

Awards & Honors

Name of the Award	Name of the Organization	Purpose of the Award	Nature of the Award/Frequency
National Bio-Science Award-2007	DBT, New Delhi Govt of India	To promote Scientific Research	National/ Annual
TATA Innovation Award-2013	DBT, New Delhi Govt of India	To promote Scientific Research	National/ Annual
YM Scientist Award-2002	MAAS (INDIA)	To promote Scientific Research	National/ Annual
Distinguished Research Scientist Award-2015	VIFRA FOUNDATION (INDIA)	To promote Scientific Research	Inter- National/ Annual
Research Excellence Award-2015	The Indus Foundation, NJ (USA)	To promote Scientific Research	Inter- National/ Annual
Best Teacher Award-2009	AMU, Aligarh	For outstanding Scientific/Teaching contributions	National/ University Level Annual
Rashtriya Gaurav Award	IIF, Society, New Delhi (INDIA)	To promote Scientific Research	National/ Annual
Merit Award	Delhi University, New Delhi	For securing 1st position in B. Pharm.	University Level Annual
Merit Award	DYEA, New Delhi	For outstanding performance in B. Pharm	National/ Annual



Government of India
Ministry of Science and Technology
Department of Biotechnology

PRESENTS

**NATIONAL BIOSCIENCE AWARD FOR
CAREER DEVELOPMENT 2007**

TO

DR. OWAIS MOHAMMAD
ALIGARH MUSLIM UNIVERSITY, ALIGARH

in recognition of his pioneering work in development of nano-particles based delivery systems such as virosomes for gene packaging, liposomes and microspheres for vaccine development, gene therapy vectors and drug delivery systems. He has developed liposome based antigen delivery vehicles, which can elicit strong immune response against model antigens in animals.

Given this Day, the 17th of March 2008 at the function organized in connection with the Foundation Day of the Department.

KAPIL SIBAL
MINISTER OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY
AND EARTH SCIENCES

RASHTRIYA GAURAV AWARD

CERTIFICATE OF EXCELLENCE

Presented to

Dr M Owais

**For Meritorious Services, Outstanding
Performance And Remarkable Role**

By

Dr. Bhishma Narain Singh

Former Governor of Tamilnadu & Assam

**at a Seminar on
Economic Growth & National Integration
At New Delhi on 9th February, 2013.**

Gurpreet Singh
Gurpreet Singh
Secretary General

India International Friendship Society

No. BT/HRD/35/01/03/2012
Government of India
Ministry of Science & Technology
Department of Biotechnology

Block No. 2, 6-8th Floors
CGO Complex, Lodi Road,
New Delhi - 110 003.

Dated: 15.04.2013

ORDER

In continuation of this Department's sanction order of even number dated 21.02.2013, sanction of the President of India is hereby accorded under Rule 18 of the delegation of Financial Powers Rules, 1978, for the release of a sum of **Rs. 7.40 lakhs** (Rupees Seven lakhs and forty thousand only) of Tata Innovation fellowship awarded to Dr. Mohammad Owais, Associate Professor, Interdisciplinary Biotechnology Unit, Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh-202002, U.P. being the first release for the implementation of the project entitled "Targeted delivery of promiscuous antigens to dendritic cells; Prophylactic implications against experimental brucellosis" as per the break-up given below:

(₹ in Lakhs)

S. No.	Head	Amount
1.	Fellowship	2.40 @ Rs. 20,000/-per month
2.	Contingency	5.00
	Total	7.40

2. The other terms and conditions of the grant shall remain unaltered.
3. The amount of ₹ 7.40 lakhs (Rupees Seven lakhs and forty thousand only) will be drawn by Drawing and Disbursing Officer, DBT, from the Pay and Accounts Officer, DBT and disbursed to the Registrar, Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh-202002, UP through RTGS as per following details:

Name of Bank: State Bank of India (SBI)
Branch Name: AMU Branch, Aligarh
A/c No.: 10812179411
IFSC Code: SBIN0005555
MICR Code: 202002003

4. The expenditure involved is debitable to
Demand No. 87 : Department of Biotechnology
3425 : Other Scientific Research 2013-14
3425.60 : Others
3425.60.200 : Assistance to other Scientific Bodies (Minor head)
3425.60.200.17 : Human Resource Development
3425.60.200.17.08 : Human Resource Development Programmes
3425.60.200.17.08.31 : Grants in Aid General

Acc @ Owais



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D O No.

