneurship and Management, Thanjavur (NIFTEM-T)
- DST-SERB Accelerate Vigyan Karyashala (High-end Workshop) Programme

Food for the Mars and the Moon: Sustainable Agri Ecosystem

25th August 2023

- Organized by Edorer's Masterclass
- Conducted by Dr. Wieger Wamelink, Senior Ecologist, Wagenigen University & Research (WUR), Netherlands

Technical Intern at APX Labs

1st July - 13th October 2023

- QA-QC Microbiological and Chemical Analysis Department
- Instruments handled: Spectrophotometer, Nephelometer
- Water Analysis, Protein test, Fat Analysis, Ash test, Moisture test, Rancidity test, All chemical tests

PUBLICATIONS



A Review: Application of Cold Plasma in Food Processing Industry

Karkhanis, R. P., & Singh, S. P. (2024). A Review: Application of Cold Plasma in Food Processing Industry. Journal of Scientific Research and Reports, 30(3), 243–258.

The review highlights growing applications of Cold Plasma technology across various food processing sectors, emphasizing its potential for shelf life extension and microbial inactivation.

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In Progress

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TECHNICAL SKILLS



- Food engineering
- Various Unit operations in Food processing
- Preservation Techniques
- Working on new product development Instruments handled: Detection of Bacteria using VITEK2, Nanospectrophotometer, PCR, Automated staining equipment.

EDUCATION



M.Sc. – Food Technology: Parul University of Applied Sciences

2022 - 2024

CGPA: 8.07

B.Sc. - Biotechnology: Ramnarain Ruia Autonomous College, University of Mumbai

2022

CGPA: 7.02

12th, HSC: Vartak College, Maharashtra State Board

2018

Marks: 65.54%

10th, SSC: Utkarsha Vidyalaya, Maharashtra State Board

2016

Marks: 87.40%

EXTRACURRICULARS



- Secured 1st position in 'Respect Food' elocution competition organized by Department of Climate Change, Government of Gujarat
- Appointed as Secretary for Sports Cell, Maharashtra State
- Represented Mumbai University at Maharashtra State Level Chess Competition and Secured 3rd Place
- Secured silver medal in All India Inter University Chess Championship
- Active member of the National Service Scheme (NSS)
- Successfully completed 3 years as a Cadet of NCC with 'C' certificate

KEY STRENGTHS



- Communication proficiency
- Interpersonal relationships and Teamwork
- Effective Presentation Skills
- Time management
- Project Planning and Critical Thinking
- Enthusiastic learner