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**Subject:** Citation (summary) of outstanding research work of **Dr Prabhat Ranjan Mishra** for SUN Pharma Research Award-2024 nomination in Pharmaceutical Sciences.

**Dr Mishra** has significantly contributed and established a niche area of translational research and actively involved in developing bio-functionalized nano-biomaterials for therapeutics & diagnostic applications and elucidating the mechanistic aspect of its cellular translocation to achieve a higher therapeutic index with the low toxicity of drugs. Major contributions are summarized below:

**Knowledge generation and development:** In brief, he has discovered that breast cancer cell derived exosomes facilitates receptor mediated fusion & intracellular trafficking of quantum dots resulting spatial targeting to tumors at significantly lower dose (*J. Controlled Rel* 2024; *I.F. 11.43*) while acylated pyridoxine exerts proton sponge effect when tethered on nanoparticles that helps in escaping lysosomal degradation to facilitate intracellular drug release resulting fifteen-fold reduction in the therapeutic dose of doxorubicin with enhanced antitumor efficacy (*ACS Appl. Mater. Interfaces* 2016; *I.F. 10.38*). He elucidated key mechanism of Aggregation Induced Emission demonstrating image-guided chemotherapy showing enhanced antitumor efficacy using anisamide anchored lyotropic nano-liquid crystals (*ACS Appl. Mater. Interfaces* 2018; *I.F. 10.38*) while the tumor microenvironment was modulated using endogenous stimuli sensitive nano-systems through synergistic amplification of  $Mn^{2+}$  with betulinic acid to achieve comprehensive cancer nano-theranostics without external stimulus (*Acta Biomaterialia* 2020; *I.F. 10.63*). He also demonstrated that lipid bilayer-camouflaged mesoporous silica nanoparticles deliver metformin and topotecan in a synchronized manner that promotes apoptosis via mitochondrial membrane depolarization to achieve 100-fold higher drug concentration in tumors (*Adv. Healthcare Mater* 2018 *I.F. 11.12*) while redox-sensitive micellar system bearing aldose reductase inhibitor epalrestat and doxorubicin gets disrupted in tumor redox environment to promote synergistic tumor suppression (*Biomater.Sci.* 2019; *IF 7.59*). He elucidated that pegylated chondroitin and hyaluronate anchored taxanes expedite CD44 receptor-mediated endocytosis to exhibit higher tumor regression through the mitochondrial-lysosomotropic pathway (*ACS Appl. Mater. Interfaces* 2018; *I.F. 10.38*) while enhancing oral bioavailability through reversible P-gp modulation a with a significant reduction in tumor growth ensuing patient-friendly "chemotherapy at home" (*Acta Biomaterialia* 2015; *I.F. 10.63*). Over the years he has published more than **145 research papers** (with h-index of **43** and citation of more than **6500**) in peer reviewed international journals.

**Translational contribution and commercialization:** He successfully developed layer-by-layer (LBL) and SMEDDS technology that impacted product development in the area of bone-related disorders. He has been instrumental in patenting 27 technologies, out of which **FIVE have been licensed** to Industries while **TWO are commercialized** as **Joint Fresh™** and **Reunion™** [(Granted *US patent* 8,496,964; *AU Patent*; 2010217238A; *EP patent* 2400957 B1) Other products for the treatment of osteoarthritis and bone loss are also developed (Granted *US Patent* 10,596,115; *AU Patent* 2014291615; *US patent* 10265297)]. In addition, he has been actively involved in developing Umifenovir and its formulation under repurposing for COVID patients whose **Phase III clinical trial** has been completed.

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