Research Experience

Pulmonologist & Respiratory Medicine Specialist

Specializing in Respiratory Diseases, Mycobacterium Tuberculosis (M. tuberculosis), and Multidrug Resistance.

Overview: Expertise in the field of Respiratory Medicine and various Chest diseases
with a primary focus on the persistence, evolution, and mechanisms of multidrug
resistance (MDR) in *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* (M. tuberculosis).

Research Focus:

- Investigating the stress response mechanisms in *M. tuberculosis* and its interaction with human hosts, aiming to understand its role in persistence and multidrug resistance.
- Exploring therapeutic applications for combating the high mortality rates of tuberculosis in India through innovative research.

• Key Research Areas:

1. Multidrug Resistance (MDR) in Tuberculosis:

Focused on the persistence of *M. tuberculosis* in the host despite prolonged antitubercular treatment, contributing to the ongoing challenge of high mortality rates due to tuberculosis in India.

2. Stress Response in M. Tuberculosis:

Investigated the second messenger (p)ppGpp-mediated stress response in *M. tuberculosis*, a key factor in the pathogen's ability to survive under stressful conditions and its role in antibiotic resistance and persistence within human hosts.

Leadership Role in Research Projects

• Research Project on (p)ppGpp-mediated Stress Response in *M. tuberculosis*: Led a project which focused on understanding the role of guanosine 3',5'bis(diphosphate) (ppGpp) and guanosine 3'-diphosphate 5'-triphosphate (pppGpp) in the stress response and survival mechanisms of *M. tuberculosis* under hostile conditions.

Publications & Contributions

- Case Reports: Published multiple case reports on rare and unusual respiratory conditions.
- **Research Articles**: Contributed research articles on respiratory diseases, with particular emphasis on tuberculosis.

Vision for Future Research

- Continuously working toward developing innovative methodologies to expand clinical expertise and also open doors for future research.
- In developing more effective therapeutic strategies for tuberculosis and other respiratory diseases.