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## **Statement of Research Achievements**

Dr. Chauhan research work have attempted to understand the molecular mechanisms by which autophagy play decisive role in controlling the diseases. In an important contribution to the autophagy field, he showed a novel molecular mechanism of biogenesis of protein aggregates under oxidative and proteotoxic stress conditions. In the same study, he and his group uncovered the molecular mechanism by which the stress-induced toxic protein aggregates are degraded by autophagy. This study have enormous implication in understanding the protein aggregates-associated diseases such as neurodegeneration and cancer. In this explicit study, they also showed that inhibiting autophagy and oxidative stress response system (NRF2) can lead to regression of tumors and thus, they described a new combinatorial mechanism for therapeutic targeting of cancer.

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