VII-PRDSF/103/05-

Date:

22.06.2007

Dear Dr. Owais,

I am forwarding herewith the minutes of the first year monitoring committee meeting of the project titled "Evaluation of Tuftsin-bearing polyene nanoparticles in combating some systemic murine fungal infections" among Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh / M/s Cadila Pharmaceuticals Ltd., Ahmedabad held on 18.06.2007 at Ahmedabad for favour of your information & compliance. As and when you receive the industry contribution the same may be communicated to us for taking action to release DST share. Please ensure the observations of the monitoring committee during the second year so that you are able to contribute still more.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

(G.J. Samathanam)

✓ Dr. Owais Mohammed,
Senior Lecturer,
Interdisciplinary Biotechnology Unit,
Aligarh Muslim University,
Aligarh-202002

Copy to:

1. Dr. Rajiv I. Modi, Managing Director, M/s Cadila Pharmaceuticals Ltd., "Cadila Corporate Campus", Sarkhej - Dholka Road, Bhat, Ahmedabad - 382 210.
2. Dr. Bakulesh M. Khamar, Executive Director - Research, M/s Cadila Pharmaceuticals Ltd., "Cadila Corporate Campus", Sarkhej - Dholka Road, Bhat, Ahmedabad - 382 210 - with a request to consider the release of Cadila's second year contribution to AMU as recorded in the minutes. Please take action on the issues industry has to provide information to DST.
3. Shri V.K. Sharma, Advisor (Corporate Affairs), Cadila Pharmaceuticals Ltd., D-1011, New Friends Colony, New Delhi - 110 065

(G.J. Samathanam)

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ISLAMIC SCIENTIFIC ASSOCIATION

The Governing Council of
The Muslim Association for the Advancement of Science
confers Young Muslim Scientist Award for the year 2001 on

Dr. Mohammad Owais
with

Dr. Javed Ali

for his outstanding contribution in the field of Life Sciences.

Dr. Rais Ahmad
Hon'y Secretary

Prof. M.A. Roquib
President





Venus International Foundation
(Regd. Trust in India Vide No.18 / BK-IV / 2015)

Dr. Mohammad Omais
Award Winner

VIFRA 2015

Distinguished Scientist

We Congratulate You!

Dated: 19th December 2015
Chennai - 600088, Tamil Nadu, India.



FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT

12th INTERNATIONAL LIPOSOME RESEARCH DAYS **joint meeting with the 3rd conference on** **LIPIDS, LIPOSOMES & MEMBRANE BIOPHYSICS**

UBC Campus, Vancouver, Canada
August 4-8, 2010

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R. Gaspar	

Conference topics will include:

- Nanotoxicology
- Ligand-targeted and combination therapeutics
- Intracellular delivery
- New technology developments
- Roles of lipids in membranes
- Self-organization of lipids
- Lipid trafficking
- Membrane nanotechnology
- PLUS workshops on
 - commercialization of nanomedicines
 - delivery of gene therapeutics (DNA, siRNA)
 - recent clinical developments
- PLUS the International Alec Bangham Award, poster awards, and sponsor exhibits

All researchers with interests in liposomes, nanomedicines, lipids and biomembranes are invited to join us on the beautiful University of British Columbia campus for an exciting interdisciplinary conference.

