#### Rahul Sharma

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## **Education**

Integrated PhD (Ph.D.) in Biology, IISERTVM, India	2017 - Present
Integrated PhD (M.S) in Biology, IISERTVM, India	2015 - 2017
B.Sc. (Hons.) in Biological Sciences, University of Delhi, India	2012 - 2015

### **Research Interests**

Protein quality control and organelle homeostasis in context of neurological diseases and cancer biology.

# **Research Experience**

Characterization of ubiquitin ligase(s) role in Golgi homeostasis Ph.D. thesis, Supervisor- Prof. S Murty Srinivasula, IISERTVM, India	2017 - Present
<b>Identification of novel CARP1 and CARP2 interacting partners</b> MS thesis, Supervisor- Prof. S Murty Srinivasula, IISERTVM, India	2015 - 2017
Design, synthesis, and evaluation of novel Chalcone and Coumarine derivatives as anticancer Agents Research project intern, Supervisor- Dr. Sanjay Batra, Sri Venkateshwara College, University of Delhi, India	2014 - 2015

## **Research Skills**

Mammalian cell culture • Generation of stable cell lines • Immunofluorescence • Confocal microscopy • Live-cell imaging • Image analysis by ImageJ • RNA interference • Generation of Knock out cell lines using CRISPR-Cas9 • Transfection • Viral transduction • Western blotting • RNA extraction • cDNA synthesis and qRT-PCR • Luminescence based reporter assays • Immunoprecipitation • Enzymatic assays • Molecular cloning • Site-directed mutagenesis • expression and purification of recombinant proteins • Protein Chromatography: size exclusion and affinity chromatography • Gel electrophoresis (agarose and PAGE) • Electron microscopy of protein crystals • Bioinformatics analysis • Phylogeny generation • Statistical analysis • Basics of MS software

## **Teaching Experiences**

- Gained teaching experience for the following courses:
  - o Cell biology (BIO 221)- Two semesters
  - o Genetics and molecular biology (BIO 211) Two semesters
  - o Physical Principles in Biology (IDC 211)- Three semesters
  - o Biology Lab III- Two semesters
- Trained two students towards completion of MS thesis as a co-guide.
- Trained four students for summer internship.

## **Publications**

- **Sharma, R. et al.** A Review on Mechanisms of Anti-Tumor Activity of Chalcones. Anti-Cancer Agents Med. Chem.16(2), 200–211 (2016).
- Sharma, R. et al. Core of the Prion Subdomain of the Mammalian CPEB3 that is Involved in Long Term Memory Retention, Journal of Molecular Biology 433, 167084 (2021)

# **Membership to Professional Bodies**

- Member of National Ataxia Foundation: Minneapolis, USA
- American Society for Cell Biology: Bethesda, Maryland, USA

#### **Achievements**

- 2021
  - Participated in Popular Science Article under Augmenting Writing Skills for Articulating Research (AWSAR) Programme, Department of Science Technology, India
  - Participated in Saransh-Thesis Competition for PhD students, Indian National Young Academy of Sciences
- 2019
  - Awarded with Senior research fellowship, Council of scientific and Industrial Research, India
- 2017
  - Awarded with Junior research fellowship, Council of scientific and Industrial Research, India
  - Secured the All India **60th Rank in NET-JRF** (National Eligibility Test-Junior Research Fellowship- June 2017) in CSIR-UGC Exam.
  - Secured the I<sup>st</sup> rank in Int. PhD- MS (Biology), IISER TVM.
- 2015
  - Secured the **3<sup>rd</sup> Rank** in B.Sc. (H) in Biological Sciences in University of Delhi.
  - Qualified IISER-TVM Integrated PhD programme Entrance Test, School of Biology. **Awarded with IISER TVM fellowship**.
  - Secured All India **1**<sup>st</sup> **Rank** M.Sc. Animal Biotechnology Entrance Exam, University of Hyderabad, India

- Secured All India 5<sup>th</sup> Rank in the 20th ALL INDIA ENTRANCE EXAMINATION FOR ADMISSION to Masters (AIEEA PG-2015), Indian Agriculture Research Institute.
- Secured All India 9<sup>th</sup> Rank in the Jawaharlal Nehru University COMBINED ENTRANCE EXAMINATION FOR BIOTECHNOLOGY PROGRAMMES 2015-16, India
- Secured All India **27<sup>th</sup> Rank** in IIT JAM (Joint Admission to M.Sc.) exam for Biological Sciences, India.
- 2013-2014
  - **Awarded with fellowship** for Delhi University Research Innovation project.

## Conferences/Symposia/Workshops

- Attended the virtual workshop on Integrating Nutrition and Metabolism on across scales, organized by HHMI, Janelia Research Campus, 2021
- Attended the virtual workshop on Biological tools for 4D Cellular Physiology, organized by HHMI, Janelia Research Campus, 2021
- Attended the virtual workshop on 4D Cellular Physiology: Replace, Repair and Regenerate, organized by HHMI, Janelia Research Campus, 2021
- Attended the virtual workshop on Biological tools for 4D Cellular Physiology, organized by HHMI, Janelia Research Campus, 2021
- Attended the virtual meeting on autophagy, lysosome and membrane trafficking: mechanisms and diseases, organized by EMBO, 2020
- Attended and member of organizing committee of Frontier Symposium in Biology (FS-BIO 2020), IISER TVM, 2020
- Presented the poster in Biology across kingdoms symposium, organized by school of Biology, IISER TVM, 2019
- Presented the poster in satellite meeting to the International Congress of Cell Biology, organized by IISER TVM, 2018.
- Attended as volunteer in the 39th All India Cell Biology Conference on "Cellular biology and Dynamics" organized by IISER TVM, RGCB and Indian Society of Cell Biology, 2015.

#### References

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