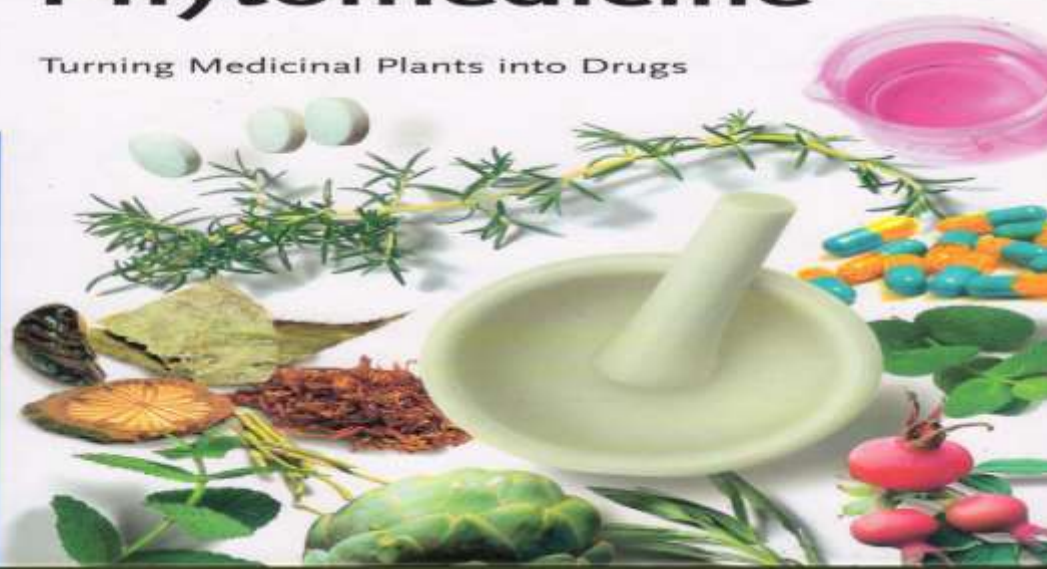
Organizers: Theresa M Allen (terry.allen@ualberta.ca; Pieter R Cullis (pieterc@interchange.ubc.ca)

Edited by Iqbal Ahmad,
Farrukh Aqil and Mohammad Owais

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Modern Phytomedicine

Turning Medicinal Plants into Drugs





To Whom it may concern

This letter is my personal recommendation for Dr. Mohammed Owais. I have seen the profile of Dr. Owais very closely who holds a distinguished record from his Ph.D. days till today specifically in the area of development of liposome-based formulations for the treatment of a range of infectious diseases. His pioneering work in development of nano-particle based delivery systems such as virosomes for gene packaging, liposomes and microspheres for vaccine development, gene therapy vectors and drug delivery systems are being currently exploited by some of the leading pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies to develop some novel drug formulations. Dr Owais work in the area of liposomes technology and nanoparticle has been featured as a cover page by reputed International journals (Molecular Medicine & FEMS-Immunology and Medical Microbiology). He has also developed liposome based antigen delivery vehicles, which can elicit strong immune response against model antigens in animals. Dr. Owais is also currently propagating idea of administering suitable drug formulation along with immunomodulators to combat infectious diseases.

Cadila Pharmaceuticals Ltd., India has sought help of Dr. Mohammed Owais in development of nanoparticle based novel antifungal formulations for treatment of opportunistic fungal infections under the PRDSF program of DST, Govt of India. This product is likely to have great market value and the formulations have been found to impart tremendous increase in efficacy of the drugs. Presently Gennova is evaluating liposome based vaccine delivery options for human phase I clinical trial which have been developed at Dr. Owais lab.

On a personal note, I would like to mention that it has been a pleasure to know a scientist like Dr. Owais, who has developed applied science area so well within academic environment. I wish him all the success in his endeavors and he may add more laurels to his illustrious career.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Sanjay Singh", is written over a light blue grid background.

Sanjay Singh, Ph.D.
Chief Executive Officer

Gennova Biopharmaceuticals Limited

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श्रीदेवीपूजक डॉ. सुभाषराम ठोंसल
संस्थापक मैत्री वादिकल्पन केंद्र,
जहाँ मैं अपने स्वयं से एक-एक
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हैं जो क्षेत्र में 1958 से क्षेत्र
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रूप में डॉ. आर.सी. गैरीस को पुर-
स्कार किया है और एचआईवी संकेतक

Biotechnology in the Service of Humanity

Message

Biotechnology is a frontier area of science with a high potential for the welfare of humanity. New generation of biotechnology developed as a result of intensive work in India has opened up research of national relevance. I am confident that fruits of biotechnology would be harvested for the benefit of millions of our poor people as we move into the next millennium.


(Atal Bihari Vajpayee)
Prime Minister



Message

India is well poised to leapfrog towards a new industrial development by conserving and adding the precious biodiversity of the country via a sustainable trade with the application of biotechnological tools.


(Dr. M. S. Swaminathan)
Minister for IITD & Science and Technology

Significant Achievements

- A novel turgid gene delivery system patented for gene delivery and published in USA.
- Identification of a mutation conferring resistance to leaf infection in Indian population.
- Cloning and sequencing of atleast six genes achieved, especially the seed storage, amino acid, phytochemical and genes for plant defence, for enhancing the nutritional quality. A US patent granted for the seed storage protein gene.
- Plant tissue culture established as an industrial activity. 10 lakh plants of forest and horticulture species field planted in 1000 ha.
- 40% increase in yield achieved in tissue cultured cardamom plants.
- Biofortification and bioenhancement technologies performed and transferred to industry. Bioenhancement field tested for nutritional recovery.
- Transgenic silkworm with budworm gene can act as a biofactor for producing proteins of agricultural and therapeutic importance.

- Biofertilizers and biopesticides formulations demonstrated on large scale in farmers' field. Production units set up.
- 1000 genetically superior culms born through Embryo Transfer Technology (ETT), including 100 buffalo calves.
- Specific primers developed for sex determination of embryos, being used as a subsequence service for farmers.
- Record production of over 10 tonnes/ha/year in two crops of 2/1 years through semi-arid region agriculture obtained.
- Through intensive carp farming production level of 18 tonnes/ha/year achieved.
- Five indigenous recombinant vaccine strain for oral cholera, VA 1-3 and Hissajal diarrhoea enter clinical trials.
- Three indigenous test systems perfected for detection of HIV 1 and 2, and Streptococcal infections, transferred to industry.

- Low cost nutritious food supplement for the school children being produced.
- Leptosome containing anti-leishman is a drug for leishmaniasis, fungal infections and malaria, is under commercialisation.
- Safe culture technology for burnt, new antigen, viral blood and bone marrow preservation technologies transferred to hospitals.
- Centres for DNA Fingerprinting, Plant Consumer, Brain Research, a Golden Jubilee Women's Biotechnology Park and a Biotechnology being established.
- Human resource development in 17 States and UTs produced about 4000 trained students.
- A wide spread scientific network with INTERNET based Biotechnology Service Provider established.
- Large number of biotechnology based programmes to benefit rural population, SC/ST and women successfully conducted.

Department of Biotechnology, Ministry of Science and Technology

Current area of Research:

Among various novel drug delivery systems, Nanoparticles have emerged as a suitable drug vehicle in regulating pharmacokinetics, pharmacodynamics and eventually the bioactivity of the active core compound. Nanoparticles entail en-route shielding of the associated drug molecules and eventually facilitate their targeted delivery to the active site. Nano-particles with corona have been reported to preferentially accumulate at site of injury, infection and inflammation, mostly because of endothelial dysfunction and blood vessel fenestration at such sites.

In spite of their widely acclaimed potential for sustained drug release and potential to accumulate at the desired site, Nanoparticles do come across with series of barriers that prevent achievement of desirable therapeutic outcome. The main emphasis of Dr Owais has therefore been on addressing some of such problems. He has developed siRNA (*cf.* phosphoinositide 3-kinase, Polo like kinase-1 and, E6 of HPV) bearing nano-particles as a delivery vehicle for treatment of skin, liver, breast and lung cancer in model animals. In another study, he demonstrated that liposome prepared with lipid (from *E. coli* or Archae bacteria) can specifically prime dendritic cells to activate both CD4⁺ T helper as well as CD8⁺ T cytotoxic cells of the host. He has also demonstrated that exosomes as well as in-side-out erythrocyte vesicles can deliver encapsulated antigen to cytoplasm of the target cells and find application in development of prophylactic vaccine against murine malaria. Recently, he demonstrated that **nano-particle/amyloid** mediated targeting (mannose/anti-DC-SIGN antibody based) of RD9 gene products of *Mycobacterium sps* to dendritic cells favors Th1 phenotype of elicited CD4⁺ T lymphocytes against tuberculosis, thereby help to cut down the antigen dose by several folds. Besides, he developed nanoparticles based DNA (SOD/IL-18) and L7/L12 ribosomal protein bearing vaccines against experimental brucellosis and escheriosome based subunit vaccines against experimental malaria and leishmaniasis in BALB/c mice.

He has successfully transferred technologies pertaining to development of biomimetically synthesized nanoparticles to industries viz. Cadilla Pharma, Ahmedabad and Gennova, Pune for treatment of cancer and opportunistic infections.

Traditional pharmaceutical approaches, implied in the synthesis of Nano-formulation are obscure, owing to the incompatible physico-chemical properties of the drug as well as various undesirable attributes of the excipients used in synthesis of the formulations. In general, the usage of excipients is curtailed by issues like non-optimal biodegradability, short shelf life, toxicity and non-specific activation of user's immune system. Such issues necessitate strategies that lead to development of excipient free drug delivery systems. Plant based extracts have great potential to induce biomimetic synthesis of Nanoparticles. Generally appreciated for medicinal importance of its antioxidant contents, orange juice is likely to play a role in the fight with cancer. Considering this fact, Dr. Owais proposed a prototype employing orange juice that facilitates biomimetic synthesis of Nano-sized supra-molecular assemblies of 5-fluorouracil (5-FU), a potent anticancer drug. The as-synthesized 5-FU Nanoparticles retained the anti-neoplastic efficacy of the parent compound and induced apoptosis of cancer cells. Excipient-free, biomimetically engineered 5-FU Nanoparticles demonstrated enhanced efficacy against DMBA induced fibrosarcoma in the experimental mouse model when compared to the free form of the drug. Nominee has extended similar biomimetic approach to fabricate amphotericin B, nystatin, cis-platinum, doxorubicin and plethora of anti-fungals as well as anticancer agents-based nanoparticles and established their efficacy in model animals.



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UPDATED FILING RECEIPT



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Date Mailed: 05/28/2015

Receipt is acknowledged of this provisional patent application. It will not be examined for patentability and will become abandoned not later than twelve months after its filing date. Any correspondence concerning the application must include the following identification information: the U.S. APPLICATION NUMBER, FILING DATE, NAME OF APPLICANT, and TITLE OF INVENTION. Fees transmitted by check or draft are subject to collection. Please verify the accuracy of the data presented on this receipt. **If an error is noted on this Filing Receipt, please submit a written request for a Filing Receipt Correction. Please provide a copy of this Filing Receipt with the changes noted thereon. If you received a "Notice to File Missing Parts" for this application, please submit any corrections to this Filing Receipt with your reply to the Notice. When the USPTO processes the reply to the Notice, the USPTO will generate another Filing Receipt incorporating the requested corrections**

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** MICRO ENTITY **

Title

PRODUCTION OF BISPECIFIC ANTIBODIES FOR RAPID DETECTION OF FOOD BORNE
PATHOGENS

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